

THE INDEPENDENT.

ROSEBURG, SATURDAY, SEPT. 23.

REGULATION OF TRANSPORTATION.

Senator Dorris of Lane county, has introduced a bill to regulate the rates on fare and transportation by the railroads in this State. In doing this Mr. Dorris is following a resolution of the last Democratic convention, which says: "That while we recognize and respect the legal rights of railroad enterprise, we demand that our Legislatures, State and Federal, enact such laws regulating the same as may be necessary to prevent unjust discrimination towards and oppression of the people." We have not seen the bill as it was introduced and are not prepared to say that this particular bill should become a law, but we are ready to defend any well matured bill for this purpose, upon reasons of public policy. The right of the State to regulate freights and fares upon railroads is too well settled by our highest courts, to admit of question, and the necessity of such legislation in this State is already too manifest. For an example, take the subject of fares. The fare from Roseburg to Portland, two hundred miles, is \$12.25, a little over six cents per mile; from Roseburg to Oakland, 17 miles, the fare is \$1.25, a fraction over seven cents per mile; from Roseburg to Myrtle Creek, 20 miles, the fare is \$1.35, nearly seven cents per mile. The freight charges are equally exorbitant. The transportation of a bushel of wheat from Roseburg to Portland costs 18 cents, from Myrtle Creek to Roseburg, six cents; from Dilard's to Roseburg, ten miles, three cents; and from Green's to Roseburg, four miles, three cents. The committee to whom the bill will be referred will, no doubt, find charges more exorbitant than these.

That the Legislature should establish such rates that would enable a farmer by hard work and strict economy to accumulate something for himself and a provision for his family, is a self-evident proposition, and should it fail to do so it will be held responsible by the people, without distinction of party.

We regret to see that the "Standard," a so called Democratic paper, antagonizes the bill and advises a liberal and just policy should be pursued towards the corporations. This is proper enough, but when it offers as an apology for the present high rates that "no rates, however extravagant, have ever been charged by railroads equal to the present cost of these sections," it asks us to concede more than the people can grant. These roads have been and are now being built by an extravagant subsidy from the United States, in the shape of a land grant, more than sufficient to build all the roads now projected in the State. These roads were intended, not for sections, but for inter-state commerce. The one to connect Oregon with the East and the other with the State of California. If the project was not feasible, it should never have been undertaken, but having attempted it, the company have no right to assess the people of Oregon to build their road, by establishing a high rate of fares and freights.

Such an appeal might have been effective if the railroad company had confined itself to its legitimate business and not interfered with the politics of the State, but when it sets itself up to elect not only the members of the Legislature, but even the sheriffs and county officers of every county to which its power extends, and then demands the election of an United States Senator in its interest, the spirit of the usually quiet Oregonian is aroused. The fate of our neighboring State of California stands before them. By specious arguments that they were developing the material interests of that State, the Central Pacific railroad obtained large grants of money in addition to the immense subsidy given by Congress, and having with these sums made a network of railroads throughout the State and achieved a monopoly which makes every business subservient to it, they now defy the power of the people. The new constitution made provision for the election of commissioners to regulate railroads. The railroad company by the use of money, elected their candidates, and are now in the field with their usual appliances to secure the same result in November, which nothing short of an insurrection can prevent. Yet when the Legislature of Texas passed a law reducing fares to three cents per mile, the same company submitted to the inevitable. They had not sufficient money to buy the Texas Legislature.

Let the same be said of the Legislature of Oregon, let it be known that while we are willing to accord to the railroad company every facility for its business, we

are not prepared to become the slaves of any corporation, that if we are poor we are honest.

A PARTY'S DOWNFALL.

It requires no prophetic vision to foretell the downfall of the Republican party. It has become too corrupt to longer exist. Its deathknell was sounded by the open revolt of the people against Cameronism in Pennsylvania. The Keystone State will next November, with hardly the peradventure of a doubt, pass over into the hands of the Democracy. When once that happens and better laws are passed guarding the ballot-box in Philadelphia, removing the notorious frauds that have given that city to the Republicans for many years, Pennsylvania will become what corruption and fraud have kept her from being, a strong Democratic State. This alone will elect a Democratic President in 1884. The situation is hardly less critical in New York and the two factions of the Republican party in that State, the Halfbreeds, under the leadership of Gov. Cornell, and the Stalwarts, under the guidance of Conkling, with Secretary Folger as a figurehead, will come to open war to the knife before the campaign fairly begins. The unfortunate dissension in the Democratic ranks of that State, which brought about the defeat of Hancock, no longer exists. It will be an easy matter for the Democracy to carry the Empire State.

