

The Democrat.

GREAT EXCITEMENT IN ASTORIA.

"Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth." The citizens of Astoria are highly excited. Not because some great crime has been committed that aroused public indignation. There has been no great public calamity to disturb the usual equanimity of the people of the city by the sea, and yet, for the last week, they have been seen to collect in squads on the street corners, in hotels, saloons, offices, places of business, and, in fact every where where do congregate, and engage in earnest, intense discussion. So riveted has public attention in that city been fixed upon the matter that newspapers there have sent out reporters to interview leading citizens, one by one, in order to place before the people the consensus of public opinion on the subject that now absorbs the entire attention of the tax payers of Astoria and Clatsop county. And, pray, what is the cause of all this hubbub. Why, the gentleman whom the taxpayers of that county, acting in their sovereign capacity, elected assessor, has actually assessed the property in that county in accordance with the requirements of the statute and the oath of office required of him before he could enter upon the discharge of his duty. When he came to assess a house and lot he would make inquiry as to how much they could be sold for in the usual course of business and he would assess it at that price and so he did with all other property, strictly obeying the law and his oath, and this is what disturbs so many people. See the result of his obeying the law. Last year the total assessed value of property in that county was \$2,000,000 and now it is \$6,000,000 nearly. And this noise is made by a class of taxpayers who, year by year, have been escaping taxation. This assessor should be elected by the people, whether nominated by any political party or not. Every assessor in the state should follow his heroic, brave example and we hope to see them do it next year.

HARVARD'S INFLUENCE.

Harvard College is the oldest, most amply endowed, and most influential seat of learning in the United States. The germ seed of this literary fountain head was planted even before our form of constitutional government was dreamed of. Harvard has had many bright minds, in its life of two hundred and fifty years, to preside over its destinies. These have kept it in line with the best and most intelligent consensus of public opinion. Among the most prominent of these were Edward Everett, Jared Sparks, Rev James Walker, but no greater scholar, no stronger logical reasoner, ever occupied the chair in Harvard's halls than President Elliot, the present incumbent. Formerly an earnest republican, he has seen his party, since the war, drift into a party of extravagant expenditures of public money, as a means of retaining itself in power; he has seen it drift into the hands of the powerful monied corporations of the country, which, in return for favorable legislation received, have united their immense influences to keep it in power; he has seen it become the willing instrument in the hands of the tariff and trust monopolies of the country to promote and increase the power which they wield over the masses of the people; he has seen it demoralize silver at the dictation of the money lords of Wall street; he has seen it grasp the spoils of office during the last twelve years of its reign with the avidity that characterizes the grasping of the trophies of war by the victor, and then go before the people pledged, not only to carry out faithfully and honestly, but to extend the principles of civil service reform, only to notoriously violate this pledge when it was restored to power. Is it any wonder, then, that president Elliot is no longer a republican? Is it any matter of surprise, then, that he should stand up in Faneuil Hall and declare his devotion to the principles of the democratic party, and his purpose to support the ticket of that party in Massachusetts next month? No surprise at all. It is the only course left him.

The whirligig of time turns things topsy turvy. It has knocked the bloody shirt into smithereens. Evidence: Testimonials to the prowess of Billy Mahone, as a confederate brigadier, are being circulated in Virginia to induce voters to vote for him for governor. Billy is the republican candidate. In the estimation of Quay Dudley and Harrison a man's politics covers a multitude of sins.

There is a movement on foot to establish a Daily and weekly Democratic paper in Portland. From all indications it will be done in no distant day.

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Rumor in political circles says that there is a probable change to be made in the office of U. S. district Judge and that Judge Deady's visit east is very significant of it. Judge Sawyer is nearly seventy years old and will soon be retired from the Bench. Judge Deady is looking to that vacancy and hopes to fill it in which event Mr. C. A. Dolph of Portland is to succeed Judge Deady. This accounts for the resignation of Mr. Dolph from the attorneyship of the rail-road corporation of the O. R. & N. a few weeks since.

It is whispered around that when the republican "boys" return from the conclave at Washington, they will know which boys they are. And the democrats who are anxious to surrender their places will have the opportunity to do so.

For Sunday Dinner.

Sweet Potatoes, cranberries, turnips, carrots, parsnips, cabbage, a fat chicken with cranberry sauce, Cal. figs, elbow chow, German salt pickles, vin. pickles, pickled, Pick onions, apples, grapes, Unity tea, cream soda crackers. All of the above to be had fresh to-morrow at the Willamette Packing Co's.

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