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BLAINE.

Probably Blaine will be the Republican candidate for President, in spite of his declination. Chairman Jones, is reported to have recently said:

"I do not know what he would do if he should receive the nomination by the Chicago convention, but should think it would be hard to resist the demand of the party which had so highly honored him. Upon the whole, I think these questions are not for me nor even Blaine to answer, but for the Republican party in assembly met."

If this means anything, it is that Blaine after all will not decline the nomination, if it is thrust upon him. It is easy to imagine that his declining was after all only a means of securing the nomination. Mr. Blaine understands human nature about as well as anybody, and knows that men desire nothing so much as the thing beyond their reach. No sooner was it announced that he had "positively refused to be a candidate," than his devoted admirers were more anxious than ever that he should be a candidate, and more industrious than ever in developing his strength. This was a natural consequence, easily foreseen. It also may not have been wholly a natural result, but part of the plan. If so, it was quite successful, for it threw other candidates somewhat off their guard, and allowed the Blaine men to capture one or two delegations which otherwise would have been for some other man.

Blaine should be nominated. He represents the ideas and aims of the Republican party to-day more nearly than any prominent public man, unless it is Sherman. Although different types of man, they are both ideals of Republican party politics and practices. But Blaine was pitted against Cleveland before, and was defeated by such a very narrow margin that he ought to be allowed to try again. To come so near to carrying New York, with so many enemies in his own party in that State, was scarcely a defeat, though it yielded him none of the fruits of victory. Then, there were so many little "incidents" and mistakes, that might now be avoided. No Burchard would again connect "Rum, Romanism, and Rebellion" in fatal alliteration. No Delmonico dinner need be eaten in public. Perhaps St. John's power is waning. Conkling is dead; and Manning also, Cleveland's ablest general.

Blaine would still be a stronger man than Sherman, for Sherman adds to dishonesty and disreputable methods in public life a cold, cynical, repulsive nature, which Blaine has not. Gresham, candidate of the Chicago Tribune and the Oregonian, is out of the question. He is a pure, able man; and therefore no man for the Republicans. Beside, he is a Democrat on the tariff question—the only question now at issue—and therefore entirely unavailable. The Republicans must of necessity nominate a high-tariff man, one who will be supported by the capitalists and monopolists. These men don't care who the man is, among a large number, but they would never consent to Gresham. Allison is in nearly as bad a boat. Harrison would suit them better, but there would be no hope of his carrying New York. It must be Blaine, Sherman, Depew, or Stanford; and among these why desert Blaine, who came so near victory before, for a man of less "magnetism" and probably less strength.

The outlook now is that Blaine will be nominated by acclamation, and if he is of course he won't decline. LA GRANDE JOURNAL: "The Pendleton EAST OREGONIAN is to-day the leading democratic journal in the State, and the publishers deserve the greatest success they are meeting with."

THE LA GRANDE JOURNAL objects to Lattou because his "chief study and object of argument is against the existence of an Almighty Ruler of this universe."

THE CHANCES.

Republican papers throughout the State have copied with evident satisfaction an editorial printed some time ago in the EAST OREGONIAN, entitled "A Dark Outlook," in which it predicted Democratic defeat in June unless disensions were dropped and unity restored. Recent reports from the localities named are far more encouraging. In Portland the Democratic factions are silenced, if not satisfied, while the Republican breach grows wider. In Baker county a re-convention has been called, which will unite the party, we hope, upon one man, who can be elected. In Union county the revolt against Kinehart is diminishing in numbers and force, and he will probably pull through. In Yamhill county the Democrats are almost certain to gain one, if not two Representatives. All reports from Polk agree that Sears, the Democratic nominee for Senator, will succeed Allen, a Republican. In Washington, nearly 200 Republican, Tongue will in all probability be defeated for Senator by the able and eloquent young Democrat, Huston. Hazard, in Coos, Curry and Josephine, stands more than an even chance. In Crook, Klamath and Lake Cogswell can scarcely be in danger of defeat by Cartwright. In Marion good judges say at least two or three Democrats will be elected—a clear gain. One of them is certain, it is said, of election. In Multnomah the Democrats may elect two or three—another clear gain if they do. The closest battle-ground; will be Wasco and Gilliam. If the Democrats can elect their men there, and hold the rest of Eastern Oregon already Democratic, they will win.

For Congressman Gearin's chances are again brightening, and if he can do nearly as well in Multnomah as his friends claim he will be elected. Two weeks more will tell the story. Now for a strong pull and a pull together. It will be a victory worth celebrating, and worth remembering many a year.

RANDALL.

RANDALL wants free whisky and tobacco, and the taxes kept up on all the necessities of life. Therefore he ought to get over on the Republican side of the House. He quoted from Jefferson, Monroe, and other Democratic "forefathers." Shades of the great departed, what insolence is this! The Mills bill and the President's proposition would still leave an immensely higher tariff than was ever dreamed of by Jefferson or Monroe; and in their days it was only intended for "infant industries"—not for giant monopolies, such as receive the benefit now. As Mr. Dolph is in the Senate in the special interest of the railroad and money corporations, so is Mr. Randall in the interest of the protected monopolies of Pennsylvania. Term after term he is returned from a Republican district because he has more brains and therefore can better serve his masters than any Republican.

The Democratic procession is going to march right on toward lower taxation and equal rights in this country, and if Mr. Randall don't like the company he better leave it. No one man, of however great ability, or of whatever past service to the Democratic party, can stop the march.

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There never was in this State or any other State a dirtier assortment of political knaves than those who compose this infamous Portland ring. The Republican party cannot carry this ring and live.—Oregonian, June 24, 1888.

The same "assortment" is now running for the State Legislature in Multnomah county, and the Oregonian is supporting them.

LA GRANDE JOURNAL: "It is significant that the independent papers of the State, almost without exception, support Hon. John M. Gearin for Congress. The same independent element which, in looking for the best man found Sylvester Penoyer, will also find John M. Gearin and send him to Congress."

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