

Look! Look!

If you want to Save Money!

I am now closing out my entire line of Men's and Boys' Suits

AT 1/2 BELOW COST!

Also, a fine line of Men's and Boys' Pants.

THEY MUST GO!

Below are a few of my bargains:

Table listing various suits and pants with prices, such as '2 Men's suits were \$20, now going for \$14.50'.

Respectfully,

Henry M. Smith,

Marble Hill, Mo.

happen: we either break their line or else they will cease to stand pat.

We will put them where they dare not stand pat on Canadian reciprocity, where they dare not stand pat in still further ignoring recommendations of the interstate commerce commission to adopt remedies to put an end to injustices perpetrated by common carriers.

His policy will also place them in the position where they dare not stand pat on the methods of administration which have obtained in the post office department, and in other branches of the government. His policy is along the lines of an aggressive democracy, and it will do more to unite the party and put it in fighting trim for the great campaign this year than anything that can come to the assistance of the party at this time.

At least one republican member of the House of Representatives has a good idea of the eternal fitness of all things, and what is due to the taxpayers of the country in one respect, and he has taken a pot-shot at a very lively abuse that has been growing at a rapid rate under the last two republican administrations.

favor the candidacy of Mr. Hearst proved a boomerang. They thought they were getting away from the Hearst movement, and away from the Hearst papers. They have got away from neither. The chances are that Mr. Hearst will start a paper in the city of St. Louis that will be a democratic paper to the core, and not a wishy-washy, milk and water, good-ford-good-devil sort of a sheet, and the delegation from Missouri in congress are rejoicing thereat; also the fact that they conceded the liability of a Hearst stampede in Chicago concedes the strength of Mr. Hearst in the republican state of Illinois, and one that we must carry in order to win at the polls next November, and thus argues that he is the strongest man in the state whom we can nominate.

If that be the case, Mr. Hearst's friends now are arguing, then is he not the strongest and best man we can nominate, and the man with whom it is easiest to win?

They all say that victory is the great desideratum in the next campaign, and many of them are willing to sacrifice principle in order to get it. Why not, then, say the Hearst men, observe principle and at the same time win a victory that will mean something, by nominating Hearst. The opportunists who, like a drowning man, are grabbing at a straw, have overshot the mark, and have given the Hearst movement an impetus here among the leaders of the party that refuses to down at the bidding of trust tools and Wall street sharks. Those of the recalcitrant gang who came here to laugh at the Hearst boom have gone away with a bad case of the dry grins.

CHARLES A. EDWARDS.

Bargain Weeks!

Beginning Monday, February 1, and continuing until Saturday evening, February 13. During this time we want to close out the remainder of our stock of Men's Suits, Overcoats and heavy Pants, heavy Underwear; Ladies' Jackets and Winter Hats.

Table listing various clothing items and their prices, such as 'Men's \$12 & \$14 Suits for \$8.50'.

The prices quoted in first columns are our regular selling prices, all marked in plain figures and every article is well worth the money and as cheap as you will find elsewhere, but we must close them out, and in order to do so quickly, have made the prices as above stated.

Your money back on any article with which you may not be satisfied. Come and see us for anything you want in General Merchandise of any kind. We want your poultry and eggs, feathers, furs, hides, etc.

RESPECTFULLY,

Taylor Mercantile Co.,

Marble Hill, Mo.

Announcements.

For Judge of the Circuit Court.

HON. ROBERT A. ANTHONY, the present incumbent, authorizes us to announce his candidacy for Judge of the Twenty-seventh Judicial Circuit, subject to the action of the democracy.

The second trial of Ed. Butler is in progress before special Judge Graves at Fulton.

GOVERNOR WM. A. TAFT took the oath of office and entered upon his duties as secretary of war February 1.

ATTORNEY JERRE B. BURNS of Farmington has announced his candidacy for the nomination for judge of this circuit.

The chief feature in the February Woman's Home Companion is "A Visit to the Home of Thomas A. Edison." It is of extraordinary interest.

THE MORNING SUN is a new paper by M. Earle Cook at Morehouse. It is a neat paper, and well patronized by the business interests of the town.

THE Democratic State Central Committee will meet in St. Louis the first of next week to fix dates and places for holding the various state conventions, and to attend to such other business as may come before it.

ATTORNEY J. W. CALDWELL of this city is mentioned by members of his party in connection with the chairmanship of the republican state central committee. He would make a better one than the man Aikens who holds the position.

It is quite a number of the counties in Southeast Missouri candidates are becoming quite numerous, but those who have political aspirations in this county are keeping the fact mighty quiet. The cold weather probably keeps them busy savoring wood.

MISSOURI democrats interested in the candidacy of Senator F. M. Cockrell for the presidency will hold a meeting in St. Louis February 9, for the purpose of beginning active work in the interest of his candidacy. This country has no better man than Francis Marion Cockrell, and he would make our great country a president who would command the confidence and admiration of all the people and the respect of the civilized world.

GLOBE-DEMOCRAT BACKS DOWN.

Unequivocal Retraction of Charges Against State Treasurer R. P. Williams.

CAUSTIC LETTER FROM COL. WILLIAMS INDUCES REPUBLICANS ORGAN TO PUBLICLY ADMIT THE "OLD POLITICIAN" LIEB.

State Tribune: Sunday's issue of the Globe-Democrat contained a malicious and

knowingly false accusation against the personal and official integrity of State Treasurer R. P. Williams. It has been the policy of the Globe-Democrat for years to defame Missouri and slander her public officials. A regular, but anonymous contributor, "The Old Politician," regularly devotes his Sunday screeds to this purpose.

