



OFFICE IN HENDERSON BUILDINGS, NEXT DOOR WEST SCOTTSDURG HOUSE. SCOTTSDURG, OREGON. Saturday, June 2, 1855. G. D. R. BOYD, EDITOR.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET. For Delegate to Congress, GEN. JOS. LANE.

For Councilman, HUGH D. O'BRYANT. For Prosecuting Attorney, R. E. STRATTON. Umpqua County. For Representative, J. M. COZAD. For Sheriff, ALEX. BLAKELY. For Auditor, W. H. SPENCER. For Judge of Probate, P. C. PARKER. For Commissioner, G. B. VANRIPER. For Treasurer, W. W. WELLS. For Assessor, W. HANNA. For Coroner, JOS. BEAZLEY. For Surveyor, J. J. KELLOGG. For Wreckmaster, P. MACKIE.

Democrats Rally!

Let every democrat be vigilant on Monday next! Let them not only remember that the principles under which they have so often marched to victory, are at stake, but that also the interests of the country are jeopardized, if the opposition succeed in placing themselves in power through their nefarious scheming. They are now rallying their forces throughout this county with a zeal worthy of a better cause, an activity which democrats would do well to imitate. Every deception is resorted to to obtain votes for their mongrel ticket. Let no democrat be deceived by their wire-working, for once they get your votes and get in place and power, they will then laugh at you for your duplicity in supporting them. Does any democrat doubt that How was it last year? Many democrats were induced to vote for Mr. Williams for Treasurer, on the ground of sympathy for that gentleman, and as soon as the election was over the whigs chuckled over the victory, and laughed at the gullibility of democrats. And this will be the case in every instance. This being the case let democrats stand by their ticket and by their principles. The democrats of Umpqua county can proudly and truly say that they have a most unexceptionable ticket, and that there is no necessity for scratching a single name.—There is no man on our ticket but that is fully worthy and competent to fulfill the duties of the office for which he is nominated. Can the opposition say the same? We think not, and a majority of the citizens of this county are perfectly aware of this fact. To say nothing of the manifest unfitness of Capt. Scott—his inactivity and want of knowledge; the inexperience and palpable veridancy of Mr. Underwood—how can the swallow their candidate for sheriff—Mr. Rich. Are the true whigs of this county willing to support Mr. Rich for the responsible office of sheriff, with his former habits staring them in the faces. But they tell you that he has reformed! Voters, what evidence have you of this? He may have reformed until after the election. We are told that he has reformed sixteen times during the past year!

Again, are they willing to support Mr. Williams for Treasurer, and have the office kept where it has been for the past year? We think not. There are yet enough true whigs to repudiate such a course. Then democrats, stand by your ticket. If you have one, the merits of which, invite the support of the honest portion of the opposition, can any one of you for a moment desert it? Let every democrat be at the polls early on Monday morning, and see that his neighbors are there also, and let each one consider that on himself rests the Herculean task of giving the deathblow to know-nothing whiggery in this county. Give them a quietus that will effectually check their further progress in future. Let not the firm stand which Umpqua has taken thus far be sullied by the election and triumph of know-nothing whiggery.—But such must not, cannot be the case. Just so sure as the democracy turn out

in their night to the polls on Monday next, and there advocate their principles and the men on their ticket, who they have obligated themselves to support, just so sure will a glorious victory perch on the banner of democracy, and principle will have triumphed over faction and a most perfect conglomeration of isms, which are baneful to the interests of the country and irreconcilable with the Constitution of the United States and the principles of Republican liberty.

Pilotage for the Umpqua.

During the session of the Legislature of 1852-'53, an act was passed organizing a system of Pilotage for the Umpqua River and Harbor. Commissioners were duly appointed, and a Pilot System was completed, securing to shippers and all interested in marine insurance, all the right and advantages of such a system, without which no Harbor can have its natural advantages developed. How stands the case now? The Pilot System was swept from the statute, by the repealing clause found on page 505 of New Statutes, of Oregon. And now we are deprived of the advantages of a Pilot System altogether; and that too by Whig Representatives from this County.

