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PANTS M'CONNELL'S PLANS.

The Inventor of the Iroquois Club Slapjack Wants to Be Governor of Illinois,

Having Ordered a No. 6 Hat and Ten Pairs of Trousers to Run In.

He Appeals to Free Silver, Free Lunch and Free Lungs to Help Him Out.

He Will Borrow Helsing's Side Whiskers to Fan Himself With on the Stump.

Following is a translation of telegrams sent to the Staats Zeitung by Mr. Helsing on Tuesday:

Springfield, June 4, 10 a. m.—Have just arrived. Barbers have gone on a strike; more later.

WASHINGTON HESING.

Springfield, June 4, 11 a. m.—Barbers strike is over. Have shaved chin; sides still bloom.

WASHINGTON HESING.

Springfield, June 4, noon.—Red Hot market booming. General advance owing to expected arrival of Ancient Order of Hats to-night.

WASHINGTON HESING.

Springfield, June 4, 1 p. m.—Situation is worrisome. Have just pulled seven gray hairs out of my left wing.

WASHINGTON HESING.

Springfield, June 4, 2 p. m.—Have just received a telegram from General Lieb asking me to stand firm. Will do so.

WASHINGTON HESING.

Springfield, June 4, 3 p. m.—The farmers are getting sense. Have just talked to six of them. Gold is on top.

WASHINGTON HESING.

Springfield, June 4, 4 p. m.—Distressing rumor prevails that train with Ancient Order of Hats is side-tracked on account of rise in red-hot market. Fear that something has happened to Coughlin.

WASHINGTON HESING.

Springfield, June 4, 5 p. m.—Ancient Order has just arrived. All Hats in line. Bath House at their head. Bath House has just given me a ticket to the convention. Country is safe.

WASHINGTON HESING.

both of Chicago, gold watches and pocketbooks well filled with money.

"Frank Cox, editor of the Streator Daily Star, pocketbook and several railroad passes.

"Philonen Stout, of Chicago, gold watch and \$300.

"W. K. Sullivan, of Chicago, gold watch and \$250.

"Assistant Attorney General Newell, watch and pocketbook.

"Other minor thefts were docketed. The following alleged pickpockets have been arrested and are in jail:

"Charles Clark, John Mohoney, James Walton, John Reynolds, George Culver, John O'Connor, James Bennett, Alfred Unger and Jesse Whiting.

"The last named was arrested in the center aisle of Representative Hall while Gen. McClernand was making his address. The city never has been so full of thieves as it is to-night."

Outside of the McConnell end of it, the convention got along nicely enough. The platform as adopted was as follows:

"Whereas, Silver and gold have been the principal money metals of the world for thousands of years, and silver money recognized and used as honest money between nations, notwithstanding the varying ratios between silver and gold; and

"Whereas, The demonetization of silver has deprived the people of the free use and benefits of an invaluable and original money metal, and has increased debts and added to the burdens of the people by lowering the value of labor products; and

"Whereas, The constitution of the United States prohibits the use of anything but gold and silver coin as legal tender for the payment of debts, thereby recognizing that coin composed of silver and gold is honest money and fit to be used as a legal tender; therefore, by the Democracy of Illinois, in convention assembled, be it

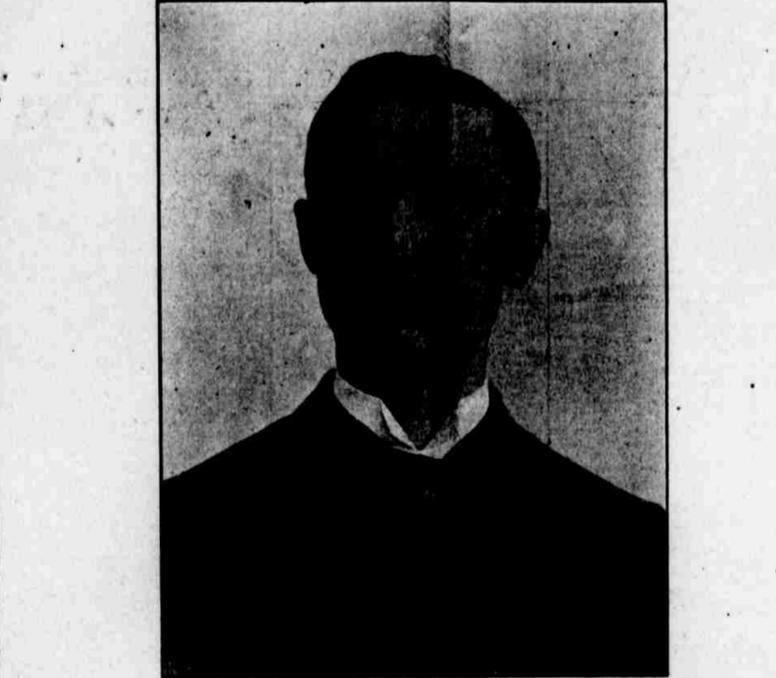
"Resolved, That we are in favor of the use of both gold and silver as the standard money of the United States, and demand the free and unlimited coinage of both metals at the ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the action of any other nation and that such coins shall be a legal tender for all debts, both public and private, and that all contracts hereafter executed for the payment of money, whether in gold, silver or coin, may be discharged by any money which is by law a legal tender.

