

HARDWARE AND DAIRY UTENSILS.

STOVES & RANGES.

GROCERIES.

Large Line Charter Oak Stoves.
 Star Estate Ranges,
 Umpire Air Tight Heaters,
 Doors, Windows & Glass,
 Churns & Butter Workes,
 Milk Cans,
 Paints & Oils.

HARDWARE.
 We carry the Largest Stock of
 Hardware in Tillamook County.
 Before buying Nails, Windows,
 Doors and Sashes call and get
 our prices.

We carry a First Class Stock of Groceries and Provisions,
 Canned Goods, etc., which will be found complete in every line.
 We want your trade and will do our best to give satisfaction in all
 transactions.
 We keep in stock a nice line of China, Crockery, Glass,
 Tinware, etc.

CHINA & TINWARE.

McINTOSH & McNAIR. Tillamook.

Tillamook Headlight
 Fred C. Baker, Publisher.
Official Paper, Tillamook City and County
 RATES OF SUBSCRIPTION
 (STRICTLY IN ADVANCE.)
 One year \$1.50
 Six months75
 Three months50
 Office at corner of Main and 2nd streets.

HEADLIGHT PIRATE.

Doles Out Gems of Current Topics and Events.

NOT by force will Cuba become a part of the territory of the United States. The operation of natural laws is something not to be denied or reversed. As an intelligent people, wishing to advance in the work to secure peaceful conditions and sound prosperity, the Cubans, at some time not distant, will welcome a complete incorporation of their island with this republic. Self interest will decide the matter. Sentimentalism is running its course, and the common-sense facts of the situation are developing from month to month. There are in Cuba a number of elements politically antagonistic to each other. Provincial jealousies are threatening. Old race prejudices and feuds must be restrained with a firm hand. Cuba's business relations are mainly and unalterably with this country. In spite of all the burdens imposed by Spain, the bulk of Cuba's foreign commerce was with us. Now that the wall is broken down the currents of trade begin to run free. A great volume of American capital will go to Cuba if the island elects to remain under our flag. But American enterprise must necessarily hold back as long as a chance remains that Cuba will choose to be temporarily another turbulent Spanish-American republic.

THE question of the Alaska boundary is creating much more interest in Canada than it is in the United States. It is an important issue, however, and it will have to be settled as soon as possible. The United States has been foolishly neglectful of Alaska ever since its annexation a third of a century ago, but it will have to act now without any more delay. The boundary question will be settled peacefully, of course. The Anglo-American commission which was recently in session failed to come to an agreement upon it, but a modus vivendi will be reached, and the matter will be taken up again and disposed of in a way which will be satisfactory to both parties to the controversy.

THE Raleigh News and Observer says that "the rising tide of indignation against trust is not based upon antagonism to wealth legally acquired and honestly employed. It is not shared in alone by the poor, but by all those of moderate fortunes and many of the rich who have no desire to use their wealth to oppress their fellows, to destroy avenues of success to young men or to see the laws against monopoly set at defiance by men who are the outlaws of commerce."

THE South Carolinians who summarily removed a colored postmaster by shooting him full of holes and then burning the postoffice realize by this time that political activity of that description is not a paying investment. The federal grand jury has indicted a number of them and they must stand trial for murder.

THE people who keep the Central American state in a state of constant ferment and revolution are not incapable of learning some things once in a while. One of the leaders who has been making wholesale arrests and levying tribute on the natives, asked why he did not treat the citizens of the United States in the same way, replied that Honduras tried that game and got into serious trouble. There was a time when a different state of affairs existed in Central American and a few visits from war ships of this country backed up by the administration at home, have evidently wrought a change. If the turbulent people of those countries could be made to cease their constant eternal strifes they might soon be among the richest on the globe proportioned to their population.

GOV. PINGREE has signed the bill authorizing municipal ownership of street railways in Detroit. The measure provides for a commission of three members, appointed by the Common Council. This commission is authorized to buy or lease any and all street railways and to operate them for the city's benefit, the only restriction being that fares shall never be higher than now. In buying roads on debt is to be incurred by the city, except that the roads themselves, their property, their franchises and their net earnings are to be pledged for the purchase money. The measure goes into effect immediately, and the experiment will be watched with interest throughout the country, to see, first, whether or not the companies will sell their roads for no compulsion is allowed—and secondly, whether the people will gain any advantage from municipal ownership and control.

CHAIRMAN JONES of the democratic national committee rises from a sick bed to remark that he hopes to recover for no other reason than to see a democratic president and congress installed in 1901. It is to be feared Chairman Jones will be taken suddenly ill again as soon as the returns are in from the coming presidential elections.

THE Springfield Republican says that "the army-beef inquiry appears to be gradually simmering down to this little question. How much did the dressed-beef men give Hanna for the McKinley election in 1896?"

