

LOCAL MATTERS.

DEMOCRATS AS FINANCIERS.—As an evidence of the boasted economy and financial ability of the Democratic officials of Linn county, we propose to give an outline of the principal financial operations that they have engineered during the time they have so economically administered the county business. Not so long ago but our citizens can remember its elegant and attractive appearance, the Democratic county administration thought it necessary to have a fence erected around the Court House block; and as the Court House was an elegant structure, erected under a Republican administration, it was determined that the fence, if anything, as one of the Commissioners expressed it, should be more "elegant." Bids were advertised for, received and opened, when it was found that the lowest bid, which was for a picket fence, posts and pickets with turned tops, all to be nicely painted for the sum of \$1,750, was by Republicans. This thing of letting Republicans get away with the county work under a Democratic administration couldn't be thought of for a moment, and it was resolved to change the programme at once. The bids advertised for were thrown aside, Jerry Driggs was asked quietly to put in a bid for a chain fence. Of course, Jerry put in a bid at once, and he was ordered to go ahead with the work. The result was the erection of that splendid chain fence, which was neither ornamental or useful, at a cost of \$2,250 in gold coin. It was usually denominated the "grave-yard" fence; and the jokes cracked over that fence at the expense of our able County Commissioners, by members of their own party, soon caused our eminent and wise financial county administration to order it to be removed, and the present picket fence to be erected, at a cost of \$750 more, in gold coin. Total cost of fence, \$3,000; could have been built originally, and in much better style, at a cost of \$1,750, showing a saving to the county of \$1,250! Further evidence of the wise, judicious and honest policy of these financially gifted agents of the county might be deemed unnecessary; but as we deem it our duty to give Democrats, even Democratic officials, praise when they richly earn it at our hands, we will mention another evidence of their skill in financial matters. Twenty-five hundred dollars were loaned by our county officials, and a mortgage taken to secure the note, on a certain mill on the turbid waters of the Santiam. As neither principal or interest was forthcoming when the note became due, the mortgage was foreclosed, and the mill became the property of the county. Sometime afterward the county officials, those wise financiers, sold the mill for \$1,300, although there was a standing offer of \$2,000 in coin before them for the mill. Here was a saving in this way:

Table with financial data: Money loaned \$2,500, Interest on same for three years 900, Total amount due the county \$3,400, Money received for the mill \$1,300, Loss of the county \$2,100.

Here it will be seen at once is a saving of nineteen hundred dollars. Of course the citizens of Linn county, especially Democrats, will feel proud of the record of their county officials; their fitness for office, their large financial ability, their watchfulness over the interests of our people cannot fail to earn for them the manifold encomiums of all! We might mention other little matters that show conclusively that we have been favored with great and exhaustive ability in the financial management of our county affairs. For instance, we have an elegant ten thousand dollar iron and jail. Mr. Jones says in his speeches that the only fault about the jail matter is, it didn't cost enough! Well, this is certainly an honest view of the matter, and very unexpected, too. But there are many good citizens in Linn county who honestly believe that ten thousand dollars is rather a large amount of money to pay for a building that has proved so inefficient and utterly worthless for the purposes for which it was erected. Incidentally we might mention the fact that, after our county officials were thoroughly convinced that a huge mistake had been made in the jail affair, they advertised for bids to reconstruct the new ten thousand dollar jail. After the bids were opened it was found that the lowest bids were put in by Republicans! Here was a dilemma. But these wise men, these gifted financiers, these incorruptible, economical gentlemen were equal to the occasion, and for fear that their efforts at economy in handling the people's money might get into the papers, and give Democratic candidates undue popularity, they postponed giving out the contract for repairing and strengthening the new ten thousand dollar iron and county jail, until after

the election! Here was a stroke of policy that commends itself to our admiration! "Wise as serpents" is no name for it! But then we have no time to further notice the excellence of the financial management of our Democratic officials. As we have shown through their economy and financial skill the county has lost \$3,150, so far as we have here recounted. Other items might be mentioned, that would increase the sum total; but those here recounted are sufficient to show that the continuance in power of Democracy must be ardently wished for by all who want able financial ability brought to bear on the administration of our county affairs, to the end that taxes may be lightened and Democratic economy glorified!

