Weekly Oregon Statesman.

SALEM, TUESDAY, AUGUST 27.

THE CITY AND COUNTY.

From Daily of Saturday Aug. 24.

TURN VEREINS.—To-day is the time set for the visit of this Society to Portland on the invitation of the Turners of that city. Members who contemplate going, are requested to meet at the wigwam at one o'clock and march to the depot in a body. The Salem Brass Band has consented to escort them to the cars, and the boys will no doubt start off with flying colors. We commit them to the tender mercies of the Portland chaps, who will no doubt see that they are well cared for.

NEW CHURCH AT GERVAIS.—We are informed the Catholics have commenced the erection of a new church edifice at Gervais, and on its completion, will immediately commence the erection of a convent. The railroad company have given them lots for this purpose. Everything shows a spirit of progress in this little burg that is almost astonishing, considering the short time the town has been building up.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The County Clerk issued nine marriage licenses last month. But he thinks that unless the young folks wake up to a realization of the exigencies of the case he will remain considerably behind the present month; for as yet he has issued but two, which he considers rather a poor exhibit for Marion county. We haven't much to say in these matters, but it does seem as though the complaint is a just one.

AT HIS OLD TRICKS.—One of the State prisoners having served his time out, was discharged yesterday morning and celebrated his liberation by having a glorious drunk, for which he was arrested last evening and placed in the calaboose for safe keeping. He had been confined in the Penitentiary for a term of three years, for taking a rope with horse attachment that did not belong to him.

PETITION FOR PARDON.—Gov. Grover has just received a petition with an extensive list of signers, for the pardon of one Saxe, who was convicted of assault with a deadly weapon in Linn county, nearly a year ago. Most of the jurors who convicted him have signed their names to the document, and think he has received punishment enough. Unless sooner pardoned, he still has thirteen months to serve out.

SUPREME COURT.—Judge P. P. Prim of Jackson county will preside over this Court, which convenes in this city one week from Monday next. Seven cases are on appeal from the District Court of this county, to the higher authority of the Supreme Court. There will probably be considerable business on the docket from other portions of the State.

*RETURNED TO HIS OLD HOME.—W. R. Dunbar, who for some time past has been residing at Warm Springs Reservation, returned home yesterday, accompanied by his wife, who has been an invalid for many months, and is still very low. They immediately proceeded to her father's house, near Silverton, where it is hoped she may find relief.

SOLD HIS FARM.—Joseph Holman has disposed of his farm, situated about four miles from this city, and containing about 680 acres of land, to Ferdinand G. Ewalt, for the sum of 8,000. Mr. Ewalt is a German who has recently come to this State, and contemplates farming on rather an extensive scale.

INSURANCE COMPANIES.—Five insurance companies have filed their bonds in the State Treasurer's office. The following named comprise the list of bonds, being $50,000 each. The Imperial of London, Union of San Francisco, Phœnix of Hartford, Conn., Home Mutual of San Francisco, and the Liverpool & London & Globe of England.

THE COUNTY OFFICERS.—These chaps appear to be having an easy time of it during the present dull season. They complain of dull times and nothing much to do. Mr. Murphy, the County Clerk, informs us that the real estate transactions are few in number, and of no large amount financially speaking.

OREGON FRUIT.—John G. Wright, of grocery fame, has placed us under obligations for a liberal supply of Oregon fruit—peaches, grapes and plums raised in the neighborhood of Butteville, and of the choicest varieties. Let no one say Oregon cannot produce fine peaches, for we know better.

PERSONAL.—Senator H. W. Corbett arrived in this city yesterday, where, we are informed, he will remain for a few days, and then proceed to Albany and Eugene.

STATE TREASURY.—Mr. Fleschner, the State Treasurer, has his reports made up to the present date, and says that he has his accounts in hand so that he could finish them up at an hour's notice.

THE FUNDED STATE DEBT.—An examination of the State Treasurer's Report shows the funded debt of the State to be $250,477.

From Daily of Sunday Aug. 25.

AN EXCITING ADVENTURE.

