Oregon City, Oregon,

Friday : : : Dec. 22, 1871.

Meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee.

The Democratic Central Committee of the State of Oregon is hereby requested to meet at the

### CITY OF PORTLAND ON

Monday, the 8th Day of Jan. Next, At 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, for the vention, in accordance with the time honored usages of the party, preparatory to the coming June election in this State and may properly come before said Com-

Said Committee is composed as follows: Union . . . . . . . . . . E. S. McComas upon their banks run back to youth and Umatilla......H. C. Paige Grant...... J. W. Baldwin Clatsop ...... Joseph Jeffries Washington ...... John Swick Yambili ..... A. Shuck Benton . . . . . . . . . . . . R. S. Strahan Marion ..... D. H. Murphy Coos......W. H. Jackson Douglas ..... L. F. Lane Curry......Odillion Vandergreen Jackson: ..... J. N. T. Miller Josephine ...... Charles Hughes Polk......Ben Hayden A personal attendance is urged upon the members of the Committee.

BENJ. HAYDEN.

Chairman.

Take this view of it. The Corvallis Gazette, a moral, Radical and truthful sheet, has much to say in regard to the litigant act. We are not surprised at its dissatisfaction with the law. It would, no doubt, be opposed to it even were it appointed a litigant organ because it would be prevented in its extortions by honeymoon nights and sees her idol's that act. No better proof need be had of gifts for Christmas. The wayward man, Comptroller of the Treasury of the dethe justice of that law than a comparison afar from the old roof tree, and scarred of the Gazette's charges and those allowed sorely here and there by wild night and by the litigant bill. That paper has its wine work, looks backward across the touching these accounts. In answer, the terms published in the following words: gulf of years and sees upon the further following certified copies were received: "Legal advertisements fifteen cents per shores a home, within whose windows line for each insertion in legal tenders." The litigant law allows a charge of \$2,50 father's heart grows calm at last, and per square of twelve lines of nonpariel through the mist of falling tears he sees type, for the first insertion, and \$1 00 for the snow-drift in the gloaming, and knows each subsequent insertion. The twelve that Christ, who gave the world its Christ- & Erwin Manufacturing Company, or lines of nonpariel type are equal to sixteen | mas, will keep the lowly graves and order, are hereby authorized to receive in lines of the type used by the Gazette. Now gather to their perfect rest in heaven the all legal advertisements have to be pub- wife who died in years agone because her lished four or six weeks. Let us see what blue-eyed darling could not stay. The it cost the litigants of Benton county un white-haired, august one, within whose der the charges by the Gazette before this trembling hands the flowers of life lie bill was passed, for an advertisement of withered and on whose hoary head old one square and what it costs now. The sixteen lines for four insertions would to God his taith on wings of prayer and amount to the first insertion, just the same knows his Christmas awaits him beside as the law at present allows-\$2,50; and the Great White Throne. It is the one for four insertions, \$10.00. The litigant precious link between youth and immorlaw allows just \$5,50 for the four inser- tality-between the grave and Paradise. tions. Now this is a plain statement of It is the sun of a new hope shining from facts, and we challenge the Gazette to deny God's blessed sky and it is covenant of a them. But let us take a summons, which usually makes three squares, or equal to the Gazette's type, fifty lines. These have the chain of life and where forevermore to be published six weeks. Under the in a sweet hereafter will the Christmas January, 1865, to 30th of December, 1866, litigant law the charges would be \$22.50. lights be lit and the Christmas songs be has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a According to the charges of the Gazette. before the passage of the law which Radicals abuse so much, it would cost \$45.00. or just double the amount now charged. We hope this is plain enough for any one to undestand, and also see that the litigant net is a protection to parties who are so

Journal, another Radical sheet: "LEGAL AND TRANSIENT ADVERTISING.-For first insertion, Three Dollars per square; Each additional insertion, One have obtained the facts in the case. The Dollar per square."

unfortunate as to be compelled to pay for

following prices published in the State

These terms are also in minion type, a and only ten lines are allowed for a square of United States public lands. which is equal to a square and one-half, or in other words, what costs now \$2.50, would cost in the Journal, under their charges, \$4,50. Before the law was pass. ed we received the same for minion type which we now receive for nonpariel. which makes a difference of about four lines out of every twelve, or a loss to us of one-third. The litigant law is abused lands. by those Radical editors because it has put a stop on their extortions from the

