

A NEW WAY TO GET AN OFFICE.

Joseph W Burke lives in Austin, Texas, where he runs a clothing store. Some time ago he became a candidate for internal revenue collector of his district and applied to Harrison for the appointment. His application was endorsed by only one republican in the state. Lock McDaniel was the man that the republicans generally wanted appointed. Degress, the member of the national republican committee for Texas, was the one alone who wanted Burke. He called on Burke one day and asked him where he lay in his supply of fall goods. Burke said "sometimes in St Louis and sometimes in Chicago." "Well, if I were you," was Degress' rejoinder, "I would try Wanamaker & Co., of Philadelphia. I hear they are a good firm to deal with." So Mr Burke took the train to Philadelphia. He bought a nice line of goods for his Austin store and made arrangements for a continuance of the friendly relations thus begun. On leaving the store he said to Mr Robt Ogden, the business manager: "By the way, Mr Ogden, I am a candidate for the internal revenue collectorship at Austin, and as I am on my way to Washington I'd like to make the acquaintance of Mr Wanamaker, the Postmaster-General." "Certainly," was Mr Ogden's prompt response, and he sat down and wrote a letter to his chief, warmly commending Mr Burke as a man and merchant. Burke came to Washington with the letter, presented it to Wanamaker, and in a few minutes was on his way to the office of the Secretary of the Treasury with a letter of introduction from Mr Wanamaker in his pocket. Though the Postmaster General had never seen Burke before, and knew nothing about him, except what his manager, Mr Ogden, had written, he commended Burke to Secretary Windom as a moral and religious gentleman, a high toned merchant and worthy republican. That was on Friday. The next day Burke's appointment was announced at the White House. To say that the Texas republicans, who relate this interesting story, are indignant at the good merchant from Philadelphia, would be a mild statement of the case.

TOO RIDICULOUS.

In times of public calamity, it is not in good taste to make prominent the ludicrous matters that almost uniformly attend such calamities, and for this reason the DEMOCRAT forbore to call attention to the ridiculousness of the so-called Railroad Commission coming promptly forward to take cognizance of the wrecking of the Southern Pacific train at the Lebanon junction. We say "take cognizance" advisedly, for that was all the commission could do. They could come and look at the wrecked train and examine the switch just as any private citizen could do—"only this and nothing more." They could suggest that the great board in its wisdom was of the opinion that a great crime had been committed, just as private citizens could and did do. But beyond this they could do nothing more, except to draw their salary when the quarter is up. This board is a regular sham so far as being able to do anything for the benefit of the state. It was amusing to see the pompous air with which Colvig and Faulk strode our streets, accompanied by Geo. Waggoner, who added much to the laughable features of the scene by plainly showing the pride he felt in holding the office of "clerk." Colvig and Faulk are the two republican members of the board, but Clow, the democratic member, failed to put in an appearance. It is said that he so keenly feels the ridiculousness of the farce of traveling over the country looking after railroads without any power at all to exercise, and all at the expense of the people, that his sense of shame kept him at home. He must have known how unpopular the whole farce is in Llan county. This railroad commission is only one of the heritages left the people by the late legislature. May we never see such a legislature again.

Thomas C Platt was interviewed in Detroit just previous to his departure for Alaska, and on being pressed to express his personal opinion of Ben Harrison declined to do so, but consented to express what he called the personal opinion of a prominent republican in New York. This opinion was to the effect that "the Almighty's overcoat wouldn't make a vest for Mr Harrison." It is rather a picturesque way of describing what these republicans regard as Mr Harrison's egotism, and it may be interesting to note that the opinion as here formulated by Mr Platt was originally expressed by Stephen O Elkins. After Mr Platt has been in Alaska, by the way, for a little time, he may be able to meet a distinguished fellow republican there in the person of Chauncey M Depew. Mr Depew says that he is certainly going to take a trip up in that direction if he can arrange it. The only thing he is afraid of is that he will be called upon for so many speeches that the attendant exertion and nervous exhaustion will nullify the benefits he is sure than otherwise he would derive from the trip.

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With a few, very few, honorable exception the appointments made by Harrison in this state are such as to tinge the cheek of every respectable republican in the state with shame. The broken down hacks of the party, those who are out of favor with the party in general, seem to be the ones selected by Mitchell and Dolph for place pelf and power. The man who sold his political influence to his enemy for a cold mess of pottage, others who are known to be habitues of the lowest dives stand the best chance of getting appointments in Oregon under Harrison. No wonder the rumblings of a political volcano are heard on all sides among the better class of republicans.

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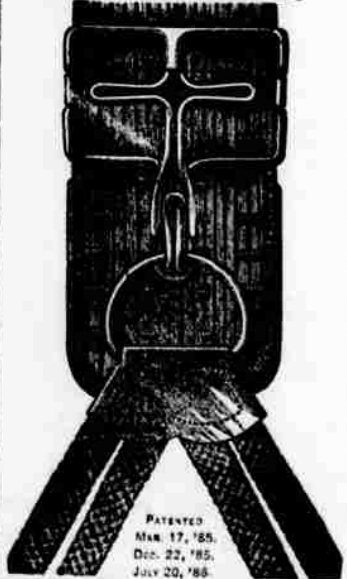
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