



ANTI-SALOON CONFERENCE.

The Anti-Saloon Republican National Committee sends a circular announcing a Conference in New York on the 18th of April, to continue two days. The invitation is extended to all anti-saloon Republicans and to all others who are willing to act with the Republican organization on this issue.

The Republican party has been for a long while, twitted upon having no great "moral" or "principle" left to hold it together. The Anti-Saloon movement within the party is designed to supply this "long-felt want."

The party will probably go into the campaign of 1888 with two leading issues, viz:

- 1. Protection, or a protective tariff, as opposed to free trade.
- 2. Suppression of the Saloon, or opposition to free trade in liquor.

These will be made the prominent issues and we are, to some extent, in sympathy with both, but we believe that the issue between Labor and Capital, between the People and the Monopolist, between the Anarchist and the Law, between Liberty and Bigotry, are a thousand times more important than these two issues to the people.

The time may not be ripe yet for either of the leading parties to make their platforms, but they must soon do so or go to pieces.

It is well enough to have a protective tariff on some industries, but the Monopolists laugh at it. They buy up the small concerns and suppress them, as the Standard Oil Company plugs up all rival wells. The Oat Meal mill at Parker, D.K., was recently suppressed by the Monopolists of the East who bought it up and snuffed it out.

RAILROAD NEWS.

We have nothing new to offer this week concerning the new line from Iowa Northwest, but we wish to say that now is the time to secure the right of way. That strip of road inaugurated so quietly and so apparently "all on paper" is a most important project. The Manitoba system is reaching in this direction from the Northwest and North and the Milwaukee system is bearing this way from the Spirit Lake side, also from the Ortonville side. Both should find a way into Worthington. The securing of the right of way across Nobles and Murray counties for our projected road, may secure us one or the other of these lines.

As stated in a recent issue of the ADVANCE, the Milwaukee has filed articles of incorporation for a line "South-easterly from Ortonville across Nobles and Murray counties." We also gave some weeks ago the fact that materials were accumulating at Spirit Lake to extend the Milwaukee Northwest from that point.

The Milwaukee will be seeking a route across Nobles county this year. The Manitoba is at our doorway on the North and it ought to be connected with Worthington. The recent gathering of delegates at Sioux City to interview the directors of the Sioux City & Northern is something significant. Rock Rapids, Luverne, Adrian, and Beaver Creek all had delegations there, the latter two being represented by Messrs Smith & Shell of this place who are interested in Beaver Creek property. Each of these delegates urged his own place and his own route as the best.

The object of the Sioux City & Northern is to tap the Willmar & Sioux Falls road at some convenient point and thus secure a Duluth connection and at the same time a connection with the Manitoba system.

These are no paper schemes. The Sioux City & Northern may pass through the Western part of this County, but the sense of the recent railroad meeting in Sioux City of which we made mention at the time, was to pass further West and intersect the Willmar & Sioux Falls West of Pipestone and near the Dakota line.

But the route is not settled yet, and if it comes to this county at all, it can be brought to Worthington by proper efforts to secure it.

To sum up, then: Here are three lines, that would be glad to secure the Minnesota & Northern link, with 30 to 50 miles of right of way all secured and through a country which requires scarcely any bridging and very little grading.

# The Worthington Advance.

FREE THOUGHT, FREE SPEECH AND A FREE PRESS.  
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## DEATH OF D. R. LOCKE.

As announced in our last issue, David Ross Locke, editor and proprietor of the Toledo Blade, and famous as the author of the "Petroleum V. Nasby" letters, died at his home in Toledo, at 6:35 on the morning of February 15th. The immediate cause of his death was consumption of the lungs. He was born in Vestal, N. Y., Sept. 20, 1833, and was in his fifty fifth year at the time of his death.