THE CANVASS OPENED.—On Monday the canvass opened at Halsey. As Judge Cranor was unable to direct and lead in the canvass on the part of the Democracy, Mr. A. C. Jones, present County Clerk, and doubtless the best Democratic speaker in Linn county, appeared as chief spokesman. About the usual number of persons were present at the church, where the discussion was held. Mr. Jones opened the discussion, devoting his whole time to the defense of swamp land monopoly, and the lock and dam steal. In defending these pet schemes of the last Democratic Legislature, he took his cue from Gov. Grover—in fact his speech was simply a rehash of Grover's recent speech in this city, minus all style and finish. Our candidate for the Legislature, Mr. M. C. George, followed Mr. Jones in one of the ablest, most logical and eloquent speeches of the campaign. He showed up the unfairness, trickery and demagoguery of his Democratic opponent in defending these Democratic measures in such manner as to electrify his audience, and time and again they showed their appreciation of the points he made by hearty and prolonged applause. It was a truthful word-picture of the corruption and venality of Democratic legislation of two years ago, and gave an impulse to Republican principles that will tell in a greatly increased Republican vote in that precinct next Monday. Mr. Stites next took the stand, and labored through his allotted hour to show why, as the swamp land monopoly was strictly a Democratic measure and entirely in the hands of Democrats, it was a benefit to the people and to the State. Friend Stites is not much of a speaker, and when he had worried through his hour, the audience seemed much relieved. Capt. Shields got so far as to bring down his wooden pedal on to the floor with great volubility two or three times—the only evidence of appreciation offered by his audience. Mr. A. E. Ellis, Republican candidate for the Legislature, followed, showing the sophistry, misrepresentation and unfounded assertions of Democratic speakers and journals in this canvass. His positions were well taken and admirably sustained throughout, and made a profound impression on his audience, that cannot fail of producing good results. After Mr. Ellis had concluded, one of the Democratic candidates for the Legislature, whose name we have forgotten, hopped up and made a stirring Democratic speech. And these were the words he said: Fellow Citizens—We hear a good deal about the corruption exist in the Democratic party. No matter—it is our duty as Democrats to support the Democratic party. The principles of the Democratic party are the principles of the Democratic party, and we all ought to stick to and support the Democratic party. I hope we will all support the Democratic party at the election once.

Of course this neat little speech was greeted with loud guffaws all over the house, and Democracy felt glorified for the moment. Mr. J. B. McClure, Republican candidate for Coroner, made a short but effective speech—such an effect was produced upon the audience, indeed, that Mr. Jones felt called upon to again take the stand to defend the acts of the Democratic county officials. And then the fun commenced. McClure made it so hot for Jones that he soon refused to answer any more questions propounded, as he said, by a little Republican candidate for Coroner, and rushed from the presence with temper apparently considerably ruffled. It was a very auspicious opening for the Republican ticket, and we feel proud of our standard-bearers, who, although unaccustomed to the rostrum, so ably upheld the banner of Republican progress and reform against the attacks of veterans in the Democratic service, and so completely and thoroughly routed them from every position.

ELECTION TICKETS.—Precincts that have not received election tickets, will please send for them to this office. We have them in readiness in any amount.

CLOSURE.—We call attention to Chas. Mealey's new ad., and that of the 4th of July excursion.

HARRISBURG, May 27th, 1873. EDITOR REGISTER:—Allow me space in your paper to make a few statements to the voters of Linn county, in regard to the character of the Democratic candidate for the office of County Judge.