By counting as "revenue" \$12,000,000 obtained by the sale of the notes of the Central Pacific Railroad, given in settlement of its debts to the Government, the Treasury officials are able to figure out a surplus for March of "nearly \$14,000,000." They admit, however, a deficit of \$85,378,319 for the first nine months of the fiscal year, in spite of these artificial and temporary aids.

THE Buffalo Times says: "We are six months away from a political campaign, eighteen months away from a national campaign. Yet the country is talking of little else than what in its final analysis is a political issue—the question of the trusts and how to abolish or control them."

THE War department has issued orders to commanders in the field to collect all the information possible concerning Porto Rico, Cuba and the Philippines, that some accurate idea may be obtained of their resources, population and commerce, both present and prospective. The amount of really reliable information available, particularly concerning the Philippines, is decidedly limited. The only certain fact is that the population is not so large as it was a few months ago. If the United States is to control the islands it is of course imperative that their resources should be developed and every encouragement given their inhabitants to build themselves up, socially, intellectually and morally. With present knowledge, or rather lack of knowledge, efforts in these directions are to likely to be misdirected.

If it were put to a vote of the people the verdict would be almost unanimous that the loss of one American life would be a bad exchange for all the dead Filipinos who have been mowed down by American bullets since the trouble in the Philippines began.

THERE is no doubt that the army beef scandal, whatever the report of the court of inquiry may be, will prove a costly lesson to the packing interest. It is said that the domestic trade in canned meats has already suffered materially and of course the export trade will be greatly injured. It is inevitable that Europeans will find in this expose additional reason for distrusting American meats and it is to be expected that canned meats especially, bearing American brands, will be discarded by them. This valuable part of our export trade is therefore in danger of being practically destroyed and if this shall happen it will take years to regain it, indeed that can ever be done. It is also quite possible that our general exports of provisions will be unfavorably affected, for the faith of foreigners in our prepared food products is not invulnerable. Even in South America the complaint is heard that Yankee provisions

are a menace to health and this view will necessarily be intensified, there and elsewhere, by what has been disclosed in regard to the canned beef supplied the army. The fact must be regretfully admitted that Americans have not always been as careful and as honest in this respect as could be desired. Adulteration of food products has been practiced here to perhaps a greater extent than any other country, so that foreign distrust of such products is not without justification. It will be well if the beef scandal shall have the effect to induce all who make the articles the people eat to be honest in their preparation.

The Cuban generals, met at Mauiana and officially decided to reinstate General Gomez as commander-in-chief. They also decided to appoint an executive board of three generals to assist him in distributing the \$3,000,000 and in the details of disarming and in the organization of the rural police for the province. He will be officially notified of their action, and a proclamation probably will be issued to the Cubans.

WAIT till Uncle Sam's bill for telegraphic and cable tolls is made out and tabulated and you will have the most potent argument possible for the acquisition of a postal telegraph.

The University of Michigan has adopted a policy which will be watched with interest by those interested in college athletics. The policy is to abolish all admission fees to college games and provide the money necessary to defray their expense by adding \$3 to the tuition charges on each student. The action is taken because of abuses grown up making college athletics a money making scheme, in the hope of removing an evil which prevails to greater or less extent in all the large colleges and universities of the country.

THREE LEADING NATIONS

The United States Compared With Russia and Great Britain.

OF Russia, Great Britain and the United States, each has people and territory enough for unlimited power, says a writer in Lippincott's. Nobody can estimate the population that can be sustained by the vast steppes of Russia and the boundless plains of Siberia, which extend through all climates capable of supporting life and empire. Russia's present territory can support a thousand millions of people, and if such a population can be controlled by one government it will be sufficient to conquer any power now existing. Besides its present territory Russia is reaching out for more land in China and other parts of Asia with a good prospect of getting it. If Russia maintains what it now has and secures what it is now claiming, it will have land enough to support half the population of the globe.

About the same can be said of Great Britain. While the British Isles are small, they are admirably situated for central power. The English can easily run out into all parts of the world. Their foreign possessions in Canada, Australia and India are of almost limitless extent, and no estimate can be made of what they may ultimately support and accomplish. England is beginning to divide with Russia the Asiatic continent, and it is a question of how much each shall possess. The indications are that these powers will one day control all Asia, and with such a vast territory and population either of them will be a match for any or all the other European peoples. The manifest destiny of Europe is to be controlled by Russia and controlled largely by reason of the Asiatic hordes which are being drawn to their support; so that Asia will again come into power in Europe by the control which it will exercise through Russia and Great Britain.

The United States is the only other power that can measure with these two, both in the present capabilities and its capacity for expansion. We have already a territory as large as all of Europe exclusive of Russia, and capable of supporting as large a population.

Justice S. J. Field, of the United States supreme court, retired, died at Washington on Sunday of kidney complications.

