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DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

National.
For President—
WILLIAM J. BRYAN.
For Vice President—
ADLAI E. STEVENSON.
State.
Presidential Electors—
J. W. MARTIN, Codington County.
JOHN P. MOLLROY, Rapid County.
FRED BACON, Lincoln County.
J. M. KING, Hand County.
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ANDREW E. LEE, Vermillion.
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Lieutenant Governor—
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Auditor—
F. J. TRACY, Edmunds County.
Treasurer—
CHAS. T. TREDRICK, Brule County.
Supt. School and Public Lands—
EDMUND COOK, Roberts County.
Attorney General—
A. E. HITCHCOCK, Davison County.
Supt. Public Instruction—
M. AASVED, Day County.
Railroad Commissioner—
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County.
For Senators—
J. C. KINDSCHY.
D. MCGLAHLIN.
For Representatives—
BERT DOUGLAS.
EUGENE HORNING.
OSCAR CONANT.
GEO. B. DALY.
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For Auditor—J. H. MILLER.
For Sheriff—J. M. BURNS.
States Attorney—C. N. HARRIS.
Register of Deeds—A. L. WILLIAMS.
County Judge—W. H. MORGAN.
Superintendent of School—H. A. WAY.
Coroner—D. H. CHRONY.
Surveyor—HORACE BARNARD.

NOT SO VERY WEALTHY.

In compliance with the request of a commercial traveler Mr. Bryan has made an estimate of his worldly belongings. He says he was worth \$2,000 or \$2,500 when he first ran for congress. At Washington he saved about \$1,000 a year, retiring with a modest nest-egg of \$5,000. He saved nothing while he was editing the Omaha World Herald so that he still had some \$6,000 when the campaign of 1896 opened. His book netted him \$34,000, half of which he gave to the campaign fund. His realty, including his home in Lincoln, he estimates at \$14,000 and his personal property at about the same sum making his total wealth about \$25,000 or \$30,000. It will be observed that while Mr. Bryan is not wealthy he has been provident enough to set aside a little something for a rainy day. If he had devoted his talents to money-getting he might have been a millionaire ere this, but he mapped out for himself a different career and doubtless he is just as happy as he would be if his fortune was represented by seven figures instead of five.—Minneapolis Times.

Our ancestral pioneers who framed the Declaration of Independence and constitution were able to plant and preserve the principle of political freedom, but they could not compel an inheritance of their individual manhood and integrity. The continued accretions of inadequacy and personal greed that has become predominant during the present administration, has been poor fertilization for the healthy growth of this cherished principle of our form of government.

Some of the machine organs are reviewing the taxable possessions of Bryan from 1893 to date, and state they have grown \$230 to \$4,500. This is to indicate prosperity. They might, with equal avidity and great deal more pertinence, tell what McKinley's assets were in 1896, and thus gain still more evidence.

Dr. L. W. Habercom of the republican congressional campaign committee, in which organization he had charge of the German bureau, has resigned therefrom, and states that he cannot support the administration in its policy of imperialism and militarism.

The latest republican argument to counteract the effect of the deplorable dissipation of the lives of our soldiers in the Philippines, is, that "they are not of so much consequence, as most of them, when here, were half tramps anyway. When they got a chance to enlist, they got work."

The Hanna newspapers are becoming very solicitous over the apparent scarcity of migrating laboring men. Do they mean to infer that their colonization schemes will prove too costly?

The main question in this campaign, is, whether the government shall exercise its authority according to the constitution, or whether it shall act according to emergencies regardless of the constitution.

Our republican friends say that hard times make democrats and pops. If figures indicate anything, the panic of '93 made more republicans, than anything else.

We haven't seen it yet, but the explanation of falling prices, will soon be given out by the organ-grinders, to be, because of fear of Bryan's election.

Imperialism is only an aggravated form of political kleptomania that has been an ailment of the republican party for many years.