Personally I have nothing against E. N. Tandy, but when he aspires to a position of so much importance, I have a great many reasons why I think he should not be elected. In the first place, he is a gambler, and a poor one at that, and is a man of but little honor, as he will make a bet and then force the stake-holder to return the money under threat of the law. In the next place, he drinks a great deal of liquor—too much for a man of his aspirations. As to his general character, it is bad. He has the reputation of being a libertine of the worst kind. All that he is now worth, he got by marrying a widow lady, who owned a farm, which he has since sold and converted into his own name, and left an orphan daughter to whistle for her share of the property, or seek redress as best she can. These and many other things are too true for him to deny. I will ask you, Mr. Tandy, this question: While you were County Judge of Lane county, were you not the guardian of every orphan in the county, and as such why did you not secure to your wife's daughter the amount of property due her from her father's estate?

As to his political standing I have this to say: Just before the organization of the Democratic club in this precinct, he was loud in his advocacy of the passive policy, but his keepers, Houtt, May, Stites & Co., concluded to bring him back to his first love, and so made him Chairman of the Club. It is very strange that such great ability as he possesses, should go unrewarded in Lane county, as he lived there several years, and his whole energy was office, office, office. But they could not see it. Ungrateful people! As for his filling the office of County Judge in Lane county, which the Editor of the Democrat blows so much about, he got that by appointment from Gov. Whiteaker, and that only for a short time.

This same man claims to be a lawyer, but if he is, God save those who employ him. I have heard of his taking appeals from Justice Courts, but have yet to learn of him appearing in the Circuit Court to prosecute them. No lawyer would risk his reputation as a lawyer on such opinions as he has given here on different points of law. And yet he comes before the voters of this county asking them to place him in a position to probate on the estates of deceased persons. I, for one, in common with many other Democratic voters, in this part of the county, will not consent to this. J. S. GEORGE.

Tandy Requested to Withdraw. HARRISBURG, April 28th, 1873. MR. E. N. TANDY:—We the undersigned, Democrats of Linn county, hereby respectfully ask that you will withdraw your name from the Democratic ticket as a candidate for County Judge, for the following reasons:

1st. That we fear, from your limited experience in law matters, that you will fail to reflect credit on the party in the fulfillment of the duties of the office, and—

2d. It will be very nearly an impossibility to elect you, through your general unpopularity, against as competent a man as Irvine. Please consider the matter at an early date, and oblige S. Mansfield, J. S. George, F. G. Barger, H. B. Miller, J. H. McCulloch, John E. Williams, P. M. Mansfield, J. F. Davis, C. C. Baber, Jas. Turner, David Ely, M. McCulloch.

THAT DITCH MATTER.—Luther Elkins, Esq., has again taken the matter of constructing a canal or ditch, from a point on the Santiam to this city, in hand, has filed the necessary articles of incorporation, and is engaged in securing subscribers to the capital stock. The capital stock called for is \$30,000, in shares of \$200. We hope, and are inclined to believe that Mr. Elkins will put the matter through this time, and we hope by fall to be able to chronicle the fact that the REGISTER is printed on a cylinder press, the motive power for which is furnished by water brought through the canal from the raging Santiam. There is no improvement that will so rapidly build up our city in wealth and population as this long-talked-of canal. Our earnest wish is that the present effort be crowned with the earliest and brightest success.

BROWNSVILLE.—The canvass at Brownsville was ably conducted by Messrs. George and Ellis, ending in a complete victory for the Republican party. Our candidates for the Legislature grow more in favor as the canvass progresses, while Democracy is becoming more and more dependent under the feeble efforts of its standard-bearers to defend its many outrageous acts. Republicans will go to the polls on Monday, jubilant and full of ardor in the support of the great measures so successfully carried out by the party, while Democracy will have nothing in the past of which to feel proud, and no evidence that the future will bring any healthful change.