Thus in a short time all signs indicate that the Democracy will gain control of the two greatest States of the nation. That such a great advantage to the party means the election of a Democratic President in 1884, requires no keen insight into political affairs to perceive.

STATE FINANCES.

The following extract from the message of Governor Thayer in regard to the finances of the State, will be of interest to every taxpayer:

"In my general message to the Legislative Assembly two years ago, I gave a brief statement of the current receipts and expenditures of the State for the two preceding fiscal years, and now I submit one for the years 1881 and 1882.

Table with 2 columns: RECEIPTS, Amount. Rows include: From the 4 mill tax 1881 \$193,932 91; From the 4 mill tax 1882 237,030 91; From earnings of penitentiary 1,054 25; From delinquent taxes 1,683 79; From private insurance 2,716 07; From sale of stamps 4,651 59; From sale of books 346 15; Miscellaneous sources 803 50; Bal. on hand Sept. 1, '80 57,794 29.

Amounts to a total of \$510,013 13. At the close of the fiscal year 1879 and 1880, there were certain deficiencies in the appropriations of 1878, amounting to \$31,957 86. These were provided for by appropriations made by the Legislative Assembly in 1880. Besides, there were existing claims payable out of the said \$57,794 26, which, with the amount of said appropriations, would consume nearly all the above specified sum. Hence the revenues and receipts for the said years 1881 and 1882, before mentioned, were, in fact, nearly all the resources the State had, with which to defray the current expenses for those years.

The current expenses during the fiscal years 1881 and 1882, including the appropriations and claims above referred to; also, relief to Mrs. Stinson, the Paris Exposition, and Jackson county, and the sums appropriated for the State University, Mure school and Orphan's home, before mentioned. The result is that there remains a balance belonging to the State amounting to about the sum of \$110,000, over and above all expenses and legitimate claims, for the two years named; and which can be devoted to any proper use that you may deem advisable.

An exchange says that during its eight months session Congress passed but 753 out of 9,466 bills and joint resolutions that had been introduced in the two houses. If the remaining bills and resolutions were added to the treasury in the same ratio as the 753, we would have a public debt to be added to the present one of \$5,023,419,654. No wonder the Republican Congressmen want to run for office again, with this bunch of grapes before their eyes.

We quote from an exchange this explanation, which will be of especial interest to those who are reading the accounts of the war in Egypt: "Pasha is a Turkish title given to Governors of Provinces, Ministers of State, and naval or military commanders of high rank. Bey or Beg, is a title of honor given to sons of a Pasha and to army officers holding the rank of Colonel. It means Lord or Commander. In Tunis and Tripoli the supreme officer of the state is called the Bey.

THE CONTEST FOR SENATOR.

The balloting for a United States Senator to succeed Hon. L. F. Grover, began on last Tuesday, as the statute of the United States requires. Previous to that time the Democrats held a caucus and agreed to vote for Senator P. P. Prim, of Jacksonville. The Republican caucus was not so unanimous. Of the 54 Republican members, only 36 appeared in the meeting. Mr. Mitchell was nominated on the first ballot, the vote standing: Mitchell 36, Failing 1, Dolph 1. The 18 who stayed out of caucus were: Waldo, Davenport, Voorhees, Gilbert, Bleakney, Ford, Jones, Rigdon and Baughman of Marion, Keady and Carter of Benton, Lee, Truitt, Patterson and Hawley of Polk, Sharp of Clackamas, Nichols of Wasco and Jessup of Yamhill.

The Oregonian insists that the 18 are as firm as the rock of Gibraltar against Mitchell. We shall see what we shall see.

