

EDITORIAL NOTES.

THERE were several million of people who reached the conclusion on or before the election that "The tariff is a tax."

THE Oregon State Board of Commerce has issued an address to the people of the state concerning an Oregon exhibit at the World's Columbian Exposition, which we give to our readers in supplement form this week. Read it.

JUST before the election Blaine said: "As Pennsylvania votes next Tuesday the country will vote two years from now." We think that the election two years from now will prove that Jimmy is no slouch when it comes to prophesying.

HUNDREDS of manufacturers have already reaped enormous profits by reasons of the McKinley bill. If one of them anywhere in America has advanced wages we would like to know his name. And yet we are told that tariffs are laid to protect labor and make wages high.

It is now reported that Jay Gould has got the controlling interest in both the Union Pacific and Santa Fe and has made satisfactory (to himself) traffic arrangements with the Rock Island. Jay now owns the earth, has it fenced and probably when next heard from he will be running a cheese factory in the moon.

The democrats have the largest majority in the next congress ever had by any party in this country. The republicans had 100 majority in the forty-third congress, under Grant. The democrats controlled the forty-fourth and forty-fifth by 77 and 74 respectively. This time they will have a majority of at least 154.

THERE seems to be a disposition on the part of some of the attorneys and judicial officers of Baker county to shield ex-county clerk Mix and his accomplices in the big steal recently unearthed there. This is shameful, if true. Is it possible that the residents of Baker county can only look to their newspapers for protection from such outrages?

An effort will be made in the next legislature to make it a law to publish the laws of the State in the newspapers. We believe that every farmer in the State would be glad to see this done. As it now is the laws are hardly accessible to all our citizens, while if published once in the newspapers in each county they could be obtained by all at a very small cost. It is to be hoped that a law to this effect will be passed by our next legislature.

THE statement we made last week regarding the assessment of the Ainsworth-Braze property in this city would lead people to think that it was assessed at about fifteen hundred or two thousand dollars. We were misinformed. The property is assessed at four thousand dollars. That, however, is not more than one half what it ought to be assessed at. We make this correction for the reason that we do not wish to do anyone an injustice and will not do so intentionally.

THE Albany Democrat sizes it up in a nutshell as follows: "A tax, properly speaking, is a burden with a benefit. You pay so much water, police or school tax and receive its equivalent in aqueducts, watchmen and education. But when you pay one dollar for a thing and another dollar as a duty on it, what do you get for that extra dollar? Strictly speaking, therefore, protectionist orators are right in saying that the tariff is not a tax. It is a burden without a benefit, just as if it had been lost or stolen."

THE Fossil Journal says: "The Oregonian systematically robs the country papers of their news, and runs the items as if they were original, under the head of 'Oregoniana,' without giving credit to the paper that furnished the news." This is really too bad, if true. We know nothing about it, however, as we do not get a sight of that paper once in three months, not needing it in our business. The Journal and all other country papers could obviate the difficulty complained of by not gratuitously sending the Portland paper their weekly collection of news. THE SCOUT adjusted matters very satisfactorily in this way, several years ago.

THE CITY ELECTION.

Our municipal election for the purpose of selecting officers for the coming year will take place next Monday, and it is high time for the people generally and those who expect to make Union their permanent home in particular, to cast off their usual apathy and give the matter the attention it deserves. It should be the care of every citizen to see that honest, sensible men are selected, for upon their actions depend largely the future prosperity of the town. Men should be chosen who can place the welfare of the city above any little petty schemes for personal gain, and look to the interests of the whole people. The officers to be elected are: a mayor, councilman from the first ward, councilman from the second ward, a recorder, marshal, treasurer and street commissioner. The councilmen will be elected for a term of three years, the others for a term of one year. The charter should be amended in this respect and the term of the councilmen reduced to one year, the same as the others. One year is a sufficient length of time to find out whether a man will develop into a scheming rascal, a pliable dummy or a fair-minded official who will conscientiously perform his duty. If the latter it would be no trouble to reinstate him at the annual elections, and if the former the people would have an opportunity of getting rid of him. And that is the only way such barnacles can be shaken off. They never resign, as they regard "public office as a private snap" to be made the most of.

With the exception of the above mentioned provision we have an excellent charter, and the ordinances already enacted are good ones and cover all necessary ground for the just, legal and proper management of the city government. The statement made, by the sheet across the way, that the recent unpleasantness was caused by a lack of proper ordinances is false and is but a sorry shield for those whom it would serve. The trouble was caused by the utter disregard of the council for existing ordinances. Those who have taken the trouble to think anything about the matter know this to be true, but whether they will interest themselves enough to try to remedy it, remains to be seen. We can inform them upon reliable information obtained that a strenuous effort will be made by the little clique, who have been trying to run things for the past few months, to elect a ticket to suit themselves, and in harmony with their peculiar line of action. If they succeed the council will be one of the most remarkable bodies ever clothed with authority and will make the present council ashamed of itself if that is possible.