The state auditor reports that \$6.25 conscience money has been received during the last fiscal year, but does not say what republican sent it in.

The August issue of this excellent magazine, which is now published in New York and edited by N. O. Fanning and John Emery McLean, contains an article on "Cromwell and Chamberlain" by the Rev. Geo. Walters. "The Fallible Physician," by W. T. Larned, and "New England Girl Graduates," by M. E. Blood, are also prominent features. Among the other articles are: "Failures in English Temperance Reform," by James Downman; "Natural Selection, Competition and Socialism," by Herman Whitaker; "Early Retirement from Business," by Townsend Chapman; "The American Psychic Atmosphere," by Charles Johnston, M. R. A. S. The Arena has now reached its twenty-fourth volume. Price, 25 cents. The Arena Company, New York.

EXCHANGE EXTRACTS

It will soon be "all aboard" for the train going west—Bowdle State Senator.

Bro. Ayres probably overlooked the fact that the Governor had a new son-in-law.—Madison Outlook.

The American "sphere of influence" in China has heretofore been confined to certain wards of San Francisco—Sioux Falls Press.

The democrats and populists have a splendid ticket in South Dakota. It is composed of honest, earnest and able men. We believe the good sense of the voters will elect it.—Tyndall Register.

Predictions are openly made that Col. LeCocq will run 100 behind his ticket in Douglass county. This is hardly possible for the reason that the rest of the gang is just as unpopular as the Colonel.—The Armour Herald.

Why not be honest, and tell your readers it is the trust that controls the price of wool, and in figuring that the farmer can make a "good profit at 12 cents" does it not look as if that is the price they intend to give him?—Plankinton Herald.

Considering civil service indispensable to the welfare of our country, I think that in removing more than 10,000 officers from the merit system President McKinley has given another sufficient reason why he should be returned to private life.—L. W. Habercom.

Ex-President Harrison thinks that Indiana is doubtful this year and says he would not be surprised if it went Democratic. The New York Tribune, the great apostle of republicanism, classes New York and Michigan as doubtful states this fall.—The Independent.

Referring to the fact that Daniel Webster was called "a steam engine in trousers" the Philadelphia Ledger wants to know if Roosevelt should not be called "an automobile in khaki." Hardly. It would be more proper to call him a "collie in constant trot."—Omaha World Herald.

We can't keep track of the un-Hung Changs, Ching-a-lings and ect. that figure in the news dispatches, but when the press reports next week get to mixing up the names of Russian and Japanese heroes with the Chinks in the coming scrap we will hire a school ma'am to read the associated press reports.—Edmunds County Democrat.

Col. M. Grigsby is traveling all over the state telling how prosperous times are. The colonel is a splendid example of prosperity. He has just gone through bankruptcy owing \$60,000. The Democrat doesn't object to a man who actually is prosperous and has the "dough" to back it up with talking about prosperity, but it hates to hear a man of Grigsby's brand shouting that way.—Howard Democrat.

The ticket nominated at Yankton last week is recognized as the strongest combination ever presented to the voters of South Dakota. Every candidate was selected with a view of adding strength to the fusion ticket and how well they succeeded can be judged from the manner in which the Kittredge organs are squealing. Three old soldiers are candidates on the ticket.—The Farmer's Leader.

The campaign in South Dakota will be a warm one. Every imperialist, every monopolist and trust magnate in the country wants to keep Senator Pettigrew from exposing any more of the fraud and crookedness practiced on the government and they figure the easiest way to do that is to defeat him at home. The people will see that he is returned to the United States senate.—Edmunds County Democrat.

This is just the difference between the democrats who declare they will vote for McKinley and the republicans who declare they will vote for Bryan. The McKinley democrats are with McKinley on the money question, while the Bryan republicans are with Bryan on the question of human liberty. The men who prize money above liberty may vote for McKinley, but the men who prize liberty above money will vote for Bryan.—Omaha World Herald.

