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TODAY'S WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—For Wisconsin: Showers; slightly cooler by Friday night; southeast gales.

For Minnesota: Showers, followed by fair southwest; northwest winds.

For North Dakota: Generally fair, preceded by light showers northeast; warmer by Friday night; variable winds.

For South Dakota: Fair weather, followed by brisk northwest winds.

For Iowa: Slightly cooler; northwest winds.

For Montana: Slightly cooler; northeast winds.

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WASHINGTON, May 5, 8:48 p. m. Local Time, 8 p. m. 75th Meridian Time.—Observations taken at the same moment of time at all stations.

Place of Observation.	Height of Barometer.	Exposed Thermometer.	Place of Observation.	Height of Barometer.	Exposed Thermometer.
St. Paul	29.78	46	Miles City	30.14	36
Duluth	29.92	36	Helena	30.14	42
La Crosse	29.82	46	Ft. Sully	.....	....
Huron	29.98	42	Minnedosa	30.18	32
Moorhead	29.92	36	Calgary	.....	....
St. Vincent	30.02	34	Winnipeg	30.12	32
Bismarck	30.08	34	Q'Appelle	.....	....
Ft. Buford	30.20	34	Med'e Hat	.....	....

P. F. LYONS, Local Forecast Official.

THE WATER QUESTION.

The prohibitionists and woman suffragists in Massachusetts threaten to desert the Republican party of the state if the Republican legislature persists in defeating the bill to allow women to vote on the license question. It is the practice of the towns and cities of that state to vote on this nearly every year, and it is claimed that the women will help out the no-license side in the larger cities. The bill to allow them to vote on this question has lacked but three or four votes of passage, the "non-Republicans" beating it. The loss of any more prohibition votes will add to the probability of the Republicans losing the state in the presidential election. In the discussion of the subject the singular fact is recalled that Gov. ANDREW, one of the most brilliant men the Republicans have ever elected governor, once used this language before a legislative committee on temperance:

Independent of other obligations, there is reason to fear that the offspring of those who abstain entirely from fermented drink become, in a generation or two, enervated in body and mind. It is probable in this last mentioned manner that the decadence of the different Mohammedan nations and races is to be accounted for.

A Republican governor of Massachusetts arguing in a public address that total abstinence produces physical and mental degeneracy seems almost incredible. Yet such was the fact, and the controversy shows that a great number of Republicans agree with him. The medical fraternity is infected with this notion, very much as are the practical politicians. It is argued, on the one side, that peoples restricted exclusively to the aqueous element have never cut much figure in the world's affairs. It is insisted that in no parts of Europe at the present time is the use of malt and fermented liquors more general than in Scotland, England and Germany, and the people in those countries are unsurpassed in physical development and mental and moral force. The historical claims on that side are, however, challenged, and it is asserted that in both ancient and modern times nations have been powerful as they have been abstinent, and have degenerated as they used stimulants. The field is ample for both sides to gather abundance of material to support their positions.

THE DAKOTA SITUATION.

It is asserted by the Fargo Forum that the buyers of the school lands sold under a misapprehension of the law need feel no concern. It is meant, of course, that the legislature will be able to patch up any defects growing out of legal informalities. This will involve no need of a special session. The same authority also takes issue with Senator HANSBROUGH when he says the state can get in its electoral vote without any action by the present legislature. The senator did not reflect possibly upon the danger that the new legislature might not be quite of the HARRISON complexion and not certain to aid in getting the three votes into the grandfather's hat. The special session will evidently be called, provided it is pretty definitely ascertained that the legislature will add $50,000 to its former appropriation for the exhibit at Chicago. Should the feeling be found like that in the South Dakota legislature, it will be seen that the difficulty about the electoral vote can be successfully tided over. No doubt the $50,000 is needed for an exhibit that will do credit to the state.

JOHNSON ON WOOL.

Since Congressman JOHNSON, of North Dakota, has been catching the public eye and ear by the strength of his speeches really delivered in congress, not merely printed in the Record, the faction that would throw him over, and nominate another as a Republican, has been wilting, as it were. The speech the gentleman made in opposition to the free wool bill is pronounced a corker. It may not have been quite in line with his convictions, but he knows that most of the sheep men still cherish the old notion that somehow the tariff helps keep up the price, and benefits them. A leading Republican paper of the state, while a supporter of Mr. JOHNSON, mildly suggests that, perhaps in his zeal to please his constituents, he does not quite present the facts in their right bearings. Whatever the effect the tariff may have had in keeping out the wool of Australia, wool is cheaper now than it was last year or before the passage of the MCKINLEY bill. In the manufacturing districts of the East, many of the wool men who are Republicans, and believe in protection as a rule, doubt the value of the duty to wool growers. They do not believe that the passage of the SPRINGER bill will put the price any lower. This North Dakota Republican paper finds many intelligent wool dealers who hold that the place for protection, if anywhere, is not on the fleece, but the manufactured articles. The latter must contain a variety of wools, the better quality of this country and the coarse, cheap wool of South America, otherwise shoddy is largely used and an inferior article produced that cannot compete with the manufactures of skilled labor and untaxed raw material abroad. The American goods cannot go to foreign markets, as cotton manufactures do. Consequently, they produce less and do not use so much American wool. The demand being less, the prices fall, and the wool grower is damaged rather than benefited by the tariff. No doubt Mr. JOHNSON understands this, but finds the other view easier to work as a Republican.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

