The Democrat.

MART. V. BROWN, EDITOR.

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THE OFFICIAL PAPER FOR OREGON

GRAND RALLY!

—OF THE—

DEMOCRACY OF ALBANY PRECINCT!

The Democracy of Albany Precinct are requested to assemble at the Court House, on

Saturday, Feb. 9, 1878,

at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of organizing a DEMOCRATIC CLUB.

Let there be a rousing turnout both from town and country.

By request of

MANY DEMOCRATS.

THE CROSS AND CRESCENT.

From the latest dispatches it would seem that the war is not ended. Peace negotiations still hang fire and Russia refuses to make public her terms. Meantime her armies are pressing forward, although the Turks stubbornly dispute their advance on Constantinople. Notwithstanding this resistance, however, Russian scouts have advanced to within 70 miles of the Turkish capital and are still pressing their way forward.

The Turkish government is having difficulty to maintain order in the capital among its tens of thousands of refugees. Circassians have already plundered Sulth, Boutegas, Chorlus, Rodesto and other towns, and are now flocking into Constantinople, laden with booty. The government wishes to disarm them and send them into Asia, but it is doubtful whether they will be able to do so. There is appalling misery from the Bosporus to the Gulf of Salonica. The whole coast is crowded with terrified Mohammedans, seeking transportation across Alcros. Hundreds are perishing with cold, hunger and exhaustion, and no succor is possible until the panic and confusion in the capital has abated.

ANOTHER WAY TO GET AT THEM.

Some diplomatic genius has introduced in the California Legislature an extremely cute anti-Chinese measure. It is a bill ostensibly to prevent the spread of infection in the disinterment of dead bodies, but really aimed at the Chinese custom of removing dead Chinamen from the country. The bill requires a permit to be obtained from the Board of Health, at a cost of $10 to the parties removing the body, and also requires that the remains be inclosed in a metallic coffin before removal. The cost of such a coffin will be about $50, so that the law will be equivalent to the imposition of a tax of $60 for each corpse disinterred.

The six companies are under contract to return to China the remains of each Chinaman who dies while serving out their contract term.

If the bill becomes a law, and can be enforced, it will have the effect to materially lessen Chinese immigration, as the Chinese will not go to a country without the assurance that their bones will be returned to the Flowery Kingdom.

"TIMES HAVE CHANGED ABOUT THE PLACE."

In 1864 George B. McClellan and George H. Pendleton were candidates for President and Vice-President of the United States. After fourteen years they reappeared in public life, the one as Governor of New Jersey and the other as the successful candidate for the Senate from Ohio. The N. Y. *Sun* thinks things have changed considerably since 1864. Then the Republican party was united and strong under the leadership of a rightfully elected President; now it is divided and weak, and distrustful of the man who wrongfully sits in the White House. Then the conduct of the war was the sharp party issue; to-day the great question before the people is whether the stealing of the Presidency by fraud shall go unrebuked.

FRAUDS.

Among his admirable prods at the frauds and shams of this "Age of Brass," Rev. Mr. Cruzan, in his lecture last Saturday night, didn't forget to give a rap at that most stupendous of all Frauds, the Presidential steal. He denounced the Electoral Commission as a farce and humbug, and paid his particular compliments to that brace of Radical frauds, Conkling and Blaine, who have so recently become united in feeling as well as villainy, after so long an estrangement. He evidently thinks their union a sham to do more mischief.

There was a proud statesman named Conkling
With a hatred to which he did long cling,
He had bold Blaine
From the State known as Maine;
But they're solid once more Blaine and Conkling.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State Central Committee met yesterday at Portland, and from a special dispatch received late last night we are informed that the State Convention is called to meet at Portland on April 10th.

The Committee recommend that County Conventions be held on March 30th and Primaries on March 23d. We will give the call and appointment of delegates next week.

READ our Washington letter on first page. It is racy and newsy.

BENTON DEMOCRACY.

A rousing and enthusiastic crowd of Democrats assembled at Corvallis last Saturday for the purpose of organizing a Democratic Club. A preliminary organization was effected by the election of E. Skipton President and W. A. Wheeler Secretary. A committee on resolutions were appointed consisting of Jno. Burnett, W. S. McFadden, J. S. Palmer, Geo. W. Moore and Wm. Graham, who shortly afterwards reported the following, which were adopted without a dissenting voice:

Resolved, 1st. That the law for the resumption of specie payments, on the 1st day of January, 1879, having been enacted by the Republican party without deliberation in Congress, or discussion before the people, and being both ineffective to secure its objects and highly injurious to the business of the country and in order to secure our industries from ruin and disaster, resulting from its enforcement, we are in favor of its immediate and unconditional repeal.

