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REPUBLICAN TICKET
NATIONAL
For President BENJAMIN HARRISON of Indiana
For Vice President WHITELAW REED of New York
For Governor JOHN T. RICE of Michigan

WEATHER
WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—For lower Michigan: Showers; warmer during Saturday; cooler Saturday night; north winds becoming variable.

IT WILL BE WORSE

Notwithstanding the protests of the democrats that they are anxious only that the state shall be fair and equitably apportioned they are resorting to every subterfuge and party expedient to submit a radical and unfair bill. With the numerical power to override the objections of the republicans and with the assurance that a partisan bill will stand the test of judicial scrutiny, they are emboldened to take extreme liberties with the confidence of the people in their purpose to enact a liberal apportionment measure.

TIN PLATE LIARS

When a democrat gratuitously and without solicitation declares that democratic editors are untruthful, when they say tin plate is not manufactured in this country, his declaration should be entitled to passing respect and investigation by them. The Democrat of this city has persistently maintained that there are no tin plate mills in actual operation in this country.

NOT WORSE CONSIDERED

Much was promised of the people's party in Alabama in the late election. It was said that the party is strong in that state and that it would develop some radical changes. The result proves that it is not a considerable figure in the contest.

ple, but they are as barren of sincerity as an egg is of feathers. Here in Michigan the same conditions exist. The professional agitators are in the positions of party trust. They are named in the ticket. They are everywhere and anywhere but at work. They predict that their party will make a showing that will frighten the old parties. This is the way the auctioneer always introduces something of little value to his customers. One year ago the people's party leaders predicted that Richardson would be elected to congress in this district. The democrats foolishly bought and paid for their empty boasts. The election disclosed that the vote had fallen away from the meagre totals of the year before. They are predicting again this year. The democrats will buy again, if they are so foolish, and the result will be a showing even more disastrous than that of last year. Left to itself the party will die, for so soon as the leaders can no longer barter and sell, the attraction is gone.

PRUDENT WESTON told a reporter for the Chicago Post that he "didn't see a blamed name on the people's party ticket that he knew" except that of a Grand Rapids man. Somebody ought to introduce him to Attorney General Hills, and to Candidate Belden, whom he appointed to a chairmanship on a world's fair sub-committee. Such ignorance as to the identity of the great and growing state of Michigan ought never to be tolerated in an ex-chairman of the democratic state committee, even though he be president of the world's fair board and owner of a democratic newspaper.

WHAT could be more unfortunate for the free trade democrats than the reports made by Dun and Bradstreet, showing that the country is experiencing an era of unexampled prosperity under the wise and beneficent provisions of the McKinley bill? Never before since the war have the industrial and mercantile interests exercised such enormous and healthy functions. The calamity howler and free trader can make no headway against these irrefragable facts and figures.

POTTS & CONGER of Grand Haven have issued an historical and business compendium of Ottawa county in two volumes. Besides the matter usually found in directories it contains a well-written sketch of Ottawa county from the earliest settlement down to the present day. It is carefully edited, creditably printed and tastefully bound. The work is well worth a place in the bookcase of every citizen of Ottawa county.

DENVER is filling up with visitors from mountain and valley to see the flower of masonry, the Knights Templars, on dress parade. Denver isn't big enough to accommodate the crowds, but the proper committees are doing their utmost to find a place for everybody. The delegation from this city will be housed and fed in knightly style on its arrival pursuant to arrangements made in advance.

WINANS' message to the legislature breathes forth the sorrowing spirit of the writer. It is sad for him that the blunders of his illustrious and ignorant, not to say vicious compatriots, have drawn the curtain on his political hopes. Poor Winans, if he could have been elected without a legislature he might have served without a stain.

If Objector Holman had been at home by an attack of common sense the great American congress would have adjourned one week ago. It costs \$28,000 a day to run congress, but Holman would keep the house in session a week to defeat a \$5,000 appropriation for a widow's pension.

