| LAFATETTE COURIER. |
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| FRIDAY, FEB. $14 \ldots \ldots, \ldots 1873$. |
| THE MODOCS AND THE |
| PEACE COMMISSION. |
| An Important and poincea Protest |
| by Governor Grover. |

Gov. Grover lately
patched his private Secretary, Mr. Giltrey, to the Klamath Lake ba$\sin$ with an important and pointed communication to the Indian peace Commission the 15 th ins en by Governor Grover is imprea pable and should govern the com mission. We commend the document to the careful perusal of ou readers.
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SALEM, February 10, 1873. To the commissioners appointe to conclude peace with the Modo
Indians, Gentlemen: As the Stat of Oregon is deeply interested in the results of the pending Indian Peace Commission, I desire to ex press to you a few suggestion bearing upon the subject about to engage your attention. From official reports made to me and from oter reliable information it appears conclusively established that the massacre of eighteen citi-
zens of Oregon in November last zens of Oregon in November las
wascommitted without prorocatio and without notice-cutting an shooting men down in cold bloo at their homes and in the fields one by one, as they were found, by Indians who had not been attack ed by the soldiers nor otherwise
molested, and who could speak our molested, and who could speak ou language and were personally ac quainted with their victims. Th settlers were upon lands to whic the Indian title had long sinc been extingnikhed by treat These acts I hold to be delibera and willful murder. Over suc offenses 1 conceive the civil au thorities of this state constifute the only competent and finat triounal. I desire therefore to protest on bebalf of the State or Or gon against any action of the
Commission which shall purport to condone the crimes of the Modocs or compound their offenses. The people of Oregon desire that the murderers shall be given up, and be delivered over to the
civil authorities for trial and punishment.
As to the land on Lost River, Whieh some have suggested should be surrendered to the Modocs as
a peace offering, allow me to say a peace offering, allow me to say the State of Oregon, and within the jurisdiction of the Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Oregon; that the Indian title to these lands was extinguished by treaty, fairly made' through the Oregon Superintendency, between the Modocs and the General Government, on the 14th day of Octaber. 1864. direction of the Surveyor-General of Oregon, and the surveys were long since approved by the General Land Office. These lands have been extensively taken and are now occupied by bona fide settlers, under the homestead and pre-emption laws of the Unitred States, he Commission will therefore have no more power to deelare a
reservation on Lost niver, including these settlements, to make the same a basis of peace with these Indians, than they have to proride other settled portion of this State. For the interests of Southern Ore son, and for the fature peace of our southern frontier, I will express the hope and confidence that the project of a reservation on Lost
river will not be entertained the Commission, and that the Mo. docs will either consent to return to their own reservation or to be assigned to buond beyonds the|setassigned
obedient sery't, I, F. Grover