2nd. That we are in favor of one kind of money for the bond holder and pick holder; and therefore favor the remonetization of silver and making it a legal tender with free coinage.

3d. That we are in favor of abolishing the National Banking System and supplying its place with United States notes issued directly by the Government, and convertible on demand into United States obligations bearing 3½ per cent. per annum; which United States notes shall be a full legal tender for all purposes, except for the payment of such obligations as are by existing contracts specially made payable in coin; and we hold it is the duty of the Government to provide such circulating medium in sufficient amount in addition to the gold and silver to answer the demands of trade and the necessities of the people.

4th. That we are opposed to any further issue of gold bonds in foreign markets by which the brain and muscle of our people become mortgaged to the foreign money lender without even the equity of redemption.

5th. That we are opposed to Chinese immigration and in favor of a modification of the Burlingame Treaty so as to prevent the further influx of those heathen hordes that are eating out our substance and taking the bread from the mouths of the laboring men and women of this country. That the Republican party is responsible for this Asiatic leprosy on the body politic, by providing that they should be received into this country upon the same footing as foreigners of the most favored nations, and amending the Naturalization Laws so as to entitle every Chinaman to become a voter, they have placed the destiny of the Pacific Coast in their hands and committed a crime against the civilization of the 19th century.

6th. That the Republican party is responsible for wasting the public domain—the heritage of the people—in extravagant grants of land to railroad companies without proper guards, thereby building up and fostering a class of corporations that now have their feet upon the necks of the people and have the Government by the throat; and the assertion of the Republican party that they are opposed to further grants of public lands to corporations and monopolies, is only equalled by their Judaizing practices of the past eight years.

7th. That while Congress, by class legislation, has produced combinations of capital to oppress labor and place the people at the mercy of the great corporations of the country, we turn with satisfaction to the Courts for relief, and that we hail with joy the late decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States in the Granger cases, to the effect that railroad companies, warehousemen and common carriers are under the control of legislative power; and that to protect the people against exorbitant charges for freights, fares and storage, the legislature has the right to fix the maximum of such rates.

8th. That we are opposed to high salaries and an extravagant expenditure of the people's money by their public servants. That we favor retrenchment and reform in every department of the Government.

9th. That the Southern Policy founded and inaugurated by the Democratic party, in receiving the sanction and endorsement of President Hayes, is a rebuke to the insane weakness of the Republican party, and the harbinger of brighter days to the Republic.

After the adoption of the resolutions *one hundred and twenty-seven* persons signed the roll of membership, and a permanent organization was effected by the election of the following officers: John Burnett, President; W. B. Hamilton and J. W. Webber, Vice Presidents; E. A. Milner, Secretary; Wm. Henkle, Treasurer.

Our Corvallis correspondent informs us that the Radical Mitchellites of that section were astonished and dismayed at the enthusiastic marshaling of the Democratic hosts on that occasion, and freely acknowledge themselves "busted goslings."

We earnestly congratulate our Democratic neighbors of the "Heart of the Valley" on this most auspicious and flattering beginning, entertaining the fullest confidence that their efforts will be crowned with the full redemption of Benton in June.

GOLD AND SILVER.

The *Oregonian* talks as if the country was full of gold, "and more coming," but other, and may we suggest, more reliable authority, does not agree with that paper. Mr. Groesbeck, in his recent address before the Bankers' Convention, presents the following estimate of the precious metals throughout the world, from 1852 to 1875, as made in a report to the English House of Commons in July, 1876. The amounts are given in English currency:

YEARS.	GOLD.	SILVER.
1852	£20,550,000	£ 8,120,000
1853	21,000,000	8,120,000
1854	25,400,000	8,120,000
1855	27,015,000	8,120,000
1856	29,520,000	8,120,000
1857	28,055,000	8,120,000
1858	24,220,000	8,120,000
1859	24,970,000	8,120,000
1860	23,850,000	8,160,000
1861	22,700,000	8,340,000
1862	21,550,000	9,640,000
1863	21,290,000	9,840,000
1864	20,600,000	10,240,000
1865	19,520,000	10,240,000
1866	24,220,000	10,240,000
1867	22,805,000	10,240,000
1868	21,095,000	10,045,000
1869	21,245,000	9,500,000
1870	21,370,000	10,525,000
1871	21,470,000	12,210,000
1872	19,910,000	13,050,000
1873	19,520,000	14,050,000
1874	18,150,000	14,300,000
1875	19,500,000	16,100,000
Total	£572,195,000	£241,800,000

This is a very valuable table. It will be observed that the production of gold has fallen off almost one-half, and that the production of silver has exactly doubled.

