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## DON CAMERON'S CANDIDACY.

It is claimed that a movement is on foot to bring out Don Cameron, of Pennsylvania, as an independent candidate for president by the Republicans of the free silver states of the West, in conjunction with some Southern state delegations. It is alleged that when it is demonstrated that the Republican party in convention assembled will not commit itself to the free coinage of silver, there will be a bolt of the delegations from Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Utah, Nevada and Wyoming, with the hope of further accessions, to nominate Don Cameron.

Senator Stewart confirms this report to the extent of proclaiming that "our silver people" will support Cameron for the presidency, but this assurance is only good for the pocket borough of Nevada. It is entirely probable, however, that the effort will be made to put up an independent candidate on the platform of free silver and a low protective tariff, in the anticipation of enlisting the mass of the Populists and many Democrats under this standard, as well as the silverite Republicans.

If a free silver majority does not control the Democratic convention at Chicago, and enforce its demands for a free silver plank, there is a practical certainty of a bolt from the convention, and a widespread Democratic revolt. This may mean an independent Democratic candidacy in opposition to the Cleveland machine nomination, but there will doubtless be a strong effort to advance the prospect of success by compromise or combination with the Populists and free silver Republicans.

So it is not beyond the range of possibility that Don Cameron may be the candidate of a combination of free silver men, irrespective of party, though there will be great obstacles in the way of such a union through factional jealousies, personal rivalries and former political antagonisms. The silver coinage Democrats will be exceedingly loath to set up any standard except an avowed Democratic party standard, for old party lines are hard to break, and they are sentimentally proud of parading as the true heirs of the founder of Jeffersonian Democracy. Don Cameron will not be accepted by them except as a bitter pill, and the Populists at large will not like his leadership much better. The actual outcome of the snarl and dissension must be awaited without confident prediction. One hard fact, however, is generally ignored by the boomers of independent candidates. Party splits are far easier to produce in anticipation than in practice. Threatening factions have swayed row many times before, and may do so again.

If the Astoria fishermen really want to find out whether Sand Island is in Oregon or Washington, the courts are open to them. A proceeding to restrain the fish commission of Washington from granting licenses for traps would bring to issue the boundary-line question in short order. Unfortunately, the law is not what they seem to be looking for. They would have suffered the question of concurrent jurisdiction to remain unsettled, as heretofore, in all probability, had not the Oregon fish commission forced it into the courts by the arrest of trappers under the Sunday-closing law. From this source no move can be expected in the present controversy, as such action is not a part of duty enjoined by the state law. The Oregon and Washington fishermen are such confident Sand Island is on their side of the interstate boundary. Let them make up a "friendly" issue and take it to the United States courts—Oregonian.

It has been demonstrated beyond the shadow of a doubt that Sand Island is in the United States, and that the power of the government exceeds that of one Mr. McGraw. For particulars see local column.

The Spanish-Cuban battle at Luchuza last Tuesday, in which the Spaniards suffered a crushing defeat, and the loss of 40 killed and 500 wounded, beside many prisoners, will open the eyes of multitudes in the battle strength of Macco. He and his fellow-patriots are often spoken of as ignorant negroes, but surely they have abilities which it will not do to despise. Also, they are fighting on their own familiar and carefully chosen territory, to which may be added the truth that they are animated by a supreme and intense love of country. Patriotism is a terrible foe to meet on the battlefield.

The presence of several hundred "detained" Italian emigrants on Ellis Island that they may be returned to Italy's sunny clime is an object lesson for every true American citizen. Also, the fact that these undesirable are but the vanguard of some 15,000 more is an object

lesson so full of holes that the most obtuse ought to see clear through the facts involved, and demand as never before the most stringent immigration laws. Welcome the worthy, reject the unworthy.

A ministerial Englishman out in Ohio voted, as he boldly declared, just to show how easily an unnaturalized resident can vote in America. Now he has been convicted of the offense, and the government will show him how easy it is to catch and punish residents of his peculiar American stripe. He had better have kept out of such politics.

Senator Sherman opposes the extermination of the seals on the ground that it is a cruel act and is not to be justified even though the same result is brought about by pelagic hunters. The measure, he thinks, is influenced by spite, and that is not a good ground upon which to carry legislation. It will be wiser, it seems to us, to wait awhile before taking such extreme measures.

Democracy appears to have a stable full of dark horses, judging by the chorus of "nights."

It is superfluous to urge a fusion of silver men in Colorado. It is all fuse.

The subject of a national flower has been revived in New York state.

## JUSTICE.

Three men went out on a summer night; No care had they or aim; They dined and drank—"Ere we go home,"

Said they, "we'll have a game." Three girls began that summer night A life of endless shame; And went through drink, disease and death

As swift as flying flame.

Lawless and homeless, foul they died; Rich, loved and praised the men; But when they all meet with God And justice speaks—what then?

STOPFORD A. BROOKE.

