

Democrats are now very busy collecting their hats.

To quote from the Black Eagle of Egypt, the Republican party has waned. The white plume is made up of the feathers of a cooked goose.

Any one having a pot of vermillion can bring it out to-night. N.B. Use a large brush.

It must be now that the Kingdom's comin' an' the year of jubilee.

It is our private opinion that Mr. Roecek Conkling is not plunged in very deep grief.

It really does look as if this country had not been magnetized to any surprising extent.

The number of people who bolted both parties and voted to suit themselves seems to have increased.

Editor Dana is standing at the door of the democratic party, ringing the bell. We would suggest to him that the servants are all out.

Fish don't pay so very well after all, does it, Broder? No; pardon us for using that word—Parson Ball.

In the year 2500, Joseph Cook says, the population of this country will be 3,200,000,000. What a plurality some candidate will get then.

Vermillion tints will flash upon our vision from all directions in the city to-night.

Many a democratic domicile will be illuminated to-night in honor of the election of Grover Cleveland and "Old Tom Hendricks, the copperhead."

The yeoman democrats from the hills and the valleys, from mountain glen and open plain, from the magnificent mansion and humble hut, the high, the low, the great, the small, the old, the young, the grave, the gay, the male, the female, all will be in the city to-night (Friday) to "paint it red" in honor of the glorious victory of the 4th inst.

Both St. John and Butler get a larger vote in Jackson county than was expected, and judging from the election returns the Democrats suffered most from these side-shows. The Tidings says that of the 21 votes cast for St. John at Ashland 12 were contributed by former Democrats.

So bitter is the feelings of Republicans against St. John and prohibitionists in Groversville New York that a series of temperance meetings had to be abandoned a few days ago to prevent an outbreak. This is a species of intolerance fitting to the overthrow of the republican party.

The Albany Democrat raises its prizes rooster, cannon, horse, etc., this week, and announces that Cleveland is elected. That settles it. The Democrat ought to know.—Salem Statesman. Yes, sir, the Democrat did know and hence was impelled to "tell the truth" to its readers. How was it with the Statesman? Why, after everybody else was ready to concede Cleveland's election, the Statesman pretended to have news last Thursday night showing that Cleveland was "suckin' the hind test," and on the strength of this the faithful of the capital city set out to celebrate the victory of Blaine, and actually made night hideouts for hours over their supposed victory. And now the Statesman's readers are "suckin' the hind test."

G. W. Murphy and James A. Quinn are out in a card in the Sunday Mercury stating that they have been employed at the Oregon State Penitentiary for some time previous to the late election. The warden undertook to control their votes for Blaine, but as Democrats they refused and voted for Cleveland. For this they were discharged. Such political proscription has been a common practice with the Republican leaders in this State, and it is no longer a matter of no surprise to the public.

TO GOVT. OUT.

Eastern papers published since the election, bear indubitable evidence of the fact that Elkins, Jones, Gould and other desperate and unscrupulous leaders of the Republican party made efforts to snatch victory out of defeat by resorting to cheating and fraud. So indignant did Democrats become in New York City, that threats were openly made that they would hang Jay Gould, who was manipulating election returns in the interest of Blaine. This accounts for the fact that Jay Gould, after spending his time and large sums of money to elect Blaine, rushed in upon the public with a telegram congratulating Cleveland upon his election. Gould was frightened "out of his boots" and ran up the white feather when he saw the danger in store for him. It is evident to us now that this surrender of Gould had much to do in frightening the conspirators who were then maturing the plans to cheat the people out of the Presidency. The country owes much to the Democracy of New York City and State for the bold and fearless attitude which they maintained during these times that tried men's souls.

