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We are authorized to announce the following candidates for office in Scott County, subject to the Democratic primary election, to be held Tuesday, August 21, 1894.

- For Representative, ALBERT DERREIN, JNO. E. MARSHALL. For Sheriff, W. A. JOHNSON, SAMUEL TANNER, W. R. BATTIS. For Collector, W. H. HEISSERER, SILAS W. WHITE. For County Clerk, JAMES MCPHRETERS, CHAS. S. STONE, E. P. ELLIS. For Prosecuting Attorney, MILO G. GRESHAM. For Assessor, A. W. FIZER, ALLEN J. HARRISON, W. D. GODARD, THIOPHIL SCHERER. For Recorder, THOS. F. HICKLE, JOHN M. LEPTWICH. For Treasurer, B. F. ALLEN, W. C. LAMBERT. For Probate Judge, CHAS. A. LEEDY. For Circuit Clerk, FRED. COFFMAN. For Presiding Judge County Court, WM. F. FRIEND, W. H. B'GG. For Associate Judge County Court—1st Dist., JAMES F. EVINS. For Associate Judge County Court—2nd Dist., JULIUS ALBRECHT. For Justice of the Peace, Merriam Township, JOHN R. WELCH.

AS IT NOW STANDS.

County court met last Monday, made a few allowances and then adjourned to the first Monday in September. There is no reason given for this action of the court, but it is presumed that because several members of that body are candidates, they did not care to deal with a matter so important to the people as the straightening out of the irregularities in the circuit clerk and recorder's office.

However, we are assured that the matter will be thoroughly gone through, and there is no longer a doubt as to the correctness of the Newsboy's position in this matter. Even Mr. Leftwich's friends are silenced, and admit that all does not appear right, and that an investigation is in order. They no longer attempt to defend the situation.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to treat the Newsboy's exposure of this matter as a "campaign yarn," but the authority, facts and figures given in our last issue knocked the progs from under that scheme. We have been investigating this matter for three months, and, after being thoroughly convinced, we ventured into print four weeks ago. We did not take any advantage. We did not wait until the last issue before the primary, so as to give Mr. Leftwich no chance to reply, but we gave him five weeks in which to explain, and if a man cannot explain his official conduct in five weeks, he cannot explain it at all.

The fact that Mr. Leftwich went to Charleston and obtained a letter from Harry O Bryan endorsing his course is evidence that he is trying to explain. But what does a letter from O Bryan amount to compared with the opinion of the Attorney General? Mr. O Bryan is a lawyer, just the same as any other lawyer, and his opinions can be had made to order.

The law is too plain for anyone to twist it. There are no ifs, ands or buts. It simply says what it means, and means what it says.

Only a very few cents difference between the prices of wheat and corn. The disaster to the corn crop in the great corn belt may make corn go higher than wheat. You farmers are raising an average of fifteen bushels of wheat to the acre. On the same land you can raise at least 25 bushels of corn. Even if prices decline it is the safer crop. Fed to stock and carried off the farm on four legs it will bring you much better returns. And look at the Scott county corn this year. Never mind what Populists tell you about legislation raising the price of wheat. It won't and can't as long as the supply exceeds the demand. That's as plain as the nose on your face.

The railroad companies yelled for militia to protect their property and then charged for the militia's transportation. It might pay them to get up a row now and then in order to make money out of such transportation. The railroad companies are out for the almighty dollar and get it most of the time.

Mr. DEBBS has served notice on the public that he is out of the strike business for all the time. He will advocate the ballot as the best means of settling things. If Eugene had begun his thinking at this end of the line he would not now be the most woful failure in the ranks of labor agitators.

THE Russian wheat crop is so over-abundant this year that it does not pay to harvest it. The farmers are turning their stock into the grain fields. See what we're coming to!

THAT MODERN MOSES.

The Populistic element of Scott county are to be congratulated on employing the services of one "Dr." B. Franklin, a self styled modern Moses, who is to lead them out of the political wilderness. During the past six years we have had several Dr. Franklins in this county—but where are they now? Two years ago the Populists had a much stronger following than now, but when the votes were counted there were but fifty-one Populist votes cast in the county. It is the Republicans who cause all this Populistic smoke in this county. To hear them talk, one would think that they had forsaken the grand old party forever, but when they go to the polls they stick in the same old ticket. "Dr." Franklin is a great philanthropist, and the people of Scott county ought to appreciate him. He says he is not getting pay for his services, but that he has the glory and the welfare of the American people at heart. The A. P. A. advocates make the same assertion. "Dr." Franklin has no longer needed at his Tennessee home, so he came to Scott county about three months ago. He soon discovered that the people of this county did not have intelligence enough to conduct their own affairs, so he concluded to pitch in and run the machine for them. When not engaged in the discharge of his political duties, he may be found at some crossroads meeting, shouting and praying in public in order to gain the confidence of the people. We consider him somewhat of the A. P. A. stripe.

