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One of Oregon's greatest needs is home manufactures. We ship annually carload after carload of beef and mutton into the Eastern markets and buy most of our hams, bacon, lard and canned meats from the great packing houses of Chicago. We sell tons of fresh fruits to the people east of the Rocky mountains, at prices that leave only a microscopic profit to the grower, and import into the state high priced jellies, preserves and similar delicacies. We do this thoughtlessly, recklessly and imprudently when we could as well produce all these necessities of life at home. We have a soil and climate naturally adapted to the cultivation of flax and yet we buy all of our linens from the East and across the seas; we export large quantities of wool and import practically all of our woolen goods; we import all of our sugar in the raw material, yet we have the finest sugar beet country in the world. The farmers of Oregon sell the raw material in the lowest market and buy the finished product in the dearest. They practically pay the cost of freight and handling both ways when they should only pay the first cost of the raw material and of manufacture. Home manufactures will not only enable them to do this but will also increase the wealth and population of the state, give employment to the unemployed lift the producing classes out of debt and make them free and independent citizens. The people of Oregon must become manufacturers as well as producers if they wish to build up a prosperous commonwealth.

The democratic press of this state is justly taking certain federal appointees of the Cleveland administration to task for not only retaining republican clerks in office but also for making appointments direct from the republican ranks. It is the custom of the country and of political parties to select men for official position who are substantially in accord with the administration in power. Our republican friends practice this just and equitable method invariably, and it is certainly an unexpected innovation on the part of President Cleveland's appointees to adopt the opposite policy. It comes to our ears that several high officials are filing clerkships with republicans right along. This is unjust to democrats as individuals and an outrage upon the party organization in the state. We believe in permitting every honest and efficient republican official to serve out his term of office, but that is as far as political amenities should be extended. The old Jacksonian policy is the only principle that will give cohesive strength to any political organization. Men do not manipulate politics simply for empty applause. They must know and feel that the political laborer is worthy of his hire. Men should be honest with themselves and with their party.

While it is always prudent to avoid debt and especially commendable on the part of any legislative or executive body to curtail public expenses in the interest of the heavily burdened taxpayers, yet there are certain improvements that should be made in this city as early a date as the financial condition of the treasury will permit. We refer particularly to improvements in the hygienic conditions of the city. There are pools of stagnant water in various parts of the city which are a menace to the health of the community. At this season of the year these pools are the lurking places of the various forms of malaria, where the microbes of infectious disease propagate and colonize by the million. A thorough, but not necessarily expensive, system of tiling would reduce this danger to a minimum. While it is not expedient at present to entail any further expense upon the taxpayers of the city, but it would be well to bear in mind the advisability of making the improvement as soon as it becomes practicable to do so. We simply call attention to the nuisance as a source of danger to the city.

Public sentiment both in this country and Europe is strongly in favor of an international monetary conference. Premier Ribot said in the French chamber of deputies on February 2: "I am of the opinion that the abolition of the free coinage of silver, in which the German government took the initiative, precipitated the agricultural crisis." The majority of the people of both

America and Europe believe that the demonization of silver is one of the leading causes of the shrinkage in value of all agricultural products. Whether this contention is right or wrong it is believed to be true by the people, and the strong pull of public sentiment is going to force the leading commercial nations to readjust the monetary conditions of the world. It is this conviction that is behind the agrarian movement in Germany and the French prohibitory customs duties. It is the belief of the American wheat and cotton growers, and of the producer in India and Argentina. A monetary revolution is near at hand.

The strong intimated and eloquent editor of the Amity Blade settles the woman-suffrage question in the following off-hand manner: "Woman has been ordained by a supreme power to fill the noblest place in the creative plan, but to put herself on an equality with man would not be to elevate, but to degrade herself, for she would lose all that makes life possible, love; and gain much of that which makes life hard to bear, selfishness. Let woman keep within her sphere—it is best. Let her be a Penelope not a Circe." We do not pose as a champion of woman's rights, so-called, but we remember hearing the same arguments used in opposition to women fitting themselves for the learned professions, law, medicine and the ministry. It is quite probable that woman will never enjoy full political privileges will, her stronger helpmate, man, but it is difficult to make out a strong case against her inalienable rights just the same.

