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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

SIGNAL PAILURE

The Oregonian volunteered its great legal force in prosecuting Gen. Babcock. and the case has terminated as our Court House case did-the jury "going back" on the Oregonian. If that paper favors any measure, juries and the people generally consider it sate to conclude it is a fraud nd go the other way.

TORGRATULATORY.

A gentleman in Washington, D. C., writes us a latter from which we extract

ates another man for the place the Chief Justiceship. The scheme is cury man to put him in nomination. thin and will hardly work. We will rait and see-

CHANGE OF BASE.

ers of that paper, but as the people are the agitation of the question, it is opposed to changes itself into all sorts of political attitudes for the purpose of controlling public sentiment, in the several parties to the extent necessary. What position it will take to-morrow cannot be conjectured with any degree of certainty.

POOR HORTOR.

Mr. Morton, of Indiana, a prominent Republican, and admitted on all hands to be one of the greatest statesmen in the country, has been spoken of as Republi-can candidate for the Presidency. Mr. Morton is not the first choice of the STATESMAN, but should be become a sub-ject of abuse by Democratic papers in other States, or in Oregon, his chance for heng selected as our Chief Magistrate, is good. The Albany Democrat and the Orenting Mr. Morton and she be almost certain. Mr. Morton, being a very sensitive man, would be terribly an-noyed if he knew the manner in which the Albany Democrat and the Oregonian are "going after him." We hope that he will not by any accident get hold of either

THE BARROCK TRIAL.

Democratic papers all over the country have labored earnestly and fathfully to manufacture public opinion against Gen. Rabcock, ever since, and, in fact long before his trial commenced; not because they care a straw about either his guilt or noces.ce, but hoping through a conviction to acquire some valuable political expread the evidence can charge unfairness to the jury, and the Democratic political hysters who have effected so much virtues indignation on account of wrongs

over to the jury and most heartily and feelingly shook the hands of each jury-man and thanked them kindly for the ver-

The General and his friends left the court for their hotel. On reaching the areet the party was beared by the great crowd congregated in front of the Castom House and almost everybody. London Times, in announcing its im-

OSE of Napoleon Remagnete's old sale

RIG INTUN.

In the Evening Mercury, of the 24th

inst, we find the following: At the Democratic Convention to be held in this city in April, a candi-date for Judge of the Third Judicial District is to be nominated, who will be one of the Judges of the Supreme Court. If Chief Justice Bonham will accept the nomination we will give him our most hearty support.

Now, this suggests a variety questions, among which may be the following: First, Will Chief Justice Bonham be nominated? Second, Would be accept if nominated? Third, If he accepted the nomination would he be one of the Judges of the Supreme Court, even with the "most hearty support of the Mercury?" Fourth, Would any other Democratic nominee be favored with the same bilive in Congress in 1875. most hearty support, or is this put Baker. the following paragraph:

"I congratulate you on the enlarged and improved condition of the STATESMAN. If you don't get the support you need, you containly descree it."

forth so early in the political season as a warning to the Democracy that if they wish to secure that valuable aid they must not forget Chief Justice and they must not forget Chief Justice Problem? Fifth, Considering this endorsement of the Judge by the party, Gov. Watkinds' (with a d) Mercury and his noted decision in the Whiteman case, are we to understand the hich the present Governor is ex-oted to fill-Chief Justice. The gender; and if so, what assurance has so is thin. That concern thinks the Democratic party that its officers by the early nomination of Judge and privates will be protected? And Bonham he will be killed and it will last, but not least, how much did be easy sailing for the Governor into Chief Justice Bonham pay the Mer-