# Sam May to be returned.

After the indictments for embezzlement were found against Sam May, a warrant for his arrest was placed in the hands of the Radical Sheriff of Marion county, who their proceedings as a Board, and no rec can give you will be cheerfully furnished retained it in his possession about six days when he made his return to the Governor. and remarked that he "supposed that it was his duty to get a requisition for his arrest." The Governor, knowing that the Radicals would delay the matter as long as possible, and in the meantime inform the guilty one of the indictments and give him an opportunity for escape, had already dispatched Deputy Sheriff Foudray. of Jackson county with a requisition for May's arrest, and told the Radical Sheriff that he (May) was under charge of an officer, in all probability at that very time This rather disappointed the chap who had been playing it smart, but be concluded the Governor was rather too "sharp'

CONTEMPTIBLE. We are informed that the editor of the Statesman refuses to that the Governor has unnecessarily de- Treasury, in his own favor, which moneys publish the Marion County Grand Jury layed the prosecution of Sam May, and report because it speaks in favorable states that the reports were current a as to these sums, he stole them twice. terms of the manner in which the peni- year ago that he was a defaulter. The tentiary is conducted by Superintendent reports were current three years ago, Watkinds. Such contemptible personal yet the Radical State officers did nothing spleen is only to be found in a person of to bring him to justice. It was known certain. The first embezzlement was in very narrow mind. The Grand Jury re- to some members of the Radical State October, 1867. Woods returned from port is public property and every local Government that he had stolen, and even paper owes it to the public to publish the Methodist Church knew it as far back Haight. He was in Salem at the date of it, no matter who is censured or praised. as 1868 or 1869, when he was suspended, that draft by May of \$3,566 79, drawn on The Statesman is the property of its pa- Why did not the Radicals, who had the trons as much as it is the editors', and evidence which the Democratic officials personal relations should have no consid- have obtained under great difficulty,

This day saw the birth of a man who came into the world that the world might know the mercies of a God, and the glories of an eternal rest beyond the resurrection. The wonderful story written across the sky of a Judean midnight has come down the long. dim corridor of years until, with heaven and inspiration to add their perfectness, it is now the beautiful epic of the christian's faith .--Grand, holy days of sanctities and mys. to a certainty, and almost as certainly it teries! The home hearth is swept by the wings of angels and lit by the light of faces made radiant with charity and welcome. To the grandfather's face there comes a tenderer look, and to the grandpurpose of designating the time and man- mother's eyes a sweeter joy. Memory ner of holding a Democratic State Con- puts all her royal garments on, and in the chambers of the heart there is heard the trailing of bridal robes and the rustling the transaction of such other business as of grave cerements. Lovers come home from all the seas singing songs that have the great laugh of the winds and the waves Baker ...... J. R. McLain in them. All the streams having flowers

> and sacred harbor of Veneration. The battle of life may be bitter to fight, and one by one all the frail, fair things of hope and fancy may feel the sharp, curt feet of the hoar frost pass over them; but if within the darkened soul the light of Christmas fires can shine and the music of | Oregon for the previous two years, \$6. Christmas welcomes be heard, there is hope in the future and a rest for the weary beyond the sunset shore.

Christmas, and thus the nation's holiday

sails as a freighted bark up from the ocean

It is a holy superstition, this of Christmas and of Santa Claus. It lingers longer than any other of the rare, sweet things of youth, and comes back ever with a smile on its beautiful face and a benediction in its open hands. Men alone have destiny-children a guardian and which is Christmas. The young mother, in the State Treasury, and the amount above whose head is shining the blissful transmitted to Governor Gibbs, \$1.545-92. aureole of maternity, bends over her sleeping child with her fingers on her lips. | count opened of the Five Per Cent. Fund. and watches it in a dream of Santa Claus | But nothing could be discovered of the and of Christmas. The young bride opens two amounts transmitted to Governor Woods. The amounts were respectively, her dreamy eyes in the soft twilight of the \$3,566 79 and \$1,857 46. gleam the light of Christmas fires. The age has placed the sacred crown, will lift resurrection after death, wherein the separated will find once more the links in borne upon the airs and harps of heaven.

