

THE DUTY OF CONGRESS.

The great democratic majority of the new House of Representatives was elected on the issue of tariff reform.

The people have sent these men to congress to make laws for the people's relief. If the people had had a chance when this congress was chosen they would have created a democratic senate and a democratic house to frame and pass a general bill, carefully considered in all its parts, for the reform and reconstruction of our tariff law upon just principles and in accordance with the requirements of the public welfare. Such a bill, in such cases, could have been made law.

But the people had no chance to do this. The senate remains republican by virtue of its deliberate packing, and a republican president has the veto power. No general tariff bill framed to fit broad conceptions of tariff reform is likely to become law while these conditions exist.

But the fact does not relieve the democratic house of representatives of its duty. It was elected to give to the people the fullest measure of relief that is possible under existing conditions. Its imperative duty is to do this in the most practical and practicable way it can devise, and not merely to frame ideal bills which are certain of defeat in the senate. It may wisely, perhaps, frame and pass a general bill as a declaration and protest, but it should also do something for the actual relief of the people.

The practical way under the circumstances is the detailed way. Congress should pass a bill to put binding-twine on the free list, with no encumbering provision. The senate would not venture to defeat that, though it would pretty certainly defeat a comprehensive tariff-reform bill of democratic construction including that provision. It should pass another making the raw material of iron manufacture free; another doing the same, or something like it, for the woolen-cloth makers; another repealing those extra duties on woolen cloths which were imposed avowedly as compensation to the manufacturers for the duty on raw materials; and perhaps some others.

If bills of this kind are passed by the House the senate will pretty certainly accept them. The republican majority there is small and is difficult to hold together for high protection even when a comprehensive bill is under consideration. It could not be held together in opposition to measures of relief like these, involving the vital interests of the Northwestern farmers in the one case, of New England manufacturers and their workmen in another and of the great mass of the people in others.

The senate would almost certainly pass such bills and the president would sign them. To do otherwise would be to invite defeat in next year's election, with the certainty that the invitation would be accepted.

Is it not the perfectly clear duty of the house of representatives this year—whatever it may do in the matter of a general bill—to seek in practical ways the accomplishment of the purposes for which it was elected? Is not that also the wisest political policy?—New York World.

It is not the man who curses a town and leaves it, who is most detrimental to its interests; but it is the man who ruthlessly persists in stabbing the town while he persistently refuses to confer a favor upon his fellow citizens by packing his traps and going forth in quest of greener fields and pastures new.

A Chicago barley syndicate has secured control of 250,000 acres of land in North Dakota, and next spring they propose to send thousands of German immigrants to settle there. The newcomers, who are experts in barley culture, will not be tenants, but will buy the land on easy terms.

HAVE U noticed that Allen Bros' grocery store is always full of fruits, vegetables, etc., the very latest in the market. If there is anything to be had they have it.

Apples, Cabbages, Grapes, Turnips, Cranberries, Cauliflower, Oranges, Sweet Potatoes, Lemons, Carrots, Pigs Feet, Celery, Sauer Kraut, Beets.

Just received new and opened for retail at C. E. Brownell's the following:
Chow Chow,
Cooking Molasses,
Pickles in vinegar,
Salt Herring,
Salt white fish,
Salt salmon.

Letter List.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the post office at Albany, Linn county, Oregon, Dec 1, 1891. Persons calling for these letters must give the date on which they were advertised.

Brown, Sarah	Delph, F
Engler, James	Foster, O L
Finch, Mrs	Chastor
Kelley, Alie	Lane, Mrs Wm
Link, Edward	Ludwig, Geo
Lang, W C	Uebraundt, P
Manly, L A	Morris, Wm
Moore, G C	Milne, J
Phillips, Nellie	Sherley, S P
Taylor, Sadie	William, Milton
William, S B	Wallace, L H
Watson, F C	Williams, Maud
	T. MONTETH, P. M.

CARPET WEAVING.—I will weave carpet at my residence one mile north of Albany. Address, Box 337, City. MRS. W. H. WARNER.

TIME AT SCHOOL.

Editors Democrat:

This being an age of reform and most people being willing to accept the best, even though it may be an innovation upon old ways and customs, I desire to call attention to a matter which may be of importance. It refers to a movement inaugurated in France to bring about a new distribution of time for the public schools—more particularly for girls than for boys. Instead of making the children come both morning and afternoon and keeping them separated from their homes for a large portion of their time the plan was to give all the instruction in the morning between nine o'clock and noon leaving the afternoon for domestic and house training. The experiment was made and I quote from an article in the Literary Digest as to the results, as follows:

"The results have been excellent. It has been difficult to keep within the limit of five mornings all the instruction really useful and necessary. Short intervals of reaction, to allow the pupils to breathe, have been arranged after each lesson.

At the College Sevigne, there never has been such good work done. The children with the prospect of being free at noon work with a will and show neither fatigue nor impatience. Notwithstanding the diminution of scholastic work, the successes in every branch taught have not been less numerous or less deserved than in preceding years. The schoolmistresses, for their part, devote themselves more thoroughly to their labors, knowing that they can have the after part of the day for their own studies. As to the families, they are grateful for this new arrangement. To have separated from them all day a young daughter of fifteen or sixteen seemed to mothers a hard thing and hurtful to the child. There was no time for needlework, for drawing, or for music. For these occupations ample space is now assured. Besides, the young girl is not separated from the interior life of her home, but remains the aid and assistant of her mother.