When "Dr." Franklin becomes a citizen; when he becomes a voter; when he becomes a tax-payer; when he becomes in any way, identified with the interests of Scott county; then our people may have reason to believe that he has something else in view besides dollars and cents. THE St. Louis Republic is jubilant over the appointment of H. S. Priest, general attorney of the Missouri Pacific, to succeed Judge Thayer as District Judge of the Eastern District of Missouri. That's because Dave Francis is mainly responsible for the appointment. The wisdom of appointing a man presumably wedded to the interests of a great railroad system may well be doubted in the light of past history. When Francis pipes, it seems that the Republic must dance, however.

THE Dunklin Democrat says the melons over there ripened ten days ahead of Scott and Mississippi county fruit. They did no such thing. But they were shipped green and sadly demoralized the entire Southeast market. Will Bro. Caruthers follow our example next year and discourage such short sighted policy. Scott county growers have for the most part, been long enough in the business to avoid such foolishness.

His imperial majesty, the Emperor of China, got mad at his Commander in Chief the other day and ordered him to strip off the yellow jacket which denotes his high and mighty rank in Chinese society. One of these days your Uncle Sam will get mad and order a few of his Senators new suits of clothes with transverse stripes on 'em for criminal dabbling in sugar or other stocks under the ban of public disfavor.

THE spirit of our Constitution gives to the House of Representatives the sole power to originate revenue measures, because the House most nearly represents the people. That is a tariff bill, originating in the House and sustained by the people, should be a few Senators representing monopolies, is simply an outrage on the spirit of the Constitution. We have the House, the President, the Constitution and the Democratic party pitted against a few recreant Senators, or our combination ought to, if it does not win.

OUR County Commissioner, Mr. Atchison, has had printed cards of devotional exercises, for use in the schools. There is a brief exercise of absolutely unsectarian character for each day in the week. These cards are being adopted by the teachers throughout the county, and were warmly endorsed at the county Institute. All who desire them can be supplied in lots of 50 or 100 by applying to Mr. Atchison.

THE NEWSBOY was among the foremost to exclaim against the present method of electing United States Senators. The entire Democratic press is falling into line on this subject, and in Southeast Missouri it is pretty much a unit in favor of a change. Agitate for the Sixteenth Amendment.

If the war between China and Japan would draw off our Chinese population—but then it won't. That beathen washee is not much of a patriot.

ENGLAND is having a bully (John Bull) time over the Chin-Jap war. She is selling arms to both nations in a beautifully neutral way.

OUR much belauded form of government has got a black eye. It is said to have nearest to the "Voice of the People is the voice of God" idea of anything ever tried. How is the fact? Half a dozen Senators, representing the monopolistic money kings, block the wheels of legislation for months, and come out of the fight with about all they want. Let us change the motto and make it, "The voice of Money is the voice of God."

THE Astor Library in New York has banished the works of Fielding, Smollett and Ouida from its shelves. Ouida is to be congratulated on getting into such prime company. Also on getting a splendid free advertisement. It will pay some publisher to get out a cheap edition of the works of those three authors.

SOUTHEAST NOTES.

Wallace Crook, the Mississippi county desperado recently so badly shot, has recovered sufficiently to leave that county for the county's good.

Erastus Bourchard, switchman, was killed by a locomotive at Poplar Bluff on the 31st ult.

Poplar Bluff is to have a telephone exchange.

Walter Ake, formerly of Ironton, was accidentally shot dead by a companion at Mariana, Ark., on the 31st ult. He made one of a posse in search of a negro desperado, was mistaken in the dark for that criminal, and hence the tragedy. He is the third brother in that family who has died by accident or violence. He was an estimable young man—a cousin of S. G. Tetwiler, of the Charleston Democrat and nephew of Eli Ake, of the Iron County Register. He was a printer.

John Pollock, of Chicago, has disappeared from near Farmington, where he was erecting a lead mill. He had considerable money with him and was intoxicated at the time of his disappearance. Foul play is suspected.

P. S. Rowe, of Valle Mines, Jefferson county, was killed by lightning in his store Wednesday of last week.

Two brothers named Snodgrass, brakemen, were killed, one on the Iron Mountain and the other on the M. R. & B. T. roads, within a few days of each other.

