The Oregon Republican.

DALLAS, SATURDAY, MACRH 2.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

A Republican State Convention for the State of Oregon will be held at the city of Portland at 11 A. M. of wednesday the 20th day of March, 1872, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Member of Congress, six delegates to the National Republican Convention to be held at Philadelphia, June 5th, 1872, three Presidential Electors, and for the transaction of such other business as may be thought proper.

The several counties will be entitled to delegates in the Convention as follows:

Baker	8	Lane	13
Benton	11	Linn	17
Clackamas	14	Marion	24
Clatsop	4	Multnomah	24
Coos	5	Polk	11
Curry	3	Tillamook	2
Columbia	2	Umatilla	5
Douglas	13	Union	5
Grant	8	Washington	9
Jackson	10	Wasco	7
Josephine	3	Yamhill	12

The State Central Committee recommends that the several counties hold their primary election on Saturday, Mareh 2d, and their county conventions for selection of delegates to the State Convention, on Saturday March 9th 1872.

T. B. ODENEAL,
Chairman State Central Committee.
C. P. CRANDALL, Secretary.
SALEM, Feb. 1. 1872.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTIONS.

As recommended by the Republican State Central Committee, the Republican voters of Polk county will hold their Primary Meetings at the place of voting in their respective Precincts, on Saturday, the 2d day of March, 1872, at two o'clock, P. M., to elect Delegates to the County Convention, to be held at Dallas, at eleven o'clock, A. M., on Saturday, March 9th, 1872, to elect eleven Delegates to the State Convention, and transact any other business that may be recommended by the Central Committee of the county. The several precincts are entitled to send Delegates as follows:

Bethel	8	Bridgeport	4
Buena Vista	8	Dallas	9
Douglas	4	Eola	5
Jackson	3	La Creole	3
Luckiamute	4	Monmouth	6
Salt-Lake	4		

The members of the County Central Committee will meet promptly at my office, at 10 A. M., Saturday, March 9, 1872. J. L. COLLINS,
Chairman.

End of Volume Second.

This issue of the REPUBLICAN brings us to the end of Volume 2. One year ago, with many misgivings, we took control of the paper, feeling that the risk was great. Without any knowledge of the practical part of the business, and no experience as a journalist, we felt that the responsibility was grave. Relying, however, upon the maxim that "Pluck will win," we made the effort. The result has been more satisfactory than our most sanguine expectations could possibly have anticipated. The list of subscribers has gradually increased, as the standing of the paper has become better known, until now it has become one of the best advertising mediums in the country, and is so considered. The prospects for the future are brighter than ever, and we start into the third volume with a feeling of certainty, in lieu of the doubts and fears which overhung us a year ago.

Politically, the REPUBLICAN will, as heretofore, advocate the claims and principles of the Republican party, that party which stood true to itself and the country through those long and sanguinary struggles, which were to decide whether the Republic of the United States was to be indeed a nation of free people, or a nation of slaves to a horde of ambitious demagogues, who were determined to rule the country to their own aggrandizement, or ruin it in preference to letting it pass into the hands of its true friends. We shall in the future, as in the past, deal with fairness on all questions which may come up for discussion. With a feeling of friendship toward our brethren of the press, we shall, if necessary, meet them squarely on all points where, in our judgment, they may advocate doctrines not in accordance with the best interests of the country. We shall do this, however, not merely with a view to controversy, but with a desire to have the people understand the different questions submitted to them, in all their bearings, so that they may decide intelligently. We shall continue to send out the REPUBLICAN, hoping that it may contain some gems, which will not be entirely obliterated by the lustre of those which consider themselves diamonds in literary collections. Everything omens well; the country is at peace; the farming prospects never were better; politics is beginning to warm up; the fabled fowl is suspended at an astonishing altitude, and we see no cause why the REPUBLICAN should not be lovely.

Worse Muddled.

Our neighbor of the *Mercury*, wishing to still farther establish his reputation as a man of erudition, attempted in his last issue to explain the condition of affairs between the United States and Great Britain, by a lengthy editorial under the caption of "The British Muddle." He goes back in this to the administratiou of Andrew Johnson, and tells us, in his own peculiar style, of the negotiations attempted to be made at that time, as well as the course pursued by Minister Motley, all of which has no bearing whatsoever, upon the present "muddle." The treaty between the two powers provided that the question be submitted to a convention of representatives appointed by the two Governments. Before this tribunal the claims were to be argued, and its decision was to be acquiesced in by the two Governments. The "apology" referred to by our contemporary, was only a matter of form without any significance. Of course, the British Government after aiding in every way they could to secure the independence of the Southern States, but failing in their efforts, could not do less than "Authorize her Ministers and Plenipotentiaries to express in a friendly spirit Her Majesty's regrets," etc., but would this in any way recompense us for the loss sustained? The affair has sifted itself down to a plain matter of business. The *Pall Mall Gazette* acknowledges that the British Commissioners were outgeneraled, but does not claim that this exonerates England from her obligation to stand by the decision of the Geneva Conference. The discussions in the House of Commons show the same feeling.

