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Call for Republiean County Convention and Notice of Primary Elections.

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Pennoyer for senator is what the
Portland politicians are seeking. This wily old log-roller is playing a deep game, and onless the people of
Oregon are watchful, they will awake some morning to find themselves
represented in the senate by the sawmill statesman. The Feurth of July orators hav action of congress in voting the war appropriation. The obliterating of
sectiona! lines between the North and South will be a pleasant theme to dwell upon. A united country

No one believes the report that General Weyler has admitted bav
fug laid the mines in Havana harbo which resulted in the explosion o
the Maine. There is little doub but that the mines exist and that
probably Weyler !aid them, but it is hardly reasozable that he is writing the fact down, as the letter may fal
into the hands of vigilant newspaper into the hands of vigilant newspaper
correspondents. This report is another e

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to be fought out again in Oregon goments in favor of sound money have to be again put forth, and the
fallacies of the free silverites' position exposed? Does the well known cheap money and a dearer money cannot circulate together; but that the cheaper coin will inevitably drive the other qut of circulation, and w
will have but the cheaper metal witi which to do our basiness? Are thes people who are clamoring for the
free and unlimited coinage of silve really sincere in their protestations,
 ferently than they do in this county. At the recent convention, held at
Moro, fusion was progressing smoothly untii it eame to adopting resolutions when the Democrats refused to
scrrender all their individual or
party feelings and-swallow the dose prepared by the Populists. Fusion cannot be commended save as po
litical expediency. In this instance however, there seems to be little
reason why the Democrats, Free Silverites and Populists should not
fuse, as the difference in their polit ieal beliefs is too minute for discernThose prophets who have been predieting that the end of this cen-
tury should see some stirring times, may witness their predictinns verified
The building of new navies is going The building of new navies is going
on at a remarkable rate. England putting $896,000,000$ into new war-
ships; Rassia bas decided to spend $\$ 90.000,000$ in the same manner while Germany is making large ex-
penditures for naval armament. Tue Spanish war scare may pass away
but there are other great international questions to decide which an
appeal to arms may be necessary The action of congress in voting $850,000,000$ for defensive armanen
came none to soon. Liberia is probably the only col
ony in Africa in which the colon,sts acquired a raght by purchase. The
American Negioes who emigrated to Liberia under the direction of the American Colonization Society did
not go into Africa as claimants of any specified territory, but they
bought outright bought outright a district that suited
their purposes for experiment in retheir purposes for experiment in re
publican government. As the years have gone by the republic has been
enlarged, but always by purohase. enlarged, but always by purobase
The European rowers represented in Africa took possession of certain native states and proceeded to make
them over as adjuncts or them over as adjuncts or dependen-
cies of European states. The re
public of Liberin was established 1847. It is not as much in the way of European powers as the South
African republic, and it has been free from invasion for torty years beciase the people bave attended
strictly to their own business, and because it was understood that in
some may the little republic was under the protection of the United
States. Cerlainly this country ough States. Cerlainly this country ough
to have a friendly interest in Liberia, and that interest ouzht to go fa flence by European powers.

At Philadelphia, during 1899,
large trade exposition will be beld of which the prospectus has lately
been rosued hy the Philadelphia Exposition Assuciation. The main purpose of this exposition will be to
extend our foreign traile by exhibit ing manufactures in this country bes suited for export trade side by side
with samples of products from Eu with samples of products from Eu
rcpe. Trade bodies in all parts rcpe. Trade bodies in all parts of
the country give assurance of their co-operation. The exposition vil proof buildings, to be erected on land set aside for that purpose by th city of Philadelphin. The exposition will be opened May 10, 1899 and will contunue for five months American, manufactures, properly
classifled and displayed, will form the most extensive department. An , sist of exhibits of European manu

| facurres, selected by competen speciafists, with a view to showing the requirements of the different ex port markets. A third departmen will be that of packing and shipping designed to show in detait ho American goors should be packed labeled and shipped to meet the re quirements of foreign trade. <br> SWALLOWED THE CAMEL. <br> From a fusior standpoint the thre conventions Saturday accomplishe their work with but little hitch i the program. The leaders appor tioned the offices, and though som individuals were disappointed at the allotment, yet the division was final ly unanimously accepted. All who witnessed the various proceeding Saturday could not hut be convinced that the whole affrair was bu an arrangement for securing th county offices and placing in promi nence men who had long aspired to this sort of thing. Principles wer lost sight of, and everything made secondary to the claims of certain inflividuals for office. <br> We doubt if this fusion arrange ment will appeal to the commerid tion of the great body of voters who believe there is something more in politics than simple strugg'e for office. The alliance of the Populist and Democrats will be distasteful to many members of each organization, while the acceptance by the Free Silver Republicans of the doctrine which once they so vigorously opposed shows that surely time worketh |
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 result from irresponsible Populist misrule.
The campsign in Oregon will be a notable one as indicating whether
or not its peopie are able to learn

## OBSERVATIONS BY PROCTOR.

The statement made by Semator Proctor in the senate Thursday ma
terially increased the prospect of in terially increased the prospect of in
tervention by this country in the

and returns to this country horrified
at the warfare Spain has carried on
 the results of his personal observa tions, and the sttention pald to his
remarks shows bow deep is the in. terest taken in this question. The horrible condition existing in Cub can be ren
Proctor:
"Outside of Havana all is changed. It is not peace, nor is it war; it is
desolation and destruction, misery and starvation. Every town and
village is surrounded by a trocha, a sort of rifle pit, but constructed on a plan new to me, dirt being throw
up on the outede wire fence on the other síde of th trench, I saw no house or hut 400 miles of railroad rides from Pinar del Rio province in the west
across the full widh of Havana and across the full width of Havana and
Matanzas provinces and to Sagua Grande, on the north shore, and to
Cienfuegos, on the south shore of Santa Clara, except within the Span
ish trochos. There are no domesti and umals or crops on the rich fields
and and pasturcs, except such as are un-
der guard in the immediate vieinity der guard in the immediate vicinity
of the towns. In other words, the Spaniards hol 1 in those four wester
provinces just what their army sit on. Every man, womas and child and gvery domestic animal, whereve the columns have marched, is unde
guard and within their so-called for tifications. To describe one plac to describe ail."

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    The Portland Cbrunicle, a journa hich represents the Simon-Corbe Lord will not gratify the Mitchell the legislature in extra session. This may be true, but Governor Lord will be making a grevious error it he conclude that the Mitchell men, or any other set of individuals, alone
    desire an extra session. The great majority of Republican voters and the people generally are anxious to

