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FRANCE is already tired of her new toy. Boulangierism went up like a rocket, dazzled the people with a display of fireworks, and comes down a blackened stick.

THE slaughter-house and packing-house petitions of the Douglas county democracy have joined issues, and from now on till November the air will be full of flying fur.

THE clearance record of cities for the week ending April 23 is most satisfactory to Omaha. New York and Boston show a decrease. Omaha not only has an increase in the amount of her exchanges, but heads the list over every prominent city in the rate per cent of her bank clearings over the corresponding week of last year.

THE serious damage caused by the recent heavy rains in flooding business blocks on lower Harney, Howard and Jackson streets, calls for action by the council and board of public works. The drainage in the flooded district is defective, and some of the sewers will have to be enlarged. We are liable to have heavy floods during the spring and summer, and relief should be afforded without delay.

TIME and tide wait for no man. This applies to cities as well as men. It applies forcibly to Omaha at this juncture. Omaha must keep abreast of the current if she is to maintain her ascendancy as a great commercial and industrial center, by exerting all her energy and utilizing all her resources and advantages in enlarging her jobbing trade, increasing her manufacturing facilities, and pushing on with substantial public improvements.

THE rapid extension of railroads in the past few years is adding to the difficulties of the timber question. It takes annually 500,000 acres of timber to supply cross-ties. At this rate our forest areas will be depleted in less than twenty-five years by the needs of railroads alone. It is high time for inventors to turn their attention to the cross-tie problem. If the proper substitute can be found there are millions in it for the fortunate discoverer.

It is stated on good authority that the president is favorably disposed toward the Sioux reservation bill, and that he will in all probabilities sign it in a few days. Should the measure become a law it throws open to Nebraska settlers a greater part of the Ponca reserve in the northern part of Holt and Knox counties, between the Niobrara and Missouri rivers. The eastern part of this district is rich in timbers and grazing lands and is destined to become a valuable acquisition to Nebraska.

YOUNG blood in politics is coming to the front in Germany as well as in America. The opinion is prevalent in Europe that Bismarck is training his son Count Herbert to succeed him as chancellor of Germany when Crown Prince William succeeds his father. The man of iron cannot last many years even though he survives the sick emperor. To pass the succession of prime minister to his son is a most natural as well as ambitious desire. Will the son be worthy of his illustrious sire, is the question agitating Germany.

THE proposition of Mr. Horn, of the Keokuk tin works, appears reasonable enough. He asks that Omaha capitalists shall take stock in the enterprise in the event of its removal to Omaha, in order to enlarge the plant. This is a business proposal that ought not to go begging. The field for this line of manufactures is practically without competition in this section. The opportunity for a safe and profitable investment in a manufacturing industry, such as Mr. Horn's works appear to be, never was better.

BEFORE the next presidential campaign there will not be a party that will go before the country without a plank in its platform denouncing the hiring and maintenance of bodies of armed men by corporations as a menace to our liberties. The Illinois labor party in its recent convention embodied in its platform the first distinct political protest against the feudal system of hired mercenaries. This condemnation is so genuinely American, and is so universally shared, that the use of armed hirelings for any purpose whatsoever will not be tolerated in this country.

A Chief Justice Nominated.

The suspense regarding the appointment of a chief justice of the supreme court of the United States was broken yesterday by the president sending to the senate the name of Melville W. Fuller, of Illinois. This appointment does not come as a surprise. For more than a week past the selection of Mr. Fuller had been foreshadowed. The public has also been given some information respecting the qualifications of the gentleman to whom this great honor has fallen, and the testimony is highly favorable. He is credited with most extensive legal acquirements, especially thorough in constitutional law, and with being in all respects fully equipped for the highest judicial office under the government. His reputation as a lawyer is not national, but he has long stood in the front rank of the Illinois bar. It is no objection to him that he has never held a judicial position, only one of the chief justices of the supreme court having had previous experience on the bench.

