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### Republican National Ticket.

For President, BENJAMIN HARRISON, of Indiana.

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Platform: Protection of American Industries, American Homes for Workingmen.

Motto for transparencies: "Cleveland's Letter of Acceptance, Check of \$10,000 to the Democratic National Committee."

Harrison's letter of acceptance is a thoughtful, plain and manly paper. It is a striking contrast with the turgid style and common-place platitudes of Cleveland's letter. While the latter must have made the average democrat feel tired, the former will give its author additional strength with his party, and inspire the confidence and win the support of thousands of thoughtful people everywhere, who think more of the progress and prosperity of this country and the welfare of our own citizens, than the success of any political party.

The survey of a railroad from Astoria to Albany Oregon was commenced at the former city a few days ago. The company intends to push this line through as rapidly as possible and it should have the good will and encouragement of the people of the valley. The line will be built south along the coast, top the Nehalem valley and come out by Tillamook, which is nearly on a direct line between Astoria and Albany. Considering the wealthy country this road will develop and the great advantage it will be to the producers of this valley, it is the most important line that has been projected in the State.

When we consider the patronage of this great office, the allurements of power, the temptation to retain public place once gained, and more than all, the availability a party finds in an incumbent from a horde of officeholders, with a zeal born of benefits received and fostered by the hope of favors yet to come, stand ready to aid with money and trained political service, we recognize in the eligibility of the President for re-election a most serious danger to that calm, deliberate and intelligent action which must characterize a government by the people.—From President Cleveland's letter of acceptance, August 18, 1884.

This same President Cleveland has contributed \$10,000 for campaign purposes.

The letter of acceptance of Grover Cleveland has been issued. After complimenting the American people upon the fact that they have a very good government, and explaining what a big thing the office of president is, he writes a long democratic free trade editorial—not so able an editorial as those of Henry Watterston, George Jones, Henry George and others—but still a very fair article for one of the president's experience in such matters. He argues from the assumption that the surplus is \$130,000,000, when the fact is, as told by his hired men, that when the bills are paid it will be only about \$25,000,000. He repeats the arguments of his message for "tariff reform," and still makes the statement that "We have entered upon no crusade of free trade." There is nothing new or original in the letter. He wants "vindication" for his attempt to inaugurate a righteous and beneficial reform. He will be "vindicated" on November 6th.—Statesman.

One's companions have much to do with making one's moral atmosphere. Perhaps more young lives are ruined through the corruption which comes from evil companionship, than from any other external cause. "Go with the wolves," says a Spanish proverb, and you will learn to howl." "Go with mean people," says an English by-word, "and you will find life

mean." In this regard the school teacher has a certain responsibility for his scholars. There are few actions in a boy's life more important than the choosing of his friends; yet this choice is too often left to the decision of circumstances, or to the pleasant preferences of the hour. The school teacher, from the standpoint of life, ought to be able to show his scholars how to choose their friends and he should be able, also, to counsel them in the duties and responsibilities of friendship. The things taught in the lesson hour may be soon forgotten; but if a teacher succeeds in building up about his scholars a preserving wall of friendship, he will have supplied them with an influence which may go on forever shaping their lives for good.

### The Supreme Court Clerk and Reporter.

A correspondent from Salem to the Oregonian on the question of the Supreme Court Clerk and Reporter presents certain facts touching that office that are food for thought for the taxpayer. The office is the best paid for the least work of any in the State. Like in California and all the other states the office should be elective, the incumbent should be a man whom the people select and not the Judges of the court and he should be a man who will devote his time to the office. Let one of our members present a bill to the next Legislature making the office elective every four years by the votes of the state and meantime a clerk be elected by the present legislature to hold office until his successor is elected and qualified. The papers throughout the State loving the interests of the people at heart should discuss this question and ventilate it thoroughly to the end that the needed reform be accomplished. The startling fact is disclosed by the Oregonian correspondent that more than \$8000 per annum is realized from the office, a sum \$2000 in excess of the gross salary of the three Supreme Judges. Let the overburdened taxpayer be relieved from the incumbent and mark our word the man who engineers a bill through the Legislature making the office a salaried one at \$2000 per annum and giving the people a say as to the man they want will receive the lasting gratitude of all.