It remains for the citizens of Union to decide in this matter next Monday. We hope that a good selection of officers will be made. So far as THE SCOUT is concerned it cares not who they are, if they are capable and honest. There are scores of men in the city who would make good officials if they could be induced to serve. Let a ticket be made up from these in opposition to the one mentioned above. Let every man on it be a taxpayer and free from the suspicion of having any selfish ends to accomplish. Let the people come out and elect this ticket and they will be accomplishing something that will well repay them for the time and trouble incurred.

For some time past the Indians of Dakota and that section of the Union have been working themselves up into a frenzy of religious excitement over the advent of an Indian Messiah, or copper-colored Jesus. They claim that when the proper time arrives the dead warriors will all come to life, and then the extermination of the white people will begin. A stupendous uprising is expected at any moment, which, notwithstanding the precautions of the military, must result in the death of many settlers. The Indians are constantly engaged in all kinds of fantastic dances, preparatory for the coming of the Lord. Short Bull, the so-called prophet of the Messiah, delivered a sermon at the Rosebud agency, to the Indians. In this sermon Bull said the things he predicted would have to come to pass in due season; but since the whites are beginning to interfere the time will be shorter. The Indians must not be afraid of anything. "Now," said he, "there will be a tree sprout up and all members of tribes must gather there. But before this time we must dance the balance of this moon, at the end of which time the earth will shiver very hard. Whenever this occurs I will start the wind to blow." It is needless to say that when Short Bull starts the wind to blow it will result in lifting him and his deluded followers out of existence and their Jesus will not be able to save them.

REED, MCKINLEY AND LODGE.

Never were three trembling rascals more severely arraigned, and sentenced by any judge with finer scorn and more righteous contempt, than the above named worthies by the National Democrat. Let them stand up and listen:

"Thomas Brackett Reed, you have been drunk with power, you have usurped authority that did not belong to you, you have led your party in the house to steal seats and trample on the rights of the minority, you have brazenly boasted of overturning the legislative precedents of a century, you have impudently thanked God that the house of representatives was no longer a deliberative body, you have used the power of the nation to oppress the weak and enrich the strong, you have done the things you should not and left undone the things that you should have done and there is no political health in you. Your district may elect you as often as it pleases, but the nation has repudiated you; it has had too much of you already, and it will have no more of you."

"William McKinley, Jr., you framed the most unreasonable and oppressive tariff bill in the history of this country. You sold the people of the United States to a small number of trusts and other aggregations of capital for a campaign fund to be used in keeping your party in power. You have failed. The people have overwhelmingly declared against you and the interested parties at whose behest you framed your bill. You professed—possibly sincerely—to be aiming at the good of the Eastern workmen and the Western farmers. Both have found you out and declared against you. If the democrats had lost this election and won no other your own party would have been compelled to repeal your infamous law before it was two years old. The people will not be robbed that you and your party may have large campaign funds to spend. You have appealed to the people and the people have denounced you as their enemy."

Henry Cabot Lodge, you are the author of the liveliest issue in the late campaign. The tariff bill was already a law. Your bill to enable the republican National committee to pack the house of representatives was a pending measure, and the judgement of the people was asked upon it. You have sacrificed your political conscience and your real opinions to win office from the republican party, and what is the result? You have led your party to defeat in your own State. You appealed to the people, and they have responded with a hot and indignant protest against the blow you aimed at the rights of local self government, the autonomy of the States, and the integrity of the houses of representatives. Look at the 160 democratic majority in the next house and ask yourself if your treason to your own convictions, your betrayal of the trust committed to you really paid. Are you sure that you have even 30 pieces of silver to jingle in the pockets of your London made trousers?

Reed, McKinley and Lodge, you three assumed to be the leaders of your party in the present Congress. You have led your party to overwhelming defeat. Whatever your constituents may do your countrymen have dismissed you. Now go."

PROGRESS IN PRINTING.

The first record we have of printing of any description is by the Chinese who are credited with having taken impressions from carved blocks of wood as early as the sixth century. Very little, if any, improvement has been made by this unprogressive race over their manner of printing in those days. The idea of printing from movable types was conceived about the year 1420—two persons, Laurence Coster, of Holland, and Johann Gutenberg, of Belgium, each claiming the honor of making this wonderful discovery from which such grand results have sprung. The latter succeeded in placing before the world an edition of the bible about 35 years later, in 1455, nearly five years having been consumed in the work. This is the first authentic report of any permanent record being made by the use of movable types. The art reached England in the year 1474 and America in 1536. The first printing presses were very rude affairs, and they were as slow as they were rude. The inventive genius of America however, after the introduction of the art into this country, was not slow in taking hold of the opportunities offered for the improvement of these machines, and the result is that the presses of today are about as near perfection as it is possible to attain. Thirty thousand papers, printed on both sides simultaneously, folded, and counted out in packages of twenty-five,

Frank Bro's. Implement Co., LA GRANDE and ISLAND CITY.

Advertisement for Frank Bro's Implement Co. featuring an illustration of a sulky plow and listing various agricultural implements: HAVANA PRESS DRILLS, GANG, SULKY and WALKING PLOWS, STODDARD HARROWS, RUSHFORD and FISH BROS. WAGONS, HACKS, CARRIAGES and BUGGIES, "ELI" SULKY PLOWS.

