The Democratic Times.

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The Oregon Case.

The Oregon electoral matter is still occupying the attention of the Senate Committee. Most of the witnesses summoned have been examined. The Democratic side of the case has not lieve the Republicans do not consider they have gained anything in particular to warrant the great outlay of monthe Committee, such as Simpson, Denny, Johns, et al, especially as it has been discovered they know nothing of the matter. There seems to be no effort made to get at the legality of the case, (for it is purely a legal question, in which the Democrats have a vast percentage,) but a morbid desire has been used. Of course the Oregon Democracy will come out unscathed in this matter, as the testimony, although garbled and prejudiced against it by the Associated Press, already shows.

Lessons from Election Figures.

When we examine the details of the Republican loss in the late election we find the State of Illinois losing thirtysix thousand of her Republican majority of four years ago; Indiana losing thirty-two thousand; Iowa twenty thousand; Michigan fifty thousand, and Wisconsin fifteen thousand. In the East we find the Republican majority of four years ago reduced in Connecticut seven thousand; in Maine eighteen thousand; in Massachusetts thirtyfour thousand, and in Vermont ten thousand. In the Middle States we find the enormous losses of the Republicans since 1872 to be in New Jersey twenty-five thousand; in New York eighty-four thousand, and in Pennsylvania one hundred and twenty-four thousand. On the Pacific side California shows a Republican loss in four years of nearly eight thousand, and Oregon of three thousand. We will not refer to the Radical loss in the South, except to say that it is enormous.

Cannot Afford It.

The leading paper in Chicago states the issue in two sentences: "If the people allow a fairly-elected candidate to be thrown out in this instance, they should conclude that it will be done again and again, and each time with greater care and greater impunity. To allow Tilden to be robbed of his victory would be the greatest blunder, the most wretched cowardice, the most unpatriotic act, the world has ever known. The people cannot afford it. It would be national suicide." And again: "If the nation must go down, it would be far better that it should be in the struggle of men for their rights than in their surrender to a band of conspirators, composed of robbers and political malefactors of every grade of vileness." This is square talk, and to the point; and it expresses the sentiment of four millions and a half of the voters of the United States

What the Organs Say.

The organ seems to be trying a new tune, something after this fashion: "Hayes is elected; he has the governlend, and the northern merchants don't or in the court room. sell. It is too bad, but what are you going to do about it?

The Situation in Louisiana.

The Democratic cause is daily gainthem so long.

THE RIGHT RING.

The great Constitutional lawyer, David Dudley Field, recently elected to Congress by the Democrats of New York, made the annexed remarks in a recent speech. He gave the situation in a nutshell when he says, "I shall assert at all times that the only test of the will of the people is the count of the votes in the ballot box:"

"The remainder of the session in which, if elected, I will serve, will be devoted to the great question of how the electoral vote of been injured in the least, while we be- this country shall be counted. What is the power of the elective franchise? The theory is that every lawful vote shall be counted, and that no vote shall be counted that is not cast. The ballot shall be the interpretaey to get unnecessary witnesses before | tion of the people's will. Take the case of Louisiana. It is conceded on every hand that Tilden received a majority of from 7,000 to 10,000 of the votes cast on the day of the election. How then is he to be deprived of them? By casting out the votes of certain districts. They are rejected on the theory of intimidation. Suppose there are 5,000 registered voters. Four thousand, at most, are all that may be expected to vote. There are but 2,000 votes cast, and the majority for is evinced to find out whether money Tilden is nearly that number. They say that one thousand of that number were influenced by improper motives, or that the 2,000 net cast would have been cast on a certain side. A rainy day, it is said, costs one party or the other thousands of votes in this State. Suppose it should be presented to you that this invalidates the election, and it should be postponed to the next fair day. I test of the will of the people, is the count of the ballot-box. From this moment I stand committed to the principle that the count of the will of the people."