Salem has a noted Nimrod in its midst. He is an old hand at the business, and being an extremely modest individual he seldom speaks of his varied adventures while out with gun and dog. Believing in the old adage that "too many cooks spoil the broth," he seldom has any company with him while out on the tramp. Every summer for years past, he has regularly gone up into the mountains and spent a couple of weeks solitary, and alone with no companion but his trusty hound and his fire-arms. This summer he took his usual vacation from business trials and went up into the Cascade Range in search of adventure. His blankets were the only shelter he required, and his gun was as usual his source of supplies of food. The third day after his arrival, he had been tramping around until he was so exhausted that when he went to sleep at night he slept unusually sound. The fire by which he had cooked his supper had gone entirely out, and the night an intensely dark one. Suddenly he was awakened by some animal smelling around his face. Our hero started to his feet and gazed around in silent horror. A low growl immediately behind him, caused him to place himself on guard against some unseen foe. A cluster of fir-trees was near at hand in the edge of which he imagined he could see the glitter of two small eyes. He leveled his gun and fired, but missed the object, which immediately sprang at him, embracing him in a manner that was anything but agreeable. Nimrod then realized that he had a good sized bear to get away with, and the animal was doing his best to squeeze the breath out of him. He disengaged his left arm and grasped the bear by the throat and finally succeeded in choking him off, and drawing a revolver, fired at him. The ball entered one of his hind legs and seemed to bother the animal, for an instant, as he wheeled around and commenced licking the spot. Mr. H—— then secured his rifle which he had dropped at the outset, and when the bear came toward him the second time, struck him several times with the stock of it until the animal in his bewilderment gave him time to again load his shooting iron, and then he very soon dispatched him with a well directed shot. He brought home one of the fore paws of the animal as a trophy of his night attack. If this is a specimen of life in the mountains, please excuse us as we would rather not take any of it in ours.

STREET SPRINKLING EXTRAORDINARY.—Tom Reynolds met with an adventure yesterday that was rather out of the usual course for him. He had just filled his sprinkling cart and driven on to Commercial street, when the wagon tire came off of one of the fore wheels. Tom stopped his team to repair damages, and placing a jack beneath the axle, imagined he had the dead wood on the whole arrangement. But the team wheeled around and upset his calculations, as well as the sprinkling cart, and emptied the contents of the latter upon the ground. Tom then gave up in disgust, unhitched his team and drove them to the stable, attached the demoralized wagon to the hind part of a dray and took it to the shop for repairs.

THE TURN VEREINS.—We saw but one item of interest in our travels yesterday, and that was the departure of the Turn Verein Society for Portland. They formed in a procession at their hall, and were escorted to the depot by the Salem Brass Band. They wore appropriate badges, and presented a fine appearance as they marched through our streets. We noticed several of our most influential citizens in the van, and one portly Alderman. The boys will no doubt have a grand time, for they are a lot who, if there is any fun to be found, are on hand for it every time.

SALE OF FINE SHEEP.—Mr. John Minto, of Salem, sold, Friday, twenty head of thoroughbred merino sheep, to Mr. Joseph Beezly, of Wasco county, for the handsome sum of $425, or an average of $21.25 per head. Mr. Minto informs us that there is, this year, a large demand from Eastern Oregon for blooded sheep, and that the general inquiry is for Merinos. The lot sold to Mr. Beezly consisted of ten ewes, five yearling bucks and five lambs.

SPECIAL CHURCH NOTICES.—Rev. Geo. Burton, of Portland, will officiate at the Episcopal Church this morning and evening. He will also preach in the Penitentiary chapel at three o'clock this afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Downe will preach at the Evangelical Church this forenoon and Mr. Rev. Stahl in the evening.

OFF ON THE TRAIN.—Al. B. Crossman starts for San Francisco overland this morning. He goes after a new stock of clothing, and will probably be gone about two weeks. We wish him a pleasant trip and safe return.

SHEEP KILLED.—Now the sheep killing dogs are around again. One night during the week just past, Mr. John Minto lost eight head of thoroughbred merinos.

PERSONAL.—Senator H. W. Corbett gave us a call last evening. He will remain in town over the Sabbath, and leave for Eugene to-morrow.

OWNER WANTED.—For a cane parasol left at the Post Office, Thursday last. The owner can have the article by proving property and taking it away.

COUNTY ASSESSMENT.—Mr. Shaw informs us that he has completed the county assessment, and will present it to the next session of the County Court.

The Portland local reporters feel jubilant over the mail robbers trial, as it furnishes them with plenty of local matter during the dull season.

From Daily of Tuesday Aug. 27.

A LIVELY RACE.—Yesterday forenoon while Lyman Savage was leisurely driving a wagon heavily loaded with grain to the Salem Flouring Mills, a son of Chas. Swegles with another load in charge, endeavored to pass him in order to unload the first. Savage saw the game, and started up his team resolved to give him a little race for the choice of positions at their destination. They drove up Commercial street at full speed with Savage in advance, and Swegle whipping his horses in his frantic endeavors to pass his rival. At the corner opposite the Union Hotel, Savage had the inside and was compelled to make a very short turn while Swegle came around on the outside. The latter made the turn successfully, although his wagon ran on two wheels for a short distance. The hind wheel of Savage's wagon broke down which tipped his wagon over, piling his grain on top of him, Mr. Savage alighted on his shoulder and was hurt considerably. The team stopped in an instant, or the result might have been worse. Mr. Savage was pulled out from under the sacks and remarked, "Well, gentlemen, I know it was a foolish trick, but my father before me would never let a team pass him and his son wont allow it, without an endeavor to prevent it."