It is hardly necessary to say that Mr. Fuller is a democrat, and has been more or less prominently and actively identified with party work. His record, however, does not appear to be smudged with any doctrines or principles which would necessarily make him objectionable as a candidate for the supreme court. It is quite among the possibilities that something may be developed that would justify the senate in hesitating to confirm him, but it does not appear in what is thus far made public regarding Mr. Fuller's political career, and the simple fact that he has been an active and energetic partisan should have no weight. This consideration very likely had an influence with the president, but that was to be expected, and it is not therefore a matter with which the senate is called upon to concern itself.

The probability is that Mr. Fuller will be confirmed, and the country will accept him in the full hope that he will prove to be a worthy successor to the eminent men whose learning, integrity and patriotism have made the supreme court of the United States the most illustrious tribunal in the world. It is an honor of the highest distinction to be called to this great tribunal, and no man who has a just appreciation of it will fail to leave without its portals all prejudices that could influence his judgment or impair his integrity.

Rome and Ireland.

The papal decree against the political and social methods adopted in Ireland in fighting the coercion policy of the British government and resistance to rack-rent landlordism is very sure to create among home-ruled Irishmen everywhere a strong anti-irishman feeling. The practices condemned by the apostolic see as contrary to justice and charity, are the "plan of campaign" and "boycotting." The edict is chiefly directed against the work of the national league, which necessarily has to be carried on with secrecy. It is the natural alternative to the coercion policy of the government, which prohibits public meetings of the Irish people to discuss their grievances, suppresses free speech, and arrests and imprisons, regardless of persons, those who have the courage to openly defend the cause of Ireland. In order to contravene as far as possible this tyrannical policy, and to keep alive in the hearts of the people the fires of patriotism, it became necessary to adopt a system of secret councils and insidious warfare, which has been known as the "plan of campaign." By means of it the friends of the Irish cause are kept alert and hopeful, and in a measure the repressive policy of the government is thwarted. The practice of boycotting is generally understood, having become almost as familiar to this country as to Ireland.

The explanation of this interference of the apostolic see in matters purely temporal and political is doubtless to be found in the eager desire of the pope to be on better terms with the ruling power in England than have prevailed for many years. The present head of the Roman catholic church has shown an exceptional capacity for successful diplomacy, and he has employed it with marked success in restoring the papacy to friendly relations with all the governments which under his predecessor had become unfriendly. Thus Germany, Russia and Portugal, which had long refused intercourse with the vatican, are now on the most friendly terms there, and undoubtedly England will speedily be found in vigorous rivalry with the other governments in giving most respectful consideration to Pope Leo. He has been peculiarly favored by circumstances in carrying out his diplomatic plans, and it must be conceded that he has used his opportunities with consummate skill. When Bismarck needed the catholic support in the reichstag for his military bills he did not hesitate to seek the assistance of Leo, and when the chancellor offered satisfactory concessions that assistance was effectively given. The extremity of the tory government in England led it to call upon the aid of the same apostolic power, and as the papal decree shows with success. What the vatican will receive in return the future will unfold, but it is safe to predict that it will be a recognition amply satisfactory to the special ambition of the holy father.

The result, however, so far as Ireland is concerned, will not be to the gain or glory of the tory government. The matter is too obviously a bargain to be acquiesced in by any Irishman who sincerely desires to see Ireland relieved of English tyranny and oppression, and it will be repudiated by all such as an utterly unwarrantable proceeding, which it is a solemn duty to denounce and disregard. So far as the church is concerned it may not prove to be a serious injury, but among its most devoted people it will diminish respect for the present head of the church in conspicuously showing him to be actuated primarily and chiefly by the love and aims of the politician.

If our genial local contemporaries will kindly permit the BEE building to be constructed without further interference on their part we shall feel

under lasting obligations. We frankly confess it was a most grievous offense on the part of the proprietors of this paper to proceed with this building without taking the editors of the other Omaha dailies and weeklies into their confidence and ascertaining their wishes as regards location, architect, plans, materials and contracts. We can assure them that this was purely an oversight. Now that we realize how offensive such a course on our part has been we very humbly beg a thousand pardons for our lack of professional courtesy. We intend, however, to make ample amends by promising to keep our editorial nose out of the grand building projects of our enterprising and public-spirited contemporaries when, in the dim and distant future, they invest all they have and all they can borrow in magnificent structures that will be the pride of Omaha for all time.

