

Meeting of the Republican Central Committee.

There will be a meeting of the Republican State Central Committee of Oregon, at Salem, on the 1st day of February, 1872, for the purpose of fixing the time and place of holding the next State Convention, and transacting other business. The personal attendance of each member of the Committee is requested.

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MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE.

- C. M. Foster..... Baker.
F. O. McCown..... Chickama.
James Welch..... Clatsop.
S. S. Mann..... Columbia.
T. W. Crooks..... Coos.
David Bisher..... Curry.
W. M. Wilson..... Douglas.
W. M. Turner..... Grant.
W. M. Gibbons..... Jackson.
John Barrows..... Josephine.
W. H. Hales..... Lane.
T. W. Daveport..... Marion.
C. E. Crandall..... Multnomah.
B. F. Nichols..... Polk.
J. C. Franklin..... Umatilla.
W. J. Suedgrass..... Union.
T. R. Connelley..... Washington.
Z. F. Moody..... Wasco.
J. W. Watts..... Yamhill.
T. B. Odeneal..... Benton.
Deceased.

Great Men Differ.

The Albany Register, in railing at the Democratic press for not praising the President's message, asserts that the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus is not declaring martial law. This is a late discovery, and that journal's reputation must necessarily hereafter be established for great wisdom in the interpretation of the law. Previous to the time of the utterance of the Register to the contrary, it was a well known fact that the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus was a virtual suspension of all rulings of civil courts, and the investment within the hands of the military courts the power of final decree. The astute editor of that learned journal should be presented with a pair of leather spectacles in commemoration of services rendered the country by his remarkable discovery. Grant will certainly give him a position of post-master of Alaska, when he hears of his powers of comprehension. —East Portland Era.

Our "astuteness" sinks into insignificance behind the above most overwhelming display of legal profundity and sarcastic wit. Who can estimate the wisdom that is wasted in the Era office—wasted from the legal profession? We open our jaws, bug out our eyes, and g-a-a-e and g-a-p-e, at this most astounding paragon—this second Daniel come to judge us. We would go into a hole and try to pull the hole in after us, but we want to stay on terra firma long enough to say, very meekly, that the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus under the anti-Ku Klux bill, is one thing, and a declaration of martial law another. They are not synonymous in meaning or in practice. Where martial law prevails, the civil law entirely ceases, being supplanted by the military law. Under the operation of the anti-Ku Klux law, the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus does not prevent the civil law from performing its functions, neither is the authority of the State courts interrupted, except in the instance where a person is arrested by a United States officer for breaking a United States statute. In such a case, the State courts cannot release him. This is the practical operation of the suspension of the habeas corpus in those counties of South Carolina, as we understand it. As to the leatherspectacles, Mr. Era man, if you have worn out all you have had presented to you by your admiring readers, you may send us along a little "possum." You can easily procure one as they are quite numerous in the Democratic family. We had not thought of the Alaska post-office. You evidently have had your eye on it, Mr. Era, and if the Democracy ever succeeds again, we hope you may get it. Grease well with "possum" fat, and your chances will be all the slicker.

Mrs. Carrie F. Young delivered a lecture in Dallas on the subject of temperance, on Thursday of last week, which is spoken of by the Republican as interesting and instructive.

The Paraguayan difficulty is not yet settled. An old Lopex matter is now giving trouble. A bloody skirmish is reported.

A Label.

The Radicals now say, that they don't endorse Sam May's "steal." This disclaimer is timely. It is the first Radical steal that has taken place for some time that they did not endorse. Our Radical friends are making progress. They will doubtless come with their disclosures ere long. —Corvallis Democrat.

