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OBSERVATIONS BY PROCTOR.

The statement made by Senator Proctor in the senate Thursday materially increased the prospect of intervention by this country in the Cuban war. Senator Proctor went to Cuba as a dispassionate observer and returns to this country horrified at the warfare Spain has carried on. It was a striking scene in the senate when Proctor arose and made known the results of his personal observations, and the attention paid to his remarks shows how deep is the interest taken in this question. The horrible condition existing in Cuba can be realized from these words of Proctor:

"Outside of Havana all is changed. It is not peace, nor is it war; it is desolation and destruction, misery and starvation. Every town and village is surrounded by a trench, a sort of rifle pit, but constructed on a plan new to me, dirt being thrown up on the outside and the barbed-wire fence on the other side of the trench. I saw no house or hut in the 400 miles of railroad rides from Pinar del Rio province in the west, across the full width of Havana and Matanzas provinces and to Sagua la Grande, on the north shore, and to Cienfuegos, on the south shore of Santa Clara, except within the Spanish trenches. There are no domestic animals or crops on the rich fields and pastures, except such as are under guard in the immediate vicinity of the towns. In other words, the Spaniards hold in those four western provinces just what their army sits on. Every man, woman and child, and every domestic animal, wherever the columns have marched, is under guard and within their so-called fortifications. To describe one place is to describe all."

Liberia is probably the only colony in Africa in which the colonists acquired a right by purchase. The American Negroes who emigrated to Liberia under the direction of the American Colonization Society did not go into Africa as claimants of any specified territory, but they bought outright a district that suited their purposes for experiment in republican government. As the years have gone by the republic has been enlarged, but always by purchase. The European powers represented in Africa took possession of certain native states and proceeded to make them over as adjuncts or dependencies of European states. The republic of Liberia was established in 1847. It is not as much in the way of European powers as the South African republic, and it has been free from invasion for forty years, because the people have attended strictly to their own business, and because it was understood that in some way the little republic was under the protection of the United States. Certainly this country ought to have a friendly interest in Liberia, and that interest ought to go far enough to protect it from undue influence by European powers.

No one believes the report that General Weyler has admitted having laid the mines in Havana harbor which resulted in the explosion of the Maine. There is little doubt but that the mines exist and that probably Weyler laid them, but it is hardly reasonable that he is writing

the fact down, as the letter may fall into the hands of vigilant newspaper correspondents. This report is another emanation from yellow journalism.

The Fourth of July orators have much material furnished them by the action of congress in voting the war appropriation. The obliterating of sectional lines between the North and South will be a pleasant theme to dwell upon. A united country now exists in deed as well as in name.

Call for Republican County Convention and Notice of Primary Elections.

The Republican County Convention of Wasco County, State of Oregon, is hereby called to meet in Dalles City, in said county, on **Wednesday, April 6, 1898.** at the hour of 8 o'clock a. m. of said day, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following county officers:

One County Commissioner, County Clerk, County Sheriff, County Treasurer, County Assessor, County School Superintendent, County Coroner and County Surveyor; also precinct officers for the several precincts of said county; and ten delegates to the Republican State and Second District Congressional Conventions, and to transact such other business as may properly come before said County Convention.

The convention will consist of 90 delegates chosen by the several precincts, and the several precincts of said county will be entitled to representation in said convention as follows:

Antelope.....	8	Kingsley.....
Bigelow.....	8	Mosier.....
Baldwin.....	2	Nansene.....
Bake Oven.....	3	Oak Grove.....
Columbia.....	2	Ranssey.....
Dufur.....	4	Tygh Valley.....
Deschutes.....	3	Trevitt.....
East Dalles.....	9	Vinita.....
East Hood River.....	5	West Dalles.....
Eight Mile.....	2	West Hood River.....
Falls.....	6	Wamie.....

The same being one delegate at large from each precinct, and one delegate for every twenty-five votes and one delegate for every fraction over one-half of twenty-five votes cast in each of said precincts for Hon. T. T. Geer, Republican candidate for presidential elector at the November election in 1896.

PRIMARIES.
 Primaries to elect delegates to said County Convention will be held in each of the several precincts in said Wasco county on March 26, 1898. In East Dalles precinct the polls of said primary election will be located at the East 2nd Hose Co. s house, and D. H. Roberts, W. H. Butts and L. S. Davis will act as judges at said election. In Bigelow precinct the polls will be located at the office of Wm. McNeil, and A. N. Varney, J. E. Barnett and Douglas Dufur will act as judges at said election. In Trevitt precinct the polls will be located in the county court room, and C. E. Bayard, Frank Vogt and S. L. Brooks will act as judges at said election; and in West Dalles precinct the polls will be located at the City Mills, and W. D. Dart, C. M. Fouts and J. F. Stanleys will act as judges of said election. In Antelope precinct the polls will be located at the usual voting place, and D. Kinsey, F. N. Kiefer and F. Irvine will act as judges of said election.

The polls in each of said precincts, in said primary election, will be kept open from 12 o'clock noon to 7 p. m. for the reception of votes. The polls in each of the other precincts in the county will be located in the usual voting places in each precinct, and will be opened at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. on said 26th day of March, 1898, and the election will be conducted in the usual manner.

Dated at Dalles City, Oregon, this 9th day of March, 1898.
 J. M. PATTERSON,
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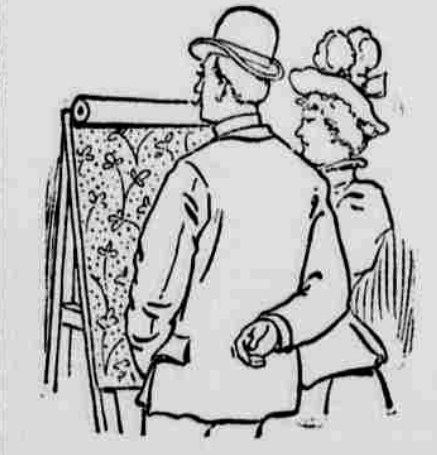
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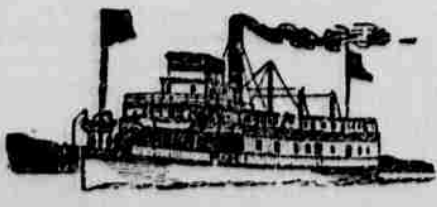


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