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Republican Platform.

Resolved, That we, the delegated representatives of the Republican Electors of the United States, in convention assembled, in the discharge of the duty we owe to our constituents and our country, unite in the following declarations: First: That the history of the nation during the last seven years has fully established the propriety and necessity of the organization and perpetuation of the Republican party, and that the cause which caused its existence is permanent in its nature, and now more than ever before demands its peaceful and constitutional triumph.

A Song for Oregon.

Rambling through the forests, Gathering moss and flowers, Neath the graceful arches Of the woodland bowers, In the highest spots, Boys and girls together, Isn't it delightful In the pleasant weather!

Uncle Sam to Young America.

My DEAR BOY:—When I was young we had no such things as magnetic telegraphs, locomotives, or steamboats, and then George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, or Benjamin Franklin, might have been excused for being a little frightened at the shriek of a steam-whistle, or at hearing a high-pressure boat wheeze her way, unaided, through the water; but that you, who have had all the modern inventions to play with in your cradle, should be alarmed at the weakest kind of a flash of lightning, or the blowing off of steam from a tug-boat, exceeds all that I ever heard of.

NEW MOTIVE POWER.

The discovery of a new motive power in Paris has long been rumored abroad, and is at length made public. It is hydromotive, cold water alone being the agent of propulsion. The benefit to navigation is anticipated as being immense, doing away at once with the necessity of coal and steam, which would enable vessels to perform the longest voyage in an incredibly short space of time.

Lincoln a Jeffersonian Democrat.

The Republicans of Boston celebrated Thomas Jefferson's birthday on the 13th of April, 1859. Among those invited to be present was the Hon. Abraham Lincoln, who responded in a letter of great power and of remarkable felicity of expression.—We thought at the time that of all the political letters we had ever read it was most pointed and most forcible, and our great surprise is that up to this time, so far as we have observed, it has not been republished.

FROM EUROPE.

The acquiescence of all the Powers in the proposed conference, was considered certain, and it will be held in Paris during the month of October. The Powers will be represented by their Ambassadors. The proclamation of a New Constitution was received with indifference at Naples. The royal forces for the defense of Messina were computed as 20,000 men.

THE PRESERVATION OF THE PIANO.

Keep the piano from exposure to dampness. In rainy weather keep the windows of the room closed. Have it well tuned as often as needed whether it be used or not. No money pays a better interest than that which you pay for tuning your piano.

PROGRESSIVE IN RELIGION.

Men are ever beguiling themselves with the dream that they shall be one day what they are not now; they balance their present consciousness of a low worldly life and of a mind heavy and dull to spiritual things, with the lazy thought that some day God will bring home to them the realities of faith in Christ.

POLITICAL TROUBLE IN VIRGINIA.

Great excitement existed at Occquan, near Alexandria, Va., in consequence of the Republicans raising a banner bearing the names of Lincoln and Hamlin. The citizens attempted to demolish it. The Republicans resisted, and dispatched messengers to the neighboring towns for arms and ammunition.

AS I LIVE THERE'S THAT AWFUL Mrs. TABBS.

'Where?' 'Over there with Mrs Simpson.' 'So she is!' 'And did you ever in all your born days see any body dressed quite as extravagantly and yet so outlandishly?' 'Never—the stupid creature!' 'Well, it's none of my business—but folks say that Letey, and Bailey and Townsend Sharpless, have a great regard for Mr. and Mrs. Tabbs, and, in fact all the Tubbess.'

AN ACTUAL OCCURRENCE.

Little Willie, a lispng four year old, having hunted in all the corners for his shoes, at last appears to give them up, and climbing on a chair, betakes himself to a big book lying on the side-table. 'Mother—What is darling doing with the book?' 'Willie—It's the dictionary; papa lookth in the dictionary for things, and I'm going to see if I can find my shoes.'

MARYLAND IS NOW REDEEMED FROM THE CURSE OF LOTTERIES.

A very stringent bill on the subject recently passed through the Legislature of that State.

DISUNION—JO LANE.

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WHY NOVELS END WITH MARRIAGE.

There is a good reason why novels always end with the marriage of the hero and heroine—our interest is always excited more by the struggles than by the result of victory. So long as the lovers are unhappy or apart and are eager to vanquish obstacles, our sympathy is active, but no sooner are they happy than we begin to look elsewhere for other struggles on whom to bestow our interest.

MANY MANEJONS.

In an Illinois sermon, not long since, it was argued that the many mansions in the Father's house, (John, 14th,) meant different abodes in heaven for the different denominations; one for the Presbyterians, another for the United Brethren, etc.

SELF-ABNEGATION.

A true Christian stands at as great a distance from trusting in the best of his services, as in the worst of his sins.

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