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SENATOR MITCHELL'S EXPLANATION.

We confess we were surprised, astonished and disappointed, when the charge against Mitchell first appeared in the *Oregonian*; we were more surprised when his card first appeared asking the people of Oregon to hold their breath for a few days until he should have ample time to explain, not deny; and we were still more surprised, when at last the explanation came. Now we desire it distinctly understood that we entertain no disposition to abuse or persecute Mr. Hippel *alias* Mitchell, because we do not deem it necessary or productive of any good, nor would our personal feelings toward Mr Mitchell permit us to do that thing, but in a case like this where a man has been in public life in Oregon for the last ten years aspiring to and enjoying the highest positions in the gift of the people within the State, and then finally demanding of and receiving from the same people, the high and honorable position of United States Senator, and when during all this time he has perpetrated upon the very people, at whose hands he has continually asked and received, in preference to all others, those great favors and marked distinctions, the most gross deception, it becomes the imperative duty of public journalists to speak out in kindness the words of truth, so that the people may know the real facts in the case, and the world know that an honest people have not understood correctly the man they have elevated so high.

Mr. Mitchell in answer to the charge, that he had deceived the people of Oregon by changing his name from John Hippel to John Harvey Mitchell on his appearing among them, admits that he did that thing pleading the baby act as an excuse, and asks the people of Oregon to overlook it, and treat it as an act of youthful indiscretion, and he also offers as a reason for so doing, domestic trouble prior to the time when he came to Oregon. Now it strikes us that the excuse is even worse than the original act; the presumption always obtains that a man after arriving at the age of twenty one will never change his real name when leaving one place and going to another unless wrong is intended, if Mr. Mitchell had trouble, as he intimates with his first wife which ended in separation and divorce, why should he for that reason deny the name of his own father and mother which he admits was Hippel, not Mitchell? If he had good cause for a change of name by reason of any crime committed by his parents or otherwise, he could have applied to the Legislature for that purpose, or at least he could have made it public on coming to Oregon, and gave his reasons so that the people could have known who he was, and more specially was he in duty bound so to do, whenever he aspired to positions of honor at the hands of the people of Oregon; whatever domestic trouble he might have had then, forms no excuse.

Mr. Mitchell pleads youthful indiscretion in the disgraceful act of changing his name, for which he says "he would gladly atone by a life's labor." Mr. Mitchell claims in his statement that he was born in 1835, came to Oregon at the age of 26 years, he had been in the practice of the law for years prior to coming to this State, was a married man and had a family; his plea of inexperience and youthful indiscretion falls to the ground by his his own admission. Mr. Mitchell intimates that while the act of changing and concealing his real name from the people at whose hands he demanded elevation was dishonorable, yet he thinks that years of subsequent honorable life ought to be a sufficient excuse, but the Senator overlooks the stubborn fact, made so patent by his own statement, that the wilful concealing of his true name up to the very moment when this statement is made, forms itself a dishonorable record, so that the Senator has no honorable record to which he can refer as ample to atone for a conceded continuing sin.

Mr. Mitchell says he had trouble with his wife which ended in separation and divorce. He does not state when that divorce was granted or at whose instance; when he come to Oregon he brought one of his children with him and soon married a wife here, at least some ten years ago he was was married in Oregon; if at that time no divorce had been granted then he has been living constantly and knowingly in violation of law. His statement upon this subject is very muddy, for as to who was the dishonorable party in his domestic difficulty and as to when they culminated in divorce, he leaves the people of Oregon to conjecture for themselves.

The charge, as appears in the *Oregonian* against Mr. Mitchell, avers that, Mr. Hippel *alias* Mitchell, married in Pennsylvania an estimable young lady; that afterwards he became morose and dissatisfied; that he abandoned and deserted her; that she was left destitute and compelled to become a servant in order to obtain a living; and that she finally became a pauper and county charge. All this Mr. Mitchell in his statement does not deny, but by his silence admits its truth. This wonderful statement of our Senator is a melancholy commentary upon the political situation in Oregon and shows but too conclusively that, within her jurisdiction, the State of Oregon for some time past, and now has, the same element of corrupt men, measures and rings, which have so recently been developed in very many of the other States, under an administration whose very fountain is corruption.