NOT HAPPY

That politically Watkinized concern, the Oregonian discovers a large mare's nest in The Independent Democratic Oregonian two editorial items of the only Republican has come around again, and yesterday be- daily in the State-the Statesman. The ome a pretry respectable Republican pa- want of perception which leads that paper per, to those who had not seen any for- to conclude that there is a contradiction in er numbers. In view of the fallure of the two items copied and garbled, is the nously proposes to continue to be a concern is entitled to sympathy. The owners of the Republican party it is diffi- creating dissention in the party which is oult to make the contract, and that sheet in the van of all improvements in political economy, or in any other field of economy, or in any other field of estis appeal to all legal voters also are in labor, where sateguards to the welfare of sympathy with the principles of the Rebumanity are involved. The Oregonian would induce dissension in all the political parties of the State, and feed upon a hope that a heavy "hardware" business might result, by the election of a Senator who owns and Governors the concern. The the broadest sense of that term, but men STATESMAN is an Independent Republican

THE GLO SORE.

Hill, the champion rebel in the House of Representatives at Washington, in the late discussion with Mr. Blaine, charged inhumanity and barbarity on the part of Union forces during the late rel One of the acts which Mr. Hill was pleased to call humane, is the following proclamation:

I pronounce and declare Benjamin F. Butler to be a felon deserving of capital punishment. I do order that he be no longer considered or treated as a public enemy of the Confederate States of Amer-ica, but as an outlaw and common enemy of mankind, and that in the event of his capture the officer in command of the capturing force do cause him to be immediately executed by langing. And I do further order that no commanding officer of the United States taken captive shall be paroled before exchange until the ishment for his crimes. That all commandital. The jury was made up of the best ing officers in command of B. F. Butler men of the country and after the most are declared not entitled to be considered careful investigation of the case, returned but as robbeas and criminals deserving but as robbeas and criminals deserving death; and that they and each of them be, whenever captured, reserved for execution. JEFFERSON DAVIS.

A CENTENNIAL DARKEY.

A negro, known as "Uncie Ben," has been found on the Filous plantation, eight about this one particular point. The following dispatch is dated February 23d:

At 25 minutes past 3 the jury sent word they had found a verdict and were imme-At 25 minutes past 3 the Jury sent word they had found a verdict and were immediately ushered into court. On taking their seats the foreman banded the verdict to the clerk, who read it as follows: "We to jury, find the defendant not guilty." Some demonstration in favor of the defendant was made, but it was quickly checked. There was a general hand-shaking, however, and Gen. Babcock crossod time. He now masticates with his is the latter of eighty-five children, and is lake, hearty and active. From his statements he must be one hundred and forty ments he must be one hundred and forty or one hundred and forty-five years old The centennial can have him if they want him.

practicability, takes occasion to twit the United States on their suspension of specie payments, and rolls up Fug land's millions of circulating gold diers that in San Francisco, at the adsequencing sovereigns before our eyes as Divise tanced age of 23. The deceased, whose might display his dinner of courses to name was Kuffka, was a surgeou, and served with Napoleon in the campaign the border ground between the awe in larged "exclaimed the atomished spiring and laughter-provoking.

Lazarus gnawing his crust. John the desk. "Helfo," said the cheft: but the border ground between the awe in langed "exclaimed the atomished spiring and laughter-provoking."

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

A Republican State Convention is hereby called to convene in the city of Port-land, Wednesday, May 2d, 1876, at 11 o'clock A. M., to select six delegates to the National Republican Convention, can-didates for Judges of the Supreme Court in the second, third and fitth judicial districts, for presecuting attorneys for the several judicial districts, three presidential electors, and a candidate for Representa-tive in Congress, and for the transaction of such other business as may come be-

fore the convention.

It is recommended that primary and county conventions in the several countles be held as follows: Primary conventions. on Wednesday, April 19th, and county conventions on Wednesday, April 28th, or such other times as the county committees may appoint.

