

There is entirely too much getting ready to lick Spain; the people wish to see the licking started.

Eugene Debs was in Washington the other day, but he didn't go there to enlist; he does his fighting with his mouth.

Spain might as well throw up the sponge, now that Charlotte Smith has announced her intention to lead a regiment of Amazons to war.

It may not be altogether pleasing to some of the bloody shirt brigade to think that a republican administration has made a Presidential possibility of Fitz Lee

In opening Consul General Lee's mail, it is to be hoped that General Blanco doesn't have to use any of the Spanish dynamite left over after blowing up the Maine.

Congressman Lemuel Eli Quigg, otherwise known as Boss Platt's lackey, wants a press gag law. At least that is what he says; but what he really needs is a visit from the fool-squelcher.

Many less deserving men than Paul Hamilton Hayne, the southern poet, have been given monuments. The effort now being made in Augusta, Ga., to raise money for a Hayne monument, deserves to succeed.

Secretary Gage is truthful, if not politic. He said the other day that it was true the republican party had made a complete surrender to the advocates of the gold standard and monopoly.

Mr. Will S. Sargent, state organizer of democratic clubs for Texas, has nominated ex-Senator Blackburn, of Ky., as Bryan's running mate in 1900. The two B's would certainly make a strong team.

Gov. Pingree cannot be accused of throwing sugar at Senator McMillan, whom he accuses of being the boss of the corporation lobby that furnishes the Michigan legislature with railroad passes and telegraph and telephone franks.

Three years ago Spain could obtain three hundred millions for Cuba. Last week the Cubans were willing to buy their independence for a paltry hundred million. To-day they don't seem willing to pay a cent. In the face of such changed conditions it is hardly probable that the United States will insist upon getting Cuban independence with cash.

It will be to the interest of the American Book Company to impress upon the people that the next century will be time enough to change books. The state may cut the Gordian knot by printing the school books. That would indeed be a government of the people, by the people and for the people.—Lantern

In putting San Francisco in a state of defense the Government has ordered the Baltimore thither from Honolulu. Now, if we had annexed Hawaii we should not have been able to withdraw a ship from that country to defend our chief Pacific coast city. On the contrary, we should have been compelled to send a lot of other ships to Honolulu to defend Hawaii. That old pretense about our needing Hawaii as an outpost for the defense of our coast was always absurd. In the light of present facts it is ridiculous.—Ex

There is no European ruler who has not enough home knitting on hand to prevent their having any time to help Spain fight us.

The Standard Oil Co. is opposed to war because it has a monopoly of the oil business in Spain and Cuba.

A Boston Union barber wants all the labor organizations to prohibit their members shaving themselves.

If Br'er Wanamaker is getting any delegates in Pennsylvania, his press agents are keeping very quiet about it.

It is a good time to remind some persons that questions involving national honor are not among those which this country will submit to arbitration.

The Vienna editor who writes of the possibility of Spain "raising revolts in the American Southern States", appears to know even less of America and its people than the average London editor, who knows nothing at all.

Secretary Gage was a little slow in acknowledging that he had given up hope of gold standard legislation by this Congress, but after all, it did not matter; the people have better sources of information.

When Congressman Walker, of Mass., declared that "you can't put wit into a Postmaster General's head by legislation," he should have added, or into anybody else's head.

Many of our readers wish to get a clearer idea of the greatness and rapid progress of American industry, which is so closely associated with the U. S. Patent system, than can be had in any other single publication; they should write to the Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D. C. and get a free copy of the annual report for 1897 of Hon. A. P. Greeley, Acting Commissioner of Patents.

Those that are charging that the democrats in Congress favor war because they think it would help them in the Congressional elections, forgot that the war would be conducted by a republican administration. The democrats view the matter from a patriotic point of view, and desire war with Spain because they think it necessary for our national welfare to teach the world an object lesson by driving the Spanish flag out of Cuba and incidentally avenging the men who were murdered on the Maine.