It is reported to be the intention of the president, in case the senate refuses to ratify the fisheries treaty, to enforce the retaliation law passed by the last congress, which provides for a policy of commercial non-intercourse under certain circumstances. It is more than probable that some of the democratic senators are making this statement in the nature of a threat. The president is authorized to apply retaliation only in the event of Canada refusing to concede rights claimed by American fishermen under existing treaty regulations, so that it will remain with the Dominion government to determine whether it will invite this course or avoid it. The president cannot take any arbitrary action in the matter. Subsequent to the passage of the act the Canadian authorities were guilty of conduct which would have justified the president in proclaiming non-intercourse, but he did nothing. The commission was in contemplation which has since framed the treaty now before the senate. If this convention fails of ratification and the Dominion authorities renew their former policy it will be the plain duty of the president to execute the retaliation law, but this is not a matter which the senate is called upon to consider in determining what is proper to be done, in the interests of the country, with the treaty. That is to be considered solely upon its merits, and not with reference to what may happen if it shall not be ratified. Democratic senators are making a mistake in threatening commercial non-intercourse if the administration's plan of settling the fisheries dispute is not accepted to. It is an insidious way of exhibiting zeal that is purely partisan in its nature.

The financial and business affairs of the country exhibit some rather puzzling conditions, which chiefly serve to show that so far as the legitimate enterprises are concerned there is a good deal of uncertainty regarding the future. So far as the bank clearings are an index to business they show that it is less in the aggregate than at the corresponding time last year. There are instances of local increase, notably in Omaha, but the total shows a small falling off. Perhaps under the circumstances it is rather remarkable that the decrease is not greater, but it is a fact that in most departments of legitimate business, taking the country through, trade is quiet. Meanwhile there appears to be no lack of money at the financial centers, the reserves of the New York banks making large gains last week. The activity of the stock market has been an interesting feature of the situation, chiefly because there seemed to be no adequate reason for it, unless it was to be found in a generous demand for American railroad securities in the London market. The business of the railroads thus far in the current year, and the reported unfavorable crop outlook, are facts that offer no encouragement to stock speculation. While the speculators in securities seem disposed to discount a possible improvement, it is evident that the general business of the country is inclined to proceed cautiously, pending action by congress regarding the revenues and the surplus, which may be such as to require some commercial readjustments.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND's man Friday, Colonel Fellows, is not doing himself credit as district attorney of New York. His administration is a scandal to the cause of justice, and he is already being denounced by the judges in the courts as incompetent and careless, if not corrupt. His department is conducted so loosely that criminals go free and important trials have to be adjourned because Mr. Fellows fails to draw proper indictments, and neglects to subpoena witnesses. He is a wretched failure as district attorney. Yet Mr. Cleveland, familiar with his past record as a corrupt politician, endorsed him as a proper candidate for the office worthy of all support. That recommendation is going to cost Mr. Cleveland dear.

THE place which Omaha has secured as the third largest pork packing center in the United States is permanent. She has outdistanced St. Louis and Cincinnati, leaving them far behind in the race. These cities are no longer our rivals. The Cincinnati Price Current gives the number of hogs packed in Omaha from March 1 to April 25 as 123,000. St. Louis, fourth on the list, packed only 60,000. Chicago still leads with a record of 390,000, but as the increase over last year is only 10,000, it is evident that the pork packing of Chicago has reached high water mark, and that the industry is rapidly being transferred to Omaha.

Why Popular With the Bourbons. Connecticut has 50,000 miles of stone fence, and a great deal, too, that is measured by the gallon.

What Votes Are Worth in "Rhody." Seven dollars and a half is said to have been the average price of votes in the last Rhode Island election.

A Democratic Chilly. Chicago Inter Ocean. Democrats in Indiana will mark the summer of 1888 as "the coldest on record." Plaster

glass and anthracite stoves wont save them from nipping frosts in November.

