

Nominate Good Men.

The Republican State and County Conventions this year cannot take too much pains in selecting their candidates for the different offices to be filled. In making these selections an eye should be had not only to their sterling integrity as Republicans, and thorough business qualifications, but their reputation for honesty and sobriety should also be closely scanned.

Honourable.

The Press of Great Britain is becoming altogether too fast, too sensational. It is stated that the Pall Mall Gazette, of London, recently published a fabrication of Queen Victoria's speech some time in advance of its actual delivery.

The Salvonia World, of Prague, says the Prince of Servia is about to marry a Russian Princess, and it predicts from this alliance the driving of the Turks from Europe.

It is now reported that the New York ring thieves have consented to compromise by paying \$4,000,000. It is said that \$5,000,000 will probably be agreed upon.

Shall We Reach the Age of Gold?

An exchange says that Rome had her Iron Age and her Golden Age. America had her Age of Brass, or "cheek," and, from recent political and financial developments throughout the country, seems now to be successfully launched on the Age of "Steal."

Holidays.

We read in an exchange that Wisconsin has recently passed a law making election day a legal holiday. Also that New Orleans has declared the birthday of Abraham Lincoln a legal holiday.

Carl Schurz says he is not going over to the Democrats, but he wants to have a chance to vote for a man other than Grant. The Republican party will not turn a hand to accommodate the wishes of this insufferable egotist, and unprincipled miscreant.

They are betting in New York \$100 to \$50 that Stokes will not be hanged.

Two U. S. soldiers were frozen to death near Milwaukee, Wis., last February.

One of the speakers of the Democratic club at Dallas, last week, says the Republican, advocated the passive policy. How long will it be before some of the Democrats about here will be doing the same thing? It is only a question of time, a very short time at that.

Pere Hyacinthe delivered an address at the Protestant meeting in Rome, March 4th, on the diffusion of the Bible.

Frooks of New York gave a reception to the Japanese Embassy on the evening of the 4th. It was a grand affair.

Pr. Jayne's granite building in Philadelphia was damaged by fire and water on the 4th to the amount of \$1,000,000.

The Centennial Commissioners assembled in Philadelphia on the 4th. Twenty-six States and Territories were represented.

Acts creating additional land districts in Nevada and Minnesota have passed the House.

The Japanese Embassy were presented to the President on the 4th.

The thermometer indicated five degrees below zero on the morning of the fifth at New York.

The Iowa Legislature has not a solitary member who was born in the State.

[From the Vancouver Register.]

"The Dumbway" on Gen. Grant.

A woman named Dumbway, who divides her time between advocating Woman Suffrage from the form and slandering persons through the press, visited this place recently in pursuance of her avocation, and gives in the last issue of her paper, the Northern, what purports to be a conversation, which took place at a "social dinner party, while here, with a number of Republican friends."

"THE SILENT MAN OF DESTINY."

While at Vancouver the other day, enjoying a social dinner with a number of Republican friends, the conversation turned upon the mighty Ulysses, who is well known in that community, as indeed are Generals Ingalls, McClellan and Sheridan. Said we: "Is it true that the 'silent man of destiny' used to be a drunken debauchee? I have heard so many express terror-stricken horror at their professed belief in the wickedness of the Woodhull, that I am interested about their wise and silent pet."

Said one gentleman: "It is well known in Vancouver that Grant, while here, was afflicted more than once with the worst stages of delirium tremens. And further, a man named Loveless, who was in his employ, used regularly in the evenings to convey him to the worst type of Indian ranches in a carriage and go after him the next morning. His profligacy while here was common talk among the boys on the street."

"Did you think it all right that such a man should be elected President?" "O, yes, we couldn't do any better. He was a fortunate accident. He had 'lucked' into a great national victory, and seemed to be the only man whom the Republicans could elect; so we held our peace, thinking that between a libertine and a traitor, he was the lesser evil."

"But he was a free lover!" "I grant it; but he was a man; if he had been a woman it would have been different?" "How different?"

Our informant smiled and continued his story: "General Ingalls, now Quartermaster-General, was one of General Grant's Vancouver chums. He had mulatto and half-breed children here; but while he gathered them up and educated them, and has lately taken them home, General Grant leaves his aboriginal offspring to hunt and dig canas."

"You astonish me!" "The citizens of Vancouver—many of them—know that he speaks the truth," said a lady, while her fine expressive face burned with indignation.

"General Alvord, now Paymaster-General at Washington," continued our friend, "was well acquainted with the fact that General Grant, while here, was unable to account for a deficit of some six thousand dollars, due the Treasury Department. Grant confessed to have lost his vouchers, showing that this sum had been paid, while at sea, but we who know all about him, believe that he was half seas over when he lost them; that is to say if he lost them at all."

