

JULIAN BYRD - - - - - Manager.

Detroit has proved the possibility of pulling off a municipal election without Pingree's help.

Nevertheless and notwithstanding there will have to be an election held to settle the presidential contest.

If the natives get mixed up in that South African war it will be a much bloodier affair than it was at first expected to be.

Perhaps it was a glance at a few pages of Mrs. Langtry's suppressed autobiography that made her latest husband desert her.

The strongest argument the republicans used in Nebraska was the \$100,000 sent by the national committee just before election day.

Hon. T. C. McRae of Arkansas writes that he hopes to be present at the convening of congress, his health having somewhat improved.

After "swinging around the circle," President McKinley journeyed from Washington to his home at Canton, Ohio, and deposited his ballot.

Perry Heath jollies the farmers so extensively in that portion of his annual report dealing with extension of the rural free delivery system that he is liable to be suspected of an intention to try for an elective office.

The returns from the State elections contain nothing to make a democrat ashamed, or even down in the mouth. The party is in tip top fighting condition and will give the republicans all they can take care of, and perhaps more, next year.

We learn from Havana dispatches that our military officers are participating as gentlemen jockeys in Sunday horse racing over there. Wasn't there some talk, "once upon a time," about the example Americans would give Cubans in moral reform?

It is hardly fair to include the value of supplies sent to our army and navy in the exports to Cuba, Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines, in order to show a big percentage in the increase of the commerce of those islands, but the bureau of statistics is doing so.

The latest advices from the Philippines say that Aguinaldo has disappeared very mysteriously and his whereabouts as well as that of his army is not known. Can it be possible that after all Aguinaldo and his army are mere phantoms that our forces have been pursuing so long?

The theme of Washington, D. C., society just now is the approaching marriage of Miss Cecil Miles, daughter of General and Mrs. Miles, to Colonel Reber, U. S. A., to occur in January. Miss Miles is with the her father and mother on the Pacific slope, but is expected to return to Washington next month.

General White is anxiously looking and waiting for reinforcements, which are said to be near at hand. The transport Armenia arrived at Cape Town on the 13th, but as she brought no ammunition or field guns a serious delay is threatened in General Methuene's arrangements for the relief of General White. Ladysmith is being bombarded, but results are not known, as all foreign telegrams have been stopped.

The United States senate committee on manufactures, now in session, is examining into adulterated ales, porter and beer. The professors of Yale and Harvard have been invited to submit their ideas as to the establishment of a stand-

ard of purity. While New York may furnish a wider field for sampling the excellent ale, porter and beer manufactured in the United States, we'll wager our last week's income that the professors can't hold a candle to some of Oregon's experts when it comes to putting the refreshments referred to under their vests and walking away with the "load" with the ease and grace of a French dancing-master.

General News Items.

California's dried fruit crop this year in worth approximately \$15,000,000.

The price for wool has advanced considerably within the past few weeks, and cotton has taken an upward tendency.

Lieutenant Wood, great grandson of President Zachary Taylor, was fatally wounded at Kimberly last week, while fighting for the British.

General Miles paid an informal visit of inspection to the transport Hancock, at San Francisco this week. He also reviewed the troops at the Presidio.

Vice-President Hobart seems to be improving right along. He now eats solid food with relish, and shows a marked change from his condition of two weeks ago.

The vote for governor in Kentucky is very close. Both democrats and republicans claim the state by a small majority. In all probability nothing definite will be known until after the official count.

Both state and naval departments at Washington have received reports concerning the surrender of Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, on the 13th inst. The state department dispatch is from Minister Loomis at Caracas, and is as follows: "After eight hours' fighting, Castro's army took Puerto Cabello this morning. Killed and wounded aggregate 300. Castro holds every port and place of consequence in Venezuela."

A San Francisco dispatch says the Pacific coast biscuit company, a corporation of the state of New Jersey, have filed a deed of trust for \$1,500,000 to the Produce Exchange trust company of New York for record. The deed covers property in Portland, Seattle and other cities of the northwest and leaseholds of the Saroni factory of San Francisco. The company is known as the biscuit trust and embraces all cracker concerns on the Pacific coast excepting the American biscuit company, the Standard biscuit company of San Francisco and Bishop & Co. of Los Angeles.

Burglars at Work.

