RETURN OF DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO POWER

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ocrats to devote to the details of a tariff

Even as late as 1880 Democrats had not

arrived at a clear apprehension of their

there is no evidence that they were meant

Grover Cleveland.

to set forth a serious party conviction. The campaign was proceeding upon other issues. Democrats were arraigning Re-

publicans for accumulated party sins, and

Republicans were depending chiefly upon a sentimental presentation of the "bloody

shirt" issue when the state election in Maine occurred with a defeat for the Re-

change in the type of campaign oratory

a damnable plot to force upon the suspecting American people the diabol

ble other frightful ills.

nize and the tariff.

policy of absolute free trade, which would result in the wholesale destruc-

tion of American industries, the pauper

their enemy. There was hesitation, divid-

ed counsels, and their candidate, General Hancock, added to the confusion by cabal-

istic remarks which set the country laughing. Out of this unpremeditated con-founding of the Democrats it appeared

that the Republicans made gains. Never-theless, as has been mentioned, they came

during Arthur's Administration to recog-

When Cleveland entered upon his Ad-

ports were still furnishing a considerable

cure the necessary reduction of duties. To

signs of the Anglicized free-traders.

Though the Democrats falled to secure

cosed in making the tariff question for

forms urged by President Cleveland grew weaker as the discussion was continued.

The President's message of 1887 was wholly devoted to a consideration of tariff questions, and during the session of Con-

gress which followed two elaborate bills for reform were brought forward. That supported by the Senate was drawn by

on the other hand, was a Democratic

measure, and was passed in the House by a strictly party vote, only four Demo-crats voting against it. It provided for

sharp reductions in the duties, more particularly upon raw materials.

These two bills exactly defined the post-

the two opposing policies respecting the tariff that battle was fought.

nistrative duties the taxes upon im-

and admit the need of reforming

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AMERICAN POLITICAL PARTIES compensation the duties on imported goods were made correspondingly high. After the close of the war the taxes were removed from one after another of the domestic products, while the customs duties remained. Added to this, many of the duties upon imported goods were of the duties upon imported goods were removed from the customs duties remained. Growing Division in the Republican

Party. Immediately upon the close of the war endencies appeared for certain sec of the Republican party to act at times with the Democrats. Strict loyalty to party ties did not prevail. So strong had sintegrating tendency become by 1872 that in the Presidential campaign of that year we have seen the National Dem-

ocratic party accepting the candidates nominated by the disaffected Republicans. The formation and consolidation of a distinct reform element in the party took place later, as a result of the exposure of series of outrageous scandals involving n some cases persons of high official rank and of long and honorable political ca-recrs. Mention has already been made of the most famous of these—the Credit Mo-biller transaction, the whisky ring frauds, the salary grab, the star route pecula-tions. For these and other delinquencies the party in power was held responsible and was severely arraigned, not by its political opponents only, but by many of ts own adherents.

During and after the war there grey up a new system of party organization and management designated as the "bors system" or "machine politics." The par-ty gradually ceased to be the organized representative of all its members, and became the representative of only a distinct inner circle of party members, who were in close alliance with offi-cial patronage and with financial interests which depended upon political action. This inner circle, called "the machine," controlled to a large extent the whole organization and managed party affairs for the benefit of the members of the machine, in selfish conspiracy against the nterests of the body of the party the general public. Opposition within the party therefore took the form of criticism of specific abuses and a demand for reform of the civil service. It was this opsition which came near electing the mouratic candidate in 1876, which resisted the third term for Grant in 1880 and ected Cleveland in 1886

Arthur's Administration. Party dissensions persisted throughout Arthur's term of office. Events strengthened the reform element and enabled it to carry through Congress the civil service reform bill. Tariff reform was also brought forward for discussion. The war tariff was for the most part still in force. With the return of prosperity after resumption of specie payments, and the re-rival of business, the great increase of National revenue from gustoms poured into the treasury an average surplus of over \$300,000,000 per annum. The situation compelled public attention and tariff re-vision was seen to be imperative. A tariff commission was appointed in 1882 to recommend legislation, and the following year an act inaugurating very moder-ate tariff reform was passed. These tariff measures did not, however, involve the arraying of one party against the other, nor the triumph of one faction in distinctions were greatly obscured. In each party existed a strong independent element not subservient to the party whip, and at the same time a multitude of intelligent voters had ceased to class themselves as members of either party.