> Mr. Field voted for Hayes, but, like thousands of honest Republicans, be-

ieves Tilden elected.

Republican Swindling in Florida. The recent proceedings in Florida il ustrate the manner in which the carpet-bag Republicans comply with the mandates of courts. The Supreme Court required the Returning Board to re-canvass the votes at the November election precisely as they appeared on the face of the papers. Knowing that to do this would give a majority to the Tilden electors, the two Republicans on the Board refused to obey the Court. Then Attorney-General Cocke, the Democratic member, said he should respect the order of the Court, and go on and canvass alone. This brought the other two members to terms; but they did the work in a style that maintained their previously well-earned character for duplicity and cheating. A strict compliance with the mandate of the Court would give the Tilden electors a majority of 94. Therefore, and in order to evade a result so fatal to the conspiracy for counting in Hayes, they threw out the vote of Clay county, and canvassed the fraudulent return from Baker county, and in this way gave the Hayes electors a majority of 206. Against this jugglery Cocke filed a protest, and the Court is to consider this new entanglement. Are not honest, high-minded Republicans getting ashamed of these swindling practices?

In His Proper Place.

Tilden is to be peaceably declared President, peaceably inaugurated, and the country is to have peace from that time forward, so writes the Boston correspondent of the Springfield Republican. Under the Washington office-holders of the present dynasty, nothing but turmoil and eventually civil war could be expected. The people of the country, who are wiser than any of their nominal leaders, are going ors' certificates from Louisiana and to decide this matter suddenly and in Florida if he didn't get the votes, and | the way that will involve them in the he has got the votes if he didn't get | fewest future difficulties. That way is the governor's certificate from Oregon. | the inauguration of a new administra-Don't you see, you can't help it; so go | tion under Tilden. All the bayonets in about your business, buy and sell and the country cannot prop up a power do your business. We will take care that the popular will has condemned, of the offices and run the country four | whether in Columbia or in the District years longer. Don't you see its all of Columbia. If it cannot be but that right?" And still the people say that | bayonets should come-woe to him by Tilden is elected. They refuse to whom they come, all the same! Our dance, the Southern merchants don't countrymen love the soldier in his buy, the New Orleans bankers don't proper place, but not in the State house

The Oregon Investigation.

John Parker, of Albany, being examined in the Oregon case, testified he was not armed on the day of meeting ing in strength in Louisiana. The of the Oregon electors. Ben Simpson Nicholls government has possession of testified that he and Governor Grover nearly everything excepting the State | had spoken of Watts' ineligibility in House. Several members of the Pack- the middle of November, and the latard Legislature have gone over to the ter said the authorities were conflicting. Democratic body. The carpet-baggers, C. C. Jordan, cashier of the First Naconsidering their desperate situation, tional bank of New York, testified that have appealed to Grant for help, and the \$8,000 check was returned unused. he is about giving it to them, in the Grover testified that he had never shape of troops. The people are al- written a letter to any one stating that most a unit for the Nicholls regime, Tilden would get an electoral vote and we would not be surprised to hear from Oregon. Watts considers himof a collision, so aggravated have they self eligible. Mitchell made a voluntary become with the carpet-bag rule and statement that he did not know Watts Federal interference that has cursed was a postmaster until after the election. How innocent!

A STRONG FORCE.

It is somewhat difficult to ascertain as yet the exact popular majority of is, however, somewhere between 250,-000 and 300,000 votes. Those men are all standing to-day in solid line, insisting that Mr. Tilden has been legally and fairly elected President of the United States. Besides the four and a quarter million of men that voted the Democratic ticket, there is a large number of Republicans who side with them in that belief. In fact, it is safe to estimate that there is a million and a half majority of the American votes who believe that Mr. Tilden was fairly elected. That class of Republicans, so far as the issues now involved are concerned, as to who shall be inaugurated President, are to all intents and purposes Democrats. They are acting and will continue to act with the Democracy in upholding and enforcing the constitutional forms of government. That class of Republicans, says the Modesto News, can be found in Congress, on the Bench, in the army and navy, in the Union Leagues, Grand Army of the Republic, and in every ramification of the body politic, save within the close incorporation of the political conspirators that surround shall insist at all times that this, the only the administration. To usurp the Government and make Hayes President, or, rather, Dictator, for he would the ballots actually cast is the only test of be nothing else, these Constitutional Republicans, as well as Democrats, and the solid South would have to be ridden down by Sheridan's cavalry.