TURN VEREINS.—The visiting members of this Society returned from Portland yesterday, and they were one and all in the best of humor, having been well treated by the members of the Portland Turn Vereins. They were met at the depot by the reception committee of the Portland Club and escorted to the Germania Hall, where appropriate speeches of welcome were delivered after which quarters were taken up at the Cosmopolitan Hotel. Sunday morning they met at the Turner's Hall, and together with the Portland Society were escorted to the Canyon Gardens by the 21st Infantry Band, where the day was spent in amusements of various kind, interspersed with exercises by the Turners, which in many cases elicited the harty applause of the large crowd of spectators that had gone thither to spend the day. Our boys were treated in the most hospitable manner, and returned home with the pleasant recollections of a happy day.

A NARROW ESCAPE.—Three little chaps amused themselves for some time Sunday last playing around the mill-race near the Agricultural Works. A plank is laid across the race, about sixty feet above the falls, and on this the boys would run, although they were informed by bystanders that it was rather a dangerous game. Finally the youngest of the three, a little fellow about four years old was seen to fall in. The current at this spot is very swift, and only a few feet below are the falls, about eighteen feet in hight. Luther Myers noticed the accident and jumped in after him, and barely succeeded in grasping him before he went over, and soon had him on shore. Since the accident occurred a substantial screen has been erected, which will prevent a recurrence of the kind.

THE M. E. ANNUAL CONFERENCE.—Strangers are daily arriving in the city to attend the Annual Conference of the M. E. Church. Bishop Foster is a passenger on the incoming steamer, and will in all probability be in the city to preside over the convocation before the day set for Conference to open. Delegates are being supplied with accommodations as fast as they arrive, our citizens showing a commendable spirit of hospitality in this respect. The Conference will meet in the University chapel next Thursday forenoon.

MORE PRISONERS.—Sunday's train from the south brought four more inmates for the "Hotel de Watkinds," three of whom were convicted of horse stealing in Jackson county. Their names were W. B. Dearberry, Charles Wilson, and Thos. J. Allen, and they were sentenced respectfully to 12, 9 and 5 years imprisonment. Thos. Barker was brought along at the same time, convicted of grand larceny and sent up for a term of three years.

ON THE STREET.—Our citizens were greatly excited yesterday over the news of the late tragedy in Polk county. Public sentiment expressed itself in various ways, but the general impression was apparently in sympathy with the parties who were acting in self defense. Such events are very apt to move utsiders to show their various temperaments.

IN THE COUNTRY.—During a twelve mile ride among our farmers on Sunday last, we found the most of them busily engaged in the harvest fields. Threshing machines, headers and repers were going at full speed on Sunday and all in a heathenish way." Our farmers are compelled to adopt this measure owing to the fact that their grain is ripening so fast.

RETURNED HOME.—After nearly two weeks absence, the Salem quartette—Messrs. Francis and Boon, and Misses Jordan and Gilbert—returned home yesterday. They report having had a jolly time, and speak in the highest terms of the hospitality of the Eugene City folks.

AT SILVERTON.—While on a recent visit to this little burg, we visited the Odd Fellow's Hall recently completed. It is 80x25 feet in size and elegantly furnished and would prove a credit to many places of larger size.

STILL VERY ILL.—Mr. J. W. Souther is still lying dangerously ill. For a few days it was thought he was recovering, but he has grown worse again, and his many friends are again uneasy regarding his condition.

Jim. Gill, formerly of this city has accepted a lucrative position on one of the Massachusetts railroads.

There is some talk of an amatuer concert here during the session of the Legislature. It would no doubt prove a success.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Chemeketa will probably be opened Monday next.

Jacob Stitzel and Maj. M. P. Berry arrived in this city yesterday.

New carpets have been received for the floors of the Legislative and Senate halls.

Strang's tin shop has been closed and the fixtures sold to a party in Independence.

The State flag was afloat yesterday. It's Ed. Hirsh this time, and the little stranger is a boy.

The letter list crowded out of this morning's issue by the pressure of other matter.

Travel on the railroad continues good. Excursionists to the front are numerous.

Workmen have commenced the erection of the third story of the Sisters' School building.

Some fellow has been stealing clothing at the Union Hotel. He decamped yesterday.

The machinery is being fitted up for the Water Pipe Manufactory, which is soon to be put in operation in this city.

Sailing on the glassy bosom of the Willamette by moonlight is becoming quite a popular amusement.

The Overland store comes out with a new advertisement this morning.

Lovely weather is what the Salemites are enjoying at this season of the year.

The new court house building is progressing finely and attracting the attention of all new comers.

R. H. Price has the thanks of the STATESMAN office for watermelon refreshments yesterday afternoon.

There are no unoccupied houses in Salem. Inquiries are daily made of our real estate dealers for empty houses.

Sullivan and Nesmith of Polk county were in the city yesterday in search of Liberal Republicans.

The last we saw of the Overland Store he had donned a red neck tie, and was en route to Portland as one of the Salem Turn Vereins.

Billie Stanton and party returned from the mountains last evening. They report having had a splendid time but killed no deer.

