The McArthur Enquirer

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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

Delegate to the Constitutional Convention.

The Democratic Central Committee of Vinton County, do hereby call a Delegate County Convention to be held at the Court House, in McArthur, on

MONDAY, MARCH 10, 1873,

At 1 o'clock, p. m., of that day, for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for

DELEGATE

To the Constitutional Convention, to be voted for on the 1st Monday of April next.

Selection Of Delegates:

The Democracy of the several Townships will, therefore, meet at the usual places of holding elections therein, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 1873,

between the hours of 2 and 5 p. m., and elect delegates to represent the townships in said Convention.

The ratio of representation is 1 delegate for every 25 votes cast for AQUILA WILEY for Secretary of State, in 1872, and 1 delegate for each fraction of 12 votes.

The following is the number of Delegates to which the Townships are entitled:

	Wiley's vote:	No. Delegates:
Eagle	80	3
Elk	187	8
Harrison	71	3
Richland	235	9
Jackson	102	4
Clinton	151	6
Swan	60	2
Wilkesville	152	6
Vinton	103	4
Madison	203	8
Brown	105	4
Knox	53	2

The Convention will also transact such other business as may properly come before it.

By order of

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Feb. 18, 1873.

The Credit Mobilier Infamy.

What is the moral of this mournful episode? Nothing more than that which may be pointed by the whole history of the corruptionists into whose hands the controll of the Republican party has lately fallen. It is the nature of all fanaticisms to commence in dupes and end in rouges. Some who once perhaps supposed themselves to be serving "the Lord's cause" are now led on only by Mammon, "the least erected of the spirits that fell from Heaven." And to day these mouthing hypocrites can only serve as modern instances of the wise political saw pronounced by Dr. Johnsohn when, as Boswell tells us, he once surprised a company by affirming that "patriotism was the last refuge of a scoundrel." And if the investigations now in progress shall accomplish no other good they will at least drive some "scoundrells" from the "last refuge" in which they have been hiding too many years.

The people Must Apply The Remedy.—

The President has been charged with high offenses—the Vice President is charged with bribery and perjury—many leading members of Congress are proven to been bribed. Grave charges of corruption are made upon many of the Federal judges. The conditon of things is terrible, indeed, and calculated to alarm the fears of every one who feels any interest in the government. There is indeed ground for alarm! Some remedy must be applied, and the disinterested people alone can apply it. Will they do it? Have they moral courrage to defend and right themselves? We hope so—we trust so.

Mr. Boutwell's Anxiety.

It is gratifying to know that the national debt—that inestimable boon to the American people—loses nothing of Mr. Boutwell's tender care during the present crisis. Something was said during the late campaign about the rate at which Mr. Boutwell was paying it off, and the impression which got abroad that President Grant was paying it out of his own pocket filled patriotic mind with solicitude lest the President should impoverish himself. Anxiety on that score is at an end. Since the election the falling off in it has ceased, and there is now some prospect that his is one of the two or three things that will be left unimpared to posterity.

—The eight wealthiest men in New Orleans are retired butchers.

Liberal Republicans.

Although defeated at the poles, principally from want of organization, and with a candidate formerly in direct antagonism to the greater party by whom he was adopted, among whom were thousands who could not lay aside their prejudicies, together with many more who, from misconception of the issues presented, believed the contest to be one for the spoils of office, and were consequently indifferent, yet, among our Liberal Republicans, there must be few indeed, in the light of to day, who have reason to regret their disconnection with the most corrupt political organization in the history of the country, proven to be so by investigating committees too which are very careful to keep back all they dare.

