

GREAT CONTEST ON PASSAGE OF WEST SIDE RAILROAD BILL.

End of the Railroad Controversy—Oregon Politics—Democratic Reputation Platform... WASHINGTON CITY, D. C., April 22, '80. Editor OREGONIAN:—Oregon is about to pass the West Side Railroad Bill...

propose to pay any more interest, and therefore like the bankrupt trader, they would have the nation pay down one-half, and call it square. Today that we must raise in cash about fifteen hundred million...

less in Congress, but would be an actual damage to prospects for further aid to railroad and other improvements, and they could see the State led by saying at home. You propose to wish draw Oregon from all support and sympathy from all the rest of the nation...

WHO IS AUTHORITY?—The S. R. Democrat says the 8th resolution does not mean repudiation, and abuses all of its contemporaries who claim that it does mean repudiation. Jas. D. Fay claimed that the resolution, he being the author, did mean simple, pure and unadulterated repudiation...

A man whose name we could not learn, says the Jacksonville Sentinel, a miner, had his legs broken, by a bank carving in on him, while mining in Josephine county, last Wednesday, 11th inst. Accidents of this class are getting alarmingly frequent, and seem to indicate a want of due caution among our miners.

An Anti-Albany Party Letter. We copy the following letter, with the editorial comments thereon, from the Portland Commercial of the 14th: The letter copied below was enclosed to us for publication by Mr. James M. Johns, of Seio, Linn county, whom we personally knew to be an active party man, and also one of the most influential gentlemen in that strong Democratic county. Here is his letter:

EAGLE WOOLEN MILLS. Although it is not known for a certainty that this factory is going to run this Summer, our friend Wheeler, who has established an enviable reputation for low prices and fair dealing, as well as for the excellent quality of the goods kept, has on hand a large stock of woolens, which he intends to sell at the same reasonable rates as heretofore.

Now for the repudiation part of it. The bonds of the United States were sold by its fiscal agent, Jay Cooke, who disposed of them to banks, bankers, trustees, corporations, and individuals of every rank and station, and received for them from ninety-five per cent to par in currency. I know it is a bitter blow for the Democratic platform is plainly adverse to asking for Government aid. Friends to railroad improvements are not asking for Government aid...

It is truly diverting to see the turning and quibbling of the Democracy over the "vital 8th resolution." While the bed-rockers claim that it means repudiation, another faction affirm that it means payment of the debt in full, and the promulgation of any other meaning is "undemocratic and absurd."

As an evidence of the chagrin and disappointment felt at the effort of their standard bearer, Mr. Slater, on Saturday last, the Democracy, as soon as the speaking closed, rushed pell-mell out of the house, leaving him, in his exhausted condition, to find his way to the hotel as best he could.

THEIR RECORD.—On the first page of to-day's issue we give a few facts in the past history of certain leaders in the Democratic party that place them in no enviable light before the honest voters of Oregon. And while the record of these men proves them not entitled to the confidence of our people, it also proves that the charges against the honesty and integrity of Hon. J. G. Wilson, Republican candidate for Congress, are not only unfounded, but absolutely and willfully false.

THE FREED TRADERS in Congress have been flattered. Recently, Mr. Garfield, in his speech on the tariff bill, extended an invitation to the seventy Democratic members who talk free trade for general effect, and vote for protection to special interests near home, to declare the faith which they have tried to make the people believe was in them. Only two Democrats came to their feet, and unreservedly proclaimed themselves to be in favor of free trade. It will afford consolation of free trade very little consolation to know that these two champions were Cox of New York, and Mungen of Ohio!

THE "bloated monopolist," Grover, Democratic candidate for Governor, not satisfied with the immense gains he has been enabled to pocket through the tariff on foreign goods which discriminates in favor of American manufactures, wishes to still further increase his worldly store by the employment of Chigamen. The proof that the Salem company have been negotiating for Chinese operatives is so overwhelming, that even Grover hasn't the cheek to deny it. And that Chinamen will be employed in the factory after the election there is not the least doubt.

THE ALBANY REGISTER. U. S. Official Paper for Oregon. SATURDAY, MAY 21, 1870. READ IT.—We publish this morning an important letter, written by J. Gaston, Esq., to the Oregonian, which every voter in the county should read. The writer while at the capital of the nation was in a position to see how terrible would be the result to the State should the party of repudiation be victorious.

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE here, which, if properly encouraged by the people, will secure the West Side road. And I may also state that the North Pacific Railroad, the interests of which Senator Corbett has devoted his efforts this session, is now a certainty.

THE WAY TO DISASTER. But such a move must be disastrous in every respect. Instead of "relieving the country and restoring prosperity," any policy made in Congress, by a party able to carry it out, would be the signal of the most terrible and disastrous financial crash ever witnessed in any country. It would result in the approval of such a law, until every factory, shop, and store would rot at your wharves. Your grain becomes worthless, the plow stops in the furrow, the railroads stop where they are, and nine-tenths of the people are ruined.

UP TO MAY 7th the Idaho Democratic Convention had balloted seventy times for a candidate for Congress, but had come to no definite result. They had been at it several days, and seemed to be as far from a conclusion as ever.

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