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Current Events.

The decision that has just been rendered in the United States supreme court to the effect that no state law is valid which prescribes a penalty for discrimination in transportation rates with reference to goods passing from one state to another, is an important though not unexpected one. It emphasizes the duty of congress to make provision to meet abuses which state legislatures cannot. The situation at present is such that the trunk lines are virtually free to do as they please with respect to charges and favors in the greater share of their business. It is clear that this state of affairs cannot be suffered to exist very long. Both the Callum and the Reagan bills are aimed at the correction of discriminations and overcharges, which are prohibited within the limits of most, if not all, of the several states, but the railroad men so far have prevented the adoption of either of them.

The Fat Stock Show at Chicago next week is one of the most noteworthy events to come, and one which is of great moment to the farmers of this county, which has come to be one of the greatest stock raising counties in this state if not (as we believe it is) the greatest producer both of fat beef cattle and high bred horses.

In connection with the show will be held the annual conventions or meetings of the various stock breeders' associations of the state and nation, among which will be the Short Horns, Herefords, Polled Angus, Galloways, Red Polls, Holstein-Friesian National Breeders' Association and the Cattle Raisers' Association, who will meet to complete the consolidation of the two associations; the various sheep and swine breeders' associations, the Shire, the Clydesdale, French Draft and Cleveland Bay Associations.

At many of these meetings scientific papers will be read and discussed, as, for example, at the National Swine Breeders' Association meeting at the Sherman House, Nov. 16th, when the programme will include a paper by S. H. Todd, of Ohio, on the "Chester White Hog," one by Dr. Dittmers, on "The Means of Preventing the Spread of Swine Plague," a breeders' talk, opened by H. E. Billings, of Kansas, followed by C. W. Jones, of Michigan, and others. Prof. George W. Morrow, of the University of Illinois, will present the subject of "Problems Before Swine Breeders," and the Hatch experiment station bill also will be discussed in its relation to pork production.

A special conference of the directors of the American Jersey Cattle Club and all persons interested in the breeding of Jersey cattle will be held in the Leland Hotel, Chicago, Nov. 19th, 1886, at 10 o'clock a. m.

The elections of Tuesday last indicate a considerable reduction in the democratic majority of the house of representatives at Washington as compared with the present congress. The revised returns up to Thursday night show the elections of 168 democrats, 154 republicans and 3 labor candidates, one each from Virginia and Wisconsin. The Illinois delegation will be 15 republicans and 5 democrats. Only two districts remain in doubt, one of which (in New York) will probably be democratic, while the other is Carlisle's Kentucky district. There is one vacancy in Rhode Island.

The defeat of Morrison is much to be deplored, not only because he represents the only intelligent thought in congress on the subject of tariff reform—which both protective and low tariff men join in saying should be considered by congress, differing only as to the details—but because Mr. Morrison's many years in congress has given him and the state of Illinois a power which cannot be assumed by his successor. His defeat is a great loss to the state and to the nation, from the effects of which it will take years to recover.

Mr. Carlisle is probably re-elected, though by a very narrow margin. The defeat of Morrison has been a decided setback to the tariff reform movement, coupled as it has been by the very narrow escape of Carlisle (if he has been elected) and the defeat of Hurd, of Ohio; and very likely eliminates that subject from discussion for some time to come.

The influence of the labor vote has also been more notable than ever before, and no doubt means legislation for that class in a much more decided manner than heretofore. The settlement of the labor question in America is one of the most momentous problems of this day and generation. It is to be hoped that in treating it reason will prevail over dogmatism and the simple desire to make votes. Neither the working man nor his friends will be satisfied with the latter only, while the subject is so broad and deep that its proper discussion is something that it is perhaps a good deal to expect of statesmen who are politicians only.

The latest news from Ireland would seem to predict lively times in that unhappy island should the attempt at eviction continue, for the feeling of resistance is growing stronger and stronger, and reports to the Land League from all portions of the island show that the organization of the people against the outrage is stronger and more powerful than ever before known. Practically the entire population is with the tenants and no evictions now are possible except by mere force of arms.

Colonel Plumb is re-elected to congress from this district by about his majority of two years ago.

