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The Conservatism and Consistency of True Democrats.

By a great effort on the part of conservative low tax men, who voted for Wilson without fully endorsing the hastily written platform upon which he stood, the extreme low tax wing of the party has been brought up to a platform which is equivalent to at least 50-4. This has not been accomplished without difficulty. There are thousands of honest, intelligent Democrats who seriously doubt whether the State is morally bound for anything beyond what is commonly designated as the State debt proper, unless the rails are paid the pending suits in the Supreme Court. And even then, in a final settlement, there would be large equities in favor of the people as expressed in the platform upon which Judge John V. Wright ran two years ago. This element is much stronger in the State than the extreme State credit faction, that has the sublime assurance now to call itself the true Democracy, and then march over into the Republican camp. But there is a high middle ground, occupied by a great majority of the party. Men of fair minds, intelligence, and a desire to do what is right as between man and man, after thoroughly investigating the question and listening to every shade of argument and opinion, have settled down upon the conclusion that 50-3 or 50-4 would be approximately a fair settlement. The extreme low tax men were always in favor of paying the "State debt proper" in full, less the war interest. This is no new position to them. Whilst denounced as repudiators and communists, and subjected to all manner of abuse and misrepresentation, they have kept steadily and consistently, and proved themselves the truest of the true. After paying the State debt proper, Mrs. Poik's bonds as a matter of sentiment, and those held by educational institutions which have been recognized by all parties, it is the crystallized and predominant conviction of the Democratic mind that 50-3 is a fair basis of settlement on the remainder of the debt. The makes an average of more than 50-4, a proposition pressed on the Legislature and before the people by the so called custodians of State credit. Those who opposed it were declared to be repudiators in the most unspurring terms. Now, when a platform is adopted which is equal to 50-4 or better, a conspicuous few bolt the convention, the platform and the party, thereby announcing that they prefer the election of Hawkins to Bate; the loss of a United States Senator and the loss of the State for years to come rather than yield the slightest fraction. In one breath they assert that the platform would require the people to pay more than the 60-6 settlement; in the next they denounce the platform because it does not make the State pay enough. Was ever there such brazen faced inconsistency and audacity! The ambitions of men, soreheadedness and private interests alone can account for the action of this squad of bolters. It is utterly irreconcilable with Democracy, patriotism and past records. Those who weighed most bitterly against bolters two years ago have become the prince of bolters now. There is this difference, however: the bolters, though few in numbers, had a just cause and a following, and made an effective appeal to popular sentiment. The present bolt has no popular sympathy and precious little following. We hope they will nominate a candidate on the 11th, in order that they may show their true colors and poll their full strength. Democracy can afford to lose this inconspicuous little episode and still stand erect, symmetrical and victorious.

Redistricting South Carolina.

CHICAGO, July 6.—Columbia, S. C., special: The redistricting results in giving the Democrats five of the Congressmen and the Republicans two. The Republicans, however, hope to carry one of the five districts.

Indications that State Credit Men Will Cease Kicking Against the Priests and Unite Against the Common Enemy.

NASHVILLE, July 4.—On the train the other night I talked with a very intelligent gentleman from that center of Democratic kickers against General Bate, Clarksville. This gentleman was at first inclined to kick, but says he has read the Courier Journal and concluded there could be neither policy nor patriotism in voting against Bate, thus allying himself with what the editor has very properly styled "the Ten-Cent Democracy." Of course there can not possibly be any question of principle between paying fifty and sixty cents on the dollar, when a hundred are due. Matters of figures and of fact may be divided and subdivided and by rule and measure, but matters of principle never. Matters of principle always demand the cent per cent. There was never but one man in the world who thought principle was a tangible, subdivisible element, and he was discussing the merits of two sisters.

Miss Colline.

"Miss Colline," said he, "is not a good woman—in fact, she's a bad fellow-citizen, and I wouldn't like to see how often she wanders into forbidden paths."

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Small Pox in Wisconsin.

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The Lowest Notch on Corn Freights.

