Wichita Eagle

THE SEDGWICK COUNTY REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

We, the Republicans of Sedgwick county, in convention assembled, again renew our allegiance to the great party of progress and human liberty, whose name we bear, whose traditions we honor, and whose principles we love; and we recall with pride and confidence the fact that the Republican party, first organized to vindicate the rights of man, has ever been mindful of the wishes and desires of the people and prompt to respond to every reasonable demand.

We recognize that agriculture is the great industry of Kansas, upon the prosperity of which the welfare of all classes of our people depends, and we insist that the interests of the farmers shall be a foremost consideration in all legislation and that every demand made by this great and important element of our people shall receive the most prompt attention at the hands of the state legislature.

We believe that the discrimination in freight rates, by railroad corporations depriving their franchises from the state of Kansas, against the people of this state and in favor of communities elsewhere, is an evil demanding the immediate attention of our law makers, and the most prompt and vigorous legislation to repress it.

We also insist that at least one member of the state board of railroad commissioners should be a practical farmer and that sufficient power should be lodged in the commission to enable it to enforce prompt compliance with its decisions.

We favor the most liberal pensions for our veteran soldiers, the free and unlimited coinage of silver, and as large a reduction of the tariff as the necessities and obligations of the government will permit without impairing the principle of protection to American labor, and we instruct our senator and representatives to vote for no man for United States senator who is not sound upon every one of these propositions.

We congratulate our fellow citizens upon the fact that in recent contests in congress over the question of free coinage of silver, the delegation from Kansas stood like a solid rock for free coinage and the known wishes of their constituents, and we note with pride that the leader of the friends of free coinage in the senate was a Kansas Republican; while we also note the fact that the most prominent and inveterate enemy of free coinage in America is the leader and patron saint of Democracy —Grover Cleveland.

We favor the resubmission of the prohibitory amendment to a vote of the people; and, while we recognize an honest difference of opinion among Republicans as to the wisdom and efficiency of prohibition as a temperance measure, we believe that upon the right of the people to vote upon so vital an issue, no true Republican can entertain an honest doubt, and urge upon the coming legislature its submission to the people at the earliest practicable date. And we instruct our delegates to the next state convention at Topeka to labor to secure a resubmission plank in the Republican state platform; and we also instruct our senators and representatives from this county to vote for and support a resolution to submit the prohibitory amendment to a vote of the people.

We favor a most liberal representation of this state and a generous display of its resources at the world's fair to be held in 1892, and we urge upon the legislature to enact without delay broad and comprehensive legislation looking to this end.

We believe the enactment of a national bankruptcy law is a matter of vital interest to this state, and we request Senators Ingalls and Plumb to use every effort to secure the passage of such a measure at the earliest possible date.

We endorse to the fullest extent the principles of reciprocity in our commercial relations with other nations so ably advocated by Hon. James G. Blaine, and we believe that the broad and comprehensive American policy outlined by that distinguished Republican statesman is equally calculated to develop the resources and expand the trade of our country and dignify American statesmanship in the eyes of the world.

We favor the reduction of the salaries of all public officers to a reasonable limit and the abolishing of all useless offices.

At the last session of the legislature of the state of Kansas the office of commissioner of elections was created in cities of the first class, and we deem said office to be without benefit to the people and an unnecessary expense, and we therefore earnestly ask that the law creating said office be repealed at the coming session of the legislature.

We favor an amendment to the mortgage law forbidding waiver of appraisement, securing to the mortgagor a liberal right of redemption after sale, and confining the lender of money exclusively to his real estate security and we instruct our senators and representatives accordingly.

That we demand a revision by our railroad commissioners of the classification of merchandise and rates in our state and demand such classification as will be uniform with that east of the Missouri river and to be no greater than those established by the commissioners of Iowa.

We are in favor of the enactment by the next legislature of a law authorizing judgment debtors to stay execution on all judgments rendered in the district court of the state for a reasonable length of time and under such limitations that will benefit the debtor class and will not impair the rights of the creditors.

We tender hearty thanks to our fellow Republicans of the Seventh congressional district for the nomination of our distinguished fellow citizen, Colonel J. R. Hallowell, as their candidate for congress, and we pledge to him the cordial and united support of the Republicans of Sedgwick county.

