

Independent County Platform.

We, The Independent party of Lincoln County, South Dakota, in convention assembled, declare our adherence to the platform of principles adopted by the St. Louis convention of 1889, and also the platform of the Independent party as adopted at Huron, on the 9th day of July, 1890. We, therefore, in accordance with the principles therein set forth, declare our determination to vote for the nomination or election of no candidate for the state legislature, who is not pledged to support the following legislation:

- First, to limit taxation to the necessities of the public welfare.
- Second, to make the property of railroad corporations taxable according to valuation.
- Third, to so amend our assessment laws that the indebtedness of the tax-payer shall be deducted from the value of his property reported for taxation, and that all notes and mortgages be assessed the same as other property, to the owners thereof.
- Fourth, it is our policy to reduce rates of interest, to a par with the profits of agriculture; but as the government is controlled in the interests of monopoly, by refusing to give the people an ample supply of currency, that the capitalist may charge exorbitant rates of interest, and being without any uniform limit to prevent competition for money among the states, we are compelled to yield to the rates paid in other localities. We accordingly demand that the contract rate of interest on chattel mortgages and notes, be reduced to 8 per cent and that real-estate mortgages be limited to 6 per cent and that any charge in excess of these rates, work a forfeiture of both principle and interest.
- Fifth, we demand that the salaries of all public officers be limited to the amount for which competent men would be willing to perform the duties of the office. To this end we recommend that the salaries of the following county officers, exclusive of clerk hire, be as follows:

- County Treasurer, \$1,000.
- County Auditor, \$1,000.
- Register of Deeds, \$600.
- Clerk of the Courts, \$600.

Sixth, fees for public and professional services to be limited to the standard value of labor and capital necessarily employed in discharging the duties thereof.

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| Tuition, per week..... | \$.50 |
| Room rent..... | .25 |
| Contingent fee, per term..... | 1.25 |

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| GOING WEST. | |
| No. 1 passenger, Monday excepted, 11:00 A. M. | |
| No. 2 passenger, Sunday excepted, 11:30 A. M. | |
| No. 3 way freight, 12:30 P. M. | |
| GOING EAST. | |
| No. 2 passenger, Sunday excepted, 3:45 A. M. | |
| No. 4 passenger, Saturdays excepted, 4:45 P. M. | |
| No. 6 freight, 9:30 P. M. | |
| GOING SOUTH. | |
| No. 1 passenger, 11:00 A. M. | |
| No. 5 accommodation, 11:30 A. M. | |
| No. 6 freight, 4:40 P. M. | |
| GOING NORTH. | |
| No. 4 passenger, 4:45 P. M. | |
| No. 6 freight, 8:25 A. M. | |

For tickets and rates to all parts of the United States and Canada, inquire at ticket office. W. V. HOWARD, Station Agent.

THE NEWS AROUND HOME.

A fine line of stationery and other writing materials to be found at Helme & Kelman's.

THE FARMER'S LEADER will be mailed from now until January 1st, 1892, for the sum of one dollar.

On Jan. 1, 1891, Helme & Kelman will give away a \$25 music box. Call and learn particulars.

If you intend to do some painting this fall call at Helme & Kelman's where you will find a complete line of paints etc.

Dr. Nettie Hall, Epual suffrage lecturer of Westington Springs, South Dakota, will lecture at the following places in Lincoln county: Stoner school house, Sunday, Oct. 26; Pioneer, Monday, Oct. 27; Millbrook, Tuesday, Oct. 28; Mt Zion church, Wednesday, Oct. 29; school house 3 miles north of Pleasanton, Thursday, Oct. 30; Mays school house, Friday, Oct. 31; Kinsley school house, Sunday, Nov. 1; Kirley school house, Sunday, Nov. 2; Springfield, Monday, Nov. 3.

ORITARY. At his home in Dayton township, on the evening of the 23d, Johnny, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Robinson, in the thirteenth year of his age.

The many friends of the bereaved family extend to them their heart felt sympathy in their great sorrow.

A precious flower from us is gone. A voice we loved is stilled; A place is vacant in our home That never can be filled.

THE NEW DICTIONARY.

The answer of the publishers of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, to the attempt of pirates to steal their thunder by issuing cheap phototype reproduction of the antiquated edition of 1847, is the publication of a new and completely re-edited and enlarged edition of the authentic Unabridged, which as a distinguished title bears the name of International.