The Grundy county republicans met at Waterloo at the hands of the "Independent" ticket, electing only Sheriff and Superintendent of Schools.

The Will county republicans elected their entire county ticket.

The leaders of the labor party in New York will soon issue a call for a national conference. A large meeting will be held at Cooper Institute next week.

Colorado elected a democratic governor on Tuesday by 2,000 plurality.

The Knights of Labor elected their entire county ticket in Clinton county, Iowa. In Chicago the republicans elected all their county ticket except the judges, while the labor organization elected three members of the legislature.

Abram S. Hewitt was elected mayor of New York by about 25,000 over Henry George, candidate of the labor organization, who beat the republican candidate.

The democrats lose five congressmen in Virginia and gain two in Minnesota.

The strike at the Chicago packing houses still continues and is as far from a settlement as at any time during the past month.

President Cleveland is to visit Boston next Monday with his wife, and all society is on the qui vive over the event. There will be a monster procession in honor of the 25th anniversary of the founding of the city; and in the evening President and Mrs. Cleveland will give a full dress reception at the Hotel Vendome.

The village of Chelsea, Wis., was destroyed by fire on Thursday, at a loss of \$25,000.

A fire at Nos. 105, 107 and 109 Madison street, Chicago, destroyed about \$200,000 worth of property, and the life of A. Pappan, of the Insurance Patrol.

A fire at Rockford, Ill., originating in an oatmeal mill, destroyed about \$100,000 worth of property on Monday.

The public debt of the United States decreased \$13,201,619 during October.

The President has announced that from Nov. 10th until congress meets no visitors except callers on strictly official business will be admitted. This will not be construed to include applications or recommendations for office. The usual Monday receptions will be continued.

THE RESULT.

The republicans have succeeded after a desperate effort in electing their nominees for state senator, sheriff and county judge. Priding themselves on the outcome on these offices they are boasting a great victory for republican party principles in the county of La Salle. They have, in a measure at least, assumed that the county is again republican and the day of democratic domination is at an end.

We have studied the result with some care and we confess our utter inability to perceive any reason why the republican managers should plume themselves on having made any decided inroad on democratic rule in the county's affairs. It is certain that they have gained nothing through the votes of the members of their own party. The election of the three officers named is due, not to the ballots of republicans, but to those cast by democrats who for one reason or another saw fit to prove recreant to their party allegiance. Without the aid of democrats not a single republican candidate would have been triumphant.

Messrs. Reinhardt, Snyder and Morrissey owe their official preferment entirely to the rotten condition of affairs existing in La Salle. That they do so is not at all creditable to the democracy of that city, or at least to that portion of it who are apparently democrats only when everything is their own way. That such a state of affairs should exist in the democratic party is perhaps temporarily unfortunate, but it is scarcely to be deplored. It simply necessitates, within the ensuing two years, the more stringent enforcement of party discipline and the complete reorganization of the party. Men who are democrats only when their personal pleasure suits them to be democrats ought not to be tolerated as counselors in the affairs of the party.

La Salle county is yet democratic and will continue to be if democrats, who are democrats because they believe in the principles of the party, have the courage to demand and the will to enforce thorough and complete party discipline on those who have joined themselves with the republicans in the campaign which has just come to a close. Defeat for years to come is preferable to success gained through allowing to go unrebuked the course of the men who have aided, abetted and given comfort in this important election to the enemies of the democratic party.

JUDGE GILBERT'S DEFEAT.

Hiram T. Gilbert was defeated for re-election to the position of judge of the County Court of La Salle county. That such should have been the result of Tuesday's election is not only a source of regret to a great number of the best citizens of La Salle county, but it is as well an actual loss to the best interests of the county. His defeat displaces from the bench an honest

and upright man, a profound and able lawyer, a conscientious and fearless judge. It removes from public life a man whose integrity of character has never been questioned—whose abilities have never been questioned. It returns to the ranks of active practice a lawyer who has no superior in La Salle county, and whose acute knowledge of the science of the profession has made for him a reputation throughout northern Illinois. It gives back to private citizenship one whose public career has been thoroughly honorable and eminently noteworthy.