TAKE IT BACK.

In a recent issue of the DEMOCRAT we printed an item from some of our exchanges, stating that Prof. Mart. Taylor was editor of a Mitchell organ at Pendleton, whereat Mart very justly elevates himself onto his auricular organ and pens us the following postal card:

WESTON, Jan. 24, 1878.

Editor Democrat:

I am now a strong advocate of temperance, a champion of morality, and believe in a hell. Thus have I changed. But I am no editor of any Mitchell organ; no backslider from the Democratic party. I cannot be bought with British gold or Republican greenbacks. I am, as ever, a muldoon Democrat, and the man who ruined poor Sadie Hoon has not wealth enough to purchase even the forbearance of

Your old friend, MART. TAYLOR.

THE AMENDE HONORABLE.

After the healthy combing we gave the *Van Observer* last week it came down handsomely out of its tree and acknowledged its error; published our denial of Pomeroy's lies about us, and humbly confessed that it knew we were a teetotaller of the first water.

Well, that's something like it, Van, and we forgive you for your evident mistake of last week. Go, and sin no more.

THE *Van Observer* is forced to issue under the *nom de plume* of the *Morning Register* until Cartwright comes on from Washington with its new head in his back pants pocket.

AN IMPORTANT OMISSION.

There is one resolution omitted in the platform of the Corvallis Democratic Club which should be in every Democratic platform of the current century, and that is one denouncing the Presidential Fraud. Democrats should not for one moment forget that they were cheated out of the President whom they elected by a quarter of a million votes, nor fail to express their indignation at the Great Wrong.

The infamous conspiracy and fraudulent contrivances by which the office which rightfully belongs to Samuel J. Tilden was given to Rutherford B. Hayes should be denounced in burning words from every political meeting, rostrum and journal in the land until the party that perpetrated the infamy are so effectually and eternally damned as to be beyond the hopes of even a political Purgatory.

Is it possible that the American people can for one moment forget this shameless cheat? Will they sit calmly and silently down, fold their hands resignedly and stare at each other in wonderment, as though destiny made it impossible for them to overcome the fates and right one of the most flagrant wrongs by which any people anywhere lost their rights? Is the reason, strength and will power of this people to give way to pathetic superstition that the fore-ordained destiny of the Republic is downward, and that no effort of theirs can change its course? Or will they yet prove themselves men—citizens of the State—freemen, who know their rights and dare maintain them in the face of fraud, by an enforced demand made through their representatives in the Halls of Congress, for a thorough, searching investigation of all that pertains to the villainous scheme which defrauded them of their right of franchise and seated Mr. Hayes instead of Mr. Tilden, in the Executive chair of the Republic, and the further demand that the parties implicated and found guilty shall be punished to the fullest extent of their crime.

Who is the man that dares to sit down in the broad light of to-day and look upon the unblushing, unrestrained, reckless reveling in crime as it presents itself to his vision, and with compressed lips silently acquiesce in this villainy—this work of the devil in man, which is robbing him of his birthright and dearest treasures, and his posterity of that inheritance which is theirs by right, and should be transmitted to them unimpaired in its purity, that they in turn may hold it in trust for their posterity? If there be such an one, he is not worthy the liberty and the franchise won not only at the great sacrifice of blood and treasure, but bestowed without price upon the posterity of the men—patriots—of an hundred years ago.

We are quite sure our Corvallis friends inadvertently omitted this important thing, but we hope all future Democratic organizations will "fire it in."

"WARMED OVER."

The Boston *Post* has the following in connection with a recent wedding in East Cambridge, Mass.: "The contracting parties were natives of Eastern Maine, and some ten years ago, when they were scarcely beyond childhood, they were married. They removed to Chicago, but their life was not a smooth one, and, in the course of a very few years, the wife returned to her friends in Maine, leaving her husband in Chicago. He obtained a divorce from her on the ground of desertion, and soon after he married again. At about the same time his wife's family removed to Cambridge, and there she was supposed, by her new acquaintances, never to have been married, as she had resumed her maiden name, and no intimation was given that she had ever changed it. Last summer her engagement to a young man of this city was announced, and, at about the same time, her former husband obtained a divorce from his second wife. He came east during the fall, met his first wife, and on Thanksgiving Day was remarried to her."

"GREENBACKER'S" SAY.

We publish to-day a lengthy communication from a "Greenbacker" which crowds out other matter that should have appeared in this week's issue. We trust our correspondents will remember that the space of even our ample columns is limited, and condense their communications into as small a compass as possible, consistent with a clear and concise expression of their views.

We shall have something to say to "Greenbackers" in the near future.