The Republican convention yesterday was a very successful entertainment as such entertainments go. The familiar face of SAMUEL LOWENSTEIN was missed, to be sure, and his absence cast a gloom over the first half-hour of the session. But Senator DAVIS was on hand and in good order, and inspired the delegates with words of encouraging eloquence. He added a new star to his party's firmament by claiming for it the credit of having established the majesty of the American hog in every nation under heaven. Readers of Martin Chuzzlewit will be inclined to believe that the American hog antedated the birth of the Republican party, and that our learned senator is stretching things a little when he makes its prominence in society contemporaneous with the administration of BENJAMIN HARRISON. The idea, however, was very gratifying to the convention, which cheered with great harmony and unanimity in response to its presentation, and if the Republican party wants to be responsible for the majestic hog, the GLOBE is not inclined to begrudge it the honor. All the remaining proceedings of the day were also marked by a spirit of harmony and unanimity, but nothing was more harmonious and unanimous than the vote on the resolution checkmating STANFORD NEWEL'S aspirations for a place on the national committee. It is much to be regretted that our genial fellow townsman is not to enjoy the dignity which his friends were ambitious for him to have, but he has the satisfaction of knowing that in both Wednesday and yesterday's convention he defeated F. L. MCGHEE for the position of delegate at large to the Minneapolis convention by a substantial majority. This is glory enough for one week.

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

The resolutions which the convention adopted are an adroit straddle on every issue before the country except the tariff question. A declaration that a dollar should be worth a hundred cents, of course means nothing, and it does not make it intelligible to add that we should have an abundant currency based on gold and silver. Cents are made out of copper and nickle, and it would take a good many more than a hundred of them to equal even a four hundred and twelve grain silver dollar, from one point of view, and from another point of view a hundred of them will equal any dollar which human ingenuity can devise. Under the wing of such a currency plank, men of all shades of opinion can find shelter, except the men who believe in an honest expression of honest convictions.

On the tariff problem, however, the convention displayed no signs of faltering. It indorsed Senator DAVIS' characterization of the MCKINLEY bill as a direct benefit to every American citizen, and reaffirmed its adherence to the principle of protectionism in unequivocal language. If there is any state in the Union in which we should expect at least a respectable Republican opposition to extreme views on this question, it would be Minnesota, the basis of whose wealth is agriculture, and which for so many years has been taxed by the present iniquitous system to enrich the Eastern manufacturers. But no such opposition seems to exist. The party is heart and soul pledged to McKinleyism, and along this line the coming battle will be fought. The Democracy will welcome the opportunity.

MR. VAN SLYKE'S VICTORY.

The election of WILLIAM A. VAN SLYKE to the upper branch of the common council by a majority of forty-four has been disclosed by the final canvass of the returns. The GLOBE is sure that this will be gratifying news to the city at large without regard to party, and it is a deserved tribute to a conscientious and capable officer and a public spirited citizen. Mr. VAN SLYKE has done much more for St. Paul than St. Paul can ever do for him, and it seemed a depressing comment on popular appreciation of good service that he should have been defeated at the polls by men unknown to the community and without any record for achievement on its behalf. These latter tidings right what appeared to be a grievous wrong, and it is no slight token to Mr. VAN SLYKE'S popularity for him to have survived a cyclone in which some of the Republican candidates received a majority of nearly four thousand. The GLOBE predicts that ere many days have passed a feeling of regret will settle down over this city because several of the other Democrats on the assembly ticket are not among the victors. A business house which could secure the time and labor of ANSEL OPPENHEIM, L. E. REED or MARK COSTELLO for even a very large salary would not fail to embrace the opportunity, and yet the people of St. Paul have declined their services when they were willing to work for them without compensation. This was a serious mistake from every standpoint, and one which will soon be admitted on every side. Reform is now the fact, but reform which rewards inferiority is not the kind which long retains its prestige.

THE COMING VEHICLE.

