

POLK COUNTY TIMES.

COUNTY OFFICIAL PAPER.

Frank R. Stuart, Editor.

DALLAS, SATURDAY, MAY 1.

TO SIGNAL SUBSCRIBERS.

Prior to completing the sale of the *Signal* material we had refunded advance subscriptions to many of our patrons. Under our arrangement with Mr. Stuart, proprietor of the *TIMES*, a number of advance subscribers will be supplied in full for all they had paid on the *Signal*.

In taking leave of journalism in Polk county we cannot do less than return thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed upon our enterprise, and for the general promptness with which we have been paid our dues.

F. R. Stuart, Esq., who succeeds us, is deserving of a continuation of the generous patronage accorded to us.

J. H. UPTON.

Dallas, April 30, 1869.

SALUTE.

All hail!

The *Signal* is no more—is dead! and the verdict of the Coroner's Jury is: "Died of White Pine fever!"

The POLK COUNTY TIMES now makes its bow, and sends you all fair greeting. The enterprising citizens of Polk county could not think of getting along without having a home journal in their midst, even if its rapidly increasing business and fleet-footed general prosperity did not demand such an organ. This being the case and having received the warmest encouragement from the good people of this region, we have purchased from J. H. Upton, Esq., the *Signal* office and material, and will issue therefrom, every Saturday afternoon hereafter, the POLK COUNTY TIMES, for which we solicit a continuance of the patronage so liberally bestowed on our predecessor.

To those who know us it is scarcely necessary to say that the *TIMES* will be strictly Democratic, and that our every effort politically will be in advocacy of the principles and interests of the Democratic party.

As this is chiefly an agricultural county, we will furnish from time to time such hints and scraps of information in that line, as may be deemed suitable in this locality.

Each week the *TIMES* will contain, in addition to political, miscellaneous and family reading, a synopsis of all the most important and interesting Eastern and Pacific coast news that may come under our notice.

We also propose making the local department of the *TIMES* a specialty; and to that end we ask our friends in every precinct of the county to lend us their assistance, by forwarding to this office, at their earliest convenience, every item of local or general interest that may come within their knowledge. No matter in what shape it comes, so you send us the facts. The balance we will attend to.

Having foreshadowed thus far what we intend the *TIMES* to be, we now send it forth, trusting to its merits alone for the desired success of our enterprise. The *TIMES* will be forwarded regularly to all the old subscribers of the *Signal* unless they are ordered discontinued, which we hope will not occur in many cases.

The gentlemen who acted as agents for the *Signal* are requested to act in the same capacity for the *TIMES*.

The Washington Territorial Democratic Convention met on the 22d inst. at Vancouver and nominated Marshall F. Moore for delegate. The Convention then chose O. B. McFadden, Levi Sheldon, J. L. Ronkin, E. S. Fowler, Frank Clark, F. P. Dugan and L. H. Gordon as the Territorial Central Committee.

A. J. Cain was nominated for Prosecuting Attorney in the 1st District, J. B. LaDu in the 2d and J. P. Judson in the 3d.

THANKS.—We are indebted to B. J. Pengra, Esq., for valuable documents and maps relative to the railroad interests of Oregon, also to Senator Williams for pub. docs.

WHERE WILL IT STOP!

Any dispassionate, observing, thinking man who has watched the progress of public affairs in the United States during the last few years cannot but feel alarmed at the astounding increase of crime and corruption that pervades every vein and artery of the body politic—from the prostitution of the prerogatives of the Chief Executive, through the halls of Congress, down to the most insignificant office in the Federal Government. The various Department offices have been degraded into a system of hospitals for the paper relations and personal friends of the Chief Magistrate. The halls of Congress, from being the scene of the wisest and best legislation by the purest and noblest of statesmen, has become, like the holy temple of old, a market of money-changers and a den of thieves and robbers; an auction mart, where a set of depraved, perjured political demagogues, who have foisted themselves upon the people only to misrepresent their interests; sell themselves, body and soul, to the highest bidder, and become the tools of the most odious monopolies. And this same system of fraud permeates every branch of the public service. The situation and drift of affairs is well understood by the leading minds of both parties; but while, on one hand, Democrats are making every effort to arouse the people to a sense of their danger, the Republican leaders are using their efforts to blind the nation to the true state of affairs. Once in a while, however, when the system operates so as to involve some of their Republican friends, some of these same leaders cannot restrain themselves. Don Piatt, the Washington correspondent of the *Cincinnati Commercial*, one of the most influential in the Republican party, closes a letter to the *Commercial* as follows:

"With Boutwell in the Treasury and the House organized by Mr. Blaine in the interest of the New England monopolies and Pennsylvania pig iron, we of the West may hang our hats on the willows, and suffer outrage and wrong for the next four years. The vast power of the General Government will be driven with merciless vigor over our prostrate trade, to enrich the already wealthy monopolists of New England and Pennsylvania. Our grain may rot in our barns, and our sheep be killed to save the tallow and pelt, while our party has nearly two thirds of a majority in Congress. The rich grow richer and the poor grow poorer."

