

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

Recently at Des Moines Iowa, there was held a political State Convention; it was a Republican Convention; it passed a series of resolutions, and we have watched and waited to see what the radical Republican press of Oregon had to say about it. We wonder not at their silence, but we look upon the resolutions as one of the wonders of the world. Finally however, the Oregonian has spoken and has exercised its independence in its remarks upon the platform of the Iowa radicals, seldom witnessed in a newspaper worshipping continually at the shrine of bur-modern Cæsar, but the Oregonian has spoken nobly; in part at least, if indeed it knows of what it talks, for it says:

The platform adopted by the Iowa Republican State Convention, which we publish in this morning's Oregonian, shows that the Republicans of that State comprehend the situation. It has the ring of the iron metal. No wonder the party in Iowa are always good for thirty to forty thousand majority in their general election. They act upon the true principle, that the way to obtain the confidence of the people is to deserve it. Let the Convention in Oregon adopt this platform.

Now my friendly readers, what is this platform lauded so high and eloquently by the Oregonian? we answer, it is a strange mixture of truth and falsehood; it is a wolf in sheep's clothing, and bears upon its face in the main, so far as the resolutions themselves go, the show of honesty and correct principles.

The Oregonian so far is the only Grant journal in the State that has even dared to give, or comment upon them, and if the radicals of Oregon, would go back on their former record, repeating in sack cloth and ashes, for their heretofore terrible blunders and wilful negligence, and adopt this platform, minus the falsehood, in good faith adding thereto the other needed and proper reforms, and then demonstrate their declarations by their actions, there might be some hope for those ungodly sinners, by snatching them as brands from the eternal burning; but there is no hope of that, they have too long endeavored in words with all their sophistry and falsehood, and we venture the assertion when convened, will discard every one of them which smacks of honesty and correct principles, and that if any of them are adopted it will be that portion which bears upon the face a libel. Here are the preamble and resolutions.

The Republicans of Iowa, in convention assembled, make this declaration of principles. They hold the Republican party to be a political organization of those American citizens who are opposed to slavery; and that no party has a right to the support of the people unless it is inspired with this purpose. Believing that the Republican party is still controlled by those principles, and that it is now, as it has been from its beginning, an organization of the best and purest political elements of the country, we, the Republicans of Iowa, renew our expression of devotion to it, and our belief that we can secure through it the political reform and the just and necessary measures of legislation and relief from monopolies and other abuses of power which the country so much need; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That, proud as we are of the past record of the Republican party, we yet insist that it shall not be content with its present and past progress, and as it has progressed the Union, freed the slave and protected him from the oppression of the slave master, it will now be devoted to its spirit and its duty if it does not protect all our people from all forms of oppression, whether by monopolies, centralized capital, or whatever kind the oppression may be.

2. That we insist upon the right and duty of the State to control every franchise of whatever kind it grants; and while we do not wish that any injustice shall be done to the individual or corporation investing capital or industry in enterprises of this kind, we yet demand that no franchise shall be granted which is prejudicial to the public interests, or in which the rights and interests of the State and the people are not carefully and fully guarded.

3. That the producing, commercial, and industrial interests of the country should have the best kind of cheap modes of transportation possible; and that the actual capital invested in such means of transit, whether by railway or otherwise, should be permitted the right of reasonable remuneration, and abuse in their management, excessive rates, oppressive discriminations against localities, persons or interests, should be corrected. By law we demand Congressional and legislative enactments that will control and regulate the railways of the country, give to the people, fair rates of transportation, and protect them against existing abuses.

4. That we heartily applaud the active measures of the late Congress in fighting out and exposing corruption. We have seen with profound regret in the developments made recently evidences of political and official

corruption and the abuse of responsible positions by men of all political parties to further personal ends, and we demand pure official conduct and the punishment of unfaithful public men, who having betrayed the confidence freely extended to them, shall not be shielded from the disgrace of their acts by partisanship of party, and we denounce all the Credit Mobilier transactions and all official misconduct of whatever form.

5. That we believe that whenever a person holding any position of trust given him by the people is guilty of fraud or embezzlement, he shall be convicted and punished under the criminal laws of our land in addition to the recovery from him or his bondsmen of the amount so embezzled.

6. That the acts of the majority of the members of the last Congress, involving what is known as "the back pay steal," by which they voided into their pockets thousands of dollars which did not belong to them, was most egregiously improper and infamous, and should secure the expunction of all who were a party to it, and we demand that the provisions of the late act of Congress by which the salaries were increased shall be promptly and unconditionally repealed.