# Sam May's Defalcations.

Elsewhere we publish a complete state- ment. ment, taken from the Herald, relative to Sam May's defalcations. The total amount of money stolen has not yet been ascerthis class of advertising. We also find the | tained, but it is not less than thirty thousand dollars. This matter would have been developed much sooner had the State records been kept in a condition by which the present efficient administration could five indictments found are as follows:

.1 Larceny, of \$3,566 79; taken from (the Governor), and signing himself "Secsize larger than the litigant law provides, the 5-per cent. fund, arising from the sales retary of State" only. The date of this last draft is May 7th, 1869, nearly eleven. 2. Larceny of \$1.857 46; taken from

the 5-per cent. fund. 3. Embezzling the proceeds of the sales the Code, authorized to be sold at \$6 per

University funds, arising from the sale of

as Secretary on account of support of persons in the Insane Asylum, and not paid Then on May 20, 1869, he sent as his

to the Treasurer as the law requires. the Board of School Land Commissioners cannot now be ascertained, as that Board

ard of the deeds executed by them CHEAP .- We long since thought that not prepared to place such a low estimate on the office of Attorney General. It wil! be remembered that Judge Williams sometime since presented Grant with a Mexican saddle, and it now appears that this was the highest present offered for the nounced. Attorney Generalship. It was not, probably, the insignificant value of the saddle which got him the position, but Grant naturally takes to "horse" and the fitness of the thing gave him the place. Rather is sold for a Mexican saddle.

prosecute him? An answer is desired.

UNDER RADICAL RULE. Ex-Governor Woods and Secretary

> May. The Steal of the \$3,400.

[From the Herald] This theft, in the highest places of trust in our State, and startling to honest men, s one involving the character of the entire board of officers under the last Radical State administration. It involves May involves Woods.

In the act of Congress of 14th February, 1859, admitting Oregon as a State, it is provided "that five per centum of the net proceeds of sales of all public lands lying within said State which shall be sold by Congress after the admission of said State into the Union, after deducting all expenses incident to the same. shall be paid to said State for the purpose of making public roads and internal improvements, as the Legislature shall As soon as Governor Grover had work-

ed his way through the confused condition of the public lands of the State, in August last, he addressed a letter to the Secretary of the Interior, asking an account of the Five Per Cent. Fund, and intimated that no account had ever been plied that he had referred the letter to the Commissioner of the General Land Office, with instructions to state the account and | Years old. forward it to the Governor; but saying at the same time that he believed there had been an account before. A letter shortly after came from the Commissioner, inclosing an account of public lands in 598 76; and a Treasury warrant soon followed for the amount, drawn in favor of the Governor of Oregon on the depository at the First National Bank, Portland. Answer was at once made acknowledging this sum, but requesting an account for the previous ten years. In due time a full statement was received from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, showing that three accountings had been had before the last, one in the time of Governor Gibbs, and two in the time of Governor Woods. A search was ordered was found as having been received and placed in the School Funds, and no ac-

fault, and request made that the Governor original transactions with the Treasury

"STATE OF UREGON. DEPARTMENT OF STATE. Salem, August 20, 1867. Hon, R. W. Taylor, Comptroller Treasury

Department, Washington, D. C. Sin: Referring to the unnexed com munication, this certifies that the Russell behalf of the State of Oregon the amount therein specified.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the scal of

SAMUEL E. MAY. Sec. of State and Acting Governor." (Indorsed). "Pay to the order o

Messrs Riggs & Co. Russell, & Erwin Meg. Co. RICHARD P. BRUFF, Attorney.

[Copy of communication to Woods re-

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,

July 10, 1867. An account of the Five Per Cent. Fund, which has accured to the State of Oregon for the sale of the public lands within her limits, from the 1st of with small-pox. balance of \$3,566 79 found to be due from the United States. You will be good enough to certify who is authorized to receive the same for the State, and it will from small pox. be so paid on application for such pay-

Very Respectfully, R. W. TAYLOR. Comptroller.

HON. GEORGE L. WOODS, Governor of the State of Oregon.

