

THE REPUBLICAN MAJORITY

The republican majority in Maine and Vermont are not large enough to be shouted over.

Spain isn't the only country in which politicians cloak their selfish designs with professions of patriotism.

It will require something stronger than a McKinley jolly to make John Sherman express any love for Secretary Alger.

The republicans of Utah are a long ways apart from the republicans of Iowa—as wide as silver is from gold.

Belief bad weather sets in, the City Dads should see that there is good sidewalk on all the streets leading to the school house.

According to the latest, the peace commission may give us the island of Luzon, but we shall have to fight the Philippine insurgents for possession.

Hall Caine, the English Novelist, is over here to see how many American dollars he can get through the presentation of the dramatization of his book, "The Christian."

In prompt street shooting matches have never been encouraged in New England, but there was one in Greenfield Mass., the other day, which resulted in the killing of one of the participants.

If the young Queen of Holland wants an American husband to protect her from anarchists, and to share her joys, sorrows, and in some, we should be pleased to name a candidate for the "posish."

There are men—plenty of them—who do not hesitate to express their belief that neither Miles nor Shafter did any thing deserving of a special credit in the Santiago campaign. Those who ought to know say that nothing but "Joe Wheeler's clear grit" prevented the movement being a disgraceful failure.

The teachers' institute to be held here beginning to day should have the hearty support of every citizen of this community. It does not make a difference whether you have children to send to school or not, that will not prevent your doing what you can to make the teachers feel your interest. Every good citizen is interested in the advancement of education and the more attention given to it the faster the progress. Don't think that by helping financially it is all that is required or necessary.

The country asks no more than it has a right to know the truthful reason why soldiers were starved in the field, with provisions piled up, and why the sick and wounded were not better cared for. No restriction whatever was placed by congress upon the administration in spending money to buy and distribute any thing that was needed by our soldiers. The things were bought, and certainly enough men were employed to see that they were distributed, yet it is known that they were not distributed. Why that is the question to be answered.

That fruit can be raised in Burns has been demonstrated. H. E. Thompson showed us a nice crab-apple that had been grown on his trees on the hill and several have strawberries, raspberries, gooseberries etc., set out and all thriving and doing well. If people would give their young orchards and strawberry a little attention and water there is no doubt but they could raise all kind of fruit. The vegetables

...lent agricultural sections. What is needed is a little care until the young fruit, shade trees and shrubbery gets a start—nothing more than is required in other sections—and in a short time we can dispense with the peddling wagons from John Day and the Snake river country.

The Portland Telegram, evening edition of the Oregonian, says: Mitchell and his followers, however, are not without hope, either. It is reported of Mitchell that he will enter the race with a sack of \$100,000 and the support of the national administration and the Southern Pacific railway company back of him. How true this is only time can tell. It is also rumored that for the first time in the history of Oregon politics women will become a factor in the contest. A number of comely Portland lassies are said to be already engaged and given the promise of clerkships. They are supposed with their winning smiles and artful ways, to wield an influence over the members from the "cow counties."

Parley McKnight, of Lebanon, writing to the Oregonian, says: During the last state campaign, Hon. George H. Williams, of your city, made a speech at this place appealing to the people to uphold the present administration, and guaranteeing that wheat would be \$1 per bushel this fall. Now I take this means of informing the distinguished judge that I have my crop harvested, and that whenever he is ready to make his guarantee good it is ready for market.

The giving of one railroad a monopoly of transportation to and from Camp Wilkoff, at Montauk Point, as well as the exclusive privilege to conduct a store and restaurant at the camp, is sufficient reason why the camp should be abolished, and another count in the long indictment against the War Department.

If there is any doubt about the legal status of Mr. McKinley's war investigating committee, as John Sherman thinks, there will be none about the congressional committee that will later on make an investigation.

Mr. McKinley soon discovered that consideration of his own political future made it inadvisable for him to try to carry the load of odium the people have put upon Secretary Alger; hence his order for the investigation.

Royalty has faults, many of them, but such cowardly crimes as the assassination of the Empress of Austria by an Italian anarchist, a Geneva, Switzerland, is not calculated to lessen them.

Some persons explain Secretary Alger's management of the War Department by saying that he has the presidential bee. If he has, he would save trouble by killing the bee at once.

It will not do for the republicans to try to put the suffering of the soldiers through dishonesty and inefficiency on the part of those in authority under the general head of "red tape."

"Corporal" Tanner says the G. A. R. is after Commissioner Evans but to unprejudice eyes it looks as though it were the pension attorneys, of whom Tanner is one, that are after Evans.

The absence of death penalty in Switzerland seems to make that anarchist murderer need a dose of lynch law.

Teachers Annual Institute.

The teachers annual institute will be held in Burns beginning on Wednesday the 21st day of Sept. at 10 o'clock a. m. and continue

...it was not to draft any regular program, but let conditions and circumstances peculiar to the work govern each days proceedings. The law regarding the attendance of all teachers in the county will be strictly complied with, in cases of non attendance, by the county superintendent and no excuse will be regarded except impossible obstacles to prevent attendance. W. C. BYRD, County School Superintendent.

The Exhibition.

The athletic exhibition last Saturday evening proved to be better than was anticipated by some.

The "preliminary bout" of four rounds between Arthur Marine 'Gene Paul Mortia Marquis Delos Greely Gould and "Professor" Will McKinnon, was quite a display in the art of boxing, although rather slow as "Greely" was not feeling well and not in the best of trim.

The bag punching and club swinging by Pat Daly and Chas. Green was excellent. Green is an athlete and showed it from the first turn at the bag, doing some very pretty work.

The eight round glove contest between the last named men was good. Pat is a little fellow and was much quicker on his feet than his big opponent. Green succeeded in stopping a majority of the bantam's blows, however, and appeared not to strike Pat's face as often as he might. It was a very friendly contest, with no "slugging" or ill humor.

The referee was subjected to "jollies" from all over the house and once or twice got mixed up in the fight and was hit on the mouth by one of the contestants. He (the referee) found it necessary before the last round to get an Indian club in order to protect himself and when the combatants clinched he persuaded them to break with the club without approaching too near their flying fists.

Taken all through it was pronounced a grand success and the large crowd that witnessed it went away well pleased. The boys have promised a better program in the near future. The participants of the sport Saturday showed they were not in the best condition. The next time they will take longer to get in shape.

Chas. Green was a new man and there was much speculation as to his ability to box with Pat, but he proved to be a good match for the favorite and many are inclined to think he is a much better man than he appeared last Saturday evening.

A Motherly Canine.

W. N. Jorgensen has a freak photograph that is a curiosity indeed. It is the picture of a motherly canine suckling two pups and two pigs, the latter appearing as much at home as the former, in fact, they seem to get the "lion's share" while their adopted mother does not seem to make any distinction in her family, treating them all alike. Mr. Jorgensen obtained two views of this odd family at the ranch of B. W. Hamilton last week.



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