"I can tell my political friends at the West that the day is not distant when all the glories of the late war and all the noble impulses in behalf of colored humanity will not save us. A sickened and disgusted people will be sorely tempted to hand the Government over to the hated Copperheads."

TO OUR REPUBLICAN FRIENDS.

In entering upon this enterprise we have received warm encouragement from public spirited Republicans in and about Dallas. The rapid settling up of the county and the proportionate increase of business demands the services of a local journal, as every one alive to his own and the general interests is eager to acknowledge. As men who have mixed up much in the world well know, there is one interest that is nearer and dearer to most strict business men than any other, i. e., self-interest. Of course our Republican friends don't expect any political favors at our hands, unless kicks and cuffs (not physical) might be so termed; on the other hand, they know we will tread on their toes as often as we can, with our heel on their corns as frequently as possible. But notwithstanding we assume this belligerent attitude, otherwise than politically their interests are identical with ours and those of the community at large, and our efforts will be unflagging in their behalf. If they prosper the community is benefited thereby, and our prosperity is increased in proportionate ratio. On the other hand, if the influence of a journal in the county is a benefit to the community, they participate in the increased prosperity. With the exception of the one feature, politics, we hope to make the *TIMES* as acceptable to Republicans as to Democrats, and a source of pleasure and profit to every household it enters. We therefore look to the Republicans for a fair share of support, feeling confident that time will prove us worthy of it.

TO THE DEMOCRACY OF POLK.

In presenting this, our first issue, to the Democracy of Polk county, a few thoughts suggest themselves to us with reference to the importance and necessity of their giving a liberal support to a Democratic journal in their midst, so as to make it potent for good—not only to the general industrial interests of the community, but to the advancement of the interests of the Democratic party in Oregon.

It is a well-known fact that Polk county has been the battleground of the Democracy of the State for many years past. The proximity of Marion county—the stronghold of Oregon Radicalism—and the overwhelming majority of our political enemies therein, has long been a source of fraud and corruption, in controlling, or endeavoring to control, the elections in this county in the Radical interest. Colonization, bribery, the foisting of unscrupulous knaves and tools of their own upon Democratic conventions and Democratic meetings, for the purpose of breaking them up, or initiating any disgraceful measure that might possibly result in producing demoralization in the Democratic ranks, are only a few among the myriad of dishonest and nefarious practices indulged in by the God-and-moralities across the river, aided by their satellites on this side.

To guard, then, against a continuance of this system of political fraud and treachery, and to maintain the sacredness of the ballot-box within our limits, it is the duty of the Democrats of Polk to support liberally an organ in this county which shall serve as a beacon light to warn them when such dangers threaten, and which will use its utmost influence to avert or thwart at any and all machinations of the enemy. Then let every Democrat, who reads this, immediately do his duty in the premises, and if not already a subscriber to his county paper, immediately send on his name, and make amends for his past delinquency, by urging upon his neighbors the necessity that they should likewise. Let every Democrat in the county thus act as a committee of one to further the interests of the *TIMES*, by sending on subscriptions, and no effort shall be wanting on our part to make it an organ worthy the support of the Democracy and a credit to the community generally.

PROCLAIMING HIS OWN INFAMY.

George L. Woods heads the list of the Directors of the East Side Company in their answer to the remonstrance of S. G. Reed, in which they denigrate "the Secret Agreement" made by six of the incorporators of the West Side Company as a "gross fraud." Now what can the people think of this man Woods when they are told that he himself was one of the parties that signed that "secret agreement?" This act of deliberately publishing one's own self as a scoundrel over his own signature, evidences a degree of moral turpitude of which we did not deem even Woods guilty.—*Herald*.

REVIVAL.—It is reported that a

P. D. Hall, of Jacksonville, a practical printer, has purchased a controlling interest in the press and material of the late *Reveille*, and will resume the publication of a Democratic journal at that place under the editorial control of Hon. J. D. Fay. We hope this is true. Mr. Fay is probably more thoroughly identified with the policy and interests of the Democracy of Oregon than any other man in the State, and his well known ability cannot fail to make the enterprise a success. The first number will be issued sometime in June or July, when all "policy men" and time-servers had better stand firm under.