OUR esteemed contemporary, The Democrat, urges that the McKinley bill increases the price of everything the consumer buys, and in order to prove it and get democrats to read its arguments reduces the price of the paper from five to two cents a copy.

LATE specials from Lansing convey the sad intelligence that Dannie Campbell and Frankie Hooford have been set down upon by the squawbucks who have decided to gerrymander in their own way. This is dreadful for Dannie and Frankie.

PROF. HOLDEN thinks Mars is trying to communicate with the earth. Somebody ought to put Mars on his guard or the old war god will be buncoed and flim-flammed before he has fairly obtained an introduction.

Not including mileage and incidental expenses it has cost the state of Michigan more than a thousand dollars in the last twenty-four hours to pay for the first session of the squawbucks to correct their gerrymander.

DAN SOPKA is not on hand with his brethren to pilot the gerrymander. Dan is out in the cold without a folding bed to sleep on nor a legislative manual to read and comfort him in his loneliness.

CHICAGO proudly declares that it doesn't fear cholera. Ever since Carter Harrison went into Jerusalem Chicago has been getting more reckless every day.

JUST as the democratic congress, which has disgraced the nation, is about to adjourn the democratic legislature, which has disgraced Michigan, is called to order.

ENTRANCE is a deplorable thing, but when extravagance and cold blooded avarice are welded into a congress the situation becomes heart-rending.

GROVER is so badly affected with the letter-writing mania that he is expected soon to begin writing to the bluish of Buzzard's bay.

CAUGHT IN THE ACT

Gilbert Ball Has Been Robbing the Mails.

OFF FOR THE CONCLAVE

De Molai Commandery Departed for Denver Yesterday.

OPENED REGISTERED LETTERS

And Then Cleverly Sealed the Envelopes Again—He is the Son of Morley's Postmaster.

Gilbert Ball, a young man 17 years old, and deputy postmaster at Morley, was arrested yesterday by Deputy United States Marshal Brewster on a charge of taking money from registered letters. He was brought to this city and arraigned before United States Commissioner McQuewan at 7 o'clock last evening. The young man waived examination and the commissioner held him to the grand jury in the sum of \$1,000. In default of bail he was confined in the county jail here to await the action of the grand jury.

The story of young Ball's system of robbing the mails and the manner in which he was detected is a new one, his plan of operations being original so far as the knowledge of the United States postal authorities extends in such cases. Orville Ball, father of the young man, is postmaster and he appointed his son deputy.

Somewhat over a year ago complaints from the offices surrounding Morley began to pour into the department at Washington, that registered letters were received containing no money. Trouble from this source ceased in June of last year, but in the following November the thieving began again. Postal Inspector J. J. Larmour was detailed by the department to trace down the source of the robbery. He went to work with decency letters and marked bills in the vicinity of the Morley post-office, but nothing occurred to furnish the official with a clue. The manner in which the letters were opened and the money was soon discovered. It was found that the outer or large envelope which contained the smaller one had in each case been cleverly opened. The flap of the envelope had been raised at one end and the envelope had been cut across with a sharp knife, making an opening through which the inner or small envelope containing the money had been taken. The small envelope had been steamed and opened.

After the letter had been extracted the envelope was sealed and put back into the large envelope. The sealed flap had been resealed with mastic glue so neatly that the opening through which the letter had been taken was covered, entirely concealing its existence. The inspector finally concluded that the work had been done at the Morley office, and, accordingly, mailed a registered letter at Sylvester, a few miles from Morley, addressed to Boston and marked the bills enclosed. He and Deputy Marshal Brewster boarded a G. & I. train yesterday morning and waited the result. When they reached the station at Morley they went into the postal car where the clerk was distributing mail and the inspector at once recognized his marked letter. He took the package and opened it across the end, when he discovered the same condition as had characterized the disturbed letters on former occasions. The money had also been taken from the smaller envelope.