7. That we are desirous of political reform, and an honest economy and purity in all official administration; that to secure this is the duty of every citizen; that to this and every good man should feel bound to participate in politics, and to make an end of the bad men forcing their election by securing a party nomination. We declare it the duty of every Republican to oppose the election of a bad man to any office, candidate, whether he be a candidate upon our own or any other ticket.

8. That we sympathize with every movement to secure for agriculture and labor their due influence, interest, and rights, and the Republican party will be their ally in every just effort to attain that end.

If any honest man can read these resolutions and declarations, and his cheek not burn with shame, then we confess we have misunderstood human nature to a degree really fearful. The preamble declares: "We believe all men are entitled to the same political and civil rights." This is an absolute falsehood, because they do not give all men equal political and civil rights, and worse, and more false than all is the fact that they give it to the ignorant hotentot of Africa, and refuse it to the civilized educated Asiatic; it is true they acknowledge by this declaration just what we have always contended, that to step over the line of race, and give the elective franchise to one class and refuse it to another is manifest injustice, and a senseless inconsistency which shocks the mind of every lover of truth and true Republicanism, and yet they persist in their hypocrisy, by declaring that all men should have equal political rights, and at the same time stubbornly and wilfully refuse to give them. The truth is the experiment of extending the ballot to opposite races so far is a failure, and we must go back on what we have done in that direction and confine it to our own race, which is the correct theory, or we must, as we have crossed the line of race, give it to all.

This preamble after going on to say many good things which are never practiced by that party, with the audacity of the devil himself remarks: "believing that the Republican party is still controlled by those principles, we renew our expression of devotion to it, and winds up by declaring, that we can secure through that party, relief from monopolies and other abuses of power which the country so much need. We commend that preamble to the careful consideration of the people of Oregon, as the most remarkable document, and monstrous exhibition of clean cheek, ever put forth to a reading public.

The first resolution declares their great pride in the past record of the Republican party, and the sixth resolution declares that a majority of the Representatives of that party in the last Congress, were a pack of thieves, and they demand the unconditional repeal of the salary bill, which was the pet measure of that party in the last Congress. "The jewel of consistency never shown so bright." The second and third resolutions insist; that the State has the right and it is its duty to control absolutely every franchise it grants, including railroads; and demands such legislation by Legislatures both State and national, as shall regulate the railways of the country and their abuses; and protect the rights of the people; this is laughable, when we consider the fact, that the radical party in Oregon have steadily opposed and denounced this whole principle from the beginning. What a magnificent appearance Dolph, Caples or Dowell would make stumping the State on this platform and arguing with what meager powers God has seen fit to bless them with, that Ben Holladay has for ever in Oregon a vested right, to control the carrying trade of the State by his railroads, beyond the reach of the sovereign people, which doctrine they have always openly contended for, and which doctrine was recognized by a

Republican House of Representatives last September by refusing absolutely to pass any law regulating or restricting this gigantic monopoly, let them deny if they dare, we drew with our own hand the bill and then stood by in person and saw them reject it, while silly fools and sycophants stood in their places and saw: "This question is beyond our control."

The fourth and fifth and sixth resolutions, applaud the action of their public servants in ferreting out, and exposing the hideous corruptions of its own party and denounce their leaders as a gang of thieves. We submit to the candid reader, if a party which has proved itself to be so corrupt as declared by these resolutions, is not unworthy the confidence of an honest people and ought not to take a back seat and witness with pride the organization of that new and pure party of progress, which can already be seen in the dim distance, but whose power is growing and working in and among the masses to the great chagrin of their monopolies and Grant worshippers generally.

The seventh resolution declares that, it is the duty of Republicans to oppose the election of every bad man, and by implication calls upon the party to vote for the best man, whether he be running on their own ticket or any other; and the eighth is a splinter without shape. We desire to notice one other falsehood in the first resolution, where in they declare that, the Republican party preserved the Union, freed the slave and protected him from the oppression of the slave master." Now every man of common honesty must admit that this is false, it is too well known and the history of the past decade will bear witness, that from the commencement of the war to the organization of the Union party, the commander in chief of our army and navy, ordered all slaves taken to be returned instantly to their owners, the truth is, the Abolition of slavery was the natural result of the war and was not brought about by any party in particular, nor is it true that the Republican party saved the Union, it was the Union party alone that saved the country the disgrace which would have followed the success of rebels, and the permanent establishment of a Southern Confederacy. Let it be distinctly understood that, we are not opposing the correct principles contained in the resolutions, because taking out the falsehood, and save and except the principle of universal suffrage we endorse in the main, the principles laid down in the resolutions themselves, because they are right, and because they are the principles which we have constantly advocated in Oregon, and which have been as steadily opposed by the Grant Republicans. We shall see if the radical Republican party in Oregon will have the back bone to repudiate their former actions and doings, which have been contrary to equity and good conscience, and following the example of their brethren in Iowa, adopt this platform; if they do not, it will be proof positive that the party is one thing in Iowa and another in Oregon; and if they do, for us it will be victory and glory enough, for one campaign.