ST. JOHN. The candidacy for the presidency of this gentleman seems to have stirred up an immense amount of bitterness of spirit and animosity among our Republican friends. They exhibit a degree of intolerance and illiberality towards John P. St. John, totally at variance with those fundamental principles of freedom of speech and political action which so emphatically distinguish our form of government from a monarchy. Under our form of government it is the privilege of every voter to identify himself with any political party in existence, or at any time to change his party relation without question from those with whom he has been acting politically. It is also the privilege of any voter, when he becomes convinced that the conduct and action of his party become destructive of the ends for which it was organized, or fails to meet in a manly and patriotic way any issue which may arise, to abrogate his party relations, and in conjunction with those who are in harmony with him, organize a new party laying its foundations on such fundamental principles and organizing its powers in such form, as shall seem to them most likely to secure the object had in view. All this they have a right to do unmolested and unquestioned. Now, what are the facts with reference to the candidacy of St. John. The leaders of the Republican party, including their newspapers and stump speakers, have been teaching their followers that all that was good, moral and pure in politics was to be found only among Republicans. That evil and evil only was to be found in the Democratic party. That drunkenness and general wickedness are peculiar to Democrats. That the Republican party stood pledged to wage war against every vice and sin, public or personal. When men like St. John began to teach that the use of ardent spirits is an evil and should be prohibited, the leaders of the party said they would take up that subject in due time and abate the evil. Now, St. John and his friends have been waiting a long time without receiving that attention which they believe the subject demanded. They decided to go before the Republican Convention at Chicago and ask that a prohibition plank be inserted in the platform. This they did, but their demand was treated with unconcern. They were treated similarly at the hands of the Democratic Convention. As would be perfectly natural, they then determined to run a ticket of their own. Now the question arises had they anything to hope from Mr. Blaine? If they had, all these hopes were dispelled when they came to see Blaine's conduct at the polls at the September election in Maine. Here was a miserable species of double dealing that even Blaine's enemies thought him incapable of. This to prohibitionists was a full and complete justification of their course.

Now, then, Republicans come in and say that St. John's course defeated Blaine, and so intolerant and vindictive have they been in some parts of the country, that they have "burned him in effigy" and subjected him to other indignities which bespeak the lowest grade of morals, and a very intolerant spirit on the part of those who engage in such conduct. The intelligent reader will see that Mr. Blaine's defeat was traceable to his own public record and not to the candidacy of St. John. There were two Republicans in New York, New Jersey and Conn. who voted for St. John, and they did this because they believed Blaine to be a corrupt man. It was the independent Republicans who defeated Blaine.

JAY GOULD. A dispatch from New York says: "Governor Cleveland remained up until three o'clock this morning reading congratulatory telegrams. They came from all parts of the country and in the aggregate numbered more than three thousand. Upon his arrival at the Capitol at 10 o'clock he found a party of State officials in the Executive Chamber ready to congratulate him. At first the visitors were not numerous, but as the day advanced they swarmed in and occupied all of the Governor's time by congratulating him and shaking hands. Chairman Manning dropped into the executive chamber on his way down town but the Governor had not come over from the executive mansion. The Governor received a large number of congratulatory telegrams this morning. The Jay Gould dispatch provoked a general smile among Cleveland's friends, one of whom said: "That is one of Gould's smart tricks. He tries to couple Cleveland with his own infamous career and leave the inference before the people who are even now crying out, 'Hang Jay Gould, that Governor Cleveland is a man who would help his nefarious schemes.'" It was a matter of some consideration among the Governor's friends whether he should resent the impertinence of Gould by answering him savagely or by merely throwing the message into the waste basket.

Among the resolutions adopted at the grand Democratic meeting at Savannah, Ga., was the following: Resolved, That we will welcome the day when there shall be no solid South, no solid North, but a solid Union and it was 80 years ago, and when all American citizens, white and black, stand equal before the law, and are covered and protected by our country's flag.

PARTISAN POLLY. The continual abuse heaped upon the South by the Oregonians, only serves to exhibit the sectional animosity and bitter hatred upon which the politics of that paper is based. Take this hatred and animosity from that paper and it would have no political views worthy the name. It has devoted all its energies since the election to arouse sectional feeling between republicans and democrats. It has insulted public intelligence in such a way as to stigmatize itself as one of the most narrow minded partisan organs in the whole country. Whatever of respect it has in times past established for itself in public estimation is now fast dying out. It is to be regretted that it pursues this course. It harps all day, and dreams all night about the "solid south."

It is met at every turn by the phantom of the "solid south." Why this bitterness of spirit towards the south? Why does it not allow its words of bitterness and hatred towards the south to be seasoned at last by a spark of good sense? Why not allow to be slightly modified by an atom of generosity? What is the motive of the Oregonian in wanting the "solid South" broken? Its motive is too patent to require explanation. It would have four or five states of the south vote the republican ticket in order to make that party perfectly secure in power. Only this and nothing more. It is the sheerest folly for the Oregonian to pretend that it is actuated by any other motive than the one mentioned above. If the "solid south" was not a menace to the perpetuity of the republican party in power, if there was no danger that the republican party would lose power in consequence of the south being solid, then the Oregonian would usually be glad to have the south solid. It would furnish a never ending text from which that paper could manifest its bitter intolerance and hatred for that people. The patriotism of that paper shows itself to exist on a very low plain. In fact it is entirely too narrow for broadminded American citizenship. We hope, when the sting of defeat has subsided, and reason shall begin to assert its way, that the Oregonian will see the error of its way, cast aside that bitterness of soul which now keeps it in a state of exasperation, return to the ways of wisdom, good sense, and patriotism, submit to the powers that be and make itself felt for good as it has so often made itself felt for bad. By pursuing this course it will yet become a power for promoting the public welfare. THE DEMOCRAT will be the first to congratulate it upon its entrance into new life with new, great and good purposes in view.