The "ELI" Sulky Plow Gets There Every Time. All late improved farm implements and machinery, barb wire and feed mills. Every implement warranted, and prices to suit the times. CALL ON US OR OUR AGENTS BEFORE PURCHASING.

Advertisement for Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine. Features the text: "The New No. 9 Wheeler & Wilson Machine Stands at the Head. Most Perfect Machine in the Market for Family Use. Elegant in workmanship and Design. Look at them before Purchasing." Includes contact information for Pacific Coast Agency, 1368 Market St., San Francisco, Cal.

is an hour's work for the latest perfecting press. As great if not greater advancement was made in the manufacture of different styles and faces of type, and other necessities in a printing office, until today if one of our cleanly printed, neatly arranged metropolitan dailies could be laid before the persons in whose minds the art of printing originated, it would make them bulge out their optics in wonderment and surprise.

Commercial, or what is commonly known as job printing, had its origin in this country about forty years ago, and has gained steadily in popular favor until at this time the enterprising business man could get along as well, if not better, without his meals as without his business cards, letter and bill heads, etc. The wonderful advancement that has been made in this particular branch of the art of printing has been so great that even the job printer of ten years ago would be, in a modern job office of today, like unto a stranger in a strange land.

Natural talent and aptitude are essential qualities in a job printer. He must possess not only experience in "making ready" his rollers and press in order to insure a clean, neat impression, but must also use his natural good judgement in the selection of the proper type and in properly displaying the same, that his "job" may contain those elements of symmetry that make it pleasing to the eye. It is true that the country is overrun with men, posing themselves upon the people as job printers, termed "rats" in printers' language, who will always get more or less work to do, but the business man who has had much work done in this line, soon finds them out and ultimately drifts to the office that can do him a job of printing.

In conclusion we would say that the Scott job office has been leased to Mr. F. M. Slocum, a man that understands the business; that the same has been replenished by the addition of all the latest faces and designs in type and borders, and that it hereafter will be prepared to turn out, in a clean, neat and artistic manner, all kinds of job printing, at the lowest living rates. Send in your work.

BIKES FOR SALE.—One 50 inch, full nickel, and one 48 inch standard finish. Enquire at this office. 7-17-91.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS. As I expect to spend the coming winter in the east, I ask all those indebted to me to call and settle within thirty days from this date (Nov. 15th.) otherwise their accounts will be placed in the hands of an attorney for immediate collection. D. C. H. DAY, 11-15-91.

AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT. Notice is hereby given to those knowing themselves indebted to me to come forward without delay and settle the same, as I need the money due me, and I must have it. Let this be a sufficient warning. W. D. BRIDLEMAN, 11-6-91.

NOTICE. I will offer for sale at the Coffin ranch for the next twenty days, 6 milk cows, horses of all descriptions, one wagon, one hack, one cart and general farming utensils. I will take as pay good merchandise of what date, variety, or good potatoes at one cent per pound, or make a liberal discount for cash. Union, Oregon, Oct. 30, 1890.

NOTICE. To All Whom It May Concern:—My notes are in the hands of O. F. Bell for collection, and those knowing themselves indebted to me are requested to immediately call and settle, my instructions are to enforce collection at once. Give attention and save expense. R. J. COUPER, 10-30-91.

CAST YOUR OPTICS ON THIS. All those knowing themselves indebted to me either by note or book account are hereby notified to settle the same on or before the 1st day of December, or the same will be collected and costs added. I must have the money. W. M. WILSON, 10-30-91.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL persons concerned that the undersigned has been regularly appointed administrator of the estate of Charles McKinley, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are notified to present the same, duly verified, to the undersigned administrator within six months from the date of this notice, at his residence in North Fossil, Union county, Oregon, on or before the 25th day of November, 1890. W. M. BUNTON, Administrator. 11-26-91.

WOOD WASTED.—Parties desiring to pay their indebtedness to this paper, in wood, can now do so. 7-17-91.

FURNISHED ROOMS FOR RENT.—Mrs. M. J. Chaney, Corner 3rd and 4th St. Union, Oregon. 7-17-91.

ASCENSION SCHOOL, COVE, OREGON. Miss Betta H. Boccock, of Virginia, Principal. Christmas Term begins Monday, Nov. 17, 1890. 11-20-91.

Advertisement for Union Pacific Railroad Tickets. Includes text: "Tickets ON SALE TO ALL PRINCIPAL POINTS EAST, WEST, NORTH and SOUTH." Lists routes to Union, Oregon, and provides a time table for trains.

RATES OF PASSAGE table. Columns include Cabin, Steerage, Round Trip Tickets, Children, and Free. Lists rates for various routes and includes names of agents.

Advertisement for O. & W. T. R. R. "The Hunt Line." Includes text: "In Connection with the NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD—Forms the—Quickest and Best Route." Lists points east and southeast, including Pullman sleeping cars and dining cars.