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THE OBSERVER FOR SOOTS

Till After The November Election.

Republican National Ticket.

For President, BENJAMIN HARRISON, of Indiana.

For Vice President, LEVI P. MORTON, of New York.

For Presidential Electors, ROBERT McLEAN, Wm. KAUFMAN, C. W. FULTON.

Platforms: Protection of American Industries, American Homes for Workingmen.

In increasing the salary of the County School Superintendent so that he can devote his entire time to the duties of his office, the County Court has acted wisely and for the best interests of the County.

St. John has secured from the State Prohibition Convention in Kansas an endorsement of his course during the past four years. As a matter of simple justice, therefore, he ought to contribute to the Prohibition campaign fund in that State at least as much as he was paid by the Democrats for one of his speeches in 1884. -Globe-Democrat.

We publish this week an exhibit of the financial condition of Polk county, the result of the examination by our county officers. They have evidently shown an aptness in reducing "the surplus," as the result will show, from what was claimed by some of our democratic friends in the late election. However it might have been worse.

"I have been a rebel, a slaveholder and a fire-eating Democrat, but I thank God that I have never been a Republican. I will not have that unpardonable sin to answer for." -Dr. John A. Brooks, the Prohibition candidate for Vice-President.

Now how do our republican prohibition friends, who have been induced unwisely to join the third party movement like such talk as the above from their candidate for Vice-President? Dr. Brooks admits and seems to glory in the fact that he was "a rebel, a slave holder and a fire-eating Democrat" but thanks God that he was never a Republican. It is all right to have been a rebel to his government and a dealer in human beings, but in his opinion to have been a republican is an "unpardonable sin." Does any one believe this man is politically any better than he has been? No this third party movement is managed by the enemies of the Republican party in the interest and for the sole benefit of the "rebel," "slaveholding," "fire-eating" free trade democratic party.

We understand that the County Court has contracted for three steel cells for the County Jail and will have them present being arranged to receive them. These cells or cages are gotten up with all the modern improvements and much needed. They can be used in any building and if at some future time the county wishes to place them in a new building they will be ready for use then. As we now have no jail arrangements at all this is certainly a good move. The contract price is \$2900 complete.

Among the eastern journals that have mugged into the Democratic party is the Springfield (Mass.) Republican. That paper naturally is doing all it can to commend the administration's policy, as embodied in the Mills bill, to the country. It says:

Now let us see what free wool would mean to all concerned. The present average protection on woollen manufactures 65 per cent.; on raw wool the mill men have to pay 41 per cent.; so that the actual protection afforded the manufacturer is the difference between 65 and 41 per cent.—24 per cent. The Mills bill, while it puts raw wool on the free list, advances the average duty on manufactured woollens from 27 to 40 per cent., and thus gives the manufacturers 13 per cent. more protection than they have under the present law.

And the Republican is not ashamed of this shameless proposition to take away the wool grower's share of protection, and give it to the already fully protected manufacturer! Of course it does this either through a sectional and selfish feeling, or because the democratic party is com-

mitted to the policy, and it wants the democratic party to succeed, even at the expense of equity and justice.—Oregonian.

From a Son of the Soil to his Vindictive Insults.