There are no seers at present on duty perhaps who may be able to peer far enough down the future to see the electric vehicle on the city streets and gravel roads in the country possessing a monopoly. The horse has been too faithful, and is altogether too noble and picturesque an animal to be rudely dismissed. But there will be room for both the noble animal and the electric carriage. One of the publications devoted to new inventions illustrates and describes one of the latest devices for the electric potency that has novel and promising features. In general appearance the vehicle differs little from the common ones seen on the street. There are no shafts for the horse. The motor is on the front axle, and the man on the driver's seat seems to be guiding it with about the same ease he would a well-trained horse. The speed on level roads is put at from ten to fifteen miles per hour. Tests are soon to be had with this one at Boston. It is an experiment, of course, but the theory is accepted as having great possibilities. At any time the practical illustration may take the road successfully.

THE MAN THAT WAITS.

The old adage that things come to him who waits had a local illustration this week. RIP VAN WINKLE found a troop of things tumbling his way after he had slept a couple of decades. At the Republican convention in Illinois yesterday there was a notable vindication of the adage. One of the two men nominated for congressman at large has been a hopeful aspirant for senator, governor or congressman at every occasion since the war. His greatest success hitherto was when he was nominated for congress, and came within 2,500 votes of beating Col. WILLIAM R. MORRISON. He has persevered steadily for twenty-five years, and may now go to congress, provided the Democrats do not carry the state this year. Wait.

MR. MCKINLEY laid a tax of $2.75 on a pound of Sumatra leaf in order to be able to say that his bill did something to foster and protect our agriculture, or that small fraction of it devoted to raising tobacco. It is followed with the results invariably accompanying the offer of excessive profit for the evasion of a law. The customs officers have suddenly discovered that Sumatra leaf is crossing our borders surreptitiously, and that the enterprising smuggler and not the federal treasury is the gainer by the law. With thousands of miles of frontier across which a wagon may be driven, in every pound of whose load there is a profit of $2.75, it is folly to expect that there will not be found men in plenty who will take the advantage of every opportunity to pocket the prizes to be won and solace their consciences with the reflection that the tax is a theft, and defrauding the government is rather a praiseworthy act than otherwise.

SENATOR JOE HAWLEY addressed a Boston meeting the other day, in which he expatiated at full length on the manifold blessings of that mass of inconsistencies which is the dominant policy of his party, but strangely closed his speech with an argument that protection would "in time" be cast aside. Undoubtedly it will, but that time will be coincident with the full control of the federal government by the Democrats. If the senator meant that the time would ever come when his own party would voluntarily cast it aside, he recks little what its history teaches, and is tickling his fancy with an iridescent dream.

THE amenities of politics did not, in the earlier time, take exactly this form in North Dakota, but when an alienated friend and state senator hurled a lurid and prickly verbal budget at the 400-pound editor at Fargo, his gentle spirit flowed in this mellifluous way:

The flowers that close at nightfall will open again in the morning, and the little stream that starts from the mountain and goes down to the sea will have its waters taken up by clouds and carried back again, but words once spoken, like years that we leave behind us, come not again. They have gone away forever with the daisies and the buttercups and the violets that shone in the meadows last year.

CONSIDERING the imminence of the national campaign, with its certainty that the Republicans will take out from its quadrennial retirement the fragmentary old bloody shirt for a few months more of vigorous flaunting, there is an indiscretion in a remark of CHAUNCEY DEPEW'S at a Yale alumni dinner yesterday that is clearly fatuous. Said he: "When a white man goes South he joins in helping to suppress negro government, no matter how good a Republican he may have been in the North." Was this a case of in vino veritas?

THE West is looming up this season in the way of conventions. Minneapolis has the Republican and Chicago the Democratic conventions. Omaha takes in the People's convocation, which promises to size up in numbers with the others. Then the National Editorial association goes to California next month. Omaha, in May, entertains the Methodist general conference. In the same month the Presbyterian general assembly goes to Portland. The Prohibitionists, and perhaps some other aggregations, focus somewhere in the West.

PRESIDENT HARRISON would be willing to see some of the Republican conventions do a little less in the indorsing way of his administration if they would instruct more delegates to vote for him at Minneapolis. The New England states and about all the larger and more influential ones will come without any assurance that they will stand by BENJAMIN. The bosses will all be there looking eagerly for a dark horse. The president may well suspect that there is danger for him in the situation.

A LATE cable reports that out of 273 fashionable marriages to be celebrated in London in the next two months a third of the brides will be Americans. It is not stated whether they figure in the increased exports of surplus productions about which there is so much boasting in some quarters of late. If there is reciprocity, which country has the larger benefit? The rule to ship the best abroad does not hold in this case.