The Pilot Law was repealed January 30, 1854, at which time Dr. Thompson and Capt. Scott, represented this county in the Legislature. And now this same Scott is a candidate for the office of Councilman again. Will you vote for him? If he is opposed to the improvements of our Harbor and the benefits of Pilotage, no man in Umpqua Valley should support him. If he was careless or did not understand the effect of the repealing law, and thereby allowed the Pilot law to be repealed, no man should vote for him.

The Representatives of the Counties interested on the Columbia River were not so neglectful of the interests of the Columbia. They retained their Pilot law. We believe Capt. Scott did not raise his voice against the repeal of the Pilot law. If he denies it, we will publish his denial and refer to the Journals of the Council.

Capt. Scott is a candidate, and it is our privilege and duty to criticize his official acts, and we have tried to do it fairly and truthfully.

Hugh D. O'Brian, the Democratic candidate for Councilman, has been Mayor of Portland, a seaport town, and is well acquainted with the interests of commerce, and has never neglected a single interest of the numerous places of public trust which he has occupied.

DON'T THROW AWAY YOUR VOTES.

The whigs of this Judicial District could not find a man in their ranks to run against R. E. Stratton, Esq. A few of the most ultra in this county, will vote for Geo. Haynes, a young man of this place, who neither wants the office, nor will he accept if elected. He is no lawyer, nor does not profess to be one. It is therefore worse than folly for those having any regard for the interests of the people, to vote for him; we are satisfied that Mr. Haynes does not wish it. If elected, it would only create an expense of several hundred dollars in holding a special election, and in the meantime the people would be without the services of Prosecuting Attorney, one of the most important officers to be elected by the people. The whigs seem to care very little how much expense the put the people to, so they beat a democrat!

According to an act passed by the Legislative Assembly last winter, the Treasurer of the County is required to keep his office at the County seat.—Mr. W. W. Wells, the Democratic candidate for Treasurer, lives at Elkton, and is in every manner qualified to fulfill the duties of the office. If the voters of all parties wish to elect a man in whom they can place the most implicit confidence, we advise them to vote for W. W. Wells, for county Treasurer.

CINCINNATI, O.—The election for municipal officers in Cincinnati on the 2nd of April, resulted in the complete triumph of Democracy over Know-Nothingism. Every man on the Democratic ticket was elected. On the day of the election a great riot occurred between the Know-nothings and foreign citizens. The Know-nothing papers bitterly condemn the course pursued by the Know-nothings during the election.

The sixth annual session of the California Legislature adjourned on the 5th ult.

Lost or Stolen!

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD!!

By the last mail from the Willamette we received a communication dated "Albany, Lin. Co., May 21, 1855." It was written on a half sheet of blue ruled letter paper, written on both sides of the sheet, and signed "W." The communication in substance stated that the whigs and know-nothings of Willamette valley were confidently expecting that Capt. Scott would be elected Councilman from this district, that they looked upon him as one of their number, and that his election would be a Know-nothing triumph! The communication also stated that Stephen Coffin, a leading know-nothing in Portland publicly asserted that CAPT. SCOTT JOINED THE KNOW NOTHINGS IN SALEM, LAST WINTER! Accompanying the communication, and on the third page of the sheet was a private note from the author, with his real name. This we had torn off and filed away, leaving the balance of the sheet on our desk while we were absent to supper. Returning, it was no where to be found, and we now offer FIFTY DOLLARS for any information that will lead to the discovery of the BARE AND UNPRINCIPLED VILLAIN who pilfered this communication.

By an extra exertion on our part we have succeeded in getting out our paper this week, early enough to have it furnished to our patrons throughout this and Douglas counties previous to the election. We have done this simply because we wished to have a little more friendly conversation with the honest yeomanry of the land, ere they make their final decision at the ballot box on Monday next.

The Know-Nothings and Whigs throughout the Territory are making a desperate effort to have a majority in the next Legislature. They are confidently relying on the election of Capt. Scott, of this county, and if he is elected they will proclaim it as a Know-nothing victory. They well know that he acted in concert with them last winter in Salem, in the Legislative Assembly and out of it, and if it so happens that Capt. Scott should be elected, the independent voters of this District will find him acting with the motley crew the coming session. His past action shows it, and his present course plainly and unmistakably indicates it. But laying aside these objections, which should prove fatal to the election of Capt. Scott, what has he done in the Legislative Assembly that should entitle him longer to our confidence? Can his friends point to a single act that he has originated and carried through for the benefit of his constituents? Not one. We were engaged in the Legislative Assembly during the winter of 53-'54, Mr. Scott was then a member of the Council. It was generally conceded that he was the most inactive and incompetent member in either house, and had it not been for the efforts of Dr. Thompson, aided by a few other friends of this County, legislation for the interests of the people of Umpqua could not have been obtained. His course last winter shows still more conclusively that he is utterly incapable of filling the important position of Councilman, for he did nothing but set in his seat and vote, when called upon, with Whigs and Know-nothings.

