



WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS SAY.

There is no mistaking the unanimity and the earnestness of the press of South America regarding the Venezuela message of President Cleveland, says the Mexican Herald. Even the Chilean papers, from which one might expect a tone of dissent, sustain the American statesman. From Central America to the tip end of South America there is a universal sentiment of apprehension manifested, and it is warranted by the pressing of claims for more territory by the British colony of Guiana and the French colony of the same name. The wedge of European dominion in the northeast of South America is being driven into the solid body of the Continent. The insolence of the press of Europe which declares the Latin American peoples to be "mongrels," "half-castes," and "barbarians," is naturally very displeasing to our fellow-inhabitants of the New World. Germany would like a slice of Brazil, and France is aiming to control the mouth of the mighty Amazon, as England is working for dominion at the delta of the Orinoco. The press of Europe does not hesitate, more or less cynically, to avow a desire to partition South America, and it is only the United States that sits like a lion in the path and prevents South America sharing the fate of Africa. It strikes us that the true policy for England at this time is to abandon any attempt to take new territory, waiving even whatever there may be of right in the case, and to declare that she, too, is, with the United States, an American power, and will become a party to a new Monroe doctrine, guaranteeing the territorial integrity of the states of Latin America. Then let the United States remove suspicion from itself by disavowing designs on any part of the New World, and enter into alliance with Latin America and England, for the conservation of the rights of all the minor American nations. The result would be the gaining of the warm and lasting friendship of Latin America and the retention of a big share of its trade. It is unwise for England to incur the suspicion and probably even the hostility of all Latin America by pushing her claims in Venezuela. The public temper of Latin America is becoming very irritable and there is sound reason for it.

row county republican club convenes for re-organization. February 22nd, Washington's birthday, is certainly an appropriate time for the launching of a republican political ship, and an equally appropriate manner in which to celebrate this occasion. Let all get into line. Let harmony and unity prevail, and with a loag pull, a strong pull and a pull together we cannot but win.

PENDLETON again shows her progressive spirit in securing the next meeting of the Firemen's Association which takes place next June, and if Walla Walla isn't careful she will get the meat packing and cold storage establishment, which was contemplated being located there. Pendleton, as an inland city, is certainly a hustler.

THE fight between Maher and Fitzsimmons will probably take place today if it does at all. However, the United States and Mexican authorities are watching the pugilists like hawk and threaten them with dire punishment in case they attempt to fight.

A LADY in Kansas is said to have recovered her voice, after being dumb for twenty-four years, through the use of one of the Schlatter handkerchiefs. Her husband, says a Kansas City paper, is now in New Mexico with a shotgun hunting Schlatter.

THE Marion county populist convention passed a resolution of thanks to the Salem Statesman for the fair and impartial manner in which it published accounts of their different meetings. The Statesman is always published on this line.

POSTMASTER CROSSEN, of The Dalles, has a letter from the war department, asking a recommendation for the proposed site of the \$100,000 public building to be erected in The Dalles, in the event Senator Mitchell's bill becomes a law.

Pursued by a Demon. How many suicides, think you, reader, have been committed by persons driven distraught and hunted by their doom by the demon of chronic ill health? Countless. For instance, we know, do we not, that hypochondriasis is a mania—a sort of minor madness produced by chronic dyspepsia? Again, insomnia, or sleeplessness, often a result of the same cause, culminates in a derangement of the reasoning faculties. It is, therefore, of momentous consequences to prevent the arrival of disease at its chronic phase, when it daily and nightly scourges the sufferer to a dangerously uncertain goal. No medicine known to science, as a means of arresting the malady to which it is applied, exists equal to Hester's Stomach Bitters. Among these complaints are chronic indigestion and insomnia, kidney and rheumatic ailments, constipation and liver trouble. Appetite is improved by the Bitters, the blood fertilized, and bodily substance and vigor increased by it.

REPUBLICAN ORGANIZATION. The Members of the County Republican Central Committee. The following are the members of the republican central committee of Morrow county: Heppner, (chairman), A. W. Patterson, Gentry, Joe Hector, Mount Vernon, A. M. Gunn, Lena, Mike Kenny, Mattoon, I. C. Large, Dairy, A. Hood, Eight Mile, C. G. Fuqua, Lexington, C. A. Johnson, W. S. Connor, Cecil, O. T. Douglas, Fort York, N. B. McVay, Well Springs, W. B. Parsons, Alpine, A. Andrews, Pine City, J. L. Howard.