I see more or less about ten newspapers regularly, in fact, I am obliged to do so to get information as to how to carry on my business as a farmer. Although I have practiced and studied it for about 25 years, yet still my editor friends think of methods and suggest ways of doing things which I had never heard of and probably couldn't get from any other worldly source. It is true, I am kept all the time more or less fogged about the matter, do the infallibles who "move the lever that moves the world," do agree sometimes; but this must be because I am dense and of a low grade of intellect, and yet not able to comprehend their great utterances, but I still struggle towards the light and am receptive in my mind to all advice. I suppose it is all right when my wheat freezes out as I should have reserved that piece of land just that year for a spring crop of grain. Its my fault, I suppose, that I planted ten years ago a very fine selection of fruit trees (from lists in the newspapers) of the choicest kinds and am now told, that this is the sort of apple, pear, plums, etc., which ten years hence will be the only one fit to market in car-lots. Everybody knows its no trick to find out what a trump suit in small fruit will be ten years hence and a carload of berries don't take much picking or attendance. See to them while you are resting, I presume, (sarcasm). I am ashamed that my cows mostly come fresh when there is plenty of grass and butter is a bit a lb. at the store or trade in goods, returning to the wily counter skipper from 20 to 40 cents profit. He prices my butter and his own goods as well; that's all right and clearly the road to wealth for one of us. How often I have changed my head of chickens from infallible paragraphs I can't say. I began with Leghorn as the best layers and was reproved as they are not large enough either in carcass or egg for my noble editors' table. I exterminated the last one and took to Plymouth Rocks then to Braymiles, ending at Dorking Brown and White and having to be able to succeed but depressed with a consciousness of ignorance and then find that no man who had ability to get on chickens would ever think of working with any but Wyandottes. Then feeling those chickens, on wheat? yes, no, perhaps, at night and morning, oats? never, seldom, all the time—make puddings (custards) with lots of eggs in them, when eggs in February are 30 cents a dozen and then sell the resultant broiler in June for \$1.75 per dozen, oh! no, it don't pay, but that's a detail of noble adviser don't descend to. Certainly, Mr. Editor, I'll clean out my nests and roosts every day and all the hens necks to keep down lice, while my team is idle in the stable and I have no wood cut to dry out. Last year I contracted to buy seed potatoes at \$1 per bushel and sold my small crop in the winter five bushel for a dollar. I can't claim I took this way from my newspapers, but it chanced to come so. All editors tell me to keep Jersey cows to sell them the milk because it is richer than other; it's true there is less per cent. but that's my loss and only shows want of energy in me. Jersey steers at four years old are certainly not so large as a two-year-old Durham, but I can make up the difference from a feeling that he (the adviser) has rich cream with his berries, which my wife and daughters have scratched their hands, torn their clothes and lost me a days plowing to take to town. In defiance to the very best gospel I am looking up the small profits of my farm. It only took me one half day lately to collect at least 50 lbs. of old horseshoes and I can sell them at one-half cent per lb. (I am offered) of a cent) why, good for me and the old editors can't deny but it is a small profit this. I sometimes kill a beef and peddle it, mostly on credit, at 4 or 5 cents (I pay the butcher 10 cents in harvest) I shall ride or walk 100 miles I know to collect for the beef, (a sheriff would get \$10 mileage,) but I get six, because I ought not to sell to anyone except for cash. But I won't give up and will always take some produce to town when I go, berries, eggs, chickens, onions, beets and bring 'em back mostly. Small fruits will I am assured succeed and this reconciles me to a loss on my wheat, to the corner in sacks, high transportation charges, prices kept down 'till I and others have sold. Bless you, only tell me how to set an old hen, or to suck eggs, or the careful saving of hog bristles, feathers, horsehair, goose down and be in the future as in the past my guiding star. I am as well informed on the news-

paper racket as a cat is on lithography and therefore I shall shortly generously give to my teachers such hints as may strike me for the management of their printing outfit. Good bye, just now, no not goodbye, but au revoir.

A DISCIPLE.

County Court.

Court met on last Thursday, Messrs. McLeish and McBes present. Judge Stouffer still unable to attend. The following proceedings were had at the County Court last Tuesday: In the matter of fixing the salary of County School Superintendent: Ordered that the salary of the Superintendent be placed at \$750 per annum provided he devote his entire time to the public schools. In the matter of purchasing three steel cells for the County Jail: Court accepted the bid of Frenchman & Wolf to furnish three steel cells with corridor leading to status cell, drawers, contract price \$2900. The Daily Jail Company bid being \$4125.