The statement of our Senator is most wonderful *per se*, and astonishingly surprising, coming from a man of his pretended sagacity, it shows, if true, a course of dishonorable conduct from the very time he came among this people, premeditated, secrete, continued imposition; the Senator says, the act of changing his name, "became a, once irretrievable," we do not see the force of that statement, why was it irretrievable? if Mr. Mitchell desired to act honorable, from the time he came to Oregon, how easy it would have been for him to reconstruct his former act of youthful indiscretion, and thence forward taking upon himself his true parent name stand up among his fellows, the man he pretended to be. The statement furnishes no excuse for the conduct admitted, far better would it have been for Mr. Mitchell to have observed profound silence regarding the charge. The audacity and hypocrisy of this man assisted by his God given intellect, has carried him, over the heads of good men and true, into the Senate of the United States; has placed a stain upon the pages of Oregon's history, which will take years of honorable labor to efface; has sent staggering to the wall the decaying party he represents in Oregon, and ought to bury, all those who attempt to appoligize for and make honorable the Senator's conduct, deep in undistinguished ruins.

We have desected in this article, though somewhat lengthy, a portion only of the wonderful statement of this wonderful man our recently elected Senator; and in the language of Senator Hippel himself, we ask our readers to hold their breath, and give us a few days to explain the balance.

CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR.

To the tax payers of the City of Portland—GREETING: Know all men and women by these presents that I, Mrs. A. J. Duniway, of Portland, Oregon, being of lawful age and a natural born citizen of the United States, and finding how difficult it is to prevail upon gentlemen to accept city offices and being also somewhat of a philanthorpist, respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the office of Mayor for the ensuing term, subject to the decision of the Republican Nominating Committee, who represent a party that is pledged to give the "demands of women for additional rights respectful consideration."

In taking this step I have counseled with nobody, and consulted nothing but the United States and Oregon State Constitutions, and the platform of the Republican party. To the required rules and usages of a Republican form of Goverment I promise, if elected, to strictly conform.

Respectfully submitted by the tax-payers' obedient servant, Mrs. A. J. DUNIWAY;

The above is from the *Oregonian*. We are glad to see Mrs. Duniway hitting the party that has so decieved her sex, heavy blows under the short ribs. They deserve all you give them sister, and then, you tell of them, not half the truth.

FRANCE.—This new republic has a newly elected President.

Justice Though Delayed Has Finally Been Done.

The County Court of Polk County has at last appropriated the sum of $400, at the suggestion of Ex Senator Nesmith, for the purpose of assisting to complete the turnpiking and graveling of the road between Dixie and the Birely Bridge on the daily stage line between here and Salem. In consideration of which Col. Nesmith has agreed to furnish all the ballance of the means necessary, over and above his road tax, to complete said work. Our County Court is entitled to great praise for this act, which is really of more importance to the people of Polk County, than any act of the present administration. This road, some two miles in length becomes almost, and even quite impossible every winter for loaded wagons, it is traveled four times as much as any other thoroughfare in the County and by a large majority of its inhabitants all seasons of the year.

Col. Nesmith has already without any assistance graveled a large portion of said road at an expense of at least $500, out of his own pocket, the great benefit of which has resulted to the people of Polk County, generally, irrespective of race "or previous condition of servitude," and we sincerly believe that the calculation would not be too large, if we should say, that if the same enterprise was exhibited by the people of the county generally in proportion to their means, all the bad roads in the the county would be put in good condition, and no one would have reason to complain. This act of the Court can not be too highly commended.

HOW CHANGED.

"The weather on Wednesday, at [illegible] was warm enough to make everybody [illegible] of the [illegible] spring [illegible]."

The above is from the [illegible] *Rough Notes*, Hillsdale county, Michigan, of the date of May 24, 1873. To us in Oregon, who live in almost perpetual spring, it seems strange to hear a newspaper talk of the weather being warm enough on the 24th of May as to make the inhabitants cognizant of the fact, that spring was actually approaching; and all this, within seven days of summer. How changed the scene and [illegible].

THAT'S SO.

The *Bulletin* of June fifth in closing up an article under the caption of "on attending to one's own affairs," uses the following language.

[illegible] of Portland will [illegible] to maintain their party and preserve [illegible] organization.

That's true without doubt if Holladay's money holds out, and it is also true that for the past few years they have found a way to maintain themselves right or wrong, and they have preserved their organization by corruption and fraud.

STATE ITEMS.

Everybody has got the epizootic.

The epizootic is disappearing in Portland on account of which both horses and people are made happy.

It is estimated, that there is about 6,359 Volumes in the Portland Library

Indians at Siletz Reservation are putting in large crops.

Daniel Raymond, of Douglas County, has sheared 702 pounds of wool from 78 yearling lambs. Can this be beaten?

Mr. Currier, of Benton County, has sold 279 sheep at $2 50 for the first hundred and $2 25 for the balance. He reserved the wool.

