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Republican State Central Committee.

C. W. Parrish, Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, issues his call for the meeting of the Committee on the 7th day of August next, at Eugene City.

More Argument.

Brevity is said to be the soul of wit. To speak without superfluity and write without circumlocution, developing facts sharply and clearly, in fewest words, are desirable traits; but where these are done at the expense of logical particularity, or convincing argument, superficiality of development is the result. The most popular writers for the press are paragraphists: in fewest words they state the fact, or principle, but do not prove it. In other words, they simply postulate. Such writing imparts knowledge—it fills the mind with facts, as a bin would be filled with corn by scooping it in—but the reasoning powers are not brought into action; no original idea, or careful thinking is evoked, and a feeble mental development is the result. It would be better for us, and especially for the future of our people, if more profound thinking; more reasoning from cause to effect; more exhaustiveness of statement were practiced by speakers and writers, rather than the present indulgence in mere glittering generalities. If we would have our people strong in the brain, the press and rostrum must argue more and postulate less.

Our Neighbor on a Gush.

The Albany Democrat is overflowing with gushing sanguinity relative to the result of the October election for Congressman. The sad dispensation which renders an election for that office necessary has scarcely transpired, ere that journal claims a victory. The vacancy it fills at once with a Democrat, though the name of that lucky mortal it fails to give. For some reason or other, which no one but the sapient writer of that journal can even guess, a Republican majority of over 4,000 votes in the State, is going to "clear the track" and allow the Democratic nominee, whomever he may be—good, bad, or indifferent—to run straight into the office of Representative. It seems to forget that the character of each party has not changed a whit since the last election; that the same motives and ideas which united Republicans then will prevail now; that while the latter has an eye to, and will strive to nominate its best and strongest man, it will not cease to regard principle as paramount; and will never cast its vote for the nominee of a party whose character is synonymous with that of instability, corruption and fraud.

REV. VAN CLEVE says that because Mitchell has been a "good boy" in Oregon, he is not chargeable with crimes committed in Pennsylvania. Does the murderer escape the halter by living a brief period in uprightness.—Benton Democrat.

We did not say any such thing, neither is the language we used susceptible of any such interpretation. Our position is clear enough, Mr. Head, without your trying to lager-head it.

OUR COLUMNIZERS.

Our humble article upon Senator Mitchell has brought down upon our head a mountain of characteristic abuse and misrepresentation from Democratic journals. We are charged with regarding "seduction, adultery, theft and bigamy" as not contrary to good morals, and such epithets as "Reverend hypocrite," "clerical wolf," etc., are applied to us with unrestrained freedom. It is not pleasant to be so treated, and yet take away from the Democratic press of Oregon, as conducted by the Salem Mercury, for instance—the organ of the Governor of the State—the habit of treating every question at issue from the standpoint of slander and abuse, and its chief element of strength is destroyed. A journalism that mingles courtesy with argument, the offshoot of culture and gentlemanly instinct, seems to have no attractions for such journals as the Salem Mercury. Like the hog in the mire, the groveling instinct of such journals leads them to wallow in the filth of misrepresentation; like the Digger Indian, their most toothsome aliment is derived from the bugs and worms of abusive epithets. No pity or sympathy refines their souls, but deep-seated malice and revenge, and burning hate, blister the paper upon which they write. To be just and courteous in the treatment of a political opponent, would be an act as new to them as the virtuous thought that would prompt it would be novel. It is no discredit to a man to be abused by such journals; it is a compliment. It is no discredit to a journalist to be opposed in principle to such writers, it is conclusive evidence that he is right. The approval of the devil is no recommendation to one who is trying to do right. Our argument relative to Senator Mitchell, is to show mercy to an erring mortal struggling to atone by a virtuous life for the sins of the past. The Mercury says, "your teaching don't suit us." If it did, Mr. Mercury, we would immediately review our premises to see what false position we had unwittingly taken. You confess your delight in nosing your way into the sacred precincts of a man's private life. Hyena-like, the greater the putrid mass of festering corruption you would find, the higher enjoyment; and you would exhibit the disgusting, loathsome mass, piece by piece, to your readers. That being your confessed taste, sir, we are glad our "teaching don't suit" you. We prefer to let a public man's past private character alone, where its exposure would subserve no public end but that of personal hate, or party rancor. In our treatment of the case of Mr. Mitchell, we have said nothing which can even be tortured into regarding "seduction, adultery, theft and bigamy," or any other crimes, as anything but wrong; and our professional reputation we are willing to risk among those who know us best.

