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A NEWSPAPER controversy, in Columbus, Ohio, a short time since resulted in the death of two men and the wounding of another. Such is the outcome of scurrilous journalism that should be, as it is, under the ban of decent public opinion. An exchange of personal caricatures, vulgar invectives and slang carried on through the press, for no other purpose except to stab or wound a victim, is in every way reprehensible. An indecent personal controversy, whether it be of a private, public or political nature, should not be tolerated and journals indulging in such should receive the direct disapproval of all respectable people.

GROVER CLEVELAND certainly deserves to be honored for the statement made in his letter on the silver question, we believe him to be honest in his views, and coming at the time it did, in the face of a majority of his own party fighting for free coinage, we are constrained to think he thought it best for his party as well as himself—knowing the democratic party expected him to be a candidate before the next democratic national convention for the Presidency of the United States—his courage was equal to the occasion, and he boldly declared his honest and trustworthy, as he has always been, he did not wish to occupy a false position in the minds of the members of his own party in Congress.

EASTERN OREGON has a just cause for being dissatisfied with the actions of our legislators and Governor in the legislature just closed.

The sentiment in favor of porage railways at the Cascades and between The Dalles and Celilo was unanimous, and the people of our section of the State expected some relief from the exorbitant freight charges we have been paying for years. The bill for the railway at the Cascades became a law, but the road around the obstructions above was defeated in the house.

The funds appropriated for wagon roads amount to naught, the bills being vetoed by the Governor. This action of the Governor may be just in the main, still we are persuaded to believe that he forgot our very existence. He certainly should be reminded of the fact that there are many isolated points, without any roads to market, and the settlers positively not financially able to build roads. These points—such as Harney county—certainly deserve special attention.

This section did not get a dollar in the direction of appropriations, and it is but fair to presume our worthy Governor is of the opinion that we are not worth his consideration. A few thousand for the construction of better roads would have been like candy to a child from a father; the recognition of our wants would have maintained that respect for our legislature and Governor that their position warrants, but now we have lost that confidence and believe we have a right to kick.

The bills to incorporate Burns and Harney were thought sufficient by our Governor for Harney valley. Whether approving these bills cost him an effort or not we are not prepared to say, but we presume not, as it did not take a dollar from Portland, Salem, or his pet part of the State.

We beg leave, for the present, to bid adieu to our State executive, believing that he will never be President of the United States or anything else of importance.

FROM THE CAPITOL.

HERALD'S WASHINGTON LETTER.

A Synopsis of a Week's Working at the White House.

(From our regular Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, D. C. Feb. 27, 1891.

Czar Reed is in the saddle, backed by a quorum of republicans in the House, and anything is liable to happen during the remaining four days of the session; but there is consolation in the fact that the regular apportionment bills will leave little time in either House or Senate for political legislation. The ship subsidy "job" is to be railroaded through the House this evening, thanks to Reed's outrageous code of rules. When the resolution for the consideration and calling of the previous question on this republican "job" was reported to the House by Reed's lieutenant, McKinley Representative McMillan, a democratic member of the committee on Rules stated that the prophecy he had made in the beginning of this Congress had been verified. "I stated," continued he, "that these Rules had been adopted for four reasons: To pass the election bill, which subjected the ballot box to the bayonet—that has been done; to pass the tariff bill that would rob the people—that has been done; to pass the direct tax bill—that has been done; to pass a bill placing further taxes upon a depressed and burdened interior for the benefit of the shipping interests—that is about to be done."

Mr. Mills suggested sarcastically that the republicans passed acts of Congress by proclamation instead of by legislation, but he wanted them to understand that the democrats would avail themselves of every moment of discussion to expose to the American people, the wrongs that were being perpetrated upon them. Mr. Dockery mentioned the fact that up to the present time the net increase of appropriations made by the present Congress as compared with those made by the last Congress was \$102,000,000. The republicans could not reply, so they yelled "cheer up."

The death of Senator Wilson, of Maryland, which occurred suddenly from heart disease Tuesday night. The Senate adjourned Wednesday in his honor but not before Senator Spooner, who stated that he would not be a member of the Senate when a day would be set apart for eulogies on the dead statesman, had paid a most loving tribute to his colleague who had entered the Senate the same day as himself and who had served on the same committee with him ever since. The funeral took place here yesterday morning, after which the remains, in charge of committees of the House and Senate, left on a special train for Snow Hill, Maryland, where the interment will be made to-day.

