

In pursuance to the call of the late Union Republican Central Committee, held at Portland, March 26th, last, for the next State Convention, the Union voters of Linn County are requested to meet at their respective places of voting in their precincts, on

Saturday, March 19th, 1870, to choose delegates to represent them in the County Convention, to be held at the Court House, in Albany, on

Thursday, March 24th, 1870, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of electing Eighteen Delegates to the State Convention, to be held in the city of Portland, April 7th, next.

The several Precincts are entitled to Delegates as follows: Albany..... 8 Harrisburg..... 3 Brownsville..... 2 Lebanon..... 4 Brush Creek..... 2 Orleans..... 4 Centerville..... 3 Peoria..... 3 Franklin Butte..... 4 Sweet Home..... 2 Siletz..... 3 Syracuse..... 2 Santiam..... 3 Waterloo..... 2

Total..... 32 J. H. FOSTER, Chairman Linn Co. Central Com. County Convention.

As will be seen by the call at the head of this column, the County Convention is to meet in this city on Thursday, March 24th, 1870, for the purpose of electing delegates to represent Linn county in the Republican State Convention to meet in Portland on Thursday, April 7th, 1870. It is recommended that the Union voters of Linn county meet at their respective places of voting in each precinct on Saturday, March 19th, 1870, for the purpose of selecting suitable members of the Republican party to represent them in the County Convention. The total apportionment for the fourteen precincts is fifty-two. It is hoped that the different precincts will respond promptly to the call, and that the delegates elect will, to a man, put in an appearance at the County Convention in this city, on the day above mentioned. With a good ticket in the field, vigilance and prompt action on our part will give us a grand and glorious victory in June. Already the enemy is marshalling his hosts and preparing to battle fiercely for power, with the hope that through supineness, and want of a thorough appreciation of the great and momentous questions of the hour on our part, they may win the battle. If Republicans will wake up to the importance of a victory in the coming election, and go to work in earnest and harmoniously, we can carry the State triumphantly at the coming election, and place Oregon for all time to come on the side of freedom and equality before the law.

PROCLAIMED AS LAW.—The Fifteenth Amendment, having been ratified by more than the requisite two-thirds of the State Legislatures, will, in a few days, be proclaimed part and parcel of the Constitution of the United States. As our colored population will then have the privilege of voting, we expect to see our Democratic friends drop their old cry of "nigger," and "go for him" with honied words and protestations of everlasting friendship, to induce him, nor their brother, to cast his vote for the Democratic ticket, swearing that it was thro' the efforts of Democracy that he now enjoys the blessed privileges hitherto only granted to white men. And when we see the Democratic white man and his proselyted colored brother (late "nigger") marching arm in arm to the polls, in the fullness of our heart we shall exclaim, par nobis fratrum.

THE CUBAN SITUATION.—Washington Specials of the 19th announce that the State Department will send to Congress a batch of documents bearing on Cuban affairs, including the Sickles correspondence. The friends of the administration say this will fully justify the course the Government has pursued toward Cuba. The President freely says his personal sympathies have always been with the insurgents, but they are losing ground, and no good would result from the recognition of belligerency. There is no probability that anything will be done by Congress unless it is the adoption of an attitude of strict neutrality.

MISTAKEN.—The Mercury says: "The Register vents a big growl because the city printing of Albany was given to the Democrat." Not at all. We merely object to the manner of giving. We stand by our statement of the case, and if our contemporary can see anything commendable or honorable in the transaction which gave the Democrat the printing, we are free to confess he has less honesty than we gave him credit for.

A PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRAT.—While the Fifteenth Amendment was under discussion in the Kansas House of Representatives, a Democratic member said that "while he belonged to the Democratic party, he belonged to the present age." To prove it, he voted for the Amendment.

PARDONED.—On the 21st, Governor Woods pardoned Henry C. Vaughn, sentenced to the penitentiary for life from Benton county, for killing Frank Mattock, sheriff of Umatilla county. The petition presented to the Governor, praying for the pardon, was signed by eight hundred of the best citizens of Oregon.