Mart. Brown's cabbage story is hardly believed in Marion county. Mart., Will Martin says he don't remember that circumstance.

A valuable cow belonging to R. H. Price was severely injured yesterday as part payment for sticking her nose in a neighbor's farm wagon.

Senator Corbett left for Eugene City yesterday morning. He will return in a few days.

Waldron with his theatrical troupe will open up in this city on the 10th of next month.

Rev. L. M. Nickerson was the recipient of a donation party last evening which proved a pleasant occasion to all concerned.

Lost. One of our city fathers. Was last seen en route to Portland with the Turn Verein Society. Benjamin, whar you is?

Elinski, the Polish exile lectured in Roseburg last Friday evening, and the Plaindealer says "his lecture was I stened to with attention and pleasure."

For Throat Diseases and Affections of the chest, *"Brown's Bronchial Troches,"* are of value. For Coughs, Irritation of the Throat caused by cold, or Unusual Exertion of the vocal organs, in speaking in public, or singing, they produce beneficial results.
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The spirit of improvement which has lain dormant in Charleston, South Carolina, for the past ten years, has suddenly awakened, and a new impulse is said to pervade the community. Heaps of brick and mortar obstruct the streets, and it seems probable that the "burnt district" of Charleston, which has been an eye sore, will soon be covered with buildings. New houses are springing up in all parts of the city.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY

GEN. DIX NOMINATED FOR GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK.

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PROPOSED MEETING OF EMPERORS.

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EASTERN NEWS.

Republican Nominations in New York.

UTICA, August 21.—At the reassembling of the New York Republican State Convention, W. A. Whitler was elected permanent Chairman. He spoke eloquently in support of Grant, and in denunciation of the Democratic party. General Dix was nominated Governor by acclamation. Thurlow Weed, in a speech, said the nominee would accept. The nomination of Dix was seconded by E. D. Smith, who said, we are about to meet a most powerful coalition, and we must meet it with all our strength. Greeley will secure Republican voters, and we must offset these votes with honest Democrats. This speech made a deep impression, and produced a powerful sensation.

Gen. John C. Robinson was nominated for Lieutenant-Governor.

The Mace-O'Baldwin Fight a Fizzle.

COLLIER, West Va., August 21.—About two hundred roughs and sporting men, with Mace and O'Baldwin, arrived this afternoon at Collier's valley, near the State line, between Pennsylvania and Virginia. The ring was pitched at 6 P. M. Mace entered first and won the toss for corners. After an hour's deliberation the men could not agree upon a referee, and that ended the matter for the present, amid much dissatisfaction. The pugilists proceeded to Statville to meet to-morrow.

A Row Across the Bloody Chasm.

TOLEDO, August 21.—The Liberal Republican and Democratic Congressional Conventions met to-day. After vain attempts to agree upon candidates, the Democrats nominated F. H. Hurd (Dem.) for Congress and H. Freese (Liberal Republican) for Presidential elector. Freese declined and the Liberals repudiated Hurd. The Convention adjourned without making any nominations.

Fred Douglas Nominated for Presidential Elector—Interest to be Paid.

UTICA, August 21.—Fred Douglas was nominated one of the Presidential electors for New York.

WASHINGTON, August 21.—The Treasury Department will, on the 26th inst., commence payment of interest without rebate on ten-forty-bonds, due Sept. 1st.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Approval of the Barnard Impeachment Verdict—Meeting of Emperors.

LONDON, August 21.—English journals heartily approve the verdict of the Court of Impeachment in the case of Barnard.

A World's special says the Emperors of Germany and Austria, unaccompanied by their ministers, will meet at Ischc, August 28th, and remain there four days.

CALIFORNIA.

Railroad Meeting—Arrivals of Overland Passengers—Price of Gold—A Democratic Paper Waits for Louisville.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 22.—A meeting in the interest of the Texas Pacific Railroad has been called at Union Hall this evening. It will be addressed by Col. Scott and John W. Forney.

Arrived overland last night—Hugh Nelson, Critch Columbia. To arrive to-night—C. H. Perkins and wife, Portland.

Gold, 115⅞; Bonds, 115@116⅞; Greenbacks, 87¾; selling 88⅛.

The Stars and Stripes has taken down the names of Grant and Wilson, and will probably await the result of the Louisville Convention before taking further steps.

WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

Sound Pirates still at Large—Shooting at Olympia—Telegraph Enterprise.

VICTORIA, August 22.—The desperadoes Shipley and Brown, who for the past month have committed numerous outrages both in British Columbia and Washington Territory, are still at large, despite the utmost endeavors to catch them.

Puget Sound papers mention the shooting of a watchman named Zeigman, at Olympia, by a man named Andrews, whom he was trying to arrest. The bullet entered about an inch above the left eye, passing along the bone and coming out an inch and a half from where it entered. The wound is not considered fatal. Andrews was arrested.