The following is the apportionment of delegates in the said convention upon the basis of the Republican vote for Represen-

In making this call for a Republican State Convention, the State Central Committee realize the fact that too much importance cannot be attached to preliminary operations. This being a "government of the people, by the people, for the people," the agents or officers of the government, should be in accord with the people. According to the general accepted plan of selecting candidates, the first steps are the proxies and the 800 votes cast for Rev. effect of the operation performed by that taken in our primary county and State Mr. Whitney, the Oregonian very magnifical Professor Whiteman and the conventions. These form the ground work of political organization upon which Republican paper, provided its owner can STATESMAN is in favor of the people elect-fall. It honest men desire honest officials, get back into the United States Senate. ing United States Senators direct, but at a is it asking too much that they lay saide This is very liberal on the part of the own- time when no good can result from the for a day all other business affairs and devote the time necessary to select proper persons to attend county and State

In view of these considerations and of the important interests at stake, we earnpublican party, regardless of personal likes and dislikes, to rally at the primaries and see to it that none but true men are entrusted with the business of preparing of discomment, men who can and will choose wisely for the good of the people in

REPUBLICAN UNION NATIONAL COX-VENTION

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The next Un-ton Republican National Convention for candidates for President and Vice Presi-dent of the United States will be held at Cincinnati on Wednesday, the 14th of June, 1876, at 12 o'clock, moon, and consist of delegates from each State, equal to twice the number of Senators and Representatives in Congress, and two delegates from each organized Territory and the District of Columbia. District of Columbia. In calling conven-tions for the election of delegates the com-mittees of the several States are recommemied to invite all Republican elector and all other voters, without regard to past political differences or party affiliations, who are opposed to reviving sectional issues, and desire to promote friendly feeling and permanent harmony in the country by maintaining the censtitutional rights of every citizen, including the full and free exercise of the right of suffrage, without intimidation and fraud; of the continued prosecution and punishment of all official dishonesty, and of an economi-cal administration of Government by honest, faithful and capable officers; who are in favor of making such reform in the Gov Fiment as experience may suggest: who are imposed to impairing the of the nation by depreciating its obliga-tions, and in favor of sustaining in it every way, with faith and financial honor; who hold that the common school system is the nursery of American liberty; and should be maintained absolutely free from secterian control; who believe, for the promo tion of these ends, that the direction of the Government should continue to be confided to those who adhere to the principles of 1870 and support them as incorporated in the constitution and laws, and who favor recognizing and strengthening the funda-mental principle of national unity in the E. D. MORGAN. centennial year of the Republic. Chairman of the Republican National

W. CHANDLER, Secretary.

A case of chrowle laziness is reported at Washington. A young man appointed to a clerkship to the Treasury Department was conducted to his dock and informed what his duties were. The chief of the Department discovered blue short time after condeniably reporting in his seat, with his feet controllers-fleatly resting on

LONGITUDE OF THE SABBATH.

EDITOR STATESMAN:- I was much cheek, turn to him the other also." pleased to observe a reply to my arti. Furthermore, a woman was taken in cle by one of your readers, regarding the Longitude of the Sabbath. I was also pleased at the sharp raps he the "stick gatherer," yet he would exceptions to the personal character of his remarks, but so thoroughly am friend. I devoted to the cause of religion that He refers me to Exedus XXXI. 14. nothing of the kind ever disturbs me. which reads: "Ye shall keep the Sab So he or any one else is welcome to bath therefore; for it is hely unto accuse me of falsehood, for if such is you. Every one that deflicth it shall the best argument that can be brought surely be put to death, for whoseever forward on their side, they should not doeth any work therein, that soul be prevented from doing the little shall be cut off from among his peothat lays in their power. The widow's ple," as proof that the man was mite was very acceptable and al. not put to death under an ex post though to charge an opponent with facto law, but I fail to see the point falschood is only a "mite" in logic, This punishment was for "defilling" still if this is his all, the gift should or "working," whereas it does not apbe accepted.