The writer of the above is either woefully ignorant of the history of the Republican party in its treatment of thieves and defaulters discovered in its own ranks, or else he intentionally misstates the facts of that history. The Republican party in its platform contains no clause intended to shield criminals from justice, or to endorse their crimes, or to induce its followers to commit crimes. The Republican party in practice has never endorsed wrongs or crimes committed by its own adherents, or by the adherents of other parties. We speak of its general policy. Crimes have been committed under the wing of the Republican party; defalcations and stealings have been perpetrated by dishonest officials, as in the May case; but the general policy of the party has been to condemn them, and to bring the guilty ones to the bar of implicable justice. We do not say that there have not been instances where individual Republicans have attempted to shield criminals from justice; but we do most emphatically say, that the policy of the great Republican party of the nation has been and now is to promote honesty and virtue among its officials, and to bring those to condign punishment who are guilty of departing from these. The injustice, corruption and oppression which existed in the Democratic party in 1856, were the causes which led to the formation of the Republican party. Its members were largely derived from the moral and religious elements of society. Of ministers of the gospel, school-teachers, Presidents of colleges and moral reformers generally, including members of the different Protestant churches, a most overwhelming majority became members of the Republican party, and are still enthusiastic members of the same. So much so was this the case, that the Democratic party called them the "God and morality party." The Republican party is still largely composed of these same moral elements. They constitute the highest types of honesty and moral consistency we have in the country. They are conscientious, and act from moral conviction. If the Republican party, as a party, was guilty of conniving at crimes, or of perpetrating wrongs against humanity, or sympathizing with, and endeavoring to shield from justice the vilest and most brutal of criminals, as is the policy of the Democracy towards the Ku Klux, this moral element would have turned away from it in disgust. No party can survive whose cardinal principles are dishonesty and injustice. It must fall by its own weight. Bad men in the Republican party may commit crimes; the party may err in judgment and commit faults; but the great heart of the organization throbs in sympathy with virtue and right, and is earnestly striving to maintain them.

Capt. Wm. Kelly, of the Eighth U. S. Cavalry, died at Denver Colorado Territory, Dec. 28th. He leaves a wife and five children in Portland, the oldest of the latter being the wife of Mr. J. D. Biles, of Portland.

Officials of the Treasury Department and a committee of Congress are now overhauling the affairs of Government disbursing officers in a most searching manner. It is believed that no new defalcations will be discovered.

Hannah Colling, of San Francisco, has sued the Craftsman's Life Insurance Company for \$100,000 damages; they having alleged that she killed a man with whom she was living adulterously, in order to get his insurance money.

The Anti-Horse Thief Society is an organization as common now as Agricultural Societies in Pennsylvania.

New Feature of Incorporation.

The California Assembly have recently passed an engrossment a bill to incorporate the town of Chico, which is somewhat new, if not novel in its features. The bill provides that the whole management of the town government shall be vested in the hands of five Trustees; and these constitute the only elective officers who are to be chosen by a vote of the people. The bill makes it the duty of these Trustees to elect or select the marshal, clerk, and other officers of the town, and to fix their salaries. Being a departure from the old manner of incorporating towns, it is an experiment which will be observed with interest. It will be observed that it relieves the Legislature of the disagreeable business of fixing fees and salaries, and places it where it rightfully belongs, and where justice and fairness are more likely to be secured.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

Hon. John Barrett, of Corvallis, is talked of as the next Democratic nominee for Congress, says the Gazette.

On Friday evening of last week, a land slide occurred at Oregon City, covering the railroad track for several rods.

The Dallas Republican says that Christmas was celebrated in the old fashioned way by some of the Dallas people. Two regular fisticuffs took place.

James Jackson, an old penitentiary bird, was recently bonded over in the sum of \$500 at Sheridan, Yamhill county, to keep the peace. Bad whisky lead him to go to the residence of Mr. Wilson, where he had formerly lived, and abuse him and his family.

There is so much bogus gold dust in circulation in Idaho City, that they have gone to a green back currency.

Sacramento, Cal., has a cauliflower weighing twenty-seven pounds.

A California journal says that a Deputy Sheriff in Oregon, hearing that politicians were good enuf for felons, went into the county jail and poured a kettle of cold mush all over a horse thief. We believe that is a canard.

