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Section 4th... There will be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude in said Territory otherwise than for the punishment of crimes whereof the party shall have been duly convicted.

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... Lone by the House of "epresentatives of Oregon Erritory this luth Day of August, 1845.

Adopted by the people at a general election held in $u$ gon the last Saturday in July A.D. 1845. Attest I.E. Long, secretary.

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