The Dalles Daily Chronicle. HENRY WOODPILE CORBETT. It was in 1872 , says the Eugene Register, that Corbett's term was about to expire, and the story goes
that over his own signature he pub. hished in the Oregonian a statement to the effect that while he would like to succeed himself, he would abide by the deciston of a caucus. When the legislature assembled the repub lican caucus unanimotsly chose the young and popular Portland attor-
ney, John H. Mitchell; but Corbett, notwithstanding his public letter, re fused to be bound by the caucus and organized a revolt. He succeede ingetting the democrats and eigh caucus to support him, and for time it looked as though he would succeed in tying up the election At that stage of the proceedings h came to grief through the skillful Sam Corwin of Gent sounty, Sam Johnson, of Tillamook county Mitchell, corrupt methorls by which Corbett was endeavoring to secure the election. Being satistied tuat Cor they permitted themselves to appea met Col to accept a bribe, and finally woodpilells chief agent behind the hotel in Salem, at night, and wer paid 82000 eash, with the under standing that they, on the vote nex day, desert Mitchell and support Corbett. They waited until if few minutes before the hour of balloting when they handed Mr. Corbett a expose him unless be withdrew his name. So successful was thetr plan that that gentleman made baste to was up, and Mitchell was promptly elected. It was this circumstance that gave the unsuccesaful candilite the name of Henry Woodpile Cor public print, but which has not per haps been understood by liot generation of Oregonians.
In view of his record in 1898, i
holding up the legislature by a cor rupt combination in which populists democrats and renegade republizans, such ss Jonathan Bourne, of Port-
tand, assistet, carrying out Corbett's plot to defeat the ubanimous choic of the republican caucus, it is a little short of ridiculous to find him the stalwart advocate of the eaucus system now.
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