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Coming Political Events.

Presidential election, November 8.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For President,
GROVER CLEVELAND,
Of New York.

For Vice President,
A. E. STEVENSON,
Of Illinois.

Look out for the Omaha convention next Monday. If Gresham leads the ticket, Harrison's defeat is a foregone certainty.

TOM L. JOHNSON, of Cleveland, is one of the brainiest men in congress. The manner in which he brings the opposition up with a round turn in the most unexpected ways is really exhilirating.

DIAMONDS under the McKinley act are admitted free of duty. Americans spend $13,000,000 in diamonds every year. Let every poor man thank God and the Republican statesmen that they are admitted free of duty!

THE New York *Tribune*, edited by Whitelaw Reid, is the most conspicuous advocate of Chinese immigration in the country. It has not yet recovered from the rabies into which it was thrown by the Geary bill. It was this journal that first dubbed all who opposed Chinese immigration "hoodlums."

THE Murphy asseveration that "Cleveland cannot carry New York" is not a whit more positive—or more ignorant—than Platt's declaration that "Harrison cannot carry New York." Suppose we let the disgruntled prophets talk it out while we go to work and carry New York for Cleveland.—*New York World.*

THE morning Republican organ is growling because at the citizen's meeting the other night the people received the name of Harrison coldly while they cheered to the echo that of Cleveland. How does it expect anyone to enthuse over Harrison? All that he has to commend him is his grandfather's hat and that has been sent to the factory for repairs.—*Portland Dispatch.*

CAPT. GEO. W. BELL, the author and orator, passed south Saturday morning, headed for the East to take part in the campaign. The captain was asked what he thought of the Republican presidential ticket. He replied: "Oh it is respectable, but very weak; especially so is Reid. No man can be elected on a national ticket nowadays who is notoriously opposed to organized labor."—*Medford Mail.*

THE *Oregonian*, before the last state election, said that the sheepmen in Eastern Oregon would give Mr. Slater a gentle reminder of his position on the wool question. So they did. And we find that Ellis lacks 2,401 votes to equal Slater, Democrat, and Luce, the People's party candidate, which shows conclusively that the "sheepmen" voted. Mr. Ellis ought to have had at least 5,000 plurality to vindicate the McKinley bill.

WHEN it comes to repartee, the Hon. Jerry Simpson, of Kansas, can a great deal more than hold his own with any man in congress. During the discussion on the motion to expunge from the *Record* Henry George's "Protection or Free Trade," Mr. Burrows, of Michigan, said: "Mr. Speaker, if the house shall determine that this shall remain in the *Record*, we have untold volumes that we wish to insert in reply." Quick as a flash Mr. Simpson arose and remarked, "Mr. Speaker, it *would take* 'untold volumes' to reply to it."

"THAT blue vapor you saw on the eastern horizon was the tail end of the cloud arising from the office of the New York *Sun*. Now listen to Mr. Dana."—Salem *Statesman.* Well, here is what Dana, of the New York *Sun*, says: "Better vote for liberty and white government of the Southern States, even if the candidate was the devil himself, rather than consent to the election of respectable Benjamin Harrison with a force bill in his pocket." If the *Sun* would support the devil himself in preference to Harrison with his force bill, what must be its extreme pleasure in supporting so ideal a candidate as Grover Cleveland?

THUS CLOSES THE GREAT DRAMA.

For years James G. Blaine has been playing before the American footlights in the political theater. The last act in the drama was played June 4, 1892. The curtain fell on the great American actor that day never to rise again. The prologue may be found in the following utterance, and played before Manager Clarkson Feb. 6, 1892.

I am not a candidate for the presidency, and my name will not go before the Republican national convention for the nomination. I make this announcement in due season.

His name did go before the Republican convention as a candidate for the presidency with his consent, and on June 4th the curtain rose, and the following, act second, was played amid the greatest excitement before 65,000,000 Americans, and reads as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE. }
June 4, 1892. }

To the President: I respectfully beg leave to submit my resignation of the office of secretary of state of the United States, to which I was appointed by you on the 5th of March, 1889. The condition of the public business in the department of state justifies my requesting that my resignation may be accepted immediately. I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JAMES G. BLAINE.

Note.—The above is the last act of Mr. Blaine's public life. All we can say is *requiescat in pace.*

THE EPITAPH.

Mr. Harrison placed the following epitaph upon Mr. Blaine's tombstone:

EXECUTIVE MANSION, }
June 4, 1892. }

To the Secretary of State: Your letter of this date, tendering your resignation of the office of secretary of state of the United States, has been received. The terms in which you state your desires are such as to leave me no choice but to accede to your wishes at once. Your resignation is therefore accepted. BENJAMIN HARRISON.

How singularly strange it is that men in high positions will play the act of the suicide seemingly with their eyes open.