Eugene City, Oregon The next transaction, disposing of the sum of \$1.857 46, in favor of the same parties as before, was, upon a letter of advice, addressed to Governor Woods, bearing date July 22, 1868, and drawn unon by May in much the same form as before, but stating, "in the absence of that officer." months after it was transmitted to Gov.

The "Russell & Erwin Manufacturing This branch house was addressed, calling for information concerning the drafts mentioned in the record copies from the U.S. made that "October 26, 1869. Samuel E-May, Secretary of State, sent us for collection his draft on R. W. Taylor, Comp-5. Larceny of \$2,635 29, paid to May | troller of the Treasury Department, Washington, for \$3,566 79, U. S. currency. All the money paid to May as one of tion of this amount, addressed to Gov. Woods. Both drafts were paid, credited

Request was made for the original letters of May in disposing of these funds. and for items of payments on his account. ing the week immediately preceeding the meeting of the Grand Jury at Salem, and were laid before that body, together with all the records and official correspondence in the matter. The result was the indictments which we have elsewhere an-

It appears in the correspondence that May used a part of these funds to pay his private bills in San Francisco, to furnish his house, to pay for silverware ordered from New York, and marked in his name; and the balance was placed to his credit cheap when the office of Attorney General in New York city. He, in fact, paid in ing of the Woodbull lecture which we New York \$1,400 for a State safe, and \$700 fer books for the State Library, but these things were fully paid for here, when the The Oreyonian still harps on the string bills came by his own warrant on the State he used and afterwards replaced them

> That May stole these moneys is worse than true-he stole some of them twice. Where was Woods all this time? That he was in Oregon, and about Salem, is most California in September of that year, a letter addressed to Gov. Woods. They did not keep their offices together, and pretended to be at sword's points. How could May obtain these letters from the

THE ROBBING OF THE STATE Woods-official money letters-without Woods' knowledge? It was the duty of Gov. Woods to look after the accounts of public funds due the State from the General Government. It no letter has ever been received by him on this account of the Five Per Cent. Fund, he should have demanded one, as Gov. Grover did, and should have seen that the rights of the State were responded to. What hypothesis can be offered to show that Woods is not also accountable for the embezzlement of these funds? It is indeed startling to find that the public interest and the public funds have been in such hands | quiry. and the end of the theiving not yet reach-

### STATE NEWS.

A dispatch from Jacksonville, under date of the 15th inst. says that George Tribble, the young man who was publicly cowhided by the Misses Ralls, in that place, has been arrested on a charge of perjury and bound over in the sum of

Hon. E. L. Bristow, Grand Master of I. O. O. F., has returned from a visit to the Sound on official business.

Mr. Woodruff, lately of Chicago, has purchased property in Holladay's Addiand wagon manufactory.

A man over sixty years of age took out a marriage license in Lane tounty during the past week. The bride was nineteen

An effort is being made at Eugene to raise funds sufficient to construct a bridge large number of gentlemen from the Pa- and we challenge contradiction. across the Coast Fork. The cost is esti- citic coast, including members of Congress, mated at \$3,000.

The Albany Register says: Ruel Custer and Mrs. Lines were remarried, at the residence of D. Mansfield in this city, on Thursday evening, Judge Johns tving the knot. The reunited pair started north Friday morning.

A young man named Wallace, borrowed a horse and buggy of a Mr. Porter, at | pensed without fear or favor, with equal Forest Grove, to take his young lady to vigor and respect for all classes and con-Portland. He sold the buggy and horse at Portland and left for parts unknown.

A gravel train ran off the track at Harrisbarg last Saturday, and it is reported that two Chinamen were killed and seven

found a few miles above the mouth of the | regret that in some portions of the coun-

R. H. Sullivan, the deserter from Vanbe furnished with certifled copies of the conver, has been convicted at Eugene of forgery, and sentenced to two years imprisonment. He has been lodged in the Penitentiary.

> oppressed citizen leaving her husband Anthony's advent.

> 21 Johny Bailey, a boy eight years old, residing on North Yambill, broke his arm by falling from a fence.