Financial Exhibit of Polk County July 2, 1888.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes Outstanding warrants, State Tax, Warrants in clerks office, Bridge contracts, Total Liabilities, Delinquent tax lists for 1880, '81, '82, '83, '84, '85, '86, and '87, amounting to \$13918.38 estimated value, Received from Taxes, Sheriff, and Real Sources.

THREE MASON DEAD.—Dr. Robert Morris, the poet laureate of Free Masonry, died from paralysis at his home at Lagrange, Ky., July 31. He was married and leaves several children. Dr. Morris was born August 31, 1813. He was initiated into the craft March 5, 1816, and passed through the various degrees until his election as grand master of Kentucky in 1858. Soon after his initiation he began to gain considerable prominence as a poetical writer, the subjects of his poems being invariably the aims or sentiments of the craft. In 1868 he undertook a journey through the Holy Land, and the results of his observations on that trip he afterwards published under the title, "Freemasonry in the Holy Land." He was elected first master of the Royal Solomon Lodge at Jerusalem in 1873. Five years later he directed the researches to the land of "Robbie Burns," of whose works Dr. Morris was an ardent admirer. His most recent writings are founded on sketches made during the journey. In 1884 he was crowned poet laureate. During his life he traveled extensively and visited 3000 Masonic lodges. He visited this state, and came to Dallas in December, 1887, and while here lectured before the Masonic lodges, displaying a large collection of ancient coins.

As there are now 153,000 miles of railway in the United States, on which at least 400,000,000 wooden ties are laid, and assuming the life of an average tie to be six years, it will be seen that one-sixth must be renewed each year, which will take 67,000,000 for renewal; estimating that 8,000 miles of new roads are constructed yearly, requiring 21,000,000 ties, the total yearly tie requirements are found to amount to 88,000,000 ties. These figures are startling, and make the subject of metal ties one of live present interest.

Mrs. LaRansour City Beggar Independence, has a nice lot of ladies' muslin underwear, gentry, gowns, handkerchiefs, socks; also, stationery, books, croquet sets, notions, innumerable. Call before purchasing elsewhere.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the county of Polk, William M. Gregory, plaintiff, vs. S. G. Bailey, T. V. Allen, and John Foster, defendants. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an execution issued out of and under the seal of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the county of Polk on the 30th day of July 1888 upon a certain judgment therein rendered on the 11th day of December 1886 in favor of William M. Gregory plaintiff, and against S. G. Bailey defendant, in the sum of \$287.70 with interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from date of judgement and the further sum of \$10.00 costs and disbursements and \$100.00 attorney's fees and a decree foreclosing a certain mortgage upon the following described premises to-wit: An undivided half in the south 1/2 of section 18, and the north-west 1/4 of the north-east 1/4 of section 19 and the south-west 1/4 of the south-west 1/4 and lot 3 of section 17 in T 8 S R 6 W of the Willamette Meridian. And in said decree directing that said described premises be sold in manner and form by law provided, and that you apply the proceeds of such sale as follows to-wit: First to the payment of the costs and expenses of such sale and to costs and disbursements of this suit as taxed, second to the payment of the amount found due the plaintiff to-wit: \$287.70 with the interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum since December 11, 1886, and \$100 attorney's fees; third to the payment of the sum found due plaintiff from John Foster to-wit: the sum of \$25 and interest at the rate of 8 per cent from August 28, 1880 and the sum of \$7.75 costs and if the proceeds of such sale shall be insufficient to satisfy the sums found to be due plaintiff that you proceed to satisfy the same from any other property of the defendant, S. G. Bailey, in your county not exempt from execution by law. Therefore, by virtue of said execution and in pursuance of said decree I will sell the foregoing described premises to the highest bidder for cash in hand at the court house door in the town of Dallas, Polk county, Oregon, on SATURDAY 1st day of SEPT. A. D. 1888, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock p. m. of said day to satisfy said demands and costs and accruing costs. Dated at Dallas this 30th day of July A. D. 1888. W. S. SMITH, Sheriff of Polk Co., Or.

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