The Cronin Family.

The following from the New York Sun of December 25th cannot fail to be of special interest at this time:

Mr. Eugene A. Cronin, the Democratic elector from Oregon, who arrived in Washington on Thursday, is forty-four years of age, and a native of Greenwich, Washington county, New York. He is of Scotch-Irish extraction. His father, Eugene A Cronin, settled in Washington county 65 uated at the Salem Academy in that county, and was bred to the law. He was admitted in Albany at the age of twenty-one; passed he best examination in a class of twenty come in? students, ex-Judge John K. Porter, the examiner, complimenting him highly apor his legal acquirements. He volunteered under the first call of President Lincoln for troops, and afterward practiced law sucess fully for several years in Salem, New York. Following the lead of ex-Senator Corbett of Dregon, who is also from Salem, he moved to Oregon in 1864, and rapidly gained repu tation. Senator Mitchell, of Oregon, a Republican, said recently that Mr. Cronin was | hanged on the 26th instant. one of the ablest lawyers and most eloquent speakers on the Pacific Coast. He was a ground against office-holders in politics. It was on this account that he was placed upon the Democratic electoral ticket. Mr. Crohe founder of the Binghamton Times, a Republican newspaper, was Provost Marshal n Williamsburg, under General Butler, for two years, and is now on the staff of the Chicago Inter-Ocean. Another brother, T. C. Cronin, of this city, also a lawyer, has been a life-long Republican, and was a Republican candidate for Presidential elector n the Third Congressional District, Kings county. He was a delegate to the Syracuse and Cincinnati Conventions, and is a supporter of Hayes.

Need Have No Fears.

The San Francisco Examiner is in receipt of a private letter from a public man in Washington in a position to know what is going on, who says:

"The Democracy are fully organized and are making a sure and determined investigation. You need have no fears about the result, as every one here seems fully convinced that Mr. publican Senator now asserts that Tilden will be inaugurated. Many Republicans Senators and Representa- who signed Sherman's Louisiana retives concede the election of Mr. Tilden. I think the struggle is with a view to throw the election into the two Houses, thereby dividing the result, by electing Tilden and Wheeler, leaving the question of fraud to be shared by both parties. We have so far had an exciting session of Congress. Randall has proved himself a host and is worth a regiment of ordinary men."

Another Infamy.

ton will introduce a resolution to provide that Florida, Louisiana and South Carolina cannot be taken away from the thieves who have stolen them. Why not put Oregon in the same resolution? Simply because that would elect Tilden. The passage of such an infamous resolution as this would be nothing short of revolution. Morton and his crowd of conspirators, says the Standard, may as well understand it now that they may pass the resolution but they can never carry it into force by inaugurating Hayes through fraud. The people will have something to say in regard to the matter.

They Weaken in Hope.

Herald of the 30th ult., but it was not received by the loyal telegraph; nevertheless it appeared in that Hayes organ legions. A force will be organized, on the date above stated:

GENERAL NOTES AND NEWS.

Hon. C. B. Bellinger, Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committhe Democracy at the last election; it tee, has been summoned to Washing-

> The public debt statement shows an increase of the debt during December of \$358,142. Total in the treasury, \$137,000,000.

It is reported in Republican circles that if a new election is ordered Haves will be dropped altogether, and either Blaine or Morton substituted.

Oegon is now shipping wheat to a dozen or more European markets, some of which are in Great Britain, France, Belgium, Spain and Holland.