REPUBLICANS who have been holding their ears to the ground to catch the echoes of the late St. Paul election are considerably disappointed. It is not hailed by the outside press as a Republican victory. This is because it was not such a victory by several thousand votes. St. Paul is a Democratic city, and will roll up a Democratic majority for the Democratic nominees for president and governor.

ACCORDING to the Chicago Times "Mrs. BLANC is suing her husband for divorce. Although her husband is a prominent New York society man she'd rather be nobody than a BLANC." If the Times will bend down one of its pearly ears it will catch a low whisper to the effect that the name is not pronounced "Blank" out here in the woolly West.

THOSE were hoarse, gruesome cries in the Republican convention which woke the echoes in frantic appeals to withdraw the name of STANFORD NEWEL as a candidate for national committeeman. And the wind-swept mere is no more desolate than were his whispering whiskers as the chilly breeze soughed through them.

SENATOR "CUSH" DAVIS paid a glowing eulogy to BILL MCKINLEY yesterday in the Republican convention, but how is he going to vote when the free binding twine bill comes up in the senate? It is presumed that this question bothers the eloquent senator from Minnesota just now more than it does the GLOBE.

POWELL CLAYTON says a good many of the negroes in Arkansas are voting with the Democrats. All the more need of a force bill to compel them to vote the Republican ticket.

QUEBEC is threatened with depopulation in the rural districts on account of the growth of the annexation feeling. The people are in too big a hurry to bring their country, and so they buy railroad tickets and annex themselves individually.

THE national committee of colored citizens has sent out a circular appointing May 31 as a day of fasting and prayer for the immunity of their race in the South from outrage. This is but another indication that a presidential election is approaching. The night of the 31st will be the proper one to double padlock the chicken coops.

WILLIAM A. VAN SLYKE comes out of the "moral cyclone" with colors flying. His election to the assembly, under the circumstances and in the face of the vigorous opposition to the Democratic ticket, is a compliment of which he may justly feel proud. That it is deserved goes without saying.

WHAT was all that hullabaloo the GLOBE heard a short time ago about "boodling aldermen" in Chicago? And, by the way, where is the reform and purification that was promised subsequent to the "discovery?" St. Paul is in the "purification" business just now and is anxious to take a lesson.

A NORTH DAKOTA paper says the wheat growers in that state will be able to seed but about half the acreage of last year, and that the prospect is about the same in Minnesota. It may be remembered in a bullish way that a big part of the old crop is still on hand in the Dakota belt.

KANSAS INGALLS will come to Minneapolis on his attempt to find his way back to the senate. He excites curiosity as to Kansas ways when he insists that he does not mean to ride back into the senate on a hearse. It depends somewhat on what part of the vehicle one rides.

MITCHELL has the ocean between himself and JOHN SULLIVAN, and he feels as the Texas man did when JOHN toyed with him in the first two rounds. He knows he can pulverize him easy. The greater the distance between them the more pugilistic MITCHELL becomes.

A RECENT report from a quarter regarded as peculiarly well informed puts the average expenditure of Americans in Italy the past ten years at the robust figure of $35,000,000. Still some kick because sons of Italy come over to reciprocate and vote.

THE New York legislature by its vote demands the closing of the world's fair on Sunday, but votes $50,000 to a historical museum conditioned that it shall be opened on Sunday. Legislative piety there may be looked upon as inclined to be piebald.

A MAN in a state of nudity or covered with a sheet has been frightening ladies on the street alone at night on the West side recently. He is supposed to have lost his head in trying to understand Republican-Prohibition-Citizens' politics.

SENATOR GEORGE, of Mississippi, would have two G's on his presidential ticket because he has never known a name commencing with that letter defeated. GORMAN and GRAY are good names. So are XERXES and XANTIPPE.

IN BANGOR, one of the leading cities of Maine, and always Republican, the saloons were ordered closed on Monday, the day of the local election. There have been rumors at times that prohibition was prescribed by law in that state.

IN THE opinion of HENRY WATTERSON ROBERT LINCOLN is a great deal more than the son of his father. The Kentucky sage is very considerate for the Republicans to be looking up material for them.

SEVERAL of the Southern states will have two sets of delegates at Minneapolis. It is the only chance they have to figure in the fight, and, as they mix the colors, they help to make the show interesting.

THE two Republican senators from Colorado are delegates to the Minneapolis convention, and nobody believes they will bolt when HARRISON takes the cake. They talk through their hats.

IT IS not a matter of very great moment to the average St. Paul Democrat just now that the days are growing longer by a few minutes at one end. They are long enough now.

CZAR REED rides a "safety" in Washington. If he rides a "safety" in Minneapolis he will avoid getting himself mentioned as a presidential possibility in that town.

ONE of the speakers the night before the election said he had often taken a glass of wine with the coming reform mayor. Only plebeian drinks may be in disrepute.