CHICAGO, July 6.—The lowest notch of the season for lake freights has been reached, the last chapters of corn to Buffalo being one-half cent per bushel. The grain was taken as ballast, there being a dead loss at the figure named. Other freights are low in proportion, and the market exceedingly dull.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, July 6.—Bacon—Short rib, steady, 62; long clear, steady, 61; short clear, steady, 64. Cheese—American choice, dull, 35 1/2. Lard—Prime Western, steady, 63. Tallow—Prime city, firmer, 42 1/2. Corn—Mixed old, steady, 6 1/2. Turpentine spirits—Steady, 38; at London, steady, 37 1/2. Rosin—Common, steady, 58 3/4. Wheat—Spring No. 2, steady, 94 7/8; No. 1 white, steady, 10s 10d; winter, steady, 10s 5d.

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, July 6.—For Tennessee and the Ohio valley warmer, fair weather, with light, variable winds, shifting to southerly, stationary or lower pressure. For the lower lake region warmer, fair weather, light, variable winds, mostly westerly. For the upper lake region and upper Mississippi valley warmer, partly cloudy weather, with local rains, southerly winds and lower pressure. For the Missouri valley partly cloudy weather with local rains, and warm, southerly winds and falling barometer, generally followed by rising barometer and colder northwest winds.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

AMATEUR ROWERS.

LONDON, July 6.—At a meeting of the Amateur Rowing Association, yesterday, the committee passed a resolution declaring they would not be justified in recognizing the Hillsdale crew as amateurs, in accordance with the English definition of the term, and they cannot undertake to advise the acceptance of a challenge from them.

ADMIRAL SEYMOUR.

LONDON, July 6.—A dispatch from Alexandria this afternoon states that Admiral Seymour sent an ultimatum to the authorities demanding that they instant stoppage of the construction of earthworks, under the threat of opening fire. The work has ceased.

THE BRITISH FLEET.

ALEXANDRIA, July 6.—Raghib Pasha, President of the Council, has received a telegram from the Sultan that the British fleet would bombard the forts unless work on them was stopped. The Sultan holds the Khedive and Ministry responsible for the consequence. Raghib Pasha replied that the Ministry had already telegraphed to Constantinople that demonstrations had been made, in consequence of which the Sultan's permission to resume was asked. Pending the Sultan's reply, no definite resolution will be adopted. Work on the fortifications continues. Admiral Seymour delays formally demanding the cessation of work until all the British residents were on board the vessels. They are now hastily embarking.

It is reported that Arabi Pasha is supplying arms to the natives.

BLOOD HOUNDS FOR IRELAND.

DUBLIN, July 6.—The Freeman's Journal states that the government intends to employ blood hounds to track murderers.

Moses in the Net.

PHILADELPHIA, July 6.—Moses Kahn, the fugitive jeweler, was captured in Cincinnati and has been lodged in prison here.

Gossip About Minister Lowell.

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Wall Street.

NEW YORK, July 6, 11 a.m.—Wheat slightly in favor of buyers. Trade fairly active. Stocks opened late higher; the latter for Michigan Central. After a fractional advance, prices declined 1/4 to 1/2, but at 11 o'clock recovered 1/4 to 1/2, the latter in Louisville & Nashville.

Government Bonds.

Government Bonds.—Extended 6s, 100 1/2; 5s, 100 1/4; 4 1/2s, 114; 4s, 118 1/2; Pacific 6s of '96, 129.

"IT IS THE CAT."

History of Cats—How They Migrated From Egypt Through Syria and Home to Europe, and Thence to America.

London Saturday Review.

A man's sentiments with regard to cats are a kind of token of his age. In boyhood we are apt to hate cats, regarding them as "the higher vermin." A dog, which, like poor dog Tray in the poem, "is uncommon good at cats," is our favorite companion. We do not weary of contrasting the sterling merits and straightforward character of the dog with the sly, unscrupulous habits of the cat. But as age draws on we begin to see redeeming features in the quiet undemonstrative cat. We admire the sagacity with which it passes a double life—a sleek domestic favorite all day, a wild animal of unbridled impulse in the darkness of the night. If the cat is not a robust animal, like the Newfoundland or bull-terrier, it is not an unaffected one. I do not wag its tail at every chance-comer, but purrs only when it has good reason to be pleased. The undemonstrative cat takes a human interest in her own comfort, disturbs no one (except occasionally at night), and really deserves protection from the worse than Bulgarian atrocities of fends in the shape of boys. This animal so essentially hypocritical and civilized, has a country and a folk-lore of her own, which we now propose to examine.