PROTECTION OR FREE TRADE

It has long been the custom of members of congress to have printed in the *Congressional Record* any matter that suited their fancy, as a part or all of their speeches on the floor. During the campaign of 1884, Mr. Brewer, of New Jersey, printed as his speech on the tariff question, a chapter from Blaine's "Twenty Years in Congress." Time and again members have done likewise, and no objection was ever made. No objection can be made, under the rules and usages of the house; and it is right that the members make use of the *Record* in this way, as it saves time and disseminates information. But the objection of two or three Republicans, whose party has from time immemorial done the same thing, to the printing in the *Record* of Henry George's able book, "Protection or Free Trade?" by several Democrats and Alliance men as their speeches during the recent tariff debate, comes with poor grace. Their objections were not sustained, however,—were not even brought to a vote,—as it became painfully apparent to them that if these extracts were stricken from the *Record*, a vast amount of matter inserted by the Republicans would also have to be stricken out. And so the book was printed entire, and is now being sent broadcast over the country. The edition will reach at least 2,000,000 copies, and every voter receiving it will become an absolute free trader. We say this advisedly: every man, no matter what his politics, who will read "Protection or Free Trade?" *thoroughly*, will become an ardent advocate of trade absolutely free. It is the only book that commences at the beginning of the subject, discusses both sides of it, and then carries the argument to its logical and irresistible conclusion. The WEST SIDE will be glad to mail a copy to any address in the United States for a two-cent stamp. Or, if you like, send direct to your congressman, regardless of his politics, and he will send you a copy free. Henry Villard (and who is better known in the Pacific Northwest?) sends out 10,000 copies at his own expense, and from all over the nation orders are pouring in for from fifty copies to 100,000 copies.

THE judges of the Virginia court of appeals are worthy of all the praise ever bestowed on Marshall, Mansfield, or Marcus Aurelius. They have decided that Bettie Lewis, the married daughter of W. L. Thomas, deceased, a white man who was the common-law husband of a colored woman, is his legal heir. Thomas died intestate three years ago, leaving a fortune of $250,000. Cousins claim the property as heirs-at-law, taking the ground that Bettie Lewis was illegitimate, though it was acknowledged that her mother was recognized as the wife of Thomas and was called by his name. Here is an act of justice to a person of color in a Southern state. Certainly the New South is advancing.—*Oregonian.*

DEFINITION.

The single tax means the abolition of all taxes upon industry and the products of industry, and the taking, by taxation upon land values irrespective of improvements, of the annual rental value of all those various forms of natural opportunities embraced under the general term, Land. To tax labor or its products is to discourage industry. To tax land values to their full amount will render it impossible for any man to exact from others a price for the privilege of using those bounties of nature in which all living men have an equal right of use. It will compel every individual controlling natural opportunities to either utilize them by the employment of labor, or abandon them to others. It will thus provide opportunities of work for all men, and secure to each the full reward of his labor; and as a result involuntary poverty will be abolished, and the greed, intemperance and vice which spring from poverty and the dread of poverty will be swept away.

AT the national Democratic convention in Chicago, Wednesday, Grover Cleveland was nominated by a vote 612 to 113 for Hill. There is no doubt but that Grover Cleveland is the strongest presidential timber in the Democratic party, and only a count will tell which man, Harrison or Cleveland, will be the next president. The vote of the People's party makes all canvasses uncertain and unreliable. While the same two men lead the ticket that did so four years ago, the circumstances are entirely changed. Both men have now been before the people, the silver question has arisen and will not down, and reciprocity plays an important part, to say nothing of more minor questions which were not before the people four years ago in the present condition. So it is a fact that former figures cannot be taken as a criterian in this campaign. New issues make this contest a new one throughout.—*Newport Times (Rep.)*

WHITELAW REID'S fight with the printers' union in the past will injure the national republican ticket. His late flop and support of the Union is not kindly taken to by the craft, who say they have no use for death-bed repentance.

Boss Pinkerton Chauncey M. Depew, who ran away to Europe to escape the condemnation of his employes for Pinkerton rule at the big strike in New York, will find his candidate, although a grandson of his grandpa, no great favorite with the working masses.

JAMES LOTAN has been appointed collector of customs at Portland vice R. P. Earhart, deceased. Have our Republican representatives in congress lost their heads? This appointment is an actual disgrace to the state of Oregon. We fully agree with the *Oregonian* in reference to this case, and would add, the sooner the old "gang" is out the better. Our theory now is, We should have a new deal all around.

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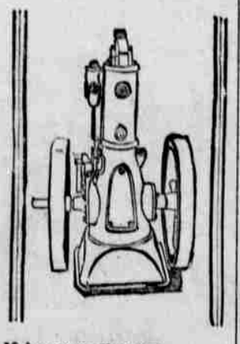

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