The Bulletin seems to be worried over the fact that the Liberals in Oregon are determined to support the best man who shall be nominated for Congress this fall irrespective of party affiliations, but nevertheless the people have so determined and we presume the Bulletin will have to submit to their will, and we continue our notice to the corruptionists and ringites, that if any of their crowd shall be nominated for Congress he shall be defeated, and the liberals do not intend to be defeated.

The Spirit of the Times, San Francisco, in speaking of its own Governor, Booth, in a fault finding manner says: "He has appointed men to positions, who during the late campaign, openly denounced Grant, as a thief, plunderer and scoundrel, and were loud in their advocacy for Greeley. He is an antagonist to the administration of General Grant." His appointments in connection with the Harbor Commissioners, have all been antagonistic to the interests of the Republican party. His organ is the Sacramento Union; and in addition, that in those counties where all the nominations are not given to the friends of Booth, that they should "belly" and run independent tickets.

The above is the strongest proof possible that Booth is an honest man, and a Statesman.

The Christian Advocate remarks: The ugly facts in the past history of Senator Mitchell have been brought to light, and Heaven itself cannot undo, although it may pardon them. No sane man can approve of his past course.

That's all very fine, but the question is, will you take chances on heavens pardon in his case, and support in the future this man and the corrupt ring he controls, which forms the rudder that guides the Republican party in Oregon? will you in accordance with your profession, denounce those rotten men and measures whenever they are undertaken to be forced upon the people? are you ready and willing to put on the boldness and exercise the nerve which belongs to a Christian, and denounce the wrong and advocate the right; are you willing to say what we are satisfied you know to be true, that the dominant party of to-day, has become corrupt by and through the operations of just such men as Mitchell, and ought to be superseded, by a new, pure, and energetic party, with pure principles that will hesitate not to shake off corruption and monarchial relics, and come up to the demands of the nineteenth century assisting freely, openly, and willingly to raise the standard of good morals, religion and pure republicanism.

BEGINNING TO BEG.

The Bulletin, in speaking of the election to supply the place made vacant by the death of J. G. Wilson remarks:

We fully believe that the Republican candidate, whoever he may be, can be elected over any opponent. But to make this sure we must have a candidate who is thoroughly satisfactory to the entire body of Republicans in the State.

Yes Mr. Bulletin, it is high time you began to see the evil of your ways, and permit us right here, in our modesty to remark that, you must nominate some man who is known to the people of the cow counties, not only to be a man of honor, honesty, capability and of strict integrity, but who has been and still is an open opponent of the Mitchell Holladay railroad monopoly rings or you must and shall be defeated.

The Bulletin sounds the key-note and probable death knell of Republican success in the coming contest in another issue by the following statement:

The candidate who is nominated should be a true party man and one who has adhered heretofore to party modes and usage. He should not become who has opposed causes or other modes of party action. In short, he should be one who is recognized as a strict and consistent Republican.

This can only be construed as an open declaration, that all who opposed the caucus in the late senatorial fight and forwarded the nomination of Corbitt over Mitchell Hipple, are not recognized as among the straight outs, but must be considered as among those who have determined "not to abide by party methods," and who have heretofore disregarded them; and that if any such set up their claims in the nomination for Congressman, it will be useless to talk of "conciliation." This is precisely the position which the Bulletin is understood to have occupied for some time past and that it still occupies, and of course this is the Alpha and Omega, because no man can be elected on a Republican ticket, save and except one of the very class named by the Bulletin with which it solemnly declares there can be no conciliation.

STATE ITEMS.

Col. Peter Saxe is at Salem with his fine blooded cattle. Lane county is agitating the question of building a poor house. Young ladies of Astoria propose organizing a boat club for rowing and sailing. Some of Col. Taylor's fine Angora goats, on his Clatsop farm, have been killed by bears. Hay is selling at \$7 per ton in Eugene. W. L. Bryan has started an opposition boat on the Yaquina river. All the Chinese in Jacksonville were arrested last week, for inhabiting family houses. Harve sting has begun in earnest in Benton county.

