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COUNTY TICKET.

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A TOTAL FAILURE.

The Democratic party took control of public affairs by virtue of the votes of a certain element having the confidence to believe that after over a quarter of a century of discipline it would improve its chances of usefulness, and justify this confidence by broad and statesmanlike legislation, free from sectional or party bias, and for the good of the whole country. But it was a disappointment from the first, and there has never been such a pronounced reversal of opinion with regard to the principles and capacity of any party. In no single instance has it come up to its promises or made proper use of its opportunities. Instead of pursuing a judicious and sensible course, it has acted in a persistently foolish and reckless manner. The same old rule or ruin spirit has dominated the southern wing of the party, and thwarted the few better disposed efforts of the northern minority. All the performances of the party have tended to discredit its motives and to prove it seriously lacking in honesty and consistency. It has done nothing whatever to promote the welfare of the country in any particular. Every move that it has made has been disadvantageous to the people. It found a condition of unparalleled prosperity and changed that condition into the hardest times ever known, and now there is more than a hint of profit in some of its schemes of legislation. There is not a word to be said in its favor. The story of its attempt to govern the country is one of utter and unprecedented incompetency and unfaithfulness, with a strong color of downright dishonesty, and an unrestrained eagerness may be seen on all sides to cast it out of power at the earliest possible moment.

The address of Bishop Ireland to the convention of locomotive engineers, in St. Paul the other day, some extracts from which appear in another column of this paper, deserves a reading by every honest student of the questions involved in the relation of capital and labor. The address is noticeable for its tone of fairness and patriotism, as well

as for the breadth and soundness of the great prelate's views. It is a refreshing contrast to the cheap demagogic style of speeches so common on similar occasions.

It is urged against the contract proposed by the Stanton-Campbell negotiators that it might result in tying up the subsidy, without giving the outside connection sought. It is difficult to conceive of any motive that could induce a set of men to put up the cash necessary to make the beginning intended, only to afterwards abandon that investment, and along with it all chance to realize anything out of the subsidy. To put it another way—What good is the subsidy to any one (including the present owners) without the railroad connection?

Messrs. Stanton and Campbell, the railroad projectors, are again in Astoria. Their return at this time may signify much or little. There are not a few gentlemen in Astoria whose opinions on all ordinary subjects would be taken at a high valuation that believe these people have the means to build the road, and that they will do so—provided they have the proper local encouragement.

POLITICAL POINTERS FOR OREGON VOTERS.

Pittsburg Times. In view of the fact that the representatives of the great trusts have been known to be hobnobbing very closely with the Democratic senators who have engineered the recent great changes in the tariff bill, and their organs have been predicting the very changes made, the people will be strongly inclined to believe that the changes now made are in the main true. Silence will be a confession.

St. Louis Globe Democrat. It will be noticed that the sugar trust is not denouncing the "amended" tariff bill. * * * The evidence that the officials of the trust framed the sugar schedule is complete and decisive.

New York Recorder. It is, indeed, a bill for revenue only—revenue, not for the government, but for the trusts and monopolies so fiercely denounced in the Chicago platform. The baleful bill should be killed. The country has lost millions and millions of dollars by Wilsonism.

Indianapolis Sentinel. It now appears that one of the senate "compromise" amendments restores the reciprocity clause by which the Standard Oil Company has been enabled to charge more for oil sold in this country than in foreign countries. If there are any other monopolies or trusts that have not been cared for they should step up to the senatorial pie counter at once.

Post Intelligencer. "Gov." Penneyer is as much a disgrace to the loyal state of Oregon as Beriah Magoffin was to Kentucky, and Claiborne F. Jackson to Missouri in 1861.

Dallas Transcript. Laboring men should remember the promises made to them two years ago, that if the Democratic party was successful wages would be much bettered. The party came into power. Have they improved your condition? Is it any easier to secure work and do you get any better wages? These questions are pertinent at this time, and should be carefully considered by every laboring man before he votes in June. To recognize political principles is commendable, but there is poor consolation in hanging on to a principle that will starve a man to death.

St. Louis Republic (Dem.). It makes a vast deal of difference whether the governor of a state is a sane, law-abiding, law-executing citizen, or whether he is a pestilent socialist demagogue like Gov. Penneyer.

Cincinnati Enquirer (Dem.). We expected more skillful work from the compromisers. The absurd and contradictory policies of the bill would have some excuse if it had the support of a majority of the senate, but to frame such a measure and then to have it defeated is sad, indeed.

Rochester Post-Express. It puzzles us to know why the Democrats meddled with the tariff at all, if they were not ready to do something worth while. Is all the excitement, panic and business confusion of the year to end in a piece of "fake" legislation?

New York Herald (Ind.). Not less imperative is it to stamp out the income tax devilry. Let the Democrats beware lest they give life to a Populist craze which will spread like wildfire over the country. Populism leads to socialism and socialism to anarchy. Populism confined to Populists, is within controllable bounds. Populism backed by Democrats is a menace to Democracy and the nation. Put a quietus on the Populist entering wedge.

Oswego Times. Now, Senator Turpie, of Indiana, if sober, please stand up and answer. Who was the "liar" the other day, you or Senator Aldrich, of Rhode Island, when the latter said there were over 300 amendments to the tariff bill yet to be reported, and you denied it with every opprobrious epithet at your tongue's end applied to him?

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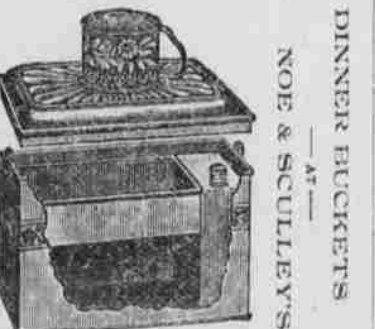
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