

THE EUGENE CITY GUARD.

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 1876. EUGENE CITY, OREGON.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Congress: L. F. LANE, Of Douglas County.

For Presidential Electors: HENRY KLIPPEL, of Jackson. E. A. CRONIN, of Multnomah. W. B. LASWELL, of Grant.

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

For Judge: J. M. THOMPSON, Of Lane. For Prosecuting Attorney: S. H. HAZARD, Of Coos.

LANE COUNTY TICKET.

For State Senator: JOHN WHITEAKER. For Representatives: A. D. BURTON, A. J. CRUZAN, E. P. REDFORD, R. B. HAYES. For County Judge: J. J. WALTON, Jr. For County Commissioners: J. E. HOLT, C. T. HALE. For Clerk: J. P. CURRAN. For Sheriff: JOHN STEWART. For Treasurer: JOHN G. DAY. For Assessor: GEO. W. KINSEY. For School Superintendent: J. C. BOLAN. For Surveyor: G. R. HAMMERSLY. For Coroner: WM. OWSLEY.

Too Much Honor.—An attempt was made by the friends of Hon. John Burnett to allow his name to be used as an independent candidate for District Judge. A petition numerously signed was sent from Douglas county to him for that purpose, which was refused. Judge Burnett is a man of too much honor to go into a convention and being defeated therein to come out as an independent against his successful competitor. His reply to the petition was that he should support Mr. Thompson and it will have a tendency to materially increase the strength of that gentleman in the contest.

Assassination in Politics.—Our tendency to destroy one another in politics, says the N. Y. Herald, is a blunder and a scandal upon our institutions. Politicians should know that it stands to reason that the fall of any leader is a reflection upon the general sense and discipline of the party and its fitness for power. More than all, it should not be forgotten that every "revelation" about a public man is welcomed abroad, and especially in England, as an indication that we are all going to the devil; that there is no virtue in a republican form of government; that we are thieves, or at the best receivers of stolen goods, and that the end must be chaos and repudiation. No patriot cares to give his country this reputation—to be the cause of its shame and mockery. One way to bring it to an end is to stop this business of assassination in politics, which seems especially to animate the Republican party and its leaders.

Public Debt Statements.

It will be remembered that just prior to the last Presidential election the statements published each month showed a great reduction of the public debt. These statements went on until a short time after the election, when they began to show a decided increase and finally were discontinued. A St. Louis dispatch throws a little light on the manner of making these statements. It says:

Sergeant George Prender, in charge of the signal service station here, left for Washington last night where he will testify before the Committee on Expenditures of the Treasury Department. Before his departure he was interviewed by a Times reporter and stated to him that he was a public debt statement clerk under Secretary McCulloch, and while there he discovered that great frauds were practiced upon the Government. That the public debt statement reported money in the Treasury that was not on hand, and while the Government was paying three per cent. for money to meet temporary necessities. He also discovered that hundreds of thousands of dollars of government money was placed in the hands of confederates outside the department, who loaned it back to the government as individual funds and drew interest on it. While pursuing these investigations, Prender was informed by a clerk in the redemption bureau, named Richardson, that immense frauds were being perpetrated

in that bureau, that fortunes were being made by reporting money destroyed which was preserved; that only half of the money turned in for destruction was actually destroyed, the other half being divided among the perpetrators of the frauds. Prender says he tried to have these frauds investigated a number of times but failed. When Boutwell became Secretary of the Treasury, Prender informed him of these frauds, and the Secretary promised to investigate them. Shortly after this, a man named Fox, who had also been clerk in the redemption bureau, called on Prender, stating he had been appointed a detective by Secretary Boutwell to follow up these frauds, and wanted all the papers and evidence he had in his possession. Prender declined to give them up except on an order from Boutwell. Fox returned with a letter from Secretary Boutwell asking for the documents and Prender gave them to him in presence of a witness who knew their character. Meanwhile Richardson, the man who informed Prender of the frauds in the redemption bureau had retired. He was visited by Fox, and although a Democrat, was appointed assistant postmaster at Albany, and no investigation of the frauds was ever made.

