

The Democrat.

A FIRE OF STRAW.

It is related in the detailed accounts of the Brazilian revolution that when Emperor Dom Pedro was summoned to his Rio de Janeiro palace from Petropolis he regarded the disturbance lightly, and explained to a Chilian officer that it was only a "fogo de palha," "fire of straw," which would burn itself out before the morrow.

But the "fire of straw" did not burn itself out. It ignited the edifice of Imperialism, beneath which the straw of discontent was stored, and the whole structure was destroyed.

The sparks from this "fire of straw" threaten every dynasty in the world with destruction. The day of despotic government is done. The myth of divine right commands no greater reverence to-day than the doctrine of healing by the kingly touch. The theory of the people's need of masters for the due restraint of their passions excites only jeers and laughter in the light of the Great Republic's history. The world is weary of maintaining kings and privileged classes and will presently send them all to the limbo of diseased rubbish.

Wherever there is a king or an aristocracy the fire is smoldering in the straw, and there are eager breaths awaiting opportunity to blow it into flame.

In Russia the straw is combined with dynamite and an explosion impends. In Germany the "fire of straw" burns perilously near to gunpowder. In England it is consuming materials so foul that their fumes are stifling in the nostrils of the nation.

The Book of Kings draws near its colophon. The reign of the people has begun. Let the firing of the straw proceed.

Joe Simon, the boss of one wing of the republican party, having won his fight for police commissioner in the supreme court, is looking for new fields to conquer, and proposes to play a prominent part in the next republican state convention. He is a clever underneath fighter, and, if he cannot name the candidates for several of the important offices, he will probably attempt to "down" those who dare question his supremacy. A big fight is brewing in the republican camp, and time alone will decide who shall rule the destinies of the party in Oregon. Like the fellow who witnessed an old fashioned bear fight, the democracy sits upon the fence at a safe distance and "don't care a continental" which one of the republican cliques whip the other.—Jacksonville Times.

To some restrictions indulged in by the Democrat a few days since as to inefficient delivery mail service in Oregon, a clerk in the service took exceptions alleging that the miscarriage of mail matter to which we referred was on account of the baggage master on the local train neglecting to deliver the mail to the carrier at this city. It is true that at the particular time referred to by the clerk it was the fault of the baggage master, but we spoke of miscarriages in general. On Sunday and Monday evening last nearly all the Portland and Salem mail for Albany was carried by this place and brought back the next day. Of course this was the fault of the clerk. These miscarriages are too frequent. A remedy is called for.

Justice Lamar, of the United States Supreme court, has been invited by the Chamber of Commerce of Richmond, Va., to deliver an address before a mass meeting of the citizens of Richmond on the life and character of the late Jefferson Davis whose life-long friend he was.

Mr Gladstone will be 80 on December 29. The Grand Old Man is as vigorous, intellectually and physically as he was ten years ago.

There is one remarkably pleasing feature about Tennyson's latest poems. They are unusually short.

Congressman Hermann has been placed on the River and Harbor committee of the house.

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Colonel John C. Boone grandson of the pioneer, Daniel Boone, is living, friendless and needy, near Sulphur Springs, Ark., and a movement for his relief has been started in Missouri, Arkansas and Kentucky.

In the Philadelphia Methodist Conference there are 256 preachers, 163 of whom have to live on salaries ranging from \$250 to \$1,000 per annum. And yet there are congregations who expect all the cardinal virtues for \$5 a week.

A young Alabama woman averted a disaster on Saturday by fanning her red petticoat. It was an express train and not a ball that she stopped.

With the exception of one all the jurors in the Cronin case were born in America, and all save two had American parents.

H. W. Grady, the talented editor of the Atlanta Constitution, is dead.

If you have any job work to do call on G. W. Smith who is prepared to do it with neatness and dispatch, and as cheap as anyone.

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LOST.—A small nickel watch, silver chain, somewhere between Jefferson street and Central school house. Return to G. W. Smith and be suitably rewarded.

COUNTY TREASURERS NOTICE.—This is to notify all concerned that there is now sufficient funds in the County Treasurers office of Linn county Oregon to redeem all outstanding warrants. Interest on all endorsed warrants will cease from this date.

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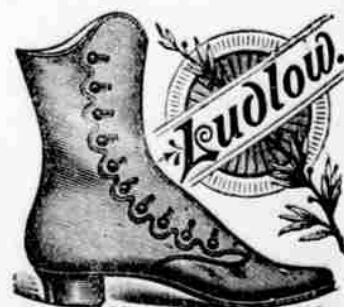
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