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SEATTLE, FRIDAY, SEPT. 13.

AN ALPHABET FOR THE POLITICAL BLIND.

The New York Evening Post is the organ apparently of all national measures which will promote the importation of goods from abroad it knows no politics, and is as willing to covertly encourage hope of Democratic as Republican success. In Massachusetts the only hope of the free traders is in the Democratic party, and the Post puts it on the back with promises of success.

In a letter from Boston it gives an interview with an anonymous person, who is described as "a leading official in a trade organization." He is represented as saying that the Democratic workingmen of the Bay state "are beginning to think that their own party was right, and next year they will vote with their party once more."

This influential leader of a labor organization is permitted to give his method of ratiocination. He says: "Suppose that the tariff puts so much duty on an article that it cannot be sold for less than 15 cents. Now, I may want it very much, but if I have only 10 cents I can't buy it; I say that it will have to go till next year. But if the tariff is taken off, so that the price comes down to my 10 cents, then I can buy it. When the tariff was high, then I made no demand for it, but when the tariff comes down, then there is a demand, and that makes a market for it right in our own country. That is not so hard for the workingmen to understand, after all, when they think it out, but in the hard times they did not stop to think it out."

They have had plenty of time during the past year or so not only to think that out, but also to ponder on the question: "If the entire tariff is taken off, an article, and if thereby costs only 15 cents, how am I to get it when I haven't a nickel?" Democratic newspapers never tire of pointing out the beauties of a workingman being able to buy the manufactured articles of other countries by the abolition of the tariff upon them, but they always fail to show how the workingman is to buy those articles if he is out of work himself. Since primitive economics is permissible in the columns of a great New York daily it may be excused in a modest Washington newspaper, which is interested in building up the industries and interests of the state upon whose prosperity its own prosperity depends. We shall, therefore, submit a few homely suggestions.

NO SECTIONAL SELECTION.
State Senator Welles, of Illinois, in an interview at Washington City recently, said that neither the Democrats nor Republicans will support an Eastern man for president next year, and therefore both parties will be obliged to select candidates from the West, if they expect to have any hope of gaining a victory. Senator Welles is a Democrat, and, so far as the Democratic nominee is concerned, it is perhaps not unreasonable that the West should think itself entitled to the honor of furnishing him. Since 1856 the only recognition the West has received at the hands of Democratic conventions has been in the nominations of Douglas and Breckinridge in 1860. Buchanan, McClellan, Seymour, Greeley, Tilden, Hancock and Cleveland were all Eastern men.

So far as the Republican party is concerned, however, there is really no geographical reason why the East is not as much entitled to the standard bearer as the West. Since the birth of the party and the nomination of Fremont, a Western man has, with a single exception, been chosen as a candidate every time. Lincoln, Grant, Hayes, Garfield and Harrison all were from the West. If, therefore, the choice of a ticket is to be made upon sectional lines, it would seem the East, rather than the West, is entitled to the honor.

65 cents, we have saved a nickel, but sent about 50 cents into another country. Protection is a selfish regard for our own local interests. It has not the merit of that broad universal spirit of charity which takes to its bosom the welfare of the entire world. But business is essentially selfish; its natural tendency would be to buy in the cheapest and to sell in the dearest market. Protection is a method of promoting home industry by a law which says to all Americans: "You make your money by selling to us; give us a fair chance to make money by buying of us." Free trade is the policy of the Astors, who derive their income from the toll and the enterprise of the American people and spend it in the capitals of Europe. They are open and above board free traders; the Democrat is a surreptitious Astor, who gets his profits from the American people by buying his goods in the cheap markets of Europe and underselling the manufacturers of this country.

A man can buy land in the state of Washington in remote places for \$5 an acre. He prefers to pay \$50 for land near populous centers, because by the aggregation of people he can make more money by selling his products. It pays him better to give the higher price. It pays any man to give a higher price for goods manufactured by neighbors who in turn will spend their money with him.

Suppose a man owns a store for which he receives from a shoemaker \$100 a month. He finds that by sending to China he can get his shoes for 50 cents a pair cheaper. He tells all his friends, and they do the same. In a short time the shoemaker is bankrupt, the store is vacated and the property owner loses his rental. Extend the same principle further and you will soon have a bankrupt city. Extend it further and you have a nation running behind millions of dollars a month, and paying current expenses by bond issues, while jubilant merchants in France rejoice over what they euphemistically call "modifications in the customs tariff laws of the United States."