SALEM MERCURY.

We neglected last week to state that E. L. Bristow has sold the Salem *Mercury* to Messrs. W. F. Cornell & Walter Moss, two of the best practical printers in Oregon, who will continue to make the *Mercury* a first-class Democratic paper. That journal could not fall into the hands of a better man or a truer Democrat than Wilbur Cornell, and we wish him all possible success in his new field of operations.

CARTWRIGHT is in Washington, interviewing Mitchell, and Van, becoming impatient at his absence, changes the name of the *Van Observer* to the *Register*, and drops Cartwright's name entirely from the gable end of the paper as one of its proprietors.

Whew! won't there be music in that North Methodist concern when Deacon C. returns! Guess not! No chance!

THE SUN PENETRATES MT TCHELE.

The New York *Sun* of the 12th ultime seems to understand our senior Senator, judging from the following:

HIPPLE MITCHELL, in his speech in the Senate defending his scheme to secure a new land grant for the benefit of JAY GOULD and the Union Pacific, admitted that the country was thoroughly sick of the system of subsidies to rail roads. HIPPLE also condescendingly remarked that the universal public sentiment was "in a great measure well founded." We are truly delighted to hear HIPPLE say this. He is a statesman of such gigantic stature, and up to the time that Mr. THOMPSON, at present member of Congress from Pennsylvania, helped him out of that good old Commonwealth between two days, he had earned a character so stainless that we were really not quite sure that the people of the United States were right in withholding the public property from the GOULDS and the SCOTTS and the HUNTINGTONS until this welcome sentence had fallen from the lips of HIPPLE himself. But doubt is past now. HIPPLE has said it, and, being sure we are right, we shall go ahead.

But, after all, HIPPLE has a strange way of showing his faith. The fruits that he brings forth are meet for anything but repentance. He doesn't believe in subsidies; he thinks that the public sentiment against the practice is, "as it were," just. But the pure HIPPLE proposes, in that very breath, to confiscate about five million acres from lands once granted to the Northern Pacific, and make a new grant of them to JAY GOULD, or to somebody for JAY GOULD, on the sorry pretence that they are to be used to build a road from Portland to Salt Lake. Now, Mr. HIPPLE, if he lives a few weeks longer, may learn that, in addition to the sentiment against subsidies, there is also a very general sentiment against JAY GOULD and all his works. This, like the other, is, "as it were," just; or, in the phrase which HIPPLE seems to prefer, it "is, in a measure, well founded." He might just as well pause before he butts against the stone wall. If HIPPLE should unfortunately collide with an immovable body, and knock his brains out, the enormous quantity of them flying about would produce something like the reported rain of uncooked flesh in Kentucky. We really trust that HIPPLE will be preserved to us. Since the prostration of the excellent Mr. PATTERSON of South Carolina we cannot possibly spare HIPPLE. He is now the only surviving specimen in good condition of the CAMERON school of Pennsylvania statesmen. We trust the people of Oregon will perceive the necessity of returning HIPPLE to the Senate, and we earnestly advise HIPPLE himself to see that Mr. GOULD pays cash to cover election expenses as he goes along. He ought also to be more circumspect as to the manner in which he serves Mr. GOULD. THOMPSON'S resolution, looking to the forfeiture of the whole Northern Pacific grant, would undoubtedly prove a very effectual method of removing all danger of the Northern line competing with the Union Pacific. But HIPPLE ought not to have got THOMPSON to offer it. THOMPSON is well known as HIPPLE'S other self, and if the resolution passes, and the people of Oregon find themselves deprived of even the sickly prospect of a railroad held out by the Northern Pacific, they may get sore about it, and remand HIPPLE to private life.

COULDN'T STAND HIM.

The *Bee*, in its account of Edmunds' speech before the Workingmen's meeting in Portland, says:

"He indulged in a rap on the knuckles of Noltner, of the Standard, and Brown, of the Albany DEMOCRAT, indicating very forcibly his opposition to the unterrified Democracy. In closing, he invited all men, irrespective of age, color, party, or former condition of servitude, to step forward and affix their names to the roll."

Under this broad invitation several Chinamen would have stepped "forrel" and signed the roll, but they couldn't be induced to train in the same crowd with Edmunds.

THE S. W. S. A.

The State Woman Suffrage Association meets in this city on Tuesday, the 12th instant. We cheerfully welcome its members to the hospitality of Albany, but we don't see much use in the concern anyway. This movement seems to be losing ground instead of gaining, and is gradually growing into disrepute through the character of its leadership.

COME ON!

As the campaign approaches new subscribers to the DEMOCRAT come slashing in, at which our heart is made glad and our exchequer puffy.