anxiety to prevent the dear children wife, it would not have been "work," of Salem from being misled by me, because of that typographical error of gathered them on the Sabbath or any 80 degrees instead of 180. Why, bless other day. Wonder if this is "old his kind heart, any child who knows and thin?" the meaning of the word "Longitude" must necessarily have learned that 180 degrees is half a circle. Two weeks ago I called your attention to this error, in a private note, but did not deem it worth correcting. Besides, I saw that it might answer for a bait to catch gudgeons, and sure enough, this "smart Aleck" has gobbled it down like a hungry pickerel. All right; I am glad of the "typo," for perhaps no one would have ventured to reply had it not been for the man leased a farm of James Anderson spparently good opportunity to blow I admire his feeble attempt at sar-

casm, where be remarks so poetically, in reply to a difficulty which I wanted explained, that it was "old and this." True, the remark is not very witty nor very pious, yet little children may "Old and thin!" This is a decided improvement upon the slang phrase gal rights to the land. too thin," because age implies decay, pondent sarcastically responds, "old and thin." It is a question of moment-one upon which at least one poor wretch has been stoned to death, and since the sin of ignorance is no longer winked at, in the name of comunder difficulties only to be answered matters not, the response is "old and thin," I wonder if your correspondent should hear Gabriel blowing his horn, if he would not interrupt the angelie tooting with Iris sareastic reing of "old and thin" reminds me of Some pork will boil that way."

Bunkum, XIV 17. Our friend seems to object because I or security? No, they would have devil could not give bail and that was the grand jury met Whiteman went before that body and made the same complaint

for we usually look back for precedents instead of thousands of years forward. However, I accept this style of logic, and if he applies it to me, he more than any one cise. Under all those him. I will come forward too, but he was perfectly beside himself and not not so late by fifteen hundred years as responsible for his acts, and should be Frederick the Great and refer as a pre-treated accordingly. cedent to the reported teachings of one who said: "Ye have heard that it hath been said. An eye for an eye and her knee the needle she sat down on She was not so badly.

soever shall smite thee on thy right

aimed at me and hope he will not be not condemn her and I am of the frightened off if I send him a Rolland opinion that if the Lord needed to for his Oliver, since I shall do it in a look down the future for an example spirit of brotherly love, anxious to it would have been as much to his avoid hurting his feelings and hoping glory if he had imitated Jesus of Nazthat no other reader will take any of areth, instead of Frederick the Great. fense. Some hardeded Infidel or God. who deluged Europe in blood, I think forsaken Atheist, might have taken I may now retort, "O, shame!" upon "cid and thin"-beg pardon-upon our

pear of record that gathering sticks The motive which prompted him was either. Suppose this fellow was a very laudable one, namely, an wanted the sticks for walloping his but pleasure and amusement to have INOUTRER

THE WATERN APPAIR.

ED. STATESMAN: Dear Sir:-Seeing an article in a late number of the STATEMAN from the unfortunate Watkins now in the County Jail, it calls to mind some lucidents of the affair between him and the notorious Whiteman, that the general public knows little about. I refer to a statement made by Whiteman and his wife to certain parties but a few days before he committed that fiendish crime on Watkins. But for a better understanding of this matter it will be necessary to state that some time prior to this, Whiteand when he found out there was a me up for my ignorance in putting swindle him Anderson out of it; but our antipodes only 80 degrees distant. Inding he could not do this and retain possession at the same time, he procured Watkins, to come out from lows, and making him believe that he had some kind of a title to it, he sold the land to Watkins and not him in possession. Matters went on smoothly for a while, when Whiteman became jealous of Watkins and his wife, and became very abusive to his wife. Wathave smiled at it, and if so, no doubt kins, claiming there was no foundation the dear man has gained his point for this, and becoming disgusted with the whole affair, made a proposition to Anderson to reinstate him in his just and le-

paper, owned by no bank, hardware store, clique or ring, and will aiways be found batting for the rights of the people, as against corporations or monopolies which are calculated to oppress.

We hope the Corbett Senatorial document will recover from its present obtasse mental condition and assume decent manners to carry and whine because of disappointment in Senatorial layors, it will become necessary to give its square spanking.