Secretary Carlisle in an interview published today says: "The present removal of gold from this country is not due to any lack of confidence (by Europeans, of course, he means) in our national finances; it is simply the result of trade conditions. Our merchants are importing immense amounts of goods from Europe, and our gold goes abroad to pay for these imports." Meantime thousands of our own people are idle. This is Democratic policy; Republican policy is to make these goods at home, and put all that gold into the pockets of our own workmen.

CHEHALIS COUNTY'S DEBTS.
We commented last week upon the financial condition of Chehalis county as gathered from an opinion of County Attorney Bridges, rendered at the request of the county commissioners. A second opinion was subsequently filed by the county attorney in which the county's condition is more clearly explained and the alternatives for a settlement of financial matters more explicitly set forth. It seems the indebtedness of the county is approximately as follows: Funding bonds, \$55,000; warrants outstanding, with interest, \$20,000; allowed claims for which no warrants have been drawn, \$16,000.

The indebtedness of bonds and warrants amounting to \$135,000 are held to be valid, being within the constitutional limit when contracted. The validity of the \$16,000 indebtedness is questioned, that having been contracted after the constitutional limit was passed. It is held that the \$50,000 in outstanding warrants can be taken up with a bond issue, but that so long as the \$16,000 in approved claims remains unpaid, warrants cannot be issued to meet current expenses. These expenses must be arranged for by appropriations from current revenues as they come in. There is \$30,000 due from delinquent taxes, and, with collections from this source and by the exercise of prudence and economy, the county officials believe that within a year or a year and a half the \$16,000 in floating claims can be settled, the current expenses paid and the county put on a cash basis.

This is by no means so serious a state of affairs as might have been inferred from Mr. Bridges' first opinion. Of course the aggregate debt is a large one, but probably no larger relatively than those under which many other counties are now laboring. No doubt during the so-called halcyon days of six or seven years ago many counties rushed heedlessly and recklessly into debt, and are now suffering the consequences. The only course open seems to be to fund floating indebtedness into low interest-bearing bonds, coupled with a policy of economy in the management of county affairs and exercise caution about incurring future liability. So far as Chehalis county herself is concerned, a knowledge of her vast and varied resources, with the fair future and substantial growth they promise, ought to convince any one that were her present indebtedness twice as large the county would be able to pay it to a cent on the day of maturity.

NOTABLE PEOPLE.
A movement has been started in the South to erect a monument to the memory of Anne Lee Carter, the mother of Gen. Robert E. Lee.

Journalism has become a university subject in Germany. Prof. Koch gave a course of lectures at Heidelberg on German journalism last winter and will repeat the course in the next semester.

Lord Esker, the master of the rolls, has just attained his eightieth year. He is now the oldest judge on the English bench, has been twenty-seven years a judge, nineteen years a justice of appeals and master of the rolls twelve years.

Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria has announced that on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his accession to the throne in 1848 he will present to the city of Vienna the Prater, the famous park of Vienna, and the Anagnin, a royal park in a densely populated part of the city to which the public was first admitted by the Emperor Joseph II. Both Prater and Anagnin are to be preserved forever as public recreation grounds for the people of Vienna.

Practical takers of Theodore Hook's type still flourish in England. Mr. S. Edall, vicar of Great Witley, an outdoor way player far from the railroad, has been sending out letters of all kinds in his name. Clergymen come to conduct funerals for him or to visit dying persons who need them; lawyers and detectives are sent for valuable information which he is said to have managers of newspapers receive from him; births and marriages are directed to send him articles of all sorts from lawyers and medicine to musical instruments.

The will of Mrs. Hope Potter Walker, of Boston, who died last Saturday, has been proved by her estate, which amounts to \$1,000,000. The will is a masterpiece of legal skill, and the managers of the home built or inmates instead of building for the use of the city. The institution has received \$1,000,000 from the will, and is to be reorganized as the Beneficial Association of St. Michael's Episcopal church, Bristol, Conn. of its \$1,000,000 to the branch of the branch of home missions and \$200 to the branch of home missions.

THE STATE PRESS.

Haller City Times: Judging by the way the political authorities are running together, this is a sure sign that the English will be written in the near future.

Kalama Bulletin: It is one peculiarity of Democratic conventions that the silver party is not to be the core of the event and the "ducks" afterward.

Farmington Forum: What has gone down since during this week, and the prediction made a short time ago that it would reach 50 cents by harvest time has not held good. Little by little the price drops and many anxious farmers and residents of the Palouse towns are awaiting its outcome.