By his defeat Judge Gilbert has suffered nothing—but the county of La Salle has. He will return to the practice of the law; and possessed as he is of a reputation as a lawyer beyond most men of his years, he will draw to himself a clientele that will bring to him a much greater income than a county judgeship. He can congratulate himself that throughout the bitter, unmanly and undignified warfare waged upon him he had with him the esteem and earnest support of the best elements of his own party, and the respect of every right thinking man in the party of the opposition. More than this, he was opposed, as called and vilified by the worst elements of the democratic party, who found ready adherents in the unscrupulous politicians who conducted the republican campaign against him. He could have received the support of these men in his own party if he had yielded his manhood and paid some deference to them; but he has maintained his self respect, and the returns show that they did not affect him to the extent of more than fifty votes, and that their support would not have elected him.

Judge Gilbert was defeated and Mr. Snyder elected by the corrupt condition of things existing in La Salle and the personal popularity of Mr. Snyder in Mendota. He was not defeated by anything said of him by the venal press that opposed him and the characterless men who maliciously falsified about him. He ran more than one hundred ahead of his ticket in Ottawa—he carried Fall River—he received more votes in the county, outside of La Salle and Mendota, than his party ticket, despite the fact that in the towns of Freedom, Ophir and Wallace he ran behind his party ticket, because of his having decided lawsuits against party friends while acting as a judge upon the bench.

It is quite certain that Judge Gilbert's defeat will be a benefit to himself in every point of view. It is equally certain that it will not result in any benefit, politically or otherwise, to the miserable clique of scoundrels who have so incessantly barked at his heels during the past campaign. They have made themselves odious to the party, and they will be forever barred from the councils of the democratic party.

REPUBLICAN ACQUISITIONS.

Through their fine Italian work the republican managers of the late campaign have succeeded in securing as members of their party—

- Carl Zwanzig, Willard Gentleman, Chase Fowler, Lester A. Rose, Daniel Mason, Elias C. Hatheway, Patrick J. Kiley, David LeRoy, Carl Strack, Dennis McGuire, Andrew Jackson Reddick, and Otto Kisselbach. Their newspaper force has been increased by the following "fearless, free and independent" sheets: The La Salle County Herald (German), The Ottawa Globe, The Ottawa Journal, The Streator Independent, The La Salle and Peru Express, The La Salle Democrat Press and The Mendota Post (German). We are not surprised at their being so jubilant. Surely "it was a famous victory."

MR. ECKELS.

Some apology is perhaps necessary for the appearance of our editorial page this week, and the absence of some things that might perhaps be expected from Mr. Eckels as editor of this paper, but the truth is Mr. Eckels has been unable to do his line of work this week, all of which has fallen, unexpectedly, on the writer, who has been cramped by the further disability of his "local."

Mr. Eckels, as usual in a political campaign, exerted himself beyond his strength, and in consequence is confined to his bed by physical exhaustion and nervous prostration, the result of overwork. Forced by the exigencies of the campaign to forgo his rest on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights, except for half a dozen hours out of the 72, he succumbed while dining on Wednesday and was forced to go to bed from which he has not yet risen. His physician came over from Princeton and administered the usual remedies given him, and he is now in the way of recovery, though it may be a week yet before he shall be able to resume his work with his usual activity and energy.

THE RESULT.

The result of the election on Tuesday is a mixed product, the republicans electing these candidates for— State Senator—Joseph Reinhardt; County Judge—Frank P. Snyder; and Sheriff—Lawrence Morrissey, while the democrats elected these candidates for— Representatives—Jas. P. Trench and E. S. Browne; Probate Judge—Daniel Evans; County Clerk—Patrick Finlen;

Probate Clerk—Henry Helmig; Treasurer—Assa M. Hoffman; and School Superintendent—G. B. Stockdale. On the head of the ticket—state officers—the county is clearly democratic, the democratic majorities for state officers and congressmen being— Ricker, state treasurer, 435; Oldt, school superintendent, 198; Cody, congress, 116.