Col. Williams promptly demanded an unconditional retraction of the charges in the following caustic letter:

City of Jefferson, Mo., Jan. 29.—To the Editor of the Globe-Democrat: In your issue of Sunday last an anonymous, but regular contributor to your paper, styling himself "The Old Politician," uses the following language: "They got him nominated, and after he took the office he turned out to be just the kind of man they thought he was. I've never been able to find out what one, or how many of them it was who had the Farmington asylum funds out of the treasury when the money should have been spent to complete the building. It was at a time when it was money in your pocket to buy anything and sell it on the raise; you couldn't miss it. Somebody made big money out of the investment of them Farmington funds, and I don't believe that Williams ever got a cent of it. I'd say that much for him. But he showed the weak character of the man he is by letting 'em have the money out of the treasury at all, and the worst of all was that month after month, when the cry was being raised for the completion of the buildings with the money appropriated by the legislature, Williams failed completely to publish the monthly report of the condition of the funds in the treasury which the law makes it his duty to do."

The statement in every particular is maliciously false and libelous. Your correspondent, without a shadow of cause or justification, has assailed my honor and integrity as an officer of the state, and, in justice to myself, my family and my friends and the great democratic party of the state which has honored me with this high and responsible position, I demand full and unequivocal retraction of these charges.

There has never been one penny of the state's money used during my incumbency of the office of state treasurer for private purposes. The appropriation for the Farmington asylum was promptly paid on presentation of the warrant issued by the state auditor, the regularly constituted authority for issuing the warrants. Until the warrant in such cases is issued by the state auditor and presented for payment, the funds are kept on deposit with the state depositories, where they draw interest for the benefit of the state.

It is not true that the law requires the treasurer to publish monthly reports of the condition of the treasury. The law, however, requires the treasurer to make monthly, quarterly and annual reports to the governor, under oath, and this law has been strictly complied with. In addition to this and without requirement of law, I have given out for publication each month to the correspondents of both metropolitan and local papers, copies of the reports filed with the governor. There is not a bank or commercial office in the state which is conducted on stricter business principles or more in accordance with law than the state treasury.

If the charges you publish are true, I am guilty of a penitentiary crime. I therefore demand that you publish this statement from me and in addition to such publication, editorially retract your charges. Yours respectfully, R. P. WILLIAMS, State Treasurer.

The Globe-Democrat published

Col. Williams's letter in its Thursday's issue with the following editorial confession and retraction: "The following letter has been received from Col. R. P. Williams, state treasurer, and there is no reason to doubt that his statement of facts concerning the Farmington asylum funds is correct. Certainly we have no disposition or occasion to question Col. Williams's integrity and general good character, official or personal, and our correspondent disclaims any such intention. The correspondent was evidently in error (which is regretted) about the handling of the Farmington appropriation, as Col. Williams's explanation plainly shows.—Editor Globe-Democrat.

Washington News Letter.

The democrats of the House of Representatives, under the able leadership of the Hon. John Sharp Williams, are lining up in solid array against the republican party and all it stands for. The democratic party in this house is going to stand for something besides negation, something besides mere obstruction of republican tactics. Hitherto, this has been the height of the ambition of the democratic floor leader. If he could line up the democrats to oppose anything that the republicans suggested he seemed satisfied, and let matters go at that. Not so with John Sharp Williams. He wants the democratic party to stand for something positive, and to place the republican party on the defensive, and he intends to do so if the democrats who are the leaders of the party on the floor of the house will back him up in his intentions.

He will have a conference once a week with the leading democratic member on every committee and ascertain exactly what is coming out of the committee and what is before it in the shape of legislation. Many of the legislation is worthy of consideration from a party standpoint, a meeting of all the democratic members will be called and a fight opened up on the republican measure and a substitute offered and fought for with might and main. He will thus organize a standing "elbow-to-elbow" movement, and quit the old endless, and endlessly unsuccessful, game of merely opposing things without having anything to put in the place of the thing opposed. He intends to organize, if he can, an affirmative democracy in the house at any rate, and thru the house in the entire country. His watchword from now on will be "face front, forward march," and charge the enemy at every point of the line, keeping off the defensive ourselves and put him on it. The republican party is right now the party of negation in the country. It is in favor of "standing pat," and "letting well enough alone," as if things ever were well enough in this poor world of ours. He is going to organize an attack all along the line so that one of two two things will

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Attorneys W. K. Chandler and Wm. M. Morgan of Marble Hill attended Squire Helton's court recently, in the interest of clients.

John W. King bought the Henry Jamison property and will move into it soon.

Herman Hesse of Jackson was here on business last week.

County Surveyor Reilly came down last Wednesday and made a survey for an addition to our town.

E. R. James returned from Washington recently, where he had been the past year.

Leonard, the little son of Andrew Gaines, received some severe burns last Monday. His clothes caught fire from a hot stove while too near it.

Dr. Lages was called to Brownwood last Friday to see C. H. Adams who was sick of pneumonia.

But for the slightest accident the Baptist church and Woodmen hall would have been consumed by fire last week. Mr. Brazier, the clerk, went to the hall to get a copy of the by-laws, when he found the floor around the stove burning.

A telegram was received here Saturday announcing the death, on Friday, of Mrs. Nora Barnes of Penicook county. Mrs. Barnes was well known in this county as Miss Nora Cullhage, daughter of Dr. J. C. Cullhage, who presided here a number of years.

Rev. Shelton preached an interesting sermon at the Baptist church last Sunday night. He will preach here again next Sunday. C. Cook.

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