The back door of Geo. Fry's store was forced open last Saturday night and the till robbed. The money obtained did not weigh the midnight marauder down quite, however, for the till did not contain more than two dollars in small change. There was nothing else missed and it is thought the fellow only wanted money.

One of the back windows of the Capital saloon was found partly raised Sunday morning and a pane of glass broken. It is supposed the same fellow tried to get in for the purpose of robbing the saloon, and either abandoned the idea or was frightened away.

C. A. Sweek's residence was entered twice during last week and Mrs. Sweek thinks there was some flour taken from the bin, also some sugar.

The Oregon supreme court has handed down a decision affirming the decision of the lower court in the Magers murder case. Magers was convicted the second time in the circuit court of Polk county last May for the killing of Rex Sink. He will now be hanged unless executive clemency can be secured.

Stella Smith and George Lee were brought before Recorder Jamieson last Monday each charged with running a bawdy house. George Lee was fined \$10, which she paid. Stella Smith was fined \$20 and costs. After laying in jail for two days she paid her fine.

The October number of the Oregon Native Son, a bright and newsy publication, devoted to the advantages of the Pacific Northwest, has been received at this office.

When you find an item of news call up 'phone No 18. It will be appreciated.

BRYAN ON THE ELECTIONS.

Encouraging to Silver - Democratic Gains - Nebraska Won on National Issues.

W. J. Bryan has given the press an extended statement summing up the elections in the different states.

In Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, where the democrats reaffirmed the Chicago platform, he finds that they have made gains, while in New York and New Jersey the republican vote shows a falling off. Maryland, he now declares, is safely democratic. On the Kentucky election he says:

"The result in Kentucky does not give the republicans any encouragement. The contest between Goebel and Taylor is very close. The democrats claim the election of Goebel and the entire state ticket by small majorities. The legislature is safely democratic in both branches, and the election of Blackburn to succeed Lindsay assured. No one who has watched the contest will doubt that with the democracy united on national issues Kentucky can be relied upon for a majority of 20,000 or 30,000.

"What consolation can republicans draw from the Ohio elections? Mr. Hanna scurried the nomination of his candidate for governor upon a platform indorsing the republican administration, and while the returns indicate that Nash has a plurality of about 50,000 over McLean, McLean and Jones together have a majority of about the same number of votes over the republican candidate. Ohio is the home of the president, of Mark Hanna, and the postmasters all over the United States were urged to contribute money to save Ohio. Hanna's own county was carried by Jones."

Iowa, South Dakota and Kansas results are passed over with brief paragraph as not of leading importance. Of Nebraska Mr. Bryan says: "The Nebraska campaign was fought on national issues, and the fusion candidate for judge received about 14,000 this year, against 3,000 last year for the fusion candidate for governor, and 13,000 for the fusion electors in 1896, and the fusion candidate for judge in 1897. The fusionists made a gain of three district judges and a large gain in county offices."

"Taken as a whole the election returns from all the states give encouragement to those who hope for the overthrow of the republican party in 1900. It is evident that those who believed in the platform of 1896 still believe in it. It is also evident that the hostility to the Chicago platform among those who opposed it is not as pronounced as it was in 1896. It is apparent also that there is a growing hostility to the monopolies which have grown up under a republican administration. It is safe to say that the American people would, by a large majority, pronounce against the attempt to raise the standing army to 100,000, and it is equally certain that upon a direct vote on the issue a large majority of the people would pronounce against an imperialistic policy which would develop here a colonial system after the pattern of European republics. If the republic administered to the republicans at the polls had been more severe the prospect of remedial legislation at the hands of the republicans would be brighter. While it is sufficient to indicate that the people are not satisfied with the republican policies, it may not have been sufficient to stay the course of the republican party toward plutocracy and toward the European idea of a government built upon force rather than upon the consent of the government—a government relying for its safety upon a large standing army rather than upon a citizen soldiery."

P. L. S. Co. vs James Gentry.

The taking of testimony in the case of the P. L. S. Co. vs. James Gentry was completed yesterday. J. L. Rand of Baker City represented the plaintiff, Biggs & Turner

looked after the defendant's interests. The land in litigation is situated on the Owyhee river in Malheur county. Mr. Gentry claims that in 1894 C. W. Jones, then a P. L. S. Co. foreman, had him go on the place, agreeing to pay him \$25 per month and furnish all the supplies he needed. The company was to cut the hay and have use of the pasturage until other arrangements were made. Mr. Gentry intended filing on the land as soon as it was surveyed, and should he desire to sell, the P. L. S. Co. were to have the refusal of it. The plaintiff claims there was no such contract made and that it was understood that Mr. Gentry took up the land for them. The testimony, which was taken by Court Stenographer Coleman, also briefs by the attorneys in the case, will be submitted to Circuit Judge Clifford for his consideration.

