

GOVERNMENT BY THE SUGAR TRUST.

The profit which will come to the sugar trust from the postponement of the date of the operation of the sugar provision of the tariff bill to January 1st next has been variously estimated at from \$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000. It will be immensely large whatever it amounts to. Obviously the proper thing to do would be to make that schedule take effect at the same time as the main part of the bill, and this the republicans of the senate tried to do, but as they are in the minority they failed. They also attempted to strike off the discriminating duty in aid of the trust, but on this proposition, too, they were beaten. The sugar schedule which was agreed upon by the democratic caucus, and which appears to have been dictated by the head of the refinery "combine," went through without a hitch.

Next year, when the large revenue expected from sugar imports fails to reveal itself on the governmental balance sheet, surprise will be shown in some quarters. The revenue will be all right, however, the only mistake being as to the place of its deposit. It will go into the treasury of the sugar trust instead of into that of the government. The raw sugar, from which \$30,000,000 or \$40,000,000 of national receipts in 1895 is looked for, is being imported this year. It is brought to this country many months in advance of its use because it thus takes advantage of the absence of the duty, and enough will be on hand by the time the duty goes into operation to run the refineries ten or twelve months. The day the duty goes into effect importation will stop for the time being, the price of sugar will go up, and the trust will pocket the revenue which was the ostensible motive for the levying of the duty.

The republicans were right in endeavoring to strike off the discriminating impost on refined sugar. Refined and raw sugar should be treated alike at the custom house. Both should be free or both should bear the same duty. Several years ago the head of the trust acknowledged that sugar could be refined more cheaply in this country than it could anywhere else in the world, and the advantage which our refineries had then has been increased since by the immense extent of their operations and the concentration of the work in fewer hands. That is to say, the trust, through its managing head, confessed that it did not need any favors at the custom house, and it should not have them. A serious blunder was made by the framers of the McKinley bill in keeping refined sugar on the dutiable list, though it was put at a largely reduced rate, when raw sugar was made free. The trust's margin of protection is narrower under this law than it was under the preceding act, and also narrower than was provided for in the Mills bill, but it did not and does not need or deserve any margin whatever.—Globe-Democrat.

ENGLAND AND SENATOR LODGE.

There have not been wanting late indications of growing irritation with England for its dog in the manger silver policy. Gold monometalism is convulsing two continents and gravely compromising the future of the poorer states in Europe. This feeling has been voiced in America by Senator Lodge, whose proposal virtually to shut out British goods from the United States until we should assent to a bimetallic convention, though extreme and absurd, indicates the trend of sentiment on the other side of the Atlantic.

Senator Lodge is not a silver man in the usual sense, being opposed out and out to free coinage in the United States under existing conditions, and therefore his views, though tinged with strong feeling, may attract more attention here than those of the pronounced silverites. Mr. Lodge is very bitter about the failure of the Brussels conference of last year, where the attitude of the British official delegate was "scarcely less than discourteous" to the United States, and he believes that nine-tenths of the American people regard it in that light.

A feeling of this kind is not to be lightly ignored. We have frequent diplomatic differences with the United States, but as a rule there is seldom associated with these any sense of animosity between the people of the two countries. But now we are encouraging the growth of a feeling that on a question which affects the prosperity of millions of individual Americans England is inclined to entertain views unfriendly to the United States. We know, of course, that the unfriendliness is accidental, and that our monetary policy is controlled by purely selfish considerations—so purely selfish that we do not mind seeing India suffering from our action much more than America does. The Americans are sufficiently old fashioned to believe that it is the part of a friend to show himself friendly, and when this country turns a deaf ear to the plaint of half the world, including all the new world, they not unreasonably feel that it is unkindly.

It is not for us to say whether the feeling of irritation is wholly justified or not; it exists, and that is the main point. Moreover, it is taking a shape that may entail very awkward consequences on us. The recent proposal to coin Mexican dollars in San Francisco was a bid toward giving us a lesson by ousting us from our commanding position in eastern trade.

OVER THE STATE.

Bert Benton, of Cove, has just killed four bears on the Minam. The big Salem flouring mills have started up again on a big order from China.

The Rock Springs, Wyo., coal miners use up a carload of La Grande hogs every month.

Yamhill county has paid all endorsed warrants and has coin in the treasury.

Judge Lord is pleased with the conduct of affairs at the State University, Eugene.

Runaway teams are numerous at Salem, four occurring in one day last week.

The strawberry patch of L. Oldenburg, of La Grande, covers twelve acres.

E. J. McCauley, of Salem, has been elected to the history chair in the State Normal school, at Monmouth.

A woman recently died in Sweet Home valley, Linn county, who had lived as a man and had been classed as one for several years.

Hundreds of immigrants are passing through Klamath county from California and Nevada, en route to Oregon and Washington points.

Corvallis Gazette urges the board of regents select professors for the State Agricultural college from among the alumni of that institution.

