

THE DAILY DEMOCRAT.

THOSE OFFENSIVE HIDES.

Major McKinley will turn his head aside whenever he passes a tanyard. The smell of green hides will affront his nostrils and the sight of a soft and innocent deacon skin give his nerves a shock. For in his goings to and fro over the tariff he has stumbled over a pile of hides and badly hurt himself in the tenderest part of an ambitious politician—his reputation.

A number of his colleagues who had a fairly good opinion of the Canton statesman can now scarcely find words hard enough to express their opinion of him. Whether he willfully deceived them, did not know his own mind, or had not the pluck to stand by his convictions and promises is not material. Deception, vacillation or cowardice, whichever explanation is adopted, is not a recommendation for "rising statesman" and on no other theory than one of those three can McKinley's action on the hide question be accounted for.

The original decision of the republicans on the ways and means committee was to take hides from the free list, where they had been for eighteen years to the advantage of the leather interests and of the wearers of boots and shoes and clap a duty on them. The news got out and there was a general onslaught on the committee by the republican leather and boot and shoe manufacturers of New England. The republican members of the committee were dismayed and hastened to put hides back on the free list. Major McKinley personally assured the Massachusetts members that hides were not to be taxed. Representative Longue publicly said: "I was told by chairman McKinley to telegraph my constituents last Tuesday that the matter was settled." Other representatives were similarly assured and the New England papers next day, without distinction of politics, contained the announcement with congratulatory comments. Late Saturday afternoon, without a word to the New England congressmen, the tax was put on again.

McKinley is reported as dodging the votes and thus seeking to escape the wrath of the hide men for the free hide vote and of the leather men for the final taxed hides decision. That does not save him. He is accused on both of trickery and cowardice. He has not helped his own cause and has injured the prospects of his bill. Some of the republican representatives declare that war will be made in the committee and in the house on the hides paragraph and that "no bill will pass this congress with hides on the dutiable list."

Perhaps that is the secret of the hides juggling trick. The tariff bill is a fraud and is not intended to be passed. Hides in or hides out, the bill is sure now of bitter opposition from republicans whose interests lie either with free hides or hide taxation and who feel they have been played with by the framers of the bill. The opposition of the democrats can be counted on and there will be enough disgruntled republicans to so impede the course of the bill that it cannot pass before this congress comes to an end.—Cleveland Plaindealer.

ANOTHER POCKET STATE.

The Republicans of the House have concluded that Idaho can be trusted to furnish a Republican Congressman and two Republican United States Senators, thus increasing the Republican majority in both Houses beside adding three electoral votes to the Republican column at the next Presidential election. Consequently they voted solidly to admit Idaho as a full fledged State.

There was little or no pretence that Idaho is to be admitted because it deserves to be. Of all the remaining Territories it is the least important, both as regards present population or future prospects. Both New Mexico and Arizona, neither of which stands a ghost of a chance to be admitted by the present Congress are much better entitled to admission from any standpoint but the partisan one. But New Mexico and Arizona are Democratic politically and that settles the business for them. They can stay out in the cold indefinitely while the Republicans control the National Government.

The result of the late municipal elections in some of the Republican cities of the West indicate, however, that the Republicans in Congress can't admit Republican States fast enough to make good the losses they are likely to meet in some of the old Republican States. It will take several pocket States like Nevada and Idaho to make good the loss of Illinois and Wisconsin, both of which seem to be about ready to be added to the Democratic column.

If men were half as careful about their reputation and honor as they and their friends are to keep all mention of their wrong doing out of the public prints, there would be less rascality in the world and fewer annoyances to the newspapers.

NEW ADDITION.—Wright's addition to Albany is now on the market and comprises 165 large, level and beautiful building lots. The blocks have eight lots to the block, each lot being 60 by 100 feet. The streets are 60 feet wide, with two large avenues, one of 100 feet, the other of 90 feet in width. There will probably be a motor or electric line to this addition before long. For terms of sale apply to any real estate agent in the city.

Good Beef.—Grant Haight has just received a full supply of corn-fed beef purchased of N G McDonald of Scio. It is fat and juicy.

RETRIBUTIVE JUSTICE.

The death of Gen Thomas C Anderson recalls the fate of the men who stole the State of Louisiana for Hayes and of those for whom the crime was perpetrated.

Anderson was a member of the Returning Board and acted under the instigation of Senator John Sherman. He was once a rich man but died in poverty. The men for whom he degraded himself forgot him, Hayes could find nothing for him, and his former friend, Sherman, undertook to satisfy him with a subordinate place in the New Orleans customs service, but Harrison refused to add the old man in his last days and Sherman refused to see him.

What a story of retribution it is! Anderson and Wells are dead. Casanova, another victim of the traditinary ingratitude of pals, went to Washington for his reward and was cast out. Some of the others have prospered in small ways, but all have failed of their ambition.

Hayes's purpose was blunted by the blot upon his title. He undertook to put an end to sectional strife, and in a measure he succeeded, but whatever success he had is drowned in the flood of public contempt which is felt for him.

John Sherman himself, one of the most active agents in the robbery of a State and the most disgraceful of all the conspirators, is a political memory. His power in his party has departed. He is the ablest Republican in the country, the man whose services and ability should have made him candidate for President; but he will never receive the nomination. In two National Conventions he has been deceived by men very much his inferiors, a gratifying form of retributive justice. At the last Convention even the ordered men of the South, the poor Africans for whom Hayes shed tears, sold him out to Mr Alger.

No one connected with the stupendous fraud has wholly escaped punishment, but a great political party stood behind the crimes and saved the criminals from ideal justice.

COMING EVENTS.

April 10 and 11. Merchants Carnival at the Opera House. Admission, 50 cts. Reserved seats at Blackman's.
April 12. Arbor Day. Exercises under auspices of public school at Opera House. Admission, 10 cts.
April 14. Oakland and San Francisco to be destroyed, according to Mrs Woodworth.
April 15. State Sunday School convention at McMinnville.
April 16. Republican State Convention at Portland.
April 22. Benton County Democratic Convention.
April 24. State Democratic Convention at Portland.
June 2. State and County elections.

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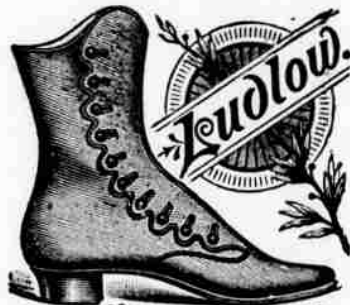
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