All the circumstances of life are in some sort educative. Health and happiness have their lesson of active duty to teach us if we will receive it, and so, likewise, have pain, disease and misfortune, as lately stated by Mr. Spurgeon, a purpose of correction, a chastening and mellowing influence within them. With some natures and moods perhaps it is otherwise. The sharpness of the stroke touches no mental spring but that of self concern, but here again it is the wise who learns. For him these evils, for such they still remain, are also the seeds of sympathy with others in like trouble. If he be through any fault of his own accountable for them, they are in true science as in Scripture the natural recompense of evil, a protest on behalf of needful self control, which he will do well to observe. There is more, therefore, than an apparent tendency to asceticism in this doctrine of disciplinary suffering.

Of course, it does not follow that the prosperous and the healthy must at some time undergo this training by reverses. The same lessons of patience, fellow feeling and self restraint can be learned in other ways, and it is quite certain that the daily round and task abound in opportunities for such wholesome instruction. We are alike justified, therefore, in admitting for this purpose the frequent utility of pain, and in seeking, to the best of our ability, to limit and to destroy by suitable remedies the influence of this otherwise harsh and hurtful instructor. Health of mind and body and well being of estate are alone consistent with perfect life as ordered by nature's plan and the divine will, and every purpose of training is compatible with their full possession and their proper use.—Lancet.

Trying to Make Hair Grow.

Mr. Henry Clews related how he became bald. "Baldness overtook me," he said, "when I was quite a young man. I began to notice that the hair was leaving the top of my head with unhappy haste. One day I spoke to my barber about it. He said the remedy was simple enough. All that was necessary was that the top of my head should be shaved regularly for about six months. I could wear a toupee, or half wig, and nobody would be the wiser, and at the end of six months my hair would come out strong and always remain so. I went to a wigmaker and asked him if he could prescribe a cure for baldness. He, too, advised shaving the head. That was exceedingly cheering. Two men of science harmonized.

"I bought a toupee of the wigmaker. I remember that I paid $30 for it. Then I had my head shaved twice a week regularly. Occasional examinations of the top of my head were not very encouraging. But thinking that all would be well in time I persevered. At the end of six months I was forced to confess that I had less hair than before. Indeed there was no hair at all on the top of my head. Wearing the toupee had kept out the air and killed the roots. I threw the toupee away and philosophically accepted my fate."—New York Times.

Reverses of French Noblemen.

Sad have been the reverses of the old French nobility since Edmund Burke penned his splendid eulogy. According to M. Lescure a grandson of that same Marquis d'Hauteroche who chivalrously requested the English troops at the battle of Fontenoy to "fire first" ended his days as a common policeman. Sadder still, from the point of view of the amateurs of "blue blood," one of the noble family of Babon de la Bourdaisiere is now a washerwoman. Representatives of other noble families equally famous in their time are, or were, according to the same authority, occupying the humble positions of gamekeeper, carpenter's apprentice, house painter, cab driver, miller's assistant, innkeeper, conductor of an omnibus, box opener at a theatre, gas man, bathing man, maker of mousetraps, chorus singer at the opera, and woodman, while one, who is a great grandcousin of the illustrious Cardinal de Retz, unites in his own person the lowly offices of grave digger and village fiddler.—London News.

A Vice President Fishing.

When Hannibal Hamlin was vice president of the United States he went fishing in a Canadian stream and had struck a splendid salmon. A boat approached in which were the English treaty commissioners. Mr. Hamlin was meeting the crisis with the vigor and skill of an accomplished angler. The Englishmen, as their boat drew near, saw that he was battling with a noble foe. When told who the gentlemen were Mr. Hamlin called out, "You must excuse me till I land this salmon!" The introduction was deferred for about half an hour, when the Englishmen were able to salute not only the vice president, but the conqueror of a kingly salmon. He decided the question of etiquette offhand, though it is to be presumed that the salmon would have preferred the following of the venerable and accepted rule—drop everything when a caller is announced.—St. Louis Republic.

The Busiest Man in the World.