Dr. J. A. Chapman, of Portland, has published a card in the Oregonian, resigning his position as Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee, and renounced all further allegiance to the so-called Democratic party. "Believing as I do," says the Doctor, "that the Republican party is the true party of progress, and best calculated to promote the welfare of the State and nation, it shall henceforth receive my unqualified support." The Republican party has room for more when they choose to come.

The "If" of the Advocate.

The Pacific Advocate, in alluding to some animadversions of the Portland Evening News on our Mitchell article, says: "If the REGISTER designed to uphold Mr. Mitchell in any wrong doing, it has greatly erred, in our judgment," etc. We are sorry the editor of that journal did not take the trouble to read our article before he wrote the above. The animadversions of the News were very likely but a reflection of those of the Democrat of this place, as we do not exchange with the former, and it seems to have copied its deductions from the latter, which were based upon premises of its own invention. No fair-minded journalist, much less a religious one, will make careless statements relative to positions assumed by another, where they involve vital issues. In fact, truth cannot be compromised in anything; no shifting between it and falsehood, no circumlocution will satisfy the demands of justice; the truth and nothing but the truth, is the claim of equity. Now, then, what right has the Advocate to express a doubt relative to our position, when a little reading would enlighten it? Our position is plain—a wayfaring man though a fool may understand it. Should not the editor of that paper? He says, in substance, the Methodist Church is not responsible for our errors, if we have erred. Of course not, as the M. E. Church is not a political organization, and we are not editing a church paper. But he is; he is the mouth-piece of the Church. The courtesy, justice and equity of the Church are supposed to preside at his tripod. What right has he to throw a mantle of implied guilt over us, by his conservative "If?" Read our article, Mr. Advocate, and then say emphatically whether we "uphold Mr. Mitchell in any wrong doing."

Our Hypocrisy.

The Salem Mercury calls us a hypocrite. That is one who appears to be what he is not—a dissembler. Let us see: That journal says all the Republican papers in Oregon are in sympathy with our new Senator, but the REGISTER is the only one that dares to boldly assert its opinions relative to the matter. If that be true, where does the dissimulation come in? By its own acknowledgment, we do not hide our real sentiments, but boldly avow them, thus openly on paper putting in practice our genuine views. How is it with that journal? Let us see: For its erring brethren of the South its plea ever has been, amnesty, mercy. Let not the law punishing the traitor and the perjurer be enforced against them. Oh, no! Let a generous Government show mercy, and spare the guilty; and it would have forced amnesty upon the leading rebels, even while they spurned it. Why? Because it sympathized with them. Its sympathetic soul leads it to regard murder, and arson, and theft, and perjury, and all the other crimes of the rebellion, as only the mistakes of our erring brethren. Now, Senator Mitchell, whose crimes against morals date back to about the same time, comprising the desertion of a wife and the changing of his name, whose subsequent life appears upon its surface, at least, as full of elements of reform, must have no mercy, no amnesty shown him. No matter how earnestly his life and works may ask it, let implacable, unforgiving justice and judgment be enforced. Down with the wretch! Let him be accursed forever, is the hounding cry of this journal. Now, then, if it was right, and generous, and christian, to show mercy towards the rebels, why not towards Mitchell? If the principle was right in the one case, should it not apply in the other? If the Mercury is right in its position now, was it not acting the hypocrite then? If it was right then, is it not a hypocrite now?

The Benton Democrat in alluding to us says: "The reverend has laid aside his surplice and wig, and donned the armor of a political demagogue," etc. That Head must have been added when it wrote that, and taken us for somebody else. We never wore such toggery in our life.

A Contrast.

Our attention has lately been called to a comparison of the personal allowances received per day by the rulers of Europe, and the salary of the President of the United States. In the light of this contrast, the efforts frequently made by partisan writers—generally for partisan purposes—to show the latter amount extortionate, becomes contemptible. Here are some of the contrasts:

Queen Victoria, per day \$ 8,027
William of Prussia 8,210
Francis Joseph of Austria 10,950
President Grant 137

The American nation is rich and prosperous enough to pay her Chief Magistrate a salary large enough to relieve his mind from financial cares, and enable him without embarrassment to maintain in a decent manner the duties and dignities of his office; and \$50,000 per annum is enough and none too much.

The Oregonian calls us a theoretical bigamist. Our editorials will show the falsity of this allegation. Did we desire to learn lessons of practical duplicity, though, and shrewdly laid plans of treachery against the party which the Oregonian claims to lead, we would follow in its political lead. It will be "fortunate" for the party when that journal drops its mask of "theoretical" Republicanism, and comes out in its true, practical colors, a Democrat.

Governor Grover has issued a writ for a special election to be held on the second Monday in October next, to fill the vacancy in Congress caused by the death of Hon. Joseph G. Wilson.