THE members of this committee are requested to meet in the parlors of the Palace hotel, Saturday, Feb. 22nd, at 1 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of selecting the time for the primaries and county convention, making an appointment of delegates and to transmit such other business as may come before the committee. Come out and let us have a full representation.

AS was expected Salem is not yet ready to concede the branch asylum to Eastern Oregon. A rehearing has been asked for which without molestation.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore, in an article in the North American Review, asks: "Does the ideal husband exist?" Very often on an account of poor cooking they barely exist and that's all.

The republican campaign in this county actively opens tomorrow at which time the county central committee meets and decides upon a date for the primaries and county convention, after which the Mor-

WASHINGTON LETTER. From our Special Correspondent. Captain Applegate, of Klamath county, who had been here for two weeks in the interest of the Klamath Indians, left for home last night, feeling highly gratified with the results of his labors and the Oregon Military Central Wagon Road Corporation is probably feeling correspondingly uncomfortable.

The issue between the Indians and the Road Co. involves 106,000 acres of valuable land to which the Indians have a right in equity, but on which the Road Co. holds patents. It appears that the Road Co. was granted certain quantities of public lands, for constructing wagon roads from Eugene to points in Nevada and California. Soon after this grant a treaty was made between the government and the Klamath Indians setting aside to the latter, the lands included in the Fort Klamath reservation. After the treaty was signed, but prior to its ratification, the Road Company selected the lands including 106,000 acres in the reservation. The treaty was subsequently ratified.

When the question was raised as to the lands selected by the Road Co. in the reservation, the Land Department held that the treaty not having been ratified, at the time the selections were made, the Road Co. had a right to patents and accordingly issued them. The Indians, ignorant of this, supposing they had perfect title, were allowed to continue in ignorance by the Road Co. until the allotment of the lands of the reservation in severalty. The Road Co. stepped in and informed the Indians, many of whom had made substantial improvements on the lands in question that they had no title; that such lands and all appertaining thereto belonged to it.

The Indians could not understand it. Their right, as they understood it, was secured to them by treaty with the government. What right, then, had the Road Co. to step in and declare its title to lands they had held for years? They have been trying to secure some kind of settlement since that time, but have no progress until Capt. Applegate came on. He wished to secure an arrangement to indemnify the Road Co. for a release of its patents so that the Indians could be left in peaceable possession of their lands. He found the members of the Oregon delegation a whole host to his assistance. They went with him in a body to the Interior department and presented the case. The result was very satisfactory but somewhat unexpected. The department was aroused into energetic investigation. As a result the secretary has decided that the title of the Indians dates, not from the time of ratification but from the inception of the treaty and the selections by the Road Co. having been subsequent to the inception of the treaty, the land office erred in issuing the patents. He has therefore instructed the U. S. District Attorney for Oregon to begin suit to invalidate the patents of the Road Company.

On Monday Senator Mitchell will introduce a bill providing for a commission to settle the boundary of the Fort Klamath reservation.

Congressman Herman feels very confident about being able to secure the passage through the house of the pension bill for Indian war veterans. He also thinks he has a good chance to secure that long looked for public building at Salem.

Congressman Ellis has been very active in departmental matters this week. In addition to his other duties, Sen. Mitchell has had the task of preparing the majority report in favor of seating Mr. Du Pont as senator from Delaware. It is an intricate legal argument consisting of about 18,000 words.

The vote not to take up the report of the finance committee on the tariff bill was a great disappointment to Sen. Mitchell. He wants to see it taken up immediately and if possible passed and become a law.

Sen. McBridge was slightly indisposed in the early part of the week but has entirely recovered. J. K. Ingala, postmaster at Nalox, is in the city.

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair. Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed an exhibit at the World's fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla is in effect as follows: "Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits."

Consumption can be cured by the use of Shiloh's Cure. This great Cough Cure is the only known remedy for that terrible disease. For sale by Wells & Warren.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the democratic central committee of Morrow county, Oregon, will be held on Saturday, March 14, 1903, at 1 p. m., in the parlors of the Palace hotel, for the purpose of selecting the time for holding the primaries, county convention, and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting. A full attendance of all the committeemen is earnestly requested. J. W. Moorman, Chairman.

Ed Hood departed last Saturday for Kansas City, ostensibly on business, though knowing none say he will return to Oregon a benedict.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The following is the report of Room No. 3, Heppner school, for the month beginning Jan. 13 and ending Feb. 7, of those whose average was 90 per cent or more:

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