## addess to tue farmers

The committe appointed at a meeting of farmers in Salem on the 25 th of January, to prepare an ad dress to the farmers of the State, met*on Monday, February 3d. Aft er due deliberation, the committee united in the following Fellow Farmers of Oregon: The uudersigned were appoint Meeting in Salem the Farmers deeting in Salem, Jan. 25th, to the State upon the subject of or ganization for the protection of our mutual interests and for shipping purposes.
We regret our inability to do justice to so great a trust, but the
past year's experience in respect to past year's experience in respect to our commercial relations has satis
fied us that the hope of Oregon defied us that the hope of Oregon depends upon the organization of the
tillers of the soil. If we want the tillers of the soil. If we want the
country prosperous, the waste olaces redeemed, the solitudes in. habited, our homes improred our prospects brightened, and our callang dignified, we must do some-
thing to stand clear of the rings thing to stand clear of the rings
who have combined to steal from who have combined to steal from
us our hard and honest earnings. us our hard and honest earnings,
We necd not state to yon ${ }_{2}$ now, their acts; most of you are fainiliar with them. The question is: Will
on tamely submit and let the country go to ruin, or will you rise like men and show yourselvs equal to the occasion? Single handed we can do nuthing; or ganized, you can ship your own
surplus and realize all it will bring in a foreign market, except the ost of transportation. This, we an confidently assure you, will your products than you can possiyour products than you
Hal such an organization been in existence the present year, it
would have saved to Oregon a million of dollars, enough to have purchaied ten of the best ships sail ug upon the seas, and in five plus and import all our foreign plus and imp
commodities.
It may seen
uite the farmers of this State in a common bond of union, but look aliroad over our country and see the unions of moneyed men to car ry forward gigantic projects, and which in time will cover ou whole country as a net work yore despotic in their power than he greatest monarch of earth grinding the farmers to the dust
as the vcriest slaves. Moneyed men accumulate millions in a fest short years, and yet the farmers
of our land grow poorer every day. Their soil is wearing out their improvements are going
down, and out of their abundance therare in want.
The great law of nature is "You nust belp yourselves,' Farmers of Oregon, once mor
ve would say. "Organize" and force the speculator and moneye aristocrat to respect you as human beings, and not as so many cattl driven to the shambles for slaugh ter.
Beli ganizationg that an effective or officered by your own choice, wil secure to you good and satisfacto ry results in some of the market
of the world at all times, and tha you can secure this only through will be to look after the matter and also that you need a County
Board, we would recommend that when you are assembled in Coun ${ }^{5}$ Convention, each county choose a County Board of officers to con-
sist of a President, Vice President sist of a President, Vice President
Recording Secretary, Oorrespond ing Secretary, and a Treasurer and that you send these, officer
to the State convention at Salem called to meet an Thursday the 10th of April, and with them, one additional delegate for each pre cinct or club in the county willing to go into the organization.
$W$ We would also recommend
permaneat ganization in every
precinct $/ \mathrm{f}$ ounties, as you
will always o ve eome local ques
fion tions to setce, such as storin grain and the collection of statis subject.to the order of your Sta
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Borad, and that the preeints meet Borad, and that the precints meet
on March 15th, and the count convention, March 28 th. The committee have thought it
best to cllange the dates of meeting to give ybu more time to organize. The clubs, all ready organized in the State are especially re commonded to take an active par in this matter.
diadlly invited ed of the State cor diadlly invited to aid this enter will pernit by publsihing this appeal for a farmers' union, or ex tracts frem it.

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\begin{gathered}
\text { C. P Burkiart, } \\
\text { W. RUBLe. } \\
\text { T.L. Dayidson, } \\
\text { Cominittee } \\
\text { Salem, Feb. } 4,1873 .
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## sheriffis emolumints To

The question having been discussed by our County Court as to the amouyt the Sheriff might legally clalm for keeping prisoners in the County Jail, and Judge Ramsey being overruled by the Commissioners, he wrote to several County fudges in the State to ascertain what the general practiee in such cases is. The answers which we print below sustain the Judge's fiews in the matter. The Code, Sce. 12, page 138 , "A slieriff shall be entitied to receive, six dollars a week for keeping prisoners arrested upon évil or criminal process, in any county gil, and a proportionate
amount thereof for a fraction of a week?
The answers are as follows:
 is jeas rececived. The County Court of this
Dis county bas never alowed but \$6 00, per
week tor keeping prisoners. Truy yours,
E. B. WATsoN.
Hon. Wa. Mregixsery: Ciry, Jan, 31, 73. Dearsir, Yourr of Jan. 25 baving been
received, ond duly noted, 1 would say in received, ond duly noted, 1 would say in
reply that our County Cont has altowed
for board of prisoner in jail. at the rates of $\$ 1.00$ perp day, and nothing for respon
sibility. Xours with respect sibility. Yours with respect. J. W. WAII.
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bas been receive and contents noted.
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attendanct; sod before oor jail was built
the connt, attendanc; ; and before our jail was buih
the connty paid for neeessary guards.
Hopiog the foregoing statement con-
 County Juage of Lini No., Orego Ofyioe pr tue Cotriy Jypas. Hon Wu. M R Rossebvige, Jan. 30 , 73 .
 ant.. I will say that the Board of Com-
misionerin of Donglas county hola that the Sberif is entitled to oix dollars per
week for keeping prisoners in county jail


Hos. Wuy M. Rawser, Co.Judge. Yam-
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swer would azy that our County Court
allows he Sherif for keeping ppisoners
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Germany is making war upo lates, on the ground - that they are noisy, hartful to the eyes, and as which it takes years of pen practice to overcome. Their place is to
be filled with an elastio, light paper slate, upon which ink can be used, and from which it can be
removed is ofton as needful.



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