ABOUT MONOPOLY.—Mr. Jones, when forced to explain his position on the litigant law, said he saw nothing specially wrong in the law. But if there was, he would like to ask if the present Administration did not give all its public printing to Republican journals. Granted. But the Republican party is not the first to set the example. "To the victor belong the spoils" was the Jacksonian policy, and every succeeding administration, Whig, Democrat and Republican, down to the present, has adopted the precedent. But this is public printing, mind you, while the litigant law interferes with personal rights, and compels you to patronize, however much against your wish, at exorbitant rates—rates never obtained or exacted before its enactment—such journals as the Governor may choose to designate. To illustrate this matter a little: By authority of Congress the State Department is allowed to designate two papers in each State to publish the public laws passed by each session of Congress. The REGISTER was selected to publish such laws, by the State Department. We received for such service, for the last session of Congress, just \$38 in greenbacks. Under the litigant law of Oregon (a Democratic monopoly), for printing the same amount of matter, we would have received, in gold coin, between four and five hundred dollars. By the litigant law Gov. Grover has control of between \$15,000 and \$20,000 for electioneering purposes. And yet Grover and his satellites continue to harp on "monopolies" and "corruption."

FROM HARRISBURG.—Intelligence from Harrisburg is to the effect that our candidates, in their speeches at that place on Tuesday, gained a great victory. Democracy, as represented by Jones, Stites & Co., was routed, horse, foot and dragons. The valiant E. N. Tandy was sought for everywhere, but could not be found, although Mr. Sam Mansfield offered \$5 to any one who would throw him in sight ten minutes. Our candidate for County Judge will come down from Harrisburg with a healthy majority, and there will be an increase on the Republican vote of two years ago of between forty and fifty votes in that precinct. Prospects all over the county for a Republican victory never looked so bright. Let Republicans work, and victory will certainly perch on our banner.

THE STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.—The State Sunday School Convention convened in this city last Tuesday evening and adjourned after the evening services on Wednesday evening. Some forty or fifty delegates were present from different parts of the State. On Wednesday morning the Rev. C. W. Shaw, of this city, was elected President, Mr. E. J. Northrup, of Portland, Secretary and Treasurer, and Rev. W. B. Butler, of this city, Statistical Secretary. The proceedings of the Convention were characterized by great earnestness, zeal and harmony. While on such occasions there are always some who sneer off their mouths so frequently, and say so little of value when they do, as to become a very large number to those who desire to learn something, still there are others who offset them, by uttering words of real wisdom, and offering suggestions of substantial value to cheer, instruct and encourage the earnest Sunday School worker. The next Convention will be held at Salem.

SPLENDID ROAD.—Having occasion to pass over the O. & C. Railroad between this city and Harrisburg, we found a section of road that cannot be excelled anywhere in Uncle Sam's dominions—solid, smooth and level as a floor, and the train ran without a jar. Of course this condition of things is entirely due to the care and judgment of the section bosses, two of whom, Messrs. Peters and Comans, we happen to know to be two as careful, reliable and competent men as ever had charge of a matter so important to all concerned. Honor to whom honor is due.

GEN. APPELATE.—This gentleman delivered one of his eloquent and effective appeals, in favor of Republican principles, at the Court House, on Thursday night. It is not necessary for us to say it was a splendid work, traced by a master hand. The telling blows administered on poor, old, decrepit Democracy, caused the remaining adherents to that party in attendance to wince and squirm like eels in hot water. It was a sore occasion for them. As an effective speaker, Gen. Applegate is one of the first in Oregon, and wherever he goes, his power is felt.

VIGILANCE.—Let this be the word on Monday. See that every member of the party is on hand to cast his vote. Work, work. Let every man do his duty, and the Republican ticket of Linn county will prove too many for Democracy.

BIG THING.—The excursion on the 4th will undoubtedly be the greatest thing ever gotten up on this coast.

NEW COACH.—Mr. W. R. Cannon now has a new thoroughbred coach running on the line between Corvallis and this city—a splendid piece of workmanship throughout. It was built by Mr. Wm. Peters, one of the best carriage makers in the State, and is certainly a credit to the maker. Cannon says it runs "just as easy as the boy found his dad," and of course he's proud of it. When such vehicles can be made here, there would seem to be no necessity of going East hereafter to purchase them. Patronize home industries.

SEVERE ACCIDENT.—Vanny Smith and young Culver, last Sunday, undertook to ride a colt double. The colt took this attempt to double team on him as an insult, and showed his displeasure by setting the boys back to the ground. Vanny first pressed the ground with his head, with such force as to deprive him for sometime of all sense of sublimity affairs. Restoratives were applied, and he revived, but suffered severe pain in the head for some days afterward. Culver escaped with but a slight rent in his feelings.