We wish the voters to reflect well over these facts before they cast their votes, and we think that they cannot fail to arrive at the same conclusion that we have; that it is high time to choose some one else to represent our interests in the upper branch of the Legislature. A man possessing ability, influence and industry, is what the people want, and these important requisites we find in HUGH D. O'BRIANT, the Democratic candidate for Councilman in this District. Mr. Scott, although a good honest citizen, possesses no ability as a law-maker, which has been clearly proven, and that at the expense of the people. Then, we say, let them vote for Mr. O'Brian, and remedy the evil while it is yet not too late.

Sylvester Hinsdale, who was bound over to appear at the District Court on the charge of rape on Mrs Swartz, has been acquitted. The Grand Jury found no bill.

We are indebted to Mr. JOHN LADD, Esq., for late papers and information from Jacksonville. We have received New York papers up to April the 20th.

The long muted question, and the one heretofore so frequently asked, "Who struck Billy Patterson," has been superseded by the great question, "Who was exchanged for Gaines when he surrendered himself a prisoner at Encarnacion?" The people are greatly interested in the discussion of this question at the present time, and Gaines, fearing that his title as "General" might be somewhat jeopardized, wrote a letter to Cassius M. CLAY, of Ky., asking for a statement excusing him from the charge of violating his "parole of honor," to which Mr. Clay replied, and from that reply we take the liberty of making the following extract:

"Justice compels me to say that I could not have availed myself of your means of escape, because the Mexicans, by not placing a guard over you, confided in your remaining. THEY AFTERWARDS COMPLAINED THAT YOU HAD VIOLATED YOUR WORD OF HONOR." * * * CASSIUS M. CLAY.

When a squad of men are taken prisoners by the enemy, as was the case with Gaines' party at Encarnacion, and are released on parole, or their word of honor, that they will not run away, and afterwards one or more of them give "leg bail," as Gaines is undisputedly proven by the above extract to have done, it is placing the liberty and lives of the balance of the party in quite a critical position. We leave it to the honest and independent voters of this county to decide next Monday, whether such a man is fit to represent their interests in Congress.

From the Statesman.

CORVALLIS, May 14, 1855.

DEAR SIR: For some time past, I have been thinking of saying a few things in regard to the mongrel convention, (which I believe was got up, and managed entirely by that order called know-nothings,) which came off at this place on the 18th of April last. I was at that convention; but having been raised a true whig from my birth, I could not take part in it, having to stoop to know-nothingism to do so, and the fag ends of all other isms, who are either ashamed or afraid to come out boldly like men, and discuss their principles before the world in open daylight, the platform against the world notwithstanding. My father and grandfather were whigs—but they never stooped so low as to take a part with the Tories and other isms of their day, to maintain their principles; and I, the only one of the name of the family that is left, will never disgrace their name by taking a part in that which I would be ashamed or afraid, at any time or place, to discuss in all its different parts or bearings. So you can set me down with my political friend in sentiment, John T. Crooks, of Lin. county, O. T. I would have said more on this subject, but Mr. Crooks has so fully written my own sentiments in the 9th No. of the present volume of the Statesman, that I have but little to add; suffice it to say I shall vote for a man who has always been known to be a true friend to his country, in war and in peace, which no man in truth can gainsay—that man is Gen. Joseph Lane. Now, sir, if this be democracy, then you have one more to your ranks, and I doubt not, will have many others before the 1st Monday in June next. Yours, &c., THOMAS NORRIS, Benton county, O. T.