William Wells, of Polk county, near Independence, is said to be the oldest hog grower in the state, having begun in 1867. Mr. Wells is now cultivating his pioneer yard of twenty-five acres.

R. J. Ginn says that Sherman county has been carefully canvassed and shows 98,000 acres of wheat, which will yield at the very lowest estimate sixteen bushels to the acre, or 1,568,000 bushels.

Mitchell has suffered severely in the floods. The school grounds, including the buildings, were carried away. Several orchards were taken out. Many fine places are now nothing but unsightly gravel beds.

The junior mechanical students of State Agricultural college have issued a class souvenir of 100 pages, illustrated by fifty half tone cuts of college buildings. They are sold for fifty cents and one dollar, according to blinding.

Charles E. Wordon, who is to allot the lands in severity to the Klamath reservation, arrived there last week, accompanied by his wife and child. He will remain at his work until completed, and thinks it will require nearly two years' time, which is not very encouraging for the early opening of that big domain to bona fide settlement. There are 900 Indians on the reservation and they will receive 125,000 acres. As the reservation comprises 1,000,000 acres, it will give homes to thousands of settlers.

The weather bureau desires a correspondent in every election precinct in Washington county to report weather conditions and the state of crops. A true and correct report is valuable to farmers in all portions of the state, and we should like to see this county as well represented as any other section. Persons willing to perform this service should write at once to B. S. Pague, Portland, Oregon. The weekly bulletins are published in the country press and are the best authority on the crops of Oregon. With a larger corps of correspondents they will be more valuable.

THE REPUBLICAN AVALANCHE.

Oregon and Illinois, too, join their voices in the great chorus of republican victory. In the former, where a state ticket, two congressmen and a legislature have just been elected, the republicans have made a clean sweep, electing the state officers and congressmen by immense majorities, and securing a strong lead in the legislature, which is to choose a United States senator. In the latter a judge of the state supreme court for the fourth judicial district has been chosen by a heavy majority after an exciting canvass. The democrats made good nominations in each case, and felt confident of victory until the returns came in. Penoyer, the present governor of Oregon, whose personal popularity has heretofore been great enough to give him the victory when most of the other members of his ticket were defeated, was an aspirant for the senatorship this time, and worked hard for the state and legislative tickets, and the candidate in Illinois is one of the strongest democrats in his locality.

In each case the victory is, in a certain sense, a revolution. The governor and nearly half of the minor state officers of Oregon are democrats, and in 1892 the democrats and populists in combination secured one of the state's electoral votes, which was cast for Weaver. This particular elector received more votes than did any of the three who were chosen in the same election by the republicans. In Illinois the change of base is even greater than this, for the district which the republicans have carried gave a plurality of about 7000 to Cleveland in 1892. Both the senators from Oregon are republicans, but the term of one of them, Dolph, expires next March, and the democrats have been expecting to name his successor. Penoyer has been actively seeking the senatorship, and has had an engaging alliance with both the democrats and populists, he would get it if these two elements in combination had secured the legislature.

The significance of the elections in

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

When you talk to some men about the value and necessity of foreign missions, they are very apt to make the stereotyped reply, "Charity begins at home." Some charity is of such a domestic character that it never stirs abroad at all. A few figures may be of value when talking to those people who think that Christianity should be saved for home consumption. The Protestant Churches gave for foreign missions in 1892 something over \$14,500,000. But the amount of money spent on the poor of New York City alone in the season of 1893-94 somewhat exceeded this amount, according to the best estimates. Surely the poor are not being neglected for the heathen!

When you talk of a country like India, for instance, with its teeming millions of people, it seems like a hopeless task to try to affect, in any fashion, such vast multitudes with the vital influence of Christianity. The cultivated and courtly gentleman who represented the Orient in the recent Parliament of Religions assured us that such efforts were worse than useless. But the judgment of sensible and level-headed Anglo-Indians, who have carefully studied India from the standpoint of men of affairs, does not harmonize with the statements of partial Hinduism. They have recognized the necessity and value of mission work done in that country. Apart from the number of converts made to Christianity, which is by no means inconsiderable, the Christian workers have established mission schools and hospitals for women and children, and accomplished a religious work which is being profoundly felt where doctrinal Christianity has put little recognition. The testimony to the value of this work comes from such thoughtful men as Sir U. Atchison, Lieutenant Governor of the Punjab; Sir Richard Temple, Lord Lawrence, Lord Harris, Governor of Bombay, and Sir Bartle Frere, says Sir Charles Atchison: "Missionary teaching and Christian literature are leavening native opinion, especially among the Hindus, in a way and to an extent quite startling to those who take a little personal trouble to investigate the facts." Perhaps the people of India will never accept the intricate creed and warring systems of sectarian Christianity, but back of these things there is a spiritual and ethical force in our religion which has made it the progenitor of the highest type of civilization. Hinduism may claim the loftiest type of spiritual philosophy, but it made no attempt to destroy its cruel system of caste, or elevate and ameliorate the condition of its women, at least until it was touched by the spirit of Christianity.

