THE WEEKLY DEMOCRAT.

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Our Political Condition.

The present condition of political affairs, is, in some respects, without a parallel in the history of our country. There is a depth and strength of conviction among the masses, that some move must be made to wrest power from the hands of those who have most shamefully betrayed high trusts, which already seriously alarms the leaders of the dominant party. The old catch-cries, to which crowds used to rally, are powerless. The country's workers pause in the midst of their unrequited labors to inquire why it is that pet corporations grow richer while the great working world, day by day, grows poorer? Turning to Congress, they behold the Representatives of the ruling party, with their hands in the Treasury, more eager to steal out back pay for themselves, than to lighten the load that is crushing their constituents. They behold the Chief Executive signing in shameless haste, the bill authorizing the steal, because its provisions within the next four years, will place *one hundred thousand dollars* in his private coffers.—Looking a little more closely into their own affairs, they find local taxation more than TWENTY-NINE times as great to each individual as it was in the good old days of 1840. Examining the tables of the increase of population they find its ratio decreased by four-fifths. Is this the feast to which the great party in its better and purer days invited the laboring men of Ohio? Is this the fruitage of all those promises, turning like Dead Sea apples to ashes on the lips? Let us look in another direction. We can all well remember, how years ago, when "wild war's deadly blast was blown, and gentle peace returning," made glad all hearts, the party in power promised a reconstruction policy which should bring into harmonious and prosperous relations the States, which *they said never* were out of the Union. From that day to this the dominant party has held the reins of power. What do we behold in the South? The people plundered by a reckless horde of carpet-baggers to such an extent, that *ten great States* have not been able, for the last three years, to pay the interest on their bonds issued since the war; the bonds of some of them begging a purchaser at fourteen cents on the dollar; the people impoverished by war, broken completely down by a system of taxation, beside which that of the Colonists in our ante-revolutionary days, would not be a drop in the bucket. Remember we are now in the *second* term of Grant's administration. Look at our public debt statement. Even the "truly good man" of the Cincinnati *Gazette*, calls for such a change of system in keeping public accounts, as will enable the press to say from the official reports, what the real balance of the nations indebtedness is. Let us call special attention to another matter. We speak to and in behalf of the Agricultural interests of our country, and at the threshold of this branch of what we have to say, we hold up the brazen record of the dominant party which has falsely claimed to be the friend of the working men. It is time now for plain talk, and we shall not skulk from hard facts.—Look at the great Agricultural interests of the country strangled between railroad monopolies on the one hand, and a high protective tariff on the other. What administrations but those of the dominant party have lavished public lands upon railroad Companies until the country is justly alarmed at such profligacy, and whose administrations have insisted upon protection to the iron interests, until there is not an agricultural implement of any kind, upon which the farmer must not pay a heavy tribute to the pig iron princes? American manufactured iron finds a market in Staffordshire, and Butcher, a large owner in American mines lays down American iron at his immense manufactories in Sheffield. We have not yet forgotten how one House of National Representatives, a year or two ago, from a depth of humiliation, shame and disgrace never reached before or perhaps since, except in the *Credit Mobilier and grab swindles* admitted that the Lobby was too strong for the House! When the hoarse cry for the protection of iron manufacturers comes up from such a lobby, who thinks the interests of the farmer or working man will be for a moment considered?—Who is simple enough to believe after such an admission, that the rights of the common classes, who sleep quietly at home, will be at all taken into account? Too long a lease of power has corrupted the ruling party. Even its party organs are shamed into a feeble condemnation of the glaring frauds. It has outlived its usefulness and must make way.—Public sentiment may be thought slim, yet in the face of such wrongs, it quickly gathers power and moves with a celebrity which is sometimes startling. In 1853 and '54, there was less surface indications of a coming political revolution, than exists to-day.—Some of the old politicians then thought they could toot their little horns, and the camp followers would come at the first bugle note. Blow they did, but one might as well have listened for the chirp of a cricket in a tornado, as one note of theirs. Little "Tumble Bug" editors then shrieked for men to stay inside of the party lines and correct the wrongs, as they do now. But the people said no! We are *men* not *slaves*. Honor, Manhood, and Right, are involved in the issues of the hour, and our fealty to them is higher than to mere party. We will crush the shell of corrupt organizations beneath our feet, and lead our country once more into sunlight. As it was then, so it is about to be again. The PEOPLE, the abused and betrayed source of power, are girding themselves for the coming contest. Calm, earnest men, are considering a new organization of independent original forces, as the only way out of the present labryinth of corruption, crime and mismanagement. Disgrace and humiliation at the bar of public opinion; the stern question of "*what are you doing now*," rings clearly above the voices of those who are shouting what the ruling party did in its earlier and better days. What are you doing now, asks the bankrupted States of the South? What are you doing now, asks the laboring man, as each day poorer, he seeks his home? What are you doing now, asks the farmer, who can not ship his grain to market over the wealthy lines of pet railroads? What are you doing now, asks the tax-payer, as he sees his little margin go into the Treasury to become the spoil of "back-pay Congressmen" and a venal, corrupt and debauched President?—What shall we do, begins to be the earnest inquiry of some politicians? It will next be, what CAN WE do?

