

THE HERALD.

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FOR COUNTY SEAT OF HARNEY COUNTY.

BURNS.

THE HERALD starts out anew next week, in its third volume, and as hitherto, the readers will find it specially interesting, as the representative newspaper of the Harney country.

THE Portland World, democratic to the backbone, only \$1 from now to June, 1899.

JUDGE ISON was on his death-bed in Vale at latest accounts. We trust the attack was only one of the prostrating phases of the terrible disease that has him at its mercy at any hour.

CLAUDE IRVINE, of San Francisco, writes the Albany (Or.) Democrat the following terse sentences:

"History shows that almost every government that has been overthrown has owed its downfall to the discontent excited by overtaxation. It, also, shows that almost every insurrection and civil war has been due to the same cause—and it has made no difference whether the taxes were direct or indirect, the discontent has arisen from the hardships produced by over taxation. It is, therefore, a great misfortune to our country that our people allow themselves to be so burdened; so deluded that they are indifferent to the cost of maintaining the government, and are hushed into the belief that it makes no difference how many millions of dollars are wasted unnecessarily, so long as these millions are scattered among the people. We hear it said on every side, even by those who should know better, that it makes no difference about our expenditures so long as the cash is spent among ourselves.

But it ought never be forgotten that every dollar of national expense must be paid by the people—the laboring people chiefly. Human genius has never been able to devise any form of taxation that does not weigh most heavily on the toiling masses, except a light tax on luxuries and on incomes. But even this tax must be very carefully adjusted, or else the rich will evade it by some system of chicanery.

The enormous revenue raised by government to defray its extravagant expenditures are procured by the most cunningly devised scheme of swindling the poor that has ever been invented. Under it the millionaire in his palace pays less tax than does the poor drayman in his tenement rooms, for it comes off the necessities of life.

How is it that it is maintained without a standing army to keep down insurrections? For two reasons: 1st, people will endure vastly more of oppression from their own government than any other; 2d, the vast expanse of new cheap land serves as an outlet over which the oppressed many may disperse. But for these preventives we must long ago have had insurrection—uprising that can only end in military control and despotism.

Slavery was not the only thing the American people are capable of cutting each others throats about. Let some great labor strike interfere with the continental traffic long enough to force the government to draft farmers to shoot rioters, and we may find ourselves in the throes of a civil war as suddenly as in 1861. Causes of great dissatisfaction are preparing us without our knowledge, are pointing to results as clearly as the Kansas trouble pointed to their fuller development in 1861."

"HE IS NOT WITHOUT HONOR, &c."

Last year THE EAST OREGON'S HERALD's Harney Valley adv. had a very interesting description of Malheur cave attached, written by G. C. Duncan, an old East Oregonian. This year our exchanges are taking it up and introducing it without credit, in this wise:

"G. C. Duncan, an Eastern explorer recently in Oregon, in writing about the Malheur cave, among other things, says, 'States Rights Democrat, which gives 24 lines.

"The following was written by G. C. Duncan, a curiosity hunter who recently visited Oregon. In time no doubt the fame of this wonderful cave will spread and cause it to be an object of much interest."—Oregon Scout, Malheur Gazette, which add 65 lines.

Now, "Uncle George," since 'tho' THE HERALD you are becoming known far and wide as a great Eastern explorer (to have said you were an Oregon explorer would have given your words little weight) let's have your long since promised Fossil letter.

COMMUNICATIONS BY OUR READERS.

A cordial invitation is extended each and every Reader of THE HERALD to contribute to this department of the paper, on any subject of general interest. We claim the right to accept or reject any part or the whole, but not to change the ideas presented. We prefer articles over the writer's own signature, but non-identifiable ones are admissible. We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions advanced by writers under the above caption.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

President Harrison introduced an innovation in White House customs this week, that is deeply regretted by conservative people, who believe that the dignity of the Presidential office should be increased instead of lessened. To such people it was a positive shock to find that the President had had himself interviewed by a newspaper on the election returns, in order to try and counteract the dampening effect they had upon his party associates, and, also, to furnish them with a cue to explain the crushing defeat away. If President Harrison really believes, as he says he does, that the result of the elections held last Tuesday was not intended as a verdict upon his administration, then he has not the sense that he has generally been credited with by even his opponents. A curious coincidence in the same paper is an interview with Mr. Halford, the President's private secretary, which in sentiment is precisely the same as that with the President. These interviews are regarded here, even by Republicans, as a very weak and undignified attempt to fool the country. Republicans of prominence openly admit that the result of the election is a stinging rebuke to the administration and its methods. Old soldiers quietly chuckle and whisper, "I told you so," to one another.

The rejoicing among Democrats here is intense; they can talk of nothing else but the tidal wave, and they all see in it an auspicious sign for the greater fight in 1892. They argue that if nine months of Harrison's administration has brought about these results, four years of it will wipe the republican party out of existence.