The officers left the train at Howard City and took a freight train back to Morley. They found the young man and his clerk in the postal office which they were operating themselves. Ball was asked what he did with the money he took from the registered letter the night before. The question was a complete surprise to the young man, but upon being asked he made a clean breast of the whole matter and opened a drawer in the office, revealing \$17, among which were the two \$2 bills and the \$1 bill that had been put into the registered letter by Inspector Larmour. The young man stated that he had been taking money from letters for some time. The inspector during his investigations had accumulated nine letters that had been opened as described. Money lost in this way has been reported to the amount of \$120 up to date. Mr. Ball, father of the young man, was taken by surprise by the revelations made by the officers and was nearly prostrated by his son's crime. The boy is a bright, intelligent fellow and was respected by his neighbors and associates. His habits have been considered as exemplary and his cause for his actions could be assigned. His father is a prominent member of the church and feels the disgrace of his son's arrest keenly.

FR. LAMY IS DEAD. A Well-Known Priest Dies in New Orleans.

Several weeks ago the Rev. Theodore Lamy, C. S. S. R., pastor of St. Alphonsus' church in this city, was taken to St. Mary's hospital, Detroit, to be treated for a complication of diseases, brought about by never-ceasing toil as a parish priest. At the hospital his condition gradually grew worse, and the first of this week it became evident that Fr. Lamy had only a few days to live. When informed that death was near, the courageous priest prepared himself for entrance to another world, and started for New Orleans, where the Redemptorist's house to which he belonged is located. He grew rapidly worse from the moment he left Detroit, but the desire to die at home buoyed him up until he reached his destination, where he quietly expired yesterday fortified by the last rites of the church of which he was a devoted son.

What the Fourth Can't Use. Company E, Second Infantry, Michigan state troops, has received several belts which have been condemned in the Fourth regiment. This is supposed to be the first time since the company has also received a small box from General Wood, which contains that company's requisition, minus coats and trousers.

Jeffersonian Club Dedication. The Jeffersonian club will hold a meeting Tuesday evening to formally dedicate their new hall over Dikeman's jewelry store. At that time the executive committee will also meet and action be taken on the call of Chairman Black, asking for a grand mass meeting of democratic clubs on November 4.

Emerson Home Meeting. Every person interested in the welfare of the Emerson home is requested to attend a meeting to be held in the home on South Waterloo street at 3 o'clock this afternoon. An entirely new organization will be perfected and other business of importance transacted.

Athletic Club Notes. The Athletic club, the expert horizontal bar performers, are considering several very interesting offers for the coming season.

The Grand Rapids Independent Athletic club will hold a private social session this evening (Saturday) in its club rooms.

It is the intention of the members to make the year surpass all previous ones in club work.

During the coming season the club will give a series of parties and several other social functions.

J. W. Marsell will join Pickett's spectacular company next month.

The club is now entering upon its second year in its new quarters.

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WHAT THE UNARMED MAN WISHED FOR WHEN HE MET THE BEAR

Is easily guessed and what he wished for at that time. All you sportsmen who are not now supplied will be wishing for when August 15 comes around. On that day the law on shooting woodcock will be "off," and if you have not now got a gun you ought to provide yourself with one. The New Baker for \$25.00 you will find to be the best double barreled shot gun you ever saw for the money. The Winchester Repeating Shot Gun, with which you can fire six shots without reloading, is the best of the kind in the market and cheap at \$18.00. We have Remington Shot Guns for \$55.00, Whitmore Hammerless for \$50.00, Lefevre Hammerless, Parker Bros.' Hammerless—you all know them, Smith Hammerless, Winchester and Marlin Rifles, Flobert & Quackenbush Rifles, Boys' Shot Guns, single and double barrel, from \$2.00 to \$10.00. In fact, to make a long story short we feel justified in saying we have the largest and most complete assortment of Guns, Revolvers and Sporting Goods in general of any house in the State of Michigan.

FOSTER & STEVENS MONROE ST. Advertisement for a sporting goods store.