The Washington Capital indorses Watterson's advice that 100,000 Democrats should be there to witness the counting of the Electoral vote on the 14th of February, and, in addition, recommends them to come armed.

Chicago, Jan. 11.-Cronin passed through here to-day en route to Oregon. He claims he was wronged by the specials and press reports from Washington. but says he was treated, personally, with the greatest courtesy by both par-

During the year past seventy-two vessels, laden with grain and flour, have cleared from Portland. The total amount of wheat shipped to foreign ports was 1,824,371 centals; total valuation, \$2,138,294. Total flour shipped, 711,419 barrels.

In case Vice President Ferry resigns leading Senators have been seriously considering the plan of electing somebody not a Senator as Vice President pro tem. Authorities all agree that there is nothing to prevent such action. Perhaps.

Republican managers are struggling hard to turn public attention from the investigations going on at the South towards Oregon. Morton, as a strategist, is hard to beat, but still the Returning Board frauds will, in spite of him, rise up for judgment.

Even the New York Tribune has made the discovery that the Radical vote in Louisiana was larger by 3,173 than at any previous election; in Florvears ago. Eugene A. Cronin, Jr., grad- ida by 5,240, and South Carolina by 6,799. Then in the name of Horace Greeley where does the bull-dosing

A motion for a new trial in the case of W. K. Neil, under sentence of death for the murder of S. W. Hayes, was argued last week before Judge Boise at Albany. The argument was taken under advisement and the motion overruled. Neil is sentenced to be 1876.

Hugh A. Barr, was arrested Monday var Democrat, and has always taken strong | before last at Reseburg for passing counterfeit money. He paid out about \$40 to the merchants of that place. In his nin's brother, Major D. E. Cronin, who was | carpet-bag was found 130 pieces more. He was arrested and had an examination before a Justice and was discharged, only to be again arrested by a deputy U. S. Marshal.

> Mr. Lamar, of Mississippi, in a conversation, lately, expressed most unequivocally his conviction that Tilden was elected, and that he would be in augurated the 5th of March next. He thought some sort of compromise would be effected to produce this result, and that there would be a peaceable submission to it by the Radicals.

The special Washington correspondent of the New York Herald reports "a break in the Radical line in the Sen ate." He adds: "There may even be a foot-race when the break does come. Shrewd observers remark that, except Morton and Sherman, no Re-Hayes is elected. Some of the men port are getting ashamed of it.

The Bennett-May duel has created considerable sensation. It appears that young Bennett, of the New York Herald, was engaged to Miss Ida May. The engagement was broken off and Miss May's brother, taking umbrage at Bennett's action, meeting him on the street, cowhided him and knocked him down. Bennett challenged May, and ere exchanged and neither were hurt.

Trade dollars, which less than four months ago were at 10 per cent. discount, are now one and a half per cent. premium over gold, while half dollars, which were worth five per cent. more than trade dollars not long since are worth six and seven per cent. less now. It is not by any means improbable that ere another five years silver will be in greater request than gold. Such a thing has frequently been known before, and matters are now in the happiest condition to have it repeated. There is no accounting in reason for the fluctuations of gold, silver and U. S. paper money.

The Times' Cincinnati special says that it is reported on good authorities that Governor Williams has declared his intention of putting the State The following is from the New York | militia of Indiana at once on an efficient war footing. Officers are to be appointed to traverse the State, enlist men and muster volunteers into armed and put in a condition to be of the Company. "That Mr. Tilden will be declared called into active service at a moment's elected seems to grow in certainty warning. The Governor has the powevery day. The Republicans weaken er of appointing all the field officers in hope. One sign of Tilden's election above Major, and is himself Commanis that there is no fear of turmoil if he der-in-Chief. The laws of the State provide that the legion can be called

ernor declares, by proclamation, that there is war, invasion, insurrection, or public danger, or when any one of these are threatened or anticipated.

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