

If gavel were trumps Tom Reed would have a hand hard to beat.

The recent war talk seems to have revived war memories to such an extent that some of the participants in the last one are fighting it all over again—in the newspapers.

It seems that the National Association of Manufacturers, which was supposed to be a business organization, is in reality only a cog in the machinery that is being used in the attempt to make McKinley President and to revive McKinleyism.

Perhaps when all the estimates were before him and footed up, Mr. Wanamaker concluded that he would save money by making a tour of the Holy Land, instead of buying the senatorship.

The democratic central committee met in the court house last Saturday. All but four precincts were represented.

We were present at the meeting and found the committee men very confident and enthusiastic. All without an exception expressed certain victory for the democratic ticket in the county election, and a determination to select candidates of ability and popularity, declaring the certainty of a careful selection of delegates, to represent the respective precincts, whose integrity and zeal for the success of the party cannot be doubted. We have never met with a central committee more confident of success.

This is a good omen and is equal to, at least, a majority of points for victory. We are not going to condemn either the republican or populist parties, but we are going to write, and never lose an opportunity of saying a good word for our own party. We have in our party in this county, intelligence, ability, enterprise and energy, and these are the basis of success.

We cannot, for the life of us, see any good reason for voters of this county, who are democrats, leaving the party to become either republicans or populists. In county politics certainly the democratic party cannot have any serious objections to the present incumbents of their political faith now in office. While it may be that some mistakes have been made, still we think, and in fact can avow without fear of successful refutation, that the democrats now holding office in our county have performed the duties with credit to themselves and party. No reproach, on account of negligence or inability can be laid at the door of democracy, then why should the party or any of its followers be dissatisfied? And further, what satisfactory excuse can democrats have nationally?

Understand we are just giving our version of the situation with consideration and respect for every voters opinion. We believe the work of reformation should be done in party lines. Though the sins of

one man are visited on the whole party, still we argue the party is not to blame, for the reason the democratic party had no idea when voting for Cleveland when last elected that he would ignore what a large majority of his party advocated. We hold that the democratic party is still the party of reform and is honestly striving to give the people what reformation the majority demands. But the populists say, "You are a long time at it," that we have to admit to some extent, but people must remember that the republican party have, in every way possible, balked democratic legislation; and the action of the President vetoing the free coinage bill, which was not expected of him when elected, threw a damper upon the party hard to overcome but that does not give us license to condemn our party and forsake its principles as long as we conscientiously believe in these principles, we should, like our leaders Vest, Bland, Mills and others, be the more determined to finally succeed. The first presidential term of Grover Cleveland was one without blemish, not a blot upon the escutcheon of that administration, and especially pleased were the settlers of this county. Now the settlers of this county and a big majority of this government, because of that fair and impartial administration, elected him the second time, being firmly persuaded that he would respect their wishes. Were we—the people—to blame? Were democratic principles to blame unless these principles uphold the president in his actions? Do you expect a new party constructed of the same material and its leaders to have more respect for principles and platforms than your own old party?

Estray Notice.

Taken up by John Witzell at his ranch on Sage Hen, seven miles south-west of Burns, one dark red cow about five years old, branded on left hip with a quarter circle, and on left shoulder with straight mark. Marked with a small underbit in each ear. Owner can have the animal by giving necessary proof and paying charges, including the publication of this notice. JOHN WITZELL.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by Joseph Wooley, on his ranch 5 miles north-east of Burns, one bay horse, white spot in forehead, no brands, about 8 years old and weighs about 1100 pounds. Collar mark on top of shoulder. The owner can have horse by giving proper proof and paying charges including this notice. JOSEPH WOOLEY.

Administrators Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all persons holding claims against the estate of Victor S. Ottmer, deceased, to present the same to the undersigned at his place of business in Burns, Harney county, Oregon, verified as by law required within six months from the date of this notice. Dated at Burns this 11th day of December, 1895. H. M. HORTON, Administrator.

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Sealed Proposals.

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received for the construction of a County Jail of either stone or brick in accordance with plan and specifications now on file in the office of the county clerk. A bond in a sum double the amount of the contract price, to be approved by the court, will be exacted of the contractor at the time of executing the contract and such contractor will be required to complete the foundation and cement floor by the 10th day of May, 1896, and then be required to cease work until the window guards are received; and such contractor must permit the Pauly Jail Co. to proceed at once with the work of constructing the cells immediately after the material is received and, if necessary, to cease work on the building until the cells are completed. The said bids will be considered by the court on Wednesday, the 4th day of March, 1896, at one o'clock p m, of said day.

Bid to be filed with the county clerk of Harney county, Oregon, not later than one o'clock p m, March 4th, 1896, at which time the same will be opened. All bids to be marked 'Bids for County Jail.'

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By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Harney county, Oregon C. E. KENYON, Clerk

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