The navy department has accepted the cruiser "Charleston," and left the penalties to be determined upon at the final settlement with the contractors. The cruiser "Baltimore" will have another trial next week, to see if she can develop the required horse power.

154 designs have been received by the Postoffice department in answer to advertisements inviting proposals for furnishing a new design for postal cards. A committee decides upon the most artistic.

Delegate Dubois, of Idaho, thinks that Territory will gain admission to the Union this winter. There seems no good reason why she should not.

Secretary Rusk asks in his annual report just published, that 300 acres of the Arlington estate be turned over to the Agricultural department for an experimental fruit farm. He, also, recommends a more rigid Government inspection of cattle and dressed beef.

Ex-Secretary Bayard was married here yesterday, at 1 o'clock. The ceremony was very quiet, being attended only by the family and few close friends of the bride, Miss Clymer, and groom. The newly married couple left immediately after the ceremony for a short tour. It is expected they will spend the winter in this city.

Mahone and Foraker get scant sympathy from Republicans here. They are charged with having invited certain defeat rather than give up their schemes for personal aggrandizement.

It is admitted by State department officials that U. S. Consul Lewis, who was recently under investigation by the department, failed to clear himself of the charge of dishonorably raising money through his official position. It is, also, admitted that Mr. Lewis was reprimanded by the Secretary of State, and yet he has been allowed to return to his post at Tangiers, Morocco, as a United States consul, with the vague understanding that he is to resign in the near future. It's hard to understand such proceedings. If the man was guilty he should have been dismissed.

The machinery of the Southern Exposition at Montgomery, Alabama, was set in motion by telegraph, by President Harrison, last Tuesday at noon.

The sickest looking men in Washington to-day, are the republican clerks in the department who went home to vote. This is particularly applicable to the Ohio men.

The Presidential proclamations declaring Montana and Washing-

ton, States, will not be issued until complete official returns of the late elections in those States are received by the President. The two Dakotas was simultaneously admitted last Saturday.

Corporal Tanner enjoyed reading the election returns, much more than the President, or Secretary Noble. He would have been more than human not to have indulged in "ghoulish glee," as he surveyed the wreck.

The President reminds one of the man who told Noah to "go on with your old ark, its only a shower, anyway." C. A.

Sopronia Makes Clear the Church's Lack of Success.

"La sakes! Sopronia, what did you think of the Basket social, last night?"

"Well, Lizzie Jane, I was pleased, and wasn't pleased."

"Why, that's queer, Sopronia how could you be both?"

"Well, I think the baskets were pretty and nice, and the lunch very good; with these I was very much pleased."

"Ah! indeed, but what displeased you?"

"So few baskets, and so few persons present."

"Well Sopronia, there weren't many baskets, or many people there, but how are we going to help that?"

"We might remedy the lack of attendance, and increase the number of baskets, if we only lay aside prejudice, malice, and a whole lot of other rubbish, and work together for the good of the church, and our own personal happiness and enjoyment."

"Good sakes, Sopronia, what's this you're givin' me? What do you mean by laying away malice, rubbish, etc?"

"Why did you interrupt me? I was trying to explain the matter. Now, Lizzie Jane, how many families are there in Burns?"

"Why, I don't know; let me see, there's Misters Welcome, Grace, McGowan, Geer, Broady Johnson, Caldwell, Byrd—oh, it is too much trouble to count all of them Sopronia, but let's guess at it? Say twenty-five or thirty."

"Very well, twenty-five families, let's put two baskets to each family—that will be fifty baskets."

"My goodness! so it would, Sopronia!"

"There, Lizzie Jane! Why did you speak up, and interrupt me again, just as I was getting interested in what I am wanting to make easy and simple for your benefit?"

"Well, well! go ahead with your rat killin'—I'll try to hold my tongue."

"Now let me see, fifty baskets in town, wasn't it?"

"Yes."

"And in the country round near town—"

"In the country, Sopronia, why—"

"Don't bother me! In the country certainly; from the country-folks we should have at least twenty-five baskets, that would make a sum total of seventy-five baskets. Lizzie Jane, don't you think country people like a church just as well as town people? And it is their duty and should be their pleasure to assist in anything that is gotten up for the benefit of the church. Lizzie Jane, why was our church built?"

"Why, I suppose, Sopronia, to hold divine service."

"Certainly, so that old and young, saint and sinner can hear the gospel and be taught morality. But that is not all."

"Well, what next?"

"You know, Lizzie Jane, there are but few christian men in this neighborhood. What view of the case, when the church was building, do you suppose the most of this class of men took?"

"Well, I guess, Sopronia, I can't tell—can you?"

"Yes, I think I can. They considered, talked, and thought in this way; 'we as men have places to lounge, or can sit on the corners and whittle dry-goods boxes, and talk politics, religion, or anything we've a mind too, but our wives daughters and our sisters, it would not look very lady-like in them to do so, so it is nothing but right, justice, and our duty to help what we can to build a church; there we have a place for our women and children to go to attend church, Sunday school, church festivals fairs, or anything that is common or proper to be held at churches.'"

