

Civil Service Reform Inaugurated.

The question of Civil Service Reform has excited a vast deal of talk throughout the country. The press has teemed with it, and Congress has bubbled and boiled and boiled and bubbled over it, and nothing but bubble has been the result. It has done nothing but talk. But while such has been the result in Congress, a Civil Service Reform, under the quiet but earnest management of President Grant, has been practically put in operation. The report of the Advisory Board, which was appointed some time since to furnish rules or plans for the proposed reform, was approved by President Grant, and it is his intention to put its recommendations in practice at once, and continue them until superseded by legislation. This plan provides that applicants shall pass a prescribed examination, to be held in each State, to fill vacancies in the Executive Department. The employees in all the departments are to be divided in three classes, or grades, according to salary. Candidates for employment must enter the lowest grade, and, after serving a suitable probation, be advanced to the next, and continue on thus to the highest grade. The heads of departments are exempt from these regulations; and where a local examination falls in securing a qualified applicant, then the President can appoint at will again. This is about the substance of the reform which the President has approved and determined to practice during the remainder of his official term. Whether the plan is the best that can be devised, the future will determine. It at least shows that President Grant was sincere in his recommendations for reform in the Civil Service, as he is in everything else which he advocates.

Appropriate Nomination.

At last the ambition of the white-coated philosopher of the Tribune has been gratified. The incongruous faction which met at Cincinnati last week, well exemplified its instinct for incongruity and crotchety perversity, by putting in nomination the most superlative specimen of unbalanced peevishness of which the list of candidates was composed. The Convention was originated and worked up by men who were influenced entirely by selfish motives—either ambitious, spiteful, or revengeful. The delegates at Cincinnati were of this class, or hired, and if they had "sought round this verulent earth" for a month, they could not have found a more appropriate candidate to represent them, than H. Greeley, Esq., the "What I know about farming" sage of the Tribune. Previous to the convention, H. G. was described as sitting in the shade of a grove of axle-trees, on his Sabine farm, sucking calf's-foot jelly out of the hoof with a straw. The news of his nomination will cause the influence of that jelly to appear in grateful flushes on his beaming countenance, and the ample skating rink on the top of his cranium will glow with mild effulgent light. Happy old man! He now shines, well saturated with the jelly of calf, for all.

Gen. Grant's Earnestness and Sincerity.

The trait which stands out the most prominently in Gen. Grant's character is his straightforward earnestness and sincerity. No superficiality or bombast or buncombe is characteristic of his speech or pen. Language is ever used by him as the medium through which practical thoughts and issues may be brought forward and enforced. He has proven himself from the first to be ready and anxious to do all that he has recommended. Look at his army life. Read his messages since he has been President, and then trace his official conduct, and where

is there superfluity, insincerity or discrepancy? General Grant may not be brilliant, but he is substantial; he may not be noted for great wisdom, but he is possessed of the best kind of common sense; he may not shine as a skilled diplomat, but he does as an honest, straightforward, reliable counselor. These traits, so strongly exemplified in the life of General Grant, have secured to him the warm confidence and support of the people. The honest tiller of the soil, the industrious mechanic, the skilled artisan, as well as the savan and professional man, can feel that Gen. Grant, strong in his integrity and superior sense, as well as firmness, is a safe custodian in whose tried hands to continue the management of the Executive affairs of this nation; and feeling so, they will indignantly repel all efforts of selfish and designing demagogues, in the party, or out of it, to estrange them from that support.

Admired by Foreign Capitalists.

Our National banking system is most bitterly denounced by the Democracy. Mr. Burnett in his speech uses strong language in denunciation of it, alleging that it is a huge monopoly, etc. Without entering into an elaborate argument to prove the absurdity of such a position, as applied to our present efficient and harmonious system, we simply remark that the plan has excited the admiration of the financial world, eliciting words of genuine praise from foreign capitalists and bankers in almost every civilized country; and these financiers and capitalists have given practical demonstration of the sincerity of their praise and confidence, by investing argely in our bonds, and taking our loans with avidity. Could any one wish for more substantial proof than is found in this fact, to demonstrate the worth and efficiency of our system? Democracy, though, would abolish it, if it had the power, if Burnett may be taken as its exponent.

St. Louis and San Francisco Negotiating.