OBJECT OF THE 4th OF JULY EXCURSION.—Many persons have manifested a desire to know if any good was to be derived by this grand excursion. Permit me to say, for the information of all, that it is in the interest of the M. E. Church and Library of Albany. Persons going on this excursion will not only have the advantage of a cheap and most respectable and enjoyable trip, but also the consolation of contributing to the aid of religion and education. C. W. S.

DEFEATED.—The match game of base ball between the Corvallis boys and the Albany clubs, which occurred in this city on Saturday last, resulted in a victory for the Corvallisites. The fact of the business is, our boys didn't like to invite their friends from Corvallis down to see 'em, and then turn in and wax 'em at a little simple base ball game. Nary. They would soon do it. They'd see 'em—hang first.

SODA.—On Wednesday, through the politeness of Mr. A. N. Arnold, we were soled—whole armful of bottles filled with this delicious drink, from the establishment of A. Carothers & Co., were laid on our table. This firm is now prepared to furnish bottled soda to families and all who may wish it, at low rates. Try a couple dozen whizzes.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.—Hon. John Keiser, of Corvallis, will address the citizens of this city on political matters, at the Court House, on Friday evening next. Come out and listen to the Judge. Ladies specially invited.

RECEIVED.—Organna Encampment No. 5, I. O. O. F., of this city, last week received from Philadelphia an entire new outfit, collars, jewels, etc. We venture the assertion that Organna Encampment now has the handsomest and most gorgeous outfit in the State. Twig your left ear!

CHALLENGE AND ACCEPTANCE.—The Rough and Ready Club of Harrisburg have challenged the Quicksteps of this city to play a match game of base ball at Halsey next Saturday. The Quicksteps have accepted, and base ball goes next Saturday.

THE TAYLOR FAMILY.—This troupe gave performances in Parri-hall to good audiences on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The performances gave the best of satisfaction, so far as we have heard an expression.

REMEMBER EVERYBODY.—The county canvass winds up with this city tomorrow. Speaking commences at one o'clock P. M. Let everybody be at the Court House in time, and give our candidates a fair chance to explain their positions.

RELIGIOUS.—Rev. I. D. Driver, agent of the American Bible Society, will preach in the Court House next Sunday, at 4 o'clock P. M., on the object and operations of the American Bible Society.

FUR CAPE.—A friend of ours picked up a fur cape on the street, the other day, and having no idea who belongs to it, he has left it at this office. The owner can have it by calling and taking it off.

MARKETS.—A slight advance in wheat noted. Some of our farmers who have shipped their wheat, claim to have received 92¢ per bushel. No change in the produce market to note. Business for the week quite an improvement on that of last.

THANKS.—We are in receipt of a list of new subscribers, accompanied by the cash, from our energetic agent at Jacksonville, Charles Nickell, Esq. All right. Do it more.

LARGE ATTENDANCE.—The Sunday School Convention, which met in this city on Tuesday, holding over Wednesday, was largely attended.

ALBANY, May 31, 1873. EDITOR REGISTER:—A communication in today's (May 31st) State Rights Democrat, published by Mart. V. Brown, in the city of Albany, State of Oregon, contains a communication purporting to have been written by E. Houtt and Samuel May, both residents of Harrisburg—the first mentioned a member of the State Senate—to which, with your permission, I propose to call attention. The first statement in the above-mentioned communication is, that the assertion made by me in last week's REGISTER, that Mr. E. N. Tandy is a gambler and a drunkard, is false, entirely and wholly without foundation. I repeat the assertion that made that E. N. Tandy is both a gambler and a gambler; and I further assert that both these gentlemen know this to be true, and when they assert to the contrary they assert a wilful, barefaced lie. To make this thing satisfactory to all concerned, and prove that E. N. Tandy is both a gambler and a gambler, and that E. Houtt and Samuel May uttered what they knew to be a wilful lie when they made the statement referred to in the above mentioned communication, I propose to put \$100 in the hands of any honest citizen of Albany, said money to be given to any reliable, truthful Democrat or Republican who shall accompany me to Harrisburg, if I do not prove to his entire satisfaction, by the sworn statements of as good men as there is in Linn county, the entire truth of my statements with regard to E. N. Tandy.