Stoddard county reports an enormous crop of field peas.

Henry Graham, a De Soto gambler, shot Ed. Kelly, a cigar maker. Kelly will probably recover. The shooting was the result of domestic jealousy.

Everett Hicks and Gus Kopper, two runaway boys from Cape Girardeau, were badly and perhaps fatally hurt at Poplar Bluff. While asleep on the timbers of an old water tank, a misshapen car demolished that structure and the boys made part of the ruins.

Mr. Houck thinks of extending the Kennett road to Caruthersville. Penitentiary county should help him to the full extent of her ability.

Editor Wilkinson, of the Jackson Comet, expected 4,000 Populists to rally in his town Saturday. The Comet type has ciphers in plenty.

Bro. Bell, of the Potosi Independent, will not represent Washington county at Jefferson City. He is too much of a Prohibition crank to suit the miners around Potosi.

The Cape Democrat is now a six column quarto. From the looks of our exchange copy, Bro. Adams has not yet got that double-back action, air-spring Babcock cylinder press under control. Evidently, too, it has killed his proof reader.

According to the Cape Democrat, Hon. Louis Houck predicts that wheat will be selling at 25c. per bushel. Shouldn't wonder, but if it does Mr. Houck won't be zany enough to join Bro. Adams in blaming the administration for a condition of things controlled solely by the law of supply and demand.

Twelve-year-old Joe Schluw fell off an excursion boat lying at the wharf at Cape Girardeau and was drowned.

The Cape Girardeau mills are over-crowded with wheat at present.

Mr. Harnzell, of Cape Girardeau, who recently invented and patented a rotary engine, has been offered \$25,000 cash for his patent.

Bad blood between Mayor Danforth and Hon. P. B. Moore, of Charleston, led to a war of words between them Friday evening of last week. Paul is said to have flourished that deadly lethal weapon—a paper knife—and the mayor to have tried to make Paul believe he carried a gun.

Ike England is the man suspected of killing "Tip" Foley. Circumstances are strongly against him. Prospectors are digging holes in Dunklin county, in a search for buried treasure. The buried treasure in that county—and there are dead loads of it—lies close to the surface. A plow, a mule team and a willing man behind them will unearth it every time.

CONFIDENCE MEN.

Slick Games Worked on Farmers in Iowa and Illinois—Requisition for the Culprits.

Gov. Store had two applications for a requisition for parties Monday, which he declined to act upon for obvious reasons. One requisition was from the governor of Iowa and the other from the governor of Illinois, each asking for the extradition of John Green, alias David White, and the other for "Big Head" Roberts, alias Hennessy. These parties are confidence men and are now in jail in Nodaway county, this state, with fair prospects of long terms of imprisonment in the penitentiary. Their escapades in Illinois, Iowa and Missouri, so far as heard from, netted them \$1,200. Other localities have not yet reported.

Robert Mitchell, an honest farmer, who lives near Oscaloosa, Ia., was the first victim to report. One morning two well-dressed men drove up to his gate and introduced themselves as residents of Muscatine, Ia. Green did the talking. He had a sister living in Muscatine whose husband recently died and left her \$200,000 in money. The sister had some boys of good size who were looting about town and she wanted to purchase a good stock farm for them. The other stranger; Green explained, was the administrator of the estate. Farmer Mitchell owns two farms and was willing to dispose of one, particularly as the price offered was several times its value. The strangers returned to town and said they would be back the next day at 8 o'clock. They kept their word. Farmer Mitchell was highly pleased with their promptness. The three started to drive around the east side of the farm, and presently they met a man who appeared to be a tramp, although he was carrying a valise. He hailed the three and inquired the road to a neighboring town. The new acquaintance proved very talkative. He said he was from Texas and had a sister living somewhere in the vicinity of Oscaloosa. She had married a Yankee and her father was so mad that he discovered her. Now he, the brother, having considerable money, was trying to find her and give her \$1,000. Asked why he was traveling on foot, he said that the people in the town he had left, after beating him out of \$1,000 with some curious cards, had chased him out of town because he cursed the Yankees. Then the supposed tramp gave a sample of his profanity and informed the two that he had money enough to buy all the teams in the bank town, and even the town itself. He had also learned now to manipulate the curious cards and he intended to make a fortune. He opened his valise and exhibited a very large sum of money.

