

POLITICAL MANIPULATORS.

The political machinery, says the East Portland Packet, is being put in motion for the contest in June. Professional politicians are scheming and wire-working. Chronic office-seekers are attempting to reach the public purse. Quite a number of "fresh" candidates seem to think that their "turn" has come. The man who thinks that his party services entitles him to recognition is pushing to the front. The men frequently figuring as delegates from the country precincts are being cautiously sounded. Most of the work is being done by aspirants for the paying offices. These candidates will make every effort to control primaries in their own favor. When the nominations are secured, by fair means or otherwise, frantic appeals will be made to party fealty. What difference does it make whether the sheriff, clerk and treasurer are Democrats or Republicans. Prohibitionists or Mugwumps? Honesty and efficiency ought to be the principal requirements. To secure these the work must begin at the primaries. Let the old political hacks be given a back seat, and delegates be selected who will not go to the nominating convention as the instrument of some scheming candidate, to barter and trade every thing else to secure his nomination, but who will act for the best interests of the county and State in the election of nominees. It is at the primaries that the fight of the people against corrupt "rings" and combinations must be made. If it is not made at the primaries the result is a foregone conclusion.

The republican managers of Eastern Oregon are asking for their congressman, and hold the names of J. C. Leasure, Hon. W. R. Ellis and Judge Olmstead as available candidates, as men who would "handicap" the race and be sure winners. But they have not stopped to consider that there is a man over at Baker City, Hon. L. B. Ison, who if the Democrats were to nominate for congress, would be no easy horse to curry. How would either of the above named gentlemen enjoy a race for political honors with him? Even though he was a "rebel," we would not object to see him enter the field with Judge Olmstead, who, like little Fowler, would wave the "bloody shirt" and scream "rebel" until the hills and canyons of Eastern Oregon would resound with the echoes of the Judges' defeat. Trot out your "sure thing" candidate, ye of the grand old party, and we will endeavor to drop the distance flag in his face. -Ochoco Review.

It now transpires that most of the great strikes in the Pennsylvania coal mining regions were engineered by the mine owners themselves, or someone in their interests. When a big supply of coal became accumulated at some convenient point, sharpers from New York would be employed to ferment discord amongst the miners and a general suspension of work would ensue for the avowed purpose of demanding higher wages. Coal would then take a big jump upwards; miners and their families would soon be reduced to starvation, and, by the time the surplus coal was worked off at exorbitant prices, the laborers were ready to go to work at the old wages. A few millions of extra dollars would be divided between the stockholders through the sale of coal and the saving of wages during the strike.

Nevada City miners are asking the question "does gold grow?" What brought the question up was this: A few days ago a party who were examining an abandoned shaft of a mine that had not been worked for twenty-five years came across a piece of very rich quartz, which had lain upon the bottom, probably by some employe who intended to carry it away, but was prevented doing so. The two sections were lying about half an inch apart, upon a highly mineral clay. The fragments were carried to the surface and washed, and an effort was made to join them together, when it was found to be impossible, the spurs of one piece refusing to enter the cavities to which they correspond in the other, these cavities having partially filled with gold since the fracture was made.

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NEW TODAY.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an Execution issued out of the Honorable Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Grant on a Judgment rendered in said Court on the 7th day of November, 1887, in favor of Henry Fleckenstein and S. Julius Mayer, Plaintiffs, and against S. P. Morgan and J. F. Wolfinger Defendants, for the sum of Six Hundred and Twenty Three Dollars and Twenty Cents Gold Coin, and Fifteen Dollars and Forty-four Cents cash, together with Eight per cent per annum interest and accruing thereon, I have levied upon and will sell at Public Auction, on Saturday the 10th day of March, 1888, at Two o'clock P. M., at the Court House door in Canyon City, Grant County and State of Oregon, all the right, title and interest which the said J. F. Wolfinger, Defendant, had on or after the 7th day of November, 1887, in or to the following described premises, to-wit: The North West quarter of Section 29, in Township 13, South of Range 33, East of the Willamette Meridian, and containing Three Hundred and Twenty (320) acres, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining. Said described premises being situated on Indian Creek in Grant County State of Oregon.

Terms of sale, cash. Dated at Canyon City this 5th day of February, 1888. A. C. DORE, Sheriff of Grant county, Oregon. By ROBERT LOCKWOOD, Deputy Sheriff.

NEW TO DAY.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at La Grande, Oregon. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, to-wit: JOHN J. HARRIS, Claimant, in Case No. 12345, against the State of Oregon, in Township 13, South of Range 33, East of the Willamette Meridian, Section 29, Township 13, South of Range 33, East of the Willamette Meridian, containing Three Hundred and Twenty (320) acres, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining. Said described premises being situated on Indian Creek in Grant County State of Oregon.

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