SPIRIT OF THE STATE PRESS.

New Ideas by the Moulders of Public Opinion.

The city of Portland and the state of Oregon ought to appreciate the worth of Albert Tozier, secretary of the Oregon Press association. He labored zealously to secure for Oregon the meeting of the National Editorial association, the greatest body of organized newspaper people in the world. Since February he has traveled 10,000 miles at his own expense in the interest of the meeting, besides writing to over four hundred individuals from Maine to Manila, in addition to writing two hundred and seventeen columns of matter for the press of the United States, all in the interest of Oregon. And for all this he has received not one cent. Tozier is too patriotic for his own good.—Eugene Guard.

There is an apparent inconsistency in the freight rates between Astoria and Portland and Astoria and San Francisco. Two boxes arrived at the Astoria Herald office last week, one from Portland and one from San Francisco. The dimensions of the boxes were the same, the San Francisco box weighing twice as much as the Portland box. It cost 50 cents freight from Portland, 110 miles, and 45 cents from San Francisco, 620 miles. There is something in this long and short haul business that I haven't got onto. A farmer explained to me last week why the farmers of Clatsop county were unable to compete with the commission merchants of San Francisco in farm products. It costs 30 cents a hundred pounds to ship cabbages, potatoes and other products from Seaside to Astoria, a distance of 20 miles, while it only costs 15 cents a hundred pounds from San Francisco.—Astoria Herald.

Lane county bicyclists' desire to apply the bicycle tax to the noble and glorious purpose of improving the county roads instead of to the construction of bicycle paths. The same amount of money and labor expended on the county road as on a bicycle path would doubtless make a good track for bicycles, and the benefit would be mutual to everybody who used the road.—Yamhill County Reporter.

The "medium" who called up the spirit of John Sherman on the evening of his reported death and had a lengthy interview with the supposed to be dead statesman before the telegraph corrected the false report, was more enterprising than prudent. But man is a superstitious animal and is always ready to be deceived by those who profess to commune with the inhabitants of the spirit world.—Yamhill County Reporter.

It looks now like the McKinley "boom" has a cinch on the presidential nomination for 1900. But since he has to carry Alger, Egan and "enbalm'd beef" on his shoulders, his heavy load will make it impossible for him to win; for, as a prominent republican has said: "16 to 1" or anything else is better than "enbalm'd beef." And there are many who believe it.—North Yamhill Record.

The east is provincial narrow and selfish. This can be illustrated by many examples, but one is necessary. The Atlantic seaboard had nothing in opposition to expansion when we were acquiring Cuba and Porto Rico, but when the Philippines came to us the crime of imperialism was committed. Now those same eastern representatives want to trade the Philippines to England for the West Indies, a group of small islands that are not at all to be compared with the spice island now in our possession. We of the Pacific Coast will not swap. Congressman Tongue was seen yesterday after he had read the news report where the proposition is suggested. He said that he is opposed to swap, and will work against the exchange to the utmost of his power and influence. It would not be a good trade for the Pacific for the nation or for the Atlantic even.—Hillsboro Independent.

Not all the voters of this country, perhaps, are aware of the fact that before you got to the polls again to cast your ballot it will be necessary for you to be registered in order to be a qualified elector. The Harmon registration bill

introduced at the regular session of the late legislature become a law, and it is now in full force and effect. As we interpret the law a registering official will be in each precinct at a specified time to receive your name, age, occupation, height, weight, color of hair and eyes, previous occupation, place of birth, whether a naturalized citizen or not, and a few other little points concerning appearance and character, just to make sure you are entitled to the right of suffrage in this big country of ours, said official to be a person authorized to administer an oath, and if you fail to present yourself for register you will probably not be permitted to exercise your cherished prerogative at the next general election.—Oregon Mist.

The question of why W. J. Bryan united with the Presbyterian rather than the Baptist or Christian church, has been quite freely debated. May be it was because he was unwilling to sink from public gaze long enough to be immersed.—Oregon Mist.

Senator Hansbrough, who has earned a reputation as a careful observer of the political drift of the country, gives this summary of past, present and future: "The mistakes in conduct of the war were all minimized by glorious successes everywhere. The democrats will go a-mourning before the people all of the complaints about the little things. They never size up to the great things. The war was so short, that it was over before the faults and wickednesses were discovered. If the war had been prolonged all of the misdoings of contractors would have been discovered and they would have been punished, McKinley's administration has brought success at every point, and prosperity to every part of the land. Of course he will be re-nominated and re-elected."—Yaquina Bay News.

Some Facts and Figures.