Not long since the skeleton of a Chinaman was found in Goodyear Creek, Sierra county, Cal., the head being suspended by two ropes attached to a tree, the rest lying on the ground. The Chinaman had been missing about a year.

Mathias Lochbaum died recently in San Francisco of a slash in the throat by his own hand. He was thought to be insane.

Chicken thieves are reported numerous in Portland.

The Sunday School Christmas tree at Hillsboro contained presents to the amount of \$600.

More than eight hundred of the youth of Oregon have signed the "Temperance Pledge," says Prof. Rogers in the Statesman.

Miss B. Fay has started a cigar manufactory in East Portland.

The Jacksonville Times is paid in gold nuggets from the mines adjacent to subscriptions.

A young lady in Southern Oregon, went insane the next day after getting married. This was on the 13th ult. at Applegate.

Two men aged respectively seventy and sixty-five years came into Jackson county from North Carolina last year, and by their own labor raised 1,000 bushels of wheat, 900 bushels of oats and 700 of corn. These people are "self-sustaining," certainly.

Frightened Mormons, instead of sealing any number of new wives, are now carefully concealing the number of wives they have.

A man in the Walla Walla valley has lost five hundred sheep, from the weather.

Thirteen thousand Dakota Indians are now under missionary influence.

A Chinese chicken thief of San Francisco received the contents of a double-barreled shot gun from the

owner of some chickens which he was trying to steal. He is not dead yet.

The Cheyenne Leader hears a rumor that the Union Pacific Railroad has purchased the Denver Pacific Railway.

A California pullet, eleven months old, lays an egg nine and a quarter inches in circumference longitudinally, and seven and one eighth inches latitudinally.

The next State Fair of California commences September 12th, and will continue ten days.

In Santa Barbara and San Bernardino, Cal., people have begun to plant garden vegetables.

The largest barn in Northern California, is owned by (has. Hedges, of Yuba Dairy, and is 200 feet long and 100 feet wide.

The rain storm which began in California on the 18th ultimo, in some places, resulted in considerable damage. At San Jose, eight houses were washed away, and others, on the 19th, were in great distress. Two miles south of Reno, the Virginia and Truckee Railroad was washed away for one hundred yards.

A little son of Mr. J. Himes, living a half-mile east of Eugene City, fell into a tub of hot water a few days ago, and was so badly burned that the skin came off from one-half his body.

A letter from St. George, Utah, says Brigham Young is there taking it easy and waiting to see what can be done in Congress to stop the course of the law against himself and other church dignitaries.

Mr. Joseph Legrand, of Portland, in putting up a stove pipe last week, fell from a step ladder, fracturing his arm by striking it against a shelf, and causing the blood to fly from his nostrils and ears by striking his head against the stove.

The Harrisburg bridge has not been affected by the late floods.

Twenty new buildings have been erected at Pumphrey's Landing—the fruits of the completion of the Northern Pacific Railroad to that place.

Although situated in a forest Olympia is short of wood, there being nobody to chop and haul it into town.

Speculation in real estate continues quite lively at Olympia. Town lots going off like hot cakes.

A bill has been introduced into the California Legislature to relieve James W. Marshall, the man who first discovered gold in that State, who is now in needy circumstances.

A celebrity by the name of Nell Morory, from California, was in Portland this week. His celebrity is based on the feat which he performed some years ago, when riding the "Pony Express," of riding one hundred and ten miles without stopping, being chased by the Indians.

The weather in Umatilla county has been reported unusually cold. 900 sheep in one flock are reported lost.

It is reported that George Ramage, eldest son of John Ramage, of North Yamhill, became lost from a hunting party in the mountains last week, passed a night alone without fire, and when found next day was so far gone as to die soon after.

One half of the interest in the city hotel at Corvallis has been sold for \$3,000.

A jolly jack tar having strayed into a show at a fair to have a look at the wild beasts, was much struck at the sight of a lion and tiger in the same den. "Why Jack," said he to a messmate, who was chewing a quid in silence, "I shouldn't wonder if next year they were to carry about a sailor and a marine living peaceably together?" "Aye," said his marid companion, "or a man and his wife!"