Will Not Jump at Bait. Boston Globe. Channey M. Dewey will not resign the presidency of the New York Central until his nomination by the Chicago convention is more certain than it is now. This is authoritative—until denied by Mr. Dewey.

Protection in Pennsylvania. Chicago Herald. "Protection" in Pennsylvania doesn't appear to protect anyone trying to work up a factory that state often call on the Pinkertons. Trouble might be avoided and labor satisfied if the money spent for the services of the Pinkerton army were paid out in additional wages.

A Spotless Reputation. Philadelphia Inquirer. Dexter is dead. Dexter was a public character whose name was once in everybody's mouth. As a youth he was very fast, and his early life was spent among the disreputable associations of the race track, yet he bore a good name unsullied to the last, and when he died his reputation was spotless. That's because Dexter was a horse.

Working Up a Prohibition Boom. Chicago Herald. Ex-Governor St. John, the prohibition apostle, has gone to the Pacific coast, where he is making a tour to find in that section a prohibition boom. He declares that the prohibition party will elect a president in 1892. When that is done a prohibition amendment will be added to the constitution, and liquor drinking will of course cease.

A Reduction on Imports. Boston Transcript. The republican state convention of Missouri adopted a resolution demanding a wise revision of our tariff laws, a reduction of taxation on imports, placing on the free list as nearly as possible the necessaries and making the luxuries of life bear the expense of government. There is a good deal of this kind of sentiment in the republican party of the north.

More on the Fisheries. The Boston Herald, says the Missouri Republican has finally discovered that the "hardy fishermen of Gloucester" over whose rights we have been forced to make such a hubbub, are Canadians. The Republican has repeatedly pointed out during the last eighteen months. The Yankees who formerly went fishing from Gloucester are mostly out west now, raising hogs and salting them with taxed salt in order that the fish caught by Canadians in the employ of the cod-fish syndicate may have free salt and protection.

The Views of a Mugwump. Harper's Weekly. In the democratic convention the president will be renominated apparently by acclamation. The demagogue division in the name of Governor Hill has ceased, and so completely that even the renomination of the governor to his present office has become very doubtful. It is not supposed that the president is altogether or even generally acceptable to his party, but his party sees that he is its only available candidate, and in himself a platform. His administration, despite all disappointments, has gained respect and confidence for himself, but the course of his party has not tended to regain for itself popular favor.

The Young Man in Politics. America. The young man in politics always runs the risk of being snubbed by his elders. He is sure to be frequently reminded that he should be seen and not heard. If he is inclined to doctore the older men kindly supply him with a quantity of political views and a large number of political prejudices with which to carry on a modest business under the eyes of his directors. This is shabby treatment. There is something peculiarly pitiful in the pride which some young men have in wearing as their own the tattered opinions of others, without even presuming to patch the shabby garment with so much as a single new idea. It ought to be possible for young men in politics to see most readily where old methods fall short of the needs of the day. Those who do their thinking for themselves, instead of accepting without question ready-made ideas tinged with other men's bigotry and bile, speedily find recognition as Americans of the proper sort. Would that there were more of them.

People Bled, Stock Watered. St. Louis Democrat. We learn from the late report of the Union Pacific railroad—made in Boston, where so many western railroads are owned—that the gross earnings last year were \$2,377,000—an increase of \$2,297,000 over the year before; net earnings, \$10,590,000—an increase of \$2,622,000. This net income of nearly \$11,000,000 a year, together with the proceeds of the sale of the 11,500,000 acres of land granted the road, ought easily to pay the loan of \$27,000,000 made by the government to it—and one naturally asks why does it not? The answer is furnished in the statement of the road's indebtedness to others than the government—\$147,000,000 or \$93.50 per mile. Nearly the whole sum of money represented in this enormous debt was appropriated by the directors and their friends, who built the road and managed it for twenty years—not to include the net earnings from year to year, which they appropriated also; and the money is still to be found in Boston and its immediate vicinity.

Words, Words, Words. Chicago News. Talking, talking on the tariff, daily taking day by day the time of the people. Where's the chance of being useful? Men of congress, tell us, pray.