Ohio is taxed for State and local purposes $23,000,000. That pays every thing—protection to life, liberty and property. Nay, more, it pays the education of our children and the expense of repairing our roads, streets and highways. The United States Government does nothing. We may be killed, or our property stolen, or our character damaged. No United States officer stirs; it is none of his business. Yet what is our tax paid to the General Government? It is one twelfth of the $400,000,000 a year that it costs to run the Washington machine. That is, more than $33,000,000. This is what hurts. We can willingly pay $23,000,000 in Ohio for the protection of our life, liberty and property, for the education of our children and for internal improvements, but what do we get for the $33,000,000 paid into the Federal reservoirs? If there is annything unnecessary it is the latter. We defy any one to tell us what earthly or possible good the Washington Administration does to cause us to pay the above tax to its support. If it was destroyed to morrow and was not renewed for ten or fifty years, we would not know the difference.

The Republican State Central Committee, at their meeting in Columbus on the 12th fixed the time for holding their State Convention on the 21st day of May.

Governor Noyes made a speech at this meeting, in which he stated that Judge Thurman was an upright man and a man of great abilities, and was therefore able to do the greater injury. The Governor would, no doubt, prefer to see Judge Thurman's place filled with an ignorant and unscrupulous carpet-bagger.

Era of Dishonesty.—A correspondent of the Baltimore *Sun*, writing on the prevalence of dishonesty in the country, accounts of which fill the newspapers, that if it is not arrested, it must result in the demoralization of all society. Private men will think they do what those in high official station can do every day, or will protect them in doing. When vice is not directly proved against some officials, they protect and encourage others—whether from incompetence or want of moral principle, makes no difference. It has been carried so far that crime in all of its varieties is rampant all over the country, and laughs to scorn the efforts of honest men. The country is becoming a pandemonium.

Jack Frost once more controls this country.

The ground-hog was correct this time.

—The Vienna exibition building cost five millions, exclusive of the land.

—Switzerkase has increased in price four hundred per cent. during the last ceatury.

—Palace cars are run on street railways in Sacramento.

—The annual expenses of a Baltimore poodle footed up $172.

—New Orleans has a Hebrew society numbering 2,000 members.

—Jacksonville, Fla., has been visited by 20,000 strangers this year.

—Pennsylvania demonstrates that all her pine lumber will be exhausted in three years if her lumbermen keep on.

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Hush! You Villains.

Editor Enquirer:—I discover in the shameful scandal between the editor of the Vinton *Record* and other parties, that some malicious persons have used the name of Coughenour as assistant editor on the editorial staff of the *Record*. I am informed by good authority that Mr. Coughenour makes the following disclaimer, and threatens redress at the earliest possible moment. He is willing to confess all the misdeeds which have so strangely checkered his life, but the allegation that he was ever associated with John T. Raper in running a (wind-mill,) is more than his humiliation is willing to accept, a step in the road to ruin he never contemplated, a charge unfounded in fact, and uncharitable abuse of an unfortunate man. His enemies in McArthur being void of manly generosity, not willing to give the devil his due, have made this ignominious thrust at a prostrate and helpless being. He denounces the charge as a copperhead lie of the most malignant tpye, and when he returns from his solitude, the scoundrels who perpetrated the falsehood shall suffer the extreme penality of the law.

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Mr. Editor:—We are sorry to relate another accident by the ravages of fire in our community not long since. James L. Honnold's house caught fire and burned to the ground, with all its contents; and now, like Chicago and Boston, Siverly has met with a similar fate, not quite so large in magnitude and wealth, but fully as sad and deplorable, according to her population and situation. But so it goes, we live in an age of accidents and wonders.

On last Monday night the sawmill and grist mill of J. M. Reed and O. O. McVey, caught fire about 12 o'clock, and burned to the water. A lot of fine popular lumber, corn meal, carpenters tools, etc., were destroyed. The mill had been running until about 10 o'clock. A little fire had been left in a bad fire place, which caught the floor, and soon the fire spread all over the building. Loss, about $1,000, besides the loss and inconvenience to the city of Siverly.

So we go! The property of no person is safe.

N. W.

Siverly, O., Feb., 22, 1873.

The Meeting of the Emperors.