There are 1,500 ocean cables.
 Japan has seventy copper mines.
 There are aluminum violins.
 Vienna has a municipal saloon.
 Canada exports hay to the states.
 Finland has women paper hangers.
 Rockefeller's income is \$40,000 a day.
 Des Moirs boasts a women butcher.
 England has 13,000 female school teachers.
 In Glasgow more than one third of the car fares are one-half penny.
 The English tobacco trade employs today 121 women to every 100 men.
 Zurich provides comfortable sanitary dwellings for 900 city employes.
 The city of Jena, in Germany, owns a brewery that pays to the city a profit of more than \$30,000 a year.
 Seven thousand young women in New York and Brooklyn go insane every year for want of sufficient food and clothing.

"All the professions are terribly overcrowded."
 "That's so. Even being an idiot doesn't attract attention nowadays."

Competition has become so keen that some department stores are said to be talking of giving their customers free board and lodging while waiting for change.

Timid Guest—Is this hotel fireproof?
 Truculent—Give it up. You see they have never had a fire here.

"I've a great mind—" he began.
 "You may think you have," she interrupted him saucily, "but it would be hard for you to find anybody to agree with you."

Johnny—Pa, Mr. Brownlow said, for obvious reasons, he should be unable to be at the meeting at the schoolhouse tonight. What does he mean by "obvious" reasons?
 Pa—Why, my son, when a man has any reasons that he can't think of or has reasons that he does not care to name he says his reasons are obvious.

"Who is that man around the corner who complains that the baby waked him when it cried for a few minutes last night?" asked the little woman.
 "Don't you know?" her husband responded. "He's been working in a boiler factory for the last five years."

LOST IN UMPQUA.

Fish Commissioner H. D. McGuire and Senator Reed Drowned.

ROSEBURG, Or., April 8.—Hollister D. McGuire, fish commissioner of Oregon, and A. W. Reed, state senator from Douglas county, were drowned in the North Umpqua river, opposite Riverdale farm, six miles below Roseburg, this morning. The bodies have not been recovered. Messrs. Reed and McGuire, accompanied by W. F. Hubbard, who has charge of the Clackamas hatchery, went down the North Umpqua to locate a site for a hatchery, intending to return this evening. All three came to this city with Governor Geer, Secretary of State Dunbar and Adjutant-General Tuttle on business connected with the hatchery location and the Oregon Soldiers' Home. Messrs. McGuire, Reed and Hubbard went by freight train to Winchester, where they boarded a small boat for the junction of the rivers, six miles below Roseburg. Governor Geer and General Tuttle went to the Soldiers' Home, and Secretary Dunbar left for Astoria to-day.

Details of the Drowning.

After viewing the river in the vicinity of Winchester, Messrs. McGuire, Reed and Hubbard took a boat and proceeded down the river, which is a wild, rapid stream. When nearing the first falls, they pulled the boat ashore and McGuire and Reed got out and walked around the falls. Mr. Hubbard took the boat over the falls and the other two again got in. About one mile further down are the long rapids, about half a mile in length, and one can see them only a short distance. The roar of the water first announces one's approach. On hearing the warning sound they undertook to row ashore, when the rowlock broke and the next moment they were in the water.

Commissioner McGuire and Mr. Hubbard started to swim ashore. Senator Reed, being unable to swim, clung to the upturned boat. When about half way to the shore, Hubbard looked over his shoulder and saw McGuire swimming after him and Reed upon the boat. When he reached the shore he looked again, and both had disappeared. Neither has yet been found. Searching parties are out with ropes, lanterns and grappling hooks.

The accident was most unfortunate, as Senator Reed's wife expected to meet him here tonight.

The water in the North Umpqua is fairly clear. If the bodies have lodged between where the accident occurred and the junction, they may be recovered tomorrow. The South Umpqua is thick with mining debris, and if the bodies pass into it they will not be discovered soon.

Were Warned of the Danger.

People at Winchester who know the treacherous waters of the North Umpqua warned McGuire, Reed and Hubbard of the danger, and advised them not to undertake so hazardous a trip. They were warned the second time when they were about to get into the boat after Mr. Hubbard had taken it over the first rapids. The North Umpqua is one of the swiftest running streams in Oregon. Before going down the river this morning, Commissioner McGuire left orders for a wagon to meet the party at 4 p.m. anywhere on the road between Roseburg and the junction of the rivers. Mr. Barker, a liveryman, went to meet them, and met Mr. Hubbard, who gave the details of the drowning. The news reached Roseburg when the local train arrived at 5:20. A large force of men and a doctor immediately left for Winchester.

"Why this monument is crooked."
 "Yes; so was the deceased."

"Look not on the wine when it is red, my misguided friend."
 "Do you speak from experience?"
 "I do. I made a mistake once and took a long pull from a bottle of sparkling red ink!"

Chef—William, where did you put that macaroni I gave you yesterday?
 Assistant—It's in that big cracked punchbowl on the top shelf.

Chef—Bound to make trouble, are you?
 Assistant—What was wrong about that?
 Chef—Putting Italy in China—that's all.