It is reported that the position of Associate Justice in Washington Territory has been offered to Judge Wilson of the Dalles. He is also talked of for Congress.

A Connecticut farmer has had three wives in four months.

The Hillsboro mails are now carried by railroad.

The Atlanta New Era says: "There is a man of the lower house of the Georgia Legislature who does not know a letter in the book. He could not read his own name if he were to see it in print. Yet he is a man of good property, is considerably past middle age, and represents one of the best counties in the State. He is a white man. He is a Democrat. Is it not time to send for the school master in Georgia?"

Some time since an inventor applied to the Patent Office for a patent for a new process of embalming, and in order to comply with the supposed requirements of the law, that a model be deposited in the office, he prepared a neat little coffin, with a glass face, in which he deposited the remains of a tiny infant, which had been embalmed by his process. It being considered not desirable to make the Patent office a catacomb, the model was returned to the inventor for burial.

The quarrel between Secretary Fish and the Catacazys is known in Washington parlance as "the Cat Fish war."

When the war against the New York thieves was at its height, Tweed said he did not care a fig what was written about him if Nast and others would only stop making pictures.

A bill in the Illinois Legislature proposes that women shall not be debarred from any occupation except the military.

A company has been organized in Erie, Pa., to manufacture paper from wood. The Observer says: "The process is a new one, but has been carefully tested to the satisfaction of all concerned, and has already been adopted by one of the largest manufacturers in New England. The machinery has been contracted for, the site is located, and the mill will be a sure thing. It is expected to give employment to a large number of men."

One of the oldest relics in the country is said to be in possession of Mr. M. Watson, West Orange, Mass. It is an old oak chest, three and a half feet long, two feet wide, and two and a half feet deep. The family have refused to part with it for \$200. It bears an inscription stating that the chest was brought to Plymouth in the ship Mayflower, Dec. 22, 1620, by Edward Winslow, afterward Governor of the Plymouth Colony.

One railway car from Chicago recently took off seven brides.

Detroit is the leading fine cut tobacco market in the country, and promises to take the same position in cigars. Nearly five millions of cigars were sold in that market for the quarter ending in September.

In Manila 25,000 women and girls work at cigar making at average wages of seven cents per day.

Among the most trustworthy lighthouse-keepers on the Atlantic coast are seven women.

The Chicago Relief Society has received \$2,508,000 in cash for the benefit of the sufferers by the great fire.

J. C. McCreary has been nominated for United States Senator of Kentucky, to succeed Garret Davis.

Both the Sultan and Khedive refuse to buy the Suez Canal.

Jesse Grant, the President's father, was stricken with paralysis in the Covington Post office, Dec. 19th.

Mr. Felix Scott, and probably other old settlers of Belleville, St. Clair county, Illinois, were to start last month for Portland, to testify in the "Wrestling Joe" case.

Out of seventy ladies who constituted a mass meeting on the question of female suffrage in Connecticut, only one was found to be in favor thereof.

Mr. Boutwell advertises that he will pay off a specified \$20,000,000 of the outstanding Five Twenties on the 7th of March next, except such part as may be paid off before that time.

AGRICULTURAL.

GREASING WHEELS.—Many a wheel is ruined by oiling too plentifully. A well made wheel will endure constant wear for ten or twenty years if care is taken to use the right kind and proper amount of oil; but if this matter is not attended to the wheel will be used up in five or six years, or perhaps sooner. Lard should never be used on a wagon, for it will penetrate the hub, and work its way out around the tenons of the spokes, and spoil the wheel. Castor oil is a good material to use on a iron axle; just oil enough should be applied to a spindle to give it a light coating; this is better than more, for the surplus put on will work out at the ends, and be forced by the shoulders and nut into the hub around the outside of the boxes. To oil an axle-tree; first wipe the spindles clean with a cloth wet with turpentine. If it won't without it. On a buggy or carriage, wipe and clean off the back ends of the hubs, and then apply a very small quantity of castor oil, or some especially prepared lubricator near the shoulders and point. —Boston Journal of Commerce.