Secretary Foster, has always been known as a thrifty man. Having been confirmed by the Senate he came here at once and yesterday took the oath of office in order that his salary might begin, although he will not take actual charge of the Treasury department until he straightens up his business affairs in Ohio. Although the Senators concerned have denied it, I have reason to believe that certain republicans tried to get the democratic Senators to vote with them to reject Foster's nomination, and that the democrats refused, on the ground that the President should be allowed to select his own cabinet officers and that no Senator was justifiable in voting against the confirmation of such a nomination, unless charges were made and proven against the character of the nominee.

Time is a good friend of the people, and his friendship was particularly timely when he compelled the Senate to abandon the bill for the guaranteeing \$100,000,000 of the bonds of the Nicaragua canal company. That settles the scheme for good and all, and if the news received here be correct it probably settles the canal too for some time to come, for it is certain that the next House will not pass that or any other subsidy scheme.

One of the neatest little steals ever proposed to Congress is that amendment the Senate put in the Diplomatic appropriation bill granting a subsidy of \$2,000,000 to a company which proposes—if it gets the subsidy—to lay a cable between San Francisco and the Sandwich Islands. It has now transpired

that the subsidy is considerably more than it would cost to lay the cable, and also that another company stands ready to lay the cable without a subsidy, if Congress will give it the authority to do so. Ordinarily this would be sufficient to kill the "job," but this being the last chance of a lot of hungry republicans there's no telling how they'll vote.

If an extra session is escaped it will be by as close a shave as it would be possible to make, and all sorts of errors, some of them intentional, are almost certain to occur in bills that will be rushed as everything will be from now until the end.

The Australian Ballot System.

The provisions of the Australian ballot law apply to the smallest precincts in the state. Briefly, elections are to be held hereafter under these rules:

The county court of each county shall establish election precincts, each of which shall contain no more than 250 electors. The appointment of judges and clerks is practically as under the old law. Polls will be open on election day from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. No more than 10 electors shall be permitted to approach the polls within 50 ft. at the same time. Judges of election are invested with the jurisdiction and authority of justices of the peace. Nominations of candidates must be certified to by the convention making them, and the nominee must also file his acceptance. All ballots are to be furnished by the county clerks. They must be printed in black ink, upon a good quality of white paper, and any other kind shall not be used.

The names of all the candidates are printed upon the ballot, and those not voted for are to be struck out, for which purpose the Secretary of State will furnish the judges of election at each precinct with a supply of "indelible" pencils for the use of electors. It is the duty of the sheriff of each county to have erected at each polling place a private compartment, shelf or table for every forty electors, at which ballots may be prepared with secrecy, and every voting place

declares that he cannot read or write or that by any physical disability, he is unable to prepare his ballot, may receive the assistance of two of the judges in its preparation. The Secretary of the State will send out copies of the election laws, printed in pamphlet form for the uses of judges of elections, also everything else required by this act. Any attempt to violate the secrecy of the ballot is punishable by a fine ranging from \$50 to \$500, and fraud on the part of any person is punishable by imprisonment from one to three years, and by fine from \$500 to \$2000, or both.

The Courier says: A Shasta county man posted up this remarkable sign: "For sale—A Jersey cow to some man who will have a calf this spring at a bargain."

Senator George Hearst, of California, died, at his residence in Washington City, February 28th at 9 o'clock p. m. The deceased was seventy years of age.

A highly sensational story has found its way into some of our exchanges to the effect that three men had been killed and several wounded in a county seat fight near Burns. Harney county folks are not going to war about their county seat, you may depend. They are too busy laying plans for future prosperity, which their county is bound to have.—Grant County News.

The illustrations of Worth costumes now being published in Harper's Bazar are attracting wide attention not only on account of their value as representations of fashionable costumes, but because of their beauty as works of genuine art. They have the pose and finish of the finest wood engravings and presents quite a contrast to the ordinary conventional fashion-cut, whose only recommendation is utility. It may not be generally known that these illustrations are drawn and engraved in Paris at great expense by the most accomplished artists especially for the Bazar. Their publication in that periodical may be regarded as one of the most noteworthy of recent journalistic enterprises, and as another proof of the untiring progressive spirit of the great publishing house which controls it.

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