There are 33 inmates in the insane asylum of Washington Territory.

The poles have been put up from Tacoma to Steilacoom by a private company with the intention of connecting a wire between the two places and having telegraph communication.

CANADA.

Proclamation against the Fillibusters for Cuba.

MONTREAL, August 21.—It has come to the knowledge of the government that certain persons in the Dominion are organizing a warlike expedition to aid Cuba. A proclamation was issued by the Governor General, warning parties of the consequences of infringing upon international obligations of neutrality.

Important Political Movements.

THE STATES MOVING FOR LOUISVILLE.

The Press on Gen. Dix.

APOLLO HALL DEMOCRATS SUPPORT DIX.

The West Virginia Election.

LABOR REFORMERS FOR O'CONOR

A National Democratic Committeeman Secedes From Greeley.

Foreign news in Brief.

CALIFORNIA DISPATCHES.

Utah---Mexico.

EASTERN NEWS.

The Apollo Democrats for Gen. Dix—New Jersey Straight Democracy.

The Apollo Hall Democrats decided to hold elections in all the Congressional Districts of the city to elect delegates to the Louisville Convention. Committee will meet for this purpose this week, and also to recommend the support of Gen. Dix.

The New Jersey straight-outs will meet in Convention at Trenton on Saturday, to elect delegates to Louisville and choose State electors. Addresses are to be made by Samuel J. Bayard and Judge Flanders.

Opinions of the Press.

The Tribune and Herald think General Dix is the very strongest nomination that could have been made by the Republicans. Thurlow Weed influenced the Convention to take this course.

The World says that the resolutions passed by the State Republican Convention yesterday, inviting co-operation of Democratic voters, and nomination of Gen. Dix as candidate for Governor, amounts to an appeal for Democratic assistance. It says there never was a worse beaten ticket than this one will be, headed by Dix on the pretence that he is a Democrat.

The Times considers the ticket the strongest that could be made. Of the platform, it says, it pledges the Republican party to continue reform, and invites honest Democrats to assist in the work.

Mosby's Opinion of Virginia—Circular From Blanton Duncan—The Enforcement Act Called for.

Col. A. Mosby writes that Grant will carry Virginia unless O'Conor is nominated, who will then carry the State by 25,000.

Col. Blanton Duncan's circular calling for election of Delegates to Louisville was sent to Washington yesterday.

A Washington special says it is reported that Judge Bond arranged to have the enforcement act as amended by the last session of Congress, put in force in North Carolina during the Presidential election.

The Virginia Election—Indications of a Greeley Defeat.

WHEELING, August 22.—Owing to the length of the ticket the vote in this city will not be known definitely until to-morrow morning. The meager facilities for receiving returns from the interior will require several days before the definite result is known. In this county the returns, so far as heard from, indicate that the Independent county ticket will carry over the regular Democratic ticket by a considerable majority. Returns from portions of Lewis, Preston and Hancock counties show heavy majorities against the Constitution and in favor of the Independent candidates for Governor and Congressman. Brown (Rep.) is elected Sheriff by 300 or 400 majority. The county vote is 200 or 300 for the rejection of the Constitution. Greenbrier county has gone largely for the adoption of the Constitution. The negroes are generally against its adoption.

Arkansas Politics.

LITTLE ROCK, August 22.—The Republican State Convention to-day nominated E. A. Baxter for Governor, W. Smith for Lieutenant Governor, H. Page for Treasurer, Stephen Wheeler for Auditor, L. D. Yorley for Attorney General, J. C. Corbin (colored) for Superintendent of Instruction. The resolutions endorse the platform and nominees of the Philadelphia Convention, pledge support to the free school system, endorse the legislation of Congress and the passage of the Amnesty bill, but take ground that the act does not enfranchise any disfranchised by the Constitution of Arkansas.

Democratic Nominations in Missouri.

JEFFERSON CITY, August 22.—The following ticket is nominated by the Democratic and Liberal Convention: Governor, Silas Woodson (Dem.), of Buchanan county; Lieutenant Governor, C. A. Frost (Lib.), of Phelps county; Secretary of State, F. Wiegel (Lib.), of St. Louis; Register of Lands, Fred Solomon (Lib.), of St. Charles; Judges of Supreme Court, E. B. Ewing, H. M. Voorhees, F. A. Wood and Washington Adams (all Democrats.)

The Labor Reformers go for Louisville.

PHILADELPHIA, August 22.—About half the delegates of the Labor Convention held a secret session this forenoon. It is stated they agreed to take the names of Charles O'Conor for President and Senator Saulsbury for Vice-President, and then send delegates to the Louisville Convention, and urge the latter to indorse them. At the regular session of the Labor reformers they resolved to present to the Louisville Convention the names of O'Conor and Saulsbury. The attendance is small and the session secret and stormy. It was resolved under no circumstances to support either Grant or Greeley.

Michigan Democratic Nominations.