Mr. Norris, the gentleman whose name is attached to the above, we are well acquainted with. We know him to have been a zealous and consistent Whig, one who manfully stood up and fought for principles. His party has deserted him and gone over to Know-Nothingism, and he plainly sees his duty: that to follow them would be a 'disgrace to his forefathers.' There will be many old line Whigs that will pursue the same course in the coming election. They have too much veneration for Whig principles, as advocated by Clay and Webster, to desert them now, and become mixed up in all the hydra-headed isms of the day.

We hope that every Democratic vote in the county will be polled on next Monday. Remember that a full vote is a sure victory. Then look to it friends, and see that every Democratic vote in the precinct in which you reside is polled. Let no considerations prevent a single Democrat from depositing his ballot. One vote may defeat the entire Democratic ticket, and send to the Legislature a Whig-Know-nothing Councilman and Representative. Let every Democrat vote early, and then see that their neighbors vote. If you do this a triumphant victory awaits you.

Mr. John Ladd informs us that a man known as "Dutch Charley," was recently killed in Yreka, by a man by the name of Ross.

Mr. Miller's Letter.

We publish to day, verbatim et punctuatum, a letter from the rev. J. W. Miller, on our first page. We were no little surprised on receiving this communication from the reverend gentleman, as he repeatedly told us that nothing would give him "satisfaction" but the name of our correspondent, and when tendered the use of our columns, peremptorily refused making any reply through the paper. The communication of Mr. Miller needs no comment from us; it speaks for itself. Mr. Miller has shown himself in his communication to be a most perfect blackguard. It is a favorite theme of his to harp about the newspapers of Oregon being filled with blackguardism, &c. We have never witnessed as much venom, vituperation and abuse, in any paper in the Territory, with the exception of the Oregonian, as is contained in Mr. Miller's letter, and this is from a man who hypocritically asserts that he is a preacher of the "Glorious Gospel of the Blessed God." We submit the letter of Mr. Miller to the members of the Church, and ask them candidly if his words and actions correspond with the teachings of this same "Blessed Gospel," from which we read as follows: "Whoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also." "I say unto you, love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you."—Mat. 5:39-44v.

Instead of following the above precepts, as would naturally be supposed from one who assumes to minister to the soul, Mr. Miller, for an imaginary offence, brands, in murdered English, our correspondent as being "a villain," "a demon of the dark vaults of perdition," "a slanderer," "a liar," &c., &c., presuming to "rob the Church of its virtue," and how was the Church attempted to be "robbed of its virtue?" Simply by stating that Mr. Miller, a man who is imposing on the Church, was advocating know-nothingism; which he did, and which he does not deny in his own communication. If men who use such language and pursue such a course, are the Church, then we say God save it! But we know that such is not the case; the honorable, high minded, christian people of the Methodist Episcopal Church of this Valley, will not permit the disgusting egotism of Mr. Miller to bring the Church into disrepute, on account of his acts. His communication in our paper to-day, shows most conclusively that he entertains no christian feeling—that his representing himself as a preacher of the "Glorious Gospel of our Blessed God" is a deception—that he is a "wolf in sheep's clothing." Any rational man cannot fail to arrive at that conclusion on comparing the letter of Mr. Miller with the avowed principles of the M. E. Church, and the divine teachings of our Savior.

The people of Garden Bottom say that they have "been slandered;" that Mr. Miller is not the officiating clergyman in their Valley. We willingly make the correction, and hope it will prove consolatory to Mr. M. for it to go forth that the people of Garden Bottom considered it a public slander to have it stated that he preached in their midst.

Mr. Miller states that he has had information by a man who "saw the communication before it was printed;" we are satisfied that this is a falsehood of the reverend gentleman's own coinage, as no man ever saw the communication before publication but the publishers of this paper.

We will now leave a subject that is as disagreeable to us as it is uninteresting to the public; all we ask is a careful perusal of "bro." Miller's letter, to show that he is not a christian, much less a Minister. It may afford the reverend gentleman much pleasure to vilify and abuse us and our paper, but he can rest assured that we will ever be found ready to expose the impostor and forewarn those who may be in danger of being caught in his unholy meshes.

The U. S. District Court for Umpqua County has been in session at Elkton during the past week. Quite a number of cases were disposed of.

Col. J. Patton Anderson has been nominated by the Democrats of Washington Territory, for Delegate to Congress.

There are apprehensions of serious Indian difficulties on Rogue River.

The News.