In Ottawa the usual majorities were obtained for the whole ticket, except for probate clerk, the great and deserved popularity of Geo. M. Trimble on the republican ticket reducing Helmig's majority to 14. Had La Salle city done anything for the ticket every nominee of the democrats would have been elected.

For this week we simply give the totals as indicated by an unofficial count. Next week we will publish the usual tabular statement of the entire vote:

Table with 2 columns: Candidate Name and Vote Count. Includes representatives, county judge, probate clerk, sheriff, county treasurer, and school superintendent.

The Ottawa vote in detail is as follows:

Detailed table of Ottawa vote counts for various candidates including State Treasurer, State Supt. of Pub. Instruction, County Judge, Probate Clerk, Sheriff, County Treasurer, School Supt., and Representatives.

The proposition to borrow \$75,000 on bonds of the county has been carried by a large majority. The amendment to the constitution has also been carried.

THE DEFEAT OF MORRISON.

One of the most deplorable incidents of the late political contest in this state is the defeat of the Hon. Wm. R. Morrison. There is not in the whole American congress a truer, purer, or abler man. The loss is one that will be felt by the whole country, for men of his cast—clear-headed, far-seeing, unswerving in rectitude of purpose and fearless in the pursuit of the right—are always scarce in our national legislature. No one ever dared to assail him on the ground of a want of personal integrity or of purity and lofty patriotism in his aims. But in his stern battle against that monopolistic greed and rapacity in behalf of which the legislation of congress is tending more and more at every successive session, he encountered a force which, it is feared, no American statesman will hereafter be able successfully to withstand.

The deliberation of congress, instead of being directed toward devising measures for the good of the whole people, has largely degenerated into concocting plans for the promotion of the interests and the upbuilding of particular sections and classes. A power has arisen in the halls of our national councils that is more potent than the representatives of the people. It is the lobby. Its devices to influence legislation are infinite—the main force, however, being hard cash. It was the grand fact that Morrison was always above the reach of the machinations of this unhallowed crew that has wrought his present overthrow.

He is called a free trader—a term which a little coterie of doctrinaires, chiefly in New York and New England—by their extreme notions and violent propositions, have made odious. But Morrison never was in any cognate sense of such delusions a free trader. He was a tariff man, and a "protective" tariff man out and out, in the best and only honest sense of that expression. The whole nation admits that the present tariff, the outgrowth of the wholly exceptional state of things during the great civil war, is honeycombed with abuse, injustice and outrage. Morrison proposed to reform some of those abuses. In doing so it was impossible to avoid stepping upon the toes of some such band of public robbers as the great Syracuse salt monopoly, the great despoilers of the rapidly disappearing American forests and robbers of the public domain known as the lumber kings, the Standard oil thieves and so forth, and so on. It was to reform these abuses, and to "protect" the mass of the people against their unconscionable robbery, that Morrison bent all his energies to effect a wise, honest and judicious reform of the tariff.

But the "gang" dreaded the ultimate

success of his efforts and banding together like so many carbonari or kuklux, entered his district, as they did—though less successfully—Springer's district, and by wholesale secret bribery and corruption, accomplished his defeat. But if there is in this land a day of retribution in store for injustice and wrong, for monopolistic greed and outrage, there is a day at hand when the people will learn to know and honor Morrison as he deserves.

OTAWA'S GROWTH.—The corrected enrollment of the voters of the town of Ottawa made for the election on last Tuesday, gives the following result:

Table showing Ottawa's growth by district: First district (580), Second district (807), Third district (283), Fourth district (241), Fifth district (204).

Total 2126. This list is short not less than 100, making a total of 2,200, even count. According to the usual rule of counting population as to voters, five persons to one legal elector, would give the precinct of Ottawa 11,000 people. The city would have more than the town of Ottawa, for the reason that South Ottawa, not counted in these figures, as much greater in population than that of the town, outside of the city, north of the river. Ottawa can now reconstruct its wards in time for the spring election, giving us seven wards instead of five, the present number. This rapid growth of our city during a couple of years is very gratifying to the citizens and a rebuke to the few croakers among us who never see anything so good at home as somewhere abroad, and an effectual answer to the envious detractors outside who speak and publish slanders about our city, calling it "a poor, moss-grown old village," and the like.