The publishers have expended in the last ten years over \$300,000 in the preparation of this new book before issuing the first copy, and the improvements of the various editions since that of 1847 have cost over three-fourths of a million of dollars for editing, illustrating, typesetting and electrotyping alone.

This new dictionary is the best book of its kind in the English language. It unlocks mysteries, resolves doubts, and decides disputes. The possession of it and the habit of consulting it will tend to promote knowledge, literary taste, and social refinement. For every family, the members of which have mastered the art of reading, the purchase of Webster's International Dictionary will prove a profitable investment, and the more they advance in knowledge and cultivation the more they will appreciate its aid and worth.

Abuse of the Kissing Habit. The kissing habit has been carried to its greatest extreme among English-speaking people, and people of other blood are often amazed and amused by the universality and cheapness of the kiss among the English nations. It is not necessarily an argument in its favor, however, that it is thus found to be an accompaniment of the highest civilization, for it may be promptly reported that vice and crime also increase with civilization, and that even civilized and refined people often keep alive barbarous practices inherited from savage ancestors. The kiss, in its proper functions, has a fine significance, and may be made the vehicle of the purest emotions, the honest expression of legitimate feeling, a greeting full of genuine, voluntary sympathy and love. The kissing habit is an abuse and a misuse. It has brought the kiss into disgrace and made it vulgar, cheap, and hypocritical. Be it the province of this generation of refinement and education to rescue it from its degraded estate and restore it to its natural elevated and elevating place and use in the social economy.

No Error.

Young Mr. Hale is one of the people who think it must be the easiest thing in the world to write a book, or at least a poem.

"You have your desk, your paper and your pens," said he, hopefully, in discussing the subject of literature with a more experienced friend, "and there you are!"

"Yes," said the friend, dryly, "but you've omitted one implement of the trade which ought to be in the hands of beginners—an eraser, to rub out what they have written. Now take this petition you have just drawn up for the 'Widow's Mite Society.' Look over the paper with me. You haven't explained your object with clearness, and you've repeated the word 'charity' one time in thirteen lines."

"For a moment the ambitious young man looked disturbed; then suddenly his composure returned.

"Oh, well," said he, "I don't consider that repetition a mistake. You can't have too much charity!"

A FORTY-TON ROCK

The Wonderfully Balanced Rock found in New York.

Perhaps one of the most interesting objects in nature is the "rock" found on the farm of Joseph Stearns, two miles west of the county seat, Monticello, on the old Newburg and Washington turnpike. In the center of a rather dense looking stone wall, of which it is a part, stands a rock whose history is a yet unexplained mystery. It is a part of a rock which lies buried with the dead of many generations. The fact within the boundaries of which it rests is in a valley at an elevation of some 1,000 feet above the level of the sea, forming in consequence a most appropriate pedestal on which to stand. At first sight it probably would not attract more than a passing notice, but it is when a second and closer observation is made that the wonderful and delicate hand of nature is seen, both in its composition and smoothly chiseled sides. In size it is nearly 60 hundred cubic feet, shaped very much like an orange and weighing 40,000 pounds or forty tons, and so nicely balanced on a table of rock as to be easily set in motion from either the north or south side, yet the combined strength of 100 men, without artificial appliances, could not dislodge it from its present position.

Its body is composed of a loose and soft sandstone, in which are embedded numerous round and tiny pebbles of a unadorned flint nucleus. In all the vate, where it is situated it is the only specimen of its class, around and under it the stones being of an entirely different structure. The table on which it rests is a hard stone, nearly as firm and close grained as the blue stone cut from the quarries of Sullivan county, from whence it migrated or the date of its pilgrimage—for it is supposed to have been lodged there by some volcanic eruption during the drift period—lies flat in the old tradition of the county.

Some of the adamantine pebbles that cluster thickly on its surface have been ground off and split in two, probably by the tremendous attrition suffered in its passage. The only relative specimen of its kind in North and South America is in the northern part of Canada. Its sides and corners have also been ground to almost emery fineness by the powerful elements. It stands alone, a silent monument of a departed age, erected by nature to commemorate the mighty forces which have been and are ever working for the improvement of the earth, for the profit and benefit of man.

SAWDUST BREAD.

The Latest Scheme in Adulterating Goods.