THE Robert street morning sheet files its claims as the COLUMBUS of the new mayor. Others are encroachers who would designate the reform staff.

THE weather is getting on the bull side of the wheat market of late. But Secretary RUSK does not mean to be a candidate for president, in any case.

UNLESS the weather does better for the base ballers there will be no occasion for the reform mayor to issue an ukase against playing on Sunday.

BY A new distilling process a quart or two more of whisky may be obtained from a bushel of corn. Still, the great need of the age is not more whisky.

A SMOKE CONSUMER has been found to work with great success on a Chicago tugboat. The great need now is one that will work on a cigarette.

REFORM platforms are sometimes compared to the platforms of rail cars—useful to get in on. Few care to remain on them after the train starts.

IT WAS BENJAMIN'S day yesterday in a good many states. It was HOBSON'S choice with most of them, as there was no other man in sight.

THE rush yesterday to get the Chinese exclusion act in working order kept the bars from falling down today if the old law really fell out.

SOME one would nominate TOM REED at Minneapolis because he is a great joker. That would be the biggest joke of the age.

A BUST of President HARRISON is on exhibition in New York. His most realistic bust will be exhibited in November.

IT IS conceded that at the late election in Louisiana the colored vote was pretty well divided between the parties.

A MOB down South the other day had two men killed in lynching a worthless fellow. But it had its fun all the same.

IF THE French vineyards are hurt by the frost California will meet any deficiences in "rare old French wine."

SUNRISE SIGNALS.

To Minneapolis on the great political occasion of June 7:

Hark, hark! the dogs do bark,
The booms have come to town;
Some in rags and some with jags,
And Alger's like a clown.

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Countess Russell is going upon the stage as a professional skirt dancer. So long as there is so much skirt dancing among the nobility, it is no more than right that there should be a little nobility among the skirt dancers.

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The actor who more than any other in the cast of "Mr. Barnes of New York" holds the mirror up to nature is the irascible English tourist who wants "a mug of beer and a pig's foot" and lives in an eternal jangle with the whole world.

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Deeming, the Australian murderer, has been condemned to die. With the tallies of some fifteen or twenty victims to his credit, it can be reasonably considered that Mr. Deeming has outlived his usefulness.

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So far in this year's calendar May has never smole a smile. Probably because the weather has been no laughing matter.

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With all due respect to the dainty East, honeycombed with dissolute snobbery, we beg to remark that there are no "bad Western men." There are some who are better than others, but there are no bad ones—in the Democratic party. This is partially accounted for by the fact that good Eastern men usually immigrate West. The bad men stay in Wall street.

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The Quaystone state will send some men
To Minneapolis for Ben,
And madder men you'll never see
Than Matt S. Quay and Chris Magee.

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Col. Bob Ingersoll says he has not read a newspaper for three months. And yet the colonel says that preachers are behind the times.

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To the Eastern press that of late has shown a disposition to disparage the hotel and press accommodations of Minneapolis during the coming Republican convention we commend the words of Mr. Thomas Lowry, of that city. We quote from the New York Press:

"Mr. Thomas Lowry, of Minneapolis, who has come down from the Northwest with a bloom of youth on his cheeks to take his usual spring diagnosis of the business situation, told me yesterday that there are 2,000 more rooms awaiting guests in that city than there have been applications for accommodations on the occasion of the National Republican convention next month. 'With the hotel accommodations of St. Paul and Lake Minnetonka to draw upon,' said Mr. Lowry, 'there is no question at all about our ability to take care of everybody who desires to come to the convention.'"

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A president is known by the Raums and Porters he keeps around him.

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B. Harrison (at a Washington race track)—What is all this cheering about?

Sporting Friend—The favorite won in a canter.

B. Harrison—That, then, is the cause of the enthusiasm?

Sporting Friend—Most assuredly.

B. Harrison—H'm, yes; coming events cast their shadows before. Just watch my curves at Minneapolis.

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A gigantic loon was recently shot and killed near Minneapolis. Can it be possible that Mr. Blair's boom got there ahead of him?

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Deeming is now "in irons." It is impossible to have too many of such in the fire.

STATE PRESS POLITICS.

"If the opinions of a majority of the state press be taken into consideration," says the Hokah Chief, "Knute Nelson has little demand."

According to the Taylor's Falls Journal "the minor conventions held in the state indicate that Minnesota is unquestionably for Harrison."

It is the opinion of the Houston Valley Signal that "if the Democrats and Alliance unite on Owen for governor he will sail into office with ease."

In the opinion of the St. Cloud Times, "the greatest danger to the Harrison boom lies in the uninstructed delegates to the Minneapolis convention."

