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The Japanese show the same fertility of resources in diplomacy that they have manifested on the field of battle. The attempted assassination of Li Hung Chang at Simonsaki by the hand of a Japanese fanatic, no sooner touched a sympathetic chord in the public heart than the sagacious Mickado proclaimed an unconditional armistice to take immediate effect within the limits of the territory occupied by the Japanese forces in China. The open ocean and the islands in the Yellow sea are not included in the terms of the armistice. This leaves Japan free to operate her forces against Formosa and adjacent islands. It is clearly evident that the big island will be in the possession of the Japanese long before the terms of peace can be ratified between the two countries, and Japan can legitimately claim Formosa by right of conquest and possession. The wily Japanese are as skilled in diplomatic fencing as they are in the heroic arts of war. Japan shines as a brilliant meteor among the galaxy of nations, and if martial valor, patriotic zeal and sprightliness, keen intelligence on the part of her people will keep the little island empire to the front, she is certain to be a potent force in the new civilization that is dawning upon the Orient. Indeed, Japan is clearly the arm and brain that is to rejuvenate, rehabilitate and modernize the old, effete civilization of the East. This new nation, yet old in ethnic growth and racial life, has burst upon the world like a strange comet from the abyss of space. A new world force has come into being, a mighty civilizing power has arisen within the memory of the present generation, and all Asia feels the thrill of the new life that is pulsing through her veins.

This monetary question is a burning issue in Germany. Count Mirbach, who originated the present movement for a monetary conference, says: "Bimetallism in Germany is not any longer a currency question, but a universal, national, economic one." It is quite probable that the convening of the international conference will be temporarily delayed owing to the strong bimetallic movement now on foot in England. It is thought that by waiting until this sentiment becomes an established fact among the English people, England will consent to send representatives to the conference and unreservedly assist in bringing about a more substantial agreement as to the relations of the two metals. Germany and France, no less than the United States, realizes the necessity of having a double standard, so called; the necessity of increasing the volume of the circulating medium, of putting more money into the hands of the people. The masses are becoming restless under existing conditions and demand a change in the monetary system of the world. That an improved monetary system will be adopted in the near future by common consent of the leading commercial nations is now apparent. The single gold standard is a failure, it is being recognized as such the world over and a return to the bimetallic system prior to 1873 is demanded.

There is unmistakable evidence of business revival in the East. Bradford's report goes to show a decided upward tendency in the price of raw materials, which is something out of the ordinary line as the rise in values usually begins with the finished product. When the turn of the tide is in favor of the producing classes it is always encouraging, for the farmer is still the bone and sinew of the United States, with the exception of the New England states. The prosperity of five years ago cannot return at once, but there is no reason why the upward tendency should not be gradual and continual for several years to come. There is much in the present outlook to encourage the farmer and the small producer, and their prosperity means the mutual prosperity of all. It means more trade for the merchant, greater activity for the banker and dealers in reality, increased business for the small traders and better wages and more labor for the wage earner. Unless the usual signs of business revival are no longer an index of commercial health the country is undoubtedly sailing towards the open sea of prosperity.

According to the Oregonian the country is safely and largely bimetallic in sentiment. "McKinley is a bimetallist. So is Harrison. So is Reed. So is every republican leader of influence or consideration." It is encouraging to be informed from so authoritative a source that this is the actual condition of the public mind. Certain stupid folks had been led to suppose from the tenor of the Oregonian's remarks heretofore that the country was overwhelmingly for gold monometallism, we make the correction for we are sadly told these terms are not synonymous. Of course it would never do to bring upon the country "the evils of a debased currency" by admitting silver to free and equal coinage with gold, for that would be silver monometallism. Bimetallism means unlimited coinage of one metal and limited coinage of the other, gold and silver. The people are learning some very astute definitions on the money question which they cannot find in the writings of Mill or Ricardo.

Local railroad booming is becoming the all absorbing topic both in this state and California. The Astoria & Goble road is of great local interest to the people of the Willamette valley. It will afford a direct outlet to the seaboard for the produce of the valley which will be a great gain to the farming community. The California road is for the purpose of giving an outlet to the products of the San Joaquin valley. The building of these roads mark the beginning of a new business era on the Pacific coast.

The successful business man knows just when and how to plant a "catch" and. He who advertises his business impresses the public as having confidence in the good quality of his goods and wares. The public have confidence in a business man who has the courage to compete against all comers.