## THE WATER QUESTION.

Councilman McGregor's Views on the Situation.

Astoria, Or., April 24, 1896.

I beg space in your columns for the controversy communication touching the controversy of hydrant rental of the new water system.

All admit the efficiency and superiority of the new system as a means of fire protection. I admit that the expense of maintaining the water system should be borne by all benefited.

Rental for hydrants by taxation will not so distribute the expense of maintenance. The greater portion of that of the city I represent will be deprived of the poor protection it now enjoys and receive nothing in its place.

I consider the taxation for hydrant rental unjust. At first in this locality the fire department have succeeded in getting water with the engines, where it was impossible for them to do so with the new water system.

The question of hydrant rental was brought before the city council on November 5th, 1895, said council shirked its duty by referring the matter to the present council, causing the water commission to increase rates on the consumer January 1st, 1896.

Being informed by the commission that \$5000 rental must be allowed by the city to insure a reduction of rates to the consumer, investigation followed. The water commission brings me to the conclusion that the water commission is not managing business for the best interests of the consumer or taxpayer.

The water commissioners are empowered to borrow on bonds \$50,000 for the construction of water works; they borrowed \$30,000, have spent the same, and are short of \$20,000 to complete the water works. They refuse to issue further bonds to construct the works, but on January 1, 1896, burden the consumer by increasing water rates, and now wish to impose on the taxpayers in a like manner. Water rents and money from all sources have been used by the commission for the construction of the new system. Had sufficient funds been borrowed to construct the water works, there would have been no occasion to increase water rates. The water works were constructed with the expectation of railroad population to help pay for their construction, and when such population rightfully belongs to the present and the future population together.

Thirty-year bonds were issued with the view, and the whole trouble comes in the water commission not having borrowed enough money to cover the cost of construction. Water rents would have accumulated by this time to cover all necessary extensions. The water works were constructed with the expectation of railroad population to help pay for their construction, and when such population rightfully belongs to the present and the future population together.

I believe the sum of \$5,000 demanded by the commission to be in excess of requirement; but the present system of management, but, as I am powerless to change the management, I may be forced to burden the taxpayer that amount for the relief of the consumer, whose water rate at present I consider extortion.

In preference to the allowance of \$5000 hydrant rental I should favor, first, the reduction of water rates to the old standard of 1895; then the city council to make an allowance for hydrant rental equal to the deficiency caused necessary for the actual running expense of the water plant.

When consumers have increased to such extent, I admit that the expense of water is too great. I think the city should be allowed free water. In notifying the water commission that the city council would make no allowance as rental, the committee on fire and water did so on the instruction of the council, and I believe such steps were taken by the council to bring about negotiations.

Touching the saving made in the fire department, would say that in accordance with the plans adopted by the council for re-modeling, the expense of two engines and repairs and fuel for two engines will be saved, amounting to about

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100 per month. If the plans for the remodeling of the fire department as suggested by the insurance surveyor be followed, the expense of maintaining the fire department would far exceed the expense of engine service last year. I look for and expect a reduction in insurance rates on whatever plan the fire department may be re-modeled.

In conclusion I beg to say I am working in this matter as a councilman for what I consider the best interest of water consumer and taxpayer alike.

Very Respectfully,  
 W. F. MCGREGOR.

## CANINE KINDNESS.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

The actors in a pathetic scene on Longworth street Wednesday afternoon were two homeless dogs, but "one touch of nature makes the whole world kin" and forges a mystical chain of sympathy between mankind and the lower animals. One of the dogs lay near a building. Both of his forelegs were broken. A companion dog, one of those curs that never get a kind word, but instead, a kick from everybody, came along with bone between his teeth. This he laid before the wounded canine in a gentle manner. Scores of persons stood on the sidewalk and watched the complete recovery of the injured dog. The dog was all in his power to induce the injured one to gnaw the bone. Never was a more sorrowful for the sufferer of a patient than was the watchmaker die. Many of those who watched the incident were deeply affected. "One of the gentlemen present remarked: "A great many watchmakers die. What is said of it for children, applies equally to adults. As an appetizing, restorative tonic, it sets at work all the processes of digestion and nutrition, and brings back health and strength. In recovering from "grippe," or in convalescence from pneumonia, fever, and other wasting diseases, it speedily and surely invigorates and builds up the whole system.

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## NOTICE FOR BIDS.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the County Court of Clatsop County, until Monday, May 10th, 1896, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the maintaining and operating of a steam ferry across Young's river from the county road ending at Largett's Point, in Sec. 20, Tp. 8 N., R. 3 W., to east Astoria, for one or more years. All bidders will be required to state the size, tonnage and horse power of boat, number of trips to be maintained each day, rates of tollage to be charged, and any other information in regard to establishing and maintaining such ferry. For further information and details application should be made to J. H. D. Gray, County Judge. All bids to be endorsed "Proposals for Ferry Across Young's River."

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