"It is getting to be a row and a rumpus on the legislative issue," said the Ortonville Headlight, "in this district. Whoever gets there must be a 'sooner.'"

"Those who believe that the mythical Republican managers have fixed things to nominate Knute Nelson for governor never made a greater mistake in their lives."

This is about the size of it as measured by the Stillwater Gazette: "The Republicans, most ably assisted by many Democratic friends, won a substantial victory."

"What little Knute Nelson sentiment has heretofore existed in this county has been recently wiped out. Nelson boomers are becoming a scarce article in this vicinity." So says the Duluth Tribune.

Aptly says the Crookston Times: "The result of the city election in St. Paul cannot be properly construed as a Republican victory or a Democratic defeat. St. Paul is just as much a Democratic city today as it ever has been."

In the line of a post-election echo the Faribault Republican says: "Ex-Mayor Townley is one of the recalcitrants who are going to purify and reform the St. Paul Democracy by downing the regular Democratic ticket. When that good work is accomplished the next thing in order will be to reform the reformers."

Says the Chaska Herald: "The Democratic house of representatives in Washington has passed a bill placing binding twine on the free list. Only three Republicans voted for the measure—all Western members. The question is, What will the Republican senate do with the same when it reaches that body? Farmers, keep your eye on this measure and watch every vote."

"So McKinley wants now to pass as a Scotch-Irishman," says the Belle Plaine Herald. "Nothing perhaps should so disgust, not only Irish-Americans, but the real simon-pure American also, as those animals who call themselves Scotch-Irish. There are no such persons in the first place, and secondly, the class of men so calling themselves are simply the riff-raff of American society."

Everybody Has a Chance.

Detroit Tribune.

When an Alabama Republican wants to hold a state convention he just goes and holds it, and if anybody else wants to hold another he is perfectly at liberty to do so.

A Talented Economist.

Boston Transcript.

If Edward Atkinson has been with Robinson Crusoe, the latter would have laid up money.

TWO.

Silently, swiftly riding with me,
Stirrup to stirrup, stride for stride,
If I stretch out my hand in the night, by my side
I touch him, steadily, sullenly,
With his withered face and his misery,
By the firmest and bitterest bond allied,
That never a love nor a hate can divide,
Riding with me.

Across the land and from sea to sea,
Splashing and plunging through many rivers,
Recklessly, wearily, desperately,
Ban nor blessing, nor thing that severs,
Can sever the tie 'twixt him and me;
Out of the night and into the day,
From season to season, from year to year,
What does it matter where leads the way?
There is nothing further to heed nor fear;
There is nothing to hope in the time to be;
As I gallop in silence tonight, by my side.
Stirrup to stirrup and stride for stride,
He rides with me.

As I ride with thee, shall I ride with thee,
With my withered face and my misery,
Stirrup to stirrup and stride for stride.
The cross and the book and the priest defied,
Through time, and death, and eternity.
To days that breed, nor years that kill,
Nor prayer, nor tears of souls that be,
Past the swift river of good and ill,
Shall sever the bonds that hold me, tied
By deed and by will of thy own to thy side,
Stirrup to stirrup and stride for stride,
Steadily, sternly, silently,
I shall ride with thee.

—P. Y. Black.

WISSIG WINKS OUT.

Wissig might go West and consult Cannon.—New York World.

"Dirty Phil" Wissig, who blackguarded women in his assembly speech, has been constrained by the overwhelming force of public sentiment to resign from the Tammany leadership in the "dirty Eighth" district, as he has been in the habit of calling it. Good for the Eighth.—New York Telegram.

Tammany hall recognizes the fact that the line has got to be drawn somewhere, and it draws it on a foul mouth. The man who made an indecent speech when the woman suffrage bill was up for consideration in the New York assembly has been deposed from the Tammany leadership in his district.—Boston Herald.

Assemblyman Wissig, of New York, who recently indulged in an indecent tirade against woman suffrage, has spared Tammany Hall the task of expelling him from its general committee by resigning from that position. Wissig should complete his atonement by resigning the legislative seat which he has disgraced.—Philadelphia Record.

The wallowing Wissig having retired, by request, from Tammany Hall, he will probably employ his diseased mind in the business of organizing a new party. Of course he will seek the advice and assistance of Cannon of Illinois. In the meantime we call the attention of Dr. Parkhurst to the deplorable fact that there are politicians worse even than Tammany.—New York Advertiser.

SAMPLES OF WIT.

The coal miner is a circumspect man. He always "picks" his way.—Columbus Post.

It doesn't follow that the oarsman's work is light because so much of it is feather.—Elmira Gazette.

"I've always been used to a drop," as the man said the night before he was to be hanged.—London Answers.

"That's a very neat turnout," said the young woman's father as Augustus sped from the door.—Washington Star.