In the next number of the Gentleman's Magazine, Mr. Thistleton Dyer tells us a few things about the history and folk-lore of the harmless, persecuted cat. He remarks that the chariot of the Goddess Freya "Teutonic Venus," was drawn by cats, and for his authority he refers us to Kelly's Indo-European Folk Lore. But this does not advance us much, as we wish to know whence Kelly derived his information. But he who asks for first-hand references is born to be disappointed. It is not easy to see how Freya's cat came to be drawn by cats, if cats were introduced into Europe till the Middle Ages, by which time Freya had ceased to be adored. Probably Freya's were the tall, brindled wildcats which thirty years ago were common enough in the West Highlands. This wildcat, M. M. Lenormant says was hunted and even eaten (we regret to learn) by the dwellers in the Swiss lake cities in the age of stone. M. Lenormant is convinced that not Egypt, but Africa furnished south, is the cradle of the cat, a domesticated animal. The Egyptian wild fowl hunter in the moon, mentions his cats with him in his boat, and the cat acted as a retriever. Cats, as a rule, dislike cold water, but they are fond of fish, and there used to be a cat in a mill on the Yarrow or Etrick (we forget which) which would dive after trout and seize them even in deep pools. This cat did not illustrate the Latin proverb, "Catus amat piscis sed squas intrare recusat." The Egyptian cat's fondness for birds doubtless enabled him to overcome his aversion to wetting his feet. All the world knows through Herodotus how the Egyptians worshiped the cat, though, indeed, there was scarcely any animal which some of them did not ignorantly worship. The remarks of Herodotus about the personal habits of the cat seem to prove almost to demonstration that the domesticated animal was no more known in Greece in his time than in the country where Dick Whittington introduced it. On this topic, some years ago, Mr. Mahaffey entered into controversy; Mr. Mahaffey believing in Greek cats, while Mr. A. S. Murray was sceptical about their existence. If any Egyptian voluntarily slew a sacred animal, death was his punishment; and Diodorus tells us that a Roman soldier who accidentally killed a cat scarcely escaped the fury of the people. Yes, the Egyptians had probably a still higher respect for dogs. When a cat died in a house the people shaved their eyebrows; but when a dog died they shaved the whole head and all the body. Dead cats were embalmed and buried in the city of Combsatis, the sacred city of Bast, or Pasht, the divine cat. M. Lenormant finds that the Egyptians still respect cats, and in Cairo serve up a copious banquet every day to the cats of each quarter "in the court of the house of the cadi." In one of the picture galleries was lately exhibited a study of cats on a pilgrimage in Egypt; they had a camel all to themselves, under the direction of an old pilgrim, and were perched most comfortably on the animal's shoulders.

A "Horse" Trade.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

An Ingenious Device.

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Ballon Science.

In view of two successful balloon voyages across the English Channel by Englishmen, the aeronauts of France are planning to do something wonderful, in order to maintain their own reputation for courage in navigation.

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Receiver's Sale--At Auction.

RECEIVER'S SALE, AND DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE, at the City of Memphis, Tennessee, on the 11th day of July, 1882, at 10 o'clock, P. M. of said day, will be sold at public auction, for the benefit of the creditors of the late J. H. MOORE, deceased, the following real estate, to-wit: A certain lot of land, situated in the City of Memphis, Tennessee, bounded on the north by the lot of J. H. MOORE, deceased, on the east by the lot of J. H. MOORE, deceased, on the south by the lot of J. H. MOORE, deceased, and on the west by the lot of J. H. MOORE, deceased. The above described real estate is being sold by virtue of a certain order of the Court, bearing date the 11th day of July, 1882, in and to the effect that the said real estate should be sold at public auction, for the benefit of the creditors of the late J. H. MOORE, deceased. The terms of sale are cash on delivery. The above described real estate is being sold by virtue of a certain order of the Court, bearing date the 11th day of July, 1882, in and to the effect that the said real estate should be sold at public auction, for the benefit of the creditors of the late J. H. MOORE, deceased. The terms of sale are cash on delivery. The above described real estate is being sold by virtue of a certain order of the Court, bearing date the 11th day of July, 1882, in and to the effect that the said real estate should be sold at public auction, for the benefit of the creditors of the late J. H. MOORE, deceased. The terms of sale are cash on delivery.

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