A man named William Sherwood, from the State aforesaid, the day and year Coos county, has been brought to the in-

> The first twenty miles of the west side railroad is finished and cars will soon be

> The taxable property of Portland is

about \$9,000,000. A man named John Dougherty shot at one of the deck hands of the Fannie Patton while she was lying at Corvallis, last Saturday. The deck hand put a terrible

"head" on Dongherty. No serious dam-Four of the family of Mr. Cannutt, triumple in the next Presidential election. near Oakland, Douglas county, are sick

Albany is the most unfortunate town in Oregon. The telegraphic dispatches give an account of another fire there.

There has been one death at Oakland The Dallas Republican publishes this

paragraph: "We learn that the wife of Mr. W. Savage, living in the eastern part | for their appearance to-morrow to answer of Yamhiil county, near Sheridan, de- the charge of their daughter. serted her family one day last week, and in company with a young man named with her husband's request, she prepared bama dispute. The Spanish Government for the journey; but when she was ready is anxious to bring about a complication instead of going to meet him, she left her family, consisting of seven children-Company" is an establishment of New among them a baby only a few months of seven hundred and forty two copies of York, having a branch in San Francisco. old-with her relatives, and accompanied the United States resposible for the escape by young Connor, started South. Various of the Cuban privateers and and the prorumors are affoat concerning the matter : one to the effect that she took about five 4. Larceny, of \$1,152 00 School and Treasury Department. Response was thousand dollars in money and other valnables. Connor was arrested near Jacksonville charged with larceny, for stealing "one wife, child and some furniture."

General Complaint.-All along the draft on same person for \$1,857 46, cur- | line of steamboat transportation and also rency, accompanied by Taylor's notification on the railroad, there is a general com- among whom, it is said, are men not hereplaint by the shippers in regard to the tofore known as being connected with to May, and disbursed according to his | conduct of the present Company which instructions; partly here and partly in monopolizes our transporting interests. Thomas C. Fields and one or more against

THE DAYTON.-This boat stopped at Lafayette, Wednesday of last week, and eventually Williams would be rewarded The letters were furnished, and are now went back next day without freight, alfor his present to General Grant, but were in possession of the executive Office, though hundreds of tons were awaiting These original letters were received dur- shipment from this point. The consequence was, that those passengers who had made arrangements to go down in her were obliged to ride to Dayton through the mud, as one back load did, or wait two days longer as some others did. The officers on the boat are the same courteous and obliging gentlemen as ever, but they go according to orders, and are not employed, as formerly, by a company which sees its true interest in accommodating its patrons.

> EMPHATIC.—Pomeroy's Democrat, speakpublished last week, says:

On the night of the 20th inst., the notorious Victoria Woodhull lectured in Steinway Hall to a motley crowd of ladies and gentlemen, politicians, bankers, horsejockies, gamblers, sporting men, pimps. out of the Five Per Cent. Fund, so that, prostitutes, gutter-snipes.speculators.Tammanyites, carpet baggers, freedom-shriekers, free-lovers, and in fact, everything from the upper crust to the very dregsrag-tag and bob-tail of the community. Such a gathering has never been seen since the bugs, beasts, reptiles, and other vermin went into Noah's Ark. The lecture in itself was a disgrace to the hall in which it was held, the city in which the hall is situated, the State in which the city is located, and the Union of which New York is a member.

MERRY CHRISTMAS .- We wish our read-Treasury Department, addressed to ers a merry and happy Christmas.

### Telegraphic Clippings.

WASHINGTON NEWS. Washington, Dec. 14.—The Senate, in executive session, to-day, took up the nomination of George H. Williams of Oregon to be Attorney General of the United States, and confirmed it without reference to the Committee. This was in accordance with the usage and courtesy in a member of the Senate, his character being sufficiently known without formal in-

Various propositions were made and ber of Representatives of which the Honse should be composed. The number was finally, on motion, of Garfielde, fixed at 283. Maine, 5: New Hampshire, 2: Vermont. 2: Massachusetts, 11 : Rhode Island, 1: Connecticut, 4; New York, 32; New Jersey, 7; Pennsylvania, 26; Delaware, 1; Maryland, 6; Virginia, 9; North Carolina, 9; South Carolina,9; Georgia,9; Alabama,7; \$500 to answer at the next term of Court. Mississippi, 6; Louisiana, 5, Obio, 20; Kentucky, 10; Tennessee, 9; Indiana, 12; Illinois, 19; Missouri, 13; Arkansas, 4; Michigan, 9; Florida, 1; Texas, 6; Iowa 9; Wisconsin. 8; California, 4; Minnesota, 3; Ore- 785 05! gon.1. Total, 283.