The Personal Campaign of 1884. The issues growing out of the war had cassed from the field of practical politics, and parties had not yet divided sharply upon new and clearly defined issues. Hence it happened that the campaign bill of 1884 was guided by per-sonal considerations rather than by op-posing views of great public questions. Grover Cleveland, the Democratic candidate, had first achieved political prom-inence as a reforming Sheriff of Buffalo. N. Y., and in 1882 had been made Governor of his state by an overwhelming majority. His conduct of state affairs won him the especial favor of the inde-



James G. Blaine.

to be called "mugwumps." The same class of Republicans had made use of the great popularity of James G. Blaine in 1876 and again in 1890 to break the force of the "stalwart" fac-tion which was devoted to the candidacy of Grant. But before the same magnetic statesman came for the third time before ublican convention as a candidate for the Presidential nomination he had come to personate in the eyes of the independent Republicans all that was corrupt and dangerous in American politics. In spite of their opposition Blaine re-ceived the nomination, and his candidacy was immediately and openly repudiated by a large proportion of the Republican press and by many prominent individuals. The Republican defection greatly influ-

enced the action of the Democrats, whose convention met a few days later. It may be said that their nomination was prac-tically dictated by the Republican bolters. Cleveland was their choice and also the choice of a large majority of the New York delegation, although he had strong sition from Tammany Hall.

As party issues were not made prominent and party lines were not drawn with precision, the election turned largely upon the personal records of the candidates. The final result was for some days in doubt. The South was still solidly Democratic; all the Northern States ex-cept Connecticut, Indians, New Jersey and New York went Republican, and New York was claimed by both parties. Upon the count in that state the decision turned and the corrected final returns gave to the country once more a Democratic Presi

For M years the Democrats had been excluded from power, and their reinstate-ment was due to the action of a direction fied faction in the opposing party. A change of 600 votes in the single state of New York from Cleveland to Blaine would have given the Presidency to Blaine and kept the Republicans in office for another term. And many thousands of New York Republicans were known to have voted for Cleveland.

The Tariff a Leading Issue.

If the Democrats came into control of the Government in 1884 without standing for any clearly defined party issue under the leadership of Cleveland, they were not long in finding such an issue. The traditional Democratic policy was that of steady, consistent opposition to a high protective tariff. The Republicans had favored a protective tariff, as had the Whigs before them. As incident to the taxation system of the Civil War, a very high protective tariff had been fastened upon the country. A system of internal revenue had been created which taxed do-mestic producers heavily, and by way of

nection with the drowning. When the frantic mother rushed to the scene of her son's disappearance a man was still fishing off the dock. He admitted having seen the boy fall in, but made no effort to give an alarm or assist the drowning "He never came up after he went dard, and the man still continued to fish. Arrangements have been made to have the remains interred at Oregon City.

COMING TENNIS GAMES. Complete Schedule of Approaching Contests.

specific—so many cents a yard or a pound. As prices declined upon the re-turn to specie payments specific duties became proportionately higher. Had it not been for the many other press-The frequent showers of the past few days have sadly interfered with the tening questions the Democrats would undoubtedly have promptly made a serious attack upon the war tariff of nis matches scheduled on the Multnomal courts, but the players are taking ad-vantage of the sunshine between storms the Republican party. But the reconstruc-tion of the Southern States, negro sufand several interesting matches were finished. La Farge defeated McAlpin in two sets, 9-7, 6-4. Brandt Wickersham beat frage, military rule in the South, the refunding of Government bonds, the return to specie payments, the scandals of offi-Van Duzer comparatively easy, 6-3, 6-0. He then went through La Farge, 6-1, 6-1. cial dishonesty—all these problems left little time for either Republicans or Demthereby becoming winner of the fourth

Peter McCraken and Dr. Mackay had a hot match, the former winning two of the three sets, 9-7, 0-6, 9-7. Though Mackay won two more games than McCraken, he lost the match. This makes McCraken

duty as a party in respect to criticism of the tariff from the standpoint of the taxpayer. The party platform of that year did in deed contain the traditional words favoring "a tariff for revenue only," but The continued rain and slowness on the part of the players to pull off their matches in the early part of the tournament, when the weather was good, have necessitated greater severity by the schedule committee. A schedule of all the remaining matches has been arranged and the players will be required to play at the time schedule or suffer a default, except, of course, the courts are not play-able.

In order to play all the games by Saturday the schedule must be strictly fol-lowed, and any one not appearing at the time schedule will lose by default. Following is the complete schedule as adopted: Monday.

9:30 A. M., court No. 2—Mrs. Baldwin (scratch) vs. Mrs. Cook (scratch). 12:30 P. M., court No. 2—Lelter (scratch) vs. Cheal (scratch). 4 P. M., court No. 2-Andrews (scratch) vs. Lewis (scratch). Court No. 1, Wickersham (scratch) vs. Macleay (scratch), 5 P. M., court No. 2—Cook and Oliphant (receiving 5-6 of 15) vs. Cheal and La

Farge (scratch). Court No. 1. Miss Josephi (receiving 2-6 of 15) vs. Miss Morse (scratch). Tuesday. 9:20 A. M., court No. 2-Mrs. Baldwin and Miss Goldsmith (receiving 2-6) vs. Miss Senders and Miss Claggett (receiving

4 P. M., court No. 2-Andrews and Mrs

publicans by such majorities as created serious alarm. Then there was a sudden Baldwin (scratch) vs. McAlpin and Miss Senders (receiving 2-6).