"You see," said another, Gen. Grant is sharp enough to keep his old confederates who knew his character in those days in places now, where they have strong selfish motives in concealing his former wickedness."

"It detracts much from the glory of

the 'silent man of destiny' to hear his old-time neighbors vent their opinions about him," we said, lightly.

Oh! the Oregonian may cry out, the Statesman sob and the Bulletin wail when we speak of Grant as the great National horse-jockey. Has the Republican party fallen so low that it has no leader but whose offspring dig canas? whose drunken brawls are well known? and who-by bills in Vancouver remain unsettled to this day? Have they no men of merit? None?

HERE IS WHAT WE CAN PROVE:

I. That no such conversation ever took place at the table of any respectable Republican in Vancouver.

II. That General Grant while stationed here, was never seen the worse for liquor.

III. That the "man named Loveless" never drove a carriage for General Grant, and indignantly denies the insinuation contained in the article above given.

IV. Ingalls and Grant were not "chums" at Vancouver. Ingalls came here first in 1849, and left in the summer of 1852, and did not return until 1854. Grant arrived here on the 22d of September, 1852, and left in the fall of 1853 for Ft. Humboldt, California.

V. That the Treasury Department not long since officially stated, in a reply to this effect: "Grant, when it was first set out by the New York States, that Grant's accounts as Quartermaster were closed."

VI. That none of General Grant's "old confederates, who knew his character in those days," are in office now. Ingalls, Sheridan, etc., were not his "confederates," and are in no way indebted to the President's favor for being in place.

VII. That the idle rumors to which this silly woman has given such ready credence concerning General Grant's habits of life while stationed here, had their origin with, and are kept alive by, a set of malignant partisans who are without the pale of the respectable class of their own party.

These facts are obtained from former members of General Grant's company, now resident here, and will be verified to, if necessary, under oath. John F. Lovelace, of this county, is a man of strong political prejudices, and one who would go as far to defeat Grant's re-nomination as any man honestly could, yet endeavoring to deny ever having acted in the capacity attributed to him.

Of the editor who publishes these slanders we have our own opinion. For a woman and mother of a family, well educated and talented, to prostitute the columns of her paper (which finds its way into hundreds of family circles), by giving publicity to such filthy lies about the chief Magistrate of the nation, bespeaks in her coarseness of nature. A debased mind, a prurient taste, and a thirst for notoriety ill befitting the "high-souled, refined and patriotic American lady who is to wipe out the filthy pool of politics by teaching the infant sect of coming electors to walk in the way of righteousness and peace." The indelicacy of the allusion, the coarseness of expression, and the disregard of the conventionalities of good breeding, could not have been excelled by the ill-visaged harriard of a baggio.

A Capital joke, and all the more palatable because it is true, took place a few Sundays since at one of the prominent Fourth street churches. It seems that a worthy deacon has been very industrious in selling a new church book costing 75 cents. At the service in question, the minister, just before dismissing the congregation, arose and said: "All you who have children to baptize, will please present them next Sabbath."

The deacon, by the way, was a little deaf, having an eye to selling the books, and supposing his pastor was referring to them, immediately jumped up and shouted: "And all you who haven't any, can get as many as you want by calling on me, at 75 cents each!"

The preacher looked cross-eyed at the deacon; the audience pinched each other in the side, the bible grew larger until it burst into a loud guffaw, ladies colored up, crimsoned, blushed, and thanked the Lord for the low price of peopling the earth.—Exchange.

SHARP SHOOTING.—The following dialogue on "sharp shooting" quietly took place between a Virginia and a Yankee picket: "I say can you fellows shoot?"

"Wal, I reckon we can, some. Down Mississippi we knock a humble-bee off a thistle-bow at three hundred yards." "Oh that ain't nothing to the way we shoots up ther' in Vermont. I belonged to a company up ther' of a hundred men, and we went out for practice every week. The cap'n draws us up in single file, and sets a cider barrel rolling down-hill, and each man takes his shot at the bung-hole, and it is afterwards examined, and if there is a shot didn't go in the bung-hole the member who missed it is expelled. I belonged to the company ten years, and there ain't been nobody expelled yet."

At Hunterdon, N. C., a lover had his arm around his girl's neck, and when she struggled he squeeze tighter, until he gazed in her face and found her but a mass of inanimate clay, he having innocently and lovingly choked her to death. A female friend of ours said that must be a delicious death to die, and when we attempted to show her how that girl was killed, she—well we suppose the hair will grow out again in the course of time.

A clergyman, reading a chapter in the Bible for his congregation, found himself at the bottom of the page with the words, "And the Lord gave Noah a wife;" then turning over two pages instead of one, he continued, "and he pitched her within and without with pitch."

A man in Danbury (Conn.) discovered that powder fried in lard was good for boils. He tried it. The stove cover is in the second story now, though most all rest of the stove has been collected. He was deceived, in his lard, he says.

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