

1907. And we wrote it right the very first time.—The Commoner.

So did we but we have written it wrong several times since.

Owing to the contemplated removal of Cato Sells to Texas, where for some time past he has had large property interests, he has withdrawn from the race for national committeeman to succeed Charles A. Walsh.

This leaves the field clear for Judge Wade. If the state committee had named Judge Wade in the first instance, it is quite probable that no objection would have been made to his appointment.

His announced purpose to move from Iowa to Texas has eliminated Mr. Cato Sells from the contest for the Walsh vacancy in the democratic national committee.

This leaves Judge Wade without any present opposition and, we hope, without any future opposition. This newspaper cheerfully acquiesces in the selection of the Iowa City jurist.

Mr. Sells retired from the contest at a time when the honors were even between him and Judge Wade, and there was no certainty that either would be successful in his canvass before the national committee.

Mr. Sells' candidacy has been the instrument of achieving a necessary end. With him the progressive democracy of Iowa has thrived the attempt of a coterie of selfish schemers to foist upon the state W. W. Marsh, bolter in 1896, and otherwise so undemocratic as to attend the ramp rate convention organized by the railroads to defeat effective legislation.

With and through Mr. Sells, the progressive democrats of the state have prevented outrage upon their organization, and thwarted an alliance with the corporate forces seeking the control of the machinery of the party to the end that it shall wear the livery of predatory wealth and presume to speak with the voice of the people.

With and through Mr. Sells it has laid down the principle that deserters from the party in its hour of need shall not be given places of prominence and power in its hour of promise.

With and through him it made impossible the selection of a man not at heart in sympathy with the fundamental tenets of democracy, and not loyal to Mr. Bryan, as the party's representative in the national councils.

Judge Wade has heretofore been aligned with the so-called conservative wing of the party. This newspaper has not acquiesced in his appointment without having first satisfied itself that he is to be relied upon to assist in carrying out a positive and progressive program, and to do all that in his power lies to secure the nomination of Mr. Bryan in 1908 on a platform whose acceptability to the average American will make it unacceptable to the average plutocrat.

Judge Wade, it is true, wrote a letter endorsing the candidacy of Marsh. But he did this at a time when he was ignorant of the charge proven beyond the shadow of a doubt that Marsh bolted the ticket in 1896, and before the array of evidence impeaching the democracy of Marsh was brought forth.

Another worse thing to be said against Judge Wade is that Miller, chairman of the state committee, was instrumental in bringing Judge Wade out as a candidate. But Miller saw in Judge Wade a strong man and picked him under compulsion, not because Wade shared his own sympathies but because Judge Wade's personality is strong and his private and political record a rung above Marsh's was weak.

Judge Wade assures the democrats of the state that "as national committeeman for Iowa I will represent no faction and no clique. I shall honestly endeavor to represent the whole and I hope to see any bitterness engendered in the past few months entirely eliminated. I want to see the democrats stand shoulder to shoulder loyally and aggressively, fighting for those principles so dear to the hearts of all true democrats and so essential to the well-being of the republic."

This newspaper, as one supporter of Mr. Sells, accepts Judge Wade at his word. It hopes to see him become an aggressive force before and in convention, as well as after convention, for progressive principles and policies. The dominant element of the democratic party in Iowa asks allegiance first to progressive principles, and as an immediate policy for giving those principles expression, loyalty to Mr. Bryan. It asks nothing for itself beyond these two things. They can work in sympathy and harmony with it who give evidence of this loyalty, and they can have its faith who say they will and whose works do not belie their words.

THORPE. Fred Bailey visited at the Geo. Turner home Sunday. Geo. White and wife and Mrs. Wm. Rudy were recent visitors at Millville with relatives. John Billhorn visited at John White's last Sunday.

Spencer Harding of Lamont visited his lady friend here Sunday. Miss Lydia Parsons, who for the past month has been staying with her grand parents of Lamont, is at home again. Burton Clark and mother visited Sunday at A. Clark's. O. Stone and wife visited Sunday at Bert Bowers.