5 P. M., court No. 2-Gifford and Mac-Republicans all at once sprung the tariff question upon their opponents. The Demleay (scratch) vs. Graham and Lucugatr (receiving 5-6). Court No. 1, winner Andrews-Lewis vs. winner Cheal-Leiter. crats were arraigned as being privy to 6 P. M., court No. 2-B. Wickersham (receiving 5-6) vs. Lombard (receiving 15.3).

Wednesday.

4 P. M., court No. 1.—Winner class 3 (receiving 3-6) vs. McCraken (receiving 30).
4:30 P. M., court No. 2.—Leiter and Miss Morse (receiving 3-6) vs. Mr. and Mrs. The Democrats were wholly unprepared for such a change in front on the part of Cook (receiving 5-6). 5 P. M., court No. 1-Winner class 2 (scratch) vs. Goss (owe 15.2). 5:30 P. M., court No. 2—Van Tuzer and Thielsen (receiving 2-6) vs. winner Oll-phant and Cook-Cheal and La Farge Thursday.

4 P. M., court No. 2-Goss and Lewis vs. winner Graham and Lumgair-Gifford and Macleay match.
5 P. M., court No. 2-Goss and partner winner Andrews and Mrs. Baldwin-McAlpin and Senders match. 5:30 P. M., court No. 1—Thielsen vs winner class 3-McCraken match.

surplus of revenue, and the new President set himself earnestly to work to se-Friday. 5 P. M., court No. 1-Winner of B. Wickersham-Lombard match vs. Gossthe country at large the subject was pre-sented as a party issue. Opposition there was to the President's policy from Demo-cratic members of Congress, but the par-ty as a whole indersed it. It was atwinner class 2. The matches scheduled for today promise to be the best yet, particularly between the second class men. tacked by Republican politicians, who strenuously defended the policy of pro-tection against the alleged destructive de-

EASTERN MULTNOMAH.

legislation of any kind upon the tariff Extensive Prune-Drying - Big Barn Finished-Other Items

the time the leading political issue, and very distinctly a party issue. The element of opposition within the party to the re-GRESHAM, Or., Sept. 15 .- The prune rop in this neighborhood and throughout Clackamas County south of here is considerably heavier than it gave promise of being two months ago. All the grow-ers, report an average yield of Italians, while in French and petites there is an unusually heavy crop. At least 10 dry-houses, large and small, are known to be in operation, and their products are all turning out remarkably bright and of Republicans, and proposed alterations in the existing tariff which would strengthen its protective features. The House bill, good size, which fact is accounted for by the excellent condition in which the fruit has been gathered during the good weather of the past two weeks. It is also remarkably clear of blemishes, and has matured more perfectly than in many former seasons. It is estimated that the various dryhouses in this section are turning out about 12 tons of the fruit day, the drying season lasting tions of the two parties, and they were made the basis of the discussions of the Presidential campaign of 1888, and upon

about two weeks. Extension of Barr Road. A petition is being prepared and will be circulated in a few days asking for an extension of the Barr road from its present eastern terminus to the town of Fairview, a distance of four miles. The Barr road leads from North Mount Tabor eastward, and is graded to the cor-ner of Judge Seneca Smith's farm, where it stops abruptly. By having it opened to Fairview, a large section of country would be benefited and a direct roadway given to many farmers who now have to go two or three miles around in going to either Fairview or Portland. By its being opened there would be a roadway on every section line leading eastward in Multnomah County, as the Barr road, when completed, will be half-way between the Base Line and Sandy

roads, which are two miles apart. Brief Notes. School opening in Gresham district has been postponed until September 24, owing to so many of the pupils being still away on their Summer outlings.

The Troutdale zoo has just received two black bears, which were brought from east of the Sandy. They were a present from Checkman Wright, who takes much interest in moological work. Mrs. Ione McCall. Postmistres at Gresham, is confined to her home with a se-vere illness. She intended to take a

vacation of 15 days, but was prevented. The postoffice is in charge of Miss Bessie Miss S. T. Bennett, employed as teacher in District No. 8, has sent in her resignation and gone to Seattle, where she will take up the study of medicine. Her place here will be filled by Miss Jean Sprague, who will begin the Fall term of school today.

Ten teams and an equal number of men are now employed in hauling rail-road ties from Heiney's new mill to Fairview. A trainload was inspected and loaded this week and will be sent east of the Rockles.

The Fairview public school will begin its Fall term today, with Professor W. Rounds, late of Junction City, as principal. He was but lately elected to succeed Professor Altman, who resigned to become a farmer.

The new railroad bridge at Troutdale will be finished this week, and the men employed thereon will be transferred to other points along the road. The new bridge is larger, stronger and more dura-ble than the old one. Mrs. C. C. Hedge, of Fairview, re-

cently went to Indiana with her children on a visit. Word was received this week of the death of her baby boy of appendicitis. Mr. Hedge left here on receipt of the news of the baby's illness and

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child is also seriously ill.

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