A delegation of some of the most prominent business men of St. Louis, including the Mayor, has visited San Francisco for the purpose of asking co-operation in building a railroad over the thirty-fifth parallel route to unite the two cities. San Francisco feels greatly dissatisfied with the management and policy of the Pacific road, looking upon it as a monopoly opposed to the best interests of the city, and will probably act promptly in subscribing her portion towards building the proposed road. The plan for the new road is embraced in the idea of each city building from its own end, and owing to a point where the two roads shall meet. St. Louis has already gone to work actively in the matter, by subscribing and paying in her money, and San Francisco will not hesitate long in doing the same. The building of this road will render San Francisco entirely independent of the Pacific. It will enter the city without a bridge, thus obviating that difficulty.

Jasper W. Johnson.

Jasper Johnson, of Portland, has suddenly flamed out like a sky-rocket into notoriety. He seems to have appointed himself a delegate to the Cincinnati Convention, and while there, in, of, through, and by himself, represented the whole State. The Convention showered honors upon him in lavish profusion. He was made one of the Vice Presidents, Secretary, and a member of each separate committee. Now we never heard of Jasper W. Johnson, until we saw his name so frequently occurring in the dispatches announcing the proceedings of the Cincinnati Convention; but then a man is never without honor save in his own country, and the Convention was put to the alternative of honoring him, as Oregon's representative, or nobody. Between the two, they chose him.

It was the editor of the Andrew Pickens who said that his pig had no ear marks except a short tail.

Too Bad On Burnett.

The bill passed by Congress making the articles of tea and coffee free from duty, has been approved by President Grant. This will be a source of much discomfort to Mr. Burnett, as it will spoil a portion of his campaign speech. Poor man! He labors hard enough to get off what he had so laboriously prepared, without having to change a portion of it every few weeks. Concatenated, it be.

Our neighbor of the Democrat in alluding to Jos. G. Wilson, M. P. Dealy, R. P. Boise, A. C. Gibbs and Attorney General Williams, denominated them a covey of traitors, "who left the party in the hour of its adversity, when their assistance was most needed," and adds, "that the Democratic party has grown in favor ever since their traitorous carcasses departed from its councils." If the latter statement is correct, we are surprised at our neighbor for speaking in so acrimonious a manner of the departure of these gentlemen from the Democratic family. He ought rather to be "effusive" in his praises. The fact is, however, these gentlemen, like Senator Trumbull, Gov. Palmer, and others of that stripe, whom they now smile upon so sweetly, never withdrew from the Democratic party until it became a disloyal party, attempting in its madness and wickedness to destroy the Government. They preferred law to anarchy; union to disunion; loyalty to treason; freedom to slavery. Therefore, they left the Democratic party. How about Trumbull, etc., neighbor?

Well, the Convention of "sore-heads" has been held at Cincinnati, the national encyclopedia of agricultural knowledge has been put in nomination for President, and the world still moves. We have discovered no perceptible change in the pulse of the Republican party, and its appetite and digestion and general state of cheerful good health continue. The Democracy look worried, in a sort of smile and frown, don't-know-what-to-do state. It's hard for them to take down the sage of the Tribune, who has slung so much ink at them all of his long life, and who now at heart is opposed to their cherished principles. Oregon Democrats may have to do it, but they will squirm like tortured snakes, and kick like fractious mules before they consent to yield.

We Don't Believe It.

But we print it just as we find it, as follows:

A sad tale comes from Selma, New York. It appears that twelve young men of that city "swore off" on New Year's Day, 1871, and agreed to deposit with one of their number, on the first day of each month, \$10 each, the total to be divided among the members of the association, who, on the first of January, 1872, should prove to have been faithful to their pledge. One by one the members backslid and yielded to the liquor temptation, and only a single individual was left, who at noon on New Year's Day was to receive \$1,400. This Abiel, faithful found among the faithless, proceeded to the rendezvous at the appointed hour. He waited until ten minutes after noon, and then thought he would run into the saloon the next door and get a nip. He had just swallowed it when ten of the other members entered to take their noon-day Augustana, and he found to his horror that his watch was twenty minutes fast, and the money was lost. The eleven therefore proceeded to the residence of the treasurer, and found that he had lost all the money playing draw poker with one of the church trustees. The occurrence has cast a gloom over the whole community.

A good deacon, who was naturally a high-tempered man, had been used to beat his oxen over the head, as all his neighbors did. It was observed that when he became a Christian his cattle were remarkably docile. A friend inquired into the secret. "Why," said the deacon, "formerly, when my oxen were a little contrary, I flew into a passion and bent them unmercifully. This made the matter worse. Now, when they do not behave well, I go behind the load, sit down, and sing Old Hundred. I don't know how it is, but the palm time has a surprising effect upon my oxen."

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GIVE ME A CALL. All work entrusted to me will receive prompt attention, and be executed in the best possible manner, with good material. A share of public patronage is solicited.

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