

VALLEY RECORD.

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The People's Paper.

THE DEFEAT OF POND.

The E. F. Weekly Star attributes the defeat of Mayor Pond for governor because the people were possessed of the idea that Boss Buckley gave him the nomination, which was not true, as Mayor Pond never did anything to offend Buckley, but left him severely alone. The Star says there were other causes that contributed to Pond's defeat. One was that the Democratic state central committee was "manned" by his enemies, who sold him out. The "working" portion of that committee was led by Buckley. They tried to keep all along the line for votes for O'Brien for sheriff and Krueger for assessor. They also traded Judge Coffey, whom they fear do not love.

The chairman of that committee openly related stories of Pond's meanness, which were calculated to and did him harm. Moreover, this same chairman had done many things he should not have done. For example: He was requested to send a good speaker to Petaluma, to dissuade the public mind as to Pond being a protégé of Buckley. Who better could have done than a known anti-Buckley man? Col. Stuart Taylor was suggested. Russ Wilson—for he is the Buckley chairman—indignantly howled: "No, sir; I will not consent to his going. He is fighting the regular local ticket here." And no one went to Petaluma. And the people there voted against Pond because they thought him a Buckley man.

Again, in San Francisco, a known enemy of organized labor—Gavin McShane—was selected as the orator at several mass meetings, after he had been compelled to withdraw from the ticket as a candidate for supervisor. This miserable creature vomited forth such foul stuff on those occasions, against honorable men, while lauding Pond, that many decent voters were disgusted and indignant, and lost all enthusiasm for Pond, whom they held responsible.

McKinley was defeated by 300 majority. Reed positively declined to speak about the avalanche. The Illinois democrats have spiked Cannon's mouth. Dillon and O'Brien, the Irish leaders, will do Portland in January. Revision of the tariff by its friends seems to have nearly killed the poor thing.

A little California crook is forgotten as one sits down to this great United States turkey. The Eastern man voted his undershirt. He repudiated the party that made it cost him too much. The country has its ear to the ground listening for that raise in wages, due to Bill McKinley's bill. Last week Mrs. Anna Barter was elected county clerk of Carthage county, Mo., the first woman ever elected to a civil office in that state.

Senator Sherman remarks: "I have seen such convulsions before," and he might have added that the political patient died before hot mustard could be applied. The tidal wave of 1874 gave the democrats a majority in the house of representatives of '97. That of 1882 gave a democratic majority of 71. This year the democrats get a sure majority of 125.

Among the reports discussed by political gossips was one that Senator Quay would resign the chairmanship of the republican national committee as soon as he returns from Florida, and that Clarkson would be his successor. One railroad shipped out of Iowa for the year ending Oct. 31st, 4,905,390 tons of better. A little more of that kind of thrift in Southern Oregon would make us a rich and contented community, at the prevailing prices in Oregon.

The farmers' alliance president says that organization is here to stay and hold its grip on the situation. The republican party in '92 will have a lively time shaking the "bloody shirt" at them. They are now dead on the tariff. The S. F. Star says Boss Buckley had received a large sum of money from Senator Stanford to betray the Democratic legislative candidates and elect republicans, which accounts for the slaughtering of the S. F. Democratic legislative ticket.

A republican exchange says that the farmers' alliance "stood on too narrow a platform." A party consisting wholly of farmers and proposing to subordinate all other classes to the interests of agriculture *** can hardly expect to acquire even state importance. Why not, as well as a party consisting entirely of selfish manufacturing monopolists and trusts?

Russell & Co., the Massillon, O., manufacturers of threshers, reduced the wages of forty-seven democrats 33 per cent. because they voted against McKinley. The wages of the republicans were not changed. C. H. Russell gives this reason: "Hereafter in our shops free traders will receive free trade wages." This action needs no comment. But like Reed's rules, answers itself in reckless arbitrariness.

This is a picture from Ireland: Another wholesale picture of non-rent-paying tenants from the Orlinham estates at Falcarra, county Donegal, will take place next Tuesday. Two hundred and fifty families, comprising 1500 persons, will be thrust from their homes into the highways. An immense force of police and military have been ordered to the spot in order to prevent any successful resistance on the part of tenants or their friends.

Better Than Government Bonds. The ordinary living expenses of a family of five persons, living in the east, may not be less than \$1,800 per year. It would require nearly \$40,000 in government bonds to produce this income. Ten acres of land in the Willamette valley planted to prunes will produce this income. Ten acres of land in the ordinary crop at ordinary prices will net more than \$1,500 after paying for all labor placed thereon. You can buy this land of The Oregon Land Company of San Francisco. In tracts of ten acres or more at from \$50 to \$75 per acre.

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The press is agitating the legislature to dispel the general ignorance of the laws of the land by having them published in county papers. In order to "dispel" ignorance it is evident that they must be published in all the county papers. As the laws are embodied in legal verbiage that will strain out ten times longer than necessary, the cost will be heavy. We rather suspect that this is the scheme of some "use spring worm" printer who wants to work a "fat take" out of the state for a few county papers that are in the ring. If those papers using this thing are so foolish that they ignore the law should be repealed, we think the state should have them printed by the hundreds of thousands, in supplement form, supply every paper with the supplements for their whole edition and pay the publishers a reasonable price for running them through. Every newspaper reader will then be supplied. To have them printed in every office at any thing near legal rates would make an unnecessary big hole in the public treasury.

The following, said to be an excerpt from the speech of a North Carolina orator, should be taken advantage of by party organs. All that is necessary is the change of party name to suit the occasion. They have nominated men down there whom I despised. Yes, I despised the very ground they walked on, and but for the restraining power of the Holy Ghost, I would have laid them and murdered them. But they were nominated by democracy, and represented democratic principles; and while the men made me sick, I would put a little camphor on my handkerchief; and if that wasn't strong enough, I'd take chloroform, and if that wasn't strong enough, I'd take something that would deprive me of my senses, and have myself drugged to the polls where I voted. And unless you are that kind of a democrat, you are no democrat at all.

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The Oregon's English. Englishman—I say, ye know, what's the bookage to Boston? Railroad Ticket Clerk—The whatage? Englishman—The bookage, ye know—the tariff. What's the tariff? Ticket Clerk—I haven't time to talk politics.—New York Weekly.

General Customer (in cheap restaurant)—Is the mutton brot good today? High Toned Waiter—Don't know, sah. I don't eat mutton, sah.—Street & Smith's Good News.

New Field for Prison Labor. The statement that the county workhouse has been using its stock of surplus labor in the manufacture of artificial ice indicates a new field for the employment of prison labor. The experiment at the workhouse has been very successful, and has accomplished the economic service of supplying a great many people with ice who would have found it hard to get otherwise.

In this case it looks as if the employment of convict labor in making ice might be free from most of the objections to the use of such labor in other industries. No labor at all is employed in the making of natural ice, and so convict labor cannot bring down wages there. The labor that is used in other ice manufacturing establishments is very small in comparison with the demand for ice, so that there is no probability of this employment of the workhouse labor will influence wages unfavorably. Of course this labor does not at all come into competition with the men who load and deliver ice, although it may be hoped that an enlargement of the ice supply would mitigate the rule of the absolute tycoon who sits upon your doorstep a sixty pound lump of ice and makes a hundred pounds by the force of his fiat.

So far as the present condition of affairs is concerned the department in the greatest need of labor in this industry is to be commended, indeed if it could increase the supply of ice so as to make the bills of the average consumer about half as imposing as they have been this year it would command the indorsement of the public.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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