Democratic Platform.

The Democracy of Oregon in Convention assembled reaffirms the platform of principles adopted at the last Democratic State Convention, and adopt the following in addition to the same, to-wit: Resolved, That the action of the present Democratic House of Representatives of the United States, in ferreting out corruption and bringing criminals to justice, merits the hearty commendation of every true patriot. Resolved, That the large influx of Chinese immigrants to the States of the Pacific Coast of America, has been a curse to the country; that the Chinese are a people that have not and never can be brought to have any interest consistent with the welfare and prosperity of our Government and its institutions; and that we pledge ourselves to use our best endeavors for the adoption of such measures as will prevent and cure this growing evil. Resolved, That our inestimable system of common schools, and our no less valuable scheme of religious toleration, are the workmanship of Democratic hands and the fruits of Democratic policy; that it is the exclusive right and duty of the State to provide for the education of its children; and it having been a principle established in the formation of our State Constitution that no public funds of any class should be used for sectarian schools or societies, we declare our faithful adherence to this principle, and oppose any invasion of it; that it is the inalienable right of every citizen to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience, and no political disabilities should be incurred by reason of religious belief; and while we will defend these principles and institutions to the fullest extent, we deprecate all attempts to raise sectarian issues in politics as utterly unbecoming and reprehensible, and meriting the emphatic condemnation of every good citizen.

Oregon Crop Prospects.

There is rather a discouraging outlook for those farmers who live on flat prairie land, as in most instances they have sown little or no grain, and in many cases their fields are not yet plowed. The hill farmers have had a most successful season and their grain looks uncommonly well. Those who occupy the higher prairie locations have also made a fair show, but those first alluded to have in some instances not yet tilled a furrow, and in others even the summer fallow was not sowed early and could not be put in later and may have to be replanted. A gentleman from Linn county says that probably not more than one fourth the grain is sowed in that county; two fourths of the land is plowed and waiting for dry weather to sow it, and another fourth is still to be plowed. As he expresses it, those who were on the alert end improved every day and hour that would do to plow and put in grain, have their work well along, and those who missed those opportunities and waited for the good, pleasant weather that usually favors winter planting have been left in the lurch, which illustrates the necessity of improving time and opportunities. There is some discouragement felt over the grain prospect, both by disappointed farmers and expectant business men, but there is no particular ground for alarm, as Oregon seasons are very accommodating and seldom fail of securing good returns. On flat lands wheat can be sown with almost certainty through the greater part of May, and in case farmers fail to put in all their land they can rest assured that the remainder can be sown fallowed without loss other than deferring the returns to another season.—Farmers.

The Corvallis Gazette says: "The farmers hereabouts are beginning to look blue, indeed, in consequence of the continued rains. In some portions of our county but very little grain has been sown. In King's valley, however, we learn that a very large acreage has been seeded, and that locality could, in ten days of good weather, complete the putting in of their spring crops. In some portions of Linn county, in the vicinity of Halsey, where much of the land is still covered with water, the crop prospects are very gloomy. From present indications the probabilities are that we shall come nearer having a failure of crops in Oregon than was ever before known. The rains commencing so early last fall and continuing so late this spring, is a serious detriment to agricultural pursuits.

When it was said in advance that the Democratic majority in Congress would make manifest the rottenness that pervaded every department of the Government, the announcement was greeted with sneers and howls of derision. Let us have an honest government at whatever cost, and to secure that we must have honest men at the head of it and in all its subordinate departments. Stand by the Democratic majority in Congress and the great desideratum will be attained. On such a course depends the country's salvation.

The Republican Convention.

The Republican State Convention met in Portland on Wednesday. Hon. Richard Williams was nominated for Congress on the first ballot. W. H. Odell, J. W. Watts and J. C. Cartwright were chosen as Electors, and B. C. Van Houten, J. H. Foster, J. C. Tolman, J. B. David and H. K. Himes were elected delegates to the National Convention at Cincinnati. J. F. Watson of Roseburg and W. B. Highy of Benton were nominated for Judge and Prosecuting Attorney for this district. The following platform was adopted:

The Republican party of Oregon, in convention assembled, makes this declaration of its principles and policy:

Resolved, That in this Centennial year of American Independence we again affirm our devotion to those fundamental principles upon which the republic and the Republican party were founded. Among these are— 1. Unswerving fidelity to the constitution and the perpetuity of the Union.

