

It can now be safely asserted that the citizens of this state will unanimously support a change in the method of electing U. S. senators.

Two years ago the time of our legislature was almost entirely taken up in the election of a senator, as there was no choice until the last day of the session. It is now bound and tied together over the senatorial fight to such a degree that the prospect of an adjournment is almost a foregone conclusion, without the election of a senator, and no other legislation accomplished. The people of this state taking into consideration this state of affairs, have undoubtedly soured on the method of choosing senators and are now willing and anxious to have senators elected by the people.

Senator Gowen's bill relating to county officials salaries, has been condemned by the committee. So we presume he is shedding tears on account of the poor tax payers of Harney county.

If Hanna fails to get the Senatorship it will be because Foraker's price was higher than McKinley would pay.

The nominations of several hundred gold democrats to be post masters are hung up in the Senate, and when this session dies those nominations will still be hanging.

If Spain had never violated Cuban promises, those now put forth would speedily end the war on the island, but those who have been duped once are difficult to fool the second time.

Senator Morgan says the Nicaragua Canal bill isn't dead, but is merely taking a rest until the next session of Congress.

There are republicans in Congress who are not wise enough to turn up the ocean, but they were all too wise to be led by "nigger" Murray, of S. C., into a scheme that might have resulted in preventing the inauguration of McKinley.

Senator Bacon, of Ga., expresses the opinion that nine tenths of the gold democrats of the South will be found working and voting for the regular democratic ticket in the next campaign.

The Senate might accomplish more if there were fewer Senators insisting upon precedence for their pet measures.

When Czar Reed said the Fifty-fourth Congress would do little except to pass the regular appropriation bills, he knew what he was talking about.

Just let a man be elected President and the toadies will at once establish some sort of a connection between him and every man of the same name who ever attained the

slightest prominence. The McKinley stories now being printed are proofs of this.

The republican majority of the House paid a high compliment to the democratic party when in a single week they settled four contested cases by deciding them in favor of the sitting democrats.

Ben Harrison is more interested in his new baby than he is in the new administration.

With all his other isms, Lyman Gage is hairless and wears a wig.

Our republican friends are wrong; it isn't the noise made by democrats that is keeping prosperity away. It's the same old single gold standard.

It is altogether probable that Col. DuPont has had quite enough politics and will hereafter stick to the more profitable business of making powder.

An editorial in an exchange begins "Spain is decaying at the heart." Yes; and the smell is disgusting the civilized world.

According to one newspaper, President Cleveland recently said that he expected to take an active part in politics after he retires from office, and to another, he is going to take up the study of theology. He couldn't be very active in politics, if he wanted to, and his ideas must have undergone a radical change if he wants to study theology.

John Sherman will shed no tears if Hanna fails to land that Senatorship, although his influence is apparently being used for Hanna.

When Senator Hill was governor he appointed a locomotive engineer as a member of the New York State Railway Commission. The other day Tom Platt's governor appointed the superintendent of a line of which Platt is president to succeed that locomotive engineer. That is the difference between actual and pretended friendship for the laboring man.

Senatorial Contest.

Salem, Or., Feb 12.—It was generally circulated yesterday and today that a senator would be elected Saturday, but tonight it is evident no serious efforts to do anything will be made until next Monday. The fixed attitude of the two factions toward each other has increased the talk of a deadlock and adjournment without organization.

Many of the Mitchell men say they will not stay after the 40 days are up, but the approach of the end of the 40 days will without doubt bring the matter to a crisis, and next week is bound to see the problem solved one way or the other.

Governor Lord has been repeatedly asked if he will call a special session in the fall if there is no organization. He invariably refuses to answer, but the general impression is that he will. It is very likely that new senatorial candidates will soon enter the field. It has been whispered for several days that Hon Solomon Hirsch, chair

man of the republican state central committee, would not try very hard to get out of the way if senatorial lightning threatened to strike him.

There is even talk that an understanding exists between Hirsch and Mitchell by which at the proper time, in case, of course, it is evident all hope of the latter's election is gone, Mitchell will throw his support to Hirsch on terms mutually satisfactory.

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