Continue to give us this substantial help, good friends, and our paper shall be an additional power in the land and the Radical Philistines shall be made to quake in their boots. Selah! Bully!

TURN OUT.

Let the people of "The Forks" turn out *en masse* to-morrow and assist at the organization of the Scio Democratic Club. This is a glorious work, and should be helped along by every true patriot in that "Democratic Gibraltar."

HE who reflects upon death has already cut short the evil habit of talkativeness; and he who has received the gift of inward and spiritual tears shuns it as he would fire. But he who pay-eth not for his paper is a dogoned bilk. You hear us!

THE HALSEY GREENBACK PLATFORM.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 26, 1878.

Editor Democrat:

I notice, in your last issue, in your eagerness to endorse the platform of the Halsey Greenback Club, and your fancied absorption of the Independents of Linn county, you are inspired with the commendable liberality to invite your Greenback friends to send you any matter they wish published, and you will cheerfully comply, evidently intending to convey the impression that you, as a leading exponent of the Democratic party of this State, intend to stand with the Greenbackers, upon the Greenback platform, in the coming political contest, that we may overthrow the Republican party. Nothing would give me greater pleasure than to co-operate with the Democratic party, or any other party, to dethrone and subject to just and equitable laws the present legalized money-shaving, banking and bondholding monopoly that lives, moves and has its being in the old political parties. Notwithstanding your apparent zeal in the great reform movement, I suspicion your enthusiasm has overstepped party discipline, that other and calmer councils will reject. Therefore, as a friend, allow me, as one that only aspires to subserve truth and the natural and political rights of the laboring people, to briefly review your position, that we may know whether you have seriously resolved to do honor to your head and heart by mounting and standing on the new, sound and staunch Halsey Greenback platform in the coming fight.

In the outset of your editorial comments on the Halsey Greenback platform we are assured that "in the main it is a good Democratic platform," but in the very next sentence we are told that "it palpably misrepresents facts when it charges the Democratic party with supporting in its essential features the unjust Republican financial system." There was no intention to misrepresent the acts and designs of the leaders of the Democratic party, and we will persist in our innocence until facts reveal the contrary. To determine what is the "essential feature" in this unjust Republican financial system is the point at issue. The essential feature is whether United States bonds and other obligations of the government that were purchased with, and were payable in lawful money, shall now be paid in currency or in gold. The leading, ruling element of the Democratic party is pledged, "teeth and toe nails," to the payment of the United States bonds in gold, and nothing but gold. Even the silver bill that has just passed the Democratic House of Congress exempts these United States bonds from the general operation of this Democratic measure, showing conclusively that it is in the interest of the bondholder and against the people. The Republican party is unequivocally in favor of paying the public debt in gold. Yet the editor of the DEMOCRAT denies, and claims that the Democratic party has won all its recent victories by boldly opposing this unjust Republican financial system. It is true, in some of the Western States, in the late elections, they adjusted their platform so as to deadfall the Greenbackers, inducing them to believe there was no difference between the Democratic and Greenback parties. This assurance, coupled with the magic power of old party attachment, led captive by thousands the honest, unsuspecting Greenback element of the country, just as the leaders of the old parties are vainly attempting to do in Oregon. But the Greenback people saw that they had been misled and betrayed, which provoked a retributive reaction that is making such inroads upon the ranks of the old organizations that it is frightful to the old party leaders. The aggregate Independent Greenback vote that was cast in the 22 States that held elections last fall did not reach 150,000, and to-day there is enrolled in the 15,000 Greenback clubs in the United States over 700,000 names, and increasing daily as never before.

Because we refuse to worship the golden calf, and connive with the Democrats to bolster up the hard money system, the Greenbackers are accused of organizing in the interests of the bankers' and bondholders' party. This wanton assertion is so groundless and absurd that it is unworthy of further notice. Our demand for the repeal of the national banking system is said to be an appropriation of Democratic material. The Democratic party has all the time ostensibly favored the repeal of the national banks, and have also failed all the time to tell us how, and with what kind of money, if any, they propose to supply the place of the national bank circulation, amounting to $350,000,000. Does the Democratic party propose to repeal the national banks and contract the circulating medium of the country to the extent of the national bank circulation, or substitute currency or gold instead? Until this question is explicitly answered we must withhold any credit that seems to be attached to their opposition to the national banking system.

Section five, the editor says, he can scarcely get through his hair. Quite reasonable, for he has the thing so muddled there is no sense to it. Whether it is owing to the confusion in his mind caused by the force of reason and public sentiment that impels him to adopt this section, or something else, I know not. But among all the Democratic platforms that have been adopted throughout the country since they nominated that good old man, Horace Greeley, for President, not one, to my knowledge, has fairly and squarely favored taxing United States bonds.

