

PUBLIC ENTERPRISE.

What does it mean? Doing things for the good of the community at large without always first stopping to figure out whether the deed will bring back to the individual every dollar invested. Has Union any men with such a spirit? Yes, quite a number of them. Some well off and others with but little of this world's goods, yet always willing to lend a helping hand if it will tend to the general welfare of the town. Has she any of a different spirit? The facts would seem to indicate it, though we should not be too quick to criticize those who do not choose to at once take up with what we think best. Some are slower than others in reaching conclusions, but in the long run always do their share in the way of encouraging and assisting public enterprises. But show us the man who persistently refuses to give a dollar without absolute security for its return in the same shape, and we will show you a man utterly devoid of public spirit, and of but little benefit to the community. Liberal people always feel better and generally get along just as well as those who cling to every dollar that comes into their possession. Our town is a pleasant place of abode, but there are not enough means of earning a livelihood. We need, and must have, if we would prosper, more work for those who live by the sweat of the brow. Industrial enterprises generally go where the best inducements are offered. If all hands would take hold to the extent of their ability, Union could be made in a very few years a busy hive of industry.

STEALING A LEGISLATURE.

There is much excitement in New York over the composition of the legislature. The republican party is holding largely attended mass meetings and passing resolutions denunciatory of Gov. Hill and the democracy. They are accused of trying to steal a majority in the upper house, where, it is claimed, the original returns showed seventeen republicans to fifteen democrats. The canvassed results are different, and give the democracy control in both branches, but the charge of dishonest counting is freely made. If what the opposition press says is true, Gov. Hill and his coadjutors are in a desperate moral condition. They are riding rough-shod over the laws and the constitution, and issuing certificates of election to defeated candidates in utter disregard of the popular will.

All this is arrant hypocrisy. The democrats have just elected a governor in the state of New York by a plurality of nearly 50,000. And yet Tom Platt, tilting as a champion of political integrity, would have the world believe that his party has honestly carried the legislature. Since the time of the civil war only two republican governors have occupied the gubernatorial mansion at Albany. With these exceptions an unbroken line of victories has marked the democracy's contests. Sometimes its ascendancy has been measured by a few thousand votes. Once it reached to nearly 200,000. But in spite of this, astounding as it may seem, during all these years the republicans have invariably controlled one branch of the legislature or the other, and only once or twice have the democrats had the most votes, even on a joint ballot.

For a quarter of a century the republican party has been stealing the New York legislature. It has stolen it with such iteration that it has come to regard it as its own property by right of possession. Its weapon of robbery has been an unjust and unequal apportionment of the state, by which thousands of voters have been disfranchised, and republican strongholds with a sparse population given a representation as large as the teeming centers, where the democracy has the upper hand. Shall brigands of this brand be listened to while crying "Stop thief!" Is it possible for the rightful owner to steal what belongs to him from the freebooter who has taken hold of it by force of arms and violence? The Scout thinks not. It is of the utmost importance that the democracy should control the

upper and lower houses of the New York legislature, that the state may be restricted for local and national purposes on an honorable and equitable basis. It is a great thing that the party has at its head a stout fighter, whom it is not easy to bluff. Tom Platt and his lieutenants are reported to know a thing or two about politics, but they are distanced before they reach the quarter post when David B. Hill is in the saddle. The democracy has included in its ranks profounder statesmen and more fiery orators, but since the days of Silas Wright and Samuel J. Tilden it has had no craftier, subtler, more resourceful leader than Hill.

The republicans of Ohio are going to make a desperate effort to deprive Senator Brice of his seat in the United States senate. This is because he is a democrat, and his seat is simply wanted for a republican. It is not for the purpose of righting a wrong, or of vindicating any violated law, but simply to make room for some hungry republican.

MINNEAPOLIS is said to have been awarded the republican national convention because of the belief that enthusiasm in the northwest needs to be aroused. Very likely it does. But it will take something more substantial than a nominating carousal to turn northwestern public sentiment in favor of the republican party.

The democrats will have the largest majority in the 52nd congress they have ever had in that body. We trust their action will be controlled by a wise and conservative spirit, and that they will do nothing rash or foolish enough to cause them to lose their power.

If a man wants to square accounts with his creditors, all he needs to do is to have some one give out the report that he has come to La Grande to get a check cashed, and then secret himself till the train pulls out. The balance is easy.—Gazette.

It seems now to be the almost universal opinion of the democratic press throughout the country that Cleveland will be the presidential nominee of the party, and Beies, of Iowa, seems to have the call for second place.

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CRISP ELECTED.

At the close of the thirtieth ballot Monday, the long talked of speaker-ship contest was brought to a close when Charles F. Crisp, of Georgia, received 119 votes and was elected speaker of the house. The thirtieth and last ballot was as follows: Crisp, 119; Mills, 105; Springer, 4; Stevens, 1. The Oregonian, in commenting on the election, says:

"Charles F. Crisp, of Georgia, is one of the most distinguished figures upon the floor of congress. He has been upon the floor of the house for eight years and has during all that time been an active participant in all its debates and actions. Last year he led the fight for the democratic side in the contested election cases, having been formerly chairman of the committee on elections. He also, during a large part of the session, led the fight against Reed's rulings, and made probably the best speech that was made combating them. Crisp is a strong orator, and his speeches upon the tariff question have always attracted attention. As a speaker he is sharp, snappy and aggressive, has made the rules of the house his particular study, and it is pretty generally conceded that since the death of Mr. Randall and the elevation of Mr. Carlisle into the senate, no democrat in the house is as competent and forcible an authority as he on questions of parliamentary law.

Both of Mr. Crisp's parents were English actors. They came to this country on a professional tour, and, liking the country, became naturalized citizens. In 1815 they returned to England on a professional tour, and the speaker was born at Sheffield. His parents returned to this country and settled in Georgia. In 1861, when he was 16 years of age, Crisp enlisted in the Confederate army, and became captain. Early in the war he was made prisoner, and was kept for a year at Fort Delaware. After his release he joined his parents at Ellaville, and was admitted to the bar in 1866. He soon made a reputation as one of the best attorneys in the state. In 1872 he was appointed solicitor-general for the southwestern judicial circuit. In 1878 he was appointed judge of the superior court, but resigned in 1882 to accept the democratic nomination for congress. His home is in Americus.

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C. E. FROST, E. L. MORELOCK,
G. W. MORELOCK, D. C. MORELOCK.

LA GRANDE, Oregon, July 16, 1891.
I, the undersigned, John Anthony, proprietor of the La Grande Candy Factory, removed my stock at the fire of July 4, 1891; next day Mr. J. L. Heidenreich, resident agent at this place for the Palatine Insurance Co. of Manchester, England, came around and advised me to straighten up my stock and take good care of the damaged goods, and the damage will be fairly and promptly adjusted as soon as the adjuster gets around. Today my damage was satisfactorily adjusted, and the cash paid for said damage.

JOHN ANTHONY.
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