Union Ticket Named.

The work of the democratic, peoples party and silver republican conventions at Portland, was finished last Saturday evening. The fusion state ticket under the name of Peoples-Democratic-Silver Republican party, named the following:

Governor—W. R. King (populist) Baker county.

Congressmen—First district R. M. Veatch (democrat) Lane county. Second district, C. N. Donaldson (Silver republican) Baker county. Secretary of state—H. R. Kincaid (silver republican) the present incumbent.

Justice of the supreme court—William M. Ramsey (democrat) Yamhill county.

United in a common cause for the sacred purpose of preserving the principles of government by the whole people, in fact as well as in name, restoring and maintaining equality, under that government, of all classes, we, the people's democratic and silver republican parties of the state of Oregon, waiving all minor differences, and uniting for the purpose of carrying out the great underlying principles upon which we are all agreed, do make and present to the people of this state the following declaration of principles and to the carrying out of which we solemnly pledge each and every candidate upon our suited ticket:

First—We demand the free and unrestricted coinage of silver and gold at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the consent of foreign nations; and we are unalterably opposed to the present republican administration in demanding the retirement of greenbacks, and the turning over of the money-making power of the government to the national banks, as presented by the bill drawn by the republican secretary of the treasury, and induced by President McKinley, and we especially denounce the avowed attempt by said bill to fasten the currency irrevocably and forever upon the gold standard.

We demand a national money, safe and sound, issued by the general government only, without the intervention of banks of issue, to be a full legal tender for all debts, public and private; as a just, equitable and efficient means of distribution direct to the people through the lawful disbursements of the government.

We demand that the volume of circulating medium be speedily increased to an amount sufficient to meet the demands of the business and population of this country, and to restore the just level of prices of labor and production.

We favor such legislation as will prevent for the future the de-monetization of any kind of legal tender money by private contract.

We demand the government, in payment of its obligations, shall use its option as to the kind of law of money in which they are to be paid, and we denounce the present and preceding administrations for surrendering this option to the holders of government obligations.

We demand that there shall be no further issue of United States interest-bearing bonds.

We demand that postal savings banks be established by the government for the safe deposit of the savings of the people and facilitate exchange.

We demand the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

We demand the initiative and referendum system of law-making in its optional form, local, state and national, and the submission by Congress of all important national questions for an advisory vote of the people, until such time as the national constitution shall have been amended so as to provide for direct legislation.

We condemn as dangerous and unjust the surrender, in all departments of the government, to the influence of trusts, corporations and aggregations of wealth generally; and the packing of the highest courts of the land with corporate lawyers, too ready to do the will of their late employers, and to set aside valid and wholesome laws passed by the legislative departments of the state and government, upon flimsy pretexts, to the benefit of such institutions.

We are opposed to government by injunction.

In state matters, we demand: A simple and well guarded registration law.

A more equitable mode of appointing judges of election.

Stimulant laws to regulate the operation of fish traps, fish wheels and all fishing gear in the waters within the jurisdiction of the state.

We denounce and condemn the corrupt and extravagant republican legislative assemblies, and charge that the republican party, in its degeneracy in the spoils of office, has become divided into warring factions, so that it is incapable of government as exemplified by the condition existing in the office of the state treasurer, there being at this time more than \$5,000,000 there owing from the people by the process of taxation, while state warrants are stamped "Not paid for want of funds."

We demand that all district and county officers be placed upon salaries commensurate with the duties to be performed by them.

Inasmuch as railroad and other corporate property is not bearing its proportion of taxation, we demand that such property shall bear its just and equal share of the expenses of government.

DELEGATES.

Below we give the number of delegates from each precinct to the democratic county convention which meets in Burns April 9:

Curry, 4 Burns, 10
Poison Creek, 3 Island, 2
Harney, 5 Silver, 2
Crane Creek, 2 Saddle Butte, 1
Pine Creek, 2 Brewster, 3
Catalow, 1 Wild Horse, 2
Alvord, 1 Pueblo, 1
Lake, 3 Happy Valley, 2
Diamond, 3.