2. The preservation of the liberties and equal rights of all citizens throughout the nation, and the impartial administration of the laws in every part of the country, for the protection and enforcement of public and private rights and the punishment of violence and crime.

3. Pure and economical administration of every department of the government, State and national, and we pledge the support of the Republican party to all measures honestly proposed and wisely designed to promote the moral and material prosperity of the people.

4. That a well instructed people alone can be permanently free, it is therefore essential that the public school system shall be maintained in order that every child may receive such education as will fit him for useful citizenship, and we are unalterably opposed to any diversion of public school money for any purpose whatever.

5. That while we are in favor of a renouveau for the support of the general government by duties upon imports, sound policy requires such adjustment of those imports as to encourage the development of the industrial interests of the whole country, and we commend that policy of national exchange which secures to the working men liberal wages, to agriculture remunerative prices, to mechanics and manufacturers an adequate reward for their skill, labor and enterprise, and to the nation commercial prosperity and independence.

6. That the best interests of all citizens of every condition and pursuit imperatively demand the speediest return to a specie basis of values and currency, and we hail with gratification the act of a Republican Congress definitely providing for that end.

7. That we are in favor of antirig prosecution and punishment of public fraud and crime, straw bidding and speculation in office, wherever existing, and we repeat the injunction, "Let no guilty man escape."

8. We demand that our national candidates shall be men of tried integrity, who will carry out this policy of reform, and preserve inviolate the great results of the war.

9. We arraign the present State administration and its supporters as corrupt and profligate. They have robbed the common school fund; they have been guilty of partisan legislation; they have squandered our patrimony in lands, and heaped upon us a debt of over \$300,000 in direct violation of the constitution.

Ex-Governor Geo. L. Curry retires from the editorial chair of the Portland Journal. He says:

"My connection with the Journal ceases with this issue. I regret to be obliged to quit my editorial duties just at this time, but business of a different character requires my absence from the city for several weeks, and my permanent attention there after. My relations with those concerned in publishing the Journal have always been and still are of the friendliest kind, and I hope they are not otherwise with its patrons. In the brief period of my abilities, and wishing the Journal a long continuance of its popularity, and the full attainment of the high measure of success which it deserves, I retire from my position with an expression of my desire for the health and good fortune of all connected with the press of Oregon.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has cancelled the order of that office of May 23, 1873, which withheld from disposal as agricultural land all public lands in Oregon, lying west of range 10 west, between townships 18 south and 40 south, inclusive, until the non-mineral character of the same should be established. The cancellation applies to all the above designated lands except townships 26 and 27 south, range 13 west.

Central Committees.

It is to be hoped for the good of the Democratic party that its County Conventions hereafter will make the Central Committee consist of one man from each precinct.

BALLOON'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR MAY.—The May number of this popular Magazine is issued, and contains an immense variety of interesting matter, in addition to M. Quid's great story of "That Taylor Boy," one of the most exciting contemporary stories that the noted humorist of the West ever wrote. Its contents to increase, and much speculation will be made as to what will be the boy's ultimate fate. That he will come out all right, we feel assured. Published by Thomas & Talbot, 23 Hawley Street, and for sale at all periodical depots in the country, or sent at \$1.50 per year, postpaid.

The Douglas county Republican convention nominated the following ticket: Senators, G. W. Colvig, Jesse Applegate; representatives, E. A. Kirkpatrick, W. F. Benjamin, W. P. Kirshob, M. M. Melvin; clerk, T. L. Williams; sheriff, J. N. Noble; treasurer, S. K. Raymond; school superintendent, J. Howard.

OREGON.

The farmers of Yoncalla are ahead—grain all in.

A church organization of Universalists is to be organized at Albany.

A large band of horses and mules will soon start from Jackson county for Nevada.