The Oregonian says: "Since the conference seems an accomplished fact, it is more than ever a pity that the United States has thrown away her influence in advance by electing as delegates a lot of silver monometalist fanatics, to whom nobody will listen." We presume the "nobody" to whom the Oregonian refers is the wealthy banking syndicates of Europe and America. The American delegates to the proposed international monetary conference represent largely the sentiment of the voting population of the country. Senator Teller is really the only member of the delegation who is an extreme silver advocate, and as he is a man of broad views he will hardly jeopardize the success of the conference by advocating extreme views. It is not probable that any number will advocate putting the ratio at 32 to 1. In other words the ratio advocated by the Oregonian will hardly be adopted by the conference.

The gold standard organs scent a new danger to their system of money and finance in the settlement of the war indemnity between China and Japan. They clearly see that if Japan demands the indemnity payment in gold that it will cause a serious drain on both Europe and America, and the business stability of these countries will necessarily be seriously disturbed. There is hardly any question as to the kind of metal Japan will stipulate the indemnity to be paid in, as that country is practically on the gold basis. The Japanese are too shrewd a people to let the Chinese get the better of them in a deal which involves hundreds of millions of dollars. Japan will evidently demand payment in gold.

The probability of peace between China and Japan has caused silver to take a sudden rise in London. It is said that the reopening of trade with China, independent of the war indemnity, will call for an increased use of that metal. The prospects of an early international monetary conference evidently has something to do with strengthening the tone of the market. If the United States, Germany, Russia and the nations of the Latin Union were to throw their mints open to the free coinage of silver a new era of prosperity would dawn upon this country, and the condition of the masses throughout the civilized world would be materially improved.

Within the last six months the world has witnessed the rise of a new military and maritime power in Northeastern Asia, which is destined to be a mighty civilizing force among the semi-barbarian millions of the Orient. The oldest and most populous nation of the world has been humbled and rendered helpless by a nation of less than 40,000,000 people. The end is rapidly drawing near, and probably within a month "the pomp and circumstance of war" will cease to exist between China and Japan. The Japanese have made a short and vigorous campaign. They have astonished both themselves and the world.

No cocky Spaniard can fire on "Old Glory" with impunity. For once Secretary Gretnam has manifested the true American spirit.

The financial conditions of the country for the past three years have afforded the people ample opportunity to cultivate the homely virtues of frugality and unremitting industry. If these two lessons have been well learned the troublous times through which we are passing will not have been wholly an unmitigated evil. Prosperity has its drawbacks as well as adversity. In flush times people become extravagant and careless in their business methods. They look to large results and forget the small details, and when too late to remedy the evil they find that the canker of neglect has destroyed their substance. Prudence, economy and industry are the only royal paths that lead to honorable and legitimate prosperity, to the building of a fortune that rests easy on a man's conscience.

The federal tender decrease in the New York banks was something over \$7,000,000 last week, and the circulation had increased \$82,000,000. Does it portend another raid on the gold reserve or does it mean the putting of more money into legitimate business.

In the red facts in the Alliance affair as captain Cozzaman reports them, Spain will make prompt restoration for the wanton insult to the American flag. About the only thing that the Spanish government can be expected to do is to apologize and discipline the offending officer.

J. L. Castle has 600 head of sheep ready to market in Portland, says the Corvallis Times, and will probably start with them this week. Although there is a railroad from here to Portland, the entire band will be driven. It costs 10 cents per head to drive them, and it costs over 30 cents per head to ship them by rail. Over 5,000 head of Benton county sheep were marketed in Portland last season, and of the entire lot only one carload was shipped.