GRAND RAPIDS, August 22.—The Democratic and Liberal State Convention to-day nominated Austin Blair for Governor; J. C. Blanchard, Lieut. Governor; Geo. H. House, Secretary of State; J. A. Holten, Treasurer; Gen. Neil Obearn, Auditor; M. A. Maynard, Attorney General; Willard Starls, Superintendent of Public Instruction. The resolutions indorse the Cincinnati platform and nominees.

The Straight-outs of Missouri.

ST. LOUIS, August 22.—To-night the straight out Democrats meet at Jefferson City to appoint a committee to prepare an address to the Democrats of the State, which, it is said, will urge them to vote for the nominees of the Louisville Convention. Another meeting will be held to-morrow, when steps will be taken to elect delegates to the Louisville Convention.

Miscellaneous Political News.

CHICAGO, August 23.—The straight-out Democrats of this State have called a convention at Springfield, on Thursday, the 29th, to appoint delegates to the Louisville Convention.

PAOLA, Kan., August 22.—The largest political meeting ever held in the eastern part of Kansas was held to-day by the Republicans; fully 8,000 were present.

BURLINGTON, N. J., August 22.—The second district Republican Convention nominated S. A. Dobbins for Congress.

CHARLESTON, August 23.—The Republican State Convention yesterday nominated T. J. Moses for Governor. Judge Carr and others withdrew from the Convention. Moses in a speech accepted the nomination.

Business.

WASHINGTON, August 23.—The acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue decided that the tax on brokers' and bankers' sales of gold and silver bullion and coin, promissory notes, stocks, bonds and other securities, is repealed on and after October 1, 1872.

A Democratic National Committee Secretary Secedes from Greeley.

NEW YORK, August 23.—Secretary Ethan Allen, of the Democratic National Committee, issued an address to the Democrats of this State, urging the appointment of delegates to the Louisville National Convention. He also issued a call for delegates to every district in New Jersey.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The News in Brief of Aug. 23.

French merchants clamor for a postal convention with United States.

The work of the Arbitration Board is drawing to a close.

The Prince of Wales is visiting Thiers at Trouville.

The Belfast riot has quieted down. Military forces still occupy the streets.

Gen. Sherman visited Dundee yesterday.

Grand Duk Constantine opened today the International Statistical Congress.

The meeting of Emperors does not mean any harm to France.

CALIFORNIA.

Dispatches of Aug. 23d, Condensed.

Richard McCormick, Delegate from Arizona, goes with the Scott Railroad party.

The Horticultural Exhibition opened small. Display of fruits large; flowers magnificent.

Meeting at Union Hall in favor of Texas Pacific Railroad was small.

J. K. Luttrell is nominated by Democrats and Liberals in the Marysville District, for Congress.

Another Cocos Island Treasure Company incorporated, principally by women. Capital, $5,000,000.

Japanese bark, Fu Ju Maru, arrived from Hong Kong—first vessel of the kind in American waters.

UTAH TERRITORY.

Dispatches of Aug. 23.

It is believed the Indian difficulties will be satisfactorily arranged. Some of the chiefs will probably visit Washington.

Ex-Gov J. Neeley Johnson, who has been ill for a month past is said to be rapidly sinking and cannot last 24 hours longer.

MEXICO.

Amnesty Accepted—The Political Situation.

CITY OF MEXICO, August 15.—All the revolutionary allies have accepted the amnesty except Garcia de Cadena, who was captured. Porfiero Diaz is expected at the Capital next week. President Lerdo entertains the kindest feelings towards him, and will probably appoint him to an important office. The Cabinet is still unchanged. Puebla, Flaxvicala, Hidalgo, San Luis and Zacatecas are restored to their State Sovereignty. Lerdo has contracted a loan of half a million. This is the first time in many years that government has enjoyed credit. Juan Jose Boz is prominently mentioned as a Presidential candidate.

Dates to Aug. 25th.

[We condense the dispatches to-day to make room for press of other matter.]

EASTERN NEWS.

The news from West Virginia indicates the defeat of the Constitution and the election of Jacobs, Independent candidate for Governor, by 2,000 or 3,000.

Chas. F. Adams will not consent to be the Democratic candidate for Governor of Massachusetts. He declares in favor of Grant.

Judge George Hoadley, one of the original leaders of the Liberal movement, and a member of the Cincinnati committee on resolutions, has declared in a speech, for Grant.

The straightouts are organizing in Missouri.

The New Jessey Straightouts held a State Convention on the 24th, elected delegates to Louisville and declared for O'Conor.

The Straightouts of District of Columbia have appointed delegates to Louisville and declared for O'Connor. It is thought Gen. Slocum will be the hybrid candidate for Governor of New York.

Senator Wilson in a speech at Hudson, N. Y. declared his belief that Grant will carry 20 of the 21 northern States.

State Senator O'Brien of New York has pronounced for the Louisville convention and Chas. O'Conor.

