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OREGON'S FOUR HUNDRED

They met at the Commercial club banquet at Portland the other night. They dined and wined for six hours. They were the bankers, merchants, importers, manufacturers, officials, politicians, and whatnot, various, men of note of our state. They made speeches and the champagne corks flew.

They were Oregon's brave four hundred. Probably a majority were men of wealth. A great many were on the public payrolls. There is no harm in such a gathering and very little good. The farmers at Concord who fired the shot heard round the world that brought on the revolutionary war were no such select crowd.

What was done by the Four Hundred? Besides eat and drink, little. They made speeches but not for the public. A good deal was said about the Nicaragua canal, a pin on which hangs now a great deal of cheap statesmanship. The Four Hundred took little note of the condition of their fellow man in the world outside. Why should they? Were they not well housed, well fed, well soaked and well corned before morning?

FIRST MATCH FOOTBALL GAME

Prepare to blow your horns! Salem's football team plays its first match game next Saturday. Willamette plays against the State Agricultural college, and every true Salemite's enshusiasm is up for the home team.

Football is fast becoming a national game. Until this year only the large universities had a football team. But this season each of the big clubs has already been beaten by a club from some smaller town. There is no good reason why Salem may not develop the crack club of the Pacific coast.

At any rate the first real trial will show if Salem has material for a team, that will show it. The Salem amateurs have had but little experience. They have played but two games against other clubs. They have had but two month's coaching. But we believe they will win next Saturday, even against a trained club like Corvallis. In the meantime get ready to blow your horn.

PAY BILLS ONLY WHEN DUE

In the circuit court at Salem yesterday the plaintiff was nonsuited in the case of the Weston state normal school against Secretary of State Kincaid, commenced for the purpose of compelling payment of the full amount of the state appropriation, $16,000. Kincaid has refused to pay out any money except on bills properly presented as they come due. The secretary did eminently right and is to be congratulated on winning the suit.—Albany Democrat.

While Secretary Kincaid has been grumbled at by unthinking people occasionally, yet it is greatly to their profit as citizens of Oregon that he is the painstaking and careful official that he is proving himself to be.—Eugene Register.

The above statements are from two newspapers not noted for friendliness to Mr. Kincaid. The simple fact is: Mr. Kincaid compels people having business with the state to come square before the law and establish their claims. He simply performs his sworn duty.

GETTING HIS REWARD.

Though the receiver of the Portland Savings bank seems to be sanguine that that shamefully wrecked institution will "pay out" in time, it must be admitted that there is nothing in his quarterly report published, without any attempt at economy in the way of condensation, that supports this theory. The bank is "paying out," it is true, so far as the salaries of those who have it in charge are concerned, but not perceptibly otherwise. The unknown quantity in the problem as it is stated at present, is how long it will take to absorb the available assets of the bank in "expenses."—Oregonian.

The receiver is Senator O. N. Denny, of Portland, one of Mr. Dolph's manager's and it was understood that he was given the plum as a reward for his loyal services to the ring. Mr Denny is getting $250 a month, or even more, not to make a clearing up of affairs in the interest of the people but to protect and reward the gang who put him here.

SPEAKING OF HOGS.

Col. Alley, of the Florence West, devotes a column to our facetious exposition of the merits of the Salem hog. Our compliments to that animal and to Col. Alley! We seem to have cut the gallant Col. Alley across the tenderloin.

Now Colonel, if you are real anxious and jealous of Salem, come up and live with our defective classes of population and you will not feel so anxious of our prosperity. You would make a splendid resident of the capital city. We repeat our words about the capital city having the ability to rustle:

"If you think Salem has not this quality try it on. Come here with a legitimate business proposition and see how quickly the hog will rustle the opportunity. Throw a railroad in our way and see how quickly the hog will catch on. Let go a medical college and see how quickly it will be picked up, re-organized, set on its feet and started off with a hospital, opportunities all complete, and no help from the state, either."

The Salem hog when aroused is a roster. He wears no ring in his nose and when he meets one of his own species from any other part of the state he always recognizes the animal. Shake, Colonel Alley.

DEMOCRATIC INCAPACITY.

The Democratic party has suffered for things for which it was not responsible, but in so far as its misfortunes can be laid to faults of its own we should sum up the trouble in one word, "incapacity." The individual members of the party meant well, or at least the majority of them did, but they could not pull together, and they muddled away their opportunity. With the most magnificent chance ever given to an American party to make a brilliant record and win the admiration of the nation, the Democracy pottered and blundered until it fell into contempt. The financial situation demanded radical treatment, but congress did nothing, the tariff was only half reformed, the Nicaragua canal was not assisted, our relations with Hawaii were left in a state of exasperating confusion, and our shipping was relieved of none of the burdens.

The Republican party can do any better. The whole country is looking to the new congress with hope and with an honest desire to be pleased with its work. If the Republicans fail, their failure will be their own fault.—San Francisco Examiner.

VALE, PARKHURST.

Farewell, Parkhurst! Last year Rev. Parkhurst carried the campaign in New York City against Tammany, and this year the only Democratic victory in the North was that of Tammany over Parkhurst.

When he landed in New York his first interview was a denunciation of Platt on equal terms with Boss Croker. A little later Parkhurst consented to a fusion with Platt. There he put his foot in it. Platt packed the primaries and was in control of the machine. After denouncing him Parkhurst should never have consented to run a fusion ticket with him.