MONMOUTH.
 Rain! Rain! Rain! and the farmer smiles.
 V. O. Boots is on the sick list—Vintee has the grip.
 The bike craze has struck Monmouth in its full strength.
 A number of new wheels arrived on Monday's train—How the boys did smile.
 J. E. Miller has disposed of his drug business to Mr. Frank Lucas. The new proprietor taking charge April 1. Mr. Miller has been in business in Monmouth for the past two years, and has won many friends who will be sorry to hear that Johnnie contemplates leaving Monmouth to cast his lot with the Southern Oregon people. Mrs. Miller's health has been very poor this winter and the change is made on that account. The Enterprise bespeaks for Mr. Lucas grand success in his new business. Frank has many old-time friends in and around Monmouth.

The city marshal has placed a tile drainage in the frog pond just west of the P. O. that will spoil the small boys pleasure, but add greatly to the appearance of the street. Let the good work go on.
 The merchants of Monmouth all say business is good and times improving.
 The Woodmen of the World organized a council here on the 25th with 31 charter members. The boys are all very enthusiastic and intend to make this one of the leading councils of the state.
 Prof. W. A. Ginn organized a class in music at the Calvary church on the 20th. This is the fourth class the Professor has taught at that place which speaks well for the instructor. The class opened with 35 members.
 The Novello Quartette contemplates giving a concert in the opera house at Independence on April 6. Look out for a treat. The boys are loaded to the guards and a good time is assured those who attend.

A L. Spray is beginning improvements this spring by building a new fence around his place of residence, which will add much to the appearance of his property.
 J. E. Bond has moved to Crowley station this week where he will erect a warehouse for the storage of the coming crops. Many successes go with him, is the wish of his many friends, he is leaving.
 Wm. Percival drove a band of sheep through town Saturday going to Independence where he will ship them to Portland.
 U. L. Frazer has lately purchased a new bicycle. He does not intend being late to dinner any more.
 Ad. Haley is clerking in at the old Wheeler stand for Curt Hawley, till he shall get his normal book store enlarged and put the stock in it.
 Prof. Ginn holds his class in music, at the Calvary church every Monday evening.
 H. S. Portwood has just received a new supply of neck ties that add greatly to the appearance of his display windows. They are dandies.
 Curt Hawley has purchased the

confectionery formerly owned by Mr. Wheeler.
 The "Hon" was one day late. The month of March came in like a lamb and went out like a sheep.
 Hax & Rex
RICKREALL.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Gibson spent Sunday at Monmouth.
 Rev. Whitmore lectured to a large and attentive audience Sunday evening. Subject, "Gospel, Law, Medicine—Which?" It was discussed in a very able and pleasing manner.
 Several in this vicinity have recently sold their potatoes at 20 cents per bushel.
 Base ball game next Saturday afternoon, between the boys and the men, to see who pays for an outfit. There is no reason why Rickreall can not boast of having a base ball team as well as our neighboring towns.

D. A. Hong spent Sunday with his parents near Saver.
 Miss Sophia Goff was visiting at Mr. Orr's the first part of the week.
 The S. B. K's gave a sociable Monday evening at the Masonic hall. After the program the evening was spent in playing games.
 SYDNEY.

Independence Fruit Farm
 Miss Lulu Mason has been on the sick list, but is much better now.
 Dr. Overall, father-in-law of H. Best, has purchased 10 acres of the Independence Fruit Farm from J. W. Kirkland, which he is putting to prunes under the practical management of D. A. Hodge. The Independence Fruit Farm will yet blossom like the rose.
 Mrs. Chas. Huntley and her fine 9 pound boy are getting along splendidly, but poor Charlie's recovery is very doubtful.
 Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Stevens, of Portland, parents of Mrs. Chas. Huntley, are making an extended visit in Polk county.
 Miss Lulu Mason has been engaged to teach the Hazel Dell school. Miss Lulu wants to get where the hazel switches grow abundantly. Now, Johnnie, be a good little boy.
 Joe Bowler is manufacturing young violins. All orders promptly filled.
 CENTUX.

