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MASS MEETING OF REPUBLICANS

It Was the Largest Convention Held in a Great Many Years in This City. THE PEOPLE TAKE THE REINS Meeting Split Into Three Sections. One for Each Ward--The Delegates Chose Today Will Name the County Officers for the ensuing Term.

The largest mass meeting of Republicans that has ever taken place in Astoria, was held last night. All through the day there seemed to be a general feeling that it was time that the business man, working man, capitalist and all others interested in maintaining purity in politics, took a hand in the primary.

Chairman Fox called the meeting to order, and stated that the people were assembled to select names to be voted upon as delegates to the county convention. The first thing in order was the selection of a chairman of the meeting, and upon the motion of Judge Gray, P. J. Taylor was unanimously elected chairman of the Second Ward division, and W. P. McGregor was made chairman of the Third Ward contingent.

Mr. Chamberlain said that if the result of the British expedition should be a measure relieving the Egyptian debt, the committee were competent to sanction the proposed expenditure for the Dongola expedition. Mr. Curson said that the committee would be glad to see the Egyptian debt, which was derived from a conversion of the Egyptian debt, required the unanimous consent of the powers to the application of the money to England's own purposes.

Mr. Stanley, the explorer, asserted that Egypt had a right to reclaim her former territory, and that the British government do so had come. The total defeat of the Mahdists, Mr. Stanley declared, must precede the independence of Egypt.

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HILL AND ELKINS IN CONTROVERSY

Senators Engage in Sharp Personal Encounter Over Assembling of New Mexico Legislature. IT WAS A POLITICAL DEBATE Hill Charged Political Trickery, Which Did Not Meet Favor With Elkins--Debate in the House on the Sunday Civil Appropriation Bill.

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RUSSIO-CHINA TREATY

Alleged Combination Entered Into for Mutual Protection. San Francisco, March 27.--The North China Daily News prints what is said to be a translation of the treaty entered into between Russia and China. The treaty allows Russia to use any harbors along the coast of China; to mobilize fleets therein; buy coal and supplies; buy horses; hire coolies; and Russia is to have the use of Port Arthur as a winter harbor; but if complications with other powers should arise, Russia may use any other ports on the coast of Korea and Manchuria. In return, Russia is to help China in case of war with other powers.

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STATE POPULISTS IN CONVENTION

Platform Pledges Candidates for the Legislative Vote Against Useless Commissions. TO ABOLISH THE FISH TRAP Demand for the Speedy Retirement of All Fish Traps and Weeds, and Stringent Regulation of Seize and Gill Net Fishing, Reserved.

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