Time is money, they say. And we have often observed that it takes a good deal of money to have a good time.—Siftings.

Kind Party—What are you crying that way for, little boy? Little Boy—'Cause it's the only way I know how to cry.—Boston Gazette.

True to the nature of the beast, many a man who in his time has cast sheep's eyes at a pretty girl has afterwards had the wool pulled over them.—Philadelphia Times.

People generally do not hanker after changes in the fashion of clothes, but there are few who do not feel that some change in the pockets of garments is a good thing now and then.—Yarmouth Register.

MINNIE IN THE SWIM.

Warner Miller asserts with vehemence in Minneapolis that there is no Nicaragua Canal lobby at Washington. It must have got away by night.—New York World.

Now that it is settled that Foraker will go to Minneapolis, we ask Brooklyn Republicans to keep Tanner at home. The equipoise of the earth must be preserved.—New York World.

Up to date one-half the delegates to Minneapolis have been chosen, and the other half will be chosen during the next fortnight. And still no rival to Grandfather's hat appears on the horizon.—Boston Herald.

Three suicides within twenty-four hours are reported from Minneapolis. This looks as though the natives up there were in panic in view of the arriving Republican National convention.—New York Telegram.

It is reported that the delegates at large from Ohio to the Minneapolis convention will be two Sherman men and two Foraker men. The Republican party in Ohio today is in a chronic state of compromise or bust.—Chicago Times.

The New York delegation to Minneapolis will be solidly for Platt. That is, they will cast their votes for or against Harrison, according as the boss directs. Probably before voting time comes, however, the two will have concluded a dicker and the Indiana man will get the New York strength in return for promises of patronage. There is nothing complex about the situation. Motives are simple among bosses.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Minneapolis is expecting 500,000 people to attend the national Republican convention. About 10,000 can crowd into the hall. Each delegate will have for distribution four tickets besides his own, the main committee each ten tickets for distribution. Mr. Clarkson, in the State Register, says: "There are 2,000 applications from Iowa Republicans for my ten tickets." The tickets will be printed for three sessions daily, and by dividing them up, a large number can be permitted to look in once.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

A Noble Girl.

Indianapolis News.

A Nebraska girl, whose rejected lover committed suicide after bequeathing her all his property, amounting to $10,000, tore up the will in court, and renounced her claims in favor of his mother. Such a case has not been heard of since Ruth, the Moabite, showed such remarkable devotion to her mother-in-law.

The Pneumonia Promoter.

Philadelphia Times.

There is no getting beyond the easy proof that this is a great city when we begin to understand that for five cents a man can mount an open air car, ride five miles in fifty minutes, and lay in as much pneumonia as will bother five doctors. Great is no name for it.

SILVER'S TIME HAS COME.

An International Conference Favored by Britishers.

LONDON, May 5.—A large and influential meeting was held today at the Mansion house on the subject of an international conference on the silver question. The brokers in bullion were numerously represented, and delegates were present from many of the banks of the eastern part of England. The necessity of international action as to silver was earnestly discussed, and the opinion was expressed by all the speakers that the time had come for re-establishment of silver on a sure and a satisfactory basis. A strong resolution was passed in favor of an international conference to consider means of bettering the silver market. The resolution was sent to Lord Salisbury, the chancellor of the exchequer, and the first lord of the treasury.

The bimetallists declare their belief that yesterday's action of the Manchester chamber of commerce, following similar utterances on the part of London and other commercial bodies in favor of England's taking part in an international movement for the fixing of a workable ratio between gold and silver, will result in the government being forced by public opinion to take steps in the direction indicated. The enthusiasm of the silver people seems to have, however, got the better of their judgment, and it is evident from the tone of the general press comments and interviews with business men that they are a little ahead of public sentiment on the question.

The Liberals are watching the silver movement closely and their organs are already denouncing the bimetallist agitators as engaged in an insidious conspiracy to tamper with the workings of natural laws of trade for their own personal benefit. In view of Mr. Gladstone's well known opposition to bimetallism Mr. Goschen, chancellor of the exchequer, would not venture to act on the suggestions of the silver men so long as the Conservatives are in their present state of uncertainty as to continuance in power

ODDS AND ENDS.

W. B. Neal has returned to the city.

J. M. Wiser has returned from Sioux City.

An adjourned meeting of the board of aldermen will be held at 7:30 this evening.

A musical and literary entertainment will be given this evening at the residence of Mrs. F. B. Bass, 489 Holly avenue.

Rev. Nicholas Bolt will lecture tonight at the House of Hope church on the subject, "The German Church Music."

Tickets are on sale at W. J. Dyer's for the Mrs. Jenness Miller lectures on dress reform, to begin at the People's church next Monday afternoon.