Henry Heyer was a Chicago caller last week. Lester and Worrie Boots of Stanley returned to their home last week after an extended visit with their sister, Mrs. Richard White. H. C. White was in Manchester Friday.

D. Sark, Bert Bowers, Henry Wendell and Chas. Daisy delivered hogs to Will Barr in Manchester Saturday. H. J. Sabin and daughter Cora were in Manchester Friday. The L. A. S. met last Thursday with Mrs. Matt Martin. Proceeds were \$2.40. All report a good time.

MASONVILLE. J. C. Kehoe of Farley spent part of last week visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. Flynn. Mrs. M. Penny and little sons, Bernard and Thomas, spent the holidays with relatives here. Walter Gordon, formerly of this place but now of Cedar Rapids, Neb., is renewing old acquaintances here. Johnie Moran departed Sunday evening for Collegeville, Minn., where he will resume his college work.

Mr. Maloney of Lemars is the guest of relatives here. Kate O'Hagen and Josie Gallery will resume their school duties at the Visitation Academy this week. Louis Mulvihill and Eddie O'Hagen returned to Dubuque this week to continue their work at St. Joseph's college.

Miss Mollie Ryan is the guest of Mary Burgary of Monti. M. Gaffney and wife of Monti Sunday at the J. J. Reiger home. P. Nelson and wife are the happy parents of a baby boy.

The following parties were the lucky ones, winning the articles donated to the bazaar here. Mrs. Thos. Penny of Masonville, the \$20 gold piece; Joseph Short of Monti, the center table; Wm. Nolan of Masonville, the single harness; Jas. Gleason of Masonville, the water set. We understand the bazaar will be continued on Wednesday and Thursday, January 30 and 31.

Mrs. R. Fee returned to her home at Dundee Wednesday after an extended visit with relatives here. Miss Mary Schneider of Greeley was an over Sunday visitor at the home of Mr. P. McGrath. M. Maroney spent the past week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. Fee, of Dundee.

Mrs. M. M. Flynn, M. J. McGrath and God were passengers to Manchester Monday. EARLVILLE. Died at Minneapolis, Minn., on Friday, January 4, 1907, C. L. Rundell aged 71 years. Mr. Rundell's many friends in Earlville were not surprised but much grieved to learn of his death. Several weeks ago he went to Minneapolis to submit to an operation, during which it was discovered that he also suffered from cancer of the stomach which was far more serious than the trouble which made the operation necessary. His remains were brought home on Saturday morning and the funeral was held from his home on Sunday afternoon. Interment in Fairview cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev. A. B. Keeler. Mr. Rundell was a kind husband and father and will be sorely missed. The widow and two sons and eight grandchildren are left to mourn his death. He was greatly loved and respected by all who knew him. The two sons, Edwin of Minneapolis, and Don, of Verdala, Minn., and his grandson, Carroll Parker, were present at the funeral. Two daughters, Ida, (Mrs. W. H. Parker) and Gretchen, (Mrs. W. L. Bender) preceded him. The sympathy of all who knew him goes out to his family in their great loss.

At the annual meeting of the Congregational church last week (Thursday) the following officers were elected: Deacon, M. V. Newcomb; Trustee, Ed Bisgrove; Treas., Mrs. W. T. Wood; Collectors, Mrs. H. Sharpe, E. J. Carpenter, Geo. Dickson; Clerk, Mrs. Prentice; Organist, Miss Ora Laxon; Ushers, Darl Hunt, Arthur Johnson. A fact worthy of note is that after all debts were paid for the year, each society had a very creditable sum left in its treasury. About 40 members united with the church the past year and in a great measure the splendid spiritual and financial prosperity of the church is due to the untiring efforts of the pastor Rev. A. B. Keeler.

