

NEVER was it more evident that there are in truth and of necessity in the country but two parties, the one run by Grant and called Republican, the other run by the people and called Democratic. You must take one or the other.

Is old Wm. Allen, "rise up Billy" is re-elected Governor of Ohio, as we have no doubt he will by a rousing vote, the National Democratic Convention will have no trouble in making its nomination for President. It will be "Clear the track, for 'rise up William' will to the White House go, by about a million."

Republican papers sneer at Governor Allen as a carpet-bagger. The Kansas City Times says: When he went to Ohio fifty-three years ago, he was a poor "tramp"—a lad of 16 who had to travel on foot, and was unable to own a carpet-bag. All his worldly wealth was tied up in a handkerchief, and carried on a stick slung over his shoulder. Finding a home in Ohio, he has never deserted her, never stained her name by a mean, dishonest or unpatriotic action; and his sympathy with the poor of her population is as lively and faithful to-day as it was when he was a poor unknown boy himself. God bless all such carpet-baggers! They are the salt of American life, the noblest models of Western manhood.

Signs of Defeat.

The Republicans in Ohio being sensible of defeat, reported a few days ago, that Allen was about to retire from the field, when they knew that nothing of the kind had ever been contemplated. This falsehood was too weak. Then they started another falsehood that Thurman had ridiculed General Cury. That unscrupulous sheet, the Cincinnati Commercial (that can be bought up by any party) invented this last falsehood, which Senator Thurman has denounced as a "tissue of falsehoods." This is the party of "moral ideas," that condescends to such means to elect gentlemen to office. But, all such efforts will recoil upon them. Allen will be elected as certain as that he lives to hear the shouts of victory.

A Republican Handbill Answered by a Democratic Poster.

The Republicans in Summit county, Ohio, headed their handbills, calling for a meeting for Senator Morton, as follows: "Free Schools for All," "Honest Money for All." The Democrats of that county are to hold a meeting on the evening of the 20th, to be addressed by Senator McDonald, of Indiana, and Mr. Cunningham, of Ohio. They very pointedly headed their posters as follows:

FREE SCHOOLS FOREVER!

The Democrats Made Them! They Will Stand by Them! No Division of the School Fund.

NO RELIGIOUS HATE! NO KNOW-NOTHINGISM!

Same Money for Laborer, Banker and Bondholder. The Whole Truth.

From a speech recently delivered in Columbus, Ohio, by General Sam Cury, we take the following extract: "Who should have the luxuries of life unless the men who create them? And they can not make anything. If you are poor to-day, you will die poor under a Republican Administration."

"As I view it, the whole land is on the crumbling verge of bankruptcy. Merchants in our cities are not making anything. If you go into their stores, half the time you will find the clerks sleeping on the counters. There are plenty of goods, but nobody has any money to buy them with. The Good Book says the man who don't work shan't eat, but the Republican party has enacted that the man who don't work shall have plenty to eat, and he who does work shall have nothing. It is the settled policy of the Republican party to build up a moneyed aristocracy, that a few may control the many—to have a Government in which the ruling class shall be men of money."

The Situation.

The cry of woe, wail and wailing goes up from every part of this our great and populous Republic. Surrender stares the people in the face. This was not the case in years gone by; peace and prosperity then smiled throughout our land, but the change produced in fifteen short years, just rolled by, is too sickening and heart-rending not to call a halt and ask what is the cause of this national calamity. When the war closed the country was left in the hands of the Republican party; that party promised to restore the country to its pristine purity, and to so run the machinery of government as to bring back peace and prosperity to the people. As the Republican party redeemed its promise? Look around you, North, South, East and West, and the question is far better answered than you can answer. Has the party had time to do this?

Time has plied his busy shuttles and wove ten long years of woe, and the country is to-day in an hundred fold, nay, a thousand fold worse condition than when the Republican party took possession of the government. In 1865 a war of arms was declared to be at an end, to-day a war of oppression and tyranny is being waged by the bondholder, the contractionist and the specie resumptionist, fostered by the Republican party—against whom? Against the people, against the laborer, the mechanic, and in truth against the masses—Democratic and Republican—of the South, the West, the North. Can the people longer stand it? Will the people give that party another lease of power to despoil this fair land? They in their State elections have answered never; and the people in 1876 will say never.