Whether the claims submitted by the United States to the Geneva Conference are legitimate or not, must be decided by that tribunal. If that conference deem any of the claims wrong, of course they will so decide. and we as a natural sequence will have to submit according to agreement. If, on the other hand, it is decided that all claims presented by the U. S. Government are valid, England will be compelled, according to agreement, to pay them or violate her pledge. We are not disposed to counsel war, but if the claims presented before the Geneva Conference are allowed, we claim, most emphatically, that they should be paid whether "any section of the people of Great Britain are in favor of it or not." It is time that these questions were disposed of in some way, and not be allowed to remain a bone of contention between the two countries. We expect ultra Democratic papers to denounce the claims, as they have ever done all measures of the present dominant party, but we opine that the intelligent citizens of our country will see whether those claims are legitimate or not, and, if they are, will sustain the Administration in pressing them.

Benton Again.

The editor of the Benton *Democrat* has evidently allowed himself to get into another pure-*rye*-tanical condition, and in that state has allowed himself to be imposed upon by a "drop" from the quill of one who hails from the "*Vineyard*" of Polk county, with an *alias*, "La Creole." The only thing we wish to notice in this correspondence is the statement that the REPUBLICAN has a new editor. This is *false*, known to be so by the correspondent and must have been so understood by the editor. We can easily pardon the correspondent for stealing our thunder or, as he feebly expresses it, "borrowing our favorite expression," for the fertility of his own brain is not capable of producing any expressions that would carry with them any force. As to Mr. Holmes (County Clerk) and Sheriff Burch, referred to by the correspondent, we have respect for them as gentlemen, but when it comes to a political fight, we claim the privilege of opposing any measure advocated by their party, not as a personal matter, but as something which interests community.

Romance of a Corpse.

At the "old horse sale" in Portland, one day last week, Mr. Mitchell, a grocer there, bought a box which on being opened was found to contain a corpse. The *Oregonian*, of the 26 ult., contains the following story concerning it:

"The newspapers, with the aid of a coroner's jury, have gone and done it now, and that "corpse that Mitchell bought" is no longer a mystery, whatever may remain of the ghastly horror of its discovery. We are not prepared to say that the explanation of the mystery is altogether a string of hard facts by which a practical mind would trace the history of the blackened and repulsive heap of remains, found here by Mitchell in a box, through all the mutations they must have undergone, back to their identity with a living man, having a certain name and habitation. Be this as it may, the romance which is now received is better, in some respects, than the blank mystery we had at first. This is the romance; John Clark, familiarly known as "Johnny Clark," was, some years ago, a packer in Idaho. He was a bold, bad man, and the Vigilantes marked him for their own. He was suspected of being connected with, and a leader of a gang of "Road agents." He committed a murder at Idaho City, and was arrested and cast into Jail. While he thus remained imprisoned, the Road agents were going on badly and several murders were committed by desperadoes in various parts of the Territory. The Vigilantes were aroused to unusual wrath and they commenced going for the roughs in the most decidedly lively style. John Clark, being in jail, was a handy subject to practice on, and the Vigilantes took him out, tried, convicted and hung him, in less than two hours. The dead body was then buried in a rude box. John Clark had a sister, a respectable lady residing somewhere in California, who hearing what had been done to her naughty brother, went to Idaho, dug him up and hired a man named Thomas to bring him down to Oregon for shipment to California, where she purposed to give him a Christian burial. Thomas did as he was hired to do; brought the body to Umatilla where, it was as has been heretofore stated, shipped to this city. Before its arrival, however, the sister who had preceded the corpse, left the city for California, since when her brother or any other man has heard no word of her. The man Thomas also departed for lands unknown, as one edition of the romance has it, and, to Yreka, as another has it. We know of no good reason why we should not say he went to Australia and changed his name to Smith, thus breaking the last link that might lead to his identity. Mind, however, we don't know that he did. One story, though, is as good as another in a case where nobody knows anything at all about the matter. John Clark remained quiet in his little box in the O. S. N. Co.'s warehouse till Mitchell bought and found him, nobody having ever called to pay either their respects or the freight charges. In publishing this romance, we do not undertake to say that all the facts stated are facts: on the contrary we incline to the suspicion that a good many of the links of the history of the unknown are supplied out of imagination's workshop. We cannot, however prove anything of the sort, and as it is a great social necessity that there should be some theory set up right away instead of the mystery, we are content to adopt the above and recommend it to the public as the best that can be done under the circumstances."

All Around.

Seven cases of small pox, are reported in San Francisco.

The American Iron Works, at Pittsburg, Penn., were destroyed by fire Feb 25.

A valuable piece of ground at Victoria is in litigation between the Hudson's Bay Company and the Colonial Government.

