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MR. BRYAN AT HOME.

Mr. Bryan has arrived. His European trip is ended and he has been welcomed home, with probably the greatest demonstration a private citizen ever received. In his arrival speech Mr. Bryan has given the country a new issue. While all shades of democrats saw in Bryan the possibility of re-uniting their party, he has upset their calculations, leaving party expediences to be adjusted to his ideas on government ownership. It required a bold stroke, but Mr. Bryan made it and it is now the issue. Shall the government assume control of the great Trunk Line railroads? Mr. Bryan will be the democratic nominee for president if he wants it. With his nomination goes endorsement of the government ownership project. His position makes the demand for Roosevelt to be a candidate to succeed himself more imperative than before. The big railroad interests have been much angered at Roosevelt as they have been compelled to watch him "bust" their mergers, expose their rebates, discriminations and alliance with coal miners, and force a rate bill through congress. What Roosevelt is attempting, and seemingly effectively doing in curbing and controlling railroad rapacity, Bryan would accomplish by a revolutionary prescription. He would plunge the nation into government ownership at once. Thinking people, at least some of the best thinkers and statesmen of even his own party, are afraid of the proposed experiment as they were afraid of his free silver theory in '96. A new line of division and cleavage has been set up by the democratic leader. That the people will not be satisfied with a policy less aggressive toward control of the railroads than Roosevelt, is patent. No other republican is so strong with the people and it is doubtful if any other republican can be elected over Bryan with his government ownership policy. However much railroad interests may have hated Roosevelt, it is pretty near to that point where that interest must choose between Roosevelt with his uncompromising determination to control them, or Bryan and government ownership, which means that their watered stock must go for nothing and the roads pass into the hands of Uncle Sam at their actual valuation. It would mean a separation of the railroad stockholders from their accustomed dividends and depriving the captains of finance of that fruitful field of speculation in railroad stocks. Bryan for the democratic nomination and Roosevelt the republican!

FINDS AN OLD LAW.

Governor Chamberlain has discovered that there is on the statute books an old law requiring all railroad corporations within the state to annually report to the Secretary of State a complete detailed statement of its condition, expenses, etc. The Governor, as Chief Executive of the State, asked the Secretary to make demand on the railroads in accordance with the law. Secretary of State Dunbar, having ignored the law for eight years, holds that in his opinion it has been repealed, and declines to make demands on the roads. Mr. Dunbar's position is untenable. The law under which the Governor directs him to act is found in Bellinger & Cotton's code, and that is sufficient to warrant compliance therewith. There are grounds for doubt as to the validity of the law, as there is in regard to other laws in the code, but that is not a question for the Secretary of State to pass on. That belongs to the judiciary department of government. It is enough for the Secretary to know that the law is on the statute books. If the validity of the law in question is to be brought to a test, the initiative should be taken by the railroad companies, not by the Secretary of State. It is the duty of the Secretary of State to comply with every law on the statute books until they are declared invalid by the courts, and a law pertaining to a corporation should be enforced with as much zeal as one pertaining to the humblest citizen in the state.

The Observer thinks the suggestion to oil Polk county roads somewhat dreamy. But its no hop dream in the midst of hop picking season. Its a reality already. The movement has been started by the town of Monmouth. This paper never contemplated oiling every trail and cow path but the necessity of oiling the roads in the hop section prior to hop picking time is patent to every one. Something must be done if possible to allay the stifling dust resulting from the tremendous travel. The roads should be oiled from Independence four miles north to the vicinity of the big Horst yard and four miles south to the Krebs yard. The road should also be oiled from Independence to Monmouth, and then on to Dallas. The comfort and accommodation of the public demand at least this much of the Polk county roads be oiled. Then the Observer's statement that Polk county is a long way from the oil wells is subject to modification. The fact is there is an oil well right in the heart of Polk county. It is on the Whiteaker farm near Monmouth. Options have been secured on land from Dallas to Monmouth and it is within the realm of probability that Polk county will soon be furnishing oil for sprinkling its own roads as well as oil for the markets.

The production of gold in the United States last year was 4,178,592 fine ounces, valued at \$86,337,700. This is a gain of about \$6,000,000 in value over the output for the calendar year 1904. The gain comes largely in Alaska, while of the other large producers California alone shows a reduction.

Eastern papers tell of a girl disjoining her neck by suddenly jerking back when she was about to be kissed. The danger can be avoided by leaning a little forward.

Fruit Inspector Nunn of Polk county, and presumably the inspector of every county in the state is demanding that grocers and fruit dealers generally sell no apples with worms in them. The purpose is good but it is a case of beginning at the wrong end to effect a reform in producing better fruit. Each county has a paid inspector and it is the duty of that official to see that every fruit grower complies with the law by spraying his trees at the proper time. It smacks of laziness on the part of the inspectors to wait until fruit reaches the groceries and then forbid it passing any further. If a fruit inspector wants to give something in return for the salary he is pulling down he will have to get busy spraying time. It has been demonstrated that spraying saves the apple and the enforcement of the law should begin in the orchards. Reports come to this office of some orchards in this county completely ignoring the law.

The harvest season may keep some children out of school a little later than usual this fall. But the hop field and prune orchard make a pretty good school for boys if properly restrained.

Whether they like them or not, the ladies will wear a Vesta Tilla or Peter Pan hat this fall.

One thing about the Rev. Smythe of St. Johns, he talks right out in meeting.

If bothered with qualms about whipping a boy on a full stomach, just turn him over.

Yesterday was labor day in the hop district.

Hop pole! Box full!

Enough discouragement cannot be heaped up before Captain Skinner to turn him from his purpose to run a boat between Independence and Salem. The launch "Independence" that was a failure with gasoline is now to be rigged up with steam and the Captain announces she will again be on the river within six weeks, with himself at the helm and son, Claude, at the engine. The engine has been ordered from South Boston and upon arrival in Portland, where the boat now is, will be installed at once.

W. W. Percival left Sunday with his string of gallopers and jockeys for the Roseburg races that are on for this week. Besides Chita, his own, Mr. Percival shipped the Hop Yard Queen, owned by C. A. McLaughlin, and also Plunket. Harvey Copeland and Roscoe Staats went as riders. Independence will likely be heard from in the Roseburg races.

If you have a small hop yard or other acreage to exchange for residence property in Corvallis, the site of the State Agricultural College, and bringing in an income, see Lyon & Dickinson.

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