Is it gold or silver currency the Republican party is after. There can be no such currency. There are only \$150,000,000 of gold in the country. It is impossible. The purpose is for the Government to take up these greenbacks and replace them with interest-bearing bonds. Are they going to put silver into circulation? Not a bit of it. It will go into the bank and the finance bill of last winter will benefit nobody but the bondholders.

Resumption—What it Costs.

The Secretary of the Treasury has already added twenty millions of dollars to the gold interest bonded debt, in order to raise that much towards specie payments.

In order to accomplish the object it is estimated that it will require the bonded debt to be increased \$350,000,000, thus adding about eight-tenths millions to the burden of the taxpayers, while the bond holders go untaxed.

This looks like adding an irredeemable debt to the shoulders of the people, and the question may be well asked, which is the easiest to bear an irredeemable greenback, or an irredeemable gold interest bearing debt.

Coming Elections.

The Kentucky election has come and gone. The Republicans had strong hopes of reducing the Democratic majority, and to accomplish that result they scattered greenbacks over the State quite profusely. So strong was their faith that they also bet pretty generously on the result. That they wasted their money in the first instance and lost it in the last, our reports indicate with sufficient clearness. Their defeat is so conclusive that we doubt not that they are weary of casting their bread upon the waters, and will never again exert themselves so actively in the hopeless enterprise of bullying or buying such an obstinate and overwhelming majority.

Public attention will now be directed to other States, where the contests are more doubtful and more important. California, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin—all will elect Governors and minor State officers within the next few months, and in Iowa the new Legislature will elect a United States Senator. In California and Mississippi full Congressional delegations are to be elected; in Alabama and North Carolina vote on the question of a Constitutional Convention; in Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, New York, New Jersey and Virginia will elect minor State and local officers, and in five of the States the platforms have been adopted and nominations made.

On the first of September a full State ticket will be elected in California, and the situation seems favorable to the Democrats, there being three tickets in the field, two Republican and one Democratic, the division being caused by a quarrel between Senator Sargent and Secretary of the Senate Gorham. Maine will follow California, with the chances of success in favor of the Republicans. The Ohio election takes place, October 12, and Iowa will elect a State ticket and a Legislature on the same day. The remaining States will hold their elections November 1, so we shall have little else of interest between this and winter besides elections.

The most absorbing of all these contests is that in Ohio. The financial plank in the Democratic platform has attracted universal interest, and the situation is discussed almost as much in New York as in Ohio. Eastern capitalists, bondholders, and manufacturers will pour money into the State, and it is difficult to calculate the extent of its influence. The reports indicate, however, that the Democrats will carry the State by a good majority.—Courier-Journal

The True Issues.

It is gratifying to note the fact that the Democratic party of Ohio are beginning to rise above the one idea of the currency question, and are directing their attention to other points which ought to be kept before the people. No one can deny that the financial question is all important, and the bold, manly determination of the Ohio Democrats to fight for hard money by promoting industry, and not destroying it (as the Republicans through their blundering legislation would do) is highly commendable. Indeed it is so commendable that it appeals to the right sentiments of every man, and the result will doubtless be a brilliant victory—such a victory as will give to the Democratic party the credit of having literally saved the nation in a manner for which every laboring man and taxpayer will have cause to be thankful. It will at once reinstate the party in its old position, and the country will see once again, that, while upon special occasions, the old Know-Nothing-Republican organization may come to the front for a season, still it is always necessary to fall back upon the party of first principles, at last. But while this currency question is a most important one, it should not allow others to be forgotten. The frauds and corruptions which are synonymous with Radicalism should be kept prominently before the voters, that they may always be mindful of the responsibility which rests upon them when they come to the polls.