Mrs. T. R. Hatch of Manchester, was the guest of Mrs. Jane Millish several days last week. Louis Libe and wife mourn the death of their baby boy, Lawrence Linn, aged six months, which occurred Saturday morning. The funeral was held from their home on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. F. G. Young speaking comforting words to the sorrowing parents who have much sympathy in their grief. The Junior C. E. Society held a business meeting at the home of their superintendent, Miss Laura Warkmeister on Saturday afternoon. After the transaction of business the afternoon was spent in playing games, etc. Following are the officers for the next six months: Pres., Raymond Hunt; Vice Pres., Charlie Fitzsimmons; Secy., Welker Schlar; Treas., Ruby Hunt. A. Frater of Dubuque attended the funeral of C. L. Rundell Sunday. The O. E. S. installed the following officers at their regular meeting:

last Friday evening: W. M., Celta Tobie; W. P., C. B. Rogers; A. M., Grace Lynch; Secy., Lula Davis; Treas., Anna Staehle; Cond., Louise Kenny; A. Cond., Edith Rogers; Ada, Edith Redding; Ruth, Lillie Watt; Esther, Opal Van Fleet; Martha, Stella Cruise; Electa, Elsie Hunt; Chap., Lonna Gunn; Pianist, Mary Wood; Marshall, Lizzie Staehle. After the installation which was public the members and their invited guests repaired to the dining room and partook of an elaborate banquet such as the ladies of the O. E. S. have made themselves famous for. The remainder of the evening was spent in conversation, games, etc. Miss Mattie Binning returned from Dyersville Sunday, where she spent a part of her vacation. Louis Schaller is contemplating a trip to Germany in the near future. Miss Fern Taylor left for her home in Fredricksburg after a week's visit with her friend Miss Vella Kendall.

May Wragg is suffering from a severely burned face and arm which was caused from an explosion of kerosene used in lighting a fire. Mr. Hugo Hackbarth is reported much better but Mrs. Hackbarth's mother continues very sick at her home in Milwaukee. The Watacon Concert Company is the next number on our lecture course, Jan. 19th.

WILL BE AIRED IN COURT Charges of Financial Crookedness That Trouble the Irish Party in the British Isles. London, Jan. 3.—The matter of the allegations of financial wrongdoing on the part of the Redmondites members of the Irish party in Cork on Dec. 31 by William O'Brien is promising to become of serious import. The Irish People, an Irish weekly, published an editorial this morning declaring that the records of the alleged wrongful financial methods of which was threatened by O'Brien in his speech at Cork, must be produced before an Irish jury.

It says that this jury shall hear the whole story, including a recital of the disposition of the immense sums obtained from the United States and Australia, which the paper avers were obtained under false pretenses and which enabled the bosses of the party to defy the people. Crump an Instant Too Late. A few moments later there was a terrific explosion which shook the big building and completely wrecked the interior of the bank. Cashier McLean was in his office when the man threw the bomb, and was instantly killed. With the exception of his right arm and hand, which were severed, Mr. McLean escaped with a light wound. A heroic attempt to seize the object which the man was about to drop from his raised hand, but he was an instant too late.

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A telegram from Chicago says that Steele's widow lives at 170 North Ashland avenue, and that she was given a telegram from some unknown person saying that he has been badly hurt. He went to Chicago from Garner, Ia., and worked as foreman of steel construction. He left Chicago a year ago to work at Westport and since then he has also worked at Lynchburg, Va. He left there, as he in a letter informed his wife, for Philadelphia. His wife never observed any signs of insanity in him, nor was he so far as she knows, an anarchist or a socialist.

Desamers Steel. The so called bessemer process of making steel by injecting iron blast into molten iron was discovered first by an American named Kelly and known as his air blowing process. After the ironworkers had seen it done they still would not believe it. "Some crank will be beating the next thing," they said. Some of his customers when they heard about it wrote Kelly that they wanted their iron made either in the regular way, or not by any new-fangled method, or not at all. When the first blast was so strong that it melted the iron the spectators roared with laughter at what they called "Kelly's fireworks" and laughed for ten years at his "folly." When Bessemer introduced his process to the British ironmakers they, too, roared with laughter at the "crazy Frenchman" and would not allow the "ally idea" to be mentioned in their records. The steel rail proposition excited only derision. "Bosh! Stuff! Humbug! Nonsense!" said the railroad directors when it was proposed to them. But after one road had tried it the steel mills could not keep up with the orders sent in.

