Lawrence Democrat.

FRIDAY. Sept. 19th 1890.

FOR GOVERNOR

JNO P. BUCHANAN

Of RUTHERFORD.

THE CONVENTION AT FRANKLIN.

Let every delegate to the congressional cenvention lately adjourned to meet at Franklin Oct. 1st. be sure to be on hand on the date named. It is desired that the Lawrence county delegation bear this specially in mind and take the train on Tuesday evening Oct. 7. so as to make connection at Columbia that evening for Franklin. Don't forget the date.

"Democracy means the rule of the majority," says the Summerville Reporter. It means that and a great deal more. It means the supremacy of law, equity, order, purity, economy and firmness in the government, and independence of thought and action on the part of the people. [Ex

If it be true, as Republican leaders have so eloquently argued. and so diligently labored to prove, that protection cheapens protected products, it inexorably follows that the Republican Senators, in taking binder-twine from the list of protected articles, propose to increase the price of it! The Republican Farmers of the country, and especially those of Kansas, sho'd hasten to enter indignant protest: [Ex

CONVENTION.

The different districts in Lawrence county will hold primaries or district conventions on Saturday Sept. 27. for the purpose of selecting delegates to a convention at Waynesboro meeting on Monday Sept. 29. to make nominations for Senator from the counties of Hardin Wayne Lawrence and Perry and a representative from Lawrence and Wayne. Delegates thus selected will go directly to Waynesboro taking their credentials from their several districts with them.

T. H. Meredith, Chn
W, T. Nixon, Sec.

WHAT WILL IT DO.

The new tariff, so soon as it comes into effect, will enhance the price of all the commodities covered by it, and then enter into general consumption at least six thousand millions of dollars above the value they would bear in a natural and untrammeled market. Of the tax thus paid on the necessaries of life by the whole people, less than 10 per cent. will go into the Federal Treasury in the form of duties on imported commodities, and more than 90 per cent, will go into the hands of the combined corporations, for whose benefit the tariff was framed and passed. The cost of all domestic commodities will be increased by the exact sum of the duties levied on imported commodities of the same class and grade. Thus, when the government revenue on imports amounts to $100,000,000 the consumer will have paid over and above the market value $1,000,000,000 to the domestic manufacturers and monopolists. This will be the immediate and necessary effect of the new tariff.

We had expected a degree of fairness in the American with reference to the congressional convention lately assembled in Columbia. We say a degree of fairness because we were not so obtuse as to for a moment think that the American would do otherwise than enter the contest on the side of Gen. Whitthorne That was too evidently foreshadowed weeks before the meeting of the convention. But we must say that we were not prepared for the eminently unfair and biased reports which appeared in that paper of the proceedings of the convention.

The American is a great paper, the organ of the democratic party in the state and it did itself a great injustice in lending itself to partisan purposes in one of the congressional districts of the state.

Every argument, every speech and every move of the Whitthorne side was laithfully reported and sent out to the country while not a word was given upon the Cox side only such as was of a damaging kind or such as could not possibly be left out in making anything like a truthful statement of the proceedings of the convention.

Col. Wilkes' speech in nominating Gen. Whitthorne was reported as one the finest ever listened to; chaste, logical, ornate clothed in the purest english and all the adjectives exhausted in making the impression that it was the finest thing a man ever listened to, while not a syllable was said of the grand, glowing and really eloquent speech of Mr. House in nominating Col. Cox.

The wish was father to the thought in writing everything belittling and derogatory to the Cox Side.

We say we had thought better of the American. As if to imphasize its own inconsistency in its Sunday issue of this week in speaking of the contest between Ayres and Enke in the 8th. congressional district the American piously and obsequiously disclaims any desire or wish to interfere or have anything to say that would injure either of the gentleman who are aspirants in that district.

We have a lively recollection of a rule that was strenuously insisted on at Columbia as applying to certain districts in Lawrence county, we would now ask what's the reason the American's 8th. congressional district rule will not work in the 7th?

We care but little for the nincompoopness and ill bred personalities of the American's "Me Too" otherwise the Columbia Herald. Everybody who read its editorial on what it called "the Lawrence county muddle" in its last issue knows that there was about as much perversion of the plain truth in it as could have been squeezed in.

There was n't a delegate in the Lawrence delegation who "begged, whined or pleaded" for a seat in that convention. The Herald knows that only a plain statement of facts was made by a gentleman who spoke for others as well as himself, that that statement was borne out by the record presented and that a majority of the committee appointed to investigate the matter reported that the statements made by the gentleman who is said to have "whined begged and pleaded" were true and the convention by a decided majority vote said the committee had properly reported and according to the facts.

The spokesman on the other side was compelled to and did admit in open convention that he himself could not have done otherwise. The Herald will have to take a reef in its ears.

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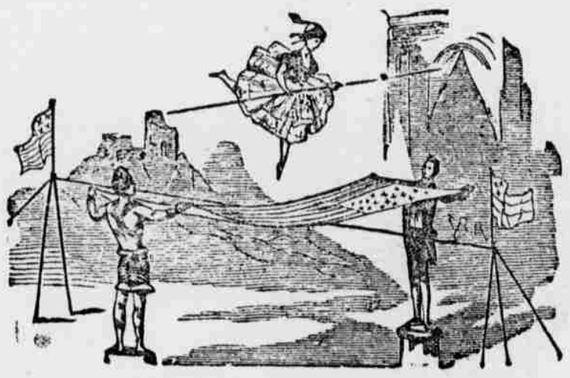

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