A Washington special says that General tion to Albany and commenced the erec- Schenck, having accomplished his mission tion of a residence and a large carriage with reference to the Treaty of Washington, and regarding his personal interests here as imperative, has requested the President to name his successor and call

WHAT FLAXBRAKE SAID:

called upon Mr. Williams, recently appointed Attorney General, to tender their congratulations. Mr Williams spoke as follows:

Department of Justice in this Government, so far as the jurisdiction of that department may go, its mandates will be disditions of men. I know not what there may be in the clamor now made about official delinquencies in Federal offices, such delinquencies devolves upon the Department of Justice, no partisan con-Recently the remains of an unknown will be spared to bring the guilty to for using the whole power of the country in the most vigorous and effective manner to crush out conspiracy against the peace of society and the safety of nnoffending citizens. Governments were primarily established for the weak against the strong, and if this Government fails to perform The West Side says "we heard of another | its functions in that respect it has a poor claim on the support and loyalty of its and family, last Saturday. The rate of citizens. No one in sight of recent events one a week is well kept up since Miss in New York or elsewhere can take office now and escape the vigilant eye of the people, and nothing but a complete and toright devotion to duty will give general satisfaction. I shall struggle to meet the popular demands as well as to meet the Benton county is the first county to pay expectations of my briends, with how much siccess time and events will determine. I have the honor to be the first Cabinet officer taken from the Pacific coast-California, Nevada, Oregon, and consider themselves recognized and represented in every branch of the Government. I do not effect indifference to party matters, because I have been elected to office. I belong to the Republican party. I believe in its principles and politics, and I have a profound conviction that its ascendency for some time to come is necessary to the preservation of ordinate to my official obligations, everything that I can reasonably and honor-

> ably. I shall earnestly do to secure its NEW YORK NEWS. New York, Dec. 14.—This afternoon Miss Tennie C. Claffin appeared at the Market Court and complained that her father and mother were a source of continned annoyance to her and Mrs. Woodhall. She complained specifically that they went to her residence on Wednesday evening last and created a great disturbance. Justice Stanly issued a summons

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.-A Herold's special from Washington says it now appears to Connor, left for parts unknown. Mr. Sav- have been discovered that the British Govage is quite an extensive dealer in cattle. erument completely outwitted the Adminand a man of considerable means. During | istration on the part of the Treaty of the last year he has been to Texas after a Washington providing for the appointdrove of cattle, and during his absence ment of arbitrators, and that a decision his large farm has been carried in by adverse to the position and interests of young Connor, under the supervision of the United States will be the result of the to which he has been appointed. Mrs. Savage. A short time since Mr. S. Geneva Conference. Only two of the sent word to his wife to meet him at some | five arbitrators are friendly to a republicspecified place east of the mountains, an form of Government. It is said that the With the avowed object of complying upshot will be a reopening of the Alaof this kind, and is supposed to favor England's nonliability(?) for the escape of the Alabama, because she desires to hold tection given to tie Hornet and Florida. This whole subject will be ventilated in the House in a few days, when the Alabama claims will come up for discussion

New York, Dec. 16.-The excitment is great around the City Hall and among ocal politicians over the action of the Grand Jury and arrest of Tweed. It is understood that indictments have been found against twenty or more persons, frauds and ballot box stuffing. It is stated that two indictments were found against hat James M. Sweny has been indicted for felony, and that proofs against him are stronger than against Tweed. An indictment is said to be found against one notorions fellow who voted 600 repeaters at the last election. A well known Police Judge has also been indicted for his connection with the ballot-box stuffing.

Tweed was brought before Judge Barnard on a writ of habeas corpus, and ad-

WHY HE ACCEPTED. -A Washington

dispatch to the Evening Post says: "Mr. Schenck's personal friends are defiant. One of the most prominent of them openly declares that if any inquiry is sent to nim on the subject of his connection with the Emma Mine he will answer that it is none of the business of the Government. Members of the same clique say that Gen. Schenck only accepted office for a short time, to pay his expenses to and in London, while he should negociate the sale of this mine, and in order that the position of Ambassador might aid him selling it; that when the Government inquires about it, he will resign at once. pocket his profits, and return, to specuulate in something else.

