

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Democrats of Tennessee have selected delegates to the National convention; nine are for Bayard, two for Tilden and one for Seymour.

Twenty-seven years ago there were born into the family of Wm. Marshall, Whitewater, Wisconsin, triplets—two boys and a girl. They were all married a few evenings ago in one ceremony by one clergyman.

Wm. H. Vanderbilt, who has been prudently laying by something for a rainy day, last week salted down five and a half millions more in registered Government bonds. He is now the owner of upward of thirty-one millions of registered governments, and his income from the national treasury is a little over one hundred thousand dollars a month.

Much grumbling has been done about the meagre salaries of the judiciary in this State. There appears to be a very large number of candidates for judicial positions, however, and as of course they are all "pure patriots and able jurists," their willingness to accept is a strong reason why the salaries are sufficient. Whenever men are so keen for office at a stipulated salary it is pure waste of money to raise the compensation.

The Pomeroy wing of the Union Greenback Labor Party held its National convention in St. Louis, March 11th, and finished its labors by nominating Judge Stephen D. Dillaye of New Jersey for President of the United States, and Congressman B. J. Chambers of Texas for Vice-President. Judge Dillaye is one of the most forcible political writers of the day and has for many years been a regular contributor to the "Irish World" published in New York. The other wing of the Greenback party will hold its National convention at Chicago on the 9th of June.

This Congress has been an unusually quiet one so far, but it has succeeded, nevertheless, in saddling the Democratic party with some healthy white elephants. The Curtin-Yocum contested seat case has never been brought to a vote for fear of offending the Greenbackers. The Washburn-Donnelly case is so palpable a steal that the party dare not perpetrate it before election. And the Fitz John Porter case has only been mentioned by those who have championed his cause. The Democratic party stands sponsor in each of these cases, and while it has derived no benefit from any of them, they will all go to swell the indictments against it which will be presented to the people this year.

Seymour says that the quarrels over presidential candidates in the Democratic party are all over old men, while the Republican candidates are of the younger class. He himself spent much of his political life fighting the battles of old men, and the first thing he would know they were dead, and all his labor lost. He says further that the old stock of Democrats are of very little account, and intimates that they may all die off before they can be used. The movement for him is not sincere, but his name is used to break the power of Tilden. That done and Seymour would not be thought of by any one save a few who honestly admire the man, but who are not in the secret as to the use of his name. It is cruel thus to harass an old man who lives in dread of a malady worse than death itself, and were not the Democratic leaders hard hearted and cruel Mr. Seymour would be allowed to enjoy his superannuation in peace.

Where is Portland? The "Standard" says Portland, as published by the signal service is in longitude 127 deg. 27 min. and 30 seconds. Well, this is astonishing! Just think of the metropolis of the great Northwest, 75 miles out in the Pacific ocean! We knew it rained copiously in Portland, and were aware that the political editorial of the "Standard" had an aqueous flavor, but never knew the cause until enlightened by the matchless accuracy of the "signal service." Observations taken in Jacksonville with a "heliograph" fresh from the botanical gardens at Washington, corroborated with astronomical experiments made with an "asteroid" of the finest quality, place Jacksonville in longitude 122 deg. 57 min., and 59 seconds and we never knew before, that the Queen City of Oregon, according to the "Queen City of Oregon," in the blue Pacific. It may be possible that the "service" or the "Standard" is mistaken, at all events the accuracy of the item is open to investigation.

To be perfectly just is an attribute of the divine nature; to be so to the utmost of our abilities is the glory of man.—Addison.

HOP CULTURE.

Last week we published an article on hop culture from the "Willamette Farmer" that is well worth consideration. It is stated that the average yield is 1,500 pounds per acre—this at the lowest price of 10 cents per pound would make a gross yield of \$150 per acre. Assuming that expenses of cultivation, harvesting and marketing is \$100 there is left a clear profit of \$50 per acre. This result is obtained by the highest estimate of cost and the very lowest price for hops, but the truth is that the whole cost of cultivating, harvesting and drying does not exceed \$75, and this year, instead of 10 cents the product is cash at 35 cents per pound. Prices are fluctuating but this season, which is a most favorable one, the clear profit to an acre is \$450. Going back, however, to the lowest statement we ask farmers what crop will net them \$50 per acre besides distributing \$100 in cash among their own people as the wages of labor? Will wheat do it? Can it be realized on wool? No one will contend that it can, and still thousands of acres of the richest lands we have are continually cropped without profit. The great difficulty is, that we are all too impatient, want to get rich the first year, and when it is known that hops will not bear more than 800 pounds the second year nor a full crop the third, it is a damper on the enterprise. We still maintain that it is a better, and more profitable industry than wool growing, while not interfering with it at all, and those having suitable land would do well to turn their attention to it; as any commodity commanding cash at an average price of 18 cents per pound will bear transportation to market.