Thus the new system, (it appears very simple now that it has been discovered,) presents advantages only."

Now, it is a question whether or not it is a better plan than our own. The introduction of the Kindergarten system in many public schools in the east was an innovation, but was one which has proven to be highly beneficial. It, by the way, contains in part the ideas above mentioned.

I would like to know what objection, if any, there are to this change. In France it was confined to girls' schools, but I see no reason why the same beneficial results would not follow in the case of boys. The writer remembers the long tedious days spent when a school boy from 9 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon, much of which was consumed in doing nothing. It would encourage the idea of home study now largely discarded except by older students. Let the public school be treated as a station where the boys and girls are to obtain knowledge which they do not possess rather than a place to tell what they do know.

VERITAS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE—House and corner lot in H's 3d add. \$750. Apply to I W Davis.

FISH POULTRY, GAME, fresh from Portland and other places, always on hand at our market, near corner of Second and Ellsworth streets. SLAUGHTER & CAUSELEY.

READY TO WORK.—Parties desiring wood put in or any kind of labor done, can obtain prompt attention by securing the services of Daniel Low, at the ferry house. Leave orders there.

FIREMAN'S ELECTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT there will be an election held in a city of Albany on Monday, the 14th day of December, 1891, for the purpose of electing a Chief and Assistant Chief Fireman, of the Albany Fire Department, serve one year. Said election to be held between the hours of 1 o'clock and 6 o'clock p.m. in the hall of Albany Engine Co. No. 1.

Dated this 1st day of Dec., 1891.
L M CURT, President.
M D PHILLIPS, Secretary.

NOTICE TO STOCK-HOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the annual stockholders meeting of the Farmers & Merchants Insurance Company of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, will be held at the company's office in the city of Albany, Oregon, on Wednesday, January 6th, 1892, at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. of said day, for the purpose of electing nine directors of said company, to serve for one year, and to transact any other business as may regularly come before said meeting. By order of the President
Dated December 1st, 1891.
J. O. WRITSMAN, Secretary.

LOST.—A dark brown bird dog. Wore collar with tag No. 108. Answers to name of Trickle. A liberal reward will be paid for his return. ED ZEYER, Fourth and Lyon St., Albany.

S. N. STEELE & Co., Albany, Ore. Loan money on good real estate security in Linn and adjoining counties.

FOR SALE—Half dozen Plymouth Rock cockerels. Inquiries of Rufus Thompson, Albany.

WANTED.—Highest price paid for hides at the chair factory, Albany, Oregon.

MONEY TO LOAN.—Home capital to loan, in sums to suit on Albany and Linn county real estate or good personal security. W. H. K. PHILLIPS, First Street, opp Masonic Hall, Albany, Ore.

DEMOCRATIC CITY CONVENTION.

A mass meeting of the democratic voters of the city of Albany will be held in the Circuit Court room at the Court House on Saturday evening, December 5th, 1891, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Mayor, Marshal, Recorder and Treasurer, to be voted for at the regular annual city election to be held on Monday, December 7th, 1891.

WARD MEETINGS.

The committee would recommend that ward meetings be held on Friday evening, December 4th, 1891, at 7 o'clock at the following places:

First Ward—Up stairs in the Circuit Court room at the Court House.
Second Ward—In the County Court room at the Court House.

Third Ward—At the office of the Farmers Warehouse.

Each ward will nominate a candidate for councilman and select a member of the City Central committee.

J O WRITSMAN,
C H STEWART,
T J STILES,
Central Committee.

Bad Blood.



Impure or vitiated blood is nine times out of ten caused by some form of constipation or indigestion that clogs up the system, when the blood naturally becomes impregnated with the effete matter. The old Sarsaparilla attempts to reach this condition by attacking the blood with the drastic mineral "potash." The potash theory is old and obsolete. Joy's Vegetable Sarsaparilla is modern. It goes to the seat of the trouble. It arouses the liver, kidneys and bowels to healthful action, and invigorates the circulation, and the impurities are quickly carried off through the natural channels.

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Gloves
Hosiery
Handkerchiefs and Embroideries
Boots and Shoes

Notions
Ribbons
Laces
White Goods
Linens
Carpets
Upholstery
Yarns
Corsets
Groceries

Woolens
Cloakings
Tailors' Trimmings
Bags, Warps and Batts
Flannels
Jeans and Cottonades
Blankets
Domestics
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Drugs, Medicines, Chemicals, Fancy and Toilet Articles, Sponges, Brushes, Perfumery, School Books, and Artists' Supplies.

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ESTRAY NOTICE.

Taken up by the undersigned at the farm of A Y Marshall, about 7 miles east from Albany, Oregon, one black horse about four years old, left hind foot white, white star in forehead, (very brassy.) Appraised by Geo Humphrey, Justice of the Peace, at \$30.
November 21st, 1891.
A. A. MARSHALL.

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Dufur, Oregon.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the firm of Barkhart & Keeney, doing a real estate, insurance and collecting business in the city of Albany, Linn county, Oregon, is this day by mutual consent dissolved. Geo H Keeney, a said firm retiring. The business will be continued by O G Barkhart, of said firm, who is authorized to collect all outstanding accounts and pay all debts of said firm. Dated this 28th day of October, 1891.
C. G. BUREHAR,
GEO. H. KEENEY.

PLANTS FOR SALE

At my fruit farm one mile north of Albany. Raspberries, 50 cts per doz., \$1.50 per 100. Strawberries, 25 cts per doz., \$1.00 per 100.
WM H V.