The ballot on Tuesday was in accordance with the caucus vote. On Wednesday, in joint convention voted as follows: Mitchell—Brown, Carson, Colvig, Dufur, Eakin, Faulconer, Gault, Hall, Harris, Hirsch, Humphrey, Hurst, Kelly, Marston, Marquam, Morris, Moses, Perkins of Douglas, Perkins of Grant, Plummer, Reed, Sappington, Simon, Smith, Stanton, Stewart, Starkweather, Stearns, Tanner, Thornton, Tyson, Waters, Webby, Wilbur, Mr. Speaker and Mr. President—36.

Prim—Bilyeu, Canthorn, Clow, Crawford, Curtis, Cyrus, Dorris, Furry, Gates, Haines, Hayes, Hendricks, Hindman, Hoult, Ison, Jamison, Kizer, Long, Moss, Myers, Nelson, Parker, Pennington, Rice, Robinson, Sifers, Siglin, Sperry, Stanley, Veatch, Whitney and Wright—33.

Boise—Baughman, Bruce, Carter, Dunbar, Ford, Hawley, Jones, Keady, Lee, Nichols, Patterson, Rigdon and Voorhees—13.

Williams—Bleakney, Davenport, Gilbert and Waldo—4.

George—Sharp and Truitt—2.

Dolph—Jessup.

Blank—Prim.

From present appearances there will be a deadlock on the Senatorial question, as of course no Democrat can be found base enough to vote for any Republican.

PARTIES IN OREGON.

It is certainly becoming evident to the most casual observer, that the Republican party in this State is becoming so disrupted that it will soon lose the advantage which the last four years' immigration has given it. Not one of its eminent leaders has a clean record. The younger generation that is coming to the front do so as the followers and worshippers of some notorious chieftain, thus hoping to pick a few crumbs from the swill-tub of public patronage. In time these young men will become party leaders. They have imbibed the worst ideas of our political system; their manhood is entirely crushed; they seek to hoodwink the people and aim only at their own selfish ambitions. A party with such stuff as leaders must go to the wall. On the other hand defeat has purified the Democratic party of this State. Old political hacks, having no spoils to fight over, have taken a back seat and younger men and new faces are found at the helm. We candidly believe that the younger, progressive Democracy of this State, has more ability and patriotism, grit and backbone, than any political organization in the Union. That it is bound, from the very nature of things, to soon counterbalance the majority in this State and to obtain control over the destinies of Oregon, needs no arguments to substantiate. The fact of the case is that there are not enough offices to go around with the Republicans, and the Democracy, having no hope of public spoils, is led by pure men from patriotic motives.

PROBATE NOTICE.

The matter of the estate of Gilbert McNair deceased. Whereas D. A. Levens Administrator of the estate of Gilbert McNair deceased has filed his petition for an order to sell the real estate of said deceased, and the county Court by its order duly entered on the 26th day of July 1882, fixed—the 5th day of September 1882, for hearing objections to said petition. To the heirs at law and next of kin of Gilbert McNair deceased, and all others interested in said estate. In the name of the state of Oregon creating you are hereby required to be an appear at the Court house in Roseburg, Douglas county Oregon on Tuesday the 5th day of September A. D. 1882, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, and show cause if any exist why an order should not be granted to the said administrator to sell the South East quarter of section 20 in Township 30 south of Range four West of the Willamette Meridian containing 160 acres belonging to said estate. This citation is published by order of J. S. FRIZZOURG Co. Judge.

A. Attest G. W. KIMBALL Co. Clerk. Dated July 20th, 1882.

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SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Douglas— Rosy Sutton plf. Suit in Equity vs. Wm. W. P. Sutton def. for a Divorce.

To Wm. W. P. SUTTON. In the name of the State of Oregon you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you by the plaintiff, Rosy Sutton, in the above entitled Court and suit, on or before the first day of the next regular term of said Court, to wit, the third Monday the 18th day of October A. D. 1882; and if you fail to so answer the said complaint the plaintiff will take judgment against you for want of an answer; and will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint, to wit, for a decree dissolving the marriage contract existing between the plaintiff and defendant and change of the name of the plaintiff to that of Rosy Kincaid and her costs and disbursements.

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