Advice from Grant county report that Lake Malheur, a body of water that covers more than 75 square miles and has been without outlet, is rushing through a subterranean passage with a great roar. The noise is so loud and the shrinkage of water so great as to attract much attention. It is said that miles of formerly submerged land are now visible. The account is meager. The lake receives the water of the Blitzen river and never overflows. It is situated on a rich, level plain with low shores. It is connected with Lake Harney by a shallow channel 60 feet wide and 600 feet long. If the subsidence proves permanent it may throw the Oregon Pacific survey farther south.

### POLL TAX.

The poll tax for the town of Monmouth is now due. Settle and save costs. A. N. Hall, marshal.

### Administrators Notice.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Polk county. In re estate of P. W. Prather, late of said county, deceased, notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that I have this day been appointed by Hon. Jonathan Stouffer, County Judge, of said county, administrator of the estate of P. W. Prather, late of said county, deceased. All persons holding claims against said estate are required to present them to me duly verified within six months from date and all persons indebted thereto will please make immediate payment. Dated Sept. 14, 1888. J. J. Daly, M. N. Prather, Administrators.

### Polk County Bank.

MONMOUTH, OREGON. Opens September 10th.

Does a general banking business. Sight Drafts on New York, San Francisco or Portland. Deposits received subject to check or on certificates of deposit. Collections will receive prompt attention. Office hours 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Hall's Burglar Proof Safe, secured by Yale Time Lock.

## New Goods--New Prices.

Cook stoves furnished \$15 and higher. Milk pans 12 1/2 cts and higher. Milk pails 35 cts and higher. Stove polish 5 cts and higher.

### A full line of Tinware Correspondingly.

Nails 3 1/2 cts per pound and higher. Rope 16 1/2 cts per pound and higher. Hardware, lumber, shingles, tools, sash, doors, mouldings, etc. Woven wire and spiral spring mattresses.

## FANCY WIRE FENCE.

Ammunition and fishing tackle. Wall paper and window shades. Bird cages, brackets and mirrors.

### A Good Line of Furniture.

While we thank you for past favors we ask a continuance of your patronage.

### Farmers Supply Depot Co.,

MONMOUTH, OREGON.

Crider brothers of Dallas have 20,000 shakes for sale cheap.

## WANTED, 5000,

Boys and Girls to buy School Books at Chalmers' Independence.

### Administratrix' Notice.

In re estate of Horace G. Hawley deceased. Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that at the September term, A. D. 1888, of the county court of Polk county, Oregon, I was appointed administratrix of the estate of Horace G. Hawley of said county, deceased. All persons holding claims against said estate will present them to me, duly verified, within six months from this date, and all persons indebted to said estate will please make me immediate payment. Warren Truitt, Emily J. Hawley, Administratrix. Dated Sept. 5, 1888.

### Executors Sale.

In re estate of Nelson Nealey deceased. Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that on the 13th day of Oct. 1888 at the hour of ONE o'clock p. m., I will sell on the PREMISES the following described real property belonging to the estate of Nelson Nealey, deceased, by virtue of and testamentary will: The donation land claim of S. S. Nealey in sections 21 and 22 township 9 S E 5 west of the Willamette Meridian; also, lots No's 4 and 5 in said sec. No. 22 in said township and range; also that other tract of land beginning at the southwest corner of donation land claim, No. 60 being the D L claim of Paul Hiltbrand in said township and range, thence east 29.50 chs, thence north 6.50 chs, thence south 51", west 31.50 chs, and containing in all 207 acres more or less. Term of sale cash in hand. Lyman Damon, Executor. John J. Daly, Atty for executor. 9-31

## The Yaquina Route.

### Oregon Pacific Railroad.

And Oregon Development Company's steamship line 225 miles shorter, 20 hours less time than by any other route. First class through passenger and freight line from Portland and intermediate points, leaving Portland at all points in the Willamette valley to and from San Francisco. Willamette river line of steamers. The Wm. M. Hong, the N. S. Bentley, the Three Sisters are in service for both passenger and freight traffic between Corvallis and Portland and intermediate points, leaving company's wharf, Corvallis, and Messrs. Hulman & Co's wharf, 200 and 202 Front street, Portland, three times each week as follows: (The River boats are not running at present on account of low stage of water.)

