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The Democratic County Convention of Umatilla County will be held at Pendleton on Friday and Saturday the 5th and 6th of April, for the purpose of electing 7 delegates to the State Convention to be held at Portland on the 10th day of April, and to nominate candidates for county offices.

Delegates on the 30th of March, at 1 o'clock p.m. The principles are entitled to representation as follows:

Milton..... 5 Weston..... 7

Pendleton..... 4 Alta..... 3

Lower Willow Ck. 2 Upper Willow Ck. 4

Lower Butter Ck. 2 Upper Butter Ck. 2

Meadows..... 3 Umatilla..... 2

G. W. WERN.
Chairman, County Central Committee
February 16, 1878.

The Eastern Question.

In the present contest with Turkey, Russia is making an effort to reach the open ocean. Since the reign of Peter the Great it has been the most cherished hope with the Russian government to make their country a strong rival power. Hitherto they have been prevented from realizing this hope by not having a sea port open at all seasons of the year. Notwithstanding her immense sea coast extending, as it does, without a break, for a much longer distance than that of any other country, there is no port from one end to the other of which she can call her own except that of each year. There is, it is true, the commodious port of Sevastopol on the Black sea; but that is of no use to them as a naval depot on account of the impossibility of ships of war passing the Dardanelles without the consent of the nation holding the slaves and fortifications of that narrow strait. If the Turks should continue to hold the Dardanelles and refuse, as they always have done, to permit the Russian fleet to pass through it, the Russians could not send a single ship to sea, from a home port, during the fall and winter months. Therefore they have now, and as long as things remain as they are, can never have any important naval force.

The war, known as the Crimean war, and the Inter-

war in Bessarabia, had for their real

object the securing of a naval outlet.

In the form & & c. of Russia was, as it is now, to obtain possession of the Dardanelles and an unbroken way to the Mediterranean sea. That was prevented by the combined forces of Turkey, England and France. In the next war in Bessarabia, the object was to reach the Indian ocean. This would be as acceptable to the Russians, as an open Dardanelles, but was looked at by them as the next best thing, in case of the failure and abandonment of their attempt to get at the Mediterranean.

The present conflict with Turkey is another effort to accomplish their wishes. England opposes this as much as she dares, but unfortunately his is the last of them. They are invariably "misery," and in this respect Mitchell resembles a class of beings we need not name.—W. W. Shewman.

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SALEM, MARCH 6, 1878.

Editor E. O.—In accordance with the promises heretofore made I write you a few lines from the state capital. Our circuit court has been in session since last Monday a week ago, and has disposed of a large amount of business, including the sentencing of four persons to the penitentiary. Two of them were burglars caught in the act trying to open the safe of G. W. Gray during the past winter. They confessed their guilt, and when asked if they had any thing to say before sentence was passed upon them; they arose and made a long speech to the court, claiming they were the victims of a "robbery." The judge, in the presence of an attentive audience but not present during the setting of the court, attorneys with all their eloquence about the wrongs of man, and violation of law could not enrage the attention of the bystanders as these prisoners did when pleading for mercy. The court sentenced them to four years at hard labor in the penitentiary.

The weather down this way is fearfully rough during the last month, and March is starting in like a lion. The floods of heaven seemed to have been opened to their utmost capacity and Euler has given the fullest sway to his wrestling winds.

But few of the farmers have their grain in and are preparing for anything but rain; for an early snow crop in the spring.

The political calendar is beginning to show the initial part of the world and the average politician is wrestling with superhuman efforts with the great problem of finance. Each one thinks he is an Alexander Hamilton and that on his solution of the money question depends the prosperity of a Republic form of government. Over in Polk the plot is boiling in earnest, the Democrats having nominated an excellent and unusually strong ticket. The radicals in that country are in consternation and are fearful of the result in their belief. Polk will give an account of himself in the next number of *John Bull*. In old Marion the radicals are in great tribulation and if the Mitchell ring every the primaries, look out for a "blow up" in this glibester of Republicanism on the day of the election.

MORE ANX.

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, whereas Mart very justly elevated himself onto his antic 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 hell. Thus have I changed. But I am no editor of any Mitchell organ; no backslid from the Democratic party. I cannot be bought with British gold. The Radical members, I am ever, a vindictive Democrat, and the man who ruined poor Sadie Hood has not wealth enough to purchase even the forbearance of

Your old friend, MART TAYLOR.

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