Ottawa is the wealthiest and most substantial as well as the prettiest city in this whole region of country, and is steadily and rapidly increasing in prosperity.

Never mind the bonfires, the brass bands, processions, scintillating torches, and resonant with the roar of the jubilant drums. Never mind the spread eagles which flap their circling wings through the sometimes lurid atmosphere of pyrotechnic oratory. Never mind the roaring of the cannon, popping, parapsirating war by firing blank cartridges—the din, noise and the yellings of the multitude, for we have had the stuff knocked out of us. We all know the American people. At every election, from alderman every year to president every four years, they go on a political hurrah with rejoicings and rattifactions, flags, banners, sky-rockets, improvised anvils and quaint and conceited transparencies. Sometimes one side is up in this county and make the woods ring with their lusty huzzas; at times the other party is victorious, and so it goes. At Tuesday's election we met with a bitter catastrophe, a disaster not chargeable to the honest file of Democracy.—La Salle Democrat.

When we look over the files of the Democrat and examine the returns from La Salle, we truly wonder that so much is left of Reddick to make even a squeak. It is only one who has known the cares and the labor and the expense and the responsibilities of a campaign who can be philosophical; and Jack has been there. He knows. But no one else would suspect he knew! The President has issued the annual Thanksgiving proclamation calling upon all citizens to set apart Thursday, the 25th day of November, for praise and thanksgiving. The proclamation is in the usual form and calls upon the people to assemble in their places of worship to thank the Ruler of the Universe for all blessings bestowed upon us as a nation and as individuals, not forgetting that while many have been shielded from poverty and disaster, others have suffered from both; and the President urges that the sympathy all feel for the later class be expressed in substantial contributions to the poor and unfortunate.

Wherever the laboring men have joined forces with either of the old parties they have been successful. In the next legislature of Illinois the labor element will hold the balance of power. This is certainly gratifying to all true friends of labor. The democrats of La Salle county nominated Trench, and the republicans elected him.—Streator Free Press.

No, sir; democrats elected him. This is not a republican county; and the returns show it. Outside the city of La Salle the democrats this year voted as large a proportion of democrats as they ever did; but the recreant democrats of La Salle sold them out. The latter did stick to Trench and Browne, and did not stick to Wiley, Gilbert and Barton. That is all there is of it. It is quite funny to hear the sparrows tell "How I did it;" but it would be more to the point to have the La Salle democrats stand up and tell us how they did it. It was La Salle and not the country that beat Wiley, Barton and Gilbert. The democratic vote in those towns would have elected both of them. It is in order for the Morrissey and Snyder men to explain also to Trimble how they did it!

The hardware store of Thos. Dow at Rutland, in this county, was burglarized on Tuesday night of several hundred dollars' worth of goods. The thieves were apprehended as they were walking off with their plunder, and after an examination were brought to Ottawa. Their names are given as Alvin Black and James Johnson. The Mendota Fair directors are so skeptical of the future success of their Association that the question whether or not another Fair will be held is to be submitted to the stockholders for decision. County Fairs are not as popular as in pioneer days.

The election of Tuesday seems to have been disastrous to the democratic workers; and three or four of them are now in bed! Suppose we talk of the weather or on a real good selzer.