What a lot of useless gabble! Arguments with whiskey, gars. Make the talk mills clank and clatter. Though they're nothing much to say.

STATE AND TERRITORY. Nebraska Jottings. Washington will have a \$50,000 court house. Republican City's new school house is nearing completion. Chadron's three-story hotel will be completed this summer. A Talmage child died from poison in the point of a small nail. The Nebraska Methodist is the title of a new paper in Hastings. David Cauthery, of Seward county has been adjudged insane. Furnas county is to have a \$16,000 court house to be completed at once. Liberty offers the Wyandotte road \$31,000 to run through that town and to Beatrice. The real estate transfers in York for six days, ending Saturday, aggregated \$59,073. Nebraska City's jail will be repaired in such a manner that escape will be impossible. Artistic horse thieves are doing a business in Sheridan county, while the vigilants sleep. J. Sterling Morton, the sage of Arbor Lodge, is home again after several months absence. Fremont's electric lights fail to shine just now, on account of broken and disconnected wires. The American Farmer's union, organized at Pawnee City, is receiving a good membership. Between the years 1866 and 1880

there were fifty-nine divorces granted in Cuming county. After three weeks of excitement, loss and glory, the Kearney Daily Courier took its departure.

A new republican newspaper is to be founded at Harrison, to take in the summer crop of pumpkins.

A mother, two sons and two daughters from Scotland have settled on 1,200 acres of land in Davies county.

Indiana claims that the future holds for her the proud distinction of being the midway queen city of the plains.

Chadron is making very faces at Alliance, and declares that there is no home for the "future great" of Box Butte county.

Verdon and Stella, in Richardson county, will have two saloons each, while Falls City will perhaps refuse to grant license.

The total number of children of school age in York county is 16,000, an increase of 500 in one year. There are 108 teachers in the county.

The Kearney Press says the story told by Eli Perkins concerning the strike at Kearney is false. To question Mr. Perkins' veracity is shocking.

The representation that Richardson county will be increased to in the next session of the legislature is three representatives and a float senator with Pawnee county.

The O'Neil Frontier looks at the figures and exclaims that Omaha is maintaining her place as the third pork packing city of the world, and at her rate of increase she will beat down Kansas City and take her place next to Chicago before many months.

The assistant state veterinary surgeon was in Stratton recently looking for glandered horses. A Mr. Kirkwood owned a mare that was sick. The scientific gentleman pronounced the diseased glanders and was about to shoot when Kirkwood protested and offered his opinion that the case was not glanders. And in this unsettled manner the case was left.

The fact that corner lots are being staked above new Indian graves is taken by the people to be an omen of trouble. The Tribune says: "In digging the hole for their tree on college hill the boys dug up parts of two skeletons, probably Indians. They found two skulls, one entire backbone and a pile of other bones of the body promiscuously thrown together."

Iowa. Foot pads and thugs are far too thick in Des Moines. Thomas Jones, near Sioux City, killed eight wolves and one wild cat Saturday. The rains in Iowa Saturday and Sunday broke the backbone of the long drought.

The miscreant who fired at the "Q" freeman near Albia Friday night cannot be found. The annual convention of the Roman Catholic Protective association will be held at Waterloo, June 20.

Hon. E. H. Gillette, of Des Moines, has been named to the executive committee of the national greenback party.

The coming of the Santa Fe road into Davenport grows doubtful and doubtful, dearly sings a paper of the town.

The annual convention of the Iowa state association of chiefs of police and marshals will be held at Council Bluffs May 8 and 9.

The Gate City says that the Odd Fellows of Keokuk expect to have the grand lodge of the state meet in Keokuk two years from now.

Des Moines capitalists are booming their city through the state's newspapers. Ten thousand dollars has been raised for advertising purposes.

Pierce, Potts and Hamilton, notorious Dan Patch syndicate constables, have been indicted by the grand jury of Polk county for receiving bribes.

The annual tournament of the Iowa sportsmen, which will be held in Des Moines June 5, 6 and 7, will from present indications be a grand success.

