

# Oregon Front.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1890.

## IN THE SOUTH.

Description of a Fair Held by the Negroes in Raleigh, N. C.

RALEIGH, N. C. Nov. 12, 1890.

EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:—

This is just the name given to it by both races; the white and the black. It has been customary for the colored people to hold a fair in Raleigh, N. C., during the week following the State Fair. As above stated, it is called the Colored Fair. The posters which announce the fair are all headed as above. And properly; because it is not a fair for the colored people, but it is a fair of and by the colored people. It is not a little sugar plum thrown to the colored people by the whites, as a consideration for staying away from the white people's fair. It begins with the colored people and is carried through and completed by them. The whites do not say to the blacks, "You just stay away from our fair this week and we will let you have some of our nice things next week; and you can have a fair all by yourselves." The fair of the North Carolina State Agricultural Society is open in all its privileges of competition and attendance to whites and blacks alike. The latter attend in large numbers, but we have never seen a black exhibitor; and they have no voice in its management. The whites attend the colored fair; but they do not exhibit, and they have no voice in its management. The negroes will be on the State fair grounds with side shows and eating tables. At the colored fair whites will be found in the same capacity. We once found on the colored fair grounds a white confectionery from the classic realm of Saratoga Springs, N. Y. At the State fair, the colored man buys his entrance ticket and goes in at the same gate with the white man. At the colored fair, the white man buys his entrance ticket and goes in at the same gate with the black man. And let no man flatter himself that because he is white he is bestowing a favor upon his brother in black in going to his fair, and as a representative of the higher race, will be invited to walk in. Oh, no. You take your choice and pay your money if you go in. And when once inside the fence you will obey the rules of the colored man, or lock arms with a colored policeman.

The colored fair originates with the colored man, is advertised, officered, managed and carried through by the colored man. It owns no grounds, and hence is not ornamented with mortgage bonds of no market value. It makes small expenditures in its get up and management, but reports no annual deficits. It is a regular organization, and holds a place as a recognized institution. For two years the State has given it the use of its barracks and grounds attached.

A person attending both the white and colored fairs in inclement weather, would be likely to assert that the blacks had the more comfortable and suitable quarters. The railroads made special arrangements for transporting those who wished to attend the fair, and gave special rates; which rates were apparently lower than those given to the whites the week previous. Of course our readers will wish to know something of the articles exhibited.

There were no products of manufacturing establishments on exhibition. The blacks have none; and whites do not seem to see enough value in the trade which may be had from the blacks, to exhibit for advertising purposes. Some articles of skill and beauty, made by hand, may be seen at these fairs. Otherwise, the exhibit of manufactured articles is a blank. The show of stock, for farm or road purposes, may be described in similar words. The display of agricultural products will not equal, in quantity, that of the whites; but in quality it is fully the peer of anything shown by the whites.

What then makes up a colored fair? Mainly the colored people; having a good time in those sensible efforts to be like the whites, which are surely a means of improvement and a help to the race.

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# WASHINGTON.

## Result of the Recent Political Cyclone.

### THE EFFECT ON JIMMY AND BEN

Fight for the Speakership of the Next House—Apportionment Bill.

EDITOR OREGON SCOUT:—

Whew! What a landslide it was. You can hear nothing else but election talk here just now. The democrats are naturally loud in their demonstrations of joy, for to tell the truth they are even more astonished at the result than are the republicans. They expected to win the House by a small majority, but their most sanguine rainbow chaser had no idea of the tidal wave that went their way. Of course, there are now plenty of democrats who with a straight face will tell you that they expected the result to be just what it was, but they didn't all the same. The republicans attempt to make the best of a bad thing by talking of "off year," "usual result," "all-ways to be expected," etc., but they cannot hide the effect of their fright—you can see it in their faces. The best informed among them expected to lose the House by a small majority, but the man who would have told them Monday night what the result would really be would have been considered by them a fit subject for the insane asylum.

What makes the republicans take their severe drubbing so much to heart is, that they themselves are responsible for having stated early in the fight that this was a National campaign and that its result would show whether the people condemned or approved of the administration and the republican majority in Congress. Now the democrats are geying them unmercifully and reminding them of all their foolish talk about the National campaign.

There is one republican who, if appearances indicate his feelings, is not cast down by the result of the elections, that is Secretary Blaine. I saw him this morning and he was in the very best of humor, and I am told that he remarked to a friend that it was no more than he expected. Two things which were potent issues in the fight just ended—the McKinley tariff law and the Federal election bill—both of which proved to be heavy burdens to the republican party were opposed by Mr. Blaine, and the knowledge of this is probably what makes that gentleman so good-natured in the face of the defeat of his party. The fact that his rival, Speaker Reed, strongly favored these measures has not been forgotten by Mr. Blaine.

Mr. Harrison has taken the result very much to heart, as owing to the reports of Mr. J. S. Clarkson, who was assisting the congressional committee, he had become convinced that his party would retain their control of the House. Mr. Clarkson went away as soon as the result was known, ostensibly for his health, but it is probable that he was very glad to get away from the explanations he would have been asked to make. It is not now thought that Mr. Clarkson would have the slightest show for a cabinet position even if there were half-a-dozen vacancies.

Victory has its troubles too. Already there are evidences that the fight among the democrats for the speakership of the next House is to be long, stubborn and bitter. At the start there are half a dozen candidates. Mr. Mills thinks the removal of Mr. Carlisle to the Senate and the death of Messrs. Randall and Cox gives him a mortgage on the speakership, but his claims will be hotly disputed by those who believe themselves better qualified to wield the speaker's gavel than the Texan. Among them are Mr. Crisp, of Georgia, who proved himself an able parliamentarian during the last session; Mr. McMillan, of Tennessee, a prominent member of the ways and means committee; Mr. Bryan, of Indiana, who obtained a national reputation by being censured by vote of the republicans of the of the House for his abuse of Speaker Reed; Mr. Springer, of Illinois, who often adorned the speaker's chair when Mr. Carlisle was speaker, and Mr. Breckinridge, of Kentucky, who is personally one of the most popular men who ever served in Congress.

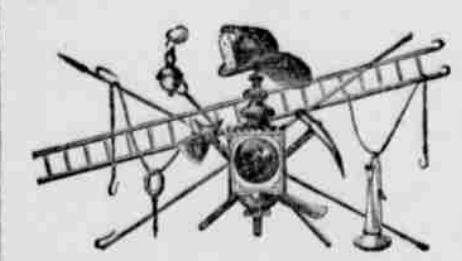
It is now officially stated here that it was decided some time ago by the cabinet that no extra session of Congress should be called this month. Mr. Harrison, it is said, gave in with a bad grace, and only when convinced that an extra session would be extremely

unpopular both with the members of Congress and with the people.

Mr. Donnell will have to revise his congressional apportionment bill. It was based on a population of 61,000,000. Whatever is done it is certain to result in a big row in Congress. The republicans will, of course, want to fix it so as to give all of the advantage possible in the fifty-third Congress and in the electoral college, and some of them want the bill to provide for a special election to elect the additional representatives it will give, in time to take their seats in the Fifty-second Congress. It is not very probable, though of course possible, that the bill will go quite as far as that.

J. H. G.

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