Death of Mrs. Venator.

A telephone message was received here last Saturday afternoon announcing the death at Portland of Mrs. A. Venator on Friday, the 10th inst., while undergoing an operation for a trouble from which she had been suffering for years. The news of her death was sudden and unexpected and a severe blow to her relatives and friends, who understood that she was improving. The remains were embalmed and brought to Burns by the bereaved husband, arriving here yesterday at noon. The funeral services were held in K. of P. and I. O. O. F. hall at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, under the auspices of the Order of the Eastern Star, of which deceased was a member. The remains were interred in the Masonic cemetery, and were followed to their last resting place by mourning relatives, members of the Eastern Star and a large number of friends. Mrs. Venator (nee Mrs. Luella McDonold) was married to A. Venator August 2, 1893, and was 27 years of age at the time of her death. She leaves a mother, Mrs. S. Mickle, two stepbrothers, A. K. and D. Richardson, besides a husband and two children to mourn her loss. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in Harney county.

E. C. Bulkeley was over from Silvies this week.

J. W. Kelo, of Lawen, paid this office a pleasant call yesterday evening.

Mrs. W. M. Stewart has returned from California, where she has been visiting the past two months.

The Times Herald is turning out some neat up-to-date job work. Call and see samples and get prices.

Supt. Ryrd returned yesterday from a tour of visiting schools. He circulated a remembrance on his trip which was signed by every man he met.

Rev. T. S. Dulin closed the series of revival meetings at the Baptist church last Sunday evening and spent the past week on Silver creek. Rev. Dulin expects to return to Burns the second Sunday in December, at which time he will again preach at the Baptist church.

RUSSIA'S RESOURCES.

A Wonderful Country, Embracing 8,644,100 Square Miles of Territory.

THE TIMES-HERALD'S Washington correspondent makes the following quotations of facts and figures from an interesting report relative to the resources of Russia, recently sent to the state department by J. C. Monaghan, United States consul at Chemnitz:

Russia's 8,644,100 square miles of territory extend over one-seventh of the earth's surface—only 3,000,000 less than the entire British empire. Its waters cover 293,018 square miles. It has 15 souls to every square mile, or 130,000,000 inhabitants. One-twelfth of the world's population pays tribute to the Czar. It has 11,000,000 men able to fight. It can send 1,255,300 men into the field in a few days, and 1,000,000 a few days later. Its total prepared fighting force is 2,500,000 men and 497,415 horses. The government owns 16,651 miles of railroad; private parties, 8,000 miles. It has a fleet consisting of 23 battle ships, 14 coast defenders, 16 cruisers, 28 cannon boats and 96 torpedo boats. The marine force is made up of 1,219 officers, 326 engineers and 38,000 men. Its commercial marine consists of 522 steamers and 2,135 sailing vessels. The river shipping has a fleet of 20,000 ships, manned by 90,350 men.

Russia can be practically independent of the outside world for food, since the opening up of Siberia's grain fields. The export of grain last year was 330,000,000 quarters. Famine, once almost unavoidable, is now limited to one or two districts. Once the railroads reach the interior of these, the danger will disappear. Over the Empire's boundless meadows, steppes and prairies roam, in European Russia alone, 24,609,260 head of cattle, 44,465,450 sheep and 9,243,000 hogs. It cultivates 1,098,507,780 acres of land.

The country is opening mines, draining marshes, clearing forests, putting land hitherto held to be of no value under cultivation. Foreign cotton and corn, tea and tobacco are being tried. In its efforts to emancipate itself from foreign imports, Russia will want machinery, tools, seeds, etc. No nation is better situated to provide these than the United States.

E. A. McCoy, who has been laid up with a broken leg at the residence of Mrs. Dodson since last spring, is able to be on the streets with the aid of crutches.

E. Casbeer has returned from Coos Bay, where he went several months ago in company with A. J. Wilson. Mr. Casbeer disposed of the horses he took from here at a very reasonable figure and is well satisfied with his trip. Mr. Wilson remained in Western Oregon.

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