There are twenty-five thousand men, more or less, employed upon the Central Pacific and Union Pacific Railroads, on the Great Plain. This army will be let loose in a few weeks, and what will become of it?—*Ez*.

Oregon will receive with open arms the white portion of it. The Chinese division of it may go to—well, anywhere they please, so they leave our fair land. Burlingame's bosom, for instance.

WANTED.—Information of Sanford K. Myers, who emigrated to this coast in 1850 or 1851 from Eureka, Illinois. He was at one time mining in Southern Oregon and was in the Indian war of 1852. He can hear of something to his advantage by communicating with Hon. J. N. T. Miller of Jacksonville.

CHANGED HANDS.—The Portland *Herald* establishment has been purchased by Mr. Sylvester Penoyer, a thorough-paced, live Democrat, who has been its editor-in-chief since it was purchased by Mr. Weatherford. Mr. Penoyer is now its sole proprietor and will continue to act as its editor. In his hands we are satisfied the growing prosperity of the *Herald* will be materially stimulated, and that it will continue to be the leading exponent of Democratic principles in Oregon. Our best wishes for its success.

No GOOD.—The Portland *Herald* and the Salem *Press* have been engaged for the last few weeks in slurring each other. We do not care to interfere in this family jar, and cannot help but wonder what object the journals in question have in view in continuing such a controversy. It certainly reflects no credit on themselves or the party to which they belong, but is interesting only to our mutual enemy. "Let us have peace."

Don't advertise; it is a very bad plan. It will call attention to your place of business, and it is much better for people who wish to trade with you to hunt you up. It gives your customers exercise, and makes them healthy. Besides, if you advertise, somebody will buy up all your goods, and then you will have to get more, which would be a great bother to you.

NEW MAIL SERVICE.—Petitions for a tri-weekly mail service from Salem to Corvallis, via Eola, Independence and Buna Vista are in circulation in each of the places named. The mail service certainly is inadequate to the necessities, and we hope their prayer will be successful.

Garfield received the nomination of the late Republican convention for delegate to Washington Territory. He had better give up the race. With his notorious unpopularity, such an opponent as Gov. Moore, and the Democracy of the Territory a unit, he is sure to be distanced.

PACIFIC RAILROAD.—From a dispatch dated the 23d inst. we learn that at that date only twenty miles of road-building were wanted to complete the connection between the Union Pacific and California Central roads, and that the gap would be filled by to-day.

Don Piatt, correspondent of the *Cincinnati Commercial* (Republican), says: We have no end of rogues, and an equal number of asses, in our organization, that would steal the last cent from the Treasury and drive us to the devil.

The Albany Nimrods are having fine sport with the Calappaia trout.—*Herald*. This is the first intimation we have received that the "mighty hunter" condescended to "bob" for trout. Will the Solon of the *Herald* enlighten us?

DEAD.—We learn that Mrs. Abbott, wife of the editor of the *State Rights Democrat*, died at Albany last week after a painful and protracted illness. The bereaved family have our sympathy in their misfortune.

Hon. J. S. Smith has introduced a bill in Congress to extend the land grant, made to the Railroad company from Sacramento to Portland, as far beyond as the mouth of the Columbia river.

It is a startling fact that the office holders in this country, exclusive of the army and navy, appointed by the President, number 80,000, and it takes \$10,000,000 annually to pay them!

Joseph James, of Buffalo, N. Y., who a few weeks ago presented Grant with an elegant pair of boots, is to be appointed an Assessor of Internal Revenue.

The rebel Gen. Longstreet, whom Grant recently appointed Surveyor of the port of New Orleans, is a relative of Mrs. Grant.

A negro and a carpet-bagger from New York are rival candidates for the position of postmaster at Columbia, S. C.

The new Secretary of the Navy has posted up a notice that there are no vacancies in his department.

MARRIED.
April 29th, at the residence of the bride's father, by Elder H. M. Waller, Mr. A. B. Cochran, to Miss Elizabeth Williams, all of Polk county.

DIED.
At the residence of Mr. D. D. Hooker, in this county, April 12th, Mrs. Sarah Hooker, aged 83 years.

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All of said premises being situated in said county and State. Sale to commence at one o'clock, P. M., of said day.
T. J. DICKEY, Guardian.

April 12th, 1869.

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