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A better name for United democracy in Greater New York would be Bryan-democracy. It is easier understood.

England is again convulsed by a rumor which the Canadians have hatched to the effect that Uncle Sam is negotiating with Denmark for Greenland. Our citizens do not believe the story.

W. L. Brown of the New York News-Dispatch that Bryan's letter has been published. He has one, though, which he has shown to a few of the editors. If he keeps it this secret will be deceiving any one.

A cabinet crisis is present with the Madrid, Spain, government. The conservatives have resigned and are about to be replaced with the Laborists. If a change is made it will be favorable for U. S. Diplomacy.

The monthly deficit in the national treasury is decreasing by reason of increased receipts from international revenue sources. The meaning of this is that more business is doing and that prosperity is becoming prosperous.

A recent cartoon that was not in a Bryan-democratic paper is a good one. Its title is "raising something besides wheat." A farmer stands by a plump shock of wheat and kicks a folded paper high in the air. This paper is labeled "farm mortgage."

Henry George the land taxer has been nominated by united democracy for mayor of Greater New York. He is a logical candidate since he but a short time ago headed a socialist labor ticket for the same office. George does not unite the democratic factions.

A friend met a pronounced populist this week. The populist accosted his neighbor with: "How is confidence?" Quick came the answer "By the appearance of that fence of Dr. Tameless upon which you are at work, he is here." The pop was silent.

A bloody fight last Monday night between minor factions growing out of the Hazleton mob difficulties. The struggle lasted over an hour when the attacking party was repulsed. The retreating miners were followed by the now enraged Poles and renewed the fight which lasted till day light. The police were powerless to control the rioters. Nine are known to have been killed or mortally wounded. How many more received slight injuries could not be learned. The question now is who will do the sympathy act?

Some days ago a bogus dispatch was sent from Madrid and published in a Paris paper in which it was stated that the United States had plainly told Spain that she must accord autonomy to Cuba by the last of Oct. or we would declare war. Although the falsehood of this statement was promptly shown by the Washington authorities, the Germans prefer to believe the lie. Prominent German papers work themselves into a passion and demand that nothing will answer except the sound thrashing of the jingo Yankees. Would it not be well for the Teutons to study English orthography for a time till they can spell "able"? While they are doing that, monotony might be broken by studying American history, such as the results of the siege of Vicksburg, the battle of Gettysburg and that of the Wilderness. America is not in the habit of sending ultimatums. If we can convince the Spaniards that it is their interest and duty to spare Cuba Germany should not complain. If through Spain, bolstered by the hope of German assistance, should attack us, we will evolve a few more Grants, Shermans, Lees and Sheridans.

The proposed action of the Argentine Republic in placing a tariff of 100 per cent on our kerosene and farm implements, 125 per cent on wagons and 100 per cent on yellow pine is not a subject for great anxiety. We bought from Argentine last year over nine million dollars' worth of goods and sold her less than six millions' worth, and her statesmen will probably see that they are biting off their own noses if they go into a commercial fight with a country to which they sell vastly more than they buy from her. The total value of our sales to Argentine last year of the articles she proposes to thus "freeze out" was a little over one million dollars, while her sales to us of hides and wool amounted to about eight million dollars. She will have an interesting time if she attempts a commercial and tariff war of this sort. Of course the United States does not want to lose any of her foreign trade but when it is remembered that our sales of the articles in question to Argentine last year amounted to only about one one-thousandth of our total exports, it is not a matter for serious anxiety even if the proposed action is taken.—Heppner Gazette.

DOES H. W. CORBETT HELP TO "INSULT" GEER?

The Oregonian is endeavoring to create the impression that Hon. H. W. Corbett, now in Washington City, is a considerable power in controlling the appointment of the federal officers for the state of Oregon. It insinuates that those persons recommended by the Oregon delegation are not appointed, but are being "held-up" by Senator Corbett. If this is true, it is not equally true that the prompt appointment of Mr. Geer to the land office at Oregon City was with Senator Corbett's acquiescence or not active support? Mr. Corbett is understood to oppose Geer for collector of customs and to be in favor of retaining Mr. Black. Is it possible that Corbett has been standing in with Mitchell in helping to "turn Geer down"?