It is unnecessary at this time to redicente might have once been truth in my define to redicente might have once been truth in my oriticism, age has destroyed it. It is all very well to talk about observing the Sabbath when it comes to us, but how are we to know when it does affecting our national existence; it is the party of progress and development; it exposes corruption wherever found and inflicts punishment upon conspirators, fearnul mediants and sudden, without respect of person or position; it favore the universal enlightment of the people without transmel of creed or ism; and its bauncr is found in house of the statement where can be but one seventh day in a week, and when I show a case where said the provent this and to prevent this and to prevent this and to prevent this and the persuale Watkins is all therefore, admitting that there might have once been truth in my oriticism, age has destroyed it. It is all very well to talk about observing the Sabbath when it comes to us, but how are we to know when it does the sabbath when it comes to us, but how are we to know when it does one? Answer, "old and thin." Even the dear little children, about there can be but one seventh day in a week, and when I show a case where and live with him and we will fix up but the sabath when it comes to us, but there were to know when it does all very well to talk about observing the Sabbath when it comes to us, but there would be no further trouble because the sabbath when it comes to us Now, Whitman's next object was to of creed or lam; and its banner is found in
the wan leading on the hosts of reformers
in all that tends to higher civilization and
enlarged freedom.

L. S. SCOTT, Chairman.

J. C. MORELAND, Secretary pro tem.

J. C. MORELAND, Secretary pro tem. as separate conversation with one of those parties, made the same statement, adding, "Watkins thinks I am going to leave my husband and live with him; but I am not going to do this, but I will not let him know to the contrary nutll be makes that deed to Edwards." So we see how those persons mon humanity, I seek for information that deed to Edwards." So we see how those persons had completely blinded him under difficulties only to be answered watkins, as to their real intentions. The with "old and thin." Is it an inter-kins went to Salem, the deed was made pretation of God's Holy Writ, but it out to Edwards, Watkins executing it in next day after this Whiteman and Watgood faith, believing that their troubles were now ended. But what the surprise in two days after, as they were riding along talking triendly, when Whiteman threw a rope over his head and drugging him from his horse, choking him until he tort, "old and thin." But I do not mean any offense, only this trite saytor a long time prior to this, Whiteman that beautiful passage where it says, lowed him to norse his wife while she was sick; ent at h); table, and stay at his house in company with his wife in his absence All this, too, long after his pretended jeal Our friend seems to object because I ousy, but at the same time meditating in his heart this most infamous crime. Now fused to that desperate criminal, one word as to the provocation for this Upon second thought I find that I shooting. If what has already been Upon second thought I find that I stated was not sufficient, we would was wrong; therefore I retract and that a short time before the last term of apologise. Bail was not refused. Who Circuit Court Whiteman swore out a comever heard of a priest refusing money plaint against Watkins, charging him with or security? No, they would have gladly accepted ball with the hope that tigated by a magistrate of Sulein, and the he would run away, but the poor defendant duly discharged. Then when The reference to Frederick the the charge, found it groundless and discover, who caused one of his best senerals to be shot, because he failed the same complain the third time, proman went before another magistrate, made to extinguish his candle at a certain cured Watkins' arrest, thus still hounding hour, as a justification for God Al- him; and not satisfied with destroying his mighty in sentencing that fellow to be stoned to death, sounds rather queer, have him incarcerated in the State Prison. forward. However, I accept this style shooting took pince which Warkins regrets must not complain if I apply it to circumstances, persons that are well achim. I will come forward too, but quainted with Watkins are satisfied that

you expect to do any work?" "Worl be hath been said. An eye for an eye and her knee the needle she sat down on hanged!" exclaimed the astonished youth: a tooth for a tooth. But I say unto 25 years ago. She was not so badly. "I nad to work hard enough to get here." you, that ye resist not evil; but who-

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