It is officialy announced that the Emperor of Germany will soon pay a visit to the Emperor of Russia, and enjoy for a brief season the hospitalities of the Muscovite capital. There are some, perhaps, who may imagine that imperial William goes to St. Petersburg because imperial Alexander has lately been at Berlin; but crowned heads do not usually waste time in exchanging fashionable visits. Their interviews generally mean business, and that, too, of the most important character. Nor are we prepared to credit the report industriously circulated in German court circles, that the principal object of this visit is merely to obtain for William the assistance of the Czar in keeping in check the southern provinces which are inclined to resist Prussian "assimilation." This may possibly be a side issue, but certainly not the main one.

If we may judge from the Berlin press, which is co'sidered to echo the views of the government, the sympathies of Germany are strongly enlisted on the side of Russia in the Khiva affair. The English portion of the question is treated with ill concealed contempt, and Russia has the benefit of whatever moral support these organs of the administration can furnish. It is therefore extremely probable, to say the least, that the German emperor intends to assure his imperial brother not only of his distinguished consideration at all times and under all circumstances, but of his particular approbation of the policy of Russia in regard to Asia. He will promise to do what he can in a quiet way to assist that policy; at any rate not to interfere against it—and in certain contingencies to resist the attempts of England to strike her adversary near home. In exchange for these pledges, it is likely the Czar will agree to second all reasonable plans for German aggrandizement, by holding a rod over Austria and threatening those provinces which refuse to "assimilate."

The results of the meeting between the two most powerful Europen monarchs may not be at once apparent, but sooner or later those results are sure to be both seen and felt.

$128,000 Found In Church.

[From The Reading Eagle.]

Readers have not forgotten the Lancaster bank robbery, and the subsequent flight of the cracksmen to Reading, by being driven in a sleigh hired at a Lancaster livery. The thieves arrived in this city at six o'clock in the evening, alighted at the post-office, and since then nothing has been heard of the robbers, notwithstaing the most dilligent search that has been made.

A discovery however was made yesterday morning by the sexton of the New St. Paul's Memorial Church North Sixth street, Mr. Gideon Knabb, residing No. 231 Reed street, through which bonds, mortgages, notes, and other instruments bearing face value to the amount of over $100,000 were recovered. The particulars of this mysterious affair as given by Mr. Knabb are as follows: Mr. Knabb went to the church yesterday morning as usual, for the purpose of attending to his customary duties. Descending to the basement to attend to the fire, his attention was attracted to a bundle of some kind in the stairway stuffed into a hole at the side of the stairway. He subsequently took out the package, opened and examined it, and to his utter surprise and astonishment found that the parcel contained some seventy instruments of writing, proving to be a lot of bonds, notes, mortgages and certificates bearing face-value of $127,900, evidently held in deposit at one time by Messrs. Stehman, Clarkson & Co., bankers, of Lancaster. The discovery was immediately made known, and several prominent gentlemen informed of the full particulars. The Rev. Mr. Bausman left Reading this morning for Lancaster to inform the parties in reference to the matter.

The papers were wrapped in a copy of the Congregational Globe, dated February 8, 1871, and are of such matter as is only valuable to the parties to whom they belong. The robbers were evidently cracksmen of experience, having been engaged in such business before. The large sealed envelopes containing available and convertible funds were scientifically dipped and opened by the thieves, while the private securities remained untouched. Among the papers are thirty-four bonds, the highest of which is $10,000. There are seven large mortgages, ranging from $1,000 to $6,000, together with many other certificates of loan, insurance policies, judgments, and other instruments.

Mrs Knabb, wife of the sexton, gave this morning a statement to the effect that on the evening the thieves arrived from Lancaster there was chapel service held at the church. She noticed a mysterious personage leaving the church during service. He was a large heavy-built man, having a heavy cloak thrown over his shoulders. His suspicious movements attracted her attention, but it being in church she soon forgot it. There is some doubt but that the individual seen by Mrs. Knabb was one of gang of interested robbers. Their motive of placing the bonds in church is a matter of much conversation and surmise, and the only construction to be put on the affair is that the thieves were anxious to shroud the whole affair in as mysterious a manner as possible.

Fossil Palm Tree in Colorodo.

