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FOR CONGRESS,

JAMES W. NESMITH, Of Polk County.

I am a Democrat, both from conviction and choice; and if ever this country is rescued from its present dilemma, it must be done by the people returning to those old Democratic principles upon which the government was founded, and upon which it was so long successfully administered. - J. W. NESMITH.

STAND FIRM UNDER.

Hi. Smith, being ashamed to meet his opponent on the stump and defend before the voters of Oregon the crime of bigamy, is compelled to resort to the cowardly and sneaking expedient of sending forth to the people a printed "address." His literary attainments being entirely inadequate to such a performance, the task devolved entirely upon others, the only actual part performed by old "Goddennity" in the matter being simply to sign his name to the document. Hipple-Mitchell and Scott, assisted by other skillful experts, have been at work on the "Address" several days, and after a tremendous effort, delivered themselves of a weak and harmless lot of promises and amendments to the Albany platform, which smack strongly of railroad ring.

The Hipple ring want the State of Oregon to endorse the crimes of bigamy, seduction, adultery, robbery, etc. They tried to nominate a man for Congress who would go before the people to defend those crimes on the stump. Failing to find a man of ability who would accept the nomination and undertake such a task, they nominated a wooden man, and have written for him an "address."

Gentlemen, you may scatter your "addresses" over the State by the cart-load, but neither they or "burnt brandy" will save you. Federal officers you may control, and corrupt politicians you may buy up; but a free and honest people will spurn with contempt both you and your bantlings.

Attention, Democrats!

A week from next Monday the people of Oregon will be called upon to choose a Representative to Congress. It is extremely necessary that every Democrat should go to the polls and do his duty. We have no fears of the result, but we feel like urging upon Democrats the necessity of doing their utmost to put to rout the disorganized band of Radical pilferers. An overwhelming victory for our nominee will dishearten and forever bury our skulking opponents, who have for their candidate a tool who is ashamed to come before the people and plead his master's cause, and has an "address" circulated, which it is well known was written by Hipple and his Custom House ring. Let every Democrat then rally at the polls, and show that old Jackson is still true to the core by giving Nesmith a tremendous majority.

Takes the Stump.

A. J. Duniway, the valiant editress of the New Northwest, has buckled on her "sineh" and crupper and mounted the stump. She does not announce what side of the question she is to take, but it is well known that she is stumping for Hi. Smith. Hi. is known to be a devout free love advocate; this, and the free love resolution passed by the Radical Convention just strikes the old woman where she lives, and she rushes to the rescue of her proteges.

How Hi. Raised It.

It is a Radical boast that Hi. Smith raised twelve thousand bushels of wheat this year. Undoubtedly he has, but he has raised it into his warehouse to be shipped when his interests or the convenience of the railroad will permit. His hands have not been soiled with this or any other harvest. This is not the kind of man he is.

The Reason.

A Radical sheet, speaking of Hi. Smith's nomination, says "the Convention did not go among politicians to hunt a candidate." No, like an ancient king, they were in a hunt of asses; and lo, they found one.

CLEAN HANDS.

The Democratic candidate for Congress, Col. Nesmith, has held, besides the position of United States Senator, several other important trusts, both military and civil; and it is something, in these days of wide spread official corruption, to be able to show, notwithstanding he has had the handling of large sums of public money, that not a dollar has ever stuck to his fingers. His hands are clean. A man who has proved himself honest, after so many tests, is just the man whom the people should eagerly vote for, especially in view of the fact that official corruption is festering in all departments of the Federal Government. Such a man will do to watch and expose the rogues. The Eugene Guard well says:

In these days of official corruption, when defalcations of public officials are so common as to excite little or no comment, it will be gratifying to Democrats to know that their candidate for Congressional honors has a clear official record. We have taken some pains to look up the records in his case, and the following is one of the results: In 1857 Mr. Nesmith was appointed Superintendent of Indian Affairs for this Territory. At that time the Superintendent embraced all of what is now known as Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana Territories. He took charge of the office at the close of a great Indian war, when the tribes were embittered against the whites, yet not a drop of white blood was shed by them during the time he held the office. He found the department in debt to the extent of \$150,000. On the first day of June, 1859, he turned the office over to his successor, the Rev. E. R. Geary, together with coin belonging to it to the amount of \$67,917.62, and without a dollar of indebtedness against the department. Geary's receipt settled the account in full, and no one has ever charged him with misappropriating one cent of the public funds. We ask our opponents who among his successors have done as well?

Col. Nesmith at Albany.

On Wednesday evening, says the Mercury, Col. Nesmith addressed a splendid audience at Albany, and made the best speech of the campaign. Though laboring under physical indisposition, he made one of the happiest efforts of his life, and whatever disaffection existed before is dispelled now. Hiram Smith appeared by proxy in the person of Judge Kelsay, and all agreed that it would have been better for both Hi. and the Judge had they been many miles away. Judge Kelsay was followed by Hon. Ben Hayden, who proceeded to administer to him one of the most terrible castigations that ever fell upon the devoted head of a Hipple Republican. The Judge declined to discuss the Hipple resolution and the shameful Peace Policy plank in the Republican platform, saying that he "preferred to let that matter rest." He could not have the heart to stand before that audience and insult public decency by defending the former and outrage the memory of our dead and murdered citizens by advocating the latter. We put old Linn down for 500 for Nesmith.

That's What's the Matter With Hi.