Brief Editorials

Ex-Senator Nesmith and Benj. Hayden are Democratic speech-making together. The Grand Ronde Sentinel reports that wheat in that valley is scarce, and the price up to \$1 25 per bushel.

Rich gold diggings are reported as recent discoveries in Baker county, on Salmon creek and Ryan gulch.

A new Democratic club, called the "Blossom," has been organized in New York. They train in Nasby's back room.

A prominent citizen of Ohio lost his purse containing \$3,000. Upon its being returned to him by a young man, his gratitude was so great that he immediately proffered the young man a cigar for his trouble. There was liberality for you.

There were 723 divorce cases before the Chicago courts last year, 469 being successful. Of the successful ones, 305 were brought by wives.

A bill has been introduced into the California Legislature giving premiums for the ten plows capable of turning forty acres per day, to be put in operation with the next ten years, aggregating \$30,000.

The great "catch" Lord Ainsley, the English blackleg, recently married to a New York belle, has absconded, leaving his deceived wife to bear as she can the ridicule and rebuffs of society.

The "funny cuss" of the Herald, who wears those good clothes and does up the "lokes," offers to pay the thief ten cents upon the return of his "ambril," but promises, if he don't return it to hunt him up, run the "ambril" down his throat and open it!

From the manner in which the capitalists of Portland are going into splendid brick buildings, improving streets, and starting up new enterprises, we should judge they were in no apprehension of being "busted out" by any other rival town. We are proud of our little metropolis and are glad to witness her prosperity.

Salem is making rapid strides in growth and prosperity. An immense amount of money has been expended during the last season in public and private dwellings. Reed's Opera House, in point of style and elegance, will vie with any other building on the coast. If energy and liberality will build up a large city, Salem is largely endowed with the proper elements.

On the night of the 18th the steamer Emma, on the Lower Mississippi, struck a snag, which careened the boat and upset the stove in the ladies' cabin, setting fire to and entirely consuming the vessel. Ten or twelve lives reported lost. A terrible gale prevailed at the time, and it was intensely cold.

Deserters say that Lopez is constructing canoes to cross the Paragua and descend the Parra; that he has fortifications, defended by 700 men and four guns, at Pandoro, on the Araguay river, and that he is habitually drunk.

The Kennebec river, of Maine, is on the rampage, the ice freshet being without a parallel in that section. Many bridges have been washed away, and immense damage to other property done.

G. R. Sypher and Leonard Myers publish cards denying that they ever received money for procuring cadetships. Ben. Holladay is expected to arrive in Portland about the 4th of March.

The bill making Portland a port of entry has passed the Senate, and will pass the House as soon as it can be reached in the regular course of business. It is rumored that H. W. Scott, editor of the Oregonian, will receive the appointment of Collector of the Port.

The Military Commission having ascertained that Butler, of Tennessee, has sold Cadetships, he explained to the Committee that the money was used partly to assist in electing Stokes Governor and the balance he divided between himself and other politicians. Golladay, of Kentucky, is also implicated.

There is a prospect of a row among the Democrats of Jackson county. The Sentinel says: It is known that the "bed-rocks" have already held a caucus, and in all probability made up a ticket, which will be formally proposed for renomination at the next party convention, when the county delegates, who represent a great majority of the voters of the party, will have a chance to again publicly sanction the authority of their town masters.

The emigration from Germany to the United States is expected to largely exceed any previous year. The official organ of Paris says that on the approaching trial of Prince Pierre Bonaparte it will be proven that he was provoked and used his legitimate right of self-defense. It is generally believed the Prince will be acquitted.

The National Intelligencer denounces the Democratic leaders of to-day as "Bourbons who forgetting nothing, still dream of the old republic," and who, through "leaden stupidity," are totally "unequal to the occasion." It was apparent enough that there was something the matter; and we accept the intensely Democratic Intelligencer as sufficient authority.

It is thought the present session of Congress will last until midsummer.

In one of the Eastern States, twin brothers have been sent to the penitentiary five years for burglary. The twins were but seventeen years old.

Judge Stanton gave up a practice worth \$50,000 a year to take the office of Secretary of War.

A jealous husband in New York saved his beautiful wife from the machinations of a city youth, by stealing her teeth and stopping her supply of money.

