

Senator Dolph, of Oregon, has introduced a bill for the admission of Washington as a state. It provides for the admission of all Washington with a portion of Idaho attached—probably the four northwestern counties, which by natural features and the inclination of their inhabitants, have long been drawn toward the sister territory.

The New York Times interviewed 324 persons as to whether they had read the president's message. The number included merchants, bankers, government and city officers, lawyers and traders generally. Nearly one third—105—had read it through, with more or less care, and thirty had read portions of it. Those who had not read it numbered 189, but nearly one-half of these, or eighty-eight, intended to read it at their earliest leisure. Five had read only the newspaper criticisms. This leaves ninety-six who probably will not read it at all.

The National Republican committee met in Washington in important session on Wednesday, the 12th inst. A chairman was to be elected in place of Marshall Jewell, deceased, and the place and date of holding the next national convention fixed. Dwight M. Sabin, the newly elected senator from Minnesota, was elected to the important position of chairman of the committee by unanimous vote, the matter having of course been decided upon in private discussion. The balloting to decide where the next convention was to be held resulted in the choice of Chicago. The contesting cities were, in the beginning, Chicago, Cincinnati, Philadelphia and Saratoga, with Cincinnati as the only dangerous competitor. The following call was then adopted: That the Republican national convention will meet at Chicago, Illinois, Tuesday, June 3, 1884, at 12 o'clock, noon, for the nomination of candidates for president and vice president at the next election. Republican electors of the several states, and all other voters, without regard to past political differences, who are in favor of elevating and dignifying American labor, extending and protecting home industry, giving free popular education to the masses of the people, securing free suffrages and an honest counting of the ballots, effecting and protecting all human rights in every section of our common country, and who desire to promote a friendly feeling and permanent harmony throughout the land by securing a national government pledged to these objects and principles, are cordially invited to send for each state four delegates at large, for each congressional district, two delegates; and for each representative at large, two delegates.

**Gold and Silver.**

Helena Herald: We are indebted to L. A. Walker, assistant assayer in charge of the United States assay office at Helena during the absence of Assayer Harrison, for the following exhibit of the gold and silver received at Helena for the year 1883, and since the establishment of the assay office in 1876:

1883.	GOLD.	SILVER.
January .....	\$ 43,618 88	\$ 6,735 89
February .....	26,821 08	844 51
March .....	24,535 15	697 04
April .....	26,011 26	945 87
May .....	40,489 69	1,117 39
June .....	74,457 23	6,706 87
July .....	108,123 57	1,754 48
August .....	94,154 73	1,083 26
September .....	83,245 78	1,199 45
October .....	78,401 36	1,219 77
November .....	108,730 56	994 93
December (est'd) .....	49,500 00	600 00
Total .....	\$78,792 17	\$23,749 46

Values of gold and silver bullion deposited at the United States assay office, Helena, from January 1, 1877, to December 31, 1883:

YEAR.	GOLD.	SILVER.
Ending Dec. 31, '77	\$ 879,481 18	\$ 241,197 12
Ending Dec. 31, '78	298,881 77	404,567 58
Ending Dec. 31, '79	512,809 15	175,732 93
Ending Dec. 31, '80	495,155 19	97,924 60
Ending Dec. 31, '81	570,536 62	98,714 04
Ending Dec. 31, '82	673,923 35	91,013 16
Ending Dec. 31, '83	773,792 17	23,749 46
Total .....	\$8,708,331 42	\$1,182,896 29

The postmaster general has directed all postmasters to exchange for the public, as applications are made, three and six cent denominations of postage stamps and stamped envelopes for others of different denominations. Stamped envelopes will be exchanged at full current rates for stamped envelopes bearing printed cards and special requests. Stamps and envelopes issued prior to 1861 are not to be exchanged.

**THE LATEST NEWS.**

The name of Comby postoffice (Little Missouri) has been changed to Medora.

Abbott, Page & Co., brokers of London, have failed with liabilities of \$800,000.

The republican senate caucus nominates, Gen. McCook for secretary of the senate.

The Reaves block and the Drake block were burned in St. Paul on Tuesday night.

Gen. Hancock has arrived in San Francisco and has been received with great demonstrations.

The ferry boat Garden City was burned in New York harbor yesterday. Loss \$100,000, partially insured.

The Canadian steam barge Enterprise was sunk in Lake Huron on Sunday, and seven men of her crew lost their lives.

Five young men who were out in a boat on Niagara river were drawn into the rapids above the falls, their boat capsized and all drowned.

Bishop Marty has just written to a Milwaukee priest, stating that Sitting Bull will not become a member of the Catholic church for some time to come.

Among the railroad rumors is one that Villard is to retire from the presidency of the Northern Pacific and that his place will be taken by Frederick Billings.

A hurricane in one province of Alicante, Spain, uprooted 400 olive trees. At Dema an immense sea demolished the quays, inundated the town and wrecked fourteen vessels.

At Milwaukee, by a misunderstanding of signals, a locomotive crushed into a passenger coach containing half a dozen people, all of whom escaped, though the coach was split in two.

As soon as it was decided that the national republican convention was to be held in Chicago, telegrams began pouring into the hotels in that city to engage rooms for those who intend to be present during the session.

The entire force of compositors, 86 men, on the New York Tribune, quit work on Tuesday night. The trouble grew out of the fact that a party of non-union men were brought from Baltimore to work in the office.

The commissioner of the general land office has decided in favor of the city of San Jose, (California), in the case in which the United States and that city were disputants for title to 250 acres of land within the city limits.

Five of the jurors who convicted O'Donnell say they desire a meeting of the whole twelve to explain the verdict and arrest execution. The authorities refuse to give the names of said jurors to O'Donnell's friends.

The rumor that Claus Spreckles of San Francisco, has cornered the entire Hawaiian sugar crop is confirmed. The quantity is estimated at 80,000,000 pounds, which is sufficient to enable him to control the sugar trade of the coast.

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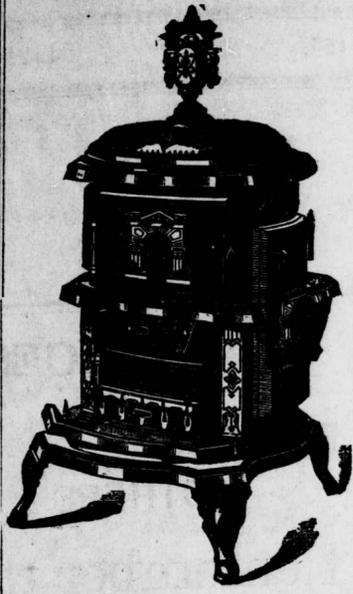
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