An up-country paper of the "regular organization" says that the nomination of Hi. Smith was "demanded by the times and by the people." It is a little strange, says the Mercury, under these circumstances, that the convention which put him in nomination, never discovered that the times and people made such a demand, until it had first tried to nominate six other men, who declined as fast as their names were mentioned. When nobody else would consent to run, with the Hipple load on his back, then Hi. Smith was accepted as a last resort. Is this a specimen of the way in which conventions of the "regular organization" treat the "demands" of the "times and the people?"

Another Dissatisfied Rad.

Gen. E. L. Applegate, better known as 'Lish, excuses Hi. Smith's acceptance of the nomination on the Hipple-Mitchell platform by asserting that Hiram was laboring under a "perturbed state of mind." He says that Mitchell "after having run away from Pennsylvania with a schoolmar, has ravished the Republican party, and as she rises from the ground, brushing the dirt from her nether garments, looks up in to her betrayer's face and says, 'thank you, sir, I'm glad of it.'"

How Nesmith Goes Through Them.

The Hawkeye, an independent Republican paper published at Eugene, thus refers to Odell's attempt to reply to Col. Nesmith at that place: "Last Monday evening Nesmith skinned Odell and rattled his bones, rolled him up and spread him out, burned him up and blew his ashes away." The same paper says that it was suggested next morning that Odell "had better wear a veil for a week, but, then, cheek, don't you see! Cheek is difficult to cover up."

GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS.

Dr. McDowell, of Salem, has come out independent for Congress.

The last steamer brought about 30 immigrants. They come principally from Colorado and Iowa.

The brick work of the University building at Eugene is completed, and carpenters are engaged in getting the roof on.

The New Northwest says that Hi. Smith has been, and is, an active Woman Suffragist. If there is any other reason for keeping him at home, it is not necessary to mention it.

Ed. Delashmutt, of Dallas, raised a tomato which measured 26 inches in circumference. It took two days to retail it at 4 cents a pound. The whole town feasted sumptuously for 48 hours.

The Plaindealer says Ben. Holladay has given up the fight, and virtually acknowledges that Hi. Smith cannot be elected. He has withdrawn his hired voters from this county, and is reported to be discharging others along the road. Douglas county, now that she is untrammelled, will give 200 majority to the polygamist candidate.

A Washington dispatch of the 23d has this: "Another case which will excite sympathy is that of Mrs. J. G. Wilson, whose husband, a Congressman elected from Oregon, recently died. Mr. Wilson had \$1,000 on deposit in the bank when he died, and arrangements were making by Judge Williams and Senator Kelly to obtain the money for the widow, who is wholly without means, and is now teaching school to support her family."

By the appointment of Senator Conkling to the Chief Justiceship, the President snubs his justice in every State where a Republican Convention has dared to denounce the salary grab. The party will probably accommodate itself to the situation with its accustomed facility, and we shall, no doubt, here those very bodies of men, orators and newspapers that have been loud and unsparring in their denunciations of the grab, proclaiming in weak accents, the extraordinary virtues of salary-grab Conkling, and the wisdom and patriotism of the President in selecting him for so distinguished a position.

What an Independent Paper Says.

The Dalles Mountaineer, a paper which holds a position of political independence, makes these observations in regard to Col. Nesmith:

Col. Nesmith is an old Oregonian, having come to Oregon in 1843. His history is part of the history of this State. He acquired a reputation, during the six years he served as United States Senator, of being very attentive and successful in attending to any business with the Department, which had been entrusted to him by any of his constituents without distinction of party. It is in his favor that he is acquainted with the various departments of the government and with Congressional legislation which any new man must learn to become as efficient. Col. Nesmith possesses another qualification paramount of all others, that of honesty. The people have been plundered and robbed so much, that they prize integrity as the first qualification in their Representative in Congress. Col. Nesmith served six years as a Senator, and never has been accused or even suspected of dishonesty. It is generally known he returned from the United States Senate to his farm with enough to purchase a good variety of farming implements and nothing more.

Does not Intend to Turn Them Over.

Colonel Nesmith, in his speech at this place, hit the nail on the head when he said that the Government had no intention of turning over the indicted Modoes to the authorities of Jackson county. These rumors and telegrams to the effect that intended doing so are all buncombe, and only noised abroad to influence our coming Congressional election. The election over, these savages will again be turned loose to butcher and pillage our citizens. Had the convicted Modoes that were to be hanged yesterday not been so foolish as to kill two Federal officers, they could have slaughtered and robbed settlers at their pleasure, without even so much as being reproved for it. Such is Radical justice.

Hard up for Capital.

The Radical press is exceedingly hard up for capital. They have not a word to say in favor of their candidate, and cannot say anything disparagingly of Col. Nesmith. They are, however, industriously engaged in publishing what they allege Mr. Nesmith said of certain Democrats years ago. Even were this the case, the unkind words that may have passed between Col. Nesmith and other Democrats in troubled times, when Democracy was disunited and demoralized, are forgotten, and the parties are now fast friends. The Democracy are not such arrant fools as the Radicals would have us believe, and will spurn with contempt and indignation this attempt to bias them.

"Alone in His Glory."

The only person so far who, fearing to lose his office, has taken the stump for Hi. Smith, is W. H. Odell, Hi. Smith's Surveyor-General. This gives our Republican friends but little consolation, for Odell, the prince of nincompoops, is but of little force, and liable to do more injury than benefit.

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