The Portland, Mc Minnville & Astoria Railroad bill passed the Senate on the 19th.

Venezuela is praying to be annexed to the United States.

The 13th, 14th and 15th amendments have passed both branches of the Texas Legislature.

Admiral Faragut was reported better on the evening of the 20th.

It cost \$25 to see Prince Arthur dance in New York.

Typhoid fever is prevailing in Douglas county.

POLITICAL SITUATION.—The Evening Call in an article on the political situation in this State, considered in reference to our material interests, says: "We are on the eve of great incorporation enterprises that have selected the State as a field of investment. What is State policy regarding them? Oregon capital has tended toward wool-growing, and we care not what may be the party designation of the individual who has embarked in the pursuit, he is a protectionist and an ally of the Republican party." This is well put, says the Oregonian, and a similar remark may be applied to a general manufacturing policy. Our State is one of immense resources and possibilities, and it can be rightly developed only by the promotion of manufactures in all the multifarious forms to which they may be established here. And it is only by protection against foreign competition that they can be established. This is the policy of the Republican party, and it is the policy for the development of Oregon.

IN A DILEMMA.—The Democracy of California are in a bad fix. If they permit the negroes to vote then they will be ousted from office, and if they refuse the negro franchise, then California will be refused representation in Congress. At least this is the way they foot it up, and they are in a sad dilemma thereat. They started off under a full head of steam, with much vain boasting and valorous words, and soon got to the end of their string. Poor fellows, no wonder their ardor is dampened, for they, too, see the hand-writing on the wall.

The Buffalo police are in pursuit of the fast drivers, and a few days ago arrested a deputy-sheriff, a police justice and other well known citizens. The deputy-sheriff was taking a prisoner to the lock-up, when he himself was arrested in his headlong course.

Philadelphia requested visitors to its Academy of Natural Science to make contributions to its building fund last year, and with unparalleled generosity they responded. The amount received during the year was but a fraction less than one cent for every sixty-four visitors.

CLERGYMEN'S EXCURSION.—From Chicago we learn that an excursion of clergymen to San Francisco is being arranged for the Summer, embracing all who desire to go at half rates. They will probably leave Chicago sometime in June.

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Who Rochefort Is.—G. W. Smalley, writing to the New York Tribune from Paris, thus speaks of Rochefort:

One word about M. Henri Rochefort, who is just now the best abused man in the English press. In the first place he is by birth Vicomte de Lucy, of a family going back to the Crusades. For that he is neither better nor worse, only it is a complete answer to the common charge against him that his hostility to the Emperor is the hostility of a man sprung from the lowest classes to a man of princely and imperial rank. If blood is to count, M. Henri Rochefort is of older and better descent than the nephew of a Corsican adventurer. He is hated in England because he is the irreconcilable enemy of the Emperor and of the Empire. If a Bourbon were on the throne and Rochefort striving to upset the Bourbon, the dislike to him would be the same in England. Most Englishmen care little who rules France. What they want is that somebody should rule it who is strong enough to keep the people in order and their trade with England free from disturbance. France to them is simply a market. They denounced Louis Napoleon while contending against Louis Philippe more vigorously than they denounce Rochefort contending against Louis Napoleon; and for the same reason, when Napoleon overthrew the Republic they went over to his side—after a time. When the Republic shall have overthrown the Empire they will once more be on the side of the Republic.

FULLY ACCOUNTED FOR.—Brick Pomeroy is the King of the repudiators, and he says that the king of the bondholders owns the Democratic party. Referring to the oration in New York to the English Prince, Brick says: "And Mr. Belmont, Chairman of the National Democratic Committee, is the first kid glove snob to wallow in the mud of Fifth avenue, like a floundering 'gold fish,' to meet, greet, and fetter his Royal Highness. And this, too, is well."

Belmont owns the Democratic party. English capitalists own him. The money of foreign bondholders runs Belmont's party, and Belmont's Wall street shaveshop, where not one cent of income tax is paid by Belmont to the Government, though his profits are millions each year. Thus, observes the Albany Journal, by the confession of the paper which represents the sentiment of the Democratic masses, the Democratic party is owned by English capitalists, through their possession of the man who holds that party in his hand. And that accounts for the earnest efforts of Democrats to secure the modification of the tariff in the interests of English importers. We agree with Pomeroy. Belmont and the Democratic party are owned by English capitalists.