Wool is selling in Corvallis at 22 1/2 cents per pound. Weatherford & Co, lost \$200 by the robbery of their safe last week. Some robbers attempted to rob Wells and Fargo, Express Office one night last week but did not succeed.

THE TERRITORIES.

The Columbia has fallen about five and a half feet at Vancouver. A jail bird at Olympia took his flight last week, but was recaptured at Kalama the next day. Some gentlemen from Iowa are looking about Vancouver with a view to the establishment of a large tannery at that place. The Bellingham Bay Coal Company, at Sehome, has nearly one hundred employees, and turns out, on an average, a hundred tons of coal a day. One of Oregon's leading iron mongers and founders is at present in Tacoma, and it is said by the people there to have selected a location for a large foundry. A colored man was found laying in the brush in the suburbs of Vancouver, last Friday, in a very sick and feeble condition. He was unable to give any account of himself. Three steamboats—the Dakota, Selkirk and International—and several barges are plying on Red river between Moorhead and Fort Garry, in connection with the Northern Pacific Railroad. The trade of Manitoba is increasing rapidly, and has already become of great importance to the railroad. The boys at the Orphans Asylum at Vancouver who, reported as having their eyes blown out by some hoodlums, last week, it seems were the hoodlums themselves. They were playing with a toy cannon, and loaded it to the muzzle, then touched it off, and told that they were fired at by some one outside the grounds.

TELEGRAPHIC.

New York, July 19.—Last Thursday the parents of Utem V. Booker called on a lawyer and said they had reason to believe that their daughter who died July 9th, had been poisoned, that they suspected the physician who attended her of being guilty of the alleged murder, with the knowledge and connivance of Colonel Hood, Mrs. Woodhull and Mrs. Clafflin. They stated that the circumstances of their sister's death was suspicious, but refused to join in the story of poisoning. The lawyer declined to institute an inquiry before the grand jury.

San Francisco July 19.—The number of deaths in the city during the week was seventy-eight. No smallpox.

The American and Nevada Mining Company has been incorporated to work in Gold Hill. Capital \$2,000,000. C. E. Malone, B. E. Suerwood, L. Clarke, A. M. Gilman, M. C. Hilley, Directors.

One hundred and seven steamer from the U. S. steamer California called for New York by the Nevada to-day.

The taxpayers, it is reported, will make nominations Tuesday evening next.

Eleven cases of smallpox have been announced. Ten are in the post house, one in the city in a small town.

San Francisco, July 19.—Passengers overland—W. C. Griswold, Salem.

There was a light shock of earthquake in this city about 8 o'clock last night.

The Liberal Reformers met last night, adopted a report on order of business, appointed a committee on credentials and adjourned till next Friday night.

It is reported that the Marin County Narrow Gauge Railroad Company will ask the Supervisors of the county to call another election to submit to the people the question of voting them another subsidy; also that the Donohue Company will ask another in the same manner.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned was at the June term 1873, of the County Court for Polk County Oregon, duly appointed administrator of the estate of Elias Smith deceased. All persons holding claims against said estate are required to present the same to me at my residence near Dallas Oregon, for allowance within six months from the date hereof, or be forever barred therefrom by said administrator. Dallas, Oregon, June 2, A. D. 1873. J. W. Gold Hubbard, administrator

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT application has been made to the County Court for an order, to sell the following described real property belonging to the estate of A. C. Daniels deceased situated in the County of Polk and State of Oregon to wit: Beginning at the S E Corner of the Land Claim of Jesse Harriett; thence West on the S line of said claim 27.95 chains thence N 35 chs thence W 7.96 chs to the center of the county road from Salem ferry to Spring Valley thence N 16° 55' W along the center of said road 13.56 chs thence East 40.50 chs to the bank of the Willamette river thence along the bank of said river to the place of beginning containing 68.46 acres more or less by order of the Court the 5th day of August A D 1873 at 1 o'clock p.m. of said day is set for hearing said petition all persons having an interest in said matter are hereby notified to appear at said time and show cause if any why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. Done by order of the County Court, O F Daniels, Administratrix.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 26 day of July A. D. 1873 there will be a meeting at Bethel Polk County Ore, at one o'clock p.m. on said day of the Stock Holders of the Lincoln warehouse and shipping company which said meeting will be for the purpose of electing officers for said corporation. Dated at Dallas June 19th 1873. J. S. Town send, H. N. V. Holmes, E. C. Key, Cor'rs.

NOTICE.

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