Mr. Locke's wide fame and popularity were due to the Nasby letters. He was not a mere humorist, but was a man of strong convictions, and used his humor and wit for a purpose. We remember well the history of the Nasby letters from the first, and we have frequently said to Mr. Locke that he laughed the young men of the country out of the Democratic into the Republican party. Never in the history of politics have the absurdities and inconsistencies of a party been so ridiculed and caricatured as were those of the Democratic and Pro-Slavery party by the pen of D. R. Locke.

But Mr. Locke was no mere "literary" or humorous writer. He was a man of great financial and practical ability. The Toledo Blade was a successful paper with a circulation of 10,000 in three years; by the aid of Dr. A. P. Miller in extending the circulation, he had made a paper of National circulation and influence, and he knew Mr. Locke well and knew Mr. Locke's worth. He was the chief writing editor, when the Blade was at the height of its fame and influence, and he knew Mr. Locke well and knew Mr. Locke's worth.

Mr. Locke's Nasby letters were not made to order. They were an evolution. His other still lives in Toledo at 41-42 year of ninety-nine. We remember him well as he was twenty years ago, when his eye was unimpaired and his "muscular force was not abated." He had the clear complexion and the aura of a pure life devoted to truth. He was one of the original anti-slavery men and his son "David" was an abolitionist, and the material to make the Nasby letters was implanted in him from the first. Great success, Mr. Locke's was not an accident and is not achieved suddenly.

We could give many personal incidents and anecdotes of interest to admirers of the Nasby letters, but space forbids. We believe, however, that we violate no confidence and do better than to extend our own remarks, when we append the following extract from a letter received last week ago, from the Rev. H. W. McCune, who, together with the editor of the ADVANCE, did the editorial writing for the Blade, when Mr. Locke was in Toledo. He still walks about but much emaciated and looking very feeble. At his invitation I spent the evening with him lying on his bed. His mind was bright and clear as ever, and his talk was as old. He had hopes of getting well, but they were mingled with many fears. I could see that his fears were not unfounded. He has hopes. Last Wednesday night as I was speaking at our weekly service, the janitor laid a telegram on the table, saying an answer to my desires. Mr. Locke is dying—expresses desire that you speak at his funeral. Can you come? I answered affirmatively, and wrote written copies of my sermon daily. Next day his son telegraphed saying, "Father is very low, can hardly live through the night." His death is evidently having a hard fight to overcome his magnificent physical constitution.

This news, when I received it, struck me in a tender spot, so that I did not attempt to resume my discourse. I could not speak because the memories of 33 years acquaintance came up before me. I shall go when the time comes. His public life, and his work, have been in favor of justice, freedom, temperance and patriotism. He never, to my knowledge, used his pen to make a mere humorist; he wrote for a higher object than to create a jest or "court a grin." Other humorists were content with the laugh they called forth. Nasby helped the nation to its new birth by showing to men the absurdity and ridiculousness of error.

Since the above was written, copies of the Toledo Blade have come to hand containing an account of the obsequies. Mr. McCune delivered the principal address, a most fitting, feeling, and thoroughly appreciative estimate of Mr. Locke's character and work. He was followed by Ex-Congressman J. M. Ashley, Ex-Congressman Frank Hurd and others. Mr. Ashley related the following incident:

"Some years ago I met him on Broadway, New York, and he invited me to join him. While seated at a table he drew from his pocket and read me the hymn which is to be sung here to-day 'Come unto me.' I was charmed with its beauty and touched with its severity and spirit, and said, 'David read that to me again,' which he did and in that hour I comprehended more clearly the breadth and depth of his called and religious nature. And it must be that from this religious nature, sprung the great moral force which he so heroically wielded in battling for the right."

The Blade:

"When Gov. Ashley related the incident and the occasion of the writing of the hymn, 'Come unto me,' by Mr. Locke, the voice of the speaker thrilled him. His eyes filled with tears, and his lips quivered with emotion. When he had finished speaking there was scarcely a dry eye within the sound of his voice."

A NEW MAP.