There were three buyers from wool houses here this year on wool sale day, June 25th, but little was accomplished owing to the depression in prices. Every day noted some decline. There was no hope toward the close of the season of any immediate advance. The general decline in the London sales was accepted everywhere as the signal for hammer down the price and it was done with a vengeance in every quarter. Early buyers were caught and all will lose some money.—Sioux Stock Journal.

STATE NEWS

A HALF BREED WOLF.

The young sons of William Emery and Oliver Dion captured a curious and valuable animal trophy the other day, while hunting, in the shape of a half breed buffalo wolf pup. For the past two years an uncommonly large and ferocious buffalo wolf has had her den near George Pete's ranch on the reservation. She has cost George a good many dollars in the way of hogs and calves she killed and devoured, and all efforts to kill or capture her have proved futile—the animal being as cunning and wily as she is destructive.

Last fall George sent and got a couple of blood hounds to trail her with—large, blood-thirsty looking beasts. Singular to state the dogs took up with the creature and co-habited with her in her den for several weeks, coming to the house every few days for something to eat. They came once too often, for when George suspected their movements and found they were perverting their mission by aiding and abetting the wolf, and propagating more of the species instead of destroying existing ones, he blew their \$25 heads off. This captured pup is the result of the strange attachment between the animals, and is undoubtedly but one of a litter. It has distinctive traits of both wolf and hound, the feet and legs resembling those of a hound and the head, nose and ears those of a wolf, while it has a cry mingling the sharp yelp of a wolf with the deep, rambling bay of a blood hound. It is a curious animal, and the boys are going to try and sell it to some menagerie.

A RECORD BREAKER.

One of the quickest and most remarkable rides recorded in the history of this state has just been made by Elmer Place, a cowboy on the range west of the river. He rode a distance of 110 miles across the country to Chamberlain in six hours, changing horses six times during the trying journey.

Mrs. Johnson, mother of the Smith boys, who live on a ranch 110 miles west of Chamberlain was taken suddenly and seriously ill. It was of the utmost importance that a physician attend her at once, but none was to be had nearer than Chamberlain. Elmer Place, an attaché of the ranch and a splendid specimen of the hardy, daring cowboy, volunteered to make the ride and bring the needed help. Mounting one of the tough, enduring little range ponies, he commenced his race against death. Six times during the ride he changed his jaded pony for a fresh mount, until, just six hours after he left the ranch, he dashed up in front of the hotel at Chamberlain and called for Dr. Treon.

FINALLY FOUND HIM.

Attorney Clark of Doland has a letter which he will preserve, as it has quite a history so far as travel is concerned.

On February 1 of the present year he mailed the epistle to Charles D. Cook, at Irving, a postoffice about ten miles southwest of here. Cook was not at Irving when the letter arrived and it was forwarded to him at Lowland, Cal., where he was thought to be. Again the letter missed him, and it was once more redirected to him, this time at Queenston, Ontario. Not being called for, there, it was forwarded to Queenstown, Ireland. From there it was forwarded to Cork, and from that place it was returned to the United States, going to the dead letter office. From there it was returned to Mr. Clark, the sender.

The envelope is covered with postmarks and other inscriptions, and is quite a curiosity.

FINANCES OF THE STATE.

The state auditor has made up a statement of the finances of the state for the past fiscal year showing the total receipts to have been \$640,621.88. The principle receipts were: State taxes, \$267,422.25; insane tax, \$50,001.10; liquor licenses, \$59,636.50; insurance fees, \$9,001.10; fees from the secretary of state, \$7,220.85. The rest was in miscellaneous receipts, among which was a remittance for \$3.25 conscience money.

There are over 11,000,000 acres of unoccupied lands in this state.

The excavating has begun for the Indian asylum to be built at Canton.

Foreman has been selected by the Menonites as the town wherein they will build their University.

Charles Peterson, a farm hand near Union, accidentally killed himself last Monday, by receiving the contents of a shot gun in his head.