THE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

The State convention of the Democratic party met at Albany on the 7th inst. and was called to order by Capt. Miller, Chairman of the State Central Committee. General Joseph Lane was elected chairman and after the appointment of committees on credentials and platform, the convention adjourned till seven o'clock P. M. On reassembling the committees appointed made their reports, but there being a wide difference of opinion in regard to what the platform should consist of no nominations were made that evening, although the session was continued till after 11 o'clock. The next day the following nominations were made: Prim, and John Barnett; Presidential Electors, J. K. Weatherford, James Fulton and T. G. Owen. The district nominations are as follows: First District—Judge, H. K. Hanna; District Attorney, Thos. B. Kent. Second—Judge, J. J. Walton; Attorney, James Hamilton. Third—Judge, R. M. Ramsey; Attorney, E. C. Bradshaw. Fourth—Judge, C. B. Ballinger; Attorney, L. M. Gearin. Fifth—Judge, L. L. McArthur; Attorney, D. W. Bailey.

FRUIT GROWING.

An article on the outside to-day on fruit growing will be found interesting to all concerned. If instead of continually cropping with wheat almost at a loss, some of our farmers would set out a moderate orchard of prunes and plums, for which there is an unlimited market, they would soon find themselves in receipt of a handsome and certain income, measured only by the number of trees. Machine dried plums pitted, are steadily quoted at 20c per pound, and it is almost impossible to glut the European market with this commodity, or indeed, to supply our own Western demand. When our people learn patience and apply their industry with a view to permanent future results, they will have struck the key note to prosperity and when they learn to produce some article that will sell in an outside market, the cry of hard times will be heard no more.

SECTIONAL JEALOUSIES.

From the tone of our middle Willamette exchanges it appears that an effort is being made to bring the entrance of the Columbia into disrepute, and to create the impression that it is exceedingly dangerous. If it be true, the Portland press should make a united effort for government aid and keep the channel clear, else Yaquina bay will be the only entrepot of maritime commerce to a whole State. The attempt to obtain assistance for the latter point is developing the most narrow, sectional animosity but it will be found that it will take a vast amount of newspaper talk to open Yaquina and close the mouth of the Columbia.

The President has signed the "Star" service deficiency bill so that the mails will be carried as usual.

It is said that there are now good grounds for the belief that the lost steamer "Brother Jonathan" has been found. Last week the wreckers were accompanied by Jas. Jackson, who saw the ill-fated steamer go down, and under his guidance they began the search in a different locality from the one they had previously supposed to be near the scene of the wreck. The result was, they discovered in only eighteen fathoms of water, what they have every reason to believe is the lost steamer. It has been thought that she lay thirty fathoms deep, which is a depth to which few divers care to go. Pieces of wood, and other evidences of a wreck, were brought up by the sounding-iron—a heavy steel-pointed bar. The swell was too heavy at the time to admit of a descent by the diver, but he will go down as soon as possible. If the present indications prove to be correct, it will be a good thing for Mr. Jackson, as we understand that he will be entitled to one-seventh of the treasure, which is said to be above a million of dollars.—Crescent City "Coastier."

Uncle Sammy Tilden has become annoyed by the frequent mention of Senator Bayard's name in connection with the Democratic nomination for the Presidency, and, in order to put a quietus on the matter, has hunted up and published a rebel speech made by the latter in 1861. In retaliation, Mr. Bayard is now searching Mr. Tilden's record, and promises to make things lively for the sage of Grammercy Park. It is but just to Mr. Bayard to say, and it is greatly to his credit as an honest man, that he unequivocally endorses his utterances in 1861 and does not back down from anything he then said.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PROGRAMME FOR THE SPRING RACES.



THURSDAY, MAY 13th

Trotting Race—Free for all horses that have never trotted for public money. Purse, \$500.00. Foot Race—Two hundred yards, free for all. Purse, \$50.00. Free for all. Purse, \$50.00. Same day, Trotting Race, best 2 in 3 in harness for horses that never beat 3 minutes, for a purse of \$50.00.

FRIDAY, MAY 14th

Trotting Race—Free for all, best 2 in 3 Purse, \$100. Entrance to go with the purse. Also half-mile running race. All Trotting races shall be in harness. National Trotting Association rules to govern trotting races. Pacific Coast rules to govern running races.

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