There is talk in the State of New York of impeaching Judge Hunt, who presided at the trial of Susan B. Anthony, for his arbitrary conduct in dictating the verdict of the jury. Whether or not there are cases in which a proceeding of that character would be justifiable, it is certain that the case of Miss Anthony was not one of them.

We have heard people say that the late Horace Greeley was erratic, queer, foolish and even crazy, but we have yet to hear the first man intimate that he believes that had Mr. Greeley been President he would have signed a bill increasing his own salary. Grant did.

Stokes, Simmons and King will, it is supposed, escape the death penalty through the new law requiring proof of deliberate intent to kill for conviction of murder in the first degree.

DEMOCRATIC State Convention.

To the Democracy of Ohio:

The Democratic State Central Committee and the Liberal Republican State Central Committee, in joint meeting assembled in the city of Columbus, on the 15th of November, 1872, adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the whole question of calling the next State Convention be referred to the Executive Committees of the Democratic and Liberal parties, empowering them to call the Convention at such time, after due consideration of the subject, as they shall deem advisable."

On the 22nd of May, 1873, said State Executive Committees held a conference in the city of Columbus with reference to the Convention, and after full consideration it was decided to hold the Democratic State Convention and the Liberal Republican State Convention on Wednesday, August 6, 1873, at 11 o'clock A. M., in the city of Columbus, to nominate the following candidates for State officers: Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, two Supreme Judges, long and short term, Attorney General, Treasurer, Comptroller of the Treasury, Members of the Board of Public Works.

The Democratic State Executive Committee have fixed the basis of representation at one delegate to each county as a county, one delegate for every 500 votes, and one delegate for every fraction of 250 and over, as given to General Wiley for Secretary of State in October, 1872.

[This will give Preble county 5 delegates.]

We respectfully suggest to the several County Committees the propriety of inviting all persons who are opposed to the flagrant abuses of the present Federal Administration to unite in the selection of delegates to this Convention.

That corruption and demoralization exist in a frightful degree in almost every department of the Government, and that instead of diminishing they are constantly on the increase, are facts too well attested to be successfully denied. That it is vain to look to the dominant rulers for relief is evident from the fact that in the many years they have held power they have made no substantial reforms, but, on the contrary, have either boldly defended or insidiously endeavored to hide the grossest wrongs and misconduct.

That there can be no good government where such corruption and misrule prevail, and that the very existence of free institutions is endangered by them is plain to every man who will take time to reflect; but the people have the remedy in their own hands. All that is necessary to put a stop to usurpation, misrule and corruption is for all good men, without respect to past differences of opinion on dead issues, or to present differences of opinion on non-essentials, to unite in one grand effort for effective reform. There is no good season why such an united effort should not be made. On the contrary, every instinct of patriotism and interest demand it. The Democratic party, while it has ever been conservative of the Constitution and of liberty, is in its very nature a party of progress. It is a practical party, too, and has given the most conclusive evidence that it can rise to the height of sacrificing its pride and prejudice for the welfare of the country. All it asks of those who agree with it in the desire for reform is to do likewise. Let us all unite in an earnest and vigorous effort to accomplish what we all desire. That is the business of to-day. And to time and experience, and full consultation, can safely be left the question, "In what manner shall our union be organized and preserved?"

Signed by order of the State Central Committee.

J. G. THOMPSON, Chairman.
E. B. ESHELMAN, Secretary.

The Pennsylvania constitutional convention has adopted a provision that the members of the legislature shall take an oath at the expiration of their term of office that they have not been bribed nor played any games of the Credit Mobilier sort. It would be worth a trip to Harrisburg to see some of Simon Cameron's corps lift their hands and eyes starward and take that oath.

The drawing of the Lonisville Public Lottery took place on Tuesday the 8th inst. Ticket No. 20,833 drew the $100,000. prize.

A coroner's jury in New Orleans has found Colonel Rhett, who fought and killed Judge Cooley in a duel, guilty of murder.

ACard from General Ewing.

He declines to be a Candidate for Governor.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION,
COLUMBUS, July 12, 1873.

To the editor of the Enquirer:

My name has been frequently proposed, through the partiality of my friends but without my consent, for nomination this summer by the Democratic party and other organizations of the opposition for the office of Governor of Ohio. It has recently become apparent that the Constitutional Convention will not finish its work before the end of the pending political campaign. Hence, a candidacy for that office, involving as it would a requirement to personally canvass the State, would be inconsistent with my duties as the representative of the people of Fairfield County in this body—which duties I am unwilling to neglect or abandon. Chiefly for this reason, I shall not allow my name to be presented for the nomination, and now volunteer this announcement lest silence may be construed as consent to become a candidate.

THOMAS EWING.

The People's *Defender* thinks Hon. A. G. Thurman as the Democratic candidate for Governor, and Col. J. R. Cockerill, of Adams, for Lieutenant Governor, would make a particularly strong comb[illegible].

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