NORTH BOUND. Leave Corvallis Mon. Wed. and Fri. 10:35 a m. " Ray's Ldg Tue. Thu and Sat. 9:30 a m. " Fulquartz " " " " 9:40 a m. Arrive Portland " " " " 3:30 a m. SOUTH BOUND. Leave Portland Mon. Wed. and Fri. 8:00 a m. " Fulquartz " " " " 2:05 p m. " Ray's Ldg " " " " 2:15 p m. Arrive Corvallis Tues. Thu. Sat. 4:20 p m. Boats make close connection at Albany with trains of the Oregon Pacific railroad.

### DAILY PASSENGER TRAINS--EXCEPT SUNDAYS.

Leave Yaquina 6:45 a m. " Corvallis 10:35 a m. Arr Albany 11:10 a m. Leave Albany 1:00 p m. " Corvallis 2:40 p m. Arr Yaquina 5:30 p m.

O. & C. trains connect at Albany and Corvallis. The above trains connect at Yaquina with the Oregon Development Company's line of steamships between Yaquina and San Francisco.

SAILING DATES--FROM YAQUINA. Willamette Valley Friday, Sept. 7th. Willamette Valley Wednesday " 19th. FROM SAN FRANCISCO. " 19th. Willamette Valley Saturday Sept. 1st. Willamette Valley Thursday " 13th. Willamette Valley Tuesday " 25th.

This company reserves the right to change sailing dates without notice.

N B--Passengers from Portland and all Willamette Valley points can make close connection with the trains of the Yaquina route at Albany or Corvallis, and if destined to San Francisco should arrange to arrive at Yaquina the evening before sailing.

Passenger and freight rates always the lowest. For information apply to C. C. HOGUE, Acting general freight and passenger agent Oregon Pacific Railroad Co., Corvallis, Or. C. H. HASWELL, General freight and passenger agent Oregon Development Co., 204 Mont street, San Francisco.

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### JOHN J. DALY,

## Attorney at Law,

Will promptly attend to all legal business entrusted to him.

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WARREN TRUITT,

## Attorney at Law,

DALLAS, OREGON.

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Drugs, Paints, Oils, Glass and all other Articles kept in a first-class drug store.

Prescriptions Carefully Compounded.

Also Dealers in Reed & Barton's Silver and Plated Ware, Jewelry, Musical Instruments of all kinds.

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## Monmouth, Oregon.

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All Normal Graduates receive a Diploma from the State which authorizes them to teach in any public school in the State. Other States grant teachers' certificates on presentation of these Normal Diplomas, without examination.

## CHEAP LIVING.

Good table board is furnished to students at the "Normal Dining Hall" at \$1.50 per week. Good boarding in families with furnished room, fuel and lights, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per week.

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All charges reasonable. Give us a call.

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## Surprising Cash Bargains.

## NIES & SMITH.

## We are Selling our Stock of DRY GOODS AT COST.

Now is your chance to get great bargains, in our Dry Goods, Fancy Goods, Notions, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Furnishing Goods, Crockery and Glassware, departments, etc.

## Former Offers Fade Away in Oblivion.

These goods must be sold. We are going to close out our stock, and parties needing anything in our line will find it to their advantage to call and see us.

## Goods will be Sold Cheap.

Remember the place, corner brick store, NIES & SMITH,

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Best Grade of Goods,

And Fair Dealing  
Is Our Motto.

—All kinds of produce taken in exchange for goods.—

MONMOUTH,

OREGON.

Agricultural Implements and Farm Machinery,

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