EDITORIAL CONVENTION. - The Herald last week suggested the propriety of holding a convention of the Democratic editors of this State, at Portland, on the 8th of January. We are decidedly in favor of has issued a call for a meeting of that body such a convention, and hope all the Dem- to be held at Portland. January 8, 1872, ocratic editors in the State will heartily The Chairman desires every member of respond to the suggestion.

On the 21st of July, 1868, says the Pe triot, Mr. Boutwell stated, in the House of reduced, between April, 1865 and January, 1868, one thousand and sixty-six mil lions of dollars. According to the pub lie debt statement, it has been further teevery case where a nominee has been duced, according to Secretary of the Treasury, of over \$1,349,000,000 in the

last six years. On the 30th of June, 1865, the total discussed, principally turning on the nam- debt was ..... \$2,680,647,869 74 Deduct from this the

reduction stated by the Secretary of the

These are figures of the Treasury Department, and the statements of its chief; it is not for as to reconcile and explain them. They are matter of record, and we call upon the supporters of the Adminissration to attempt their denial or refutation. We can show book and page where they can be found of record, placed Washington, Dec. 15 .- This evening a there by the Secretary of the Treasury

The march of scandal is becoming im. where, if we mistake not, he now is!

the matter. Tony ?- Oregonian.

GEN. JOSEPH LANE. - On yesterday, says the Plaindealer, this eminent soldier. patriot and statesman reached the ripe age of three score and ten, and we are peace and enforcement of law. Sub- happy to state that he is in the enjoyment of good health, physically and mentally, Although retired from political life, he has lost none of his interest in his country's welfare, and his friends enjoy no greater pleasure than to listen to the conversation of his leisure hours, in his mountain home. It is in vain we regret that the race of honest, upright statesmen to which he belonged is passing away. we can only hope that he may be pre- Cherry, and the result is that it is the served to us for yet many years.

ATTORNEY GENERAL.-Ex-Senator Willlams has been appointed Attorney General in place of Akerman, resigned. We are glad that he has been provided for. and that the people of Oregon are rid of him for the present. He is a great improvement on Akerman and we hope, for the reputation of our State, that he may prove himself worthy of the high position

urgently requested.

him and "fixed him."

CHEEKY .- The Oregonian after defending Sam May as long as it was possible, andiforward the same to the above address. and denying that he was a defaulter to the State, now has the brazen impudence "under Radical rule" kept no record of New York. Any further information we This is nothing but what might have been other parties connected with the City to declare that it was the power which anticipated. The following is from the Park management, It has also leaked out forced the officials to examine into the matter. Why, it is hardly two months since you denied that Sam May was a defaulter to the State for any sum.

> Democrats in Congress.-The Democratic members of Congress evidently do not regard the late Insane Departure on the part of certain Democrats, so-called, mitted to bail in the sum of five thousand with any degree of favor. An informal interchange of opinion, says a Washington special, on the course to be taken with regard to the next Presidency shows great unanimity in opposition to undue aste, or to any steps that look like a sur render of the Democratic organization into the hands of anti-Grant Radicals.

by one majority. The contest between Recorder, although defeated by six votes. that Mr. Head was not a qualified voter of the State, though he swore to a residence in Portland ever since 1868, until

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE .- As will be seen at the head of our columns the Chairman of the Democratic Central Committee that body present in person.

## Paying off the Debt.

Representatives, that the debt had been the thing.

Treasury, viz ..... \$1,349,749,811 98

should now be ..... \$1.330,898,057 76 husband to include in the luxury But, according to the public debt statement of the first instant, it is \$2,361,051, 842 81, a discrepancy of over a thousand millions of dollars-precisely \$1,030,153 .-

BUTTER - 72 b., 3560-40cts.

