

Geo. William Curtis says he will not accept the nomination for the presidency. No mugwump need apply.

The democratic national committee will meet in Washington City, D. C., February 22d, to fix the time and place of holding the democratic national convention.

Where do men work for sixty-five cents a day—on the unprotected wheat fields of California or in the protected coal mines of Pennsylvania?—S. F. Examiner.

The Columbia river fishermen's protective association have established the following rates for the fishing season of 1888: For canny nets, \$1 apiece; for private nets, \$1.25.

The Oregonian, when asked to name the republican candidates for president and vice president, says if it were to guess it would name Blaine and Harrison. This ticket, Cleveland and Gray, and Fiske and Dickey would make an interesting campaign.

The wheat crop of Oregon for 1887 amounted to 16,000,000 bushels. Total acreage was 960,026. Yield in California, Oregon and Washington combined, 54,774,000 bushels. These figures are from the report of the United States bureau of agriculture and are probably correct.

The Salem Statesman is now fully persuaded that the war is over. We are surprised, agreeably surprised, that the Statesman should arrive at any such conclusion. Whenever the rank and file of the g. o. p. become convinced of that fact, the democratic party will have an easy walk-over.

The San Francisco Alta expresses the feelings of the last spike party as follows: "California proposes to invite Oregon down to visit us, over the new railroad. We now notify our people that the Oregonians are as whole-souled a set of fellows as ever hailed the coming guest, and when they come to see us they deserve the best in the house."

Joseph Simon, chairman, has issued a call for the members of the republican state central committee to meet at his office in Portland, on Thursday, February 22, 1888, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of selecting the time and place for holding the state convention, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. A full attendance is requested.

In the national house of representatives on Monday Durham, of Illinois, introduced a bill appropriating \$150,000 to build an air ship to convey passengers through the air. The bill was referred to the committee on ventilation. It was probably feared that any other committee would smother the bill, the ship or the passengers. It is anything these days to reduce the surplus.

The question whether the wheat of Manitoba can be transported through Hudson's bay direct to Liverpool is of serious moment to this country as well as to Canada. On this subject, in the American Magazine for February, J. Murdoch Ouley will throw whatever light recent exploring expeditions can afford, aided by illustrations and details of existence in a region where as yet no human foot has set.

Last Saturday evening we attended the entertainment given by Louise Brown. The recitations, songs, etc., were well received by the audience, which was not large. Mr. H. is an artist with the banjo and harmonica, but he advised no one to buy a month and go into the organ business.

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All persons are requested to be present at said assessments, and settle their taxes or pay the same to me at my office, within 30 days from date of this notice, without fail.

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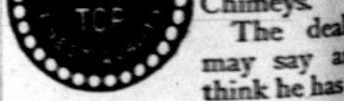
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