"We hereby endorse the action of the Democratic State Central Committee in calling this convention, and we instruct the committee to carry out the will of this convention as expressed in its platform by inaugurating and carrying on a campaign of education in this State, and to thoroughly organize the Democracy of the State on the lines laid down in the platform of this convention.

"Resolved, That we request the Democratic National Committee to call a Democratic national convention to consider the money question not later than August, 1895. If the said national committee refuses to call such a convention, then we invite the Democratic State committees of the other States to take concurrent action with the Democratic State committee of this State in calling such a convention.

"Resolved, That the Democratic members of Congress and members of the Senate from this State be and are hereby instructed to use every honorable means, to carry out the principles above enunciated."

District delegates to the national con-



HON. WILLIAM D. KENT, Commissioner of Public Works.

vention, in case one is held, were selected as follows:

First—Thomas Gahan and Frank J. Gaultier.

Second—F. H. Kern and Thomas Byrne.

Third—John J. Coughlin and William O'Brien.

Fourth—Thomas G. Gallagher and James McAndrews.

Fifth—John Clancy and John J. Brennan.

Sixth—H. C. Bartling and Frank Agnew.

Seventh—D. G. Moore and J. W. Lanehart.

Eighth—James Brannen of Sycamore and Phillip Freiler of Elgin.

Ninth—M. H. Cleary of Galena and Charles Nieman of Freeport.

Tenth—Charles K. Ladd of Kewanee and M. J. Daugherty of Galesburg.

Eleventh—D. Heenan of Streator and C. S. Brydlin of Fairbury.

Twelfth—J. W. Downey of Joliet and G. M. McDowell of Danville.

Thirteenth—W. H. Purcell of Champaign and David Feinley of Normal.

Fourteenth—Charles Foshender of Lacon and Late C. Breeden of Lewis-ton.

Fifteenth—C. S. Hearne of Quincy and I. P. Kennedy of Browning.

Sixteenth—H. T. Rainey of Carrollton and Sylvester Allen of Bluffs.

Seventeenth—W. E. Nelson of Decatur and T. W. McNeely of Peteraburg.

Eighteenth—Rufus Hull of Sullivan and W. H. Dowdy of Greenville.

Nineteenth—George M. Leeron of Effingham and J. W. Graham of Marshall.

Twentieth—W. S. Cantrell of Benton and J. B. Creighton of Fairfield.

Twenty-first—N. B. Morrison of Odia and E. C. Pace of Ashley.

Twenty-second—H. N. Detrich of Anna and F. M. Youngblood of Carbondale.

Delegates at large—John P. Hopkins of Chicago, W. H. Hinrichsen of Jacksonville, George W. Fithian of Newton, and Lewis B. Parsons of Flora.

Alternates—John Warner of Peoria, John Wasson of Knox, Alfred Greindorf of Sangamon, and L. O. Whitnell of Johnson.

But you ought to have seen Wash! He did not open his mouth. But he brought in his side whiskers, and so weak was the postmaster, from overworking his jaws in the hotel tobias, that the magnificent cheek talls had to be supported—Private Secretary Cahill holding up one side and one of the Pants McConnell's pals lifted up the other. When Mr. Michaels, of the Free Press delivered his splendid speech the Ancient Order of Hats, from the seats kindly given them in the gallery, yelled for Helsing.

But no Helsing arose.

He silently sat and shrunk, until Ald. John Coughlin took pity on him, and said: "Boys, we are on a dead card."

Trading in the brewery shares furnished the feature of a strong and ac-

tive stock market during the week. The stocks sold at advancing quotations on the belief that the agreement among the brewers will surely go through and the price of beer be raised to \$5 a barrel. The agreement is not yet signed by all of the brewers, but all excepting a few have promised to sign. Mr. Munro, who has been here for a couple of weeks working with local brewers to bring about an arrangement, is still in the city.