The Radical party of Ohio virtually make confession of the fear they have of these questions, by the very course they have pursued. They are well aware that the very same causes for their defeat exist at present, which did exist last fall, when the State went so overwhelmingly against them. So with that refined cunning by which they have only ever gained victories, and which is their only hope in the future, they determined, if possible, to seize upon some one thing, to prevent constant agitation of the same, and to bring the old issues which defeated them, (but which, unhappily, still survive), from again being advanced to the front. On this object intent therefore, they are writing with anxiety, for some

thing on which to pounce. The currency plank of the platform was greedily seized upon, and at once the effort was made to fight upon that topic almost entirely, the only other allowed to be introduced being the old Know-Nothing unconstitutional crusade against the Roman Church. For a time, too, the Democrats seemed likely to be caught in the trap. The currency is a matter of such vital interest, that in their zeal to save the industries and business of the country, they themselves almost forgot these other important questions. But we are glad to see that they are now being remembered. The party responsible for the Credit Mobilier and such like frauds; for their Civil Rights and Force bills, whereby they attempted to destroy the republic; for their rings and jobs innumerable, whereby they robbed the public of millions of dollars, which some dollars they now want to be legislated into gold, even though distress and bankruptcy should follow in the wake of the accomplishment of their wishes—these are questions of equal importance with any other, and in addition to that one most prominent because freest, demand to be noticed, by the people at the polls. So, while the iniquitous legislation of the Radicals upon the currency is agitated, let it not so absorb the mind, that these old issues upon which the voters have already spoken, shall, by it, be buried or overwhelmed. Let these help to swell the thousands by which the Democracy, in October, will count their majority.—Register.

Not so Anxious.

Last year, before the fall election, there were more rampant Republican patriots, like Grant, ready to sacrifice their lives for the good of the country, than there are just now. There are several reasons for this. One is, that many distinguished Republican individuals have been returned by the people to the shades of private life, there to ruminate upon the ingratitude of Republics, and the increasing poverty of the public crib. The only reason is, that the chances of coming defeat for the Republican statesmen, are rather too brilliant to be comfortable. It is not so much of an honor now to get a Republican nomination for the Presidency, as it was sometime ago, when the nomination meant election. Now, when it probably means defeat, it is a very different thing.

Never in the history of parties in the United States, has there been such a strong, decided and general uprising of the people, of all classes, in condemnation of Republican governmental thieves who have been running our government; not only the National government, but most of the State governments. The same spirit that aroused our forefathers and caused them to throw off the galling yoke of oppression which an unjust parliament and king had forced upon them, is at work now. The same spirit of independence and love of fair play, which led to the declaration that "all men are free, and endowed with certain inalienable rights," tells the popular heart that they have rights which have been insulted and trampled upon by men to whom they have given authority for very different purposes. Hence the revolution in public sentiment, which is sweeping away, one after another, the bad men in prominent positions who have brought our country to the verge of financial ruin; though all the time promising the people prosperity. Now we see this once proud party stooping to the meanest subterfuge, in order to secure if possible a small portion of that public favor which they have deservedly lost. It is not possible; and it should not be possible. An abused people cannot thus be trifled with with impunity. Their only safety at this juncture is in the utter repudiation of the men and of the measures which have brought things to their present pass. All the gold, pieceback, and depreciated paper of the Republican party, which they have hoarded directly and indirectly from the public officers, cannot atone for the evils they have induced; but neither will they ever willingly part with a single dollar of their ill-gotten gains, nor will they willingly retire from office.

The latest dodge of General Grant, that he will not let bad men go, "while they are under fire," as he calls it, is one of the most ingenious devices and political tricks of modern times. By the same token, Grant, himself is very loth to let go of the public tent, while so many are firing at him, front and rear. He, for one, is ready to take his chance at becoming a Third Term; but there are still a few of these political confederates who flatter themselves that they may yet win the favor of the people at an election. Of course while great political parties exist in our free country, there will naturally be vast numbers who vote party tickets, men who will not change their political allegiance; but, if we have freedom left, it means that you have a right, and should exercise it, to condemn bad leaders and bad measures, even when they are a part of their political organization. It cannot be so frivolous reason that turns a vast majority into the minority of our country; and, after a while, the present incumbent of the Presidential chair and his satellites, will find it out. The country wants a radical change in the manner of administering their government. They want honesty and straight forward dealing, where there is now the meanest kind of thievery, and ring dealings of the worst character, which are demoralizing the country at a terrible extent. We trust and firmly believe that the majority of our voters are yet honest, and in this belief we look for the just rebukes of all Republican aspirants for the Presidency, from General Grant up. It is too late in the day for the misrepresentation of the organs, to have any effect upon men who have common sense enough to guide them. The bows of the wounded and crippled Radical Republicans will not avail. Democracy must take its proper place, in the front, in spite of all the Republican lamentations.

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