Clear Lake is to have a new flour mill, which will be erected by Moritz Lassig, of that place, and L. La Dou, of Watertown. Work upon the building will begin at once.

Professor Brueschweiler with family have gone to Russia, where he has a position awaiting him. He has been instructor of music at the State University for the past two years.

Harvey McNeary has been arrested for starting the big fire north of Kimball last year, from which many cattle and much property was destroyed. He was caught on the Sisseton reservation.

The labor unions of the Black Hills have decided to fit up the old Mountain Lion grove west of here as a permanent picnic grounds. They will be kept in perfect condition all the time by donations from the different organizations.

Patrick Falls, who owns a farm near Tyndall, has discovered a vein of iron ore upon his place. It is the intention of Mr. Falls to do some development work, and if it shows that the vein is of any size, he will organize a company and mine it.

Captain Van Houten, a member of the famous First regiment, South Dakota volunteers, who won distinction in service with his regiment in the Philippine war, has been compelled, on account of poor health to go to the Soldier's Home at Hot Springs.

The Holy Terror company in the Black Hills has struck a ledge of ore four feet wide on the 800 foot level. The Holy Terror Mill, which has been idle since the first of the month, has started up again, and it is reported that both mills will be running in a few days.

The city council of Chamberlain has granted a permit to Messrs. Blodgett & Douthett, of Mitchell to put in a gas plant in the city, and they are already engaged in making the initial preparations for getting the plant in working order. The city is already lighted by electric power.

In November 1896, Clyde Kenney offered to bet W. M. Dent, both of Chamberlain, \$100 that William J. Bryan would never again be nominated for president by the Democratic party, Kenney promptly took the bet, and each party deposited \$100 in the bank. The \$200, together with \$36 interest, has now been taken out and turned over to Kenney.

V. V. Barnes, once an attorney-at-law of Yankton, now of Chicago, has been nominated by the prohibitionists of Illinois as a candidate for governor of that state. Samuel Alschuler the democratic nominee for governor of Illinois is the law partner, in Aurora, of John C. Murphy who was once assistant United States District attorney for Dakota Territory and made his home at Yankton.

The Missouri river is again playing havoc in Hagens Bend. Since the recent rains the water completely washed away the old Mines' farm, and encroached upon neighboring property. The Jackson ranch, once a valuable piece of property is in great danger of being devoured by the river. It is estimated that during the past three years Yankton county has lost at least 10,000 acres of land, the ground being washed away by the river.

A 5-year-old boy of Charles Martin near Clark wandered into a piece of grass last Saturday where a mower was working, and was not discovered by the driver until the sickle struck him, cutting one foot through the instep, nearly severing it and making two cuts on the ankle of the other leg. The severed foot was replaced and some stitches taken to hold it in its place, and hopes are entertained of saving it.

There is a movement on foot for the organization of a mining association in the Black Hills, a large number of owners of mining property being much in favor of it. The object of the association is to protect the investors, to examine all new mines, especially those offered for sale, and to pass upon their merits; to advertise the country and to do everything in the association's power to bring to the attention of the outside world the opportunities for profitable investment offered in the Black Hills.

The abundant rains of the past two weeks have done thousands of dollars worth of good for the ranchmen on the ranges in Lyman and Pratt counties. The entire country west of the river has had very heavy rains, and every reservoir and water hole is full of water. Previous to the rains both hay and feed was getting very scarce, and it was thought by ranchmen that they would be obliged to move their cattle, but now hay grass and water is everywhere abundant.

Final arrangements have just been completed for the annual outing at Big Stone Lake of the South Dakota Press Association. The dates set are Aug. 10, 11, 12, and 13. The newspaper men will leave home on the morning of Aug. 9 and go to Ortonville, on the east side of the lake, arriving at their destination the same evening or the next forenoon. The regular annual business meeting of the association will be held in the auditorium of the Simpson Park Chautauque, on the South Dakota side of the lake, on Friday evening, Aug. 10.

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