It is reported the largest specimen of vegetation ever discovered has been found near Denver, Colorado. It is in two sections, measuring together fifty feet in length. One section is thirty-nine feet long, with a diameter at the largest end of about twenty-two feet. The other in length is twenty-one feet and in diameter nine feet midway from the ends; the tree is now stone and is said to be hard and flinty as porphry. Some of it looks like agate, finely veined and delicately tinted, while other portions are as white as snow, showing a polished surface like chalcedony

Portions of the trunks are honey-combed and the cavities filled with delicate crystals, when brought to light, sparkle like diamonds. Specimens of the bark have been chipped off which display all the lines and marks of the original formation

Here and There.

Heavy rains prevail in California.

Captain Jack is said to be anxious for peace.

Minnesota shipped 28,000 deers East last year.

Chicago takes lots of pride in her police squabble.

Official censuc returns show 269,000 slaves on the island of Cuba.

The Ways and Means Committee have voted six cotton tax.

General Howard's Freedmen Bureau accounts are said to be correct.

The President has appoved the act abolishing the franking privilege.

There are 28,581 scholars in the 393 Baptists Sunday-schools of Indiana.

S. B. Conover, Republican, was elected S U Senator from Florida, Friday.

The President has nominated Mrs. E. Colton postmistress at Varsailles, Ky.

The Governor of Florida advises the abolition of the jury system.

Connecticut's name was Mohegan, spelled originally Quon-ch-to-cut, signifying "a long river."

The city of Hioga, Japan, has 2,000,000 inhabitants, and only ranks number two at that.

There is a coal famine in Memphis, and oil cake is being used as a substitute.

The Aakansas Senate memorializes Congress for a Territorial Government in the Indian country.

Senator Pomeroy asked the public to suspend judgment until he has had a fair hearing in the courts.

Of the present California Legislature but two were born in State. Seven are natives of Michigan.

It is estimated that the last wine crop of California will not exceed 8,000,000 gallons, instead of 20,000,000, as anticipated by over sanguine persons.

Specimens of raisins, of very fair quality, raised in Kaine county, Utah, have been received at the Agricultural Bureau in Washington.

Out of the 379 students of Princeton College 170 have recently become converted and joined the church.

Five small marine fishes were recently sent alive from Naples to the Crystal Palace aquarium in wet sea-weed as a registered letter.

Sitka, Alaska, mines last year yielded $397 worth of gold bullion; Montana mines yielded $30 648,265; Idaho, $17,141,523.

The President has vetoed the bill for the relief of East Tennessee University, on the ground that it would establish a bad precedent.

Subscriptions for the Greeley statue from typographical unions throughout the country are being rapidly received by the committee in New York.

A Wisconsin man successfully contended against the cold weather by pouring water into the chinks in the walls of his house.

Ex-Governor Joel A. Matteson died ta noon Friday, at the residence of his sonin-law' R. E. Goodell, in Chicago. He was Governor of Illinois from 1853 to 1857.

The explosion at the Albion Paint Works, at Conshohocken, Pa., on Thursday, killed Rosa Fitzimmons, aged fourteen years and three others were injured.

The Rhode Island people mind their own business. A man can have four wives in that State and live with them four years before being found out.

A San Francisco Chinaman went to jail recently for stealing a horse. He managed to dig out, however, recovered the animal and left town the same night.

Eighteen cadets of the number appointed to West Point, last year, have been recommended for discharge, and their places will be filled in May.

An Atlanta, Ga., editor is letting his beard grow in consequence of a fortune-teller's prediction that he would cut his throat before long.

The Brownsville *States* is of the opinion that the sale of kisses at fifty cents apiece, to raise funds for gospel purposes, should be sternly discountenanced.

The number of whalers now cruising is the same as it was a year ago, 156, and the number from New Bedford is 111; only two more than a year ago.

A cheerful giver put the following note in a pair of pantaloons sent to the Michigan sufferers: "There, take 'em; last pair I've got. Don't get burned out again."

