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The Statesman has been established for nearly fifty years, and it has some subscribers who have received it nearly that long...

CIRCULATION (SWORN) OVER 4000



Light Time and Love Time.

(Atlanta Constitution.) I. What of life's tempests—The wrath and the wrong? It's light time and love time, And life is a song!

GEOGRAPHY AND POLITICAL NOMINATIONS.

Our sprightly little exchange at Aurora, the Borealis, discovers a "weak point" in the Republican county ticket in the fact that "most of the offices were landed in Salem, the rest of the county being but scantily represented."

The proper rule to obey in the selection of candidates for public office is to select the men entirely regardless of where they may live.

In the present instance, circumstances pointed to two Salem men as the proper nominees for judge and sheriff.

If the sheriff had been chosen from Sublimity precinct, for instance, would that have been of the slightest benefit to that precinct or to any man in it, save to the sheriff himself?

Weak?

"I suffered terribly for 12 years. The doctors said my blood was all turning to water. At last I tried Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and was soon feeling all right again."—Mrs. J. W. Flala, Hadlyme, Ct.

No matter how long you have been ill, nor how poorly you may be today, Ayer's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine you can take for purifying and enriching the blood.

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most excellent man as a candidate for the sheriff's office, had succeeded in its aspiration, it would not have benefited a single citizen of that thrifty locality to the value of a cent during his term of office, save the officer himself.

Besides, Mr. Culver will make precisely as good an officer for every county of the county, living, as he does in one of the Salem precincts, as though he lived in Mt. Angel.

THE "MASSES" AND "CLASSES."

Besides being accused of having "designs" against the people of the United States, the Jeffersonian banqueters the other night declared through Governor Chamberlain that "the Democratic party is the party of the masses, the party of the masses in their struggle against the oppression of the trusts."

The Statesman some time ago requested any Democratic paper which might feel disposed, to print the name of the Democrat who made himself famous during the four years of Cleveland's first administration by securing the passage by Congress of a law looking to the extirpation of the aggregation of trusts in the "interests of the masses."

But the name of the Democratic legislator who immortalized himself in the succeeding four years in this respect has slipped our memory.

"AMERICAN POLITICS."

Under the above caption, Henry Litchfield West has a very interesting article in the April number of the Forum, in the course of which a deserved tribute is paid not only to the great executive ability of Senator Hanna, but to the really statesmanlike qualities he developed with those remarkable rapidity during the last ten years of his life.

On Thursday, the United States Senate devoted an hour to the pronouncing of eulogies upon Senator Hanna's memory as a statesman and Republican leader, and with the performance of that last duty by his colleagues the great Ohioan takes his place in the history of the country he did so much to reveal in many directions.

either by the record he made relating to the question or by the manifestations of admiration shown him wherever he went among the "rank and file" of his own state.

The rise of Senator Hanna in the political world, unknown as he was at the age of fifty-five to a position of prominence and influence within ten years not surpassed by any other public man, is an evidence of that equality of privileges and opportunity of which we so frequently speak in this country.

As a helpful force in his own party, whose advice was sought by even his rivals in important matters and whose judgment never failed in emergencies requiring a decision on the spur of the moment, Senator Hanna will be missed in the councils of his party—though not for long.

But Clay was missed for a day only, and the government went on as before. The death of Blaine had quite the same effect on the public mind and it caused a profound realization of the barrenness of all strife for political preferment where it is permitted to sour the better qualities of human nature.

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Of course, though, the protesting women admit all this, but they rest their objection upon the assumption that men and women thus engaged, garbed with their scant bathing suits, only, are liable to indulge in immoral thoughts, to the ultimate injury of the people so participating.

The fact is, these strained rules whose object is to insure morality will always be more or less ineffectual. The prevention of opportunity is a poor and unsafe reliance.

OREGON IN 1860. (From the Statesman.)

Don't Let Up.—We trust that no anti-Lane Democrat in any part of the state will relax his effort to defeat the Lane society in Oregon, on account of the probable nomination at Charleston, of Douglas.

LATEST! DOUGLAS' NOMINATION REPORTED!