This is a bold and manly advance in the right direction. One more step, friend Mart, and you will be firmly planted on the center plank of the Halsey Greenback platform. Will you?

There are other points of the editorial that deserve notice, but must be deferred, as the limit intended is already exceeded. The importance of the subject constitutes the reason for the length of this article, and I hope it will be received in the same spirit it is given, as a sincere expression of an earnest

GREENBACKER.

A HORROR IN THE MOUNTAINS.

A correspondent of the Salem *Record*, writing from Cedar Camp, Marion county, under date of the 26th, tells the following strange and horrible story:

"The imagination fails to conceive of a sadder accident than that which happened yesterday morning in this vicinity. James K. Sturgis, a shingle maker near this camp, accidentally killed his wife and babe last night. I give you the particulars as I received them from the unfortunate man himself, who is now nearly crazed over the horrible catastrophe:

It seems that he had been out hunting during the day, and came in just as the shades of evening were falling over the canyon in which they lived. He put his double-barrelled shot-gun in its usual place, and a small "Smith & Weason" pistol, which he had with him, under the pillow of the bed, which was located in the main room.

Now comes the sad part of the story: Mrs. Sturgis, with her little babe, retired about 8 o'clock. The babe, only five months old, was lying on the left side of its mother, dreaming as only babes can dream; the mother, like one who had worked all day, sleeping that quiet sleep that nothing but the little "precious" by her side could disturb.

The clock had just struck ten when Sturgis aroused by some fantasy of the brain, picked quickly the revolver from under the pillow, cocked it, and in his dreamy state, while lying in the bed, discharged it. The bullet sped to its destination, passing through the abdomen of the mother and the heart of the child.

After the act Sturgis struck a light. We leave it to our readers to imagine what a scene was there, and what met his eyes as the fitful match disclosed everything. I neither have pen nor tongue to describe further.

Last Sunday the agonized father followed to the grave the wife and child."

PACIFIC COASTERS.

Gen. Howard lives at Vancouver.

Fanny Buckingham's le-imb theatricals at Portland had the biggest run of any known season.

Five men and a boy tried to bridle a Walla Walla mule. The still unbridled mule alone remains to tell the tale.

Some of our exchanges have taken up the cudgel against round dances. We'll bet the editors can't dance anything but a "Kentucky hoe-down" and then fling their legs around like an old cow in a stampede. The man that don't like those beautiful undulating, beezy, squeezy round dances hath no music into his soul and is an old poke generally.

Following are the new directors of the Luckey Queen mine: S. F. Chadwick, D. Levens, J. Brandt, Jr., W. R. Willis, W. B. Royal, J. B. Smith, R. Mallory. Another rich strike in the mine is reported. Specimens of the ore were brought to Roseburg and assayed on Saturday last, in the presence of the directors. The first assay of gold rock gave $48.16 to the ton; the second of silver rock gave $497.64 to the ton, and third, ruby silver rock, gave $6,873.46 to the ton. Of course while such prospects are obtained the company will not step work.

A Kentucky preacher rose to speak, and opened the Bible. The first verse that met his eye happened to be, "The voice of the turtle shall be heard in the land. "Brethering," said he, "at first sight one would not think there was much in this text; but, on a little consideration, you will see there's a great deal in it. Now, it is said, 'The voice of the turtle shall be heard in the land.' But the turtle hasn't any voice, that any body ever heard; so it must be the noise he makes in plunging off the log into the water. Hence, we conclude that immersion is meant, and that immersion will become universal."

FARMERS!

The Albany Democratic Club organization will be in the afternoon of the 9th inst., for the especial accommodation of you who can't remain in town after night. Let every Democratic farmer in the Precinct attend the meeting and assist by his presence and counsel in its organization.

DON'T APPRECIATE THE FILTH.

The following explains itself:

SALEM, Oregon, Jan. 17, 1878.

Editor Labor World:

Sir—As there is more Brick Pomeroy in your paper than I can reasonable swallow, I most respectfully request you to stop my paper. Yours respectfully,

T. D. MARKHAM.

Mart Brown, of the Albany DEMOCRAT, says that if any of his delinquent subscribers side up with Beecher and think there is no hell, he'll make it hot for them until they square up.—Walchman.

And that fetched lots of 'em—but there are many more yet out of the fold who must be snatched as brands from the burning.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Political clubs organizing.

Friends of silver increasing in number.

Democratic State Committee met yesterday at Portland.

The S. F. *Wasp* still plants its stinger into the Chinese curse.