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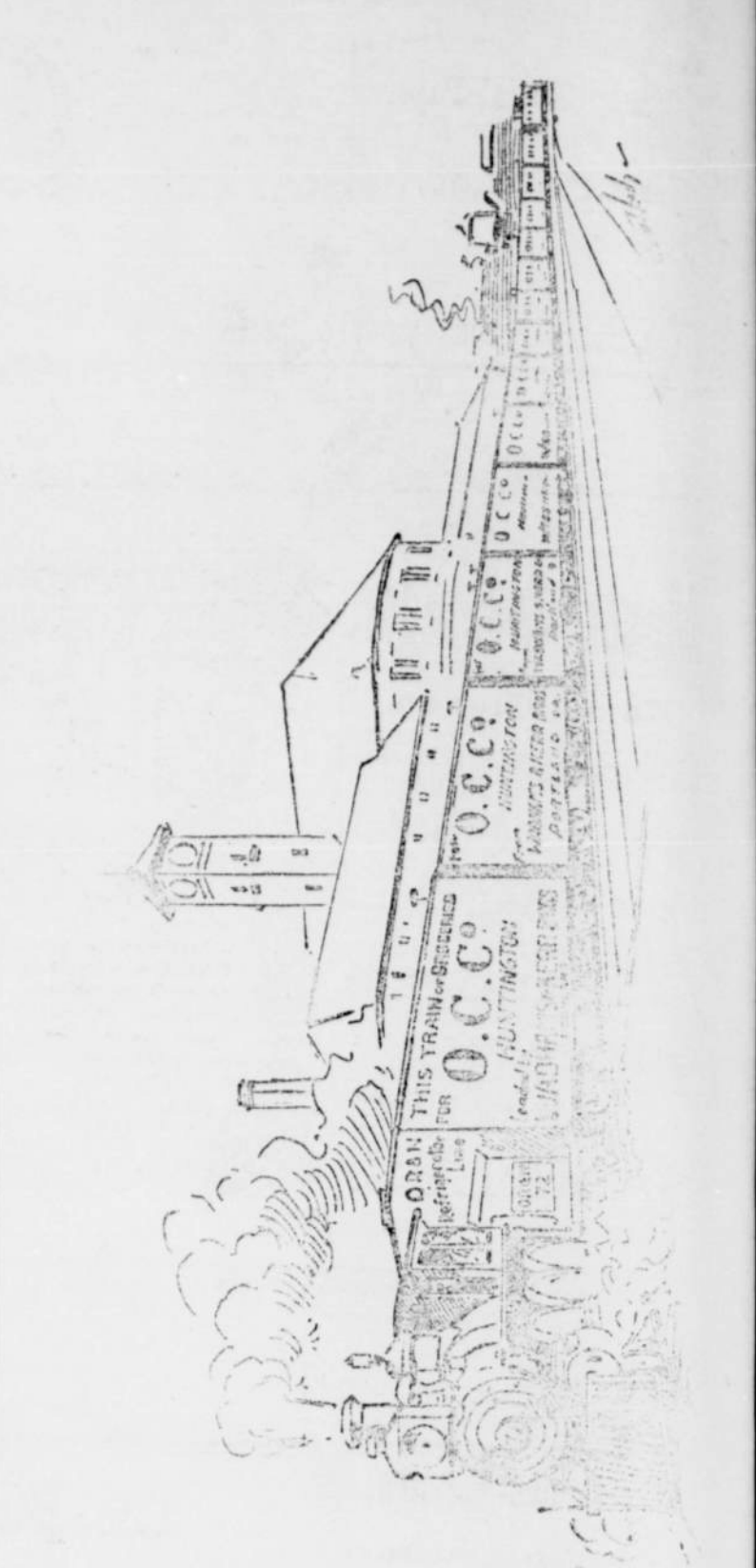
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