THE SALEM STATESMAN says: "Suppose a state has given the franchise to women and at the presidential election one candidate has barely the majority of that one state's electors. Now could such election be challenged successfully on the ground that other states did not recognize women as legal voters?" No, sir, Suffrage is purely a local question, that is, each state has the exclusive power of regulating the question of suffrage for itself, subject, of course, to the 15th amendment to the constitution of the U. S. If the legislature of New York had provided for woman suffrage, and they had voted for president at the late election, Cleveland's election would have been just as legal as it is now.

We have a Republican friend in Eugene City, and also one in Salem, who both remind us of the man who, on hearing the alarm of fire, rushed home and found his house in flames. He had just time to run in and carry out a baby's broken chair when the whole roof fell in and all his earthly goods were devoured by the angry flames. The owner began to boast, by saying, "You bet I saved that chair." Our Salem and Eugene friends are actually boasting about having saved Oregon from being carried away by the Cleveland cyclone, and are taking much consolation in the fact that Lin county has given a decreased Democratic majority. Well, our friends may well learn to find crumbs of comfort in such little things, as it will be all the political world will afford them for many, many years to come.

SOLO, OR., Nov. 17, 1884. It is amusing now to turn back to the Oregonian of Nov. 3 and 4 and read the special dispatches about the result of the then impending election. They gave positive assurance of a Blaine victory. But— ROCK HILL ITEMS. ROCK HILL, OR., Nov. 17, 1884. Rev. C. Sperry of Brownville delivered a very interesting sermon last Sunday. There were a large crowd present, a collection was taken up for him to preach here for one year, fifty-five dollars was raised. Died at Rock Hill, Mr. Gamaliel Parish, on Wednesday the 12th inst. The people of Rock Hill mourn over one who has done his duty. He helped lay out Rock Hill district a great many years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Rowell of Sweet Home made us a call one day last week. Mr. Doe Hogan and Geo. W. Dodge have gone out to wood down on the Calapaloo. We are awful jubilant over the election of Gov. Cleveland, they are firing off big guns all around here. The Rock Hill school is progressing rapidly under the management of Mr. McAdoo.

THE LEGAL RIGHTS OF COLORED MEN. The Republican press, for the purpose of arousing sectional animosity, are giving accounts of great alarm existing among the colored people of the South, because of the election of Grover Cleveland to the presidency. This alarm exists only in the imagination of those who wish to stir up race conflicts and fan the flame of partisan feeling. There is no man, North or South, who so fully understands the actual feeling and purposes of the great body of intelligent people of that section towards the colored people as Wade Hampton, and no man expressed that feeling more happily than Hampton did at Berkeley, S. C., October 30th. We give the following extract from that speech to show colored people and our Republican friends that the rights of all will be secure under Cleveland:

"I recognized in 1865, I an old slave owner, a Rebel, a Confederate General, long before any Northern man had said one word about conferring the right of suffrage upon the colored people; I, in Columbia, in 1865, came out at a meeting of the white and colored citizens and advised that South Carolina should confer the right to vote on her colored citizens. I recognized I recognized that a Republic could not make discrimination between her citizens on account of their color. [Applause.] The reason I mention it now is because I want to try and impress upon you that from that day to this I have had but one object in view, and that is to establish peace, good will and harmony between the two races in South Carolina, and I tell you now that that can never be until you quit following the leaders that you have been following heretofore. It can never be so long as you are willing to vote for an ex-convict to represent you in Congress. Why, this man Smalls boasted in Charleston the other day that he had never been within a prison's walls. Well, he told the truth as far as he went, but not all the truth. He might have gone on and said that if it had not been for the party of a Democratic Governor of South Carolina he would have had on a convict's stripes and been working in the penitentiary. He was fairly convicted and pardoned. We did not want to punish people who had been misled. Contrast him with the Democratic candidate for Congress. The Elliotts have been the friends of your race through many generations. Col. Elliott's father built a church for the colored people and preached to them year after year, and that church would be standing now if Sherman had not pulled it down. He would have had on a convict's stripes and been working in the penitentiary. He was fairly convicted and pardoned. We did not want to punish people who had been misled. Contrast him with the Democratic candidate for Congress. 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