The Snohomish *Star's* valedictory was briefly, "So long, boys!"

Radical State Central Committee meet at Portland on the 20th.

Lake county has a new city, named Plevna, and settlers will soon Russia in and take it.

Conkling's Utica paper wants to know when the President will begin to conciliate the North.

Our Balsam, (a Hoosier,) says Beecher may rave ahead but he can't abolish "Hell on the Wabash."

We have an agricultural exchange with the continued story, "Buckwheat Cakes and Ingen Batter."

Adam Sting lives in Pendleton, and the Portland *Bee* occasionally gives the *Oregonian* a A-dam sting too.

Prominent bankers in New York, Philadelphia and Boston are endeavoring to prevent the passage of the silver bill.

According to the *Watchman* the Walla Walla hens are already on a strike in anticipation of the Easter rise in eggs.

Joaquin Miller is thought to be sensible because he has gone to praising Poe's writings. It is time he was doing something smart.

The Walla Walla *Watchman* says: "If any of our readers don't get this papers please notify us of the fact!" We'll do it, Bro. Besserer!

Among the distinguishing features of the Salem *Daily Statesman* just now is its most excellent and elaborate reports of the Supreme Court proceedings.

Green B. Smith, Chairman of the Independent Greenback State Central Committee, has ordered the Committee to congregate at Salem on the 20th inst.

Mr. Bristow, retiring editor of the Salem *Mercury*, is receiving bushels of friendly puffs from Radical newspapers. It wasn't just this way when "Lafe" was in the "biz."

Women who read newspapers are always bright, good natured and have common sence. Now won't this induce lots of suffering husbands to subscribe for the DEMOCRAT?

Hon. J. W. Nesmith has received letters from the proprietors of the West Side R. R. which give ample assurance that the road will be completed to Dixie, Polk county, this Fall.

Representative Luttrell, of California has introduced a bill in the House "to punish and prevent the practice of polygamy in the Territories and other places, subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

Representative Luttrell, of California, is the leading ante Chinese Congressman from this coast. He is working industrionaly and vigorously to devise means and supply remedies for this most studendous evil.

California editors are standing no their heads with delight because they have had a shower or two of rain down there. If that was the fashion up here when it rains we would close up shop and play circus all the time these days.

Joaquin Miller wants his body burned so that "the corporeal essence can go upwards and not be gnawed by the worms." The *Wasp* thinks the other part of his essence will be attended to without any specific instructions on the part of Waw-keen.

State Treasurer Brown has paid off nearly all the out-standing warrants which have been drawn against the State during his term of office. This is a remarkably good showing, and is another argument in favor of the continuance of a Democratic administration.

The New York *Saturday Night*, a story paper, is publishing a serial story of Chief Joseph and his Nez Perces band. It gives a thrilling account of the Camas Prairie Massacre and slings a terrific mass of sensational romantic literature in sight.

The *Oregonian* sadly admits that it is more than probable Bland's silver bill will pass the Senate, as it has passed the House, and that the probabilities of Hayes's vetoing it are poor, especially as he could not hold the necessary one-third vote in either House to sustain him.

A bill has been introduced in the Lower House of Congress to repeal the old ironclad oath, and another sweeping away jury disqualification on account of connection with the rebellion. If it becomes a law, as it should, what will the Republicans do without the support of carpet-baggers and the aid of the outrage mill?

The Supreme Court of Georgia has decided in the case of a murderer that "to be too drunk to form the intent to kill, he must be too drunk to form the intent to shoot." If that sort of common sense is going to prevail on the bench, it will go hard with the gentlemen who like to plead intoxication for every species of deviltry they commit.

HON. BEN. HAYDEN is Worthy Chief Templar of one Salem Lodge of Good Templars, and E. O. Norton wields the gavel over the other Lodge.

Well—we giveitup!

They talk about another wedding, but we think it's all bosh. The old folks won't stand it.—Walla Walla Watchman.

Who in thunder wants the old folks to stand it, anyhow.

SIFTINGS FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

The original moonlight trip—when the cow jumped over the moon.

A Hartford, Conn., newspaper proposes a bachelor show, the prizes to be awarded by ladies.

For matrimonially inclined—if you can't get the girl you want, take the girl that wants you.

Hand organs are forbidden in the streets of Bryan, Tex., by the law—the organic law, probably.

If you think you are too tall, marry an extravagant woman, and you will soon find yourself short enough.

A Kentuckian has sued a mature Indiana maiden of forty years or more for breach of promise of marriage.

The mildness of the season has induced some of the sparrows at Springfield, Mass., to begin to build their nests.

When Adam was half through naming his descendants, he got tired and said, "Let's quit and call the rest Smith."