The News says that the project of cleaning out the drifts in the Santiam river before Scio is being agitated. That paper claims that the river would be navigable for small boats to that place during the winter months. And even if this should be found impracticable, the cleaning out would prevent the river from overflowing its banks in times of high water.

The Farmer, in an article advising farmers what kind of wheat to sow, says that the Sonora wheat and Noe Island wheat make inferior flour; while the old Oregon white winter wheat has no equal for fall sowing, and makes flour which stands high among the superior brands. The Australian Club wheat and White Chile wheat are each commended, especially for spring sowing.

A Michigan man, while walking a street in East Saginaw, was struck in the face by one of a small flock of flying pigeons, and both fell. The man had his cheek torn, one tooth knocked out and several loosened. The pigeon was killed.

In California slang a geologist is a "rock sharp," a mineralogist is a "crystal sharp," a botanist is a "weed sharp," a naturalist is a "bug sharp" or a "toad sharp." A "quartz sharp" is a man who understands ores.

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Telegraphic Summary.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—The 15th Amendment will probably be officially promulgated by the middle of the week. There will also be a resolution offered in Congress declaring the amendment ratified, and bills will be proposed to enforce its provisions.

MAINE, Feb. 21.—Calvin Clark was murdered on Ninth street, by a notorious desperado, named Halsey. Clark was moving to Little Rock, Ark. to the residence of his family. The Governor of Missouri, Texas and Arkansas have offered large rewards for the arrest of Halsey.

ST. ALBANS, Feb. 19.—Jesse W. Heath, City Register, an old and respected citizen, died yesterday.

BOSTON, Feb. 19.—A dispatch from Concord, N. H., relates that a great freshet is in progress in the Merrimack valley, and much damage; bridges and barns having been carried away. The people are alarmed, and many families are leaving their homes for safety.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 19.—The members of the Kentucky Legislature arrived here this afternoon, on invitation of the City Council. There was a grand banquet at the Burnett House to-night.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—The O'Neil Fenians have, within a few days, accumulated a great number of arms at their headquarters in the city. It is said, an early movement on Canada.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—J. L. Peppers, a farmer living near Lincoln, in a fit of frenzy, on Friday last, and then blew his own brains out. In Beardstown, Ill., on the 17th inst., a drunken man in a saloon, when one of the proprietors of the saloon interfered, whereupon Wilcox drew a new revolver and killed him and took the body out and hung it to a tree.

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Two thousand dollars in counterfeit five cent notes were seized yesterday in Brooklyn. Two arrests were made.

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Real Estate Dealer. Sept. 11.—

Correspondence. The subjoined correspondence sufficiently explains itself:

PORTLAND, OREGON, Nov. 15, 1869. MESSRS. EVERSON & HAINES, General Agents New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, Boston: GENTLEMEN—On my own behalf and in the name of my orphan children, I beg to thank you, through you the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company of Boston, for its munificence in paying me my terminated policy on the life of my husband. On the 21st of January, 1869, my husband died, and the equity of my policy, but I am now overjoyed with the receipt of the amount of the policy (less the amount of the unpaid premium) which non-payment in any other insurance company would have cost me \$20,000. I am now overjoyed with the receipt of the amount of the policy (less the amount of the unpaid premium) which non-payment in any other insurance company would have cost me \$20,000. I am now overjoyed with the receipt of the amount of the policy (less the amount of the unpaid premium) which non-payment in any other insurance company would have cost me \$20,000.

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A. E. C. Miller was insured by ordinary Life Policy No. 15,064, bearing date January 21, 1865. He paid annual payments to January 21, 1868, inclusive. Since then nothing has been paid. He died August 2, 1869, over eighteen months after the date of his premium, yet the company working under the Equitable Lapse Laws of Massachusetts, pays the widow and orphans the whole policy, deducting only the premium due; while in all other companies doing business here, about which we know anything, the policy would long since have been forfeited.

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