The new steamboat Daisy Ainsworth will be completed at the Dalles this week. It is said to be the best built boat on the Columbia River.

It is stated that there are 200,000 sheep in Douglas County. The yield of wool is estimated at one million pounds, worth $250,000.

The State Temperance Union meets at Albany, June 13th. Preparations are being made to accomodate Delegats and vistors.

Only one important case came before the Court at Hillsboro, and that was for perjury.

A Roseburg man set a large spring trap to see if he could find out who was stealing his fruit and caught his mother-in-law. He quietly released and it is unnecessary to say, has made no mention of his missing fruit since. The doctors think that the old lady will probably be moving around on crutches in a few weeks.

THE MODOC WAR!

THE LATEST

Applegate House, Clear Lake, Cal. June 1 3.30 P. M.—A serious of prolonged yells and cheers aroused the this camp from a pleasant siesta half an hour ago after the departure of my last courier. General Davis, General Wheaton and other officers, and all the men rushed from the house and tent to find the cause of the uproar, and at once the whole camp was in commotion. Down the level plain north of the house, was a grand cavlacade of Mounted horsemen. The steeds rushed forward at a terrible rate and soon neared the groups of spectators scattered about the premises.

"CAPTAIN JACK IS CAPTURED"

Shouted a sturdy Sergeant, Again the valley echoed with cheers and yells. The mounted command was that of Perry. He had returned from a scout of twenty three hours. Three miles above the mouth of Willow Creek, at half-past ten o'clock this morning, the Warm Spring scouts struck a hot trail. After a brief search the Modocs were discovered. Colonel Perry surrounded the Indian retreat. His men were bound to fight. Suddenly a Modoc shot out from the rocks with a white flag. He met a Warm Spring and "Jack wanted to surrender." Three scouts were sent to meet Jack.

BOLDLY CAME FORWARD UNARMED

And held out his hand to his visitors. Then two of his warriors, five squaws and several children [illegible] and joined him in the [illegible].

The command that made this famous scout was the First Squadron of first cavalry Col. D. Perry, composed of Troop F, Lieut. Miller, Troop H, Maj Trimble and Medical Officer Assistant Surgeon DeWitt. The guides were C. [illegible] and H. H. Applegate. Jack is about forty years of age, five feet eight inches in height, and compactly built. He has a large and well formed head and a face full of individuality. Although dressed in old clothes.

He Looks Every Inch a Chief

He [illegible] to any one. The Modocs are grouped in a field near the house and surrounded by a guard. Spectators gaze into Jack's face with eager interest, but he heeds them not. He is still as a statue.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Boston, May 30—3 P. M.—It is impossible now to give all the losses or even the names of all the losers by the fire to-day, but Washington on the west side, from Avery street to Boylston street is nearly or quite destroyed; on the other side, from Hayward Place to Essex street, there is little left to show what existed there this morning.

Benjamin [illegible] of the board of Assessors, estimates the total loss at $7,000,000.

The reports of the fire taking [illegible] brought thousands of persons to witness it. Every train inward bound was crowded with anxious business men and sensation seekers. there could not have been less than one hundred thousand persons near the scene of the fire when it was at its height. The Globe Theater Company saved nearly all their wardrobe; the Western Union Telegraph Company lost fifteen wires by the fire, and communication is interrupted. The Freemans National Bank have not opened their vault; they have reason to believe that their securities are safe,

New York May 31.—The Brooklin *Eagle* says Beecher and his friends have determined to take definate action in the Bowen-Tilton-Beecher scandal. It was resolved at a meeting of the Plymouth Church Deacon, on Friday evening, to at once proceed with investigation. Bowen is said to be in Indianapolis.

New Orleans, June 2.—A special gives the address of Govornor McEnerey, in which he says, "President Grant, as Chief Magistrate of the Nation, assumed the high and grave responsibility of fosting upon the people of this State usurpation without precedent in this or any other country. He is amenable before the bar of Public opinion for this high-handed measure. The President, with the army and navy at his command, has physical power to force the people of this State into any line of policy he may be pleased to dictate, and it would be madness and folly to interpose resistance likely to bring up a conflict with the national authority. Yet deeply-fixed sentiments of irrepressible hostility in the minds and and hearts of an outraged people against the vilest usurpation ever attempted to be foisted upon freemen will find their full scope and vent. I advise these manly and patriotic sentiments to take form and throw all moral and legal agencies possible to be derived. Meantime I trust peace and order may reign supreme throughout the State.',

A young man named Harry Pinkson, while assisting in putting out the fire, fell from a tree and broke his arm.

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