Mr. R. J. MacDonald, the new superintendent of streets, is giving great satisfaction to all classes of people. He will make a most popular record for himself in the office.

The Record is taking a vote on the silver question. Up to Thursday the majority was greatly in favor of free silver.

The Civic Federation will wait a day or two before making an attempt to close the Hawthorne track, which opened Tuesday. The week will be spent, it is asserted, by the agents of the federation in collecting evidence.

As to the purpose of the federation, Secretary Ralph Easley said Wednesday: "The Civic Federation is not in the habit of announcing its program in advance, but it has not gone to sleep. The fight on the race-tracks will be kept up as long as they try to keep open. Personally, I do not know whether anything has been done with reference to the opening of Hawthorne today or not."

Ex-Judge Thomas A. Moran, whom the daily papers have practically settled in the chair of the Attorney General, don't any knowledge of the subject and says that he has heard nothing except current rumor.

"It's all newspaper talk," Judge Moran declared Wednesday. "I know nothing about the matter save what I have seen in the papers and of course can say nothing about it."

Attorney Levy Mayer, Judge Moran's partner in the legal profession, spoke as follows:

"All I can say is this: Some gentlemen in Washington have discussed the matter and are anxious to secure Judge Moran's consent to the presentation of his name to the President for the latter's consideration. I cannot give any other information. As to whether the position will be tendered to Judge Moran, I do not know. As to whether the Judge would accept the office if tendered he alone can answer. The whole affair was started in Washington and neither the Judge nor his friends here have anything to do with it."

Lawyers about town do not think that Judge Moran will accept the position if offered.

"He can't afford to take it," said one prominent attorney. "The salary would be only \$8,000 a year, and the inevitable change of administration in 1897 would throw him out of office after a

brief incumbency. His present income is far in excess of \$8,000 and he will hardly sacrifice himself on the altar of Democracy while he is prospering here."

The Illinois State Federation of Labor and Trade and Labor Assembly propose to make the Fourth of July celebration in Sharpshooters' Park the grandest labor demonstration that has ever been held in this city. Positive promises to be present have been received from Gov. McKinley, Vice President Stevenson, John McBride, president of the American Federation of Labor, and P. H. Morrissey, president of the National Brotherhood of Trainmen.

Mr. P. H. Duggan, after a useful career, has resigned his position on the City School Board.

Hon. William J. Campbell, Illinois member of the Republican National Committee, says that the next Republican National Convention will be held in Chicago in May of next year.

In the Rand, McNally Building Director General George R. Davis is writing the report of the World's Columbian Exposition. The document, which will be given out in about ten days, will be almost the last official utterance of the men who made the great fair. A few chapters may be added recording the settlements of various claims in favor of or against the exposition, and the National Commission may see fit to add a tag to Col. Davis' report when it is forwarded to Congress. The complete summary of the fair, however, is in the approaching publication. The report covers everything in the administrative department of the fair, from inception to close, and it is twenty in that it is a solid record of things accomplished, the manner and cost of their accomplishment and the results. Col. Davis has eschewed comment and suggestion, although some of his statistics speak for themselves. An example is the contrast between one building, in which the floor space available for exhibits was only 37 per cent. of the total, and the mining building, which had 70 per cent. of its floor in use. There are twenty volumes of the report, of several hundred large, typewritten pages each, and 3,000 photographs are inserted as illustrations. The reports of the thirteen department chiefs are incorporated.

The Board of Lincoln Park Commissioners is a supine body. Some time ago it passed an ordinance prohibiting bicyclists from riding more than two abreast.

But they pay no attention whatever to Lincoln Park ordinances.

Bicyclists ride fifteen and twenty abreast in Lincoln Park every night at the height of speed, and to the great danger of pedestrians and others.

GROWLING OVER THE GRUEL.

County Commissioners from the City Say They Must Have Some More Patronage.

They Want Chicago People to Have the Lion's Share of the Many Little Jobs,

And Are Complaining About the Hoggishness of the Gentlemen from the Country Towns.

General Gossip from the Haunts of the Politicians and the Offices of the Government.

The Republicans control the Board of County Commissioners, which body is composed of fifteen members.

Ten of these members are elected from the city of Chicago, which has 1,800,000 inhabitants, and five of them are elected from the country towns, which have 30,000 inhabitants.