"I have found the cheekiest swindle of the age," said George Lord. Mr. Lord is a drummer, who, according to the Bridgeport Republican, keeps his eyes open when out on the road, and is greatly interested in matters pertaining to food adulteration.

"It is wood flour," he continued. "Flour actually made of wood and used largely for the purpose of adulteration. It was at Mount Pleasant, on the little Uster & Delaware railroad, that I first saw the mill. White beech trees are used. The wood has no flavor or color and is hard and dry. The bark is peeled off and the logs put on a carriage, which forces them against a cutting machine shaped like a pencil-sharpener except that it has five or six knives instead of one. These knives revolve at the rate of from 200 to 300 revolutions a minute and the log is soon cut into fine shavings. After these are thoroughly dried they are put into a hopper and ground the same as wheat or corn. The hour comes out as fine and fragrant as from fine wheat, and is put in bags without any marking on, except a tag with the address, and sent to New York. Where they go here I don't know, but I learned from a man at the mill that there is a pretty good sale for the stuff. He said that part of it was used as paper stock and in the preparation of linocrusta walton. That is the ostensible purpose for which it is made, but the workmen told me that a good deal of the stuff went into the hands of contractors for furnishing Indian rations and that considerable of it also went into the cheap breads sold in the Italian and Hebrew districts in the lower part of the city.

Cats as Humorists.

After reading your article on 'Cats as Humorists' I am obliged to send you an anecdote of mine, a long-haired black Persian, says a writer in the London Spectator. Living in the suburbs, we are infested by cats of all kinds and are perpetually driving them away, aided by the said long-haired favorite, who pursues them off the premises with hair and tail standing widely erect and presenting a most alarming appearance. We feel that this violent demonstration must be a joke, as the same cat constantly carries the remains of her own dinner about twenty-five yards, across an open space and up some steps, to feed the identical animals she has driven off an hour or two previously.

Doctoring Up a Photograph.

A humorous application of bad ethics in photography is to be found in the photographer in an agricultural district who had often occasion to take negatives of cattle and horses. He overcame the difficulty so often experienced of the animals whisking their tails and spoiling the exposure by the ingenious expedient of keeping a large and varied assortment of negatives of cows and horses' tails, from which he selected one that matched that of any given specimen, and printed it in, having previously stopped out the original that was blurred by motion.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

Teachers of Canton and vicinity are requested to meet at the city school building, Saturday, Nov. 1, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of re-organizing the Canton Teachers' association. A short program will be presented. All come. C. B. ISHAM, Superintendent.

Business-Locals.

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GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1890, (being the fourth day thereof) an election will be held in the several voting precincts in Lincoln county, State of South Dakota, for the following state and county officers:

- Two members of congress.
- One governor.
- One lieutenant governor.
- One secretary of state.
- One state treasurer.
- One state auditor.
- One attorney general.
- One superintendent of public instruction.
- One commissioner of school and public lands.
- One commissioner of labor and statistics.
- One county judge.
- One clerk of the circuit and county courts.
- One state attorney.
- One sheriff.
- One county treasurer.
- One county auditor.
- One register of deeds.
- One superintendent of schools.
- One county surveyor.
- One coroner and one county commissioner for the second commissioner district.

Also at the same time and place to vote upon the proposed amendments of the Constitution of the state of South Dakota, as follows:

AMENDMENT TO INCREASE THE STATE DEBT. "For the purpose of defraying extraordinary expenses and making public improvements, or to meet a deficit, or failure in revenue, the state may, in addition to pre-existing debts, contract debts never to exceed in the aggregate \$500,000, except to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or defend the state or United States in war." Also,

AMENDMENT CONCERNING INDIANS. "No Indian who sustains tribal relations, receives support in whole or in part from the government of the United States, or holds unalienable lands in severalty, shall be permitted to vote at any election held under this constitution." Also,

WOMEN SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT. "Shall the word 'male' be stricken from section 2, of article 7 of the constitution relating to elections and right of suffrage." Said act provides that if a majority of the votes are in favor of striking out the word 'male' it shall be stricken out and there shall thereafter be no distinction between males and females in the exercise of the right of suffrage at any election in said state.

FORM OF BALLOT. "Shall the word 'male' be stricken from section two, of article seven of the constitution." Yes. No. All electors desiring to vote in favor of striking out the word "male" must erase the word "no." All voters desiring to vote against striking out the word "male" must erase the word "yes."