The managers of the Philadelphia baby show and the mothers of the infants have had a hand-to-hand fight over the prizes.

It takes all the enjoyment out of a game of croquet to hear it called an "amusement within the reach of the feeblest intellect."

A hale old rooster of 94 married a buxom widow of 80 in Jersey City the other day. May the Lord bless and prosper their children!

The Laramie *Sentinel* says: "Geo. I. Cannon, the Mormon Congressman, has gone back to Washington. He took only one of the four Mrs. Cannons, and three little blunderbusses."

A couple in Cleveland Ohio, who were divorced some time ago on the ground of extreme cruelty by the husband, found that they had made a mistake and at their mutual request the decree has been revoked.

A stable burned in New York the other day, and several horses perished in it. One old dray horse, however, after standing the heat as long as he could broke his halter and deliberately walked to the stable door, kicked it open and trotted out into the street, saving himself by his presence of mind. There is something human about that.

Senator Howe, of Wisconsin, has submitted a petition from the workingmen of Colorado, protesting against the monopolies of the Central Pacific Railroad; against their employing Chinese labor; against their paying their laborers silver instead of gold; against their discrimination in freights and fares, and praying the Government to build a competing line to the East.

The Nez Perces, numbering 84 braves, 184 squaws, 78 boys and 60 girls, all the tribe except the 80 warriors and 290 women and children that White Bird took across the line, are camped on the race course at Leavenworth, Kansas, having the run of the country near by. Rations are issued to them. They have dug a hole forty feet in diameter beside the Missouri river, where, having previously warmed the water by casting heated stones into it, they bathe daily, no matter how cold the weather. Chief Joseph wants to be sent back to his old reservation and take his tribe with him.

"GENTLEMAN GEORGE."

A little whip-snapper of a Radical editor is mad because Hon. George H. Pendleton was elected to the U. S. Senate from Ohio, and calls that eminent statesman such names as "jobber," "pot-house politician," "greenback scab," etc., *ad nauseum*. But fortunately this doesn't hurt Mr. Pendleton. Honest and capable, a true man in every sense, Senator Pendleton is fully the peer of any man in the Upper House of Congress, and in social circles is fully entitled to the sobriquet of "Gentleman George," bestowed upon him by decent Republican statesmen and editors.

EDMUNDS, of the *Labor World*, is worried for fear either Lawson or Chaney will head him off in his aspirations as the Workingmen's candidate for the U. S. Senate in our next Legislature.

O, Lordy!

THE imminent close of the war in Europe has knocked the bottom out of our wheat market. In San Francisco it is down to $1 90 per cental, with a corresponding decline in our local markets.

Financial and Commercial.

Gold in New York, 101½.
Legal tenders in Portland—buying, 98; selling, 90.
Silver coin—4 per cent. discount.

PORTLAND MARKET.

WHEAT, per bushel	1 11 @	1 14
FLOUR, extra	6 25 @	6 50
Superfine	5 15 @	5 50
OATS, per bushel	51 @	52½
HAY, baled	10 00 @	12 50
Loose	9 @	10 50
POTATOES, per bushel	45 @	50
BEEF, choice on foot, per lb	1½@	1¾
HOGS, extra choice	6 @	6½
BACON	10 @	
HAMS	12½@	14
COFFEE	17½@	21½
LARD, in kegs	10 @	
In 10-lb tins	10 @	
BUTTER, in brine	25 @	30
Solid	12 @	20
Fresh dairy	25 @	30
EGGS, per doz	18 @	
DRIED FRUIT—		
Apples, sun-dried, in sacks	4½@	5
In kegs	5 @	5½
Pears, sun-dried	4½@	5
Plums, sun-dried	8 @	10
POULTRY, old hens	3 50 @	4 00
Spring chickens	3 50 @	4 50
HIDES, dry flint	16 @	
Good culls	10½@	
Murrain	6 @	
Green	5 @	6
Deer skins	16 @	22
TALLOW, per lb	5 @	6
HOPS, Oregon and Washington Ty	6 @	7
WOOL	20 @	22

ALBANY MARKET.

WHEAT—per bu—$1 22.
OATS—per bu—50@45c.
HAY—baled—15c.
Loose—19c.
POTATOES—per bu—45@35.
BACON—hams—11c.
Sides—10c.
Shoulders—7½c.
LARD—in 10lb tins—$1 50.
BUTTER—Fresh roll—25c.
EGGS—20c.
CHICKENS—$3 00.
SUGAR—San Francisco—12c.
Island—10½@12c.
COAL OIL—Downer, 5-gal cans—$9 00.
Dover's, 5-gal cans—$9 50.