Among the latest exhibitions of what is possible to accomplish by the engraver's art is a large pocket map just issued by the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba Railway, showing the northwestern country between Chicago and the Pacific Ocean in detail. A copy will be mailed free to any address upon application to C. H. WARR, Gen. Pass. Agent, St. Paul, Minn.

## COUNTY NEWS.

**DEWALD.**  
Please allow me to express my thanks and admiration for the frankness and fearlessness with which you express yourself on the different topics of the times. I have been a reader of your paper for years, and acquainted with it from its birth up, and have witnessed the vain attempts of opposition papers to rout it, and noted with pleasure their inglorious failures. Hence I have long since regarded the ADVANCE as a motive power necessary to the development of Worthington and surrounding country. May it have the success and support it so richly deserves.

By-the-way, the gloom cast over this community by the disappearance of our ex-County Superintendent, has been between two days, was happily dispelled for a time at least, by an entertainment given by Miss Anna Moore and Mr. Sanford standing up last. Finding the school on Friday night last. The exercises consisted of dialogues, recitations, music, singing, etc., and an eloquent address to the memory of Abraham Lincoln by Mr. Peters. Indeed, that gentleman was very untiring in his efforts to entertain, and was very successful, if we may judge by the amount of applause which he received.

O. K.

Following is the full account of the spelling school by another correspondent:

Last Friday night there was a spelling school in district 15. A large number gathered at the school house, and a blizzard having arisen, were detained until morning. In the fore part of the evening the company were entertained with singing and declamation by the school, and speeches and songs from their present. The company then "closed up" and "spelled down." Mr. Meyer standing up last. Finding the storm too bad, they decided to stay till morning. After this many speeches, songs, games, etc., took place, in which the company may say they feel indebted to Mr. Sanford Peters for his aid. If it had not been for him the spelling school would have been a failure, and we hope he may always be able to take part in such gayeties as he now is. Those present were as follows: Misses Susie Willis, Lizzie Bass, Jessie Baird, Ellen Sundberg, L. Rose, Minnie Sundberg, May Bass, Matilda Killas, Josephine Sundberg, Annie Moore, Mrs. Wilson, and Messrs. Baird, Killas, Boardman, Meyer, Bok, Dougherty, James McKezie, William Dougherty, William Key, John Bass, John McKezie, Albert Dougherty, James Baird, Stuart Dougherty, Clarence Bass, Willie Killas, John F. Baird, Tommy Wilson and Sanford Peters.

FROM ONE WHO WAS THERE.

**LITTLE ROCK.**  
Walter Shilohs, who was visiting Geo. Roberts, on Saturday last, was kicked by a cow and had his right leg broken. Dr. Barber of Worthington, and Dr. Webb, of Elkworth, attended him. He is doing well.

Farmer are preparing to put in more wheat and corn than usual, and not so much flax.

E. E. Field has 35 head of stock and thinks of selling them.

**WILLMONT.**  
Teacher wanted in district No. 65 school to commence on Monday 1st April, three months' term. Address John Seuling, Iowa, Minn.

In the list of improvements recently published in the ADVANCE for Willmont township, the barn of Wm. M. Stevens was overlooked. It is 38x42, with stone basement, and is a good one.

A. Wester is about to sell out and go to Chicago.

**RIGELOW.**  
Wm. Scott returned last week from Iowa.

Christ Kunkel is expected back from a trip to eastern Iowa.

Several flocks of wild geese have been noticed here late week.

"Old Timer" is right about those dogs in Ransom. It is too much for any body to stand.

Bigelow shipped more hay last week than during any week before.

Our hay presses are paying as high as \$4.25 per ton for loose hay.

Several of our young people spent Washington's Birthday at Sibley, and report a good time.

Charles Sterling is back again from a trip to California. He was the guest of place between Worthington and Los Angeles is Bigelow.

**LORAIN.**  
Now is your chance to get some good horses. Come and look them over. It will not cost you anything. R. Firth, sec. 6, Lorain.