### Chicago Lots.

pressive, and its aim singularly precise "I promise all whom it may concern that when I am placed at the head of the and accurate. Not content with random firing and throwing shells, without a distinet object, the sharpshooters are actually aiming at and hitting the buttons of their adversaries. A leading New York journal, whose editor, it is no offence to say, once stood high on Republican canbut so far as exposure and prosecution of on, and held distinguished official position under the lamented Lincoln, has unearthed a new scandal about our Chief sideration will have weight, and no pains Magistrate. On the records of Cook county, Illinois, is a deed from Joseph II. man, evidently dead several months, were speedy, condign punishment. I deeply Jones and Enzabeth, his wife, to one Ulysses S. Grant, of the ciry of Washing-Cheeto river. He had on a leather belt try a spirit of lawlessness seems to pre- ton and District of Columbia. It is dated stamped P. F. McDonald. In the pockets vail. I will favor every consideration of 20th May, 1869, and conveys twenty acres of the clothing were found \$116 in silver kindness to induce obedience to law; but and an undivided interest in seventy-six half dollars, many of which were coined if no other means will answer, then I am acres of land. The consideration is one dollar, and there is a recital, though no record, that the grantor was a trustee of some sort. The value of the land is not stated. But Mr. Jones, the grantor, was soon after or about that time, appointed by General Grant, Minister to Belgium.

our most pretentions dectors.

Because he is a born quack, and we de- on the causes, prevention and cure of a gresire to keep the public from being lmposed upon. Even his offer to advertise in our columns had no effect on us. We know of a young lady friend he has brought to death's door, and who he agreed to "cure" for sixty dollars. The the Territories of the far West may now money was paid him and she, with others, have ever since suffered from his maipractice. That's what's the matter.

> COUNTY COMMITTEE. We are requested to invite the members of the Democratic County Committee to meet in this city, on Saturday, December 30th, 1871. There is some important business to be transacted by the committee, and a full attendance is

Just So .- We stated last week that Geo. H. Williams would either buy a seat in ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS. the Cabinet or in the Senate. He had completed his purchase before the paper LOANS NEGOTIATED, and CLAIMS had gone to press. It was probably the Mexican saddle which did, the thing for AGENCY BUSINESS transacted.

A Scio correspondent writing to the Albany Democrat says: The contested election cases were between T. J. Thorpe and T.P. Goodman, for the mayorship, in which Goodman won, and was declared Peter Smith and Daniel Gaby was decided in favor of the latter. J L. Miller, who contested the election of R. G. Head for was granted the certificate, on the ground October last, when he removed to Scio.

The five indictments against Sam M were found by a Jufy composed of fir Radicals and two Democrats. The evidence was too plain for them to get around

BUSTED.-The appointment of Geo, H Williams to the office of Attorney Gener al, has knocked the bottom out of the Radical party in Oregon. He was their "last man."

FREE LOVE. - "Old Betsy" writes from Connecticut to sav that "free love" is a mighty nice doctrine for a fresh, lively man or woman, but for a person who is all worn out by hard work it don't amount to much. A worn-out wife, she thinks, wouldn't like her "Old Betsy" is a sensible woman,

## Oregon City Prices Current;

-The following are the prices paid for produce, and the prices at which other a: cicles are selling, in this market ; WHEAT-White, & bushel, \$1 25. OATS-7 bushel, 75 ets. POTATOES—71 bushel, \$1 00 cts. ONIONS—72 bushel, \$1 00@ \$1 50. FLOUR-7 bbl. \$7 00@\$6 50. BEANS-White, & D., 1(a.5 cts. DRIED FRUIT Apples. P 1., 5(9,6 cls Peaches, P B., 1650; Plums, P B., 150 16 cts.: Unrrants. 7 ib., 10@20 cts.

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COFFEE-72 b., 23@25 ets. SALT-70 th., 11/0/21 ets. SYRUP-Heavy Golden, Pgall., \$1 00 Ex. Heavy Golden, P. gall., \$1 25 BACON-Hams, P lb., 14 cts; Side

14 cts. P. lb.; Shoulders, 7 cts. LARD—P. lb., 14 cts. OIL-Devoc's Kerosene, 79 gall, 7 Linseed oil, raw, P gall., \$1 is Linseed oil, boiled, P gall., \$1 59. WOOL-79 lb., 35 ets. BEEF-On foot, 7 @ 8 cts. P h PORK -On foot, 7(a Sets. 7) b. SHEEP-Per head, \$2 00(a)\$2 50.

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