The aforesaid proposed amendments are to be voted upon at the general election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, A. D. 1890. Dated this 7th day of August, 1890. C. O. RINGBOLD, Secretary of State.

ELECTION PRECINCTS IN LINCOLN COUNTY. Eden, township, at lumber yard office in Eden, Norway township, at Kommerein school house. Dayton township, at school house in district No. 59. Brookings township, at Brookings school house. Fairview township, at school house in district No. 2. Highland township, at school house in district No. 7. Lincoln township, school house No. 29. Delaware township, at Pleasant View school house. Canton township, at the old Bennett place. Lyon township, at the school house in Worthing. Grant township, at school house in district No. 7. Dayton township, at the school house No. 33.

LaVally township, at school house in district No. 41. Pury township, Gedstad's hall in Brookings. Springfield township, at school house in district No. 90. DeLays township, at school house in district No. 60. City of Canton, at the court house. The polls of said election will be opened at eight o'clock in the forenoon, and continue open till five o'clock in the afternoon of said day. Dated October 4, 1890. H. N. COOPER, County Auditor.

SUMMONS.

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, ss. County of Lincoln. In the Circuit Court thereof; Second Judicial Circuit. David D. Russell, plaintiff vs. Frazier Gilman and John Gilman, his wife, Orrin E. Waterhouse, Charles E. Whitehead and Deere & Company, defendants. The State of South Dakota to the above named defendants: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action which said complaint will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the undersigned, at their office in the City of Sioux Falls in the County of Minnehaha in said State of South Dakota, within thirty days after the date of the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within thirty days after the service of this summons upon you, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the said complaint.

Dated August 14th, A. D. 1890. BAILEY & STODDARD, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Sioux Falls, Minnehaha county, South Dakota.

Take notice that the complaint in the above entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, at Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, on the 16th day of August, A. D. 1890 in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, at Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota.

BAILEY & STODDARD, Attorneys for Plaintiff. SUMMONS. STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, ss. County of Lincoln. In the Circuit Court thereof; Second Judicial Circuit. David D. Russell, Plaintiff, vs. W. C. Carpenter, Mary E. Carpenter, Ed. Carpenter, Horace Neison and D. O. Fore, Defendants. The State of South Dakota to the above named defendants: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action which said complaint will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the undersigned, at their office in the City of Sioux Falls in the County of Minnehaha in said State of South Dakota, within thirty days after the date of the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within thirty days after the service of this summons upon you, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the said Complaint.

Dated August 7th, A. D. 1890. BAILEY & STODDARD, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Sioux Falls, Minnehaha County, South Dakota.

Take notice that the complaint in the above entitled action was duly filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, at Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, on the 15th day of August, A. D. 1890.

BAILEY & STODDARD, Attorneys for Plaintiff. SUMMONS. STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, ss. County of Lincoln. In the Circuit Court thereof; Second Judicial Circuit. Eugene W. Coughran, plaintiff, vs. Michael M. Markley and Mrs. Michael M. Markley, his wife, whose real name is unknown, defendants. THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, to the above named defendants: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action which said complaint will be filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the undersigned, at their office in the City of Sioux Falls in the County of Minnehaha in said State of South Dakota, within thirty days after the date of the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within thirty days after the service of this summons upon you, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the said complaint.

Dated August 9th, A. D. 1890. BAILEY & STODDARD, Attorneys for Plaintiff, Sioux Falls, Minnehaha County, South Dakota.

Take notice that the complaint in the above entitled action was duly filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, at Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, on the 15th day of August, A. D. 1890.

BAILEY & STODDARD, Attorneys for Plaintiff. SUMMONS. STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, ss. County of Lincoln. In the Circuit Court thereof; Second Judicial Circuit. Eugene W. Coughran, plaintiff, vs. Michael M. Markley and Mrs. Michael M. Markley, his wife, whose real name is unknown, defendants. THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA, to the above named defendants: You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action which said complaint will be filed in the office of the clerk of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of the State of South Dakota within and for the County of Lincoln, at Canton, Lincoln County, South Dakota, on the 15th day of August, A. D. 1890.

BAILEY & STODDARD, Attorneys for Plaintiff. J. W. HEWITT, Manufacturer of and dealer in Harness, Saddles, Collars, Bridles, Whips, Combs, Brushes.

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