Wolves are coming around again but don't get near enough to shoot.

Two men went over the country in a boat on Tuesday last. One went to the northwest and went southeast.

Wild geese made their appearance last week.

Jackson Tharpe is pressing his hay. Also Sherman Hilderball. They have about 200,000 lbs.

Mrs. Emily Firth has been down with the measles.

A. E. Tuttle's children have the mumps.

Mrs. Wm. L. Firth has been dangerously sick, but is recovering. Miss Edith Young has been the guest of Mrs. F. during her sickness. Mr. and Mrs. F. desire to thank the neighbors for their kind assistance.

Sickness prevented us from giving you the news from this quarter for two weeks.

**BLOOM.**  
The German Lutherans have service in their church on section 3 in Seward.

Miss Minnie Horton is engaged to teach in their own district next summer.

During the pleasant weather last week many of our farmers took in the towns.

If the Worthington mill continues to operate as well as at present, it will prove a great boon to the farmers as well as the town.

Old Probabilities has issued a circular letter to all volunteer weather reporters, thanking them for past favors, but declining to receive any reports in the future.

This last blizzard was the "most unkindest out of all," as we had so recently inhaled the balmy zephyrs of a more genial climate. Such is life. Evil ever follows in the path of good.

Annual town meeting notices are not quite as large as Barnum's show bills, but are larger than many of the posts they are to be nailed on, if indeed the posts are visible above the snow. It seems from the misunderstanding among voters in regard to the new election laws, that the legislature have played high cards with us. I have seen as well as with everything else they did last winter.

And now, Mr. Cleveland is taking an outing just in the midst of a session of congress. We feared the gigantic efforts he put forth in penning the free trade document, yept a message, would be too much for his delicate constitution, and he would need a rest.

In the death of Charles Frog, Minneapolis has lost a friend whose every thought was centered in her advancement. It was through his persistent efforts that the city received its most mellifluous cognomen, and it will be great shame if that name is ever muzzled into Lollipops or any other combination equally absurd. The old gentleman was undoubtedly in the hopes that his pet city might become the metropolis of the great Northwest, and he was fortunate in living in his hopes fully realized.

**ELK.**  
Another blizzard, may it long be the last, for it lasted long enough. Wild geese were quite numerous just before the storm of last Saturday and Sunday.

Gas Erison and Clark Smith have purchased the M. H. Miller place on sec. 10, and will improve it this spring.

Miss Fida Paulson spent Saturday and Sunday at home, resting from the scene of her labors at the Capitol City of Nobles Co.

W. E. Bloom, of Seward, takes an occasional sail through our town in his own ship, which he says is capable of making 75 miles a day with a good wind.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicker's neighbors, with a few friends, dropped in on them last Wednesday evening, and a social hour was the consequence, which lasted until well towards morning. "Hub" Prince furnished the music.

**[FOR THE ADVANCE]**  
MAMIE.  
You do not understand us, we Mamie. When we whisper that mamie is dead, in your young life and heart is another Already enshrined in her stead.

"A green, pleasant world that you live in, Made only for laughter and play; So you shake off your grief to the sunbeam, And grow fatter and stronger each day. So young, you cannot comprehend these Tears for a memory shed; Nor why we weep o'er the grave of our dead. Yet you have her hair, little Mamie, And you have your mother's blue eyes. You're a dear little three year old image Of a parent in Paradise.

You forget, but the dead I will remember, Down the steep rugged paths of the world, As you tread, feet that ever sound upon The wings of her spirit are furred. L. L. S.

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**RENEWS HER YOUTH.**  
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The Lyon County News thinks that Seth Knowles of that place originated the word "blizzard" when he said of the great storm of 1873 that "it is blowing like blizzard." A man or two down in Dickinson County, Iowa, are credited with originating the word. It was in use when we were a boy and it was a common expression to say "hit him a blizzard" meaning a "blow."

Pennsylvanians say the word was in use in that State when they were boys.

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