Ger. Denver of California, received a dispatch saying that Douglas was nominated that afternoon. The Alta says Gen. Denver has lived on the Missouri frontier and has friends there who would send him the very latest advice.

Bible Meeting.—The 12th Annual Meeting of the Oregon Bible Society will meet in the M. E. church in Salem, on Wednesday, May 9, 1860, at 10 o'clock a. m.

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Assessor.—I will be a candidate for assessor of Marion county at the next election.

Independent Candidate for Sheriff.—The undersigned offers himself as an independent candidate for Sheriff of Marion county at the ensuing June election.

Geo. A. Eder, Salem, April 15th, 1860.

Mark Twain once said, "I am a greater man than Washington was, Washington didn't tell a lie because he couldn't. I can lie but I won't."

Jeff Myers is said to have remarked that if Oregon had 5000 more Democrats than it has, Congress would have long ago passed that Lewis and Clark appropriation bill.

The woman who would not put on her sun bonnet or other headgear, such a day as yesterday was, get the rake and hoe and invite her husband out in the yard to delve towards the bowels of the earth— isn't worth the sum invested in the original marriage license.

Every husband was in demand yesterday as a substitute for a real gardener and the array of sun bonnets and discarded hats was beautiful to behold.

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Well, gentlemen of the city council, the people are waiting quietly to see what you are going to do about amending that defective ordinance! The law was thought to be sound, you wanted it enforced and so did the people, and now your duty is plain. Nobody is going to be cranky about it but the defect was plainly pointed out and the remedy is in your hands.

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From the Office Window

A Utah paper recently stated that a Mormon had just frozen to death between his two wives—a statement that quite naturally created a feeling of consternation among those who so well know that one wife can make things so hot for her husband that freezing to death is a matter of the utmost possibility.

An Incident in Salem's Early History.

If "Chemeketa Prairie" had been left entirely alone by the early settlers—and the later ones—all that portion of Salem now adorned by Commercial street and the intervening country between it and the river would today be covered by a heavy growth of fir trees similar to those which constitute Marion Square.

Flouring Mills' warehouse now stands. In 1851 a small building was erected on that corner by Dr. Willson, who donated Willson's Avenue to Salem, and it was used by him as a Drug Store.

In 1853, Hon. J. W. Nesmith, having made his fortune, as he thought, in the milling business over on the Rickreel, sold all his possessions in Polk county and moved to Salem, which had just been finally and permanently, it was thought, selected as the Territorial capital.

helping the downfallen, encouraging the unfortunate, aiding the destitute and finding farm homes for those willing to come west and lead idyllic lives certainly most of his hearers were surprised at the amazing extent of their operations.

Breeze Gibson's example as to his historic oak tree has taken root. On Thursday evening President Roosevelt and Secretary Hitchcock planted a small oak tree in the eastern side of the White House yard that had been grown from an oak tree that stands in the grounds of the Peterhoff Palace in Russia.

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Editorial Sidelights and Observations on Various People and Things, Picked Up and Scribbled Down at Odd Times.

political ambition, having already served a term in the Territorial Legislature in Oregon City in 1849.

A friend of Nesmith's informs the writer that at that time he had property worth in the neighborhood of \$40,000, and he invested a part of it in Salem realty. Having been selected as the capital, and being without public buildings of any kind, Nesmith concluded to construct a suitable building for Legislative purposes and erected it on Trade street with a space of about forty feet between it and the Willson Drug store.

The upper story of this building was occupied by the Statesman, which had followed the capital from Oregon City, and was used as a press room, type setting department and editorial office.

This partition "fenced" off even a part of this into a bed room which the editor called his home. Col. John McCracken, yet a prominent citizen of Portland, was Clerk of the House and accommodations being very limited, the Statesman editor, buying a "two horse" bed, shared it with the Colonel during the legislative session.

For a number of years the house of representatives met in the Nesmith building and the senate in the "Rector Building," which was immediately adjoining the brick now standing on the corner of Commercial and Ferry—on the south.

In the session of 1858, Judge B. F. Bonham was a member of the house from Marion county and the sessions were still held in the Nesmith building. One of his colleagues was Hon. J. H. Lasater, a young Tennessean with the hot temper of many of the Southern people.

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