Good Farmer Mitchell and his two companions were thunderstruck and advised the man that it was dangerous to carry so much money with him. The tramp was not uneasy, however, and he proceeded to explain the card trick. The first pass Green won \$20, and while the tramp was not looking he created the corners of a card. Then Roberts tried his hand won \$1,000 Farmer Mitchell wanted in the game, and by mutual arrangement his two companions waited until he raised \$5,000. The three men played partners against the tramp and won no less than \$18,000. About this time the tramp raised hades. He observed that the winning card had been marked and demanded his money back. Good Farmer Mitchell and his two companions declined to accede to this request and the tramp became furious. The winnings were hastily gathered into a box, and Farmer Mitchell was told to take the box to his house and hide it, while the other two would bulldoze the tramp, and, after everything was quiet, they would return to the house, when the box could be procured and the money divided.

Farmer Mitchell did as directed. He deposited the box in a closet and covered it up. For ten days and as many nights he waited for his companions to return. Then he looked at the box. It contained a piece of wood.

In Illinois the three confidence men stopped long enough to beat a farmer out of \$15,000, and they made haste to Nodaway county, Missouri. Near the little town of Hopkins they met Farmer Holker and soon purchased his farm at an enormous price. They were so afraid that farmer Holker would go back on his bargain that they demanded a forfeit of \$4,700 until the contract could be closed. Farmer Holker was willing. The strangers put \$4,700 in a box and Farmer Holker put \$4,700 on top of it. This box was deposited in a local bank. When it was opened it contained a piece of wood and the boxes of Nebraska were sought through the whiskers of the two strangers.—Jefferson City Tribune.

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at least always investigate and promulgate. If clothed with authority to inquire into and report upon any strike, whether requested to do so or not, a permanent board could be very useful. Without at least that much authority its maintenance would be a useless expenditure of public money.

—Kellogg's Auxiliary.—Our friend Phil. A. Hafner has issued a unique and tasty invitation to advertisers requesting the pleasure of receiving their application for space in the harvest edition of the Benton Newsboy. A circular giving his various reasons for sending the invitation (and they are all good), also a scale of his advertising rates accompanied it. The plan is good, and we hope his originality will be fully appreciated.

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CANDIDATES' SPEAKING.

The candidates subject to the Democratic primary election will address the people of Scott county at the following places and on dates given: Batts' schoolhouse, Aug. 15; Keiso, Aug. 17; New Hamburg, Aug. 18; Benton, Aug. 20. All meetings at 1 o'clock p. m., excepting Diehlstadt at 7 p. m.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

I will be at the following places, on the following dates, to present my claims to the people. I invite my opponents to be present. All other candidates are invited.

Ward Schoolhouse, Aug. 11; Mt. Zion Schoolhouse, Aug. 13; Norman Schoolhouse, Aug. 14; CHAS. S. STONE, Candidate for County Clerk.

To Candidates.

The Democratic Central Committee has ordered the primary election tickets to be printed no later than Aug. 11. The fee assessed against candidates for campaign expenses is \$5 for county offices and \$2 for township. Every Democratic candidate desiring his name printed on the ticket must remit the above fee to the Treasurer of the Committee, Jno. M. Leftwich. ALBERT DERREIN, Ch'm Dem. Cen. Com.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given to creditors and all other interested parties in the estate of J. B. Powell, deceased, that the undersigned administrator, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott county, Missouri, to be begun and holden at the court house, in the town of Benton, in said county, on the second Monday in August next, 1894.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Mary A. Holk, deceased, were granted to the undersigned administrator by the Probate Court of Scott county, Missouri, June 23, 1894, by judge in vacation.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them for allowance to the undersigned administrator within one year from date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate, and if such claims are not exhibited within two years, they will be forever barred.

Permanent Board of Arbitration.

The House committee on labor has indorsed the arbitration bill introduced by Mr. Springer a fortnight ago. In doing so it makes a somewhat extended report in urgency of its passage. The bill proposes to create a permanent board of arbitration, instead of authorizing a temporary one to be appointed for a specific case at the request of one or the other party to the controversy. That is the difference between the bill and the act already on the national statute books, which is specially urged as a reform. It is maintained that the finding of such a board would command more respect. This is no doubt true, but judging from the past the board would have but very little work to do. The law for the appointment of temporary boards of arbitration, was passed about midway of the first Cleveland administration, and now for the first time it has come into use. If we had a permanent board it should have authority to investigate any strike that might occur, and report upon the merits of the case. The country is not prepared to have its finding compulsory. If arbitration does not always arbitrate it can

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Probate Docket, List of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Curators who are required by law to exhibit their accounts for settlement on the day and date before named, at the Auditor's office, in the town of Benton, in Scott county, Missouri, commencing on Monday, Aug. 13, 1894.

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