The magnitude of the republican victory in Oregon continues to grow with every succeeding dispatch from the Pacific state. Oregon, as will be remembered, has a democratic-populist governor, who has been the clown of the nation. Judge Lord, a staunch republican, has been elected by an unprecedented majority, and the legislature is overwhelmingly republican. This is the answer which Oregon sends to the calamity administration at Washington. This is the answer which Oregon sends to the effort of the democratic congress to cripple its great wool-growing and lumber interests. This is the answer Oregon sends to the imbecility of the democratic congress which has thus far done nothing to relieve the business depression excepting to repeal the Sherman act; and that was accomplished only by republican votes and the aid of a few patriotic democrats. If there is any place in this broad republic, outside of the southern confederacy, where democrats can find any consolation in the election returns it has not as yet been reported.—Burlington (Iowa) Hawkeye.

A Boy's Explanation.

First Little Boy—Is we at war with anybody?

Second Little Boy—In course not. "Then who's our enemy of gettin' up such a big war?"

"So we kin saw back."—Good News.

NAMES OF INDIAN CHIEFS.

E. Chambrain, tells in The Arrow how Indian chiefs are named. He says: Any time between the age of 15 and 20, the chiefs' oldest son starts on a journey to be gone 12 moons (months) one great sun (year), one sun (day), and one sleep (night). He wanders on lonely trails, lives from the fruits of the hunt and is not supposed to be seen by any human being during his absence.

He is expected to start for home on the next day and reach the same the next day before the sun crosses the meridian. The most striking object he observes or crosses his path during the last 24 hours of his journey becomes his name. Thus they bear names like Five Crows, Yellow Snake, Eagle of the Light, White Bird, Red Cloud, Little Bear, Young Man, Afraid of His Horse, Sitting Bull.

All members of his tribe are looking for him on the day of his expected return before the sun reaches the zenith. He enters the camp amid great yells and rejoicing. All at once everything is silent, when the young chief advances to the center of the camp and announces his name and his experience during his year of absence.

A Curious Clock.

A novel clock is now being exhibited by the Watchmaker's union in London. It is of wood, beautifully carved and stands six feet in height. The case is a perfect fort in miniature, and instead of a bell and striking hammer the hours are announced by a bugler, who emerges from a door at one side of the fort and blows the call to assemble and march.

Almost instantly doors open on all sides. A regiment of automatic soldiers, six abreast, march out, wheel to the left, stop a few seconds to mark time, and then march through another part of the fortress to the barracks. These marches and counter-marches occur each hour. If they come out to announce the hour of 1 o'clock, one sold or fires his tiny gun. At 2 o'clock two soldiers fire their pieces, increasing with the hour until the twelve leaders fire the guns, the rear ranks bowing their heads and pointing with their bayonets toward the dial of the clock.—Chicago Press.

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The Norwegian liquor bill has passed to a second reading in the Massachusetts legislature. The introduction of this bill was the outcome of an official investigation made in 1893 as to the results of this method of regulating the liquor traffic in Sweden and Norway. If the bill becomes a law it will provide that all towns in the state where there is a liquor license shall be formed a corporation for the sale of liquor. The stockholders shall never receive a dividend exceeding five per cent., and the net profits of the business, after the formation of a reserve fund, shall be used for objects of general benefit, such objects being selected by the shareholders. There shall never be more than one licensed place for the sale of liquor to 2000 people, except that every town, of whatever size, may have one place. It is held that the plan has worked admirably in Sweden and Norway. That the restriction of profits has decreased the ordinary inducements generally offered by saloon-keepers for the spending of money in drink. Of course, the scheme is opposed by extreme prohibitionists. To them the regulation of liquor traffic is like the regulation of smallpox or cholera. They will make no concessions and no compromises. Liquor selling must be treated as a crime. But Mr. Dana, of Boston, is an ardent advocate of the system, and, if I mistake not, has received the endorsement of as earnest a temperance woman as Mary A. Livermore. The lamentable condition of things in Iowa and Kansas is tending to convince reasonable people that no available scheme of prohibition will lessen the evils of the drinking habit. Upon some feasible and rational scheme of regulation the great mass of temperance people seem disposed to unite. If the Norwegian system works well in Massachusetts, there is no reason why it would not be effective in Oregon.

Goal operators who are congratulating themselves on their heavy profits resulting from the strike may find in the end that it does not pay to disturb business in this fashion. The need of coal has been severely felt in Pittsburg and the city waterworks there would have been compelled to suspend if the superintendent had not been able to use a combination of aprays mingling Lima oil with steam. Those who plan carvers in this country ungenerately its resources and the ingenuity of its inventors.

What and faces one always sees in the asylum for orphans! It is more fatal to neglect the heart than the head.—Theodore Parker.

We must love men are they will be to us worthy of our love.—Shakespeare.

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