Lonks XV's Flawed Diamond. "Lonks XV," said Lonks XV, to the Count de St. Germain, "will you help me to find 4,000 francs? I have got here a diamond with a flaw. I valued it at 600 francs. It would be worth 10,000 if it were flawless." After having the diamond carefully weighed Lonks handed it to the count, who examined it minutely and replied, "It might be done, if you will allow me to keep the stone for a month." A month later he brought back the diamond almost in appearance, but less in weight, but flawless. The jeweler to whom a friend of Lonks offered it for sale gave 2,000 francs for it, but the king repurchase it as a curiosity.—T. P.'s London Weekly.

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Happy Days. However varied the courses of our life, whatsoever the phase of pleasure and ambition through which it has swept along, still, when in memory we would revive the times that were comparatively the happiest, these times will be found to have been the calmest.—Bulwer Lytton.

Giving and Receiving. Half porter (to person soliciting a favor) at a ministry.—The minister receives from 10 o'clock to midday.—"All right," says the other, "but at what hour does he give?"—Paris Figaro.

Love and Lust. To a woman, I notice, always lowers her voice to ask a favor. She—Yes—and raises her voice if she does not get it.—Illustrated Bits.

CRANK AND CRIMINAL

Out of Reach of Courts, for He Dies by His Own Diabolism.

HE DEMANDS A LOAN OF \$5,000

Falling to Get It Explodes a Bomb with Deadly Effect.

Bank Cashier is Killed and Bank Quarters Wrecked—Half a Dozen Other Persons Badly Wounded.

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—Two men dead, a score of others injured, two of whom may die, and the beautiful interior of a bank building laid in ruins is the result of a bomb being dropped in the Fourth Street National bank there by a man who had demanded a loan of \$5,000 for which he could show no collateral. The perpetrator of the outrage was blown to pieces by his own engine of death. Nothing was left to tell who he was but a bunch of keys found in a fragment of clothing belonging to the bomb thrower. A plate on the ring holding the keys bore the name of "R. Steele, Garner, Ia." The other man killed by the explosion was W. Z. McLean, the cashier of the bank, who had been talking to the stranger and had refused his request.

Others Who Were Badly Hurt. Among the most seriously injured are William Crump, colored, private messenger to the president of the bank, badly mangled and may die; William Wright, bank employe, may die; Thomas R. Ritter, Lansdale, Pa., fractured skull; Frank Labold, A. F. Tolatala and E. Heaton, clerks; Miss Julia Brady, stenographer.

Sized Up as "Eccentric." Steele called upon Richard H. Rush-ton, president of the bank, who is also president of the Philadelphia Clearing House association, and asked for a loan of \$5,000. The president quickly sized him up as eccentric and turned him over to the cashier with the idea that the latter would have him taken from the building. Before leaving Rush-ton the man showed him a picture of a woman and a child, with the remark: "Ain't they all right?"

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Original of "Uncle Toby." Capt. Roger Sterne, the father of the author of "Tristram Shandy" was the original of Uncle Toby. As captain of Chudleigh's regiment of foot, a marching regiment ever on the move, Roger Sterne and his family tasted the most varied military and domestic experiences in Flanders at Gibraltar and finally at Jamaica, where the old campaigner died of "country fever."

A simple minded, good natured, but shrewd and rather peppery Irishman, Roger lost his disappointment bravely and carried his load of debt with a light heart. "My father," says Sterne, "was of a kindly, sweet disposition, void of all guile and so innocent in his own intentions that he suspected no one, so that you might have cheated him ten times a day if you had not been subjected for your purpose." Such a character and such a father supplied the germ from which the genius of the son developed his conception of one of the most perfect and delightful portraits in the gallery of English fiction.