Japanese newspapers are springing up all over the country and preparing the natives of the interior for the various changes which the present government is now introducing.

The greatest surprise at a surprise party in New Haven, Conn.; recently occasioned by the discovery that thief had stolen the refreshments out of the back kitchen.

A North Carolina man is having copies of twenty old wills dated 1649 reproduced for the purpose claiming a large amount of property in Prince George, county, Md.

There is a slight conflict between the civil and military authorities at St. Louis, and General Grierson, commandant at the Aresenal, has been cited to appear for contempt.

Stewart, the contumacious Credit Mobillier witness, is confined in the room in the basement of the Capitol, formerly occupied as a studio by Vinnie Ream and by recusant witnesses generally.

INDUSTRIAL ITEMS.

—Steel was first made in Pittsburgh in 1829.

—Scientific men are making great preparations to observe the transit of Venus in 1874.

—New York received 50,000,000 pounds of butter and 69,913,820 pounds of cheese last year.

—One of the largest cutlery establishments at Beaver Falls, Pa., employ 150 Chinamen.

—School teachers in Plymouth, Mass., are allowed $2 per week for board, and paupers $2.35.

The Truth.

The country is now having a practical illustration of the truth of the maxiom "when rogues fall out," &c. The news from Washington is, that the Radical Congressional thieves, who have for several years been robbing the people, now that they have been detected and exposed, are fighting among themselves like the famous igrmalkins of Kilkenny. Let them fight.

The shocking revelations of official corruption now being made all over the country are convincing the public mind that the necessity for electing an honest man to any given position is greater than the necessity for electing either a Democrat or a Republican. Republicans have a right to believe that Congress or a state legislature will be better for a Republican majority, and Democrats have a right, on the other hand, to strive for a Democratic majority in the e bodies, but the first importantsprerequisite is that the majority in either Congress or a State legislature shall be composed of unpurchasable, honest men; whether they be Republicans or Democrats.

Smothering Production.

The Chicago *Times* has the following article on "What is weighing on production." Every sentence is pregnant with good sense and sound mathematics:

In 1860 aggregate of taxes collected was only 11 per cent. of the aggregate wealth, while the aggregate of taxes in 1860 was nearly 33 per cent. of the aggregate wealth. In short, taxation has increased 4½ fold since 1860 on the basis of population, and nearley three-fold on the basis of wealth. To state the case in another way, the amount of taxes collected annually, local and national, is 794 millions greater than it was in 1860. This amount exceeds the now net earnings of the whole people in 1860, and is sufficient to construct eight railroads from the Mississippi river to the Pacific ocean every year. Is this a mere trifle? Is it something to be let wholy out of account in determining what the something is that is weighing on the production of the nation?"

The farmer has to sell cheap and buy dear. He is compelled to pay twenty bushels of oats for a pair of coarse boots for a boy ten years old, and two hundred bushels of corn for a cooking stove, and so on. Has the enormous increase in the taxation nothing to do with this? "Nothing whatever," says the Chicago defender of the tariff robbery. The great cost of transportation is the millstone that is weighing the farmers down."

A thousand millions of taxes, of which one third is levied by the government for the benefit of monopolists, is no burden. Five hundred millions collected by the railroad for service performed a most grievous burden. Therefore collect three or four hundred millions more taxes to expend on internal improvements so that ten to fifty millions may be taken off from the railroad burden. Load iron with an enormous tax, so as to compel the companies to pay two prices for their rails and machinery, pile up the taxes on clothing and nearly all the comforts and necessaries so as to compel the companies to pay high wages and then, when they attempt to meet their artificially increased expences by establishing high freight tariffs, remedy the evil by heaping on more taxes. This is the way the protectionists propose to relieve production of the something that is weighing on it.

—Chicago holds divine service on Sunday at its stock-yards, but the audience is in the habit of running out to see dog fights.

—A Railway battalion organized for the service and works of the railways in time of war, has been added to the German army.

—It will cost $10,000 to send the West Point cadets to Washington.

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