Walla Walla Union: We are informed that the delinquent city tax list is as long as a clothes line and that some of our best and wealthiest men head the list, but we can't see where the "best" comes in, when a man fails to pay his taxes, when he can, but won't.

Walla Walla Union: All during summer the air was full of bees, bees, bees and huckleberries, and yet, thus far, we have not seen bear meat enough to bait a mouse trap, neither has a single solitary huckleberry found our lips, but all this, especially out in the open air with no rent to pay.

Colfax Gazette: The people of Washington are perfectly willing that Olympia should be the seat of state government, for very much the same reason that the mother was willing that her son should join the military—it seemed the only way to get fit for—but they are not willing to bankroll—solves that the capital city shall enjoy a prosperity builded upon their distress.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.
[No communication or question will receive attention unless the writer signs his name, not necessarily for publication, but to show good faith.]

Subscriber, Seattle—Game can be killed for the market during December only.

Robert Thomson, Issaquah—A man has the right to vote as long as he is naturalized, provided he complies with the requirements of the law as to residence.

J. R. L. Conlee City—The silver dollar is full legal tender in all payments except where stipulated in the contract. The half dollar, quarter dollar and dime are legal tender in all payments except where stipulated in the contract. The silver 5-cent piece and the silver 20-cent piece are legal tender in sums not exceeding \$10, but are no longer coined.

E. W. Y. Vinita, I. T.—The population of Seattle in 1890 was 42,837; in 1892, 57,542; in 1893, 62,969; in 1894 it was estimated at 65,341, including the suburb of Ballard with a population of 2,000. The population for 1895 will undoubtedly show an increase over the figures for 1894. The population of Tacoma in 1895 is estimated at 56,000, according to directory returns.

New Kamille, Wash., Sept. 1, 1855. To the Editor: Please answer the following questions: (1) Is the law in regard to collecting road poll tax changed at the last session of the legislature? If so, is the road supervisor compelled to give notice in March in order to collect tax for that season, or can he not do so until prior to December 1? A SUBSCRIBER.

The law was changed by the legislature in 1905, and the supervisor can collect between April 1 and December 1. Notice need not be given in March.

To the Editor: Will you please answer these questions: (1) Is a man who constitutes a voter in this state? (2) Is a man a voter that has his first papers and has lived three years in the state? (3) Is a man allowed to work out the special tax on the road? (4) Is a crowd allowed in the polling room at the time of voting? (5) What is the particular kind of ballot a man running for road supervisor is required to use? A SUBSCRIBER.

(1) Any citizen resident in the state for one year, in the county for ninety days and in the voting precinct thirty days and duly registered may vote.

(2) Not till he has taken out full naturalization papers; the only exception being in the case of those who before the admission of the state had exercised the right of franchise and were made voters by the terms of the constitution, whether fully naturalized or not.

(3) The new tax proposed at the approaching election will not constitute a special tax, and may be worked out as taxes have been heretofore.

(4) No.

(5) No special form is prescribed, but a blank register with Auditor Beman is furnished by the county.

Opal Mining.
Davenport Times.
Lieut. Gov. Luce is still engaged in opal mining near Pullman in the opal fields in which he and Mr. May, of this place, are interested, and has become entirely absorbed in it, as well as thorough expert in this sort of work. He has got all the mining terms and phrases down to perfection, and has become so enthused in this new line of work that it is reported he can wear out the hardest miner in his employ with the pick and shovel. He is taking out a considerable quantity of fine stones and places a high value on the field.

In Favor of the Movement.
Atlanta Constitution.
"WHAT does this here 'new woman' talk mean, John?"

"It means, Maria," replied the old farmer, "that women air a-takin' the places what men occupied. You'll find the place right where I left it, and when you sharpen the ax, you kin sell into a dozen cords of wood, and I'll have supper a-bilin' when you git home!"

PERSONAL.
B. F. Johnston, a millman of Aberdeen, is at the Northern.

John Barneson, a broker of Port Townsend, is at the Butler.

Ex-Governor Miles C. Moore, of Walla Walla, is at the Butler.

C. W. Saunders came in on the Flyer yesterday from Tacoma.

A. W. Wilson, of Port Townsend, formerly collector by his wife, has been made a member of the Great Northern, is at the Butler.

H. L. Bell, of Leavenworth, train dispatcher of the Great Northern, is at the Butler.

County Treasurer Maple was confined at his home yesterday by a swelling of his arm.

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