John Love, of Harrisburg, has been adjudged insane and sent to the East Portland asylum.

A grower of strawberries on the East side estimates his crop this season at over 7,000 pounds.

A. Smith and D. H. Morton, of Jefferson, were drowned in the Santiam while logging last Saturday.

The newly-elected officers of the Oregon and California Railroad Company came up as far as Junction on a tour of inspection.

The Benton county Republican convention instructed their delegates for A. F. Ghenueth for district attorney of the second judicial district.

Oscar Bellingier, son of C. B. Bellingier, Esq., of Portland, has recently received the appointment of cadet at the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

The ninth anniversary of the foundation of the Baptist Church in Albany will be celebrated by a fair and festival at the church, Thursday evening, May 4th.

Capt. Hall informs the Plaindealer that the snow on the mountains between Ashland and Linkville is from four to ten feet deep and the roads are in a horrible condition.

The Benton Democrat publishes a call, signed by several of the prominent citizens of Benton county, for a mass meeting, to be held May 6th, to nominate a county ticket, irrespective of existing tickets.

E. L. Hussey, who came over from Tillamook last week informs the Courier that there is about eight feet of snow, for six miles, in the mountains, and that there is considerable difficulty in traveling.

Douglas county has another paper, published at Oakland by the Oakland Publishing Company. It is a weekly and independent in politics. Another journal called the Times will be started in Cole's valley, same county, soon.

Judge Sifers, of Josephine, proposes erecting a quartz mill in the region of Fort Lane, should the prospects prove favorable, and we understand that he is now surveying the line of a ditch which will furnish water power for the same.

The Banner says four out of the six candidates for State Senators in Douglas county are in favor of dividing the county. There being two senators to elect in the county the anti-divisionists stand a good show to keep the county together.

Last week eighteen head of beef cattle were shipped from the Dallas to Port Townsend. They were the finest lot of beef cattle we ever remember; total weight being 25,600, and average weight 1,423 1/2 pounds. The lot were from Umatilla county.

Wm. Bowman would like to know the whereabouts of Hester Dawson, formerly Hester Bowman. When last heard from she was in Missouri. It would be to her advantage to let her whereabouts be known. Address, Wm. Bowman, Dallas, Polk county, Oregon.

The Kather Mining Company in Josephine county are extracting ore and hauling it to their mill on Grave creek, and will commence crushing in a few days. S. C. Shenks took out of his mining claim on Jordan gulch, a nice piece of gold worth \$17.50.

At a meeting of the citizens of Benton county, convened on the 15th ult., to take into consideration the construction of a canal from some point on the Long Tom or the Willamette river to terminate at Corvallis, a committee was appointed, with power to adopt articles of incorporation, with such capital as may be required to construct said canal, and that they cause such preliminary examinations of the several routes and lines as may be necessary.

From the Albany Democrat: James Fitzpatrick, who was generally known throughout the valley as "Wild Bill," dropped dead in Gerhart's saloon, Corvallis, Sunday afternoon last, about 2 o'clock. At the moment of his death, he was sitting with several boon companions at a table, and was engaged in telling their fortunes by cards. Suddenly he was seen to throw back his head, and with an unutterable exclamation, fell to the floor dead. Another victim to dissipation and another one lowered into a pauper's grave.

The Roseburg Plaindealer says: Capt. Hall, special deputy sheriff, returned from pursuit of Gibson on Thursday. He followed him as far as Ashland and then lost all trace of him. Gibson had seduced two sisters, daughters of a neighbor, in the northern part of the county, and for this crime the warrant was issued. The old girl is now seventeen, and we understand her girl is several weeks old, while the youngest is but thirteen, and is soon to become a mother. Gibson is supposed to be in Nevada.

The O. S. N. Company has commenced at Celilo, the construction of a new steamboat, which is to be built of such light draft that it can ascend and descend the Snake river as far as Lewiston at the lowest stage of water. The boat is designed especially to meet the demands of the trade during that portion of the season when navigation has heretofore been suspended. The dimensions of the new craft are: Length 150 feet, beam 36 feet, hold 4 1/2 feet. Work on the new boat will be pushed forward vigorously to completion.