Sex and Rebirth. The theories concerning the possibility of our having previously existed seem to be endless. Of them all I think the one best which suggests that sex is reversed at rebirth and that when we turn up as men or women we previously existed we do so either as men or women according to whether we were women or men aforesaid. This largely accounts for the suffragette and for the long haired and long dressed who potter around bondages, play the piano like "sweetly pretty" things and call themselves men. Presumably the best material of which we were fashioned there is now used in our composition.

He Disappeared. Jerome K. Jerome once figured in what the reporters call a "mysterious disappearance." On a wager he agreed to vanish, and took himself off while his friends were still on the alert. He disappeared while they were reading a mysterious letter which he handed to one of the party. When last seen he was stepping aboard a houseboat on the Thames. Then for a month he seemed to have gone out of existence. His friends put the police on his track, calling for his arrest for stealing the boat. A month passed and then the novelist and the boat appeared at the latter's old moorings. What he had done was simply to take the boat a mile upstream, then during the night erase her name and substitute another and change the color of the paint here and there so as to render her as unlike her former self as possible. His scheme was a success in every particular.

His Specialty. A little boy was on his knees recently at night, and muttering, staying in the house, was present. "It is a pleasure," she said to him afterward, "to hear you saying your prayers so well. You speak earnestly and seriously and mean what you say and care about it." "Ah," he answered, "ah, but, nannie you should hear me gargle!"

Why She Left. Mistress—But, bless me, why are you leaving us, Mary? I'm sure I do all the work. The General Servant—Yes, ma'am, but I don't like the way you do it.—Sydney (N. S. W.) Bulletin.

Manchester Markets. Butter, dairy, 32 3/4 Butter, creamery, 30 1/2 Chickens, 10 Ducks, 7 1/2 Eggs, 5 80 5 62 Hogs, 2 50 3 00 Butchers Stock, 2 50 3 00 Stockers, 3 00 3 50 Canners and Citters, 1 75 2 50 Hay large, loose, 10 00 10 00 Hay, wild, 8 00 Oats, 4 00 Corn, old, 40 40 " new, 30 30

Farm For Rent. Good farm for rent. 100 acres, good out building, fair house, flowing water. Enquire at Delaware County State Bank. 52 ff.

FOR SALE Seven room house with three acres land in North Manchester, one block north Adams' green house. For price inquire of E. H. Beat or C. L. Adams, Manchester, Iowa. 45 ff

Notice of Probate of Will. STATE OF IOWA, Delaware county.—SS TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: You are hereby notified that the last will of Rod in Lee is deceased, has been filed, opened and read, and Wednesday, the 5th day of January, A. D. 1907, at 2 P. M. at the Court House in Manchester the place for hearing and proving the same.

Ladies' Furs. We have a large and attractive assortment of Ladies Furs. The style and price will please you. Ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$22.50. Remember us when looking for Men's Fur Coats, Children's Cloaks, Ladies' Cloaks and Shoes and heavy foot wear of all kinds. Respectfully, W. L. Drew

Mens High Cut Shoes. Now is the time to try a pair of our men's high cut shoes. They will keep your feet dry and warm. We quote a man's high cut kip shoe with nailed sole at \$4.50 and \$3.50. We have also a man's high cut tan shoe with sewed soles at \$6.00. Boy's lace canvas leggins at 60c. Youth's lace canvas leggins at 50c.

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OUR White Pine Cough Syrup WITH TAR. Is the best to take for a cough. Excelsior Cold Tablets WILL CURE THE GRIPPE AND COLDS. Anders & Philipp CENTRAL PHARMACY.

Misses' and Children's School Shoes. We have given the school shoe problem our careful attention Now we can offer you one of the finest selections of Little Forks Shoe on the market today. Children's 5 to 8 per pair 65, 75, 85c. Children's 8 1/2 to 11 per pair \$1.15, \$1.35, 1.50. Misses' 11 1/2 to 2 per pair, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.50, \$1.75. P. F. Madden.

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