The Treasury Department has issued instructions for the relief of the Chicago sufferers, in accordance with the act of Congress.

Sun-strokes continue frequent in St. Louis.

Both Mace and O'Baldwin claim stakes, the fight being off.

The Tribune says ex-Controller Connelly is and has been, all the time, within fifty miles of New York.

Judge Church declines the Democratic nomination for Governor of New York.

Archibauld Clybourne a wealthy citizen who settled on the site of Chicago in 1810, died the 24th, aged 70.

The issue of postal cards will not take place till an appropriation is made.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The Belfast rioters have destroyed £50,000 worth of property. All public houses are closed till Thursday by order of the Mayor. Shooting was renewed on the 24th.

The report of an award of $4,000,000 by the Board of Arbitration was premature. The work of the Board will not be completed before Sept. 15.

Favorable news is received from the diamond fields in South Africa.

Duke Alexis with Russian fleet arrived at Cape Town en route to the East Indies.

The American fleet has arrived in the Baltic.

MONTANA.

A fire at Helena on the 23d destroyed the Gazette office and other buildings and property to the value of $70,000.

UTAH TERRITORY.

Dates to Aug. 25.

Geo. B. McClellan and party arrived from New York. Will leave Monday for San Francisco.

Two mines were sold to Eastern capitalists for large sums of money.

CALIFORNIA.

Dates to August 25.

The Call has changed to a seven times a week paper.

Bark Clara Bell arrived from Hong Kong with tea and copper.

Agricultural Park races take place this week. Lively time anticipated.

Spanish Americans will hold funeral services in honor of Jaurez on the 29th.

The Virginia and Trucke railroad has been completed.

Arizona Apaches made a raid on San Pedro; whites resented the insult and killed three Indians.

GEN. DIX'S LETTER.

A Scathing Denunciation—The Instability of the Democratic Candidate—Reasons for Supporting Grant.

WASHINGTON, July 27.

DEAR SIR:—Your letter of the 13th inst., asking my aid to procure a speaker for a Greeley meeting at Hancock, was sent out to me while I was in New England, and I have been unable until now to acknowledge its reception.

I do not understand on what ground you consider yourself authorized to address such a request to me. If you had been familiar with the course of my public life, and also with Mr. Greeley's, you could not have supposed me capable of advocating his election to the office of President of the United States without imputing to me the utter abandonment of all political principle.

I am opposed to Mr. Greeley.

1. Because I believe him to be as "unstable as water," perpetually floundering (to carry out the Scriptural figure) amid the surges of opinion, and deficient in all the requisites essential to a firm, steady and consistent administration of the government.

2. Because he has usually been found among the most extreme ultraists on the great questions of political and social duty which have been brought under public discussion during the last quarter of a century.

3. Because he has been the advocate (and in this instance persistently) of that most unjust and unequal commercial system which is destroying our mercantile and shipping interests, and heaping up enormous accumulations of wealth in the hands of the protected classes to the oppression and impoverishment of all others.

4. Because he is associated, in relations more or less intimate, with some of the chief plunderers of the city of New York, justly warranting the apprehension that through his simplicity or his facile disposition, the same system of fraud and corruption which has disgraced the municipal government of this city may be carried to more infamous extremes in the administration of the Federal Government; and,

5. Because in the darkest hour of the country's peril, when a traitorous combination had been formed to overthrow the Government he openly connseled the cowardly policy of non-resistance, and an acquiescence in the dissolution of the Union, whenever the Cotton States should make up their minds to go.

The coalition which has been formed to promote his election is one of the most extraordinary in the history of parties, in respect both to the discordant elements it embraces and the surrender of principles it involves.

The Cincinnati Convention, called to bring before the people important measures of reform, nominated him, greatly to the surprise of the whole country, knowing him, in regard to one of those measures, to be an implacable opponent—nominated him, too, against the wishes and judgment of the chief promoters of the movement, who accepted him, either with an avowed or ill-concealed disgust, which would be far more creditable to their feelings if the act of acceptance were not utterly irreconcilable with their principles.

The Democratic Convention at Baltimore indorsed and commended him to the support of their party—not as the exponent of any particular principles they have professed, or any measures they have advocated, but as a known and bitter opponent of both—the man who, perhaps, of all others, has been the most malignant toward the Democracy, impeaching its integrity, traducing its motives, and villifying its character.

The adoption of such a man as their candidate for the chief magistracy of of the Union, is the most conspicuous abandonment of political principles known to party contests.

It remains to be seen whether the great body of the Democratic voters, and the true friends of reform, can be made parties to this unscrupulous coalition between political leaders.

That Gen. Grant has committed mistakes, his most sincere friends admit. But if his errors had been fourfold more numerous, he would in my opinion, be a much better Chief Magistrate than Mr. Greeley. He has, in that capacity, done much for which he deserves the thanks of the country. Above all, he has kept it at peace, notwithstanding the efforts of sensational journals and popularity-seeking politicians to provoke hostilities with Spain on the question of Cuba, and with Great Britain on the Alabama claims and the fisheries.