The Enterprise says: The firm of Miller, Marshall & Co., of Oregon City, some ten days ago sold ten thousand barrels of their Oregon City mills flour to a Liverpool firm, and since which time they have been and are running night and day to fill it. They have chartered the River Luzon, now en route from San Francisco, to carry the flour to England. This shipment aggregates twenty two thousand barrels sold during the present harvest season on English account by the above named firm, and they expect to put one more cargo afloat before its close.

A letter from Prineville, Wasco county, to the Mountaineer, dated April 18th, says: "Last night, the 17th, the country was covered with snow. Crooked river is higher at this time than it was ever known before by white men. Stock at present is doing well and grass is plenty, but the weather is cold and disagreeable. Health is good. Prineville is completely surrounded by water and all the low bottoms are covered with water from Crooked river and Ochoco. Considerable grain is under water at this time. Many cattle buyers are in the Ochoco valley. There are plenty of cattle for sale and all the sheep in the country smelly."

Death of Hon. Truett Polk.

Hon. Truett Polk, ex-governor of the State of Missouri, and ex-United States Senator, died suddenly in St. Louis, Sunday morning last, of an affection of the throat. He was 65 years old and had lived in Missouri since 1835. In 1846 he was a member of the constitutional convention, and in 1856 was the nominee of the democratic party for Governor. He was elected to the latter office in August, and during the ensuing session of the legislature was chosen United States Senator, as the colleague of the Hon. James S. Green. He remained in the Senate until 1861, when he resigned the office and cast his fortunes with those of the Southern Confederacy. In 1864 he was taken a prisoner and confined on Johnson's Island. At the close of the war he returned to St. Louis and resumed the practice of his profession, which he has continued to follow successfully since. He was a prominent member of the Methodist church, and held a deservedly high rank as a lawyer. He belonged to the old school of able statesmen, who are rapidly passing away.

The emigration from Ireland is no longer what it was 10 or 15 years ago. Only a little more than 50,000 persons emigrated last year, and the promise is that this year the number will be even less—less than in any year since 1851. This shows that the situation of the people is improving, that the evils of over population have been alleviated by the vast emigration of the past quarter of a century. It indicates perhaps still more that the bad times in this country have discouraged intending emigrants from crossing the ocean. The steamship lines between here and Europe are either making no money or losing money. They feel the loss of the passage money of emigrants. The Centennial will be a year remarkable for the small addition of foreigners it made to our population.

A Favored Commonwealth.

Kentucky is a highly favored commonwealth. She has 40,000 square miles of fertile soil, and does not owe a dollar of State debt. Her tobacco crop is now more than double that of Virginia, and nearly half the crop of the entire country. She raises nearly half the hemp the whole country produces. She has nine millions of acres of virgin forest, and more iron ore than there is in Pennsylvania, with 12,871 square miles of coal lands. She produces the finest blooded cattle and horses, and mules seem to grow in Kentucky spontaneously. She also rejoices in being the place of nativity of the prettiest women in the world.

The Independents in Umatilla county, have nominated the following ticket: Representatives, Wm. Stein, J. S. Wilson; County Judge, J. J. Lee; Commissioners, I. G. Thompson, T. J. Kirk; Sheriff, Robt. Sargent; County Clerk, J. H. Sharon; Treasurer, Lot Livermore; School Superintendent, J. C. Arnold; Surveyor, L. Moore; Assessor, A. J. Nelson; Coroner, W. C. McKay.

A Jackson county letter states that farmers have been kept back with their seeding on account of the late rains, but even they are looking for a clear day and that there will probably be more grain sown in that part of the State than ever before.

Final Settlement.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Henry Hageman, deceased, Chas. Laur, Administrator of said estate of said Henry Hageman, deceased, having filed his final account as such Administrator, it is therefore ordered that Monday, the 31 day of July, 1876, be and hereby is set apart for the hearing of objections thereto and the final settlement thereof. By order of Hon. John M. Thompson, County Judge. JAMES F. BROWN, Attorney.

FIRST AND LAST CALL.

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