DALLAS.
 Mr. Simonton, of Dixie, was in Dallas Tuesday on business.
 Our city election resulted in a victory for the republicans, excepting city marshal who is a democrat. There is one councilman in doubt.
 Rev. Woods, of Dayton, Yamhill county, preached from the Christian pulpit Sunday.
 Mrs. Wm. Kimble, of this city, died last Thursday after an illness of several days.
 Prof. Sanders is preparing to give a grand exhibition at the close of his school.
 "Uncle" Cage Morrison and others, who have been on the sick list for some time, are improving.
 Rev. Spackhammer is preaching some of the best sermons that have ever been preached in Dallas.
 Our city ordinance compelling people to keep their cows up was out April 1, and the cows were very much surprised to get out to see the world once more.
 If the recently elected republican council attend to the affairs of this city as well as the late republican legislature did for the people of the state, Dallas will, no doubt, become as prosperous as the woolen mill.

Rev. J. L. Futtrell preached at Perrydale last Sunday.
 The Presbyterians will hold their synod here next Thursday. About seventy delegates and preachers are expected to be present.
 Since the mud has been cleaned off Main Street the business portion of our city has a decent appearance.
 James McGowan, son of Merchant McGowan of this city, has recently arrived here from Burns, Eastern Oregon.
 Rev. Ginn, of this city, preached at Liberty last Sunday.
 There will be about 150 delegates here to attend the Epworth League convention which is to be held in the M. E. church commencing Thursday April 4, and is expected to last till Sunday.
 GROVER.

BUENA VISTA.
 John Kays visited Albany last Saturday.
 Rev. Parsons, of Salem, preached for us last Saturday evening and Sunday.
 Geo. Wells, paid Albany a flying visit last week.
 Eugene Palmer and wife of near

Corvallis, was visiting friends here last Sunday.
 Misses Cassie and Nellie Bonney, accompanied by their two brothers, were visiting relatives at this place last week.
 The steamer Maria is towing logs from the Luckiamute basin to Newb rg.
 Chas. Hall, of Wells, is often seen on are streets.
 L. C. Parker, grand master of the I. O. O. F. lodge, visited our lodge last Saturday evening.
 Dr. Boynton left last Friday for Humboldt, Nevada, to attend the bedside of an invalid uncle.
 Little Gracie Kan has been quite sick, but is now slowly improving.
 The public school will give an entertainment on the 18th of this month.
 Wm. Durrell has several tons of pure cheat hay for sale.
 BAUXO.

Council Proceedings
 City council convened in regular session Tuesday evening April 2. Mayor Hurley in the chair. Members present: Cook, Clodfelter, Finch, Strong and Walker. Absent: Percival. Finance committee recommended reduction of several bills—adopted. Street committee recommended that per request of Mr. Cooper that be allowed 30 days time to repair sidewalk adjacent to the Gem Saloon—granted. A resolution was introduced and passed authorizing the building of a new sidewalk on the west side of second street between D and Monmouth street etc. Ordinance committee reported in favor of an ordinance to "establish the grade on G street"—adopted. The following resolution appeared to said ordinance was adopted: "It appearing that more than two thirds of the property holders on G street have petitioned the council to have said street improved and graded, and there being no remonstrance against said improvement, be it therefore resolved by the council, of said city of Independence, that said improvements and grade be made with out the publication of notice thereof, and that this resolution be entered in the journal of said city." First reading of ordinance bills. "An ordinance to establish the grade of G street in the city of Independence." was introduced and passed first, second and third reading—carried by unanimous vote. First reading of "an ordinance providing for the appointment of a street commissioner and to regulate the grade of the streets in the city of Independence, and to establish a system of sewerage, and for the collecting and working out of the road and street tax, and to provide for a bridge road within the city of Independence."
 On motion said ordinance read second time by title. On motion rules suspended and ordinance read third time. The chair announced that the ordinance was placed upon its final passage. Three members voting Aye, and two voting No. On motion of Councilman Strong said vote was reconsidered and said ordinance referred back to the ordinance committee. Under the head of new business the saloon bonds of J. R. Cooper, S. E. Owen and Layton Smith were approved and the recorder instructed to issue license thereon. The official bond of Treasurer Richardson, under ordinance No. 28, was approved etc. Bills against the city were ordered paid as follows: M. O. Potter, \$12.00; Mitchell & Bohannon, \$15.00; Gutta Parcha Rubber Co., \$15; J. W. Fetzer, \$30; L. C. Gilmore, \$50; A. J. Tupper, \$35.50; Electric Light Co., \$72; J. T. Ford, \$5.90; J. W. Richardson, \$5.90; Kelley & Roy, \$3; A. W. Dockstader, \$1.25. Total \$246.05.
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