If the Oregonian is not mistaken either as to Corbett's influence, or in the charge that Mitchell controlled the action of the Oregon delegation then Mitchell and Corbett certainly are working together to "insult" and "humiliate" and "turn down" Mr. Geer. Verily the Oregonian's statements lead to queer conclusions.

MARKET INVASION.

We heard a while ago much about invading the markets of the world. Such invasions are in progress and now that our own market is better protected it will be easier to inaugurate bolder offensive campaigns. A new territory that heretofore has only had rumors from America is Central Africa. The Scientific American is in receipt of a letter from Mr. J. H. Camp, of Lima, Ohio, bearing upon the question of the development of our trade there. Mr. Camp speaks with authority, having spent seven years in Congo, and he states that the inhabitants of Central Africa are always ready to pay high prices for manufactured goods, provided they can be sure of obtaining a really durable article. At present there is a great demand for all classes of building material and household goods. There is a demand for all classes of textile goods, from calicoes to heavy blankets, and the superior class of tools made in the United States, including carpenter's tools and American axes, would sell readily among people who are endeavoring to climb to the level of civilization. In exchange we would receive ivory, gold, precious stones, fine timbers, rubber, etc.

In conclusion Mr. Camp says: "I may say, that after a thorough search over that great and rich equatorial country, I find that we are the only country of any great importance which has not taken steps toward permanent representation there. A set of consuls, properly located, would bring millions of dollars annually to our manufacturers, and keep thousands of idle operatives busy. I trust that before long our national association of manufacturers may be able to aid in opening this great and new country to our commerce, and I am sure that our people would be greatly surprised at the results which would speedily follow."

PETITION DENIED.

The petition for rehearing in the case of E. D. Shattuck, appellant, vs. Harrison R. Kincaid, secretary of state, respondent, was denied. This is the mandamus suit brought by the appellant to compel the respondent, as secretary of state, to audit his claim and issue a warrant on the state treasurer in payment thereof, for salary as circuit judge of the fourth judicial district.

This suit was commenced in Judge Hewitt's court, department No. 2, circuit court of Marion county. Upon the filing of a complaint the court issued an alternative writ of mandamus, addressed to the defendant and respondent, as asked, to show cause for not complying with the plaintiff's demands. A general demurrer to the writ was filed by the defendant, and the court ordered a pro forma judgment, sustaining the demurrer. The plaintiff refused to amend or further plead, and the court ordered the writ quashed, and gave judgment for the defendant, dismissing the proceeding. From this judgment appeal was taken to the supreme court. A lengthy opinion was rendered, in which it was held that the demurrer should have been overruled and the case remanded. A petition for rehearing was filed by the secretary of state's attorneys without his advice. One petition, prepared by N. B. Knight, was published before being filed with the court. The petitions were both overruled.

Secretary Kincaid said today that he has no further disposition to delay the matter further, and it being satisfactory to both parties to the suit, it is understood, the supreme court has agreed to issue a peremptory writ, and the secretary of state will begin issuing warrants right away.

The Bryan democrats of greater New York are in no better campaigning trim than their opponents. Bryan has written a letter to W. L. Brown of the New York News which is said to advise the adoption of the 1896 Chicago platform on money. Brown says the letter has not been made public. He does not deny, however, that the purported published letter is not true in substance. On the other hand Chairman Jones of the National Committee seems determined that Tammany shall be silent on the money question. He has recommended to New Yorkers that they let the silver question carefully alone, and Senator Gorman, by the way, is doing the same thing in Maryland.

WHAT SOME OTHERS SAY.