It is a bare matter of fact to say that Voltaire never knew what a vacant moment was. Planning, writing, revising or directing the performance of a play; composing some pamphlet which, read by every cultivated person in Europe, would furnish fertile food for many an hour's conversation in courts and coteries; penning or dictating letters, of which the series is so inexhaustible that Charles Nodier is reported to have said: "What! More unpublished letters of Voltaire! The only end to them will be the end of the world!"—Gentleman's Magazine.

The Usual Way.

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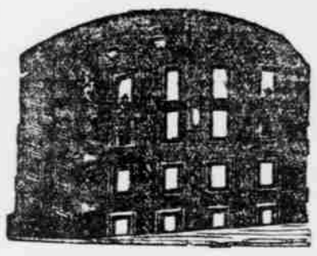

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DAUGHTERS OF EVE.

Fanny Davenport is said to have brought two asps home with her.

Miss Annie A. de Barr has received a license as a mechanical engineer from the Chicago board of engineers.

Miss Charlotte Mary Yonge is 67 years old, and is busily engaged in writing her one hundred and first book.

Mrs. Morilla M. Ricker, the first woman admitted to the New Hampshire bar, never receives a retainer or accepts a fee.

Bertha von Hillern, the German artiste, is said to have made a lot of money by speculations in Virginia real estate.

Mrs. U. S. Grant is rarely seen outside the family circle. Her eyesight has become very poor and her health is somewhat broken.

Mrs. Jacob Brenton, of Lancaster, N. H., has learned five languages while a hopeless invalid these seven years past, including Volapuk.

Mrs. Robert G. Ingersoll is the recipient of countless tracts, church prints, leaflets and religious publications, embracing every modern creed.

Miss Alice Wood, of Queechee, Vt., recently mowed a field of grass fifty acres in extent. She did the work alone, using a mower drawn by two horses.

Mrs. Mary S. Howell, of Albany, is the first woman to make an address to a college graduating class. She did it recently to the class of Dakota college.

Ella Chamberlain, a Swampscott, Mass., beauty, has developed a talent for whistling, and will go abroad to contend for court honors with Mrs. Shaw.

Miss Fanny Gary, a young lady of wealth and position in Chicago, recently acted as substitute for a girl who works in a tailor shop while the latter took a much needed holiday.

Dr. Emma E. Chase, of St. Louis, has been elected a full member of the American Dental association, the first woman, it seems, upon whom this honor has been conferred.

Mrs. Green Morrison, of East Gainesville, Tex., recently dug a well in her back yard with a pick and shovel. She did the work entirely alone with the thermometer at 105 in the shade.

Mrs. Henry M. Stanley's early life was spent in Paris, where she studied her art under Bonnat and Duran. She and all her family speak French with absolutely the same ease as English.

Miss Jennie Williams, whose marriage to Lord Petrie is announced, is a New Albany (Ind.) girl with whom the peer became smitten at the London Alhambra, where she was engaged as a soubrette.

Miss H. R. Graser is a custom house broker in Cincinnati, and is believed to be the only woman in America engaged in that business. She is said to have the patronage of some of the largest houses in Cincinnati.

A young Russian noble, the Baroness Loubanowski, is going to ride from St. Petersburg to Odessa, 1,500 miles, to win a bet and to break the record which was set some years ago by the Austrian Archduchess Maria Theresa.

Miss Minerva Parker, a Philadelphia architect, has been picked out by the executive committee of the women's department of the World's fair to draw plans for the Queen Isabella pavilion to be erected on the grounds of the women's department.

St. Thomas was shot by a shower of arrows while at prayer, and afterward run through the body with a lance.—St. Louis Republic.

LODGE ROOM GOSSIP.

NEWS AND NOTES OF THE VARIOUS SECRET SOCIETIES.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, a Society of Colored People, and John J. Smith, One of Its Most Prominent Officers.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows includes almost all of the more intelligent and thrifty colored people in the vicinity of Boston, says The Globe, of that city. It has exerted upon its members a vast amount of influence for good. It is looked upon not only as the largest, but as the only representative order of colored men, not only in New England, but in the United States.