Perhaps it was as well for the country that Parkhurst put his foot into Platt's trap and has disappeared. If he had again led the reform element to victory New York City would not have contained his greatness. He would have wanted to take charge of the affairs of the nation. It was a confession of weakness on the part of the Republicans to not have been willing to take Tammany by the throat, without Parkhurst to boss the job. We want no church and state. We want no religious dictatorship. Americans want no pope in politics, whether he be Catholic or Protestant.

A movement which needs encouragement in Oregon is that of the subdivision of large land holdings into tracts in the hands of owners who will intensify and diversify agriculture is growing all over the world. The small farm is the farm of the future. Every tendency is in this direction, the strongest being the rapid in improvement in advantages, comforts and convenience of real life. Even in Portland the necessity of cutting up the extensive land holdings is recognized The great estates will not pay any honor.—Albany Herald

Children Cry for
Pitcher's Castoria.

WHAT THE AGE DEMANDS.

It demands first of all plain truth about all things. This JOURNAL is censured for daring to criticise a minister. As our town has about twenty-five churches, the question arises, is a minister a proper subject for criticism? What does the clergy criticise oftener than the press?

The age and the pulpit demands earnest, genuine manhood. Nothing else will do. Have not several shame and several downright frauds (not discovered until they had nearly ruined the churches they were connected with) passed away in the last few years at Salem? Of course there are always those who uphold a fraud, even if he be in the pulpit. They are not as a rule substantial supporters of a church, but mere hangers-on.

This shows that the church itself needs men of character and ability in the pulpit to discriminate between those who make profession of religion for what there is in it and the real seekers after truth and the doers of the real true work. Above all the ministry needs men who are gentlemen and business men all the year around. Nor are culture and refinement to be despised as a part of a minister's equipment.

A WRECKED CITY.

Tacoma city government and six Tacoma banks, and the county Treasury are wrecked by boom methods and rotten politics. The News says:

"The report of the finance committee to the city council on Saturday night reveal the condition of the city finance as no statement hitherto made has. It shows a bonded debt of $2,730,000, and as floating warrant indebtedness of $1,095,520,20 unpaid salaries and unpaid bills, i. e., those for which no warrats have been issued, of $62,630,48; due banks for loan to pay interest, $2,717,01, making the total city indebtedness, November 1, legal and illegal, taking no account of the interest accrued on warrants, of $3,881,167,21.

"To meet this debt there was on hand at that date, $422.49 in cash.

"This shows in a succint form, the results of five years of partisan administration of city affairs. As assests the city has a water system, which taken worth a million dollars, a city hall, worth with its furnishing, say $250,000. A city market place worth possibly $5000, a steam road roller and other street paraphernalia, worth possibly $10,000; some scattered real estate worth no one knows how little, its delinquent tax rolls and its claims against defunct banks and ex-treasurers and their bondsmen. On none of these assets, save the tax roll, can the city reasonably hope to realize any immediate relief."

The city of Salem has not had any boom methods, and has had a clean, progressive business administration of city affairs. That is what Salem should have in the future.

One of the biggest men in the United States is Mayor Pingree, of Detroit, Michigan. He conceived the idea of letting poor people earn their living by gardening the waste and unoccupied lands about the city.

What could the laboring men of a factory state like New Jersey do but vote the Republican ticket. They've nothing else to do since the Cleveland administration went into power.

Encourage the young men to play football. It will help make men of them. Bye-and-bye they may go to work for a living, and a vigorous constitution is a nice thing to have laying around handy.

New Jersey has increased 228,009 in population since 1890. The state has increased the respect of the nation by going Republican the last two elections.

Give our college men and Y. M. C. A.'s more outdoor sport good solid work on the farms and in the factory, and less "Sin of Eden" nonsense.

It takes 224 electoral votes to elect the next president. The states that were certain republican last year and this year have 294 electoral votes.

In New York city 40,000 Republicans registered but did not vote. Why? Mr. Platt packed the primaries.

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Turkey butchery in Europe and Asia should stop. In this country it is about to begin.

Supt. Rowland was a good superintendent but lost fame by a temporary reputation for a low per capita.

What's the matter with book-keeping John W. Roland at the asylum? He's all right.

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New Jersey has gone Republican twice. Once more and she'll be in the Union.

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Naval Aggression.

NEW YORK, Nov. 12.—A special to the World from Ottowa says:

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Sir Chas. Tupper, the Canadian minister of justice, formerly minister of marine, says the treaty speaks clearly for itself. Being asked if Canada had not infringed the treaty in constructing cruisers on the lakes, Sir Charles said they were only revenue cutters.

The treaty stipulates that the naval forces of each country shall consist of not more than one vessel, not exceeding 100 tons burden and armed with two such vessels on Lake Ontario, and one such vessel on Lake Champlain. A doubt has arisen over the clause in which it was agreed that all other armed vessels on these lakes should be dismantled and that no other vessel of war should be there built or armed.

The Canadian government has built three armed cruisers on the lakes since 1891, the Curfew, the Constance and the Petrel.

It will be an interesting question to solve as to how far the armament and armor of the revenue cruiser may be carried in her construction, and where the line is to be drawn between a revenue cruiser available for revenue purposes only, and one that may be put to more service defenseve or offensive purposes when national exigencies demand it.

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