The big roar about the Geer affair is absolutely silly. If Geer did not want the registration he had a right to decline it. If the delegation wished him to have it they had a right to offer it to him. There was nothing to bawl about in the transaction. As to the collectorship that matter is for future consideration. If Mr. Geer desires it he has a right to apply. This paper endorses him for the position. But if the delegation thinks another man is better fitted by natural business tact and business training for this very important and responsible office it is the right and duty of the delegation to appoint the best man when the time comes. No republican is so important and mighty that an office belongs to him by right. The members of the delegation are responsible for the men they recommend and if they are clear headed and true to their trust, they will consider fitness above anything else. Mr. Geer may be the best man obtainable or he may not. If he is appointed we, with his other friends, will be pleased, and will expect the other candidates to acquiesce. If he is not, Mr. Geer, in all decency, must accept the verdict in good grace and of course he will. It is not now a matter of recognition. He has been splendidly recognized. It is simply now a question of the best man for the office, whose proper management requires unusual business ability, tact and judgment.

We regret to see that Hon. T. T. Geer has announced his intention of not accepting the registration at the Oregon City land office. It is a recommendation by the Oregon delegation and not that the president has appointed him, we are sorry to hear of it. It is very embarrassing to the Oregon delegation, not to be able to satisfy their friends after the labor effort they have made to do so.

The assaution made in the Simon press that Mr. Geer has been "turned down," and that his friends who are also aspirants for places receive to recognize it, is far from the truth. On the contrary Mr. C. B. Moore, who has been recommended for the land office since Mr. Geer declined, is the "personal friend" whom the latter "joined in recommending" for the place. It is very embarrassing to the Oregon delegation, not to be able to satisfy their friends after the labor effort they have made to do so.

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This from a near neighbor, the Gervaise Star of Marion County: Hon. T. T. Geer, who was recommended for Register of the Land office at Oregon City, by the Oregon Congressional delegation, has refused to accept the recommendation. He states that he was never an applicant for that position and that the recommendation of the delegation was unauthorized and made without his consent. Mr. Geer is entitled to recognition at the hands of the delegation at Washington, and it would seem that the office of Register of the Land office at Oregon City was a comfortable billet, as it pays about \$8,000 a year. Mr. Geer probably has reason to feel aggrieved but it would appear to the casual observer that a \$8000 a year position was a pretty good one and well worth accepting.

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Hon. Chas. B. Moore has been appointed Register of the Oregon City land office by President McKinley. Mr. Moore is a capable man and will fill the position with credit to himself and the public. This is the position that Hon. T. T. Geer felt too big to accept.

The republican party in Oregon cannot afford to grow excited over one man's personal disappointments, no matter how good a republican he is, even were that disappointment well founded. The woods are full of solid republicans who have never been offered any office, and whose political reward is simply that enjoyed by every citizen, the blessings of a safe, progressive and wise government.—Corvallis Gazette.

Mr. Geer has not been officially tendered the Oregon City Land office and in the train of political possibilities he may not be tendered it. Should this be offered him, he would make an able and efficient man for the place, while if the delegation or the president sees fit to appoint him to the Portland collectorship, he would probably fill that equally well.

We do not and repeat that. Paterson of Marion has had the delegation tendered him either, and there certainly is a possibility that some other competent man and good republican will be rewarded. At least it would seem best to wait and see and not indulge in so much foolish flattery on the one hand or on the other. Mr. Geer's friends are placing him in a very embarrassing position by so much talk. Time will solve the problem.

My former strong constitution was wrecked, and I was a dwindling mass of skin and bones. My blood was thin and I had grown pale and sallow. My lungs were so affected that I thought I was going into consumption. During my illness I had lost thirty pounds in weight. I tried to regain my strength and health by trying different medicines and physicians, but without benefit, but to my sorrow it proved to be only temporary, and in a few months I was in the former state here. At last I had my checks, I had no energy, and life was a misery. I had become a burden to myself and to my friends. I happened to read in a newspaper of how Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People had effected a miraculous cure with the same disease which a neighbor of mine had in Illinois.

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Mrs. STEPHEN ROBBINS, "Monroe, La., March 2, 1897."

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