BEST WAY TO KEEP POTATOES.—Some one who knows says that potatoes should always be kept in the dark. Intellectual rural housekeepers do not need to be told this; but many others living in towns and cities should know that potatoes exposed to the light for a day only, have their flavor injured; and the longer they are exposed, the worse they are. Never use a greenish potato, as such tubers are unfit for human food. When Irish potatoes are removed from the cellar, they should always be spread out thin on the floor, in a cool building. The potatoes should be covered with boards, to exclude the light. It is a good practice also to cover them with clean straw or sawdust. The lignin done to potatoes by the light, after they are carried from a dark cellar, is the chief reason why there is such a universal complaint of poor potatoes in the spring and during the forepart of the summer. Every sort of vegetable that grows in the dark—beneath the surface of the ground—should be stored in a dark apartment, while those vegetables and fruits which nature in the light will ripen more satisfactorily, and develop a more incense flavor, if they are stored in a light room.

RECIPE FOR SUGAR CURED HAMS.—400 lbs of pork in all, including hams, shoulders and jowls: 13 pints of molasses; 14 lbs. brown sugar; 1 short lb. powdered saltpetre; 14 pints of common fine salt. Mix the whole together, then rub the pieces all over, smearing as much of the mixture on the meat you can; let them lay in this three weeks, changing them once or twice, bring the bottom pieces to the top and smearing them all over again; then make a pickle strong enough to bear an egg, enough to cover the pieces to which add six quarts of hickory ashes, sifted very fine. Boil the whole mixture, then pour it off fine, and let it get cold, and put it on the pieces so as to cover them five or six inches. Put a weight on to keep them under. Let the meat lay in the pickle four weeks, then take it out and sprinkle a little bran on it, and hang the pieces up in the smoke-house, with a very gentle hickory fire, and smoke them for four weeks; then lay the pieces, wash with them and hang them up in the dark in a dry place. —A Housekeeper in Germantown Telegraph.

FARMERS CLUBS.—There very interesting and valuable neighborhood gatherings are becoming more and more popular as experience demonstrates their usefulness. If half a dozen farmers meet together and confine their conversation of an hour to the subject of corn; the preparation of the ground, time of planting, distance apart, manner of cultivating, hoeing, curing, &c., each one will be wiser at the conclusion than at the beginning. Although it has been the business of his whole life, he will get some new idea that may be useful in the future. And so of the culture of any grain or grass; the curing of hay—the most profitable kind of stock for that neighborhood—when to buy and when to sell. These and a hundred other questions connected with their business will be discussed, not only to the advantage, but to the pleasure of each member.

The meetings can be held from home to house amongst the members of the club. Essays may be read and discussed, either in formal, or informal manner; members will thus be induced to think more about their business than they had ever done before. This thinking will bring to the surface new views that had lain dormant in the brain, and now see light for the first time, and the more they are rubbed, the brighter they will shine. A new thought expressed by one member of the club, may cause a ripple that will be felt in the mind of every other member. These new views will lead to new actions—these will lead to new results, the value of which is incalculable. The experience of any one individual, is of great advantage to others in the same line of business, and this is just the way to bring out that experience and make it useful.

Another advantage is, the social enjoyment of their meetings; this will pay as it goes, for every member will carry a portion of it home with him or her; for these clubs to be of the greatest advantage should include both sexes. I repeat this to impress it more deeply. —Aurorian Stock Journal.

BOSE FELON.—Of all painful things, can there be any so excruciatingly painful as bone felen? We know of none that flesh is heir to. As this malady is quite frequent, and the subject of much earnest consideration, we give the latest recipe for its cure, which is given by that high authority, the London Lancet:

"As soon as the disease is felt, put directly over the spot a fly blister, about the size of your thumb nail, and let it remain for six hours, at the expiration of which time, directly under the surface of the blister, may be seen the felon which can be instantly taken out with the point of a needle or a lancet." —Drug Circular.