PERSONAL. BLEE.—John W. Blee, of Lee county, was in town yesterday. Mr. Blee ran ahead of his ticket in his own county for state senator, but was defeated in the district as was to be expected. CLIFF.—Miss Dena Cliff has returned from her visit to her father's home in Kansas, and will be again at her post at Hull & Co.'s next week. HOME.—Captain and Mrs. Blanchard returned home on Monday. DEGEN.—Lewis Degen, of Marysville, Kas., is home on a short visit. ROBERTS.—Miss Lida Roberts has returned home from a visit in Kansas and Nebraska. DICKEY.—Mrs. Judge Dickey was in the city this week on business matters. We understand she will make her future home at Atlantic City. HOFFMAN.—Some two weeks ago County Treasurer-elect Hoffman, while at Louis Rohrer's residence in Northville, was taken with an attack of pleurisy. By prompt treatment he was enabled to get home, where he rapidly recovered. Just before election, however, he ventured to come up town, and while in the First National Bank was again attacked, and had to be taken home. His condition was alarming, and on Monday the chances of recovery or death were not far from even. He conquered the attack, however, and is now on the road to recovery. PEN.—Among the pensions granted last week was one to Zenas S. Harrison, of this city. WALTERS.—The Misses Julia and Mollie Walters have gone on a few weeks' visit to relatives and friends in Chicago and Joliet. BLAKE.—Geo. W. W. Blake is confined to his home by an attack of malarial fever. His condition was reported precarious, but yesterday he was much improved, and will be out again soon. KAS.—Wm. Morehead, Esq., of Neosho Falls, Kas., formerly of Deer Park township, of this county, has been making his old friends in this neighborhood a visit during the past two weeks. CARTON.—Mrs. Jas. Carton of Ackley, Ia., is making a visit at her father's in this city.—County Treasurer Raymond's. BARTON.—Rumors were afloat yesterday that Patrick Barton, late candidate for sheriff, was dead. The truth seems to be that Mr. Barton, in his efforts to make something of a canvass, in spite of his injured leg (while he should have been at home taking care of himself), has used himself up, and is in quite bad bodily condition, one arm being partially disabled by paralysis. He takes his defeat philosophically, for a man who was slaughtered "in the house of his friends," and will no doubt, with rest and quiet, soon again recover his health. It is quite likely that had he been able to have made a vigorous canvass, the result as to sheriff would have been different.

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The Courts.

County Court. JUDGE GILBERT. On Thursday last John R. Strawn, of Farm Ridge township, was declared insane: cause unknown. He is 34 years old; and has been taken to the Kankakee asylum. Mary Ann Dunn, of Ottawa, was declared insane yesterday.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following were this week granted licenses to marry: Michael Newton and Mary Korley. E. E. Bunch and Mary Lorette. Robert Knapp and Minnie Sprague. Bernard Weygard, jr., and Mary E. Scheuring. B. G. Miller and Ella L. Karsting. Andrew Quake and Anna Mareis. Jacob Brown and Hermenia Strever. C. L. Studavant and Hester A. Munger. A. W. Nashand and Amelia Tupper. Andrew Benson and Betsey Johnson. Ed C. Baker and Almira T. Hughes. James H. Hastings and Christina Best. G. A. Bucholz and Mary Reichart. W. F. Dunn and Frene S. Hickley. Ed E. Soloman and Mary E. Downer. Sidney R. Blanchard and M. Laura Cornell. Stanislaus Cerselskii and Ansa Jerzeszka. The Ottawa Star Gun Club has made arrangements for a grand prize shoot, to take place on Tuesday next. The following are the details of the requirements, prizes and other arrangements: Entrance, \$5.—Birds extra. Entries close at 9 o'clock a. m. Monday Nov. 8th. Shoot to commence at 9 o'clock Tuesday, to be at 15 single rises. Five birds at 25 yards' rise. Inanimate targets at 18 yards' rise. The entire shoot will be at live birds, if enough can be procured in time; if not, each shooter is to have an equal number of live birds, balance of score to be shot at inanimate targets. PRIZES. 1st prize, \$50 Clabrough, breech loader. 2d prize, \$35 Clabrough, breech loader. 3d prize, \$25 Richards, breech loader. 4th prize, single barrel, breech loader, worth \$18. Shooters will meet at Mitchell's cigar store, from which place conveyances will convey them to the grounds at 8 o'clock a. m. Tents and heating apparatus will be on the grounds, and every arrangement will be made for the comfort and entertainment of the shooters. Meals on the grounds. An Aged to Bone Scraping. Edward Shepherd, of Harrisburg, Ill., says: "Having received so much benefit from Electric Bitters, I feel it my duty to let suffering humanity know it. Having had a running sore on my leg for eight years, my doctors told me I would have to have the bone scraped or the leg amputated. I used instead three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and my leg is now sound and well." Electric Bitters are sold at 50 cents a bottle and Bucklen's Arnica Salve at 25 cents per box, by D. Lorrain.