"Well, I declare, Sopronia, I think I begin to see what you are driving at, but the saloons, Sopronia, I don't think our men have any business going there."

"You don't, and why not? Isn't it lawful to have such places? That being the situation, just as generous, kind-hearted, benevolent men as we have in town or community, visit saloons. A man is not compelled to get drunk when he goes into a saloon. If any one wishes to get intoxicated, it is not necessary that he should go to a saloon to get the whisky."

"Yes, Sopronia, but the saloons sell them whisky on Sunday."

"Ah! indeed, Lizzie Jane, that's the sticking point with you, is it? Now, tell me, is it any more harm to

take a drink, or get drunk on Sunday, than on Monday, or any other day of the week? And why not, while you're a-kicking, give the stores and other business houses around? Is it any more harm to buy on the Sabbath, a drink of whisky than a plug of tobacco, or a calico dress? Do you remember what the Bible says about choking at a knot and swallowing a saw-mill, or something of that sort? 'Oh consistency thou art a jewel!' we are so prone to think things just as we would have them, without remembering everything has two sides, except it be round."

"Sopronia, I believe you are right, and we are trampling on our own privileges, and sadly neglecting our duty."

"I am truly glad you think so. Mr. Byrd, one of the building committee, told me himself that the saloons subscribed liberally toward the church, and he had never one time asked the saloon men for help but that he got it; isn't that speaking pretty well for those men?"

"We have hearts just the same as we have, and recognize the rights of society, and as I told you, are always willing to aid us in any good undertaking."

"I see the point, Sopronia, and am truly sorry for my selfishness. I now see what you mean by malice, prejudice, etc."

"And further more, Lizzie Jane, when we first started the church building, things generally got tangled. Mr. Grannis did not have the papers in proper form, and we of course, did not get the money promised by the church, until the papers were in proper order, that gave us a back-set, and a great many became discouraged; and, also, the church was to be built and completed for twelve hundred dollars, according to the Presiding Elder's own statement, when he examined the papers, and footed up the bills. We have paid out more money than that amount, and not entirely out of debt yet. We couldn't make the contractor responsible, for he wasn't worth it, and we thought it would be an injustice to make his securities responsible, neither would it be right or just to try to defraud the mechanics who worked on the building of their wages, so the committee determined to pay the whole thing just as soon as possible. Take all these into consideration you see we have a work to perform, and let us lay all envy, malice, prejudices, and our dislikes aside, and go to work with a will, because you know if all the women take the matter in hand the men will help us, for where women are all interested men will follow."

"Well I must go, Sopronia. Good night."

"Good night. Come again, and we'll have another chat."

SOPRONIA.

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It is not desirable to be the bearer of evil news; and that one has such a disposition, or does it will, ingly, is a mark of a bad heart.—EX

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

To the end that public acknowledgment may be made to God for His unnumbered mercies, I do hereby appoint

THURSDAY, THE 28TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1899,

As a day of Thanksgiving, and I would remind the good people of this Commonwealth that no expressions of gratitude can be more acceptable to Heaven than are gifts in aid of the poor.

In testimony thereof, I hereunto sign my name and cause the seal of the State to affixed at the city of Salem, this 4th day of November, A. D. 1899.

SYLVESTER PENNOYER, Governor.

By the Governor: Geo. W. McBRIDE, Secretary of State.

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Great foresight was shown by Demorest's Magazine in publishing ten years ago, when an International Exhibition was talked of, a map of the identicle site that has now been chosen by the New York Committee for the World's Fair of 1892. In the November number of this famous Magazine (just issued) this plan is reproduced, handsomely executed, and on extra fine paper. It includes all the buildings and the laying out of the grounds, and, to make it more comprehensive, a map of New York City is also given. The description that accompanies gives a better idea of the site than anything that has yet been published. Everybody should possess this number, if only for this feature. The same enterprise is shown throughout the entire Magazine. "Woman Novelist of America" contains some fine portraits of those with whose names and looks we are so familiar. The opening chapters of a serial ("Fiend or Fool?") by J. H. Connolly, are given, promising to develop into one of the best of that well-known author's stories. An interesting article on "Pearls" is beautifully illustrated by J. Carter Beard; and there are, besides, numerous other articles and stories. Fine illustrations constitute a feature of this Magazine; and in the November number there are over one hundred of them. It is certainly the cheapest \$2.00 Magazine in the market. Published by W. Jenning Demorest, 15 East 14th Street, New York.

The Usual Course.

Mrs. Greathed—"Why is it that since you were nominated for an office you have been drinking so heavily?"

Mr. Greathed—"Can't be helped, m' dear; I must spend m' time 'mong the boys, m' dear, an' try 't prove to them I'm worthy of the suffrages o' the people m' dear."—New York Weekly.

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