The first lodge in America was the Philomathean, 646, and was opened by Peter Ogden in 1843. It is called the mother of all the other United States lodges.

The G. U. O. O. F. in America works under a dispensation from the G. U. O. O. F. in England. This is because of the fact that previous to 1841 colored men had made application for admission to the I. O. O. F., but were refused. However, the order was started in 1843, and from that one lodge others were instituted, until today the lodges in this country are in the three thousands, and are found in every state of the Union, with the exception of the three northern New England states. Lodges have also been opened in Canada and the West Indies, and steps are about to be taken for the introduction of the order among the people of mixed blood in South America, Mexico and Central America.

JOHN J. SMITH.

The order is divided into four district houses—the Subordinate lodge, Past Grand Master's council, Household of Ruth, and the Patriarchs. The last is the military branch; the Household of Ruth is the female department.

The order as a whole is governed by a committee of management in England. Their charters, pass words and other works are received from that body.

The grand master of the order in this country is William M. T. Forester, of Richmond, Va.

Four years after the introduction of Odd Fellowship among colored men in this country Bay State lodge, 814, was opened.

Almost from its beginning this lodge was foremost in advancing the rights of the race. At that time colored organizations were not permitted to use Faneuil Hall. In 1848, when Josiah Quincy was mayor, the lodge, through his influence and that of many other citizens, celebrated its first anniversary in that hall. The hall was crowded. Mayor Quincy was present with his wife, and made an address, the oration being delivered by John J. Smith. Also at this anniversary were the delegates to the first biennial session of the G. U. O. O. F. in America.

Bay State lodge was also allowed to parade in the procession celebrating the introduction of water into Boston in 1849, being thereby the first colored organization to take part in a public demonstration of that kind in Boston.

According to the papers of that time considerable excitement was created about this participation.

With the exception of John J. Smith all of its founders are dead. John J. Smith is the oldest colored Odd Fellow in New England, not by age, but by membership in the order.

Mr. Smith was born in Richmond, Va., and went to Boston when he was 19 years old. Hardly had his feet touched the streets of Boston when he was found agitating, in company with Benjamin Roberts, for the cause of his people in Boston. He has served in the Republican ward and city committee and in the common council; has been to the legislature and served on several important committees, among which is the committee on federal relations; has been a delegate to the Republican state convention over twenty times, and was delegate to the national Republican convention that nominated Gen. Garfield for president.

ROYAL ARCANUM.

Supreme Regent Watts on the Prosperity of the Order—Notes.

Supreme Regent Watts, of Portsmouth, Pa., in his annual address to the latest meeting of the supreme council, said:

"The year just closed has been one of marked progress. Everywhere the order has grown with a healthy and steady growth, and its influence for good has been largely increased. The increase in membership during the year 1889 was the largest in our history. On the 31st day of December, 1888, we numbered 86,991. During the year 13,428 were initiated, giving us a membership, deaths and suspensions deducted, of 97,957 Dec. 31, 1889, or a net gain of 10,966 members. Since Jan. 1, 1890, the accessions have numbered 6,451, giving the total of over 100,000. The financial exhibit is even more gratifying. The total amount of death benefits paid to May 1, 1889, was $11,672,700; amount paid since that date to May 1, 1890, $2,399,878.30, giving a total of $13,472,578.30 paid since the institution of the order in June, 1877."

In point of membership New York heads the list of states with 15,581 members, and Massachusetts is next with 11,313. The number of deaths in the order during the year was 748.

The supreme secretary reports having received from the grand jurisdiction of Massachusetts during the month of March 181 applications, during April 182, and during May 119, with a grand total as follows: March, 2,014; April, 2,120; May, 1,678.

I. O. O. F.

An Interesting and Important Question Answered—Notes.

The Ohio State Journal in answering the question, "Is Odd Fellowship a benefit to the community at large?" says that from an economical and pecuniary standpoint alone it is a relief directly to the general body of taxpayers of the United States to the extent of about $2,000,000 annually, and indirectly to the extent of double that amount.

The total membership in the Rebekah Degree lodge is about 100,000. During the year 1888 the total deductions through withdrawals, deaths, etc., were 7,653. The gross increase for the same year was 24,496.