If regardless of these titles to the approval of his fellow-citizens, and of his invaluable services during the late civil war, they should set him aside for Mr. Greeley; if the latter, a mere erratic politician, untried in any important public trust, should be elevated to the office of chief magistracy of the Union—a Union which would not now exist if his counsels had been followed—and if the man who, of all others, has done the most to preserve it should be discarded for a successor so ill qualified and so unscrupulously nominated and sustained, the example would be most deplorable in its influence on all high motives to political action, and justify the most painful forebodings as to the future.

I am respectfully yours,
JOHN A. DIX.
A. B. CORNWELL, Hancock, N. Y.

THIRTEEN OF THEM.

The Indianapolis Journal tells what ails one "baker's dozen" of Greeleyites:

George W. Julian wants a little plain soda to settle his stomach, a seat in Congress—and reform.

Tom Stillwell wants to go to South America again where he won't have to sleep with his armor on—and reform.

John R. Cravens wants to sit at the right hand of the Governor, clothed in power and glory—and reform.

T. A. Hendricks wants to turn his back on the past and rest himself in a cushioned chair at Washington—and reform.

Barton D. Able, of St. Louis, wants his sureties to pay up $250,000 he is owing the Government—and reform.

John S. Williams wants to get the letter he wrote to the Pension Bureau, asking for an appointment, off the files—and reform.

James B. Ryan wants to get out a patent for his new double-back-action-bean-thresher—and reform.

David Burson wants his above proof, and without sugar—and reform.

Bayless W. Hanna wants to be honorably exiled to the Court of St. James—and reform.

Father Alvord wants the cards shuffled so as to give us Greeley—and reform.

Carl Schurz wants to know what the Sentinel meant by calling him a "mercenary Hessian who would fight on any side for pay"—and reform.

Voorhees wants to know, since he has swallowed Greeley, whether he is "standing by his life-long principles" or whether he is a "dishonest man, unworthy of his own respect or the respect of anybody else"—and reform.

Gratz Brown wants crabs—and reform.

TO WHAT HORACE GREELEY STANDS COMMITTED.

The Binghampton (N. Y.) Republican furnishes circumstances which amount to proof, that Horace Greeley would not consent to stand as a candidate for the Presidency till he had received a promise of support from Horatio Seymour and leading Democrats; that a part of the bargain was that Seymour should have a Cabinet office; and that Greeley gave either a direct or implied promise to use his Presidency influence in favor of pensioning the wounded Confederate soldiers. Our pension list now covers an annual expenditure of $32,000,000, and is steadily increasing. If the men whose treason cost the nation this great debt in behalf of the loyal wounded are also to be pensioned, the list will be sweeled to $60,000,000 a year, and those who gave their persons and lives for the Union will be taxed to reward the traitors they were putting down." The worst aspect of the proposition is that, should there arise a like cause for war hereafter, this pensioning of traitors will operate as a premium for treason and a discount for loyalty. Who will care to fight for a country that rewards its enemies equally with its friends?

GHASTLY CRIME.

A Horrible Story from Missouri.

MARYVILLE, Mo., August 21.—An atrocious series of murders were brought to light yesterday by the arrest of a man named Osborne, at Chairmont. It appears that Osborne, who was traveling with a covered wagon, stopped for some purpose, when some men were attracted to the wagon by a stench proceeding from it. Upon examination they found five bodies in it. Osborne confessed, at the end of a rope, that the murders were committed by one Williams, near Halton, Kansas. Osborne had been employed to put the bodies out of the way. He confessed having traveled on with the terrible load five days. From a memorandum found on one of the bodies, it is inferred they were a party of movers, consisting of Mr. Ohms, wife and two children and a young man named Dickson, supposed to be a brother of Mrs. Ohms. They traveled from Minnesota to Southern Kansas, and were probably on their way to Nebraska. The last memorandum by the young man was made near Halton. The coroner held an inquest yesterday, and the bodies were buried at Clairmont.

AS GOOD AS NEW.

The Rev. Petroleum V. Nasby described some time ago an interview he had with Vallandigham, when the latter gentleman was contemplating the famous "new departure." in language which is worth repeating. The following is the closing portion:

V.—"Nasby, we must succeed."

N.—"Certinly. But we're in a tite place. Our speakers is embarist. It takes a gigantick intellek to bring the pints together. A spritely boy wuns put 200 eggs in a nest for a hen to set on. Sez his maternal mother;

"'My son, why puttest thou so many eggs under the hen? She canst not kiver em.'

"'Certainly she canst not; but thunder! I want to see her spread herself.'

"Jest so. Our speakers is in the same fix. The outside egg in the Dimokratik nest is opposition to the war. Tother side of the nest, 200 eggs distant, is the support of the war. 'Tu kiver them all requires great stretchin' capacity."

V.—"