Scarlet fever was reported yesterday to the health commissioner from 1100 Gaultier street, and diphtheria was reported from 276 Eighth street.

Mrs. Minnie Stockhard, living at 227 Norris street, became violently insane last evening and was removed to the county jail. She has been ill for a long time.

The board of aldermen will meet in adjourned session this evening, and it is likely that it will be arraigned then just when the two branches will meet to canvass the election returns.

Baptist young people will rally tonight at the First Baptist church in the interest of city mission work. Dr. Wayland Hoyt, of Minneapolis, and others will make addresses, and Mr. Carman, the evangelist, will sing.

Mike Moore, Mike Lynch, Dan Danford, James Crowley, Willie Brennan, and Pat Hill, the toughs arrested for attempting to burglarize a Wabasha street store Monday night, were sentenced to thirty days each at the workhouse yesterday. Dan Flynn, who was one of the number, was acquitted.

The Bardwell-Robinson company, of Minneapolis, with a $500,000 capital stock, filed its articles of incorporation with the secretary of the state yesterday, the incorporators being C. S. Bardwell, S. C. Robinson, C. N. Robinson, R. R. Clark and Clarence R. Prince, all of Minneapolis.

The Loyal Legion will attend the funeral of the late Maj. Camp. Commander Gilfillan has named Judge William Lochren, Capt. O. C. Merribeau and Dr. J. H. Murphy as a committee on resolutions, who will report at a meeting to be held May 10 at the Nicollet house, Minneapolis.

David Newhart, who has been laboring for several months as elevator man at the city hall, died yesterday from hemorrhage of the lungs. It will be recalled that some months ago he secured a nominal verdict in the district court against the city railway company for injuries sustained while working as conductor on the cable line. It was the injury that he received while conductor that caused his death.

A concert that will undoubtedly prove one of the most enjoyable of this season is to be given tomorrow evening at the People's church. The programme will include six numbers for piano solo by the renowned pianist, Mme. Fannie Bloomfield-Zeisler, and several numbers by local soloists, including Miss Marie M. Van Gelder, Franz Wagner and Hans Jung. Programmes can be had at W. J. Dyer & Bros.'

Frederick Warde, whose production of "The Lion's Mouth" will be remembered as one of the dramatic treats of the season, will give our theater-goers another opportunity to enjoy this great romantic drama at the Metropolitan opera house Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings. Wednesday evening Mr. Warde will assume the character of Damon in Banim's great play, "Damon and Pythias." Seats are now selling at the box office.

The routine work of the supreme court yesterday was confined to the following cases: State of Minnesota, respondent, vs. Edward O'Brien, appellant, submitted on brief; State of Minnesota, respondent, vs. Martimus Jenvne, appellant, argument to be made by counsel for respondent May 12, and by counsel for appellant May 10, and the case submitted on brief yesterday; Charles F. Houghton, appellant, vs. Luther Mendenhall et al., respondents, argued and submitted; D. F. Gibbons, respondent, vs. Ole O. Bente, order to show cause returned and matter submitted on affidavits.

COURT CULLINGS.

The case of Thomas Fitzpatrick against George W. Lyon and E. A. Potter was submitted to the jury.

Sarah Singer has sued the Adams Express company to recover $429.55 for the loss of a basket of goods sent from New York to St. Paul.

Elizabeth A. Barrows has commenced an against John R. Bell et al., to foreclose a mortgage for $200 on lot 37, block 1, of Como Park addition.

The suit of J. M. Patridge against The Twin City Packing Company to recover for wages, was tried in Judge Kerr's court and was submitted to the jury.

J. G. Stranch has begun an action against Henry W. Reideon and J. H. Garlough to recover possession of a black mare, a buggy and harness valued at $150.

Ferdinand Beyer seeks to recover $1,000 from the St. Paul City Railway company, because he was ejected from a car. He presented a transfer slip that had the date punched wrong.

Judge Kerr has ordered a new trial in the cause of Grommes & Ullrich against Clara L. Shute. The court says that while this is the second time a verdict was rendered in favor of the plaintiff, yet he thinks that the verdict is wrong and it is the duty of the court to set the verdicts aside.

Judge Otis and a jury are engaged in trying the suit of Samuel Millstein against Beaupre, Keogh & Davis et al. Millstein claims $6,000 damages by reason of attachments being levied upon his grocery store and his feed store. During the trial yesterday a letter was introduced in evidence which Cy Wellington said he could not read, and did not know whether it was sanskrit, hieroglyphics or Arabian. It was, however, pronounced to be Hebrew by one of the witnesses, and the laugh was upon Mr. Wellington.

Judge Kerr has filed an order in the case of The St. Paul Stained Glass