A new canton, composed entirely of Germans, will shortly be organized at Syracuse, N. Y.

The first lodge of the order in Illinois was instituted in 1836.

Uncle Sam's Mucilage.

No matter how good the mucilage may be one makes, one never considers it as good as the postage stamp mucilage. Every one tries to duplicate it. It is not hard to make it, as the preparation is very simple. Here it is: Dextrine, two parts; acetic acid, one part; water, five parts; alcohol, one part.—New York Journal.

Paul was beheaded by command of Nero.

St. Luke was hanged on an olive tree in Greece.

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An interesting old man is Victor La Fort, who at the age of 80 has retired from business and is living a well earned life of ease at Chicago. La Fort has been a cook all his days—chef is the distinctive title in which he rejoices. He is a native of France, and was first introduced to the mysteries of the kitchen when but 9 years of age at the famous Restaurant de Chevail in Paris. After the close of his apprenticeship he served successively the Duc de Choiseule, the Duc de Reichstadt (son of Napoleon I) and the Count St. Hilaire. His next employer was Meredith Calhoun, a wealthy citizen of Alabama, with whom La Fort traveled through many parts of Europe and Asia, and with whom he came to America.

In the United States he held among other positions that of chef at Delmonico's famous New York restaurant, and during the war he was located at Richmond, Va. Then he went to Mexico and superintended the cuisine of Maximilian until the ill fated emperor met defeat and death. After that he engaged in various hotel enterprises, and now has settled down to the ease of private life. M. La Fort is a stalwart, well preserved man, and does not look his age by at least a score of years. He has never used tobacco or strong liquor. Sometimes, however, he drinks beer or wine diluted with water. In 1832 he was ill for a week. With this exception he knows nothing of sickness. One of the dinners he has served, and of which he loves to speak, was given to a party including four European monarchs.

VICTOR LA FORT.

AN ACTIVE LIFE ENDED.

The Successful Career of a Chicago Physician Recently Deceased.

Dr. Jonathan Adams Allen, who died at Chicago the other day, achieved high rank as a medical man, and at the time of his demise was not only possessed of a large private practice, but was also professor of the principles and practice of medicine and clinical medicine at Rush Medical college and dean of the institution. He was born in Middlebury, Vt., Jan. 16, 1823, and at the age of 16 entered college, graduating in 1845 as A. B., and in 1846 as M. D. He began his professional life in Indiana, and later on was connected with the medical branch of the colleges at Ann Arbor and Kalamazoo, Mich.

DR. J. ADAMS ALLEN.

After declining many offers from various points, Dr. Allen was induced by the late Professor Daniel Brainard to accept the position at Rush Medical college which he held up to his death. In his profession Dr. Allen ranked almost from the start with the foremost, and he received many of its highest honors. The doctor was a permanent member of the American Medical association, and in January, 1859, was elected president of the State Medical society of Michigan. He was also a Freemason of high standing.

Among the mass of professional papers written by Dr. Allen none has perhaps attracted wider attention than that upon the "Mechanism of Nervous Action," for which the claim is made that it antedates works by Marshall Hall and other distinguished physiologists. Dr. Allen also gained large renown by his frequent connection with cases in the courts involving questions in medical jurisprudence.

The Theatre Libre in Paris.

One of the first plays produced by the Theatre Libre in Paris was "L'Evasion," by the late Count de Villiers de l'Isle-Adam. It is the romantic story of a felon who, after killing his companion in chains, escapes from the hulks and gains admittance to a house where he is to murder the master and his wife. At sight of the newly married pair and the love they bear each other the convict is deterred by moral consciousness from his criminal purpose. Even when by stabbing the couple he might avoid falling into the hands of those sent to arrest him, he prefers to be taken and sent to the gallows for the murder of the maid servant rather than plunge his knife into two such loving and innocent hearts. The play, intensely thrilling, is as moral in tone as it is artistic in style and treatment, and the wonder remains that a production so high minded should, as it was, have been found among rejected pieces in the waste basket of another manager.

It Has Its Drawbacks.

"There is a pleasure in the pathless woods,"
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