But I need not go to Harrisburg for a respectable witness, as Mart. V. Brown, reported editor of the Democrat, if so disposed, can vouch for the truthfulness of my statement that E. N. Tandy is a gambler. I distinctly charge that Mart. V. Brown, E. N. Tandy, myself and others, not long since, in Brown's saloon in Harrisburg, were engaged in a game of draw poker during the entire night, and Mr. Sam. May stood and looked on at the game for several hours! Mart. V. Brown got up from the game in the morning declaring himself a loser by several dollars, and E. N. Tandy ditto. These are facts, and if put upon oath, Mart. V. Brown and Sam May will not dare gainsay them.

Again array E. N. Tandy, candidate for County Judge on the Democratic county ticket, before the bar of public opinion, for— 1st. Gambling. 2d. Drunkenness. 3d. Leaving his family at the dead hour of the night to visit Indian rancheries.

I stand ready to prove these charges whenever called upon so to do. These charges, however, are not a drop in the bucket when compared with other charges that are daily made against E. N. Tandy, upon the streets of Harrisburg.

If E. N. Tandy is not guilty of the charges made against him, why did he not make his appearance at the discussion at Harrisburg on Tuesday, when his presence was so earnestly solicited by those Democrats who did not wish to believe them, and after having read my communication in the REGISTER of last week? He does not deny the truth of these charges. No man, either Democrat or Republican, who has any respect for his word, and who is acquainted with E. N. Tandy's habits, dare deny any of these allegations.

As to the other matter in Messrs. Houtt and May's communication, impugning my Democracy, have only to say that I am satisfied with my course, and shall never ask whether these two great lights of the party approve of it or not. Yours truly, SAM. MANSFIELD.

THE LITIGANT LAW.—The Democrat holds in its "hotbed" wrath until its last issue, then locks its doors and goes in to the manufacture of wholesale falsehood to answer the several charges made by the REGISTER against the litigant and other Democratic swindles. It has the cheek to deny that it charged, but a few days since, \$24 in coin for an advertisement for which it received, before the enactment of the litigant law, but \$7 50. As one has but to repair to the County Clerk's office to be convinced that Brown's bills now are from one-half to two-thirds greater than before the enactment of the litigant law, further notice of this matter is really unnecessary. As further evidence of the extraordinary amount of cheek possessed by Brown, we notice the assertion in the Democrat of Friday, May 31st, that the rates charged by the REGISTER in excess of those allowed by the litigant law, are: "Our advertised rates for one square of ten lines of Nonpareil, first insertion, is \$2, 'larger advertisements inserted on the most liberal terms;' but Mart Brown couldn't see the lines in quotation, and here's where he slipped over again—willfully, however. Advertisements of a legal nature, of four or five squares, inserted in the REGISTER for four weeks, have only been charged, as the bills filed in the Clerk's office will show, \$9 to \$12—or \$3 for each square during the time. The litigant law gives, and Brown exacts, \$5 50 per square for every square of such advertising—in a \$2 50 per square more than we ever charged on ad. of four or five squares.

THE DIFFERENCE.—In 1834 Capt. N. B. Humphrey was marching and fighting under and for the Old Flag. At the same period in the world's history, Mart V. Brown was editor of a Republican paper in Iowa. Brown stands as good and truthful a Republican then as he does a Democrat now.

SET 'EM UP.—"John J. Slaw, a lawyer of reputed ability," was a thorough-paced Republican in 1833. Since then he has become imbued with the principles of Democracy, and the desire for office, and now appears as the candidate for District Attorney on the Democratic ticket, for the third district.

ENTIRE.—The assertion of the Democrat that a leaded Rattler went to Taylor's show, on Wednesday night, in a drunken condition, is simply one of Brown's little lies—there's no truth in it at all.