

The Oregon Argus.

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Oregon Politicians.

Oregon is noted for its politicians, and these politicians are more noted for their number than for their sagacity. Dr. McBride told us some five years ago that he thought about half of the voters in Oregon were office seekers.

With this view of the material that has hitherto made up the voting element in this country it will readily be seen that to change our political character so long as we were a Territory, dependent on an Administration that dispenses the patronage which kept the wheels of our Territorial government in motion, was an uphill business, to say the least.

Another difficulty that the Republican party in Oregon has had to contend with is the conflicting views of political policy that have all along obtained in the ranks of what is generally termed "the opposition."

Gen. McCarver told us last Monday that he voted for Stout, but at the same time hoped Logan would be elected, as he thought Stout's election would be unfavorable to the payment of our war debt.

Our friend Bob Kinney, we are sorry to say, seems to have lost confidence in our sincerity. He told us a few days ago that the statement we made in the Argus several weeks ago concerning Hall's expedition South to establish wigwags for Stout, had operated more against Stout than anything that had been done during the canvass.

that if we should happen to smile it would "drive a Democrat to vote for Stout!" Indeed, to such an extent was this kind of talk indulged in that certain parties made a few weak-minded Republicans believe that Logan was doing himself an injury by stumping.

Now the fact is that Logan didn't make votes for Stout, but for himself—and so did nearly every speech that we heard made for him during the canvass.

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The Election. Table with columns: Maj. for Logan, Maj. for Stout, and names of candidates with their respective vote counts.

Southern Methodism.—We notice in the Corvallis Union a communication from Rev. O. Fisher, of the Southern Methodist Church, which he requests all papers in Oregon 'friendly to religious freedom' to copy.

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News from the East. The steamer Pacific arrived at Portland on Thursday morning last, bringing news from the Eastern States to the 6th of June.

VIRGINIA ELECTION.—The election in Virginia on the 26th of May resulted in the success of John Letcher, Democrat, for Governor, by a reduced majority—probably less than 5,000.

GREAT TORNADO IN ILLINOIS.—May 26, a terrible storm and tornado passed over a portion of Morgan county, doing much damage to life and property.

The Washington Star says that Attorney General Black has delivered an important opinion upon the claim of the St. James Catholic Mission to the ground at Vancouver, Washington Territory, occupied by the mission church, schools, and other buildings.

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LATE FROM EUROPE.

Battle in Italy!

THE AUSTRIANS DEFEATED! The first battle has been fought at Montebello. The battle was fought on the 21st of May. The French accounts say that the Austrians, 15,000 strong, under Gen. Stadion, attacked the advanced posts of Marshal Baraguay d'Hilliers, and were driven back by Gen. Forey's division.

Another engagement. A Sardinian bulletin also announces that the extreme left of the Sardinian army, under Gen. Chiadini, forced a passage over the Sesia, putting the Austrians to flight.

THE LATEST DISPATCHES. Turin, May 24.—The Austrian General Guala has removed his headquarters to Garlasco, and has everywhere ordered the people to give up their arms, under pain of being shot for disobedience.

FRANCE.—The Moniteur announces that France adheres to the abolition of privateering, and the principle that a neutral flag covers enemies' goods.

THE LIVERPOOL POST professes to have reliable information explanatory of Austria's mysterious proceedings. It says the moment the French troops cross the Ticino, the Austrian troops will march directly on Paris.

THE CITIZENS OF VICKSBURG held a mass meeting on the 21st ult. to express the public sense regarding the course of the late Convention in that place in reference to the opening of the slave trade.

MEXICO.—Santa Anna has been recalled by special decree—by the Miramon Government, we suppose. He is invited to enter the country by way of Tampico, where Gen. Woll was to meet him with 1,000 men.

THE OLD SCHOOL Presbyterian General Assembly, now in session at Indianapolis, comprises 2,468 monitors, 2,324 churches, and 250,000 church members.

DEATH OF MRS. KEY.—We record, under our obituary head-to-day, the death of this venerable woman—relict of the author of the "Star Spangled Banner," and mother of the unfortunate P. Barton Key.

MEETING OF TEACHERS. EDITOR OF THE ARGUS: Permit me through your columns to invite all the teachers and friends of education in Clackamas county to meet in Oregon City on Friday afternoon, August 5, 1859, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of consulting in regard to what will be the best method of elevating the common schools of this county.

MARRIED:

In Albany, June 30th, by Rev. Thomas Condon, Mr. Hugh N. George to Miss Cordelia M. Beach, both of Albany, Linn county.

IN PORTLAND, June 30, by Rev. P. B. Chamberlain, Mr. F. H. Simmons to Miss Mary E. Westcott.

IN PORTLAND, June 17, a daughter to Mrs. J. H. Reed.

McMINNVILLE COLLEGE. THE FALL quarter will commence August 17, and the winter session of two quarters, November 2.

SCHOOL NOTICE. IN answer to the frequent inquiries made of me, I will say that I am intending to put up a building near Oregon City for a permanent school, on a plan suitable to the wants of our State.

SELLING OFF AT COST! AND NO HUNTBUG! Dannenbaum & Jacob, INTENDING to close up their business, are now offering at cost a HEAVY STOCK of SUMMER AND FALL

Notice. ALL indebted to us must settle up in fourteen days, or we will be compelled to put our accounts into an officer's hands for collection.

For Sale: FOUR YOUNG STALLIONS, BY TIMOLEON, out of fine mares, and PURE BLOOD SOUTH DOWN SHEEP.

MADE ST. HOTEL (LATE U.S. HOTEL) OREGON CITY. A. J. BATES, PROPRIETOR. THIS well-known establishment has just been thoroughly repaired and refitted.

C. MURRAY, HOUSE, SIGN, AND ORNAMENTAL PAINTER. Shop nearly opposite the Methodist Church—OREGON CITY. April 16, 1859.