

general bankruptcy and public calamity. It is idle to call for more greenbacks when they are not yet worth their face in gold. That would aggravate the disease we want to cure. It is not more currency, but more economy and industry on the part of the classes who now live by their wits instead of by fair labor. No country in the world can long stand such a drain. And in the light of the great National debt, in view of the South crippled and crushed by the crime of its great rebellion, and in the fear of the ever increasing and exorbitant demands of capital, I venture to repeat the declaration of Newton Booth "That we must reform now or suffer revolution hereafter."

The Grange

And who can be trusted to apply the remedy as well as the great conservative masses of the agricultural population? They can have no schemes that will not benefit the whole country; for their prosperity is the prosperity of all. They can have no animosities to gratify or revenges to take. The wheat raisers of Oregon, the corn growers of Illinois, and the cotton planter of Texas are all equally interested in securing and maintaining a good, honest and economical administration of all the powers of the government. The Farmers of America have already accomplished wonders in their great organization of the "Patrons of Husbandry." They have reduced the cost of many articles of prime necessity, and cemented a straggling army of producers in forty states and territories into the bonds of a common brotherhood, for mutual aid and general defense. This immense power ought to go one step further, and insist on the common rights of every citizen—equal and exact justice from the laws and the government—benefits to all, but favors to none. Not as an organized society; but as individual Grangers. Not in the interests of any political party, nor on behalf of any leader or 'Ring but to enforce honesty from all parties, and fidelity from every public servant. The great battle for personal liberty has been fought and settled on the side of equal rights and political equality; and these other great questions now confront the people. Shall the capital of the country manipulate parties and politicians in the interests of class legislation? Or shall the laws of the Republic be so framed and administered as will equally protect the humble homesteader in his cabin with the proud banker in his palace?

It is only in the spirit of justice and true manhood that the American people will be able to build up and maintain a true and just government. And true manhood cannot be developed in the face of slavish fear of wealth or power. It is therefore a sacred duty in every citizen to join in asserting the equal rights of all. For,

"What constitutes a State?
Not high raised battlements or labored mound,
Not thick wall or moated gate,
Not cities proud with spires and turrets crowned;
Not bays and broad armed ports,
Where, laughing at the storm, rich navies ride;
Not starred and spangled courts,
Where low-browed business waits perfume to pride.
No—Men, high-minded men,
With powers as far above dull brutes as ended
In forest, brake or den,
As beasts excel cold rocks and brambles rude—
Men who their duties know,
But know their rights, and knowing dare maintain."

Dog Law.

A citizen of Gratiot avenue called on the Chief of Police yesterday; and without any skirmishing around he inquired:

"Isn't dere some law about dot?"

"What is that?" asked the Chief.

"Can dot be dot a vellar shall call his dog 'Bismark'?" replied the man.

"Why, a man can name his dog any name he wants to, I suppose."

"He can?"

"Yes."

"And dot man shall call his dog Bismark?"

"Yes."

"And ze law is no goot?"

"No."

"Hi! ha! yes! I shall go mit my Looze and name my dog Sherg Washington, Shernak-Gaant-Bost-master-Shewell—pooty quick!"

And he was red in the face as he left.—*Detroit Free Press.*

Our Platform.

Resolved, 1. That there is just cause for alarm in the extravagance and profligacy prevalent in our government, both State and National administrations; and we condemn the people of this State upon the great reduction of taxation and expenses, brought about through the agency of the independent movement, and we demand the adoption of a similar policy of retrenchment on the part of the general government.

2. That we favor a return to specie payment in the ordinary transactions of commerce.

3. That the election of any man to the presidency of the United States for three successive terms, would be a violation of the traditional sentiments of the Republic, and we utterly condemn any and all third term schemes.

4. That we demand the repeal of the act doubling the salary of the president.

5. That we ask government aid for opening up and improving the rivers and harbors of our State, especially the Coos bay road, Port Orford harbor, the Columbia, Willamette and Coquille rivers, and the construction of locks at the Cascades of the Columbia; and also for the extension of public surveys to accommodate the advancing settlements of our State.

6. That we favor the adoption of all reasonable measures for securing cheap transportation, and to this end we pledge our candidate to labor especially for aid for the construction of either the Portland, Dalles and Salt Lake railroad or the Winnemucca railroad, that the interests of the State demand the completion of the Oregon and California railway to the southern boundary of the State, the extension of the Oregon Central railway to Junction City and Astoria, and the construction of the Corvallis and Yeguitas Bay railway.

7. That corporations, like individuals, should be in subjection to law, and the rates of freight and fares are proper matters for legislative control.

8. That we regard with favor the increasing interest manifested by the industrial classes, in favor of retrenchment and reform in public affairs.

9. That we demand that this State be reimbursed by the general government for the expenses incurred on account of the Modoc war.

10. That we oppose any division of the public school funds for sectarian purposes.

11. That none but honest, moral and sober men should be permitted to fill any positions of honor or trust.

12. That common carriers, as railroads and steamboat companies, etc., should be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts for damages or wrong done by them to property or person on or along their lines of transportation.

13. That railroads passing within a mile of a County Seat, or town of 200 or more inhabitants, should be compelled to build stations there for the accommodation of the people through whose lands they have the right of way.

14. That we hold to the doctrine of the Union as it is and the Constitution as it is and ought to be.

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