Now, under the peculiar Civil Service rules which govern Cook County at the present time, each commissioner is allowed \$1,440 worth of patronage in the way of small jobs to distribute.

The ten city members have arisen in their might and are making vigorous objection to this sort of thing being kept up any longer.

They say that it is wrong to put them on an equality with the members from the country towns.

The latter, they declare, have few constituents and hence but few rights that the majority should respect. "It is unfair," said one city commissioner, on Thursday, "to put us on a level with the country members in the matter of the distribution of patronage. We have 1,800,000 people to look after and the country fellows only 30,000. Yet they get one-third of the patronage at the disposal of the board. This sort of thing will hurt the party and there will have to be a new deal. The country fellows ought to be given jobs in proportion to the population that they represent. And they will be. Our Chicago friends have suffered from this imposition long enough, and as there are ten of us to five of them we will arrange matters to suit ourselves, and that at an early day."

Democrats are talking of Frank Brookman for drainage trustee from the North Side. Mr. Brookman is popular. Although the Twenty-fifth Ward, where he lives, gives 2,500 Republican majority, its voters twice elected Mr. Brookman Alderman.

Mr. Henry C. Mitchell and Mr. Geo. H. Kettelle have opened an agency for the New York Life Insurance Company. They will do well.

Ex-Alderman Potthoff is spoken of for Consul at Bremen. This consular post is now vacant and pays \$5,000 a year.

The new Chronicle appears to be doing pretty well.

Mr. Baker starts out well as President of the Civic Federation. He deserves credit.

City Clerk Van Cleave rides to and from the City Hall on a bicycle. Outdoor exercise has toned him up considerably.

Mayor Swift is about the first man at the City Hall mornings. He gets down town earlier than any previous Mayor.

Col. John G. Neumeister is going to Europe in July.

Popular Ed Kelly, out on the Calvary road, has declined more nominations for office than any man in Cook County. He can get anything he wants from Lake View people.

The Mayor ought to veto that Calumet and Blue Island ordinance. It is worth a veto and nothing more.

Ald. John Coughlin will be a candidate for Congress in the Third district next year.

The Hawthorne gambling house is running wide open. Why is this place

avored and decent tracks like the Harlem, where genuine sport can be enjoyed, discriminated against?

Ald. Campbell complains of hoarse-ness brought on by long-continued shouting for jobs for his constituents.

The ordinance regulating lawn sprinkling should be thoroughly enforced. The residence portions of the city are suffering for want of water in the houses.

The present Legislature has the longest record as a do-nothing body of any similar organization known.

Chicago Daily News: The summer season has barely begun, but the verdure of a considerable portion of Lincoln Park is dead or dying. South of Center street there are great patches of withered grass. In places the park is already as bare and uninviting as a Kansas meadow after days of drought and hot wind. With the same conditions of weather and of care as have obtained during the last week July 1 will find the lower half of the park as little attractive and refreshing as a dusty street corner or a railroad yard.

For a number of seasons the verdure of the most frequented portions of the park has suffered through lack of water. In the last year a large sum of money has been spent in extending the water pipes, so that the verdure could be preserved this summer. The pipes have been extended, but it seems that the pumping plant has broken down, so that the calamity of former years is likely to be repeated.

The failure of the verdure in the park is simply a calamity. Whatever portions become bare, yellow, dusty are deducted from the available area of the park. People will not go in them or stay in them, and the parts where the grass and foliage are preserved become overcrowded the more. Beside, the unsightly dead patches, wearying to the eye, spoil the effect of the green places.

Stretching along the shore of Lake Michigan the park is very advantageously situated in respect of a water supply. To let the grass die for lack of water is as absurd and inexcusable as it would be for Armour's foreman to let a warehouse full of meat spoil when ice in abundance had been provided and placed within easy reach. Private employers do not tolerate that kind of management.

The so-called road race on Decoration Day was a disgrace to the country. It shows that there is neither love for fair play nor common sporting honesty among either the contestants or officials of a cycling race. The whole thing has been declared off on account of crookedness, and the "race" is to be run over again.

To the credit of the Lincoln Park Commissioners, be it said, the race cannot be again run over the Lincoln Park, Edgewater and Evanston course. The parks ought to be reserved for people who behave themselves.

The Civic Federation is doing good work in the down-town streets. They are cleaner than they have been for years.

The introducer of the bloomer fad into this country was the malodorous Oscar Wilde. He was so rotten at the time that the daily press went wild over him and society danced attendance at his heels.

That's why the daily press praise the bloomer female ad nauseam to-day.