Salem Post: The kick against Oregon's railroad commission is not confined to the state. From away up in the state of Washington comes complaint, and an appeal is made to Governor Lord W. H. Reed, a grand dealer of Tacoma, alleges that he has written repeatedly to the Oregon railroad commission for information as to freight rates on grain in Oregon. Mr. Reed states that he has enclosed stamps each time and offered to pay expenses of information, yet has received no reply, and he further complains that the Oregon commission is the only one that has ever refused his firm such information. We shall anxiously await the reply of the commission to this charge against their efficiency, and more anxiously await the fate of this commission.

Fruit Growers Meeting.
According to notices published quite a lot of the fruit growers of Polk county met at Dallas, Saturday the 16th instant, for the purpose of organizing a "Polk County Fruit Grower's Union." Among them were some of the most substantial fruit growers of the county, and we had an enthusiastic meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Hon. T. J. Hayter, and its object stated, after which he was elected chairman of the meeting.
On motion H. G. Campbell was elected temporary secretary.
On motion J. B. Nunn was elected temporary corresponding secretary.
On motion the Chair appointed Wm. Grant, D. P. Stouffer and H. G. Campbell as a committee to draft constitution and by-laws. The secretary was then instructed to correspond with Willis Brown of the Portland Fruit Grower's Union, for the purpose of ascertaining at what date he could be with us to help organize, and to then give notice of our next meeting by publication. The time of the meeting being a time to suit Mr. Brown's convenience. The secretary was then instructed to furnish a copy of the proceedings of this meeting to the several newspapers of the county. On motion we then adjourned to meet at call of corresponding secretary.
H. G. CAMPBELL,
Secretary.

BUENA VISTA.

Bates Hubbard, of Falls City, was in town last week.
Monroe Kreutz has been improving the fences around his town property.
Hamby Harmon, of near Calvary church, was visiting his brother here last Sunday.
Joe Miller, M. N. Prather and Melvin Baldwin went up the Luckiamute fishing last week. The catch was small owing to too much snow.
Mrs. J. A. McLain has been quite sick but is much better at present.
Miss Althea Hall was quite ill last week but she is improving now.
A carriage load of Independence people passed through our town last Sunday.

Rev. J. R. Baldwin preached an able sermon here last Sunday. We hope he will soon favor us again.
H. R. Hall and Chas. Beck made a few days visit to Philomath last week.
The "Hard Times Comedy Co." will present their drama at the Odd Fellows hall, in Buena Vista, on Saturday evening, March 30. Come everybody and enjoy a good laugh.
The public school here will give an entertainment at the close of the term in about four weeks.
Rev. Ballantyne preached his last sermon before conference last Sunday.
BRUNO.

DALLAS.

The debating society met at the academy last Friday evening.
The Dallas baseball team expect to play at Monmouth next Saturday afternoon.
The M. E. brethren will organize a bible society Wednesday evening.
Miss Emma Dempsy, of this city, visiting in Monmouth last Saturday.
The "Novello" quartette from Monmouth gave an interesting entertainment here Saturday evening.
The citizens met in convention Saturday evening but did not bring out a city ticket.
Bicycle agents are getting to be quite plentiful in Dallas.
The reading circle met at W. M. Kinney's residence last Monday evening.
The Dallas baseballists were beaten by the Monmouth team last Saturday. Score 7 to 5.
Groven.

PARKER.

Miss Nettie Crosby, of Monmouth, is our school mistress. The school board added a globe, dictionary and a new stove to the room.
Miss Addie Moody, of Corvallis, was visiting here this week.
Cyrus Bradley was helping organize a literary society at Siver last week.
Spurling Bros. have been buying a lot of calves, pigs etc. at this place recently.
Twenty-five hundred bushels of wheat was shipped from Helmick race house last week.
Jack Venoss' logging men are cutting green timber opposite town and dumping it directly into the river.
Ted Baltra and family were sojourning here the first of the week. His home is in Woodburn, Marion county.
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