It is feared that the telegraph cable between San Juan and Lopez Islands has again given out. It was laid anew about three months since.

A Puget Sound paper says: General Stevens bought last week of Stewart & Leary thirty imported Australian sheep, for which he paid $500 in coin.

One hundred and twelve boxes filled with the bones of deceased Chinese have been received at Port Townsend from British Columbia, for shipment to China.

The city of Olympia is now six miles long by four wide, and is still spreading. It is something larger than the village of New York. But New York labors under the disadvantage of having no "terminus."

A jokist says the Puget Sound people only hunt clams one hour in the day. All the rest of the time they are hunting for the terminus of the Northern Pacific Railroad—something that has never been lost.

The Boise *Statesman* learns that, notwithstanding the mild winter experienced in that region, stock has suffered to a considerable extent, especially those turned out in Snake river valley. Many work oxen perished. They had strayed off on the high table land, where they could get neither food nor water.

State Items.

[Gleanings from State Exchanges.]

The *Era*, is complaining of unsafe bridges.

East Portland is to have a hat manufactory,

Chickens sold in Portland last week for $9,25 per dozen.

The Santiam railroad bridge is said to be repaired and trains crossing.

Mr. H. L. Herman, has become sole proprietor of the *Catholic Sentinel*.

Work is suspended at the Factory in Oregon City, on account of high water.

Eugene is indulging in Leap Year parties. Salem and Oregon City ditto.

The Santiam is said to have risen two feet higher during the late freshet, than in '62.

Harry Keithly, the strap gamist has been sent to the Penitentiary for one year.

Some bad boys in Portland got themselves into business by assaulting and abusing a Chinaman.

The county bridge across the Clackamas, took a ride down stream during the late high waters.

The *Oregonian*, is to be greatly enlarged and improved. It is to be one of the largest papers in the United States.

The Steamer E. N. Cooke, lately made the trip from Portland to Oregon City and back in five hours, including stoppages.

The net proceeds of the Good Templars sociable in Salem last week, are reported by the *Statesman*, to have been $172 90.

A daring burglar in Salem, went down a rope into the bar-room of a saloon for $2 50 last Sunday. He has not been heard from since.

The *Mercury* says; Mr. Geo. Edes, has received his commission, as collector of customs at Alaska and will sail from Portland for that place to-day.

The *Statesman*, gives an account of "cruelty to animals." This time it was a Clerical gentleman who misused his horse.—He oughtn't to done it.

The Willamette *Farmer*, is just commencing its 3d volume The *Farmer*. is an excellent paper, and should be well patronized by our agriculturists.

Got scared. The *Statesman* says, the liquor dealers of Salem were scared out of their wits when they saw the late demonstration in favor of temperance.

A portion of the bridge which crosses the Deschutes river at Gordan's, belonging to the Dalles Military Road Company, was carried away by high water a few days ago.

Wm Zimmerman, drew the first, Al. Sutherland the second, and J. F. Hauskin the third prize, at the ball of the Washington Guard, in Portland, for the best drilled soldiers.

Jackson county attorneys are getting boisterous. Two of them got into a quarrel in court lately and were put under $1,000 bonds, and fined respectively, $30 and $40.

Hon. Ben Simpson informs the *Gazette*, that the Elnora came into Yaquina Bay on her last trip, drawing seventeen and a half feet of water, at half tide. This speaks well for that entrance

It is said that the Santiam river has cut a new channel and turned away from the head of the ditch that carries water to Salem, and that consequently when the river falls no water, will enter the ditch

The Eugene *Guard* says: "The hand shaking season of 1872 has commenced and the two men in this city who are not candidates for office are obliged to take back alleys to travel on to avoid being shook all to pieces by those who are.

A son of Frank Glover had one of his hands caught in the machinery of the Salem ferry boat on Saturday. It was so frightfully mangled that it was amputated at the wrist. The same youth a year or two ago had one of his legs crushed in a saw-mill.

A recent letter from Goose Lake gives this: The weather is fine, the ground clear of snow; farmers plowing and sowing grain; stock is fine and fat without being fed; snow has fallen to the depth of six inches in the valley but left the ground bare in three days.

The *Mountaineer's* letter from Canyon City contains this: "Some time in January Messrs Mc'Cullough & Helmin had their books stolen from their store, for the recovery of which they offered 'a reward of $500 coin, and no questions asked.' On the 14th instant the books were found by Mr. John Powers, who received the reward. There is some mystery attached to these books, which our informant did not exactly understand."

From the Eugene *Journal:* The Democratic majority is going "where the woodbine." During the past week a staunch Democrat—Dr. John Williams, colored—left for parts unknown. The Doctor was so enthusiastic in the exhibition of his Democratic proclivities that he and the city Recorder were continually having business of an unpleasant nature, and to avoid this we presume he has gone to hunt a place where a man can act Democratic without being bothered.

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