We take the following items of news from the N. Y. Herald of April 20.

CUBA.—An official explanation of the reasons existing for the recent executions was published. Several citizens of the United States were still in prison in Cuba, and every patriotic man felt alarmed for his own personal safety. The effusions of several Spanish officers written both in bad poetry and prose, on the late outrage on our representative at Sagua la Grande, were exceedingly offensive, and show the animus which actuates the ruling power towards us. The Isabel has arrived at Charleston with Havana dates to the 10th ult., and we have received by telegraph a brief synopsis of her news.—Much discontent prevailed among the Creoles, and a number of assassinations had recently taken place. A letter to the Charleston Courier states that Mr. Charles A. Peck, an American, and a dentist by profession, whose family resides in this city, was arrested at Trinidad on the 8th, carried to Havana, and placed in confinement. He was wholly ignorant of the charge preferred against him.

By the arrival of the steamer Cahawba we have advices from Havana to the 11th—one day later than those previously received. The general political news is unimportant. Dr. Peck was released from confinement on the 11th, on bail to remain at Havana until his case was decided. Carlos Costello had also been released from prison. An advance in fine sugar is reported, with a general revival of business.

WAR NEWS.—THE VIENNA CONFERENCE.—The steamer Baltic brought intelligence that the first of the four bases of peace was unconditionally accepted by Russia, and that the second was proceeding favorably. Since then, the second has likewise been accepted, but difficulties of a serious nature have occurred on the third. The Western Powers, foreseeing trouble, did not propose the demolition of Sebastopol, but modified their demands into a reduction of the Russian power in the Black Sea, in recompense for which they offer to evacuate the Russian territory. The Russian plenipotentiaries reply that they are not authorized to accede to any such terms, and must remit the matter to St. Petersburg. Here the conference stands still.

All the plenipotentiaries have sent to their governments for instructions, and the conference will probably be adjourned until final authority shall arrive. Prince Gortschakoff, on the 20th moved for the admission of Prussia.

For the Gazette. PORTLAND, May 15, 1855.

EDITOR GAZETTE: There has been a terrible explosion in the camp of our enemy in this city. The Whigs and Know-nothings are dejected and despair of success for their County ticket. The democracy are in high glee, and are certain of the triumphant election of their whole ticket. Stephen Coffin has announced and declared himself as the Whig Know-nothing candidate for the Council. He is doomed to a Waterloo defeat. Scores of Democrats have, within a few days, abandoned the damnable order of Know-nothings, and denounce it as dangerous to the peace of the country, the preservation of the Union, and good morals. Coffin says that the Know-nothings have two candidates in the South running for the Council—Avery Smith of Lane county, and Capt. Scott of Umpqua. This man Coffin is one of the most miserable, immoral men that can curse any decent community. He is a fit specimen and a worthy representative of that party who skulk at midnight into dark dens and bind themselves by horrible oaths to make a war of extermination against a large class of our fellow-citizens. Mr. Chinn has been nominated by the Know Nothing Convention of this county for the lower House of the Legislature.—His nomination has given great dissatisfaction to a large portion of the Know Nothings who desired the nomination of another person. The Whigs in this county who have not become Know Nothings, and will not support him. They will make a nomination of an out and out Whig to run against Chinn. His friends admit he will be badly beaten. He is a very good natured man, but is very much over-rated. Ben. Stark is out against the Know-Nothings. He made an able speech in the Whig convention in this place in which he denounced the Know Nothing party, its principles and its candidates. He will oppose Coffin, Chinn, and the balance of the Know Nothing ticket. His opposition to the secret party and its brainless leaders in this town, has convinced the clique here that they cannot succeed in deceiving the people with their honest, underhanded schemes and practices of fraud. Many whigs here will support Gen. Lane. Gaines is very unpopular in all of the northern counties, and will run behind his ticket. I send you a copy of the Whig resolutions passed at the late Whig convention in Portland. They will have the effect of losing Gaines one hundred votes in Multnomah county alone. The opposition concedes Clatsop to Lane by one hundred majority; Columbia by 25 majority for Lane; Wasco by 50 maj.; Washington by 20 maj. I have no doubt we will carry Multnomah for Gen. Lane by 125 majority. The Gen. will be here on election day.

Yours, &c., TRUTH.