The trial of Captain Jack and his associates has been concluded, and the Commission has dispersed. The verdict of the Court Martial will not be divulged until it has been passed upon by the officer commanding the Department.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The Sultan has declined the invitation of Emperor Francis Joseph to visit the Vienna Exposition, assigning that the condition of affairs prevent him from leaving Constantinople.

The Italian Parliament was prorogued on the 12th.

Archbishop Manning and two American Archbishops are expected to be Cardinalized soon by the Pope.

A heavy rain storm, accompanied by lightning, swept over Yorkshire, Eng., on the 13th, greatly damaging the crops and killing several persons.

Five thousand peasants at Alpena Lane, Spain have joined the Carlists, having been driven thereto by the excesses of the Republicans.

Slight shocks of earthquake were felt in Rome, and other places on the 12th.

The crisis in the Italian Ministry has terminated. Signor Minghelli, who was summoned to this city, formed a Cabinet, which is constituted as follows: President of the Council and Minister of Finance, Minghelli; Foreign Affairs, Viscount Venasta; Lieutenant-General, Risicatti Magrani; Marine, Saint Bon; Public Works, Spavinti; Public Instruction, Slalaji; Commerce and Agriculture, Finail.

Cholera is represented as every where abating on the continent of Europe.

On the 14th, insurgents in Carthage, Spain, had attacked and mastered the town, with the exception of the arsenal. It was feared the latter could not hold out much longer.

In Amsterdam an extensive conflagration was raging among the coal stores in that city on the 14th.

Rinderpest is so bad among herds in Russia that German authorities have prohibited all importations of cattle from there.

Journeymen carpenters and masons are about to strike in London.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

The wool clip of Clarke county, W. T., is estimated at 100,000 pounds this year.

In six weeks the Utah narrow gauge railroad will be open from Corinne to Franklin.

There were 84 deaths in Frisco last week.

About four miles from Jackson, Cal., on Tuolumni river, Geo. Hoesenfelt, while engaged in catching fish by killing them with giant powder, had a cartridge explode in his hand blowing away one side of his body and mutilating him horribly. One of his arms and portions of his side had not been found.

Col. Humason of the Dalles has corn growing the stalks of which are ten feet high.

The Sisters of Charity are about to open a school for young ladies at Corvallis.

The Corvallis Gazette urges upon the City Fathers to have that place furnished with water from Mary's Creek.

The Cosmopolitan Hotel of Portland, was sold at auction last Saturday to Mr. S. G. Reed for \$22,000. Last year \$40,000 was offered for it, and refused, says Bulletin.

Shad to the number of 35,000 were placed in the Sacramento river at Tehama, Cal., recently.

The Corvallis losses by fire during the past year amounted to \$9,300.

A case of partial sun-stroke occurred at Jacksonville last week.

Salmon, large and nice, were recently caught at Salem.

W. F. Potter, of Corvallis, was badly injured by being thrown from a horse last week, says Gazette.

A large rattlesnake was killed in Jacksonville last week.

Not a man staggered in Oakland on the Fourth, says an exchange. Experts in carrying, likely.

George A. Whitney has been appointed Commissioner of Deeds for Oregon, to reside in Pittsburg, Pa.

Mr. Mills, of Jackson county, by the slipping of a crowbar, on the 28th ult., was struck by it on the breast and severely injured.

Parties on the Yaquina have sent for a boring apparatus East, to assist them in prospecting for coal, which it is thought will be found in rich abundance along the river and bay.

The Indians at Siletz have a thousand acres of grain growing, which looks well. They need more teams and a saw mill.

Sixteen Granges are now reported in Oregon.

An Encampment of the Champions of the Red Cross has been organized at Oakland.

The Beaver Hosiery Company of Jefferson works up 2,000 pounds of wool per month. The establishment turns out 270 pairs of socks, beside a quantity of ladies' hose, daily.

According to the Mercury a little girl, near Jefferson, who was bitten by a rattlesnake, not long since, was saved by drinking about a quart of whisky.

The stockholders in the patent candlestick, invented by A. E. Rogers, of Union county, are happy over the fact that the patentee was offered \$25,000 for the entire right.

Salem has a burglar whose thieving ambition is satisfied with obtaining plenty of victuals.

Rev. A. W. Sweeney, County School Superintendent of Walla Walla, has just apportioned \$4,750 93 of school money for July of this year.

James Conlon was caught in the act of furnishing liquor to an Indian near Walla Walla last week. He now languishes.

The wife of Thomas Ryan, of Portland, died last Tuesday from injuries which she received some two weeks ago from being thrown from an express wagon.

The Alumni of Christian College, Monmouth, have elected W. D. Fenton, President, Henry Churchill, Secretary and Corresponding Secretary.