Jefferson county has commenced paying its regular salaries to farmers who have been sleeping killed by wolves. Such claims are reported from Henry county.

The people at What Cheer, Ia., are studying the argus web question. The coal mines beneath that town are cutting off the lower ends of the wells and the water supply is becoming painfully scarce.

A wealthy Dubuque was reaching for his pocketbook the other day intending to pay a couple of sleep-strangers \$10,000 for a gold brick worth twice that amount, when his wife took a hand in the deal and stopped it. The Times says the man who got the gold brick buy that woman the finest silk dress in the city.

Dakota. The Iron Hill bank at Carbonate has closed for want of business. One up in figures finds that Deadwood spends \$900 a day for cigars and strong drinks.

The new city council of Huron has reduced the salaries of nearly the entire list of city officers.

There is to be \$6,000 spent in another building at Stoughton mission, on Crow Creek reservation.

Fifteen dollars per acre was recently paid for ninety acres of raw land in the eastern part of Clay county.

It is stated that one million feet of lumber have already been ordered and that rebuilding Central City will begin at once.

The Huron, Duluth & Denver railway has collapsed, and the farmers along the line who worked for the contractors last fall are badly left.

Travel to the Black Hills is increasing. The incoming trains now carry a much larger number of passengers than for many months past.

last year. Hundreds of acres of new ground have been broken and seeded. The oats crops of course, will be wheat and clover.

Wyoming. Buffalo Gap will have electric light. Laramie's artesian well is down to a depth of 900 feet.

The Laramie glass works company proposes to increase the capital stock from \$75,000 to double that amount.

The Wyoming publishing company has been incorporated at Cheyenne for the purpose of printing histories and dictionaries.

C. H. Simonson stole a horse from a Denver firm and his brilliant career came to an end, and at Cheyenne, where he was arrested.

Fifty-one head of suspected Texas cattle are detained at the quarantine yards at Cheyenne. The herd has been held there for about three weeks.

There were forty-six applicants for the various offices in Converse county, of which Douglas is the county seat. The county was organized last week.

Two men jumped from the overland flyer near Laramie, the night of the late blizzard, and have not been found. The train was going at the rate of thirty-five miles an hour.

In a little scrimmage at the Cheyenne & Burlington depot an employe of that road was struck on the head with the fragment of a brick and Sam Belcher was jailed for the offense.

The Glenrock Graphic says that business is not dull in Glenrock, although the mines are temporarily closed down. Spring trade from the ranches and round-ups has made the mercantile business quite brisk.

The first man that was hung in Laramie was resurrected in that city recently by two men who were digging holes in which to plant trees. The remains were identified by an old timer as the man who went by the name of "The Flame Teller."

Charon is already experiencing and recapturing the benefits of the interest manifested in the Wyoming oil fields by the eastern public. Strangers and capitalists who have some interests, present or prospective, in said oil fields, are arriving every week, all of which business is expected to continue quite lively in our splendid little town, despite the closing of the mines.

A WONDER IN MECHANICS. Paper Boxes Turned Out at Lightning Speed by a New Invention. Lewiston (Me.) Journal: Wonderful is the paper box making machine that an inventor has just put into running order at a paper box factory in Auburn.

The operator starts the machine and takes his station at the back side, seated on a high stool. First he jakes about the hand wheel where the feed roller perhaps 300 times. One-half of this he puts in at one side of the box-shaped mould, and the other half at the other side. Then he takes the flat squared piece of pasteboard, that has been properly fitted, and lays it on the machine in a position where the feed roller will drag it into the machine, over the mould. The wheels all start simultaneously, and while one part of the machine is doing its work another branch, further up, is getting ready to take a turn at the box.

After the pasteboard has been drawn in by the feeders, they are at once elevated out of the way and the part called the "plunger" comes down and drives the pasteboard, which lies flat over the mould, down toward the bottom of the machine. At this stage of the work the sides of the box are formed and also about a half inch on the end of the sides and bottom is turned up and pasted as the plunger forces it down past the paste rolls. Then comes the end pieces, which are drawn into position by a chain passing under them with a weight attached, so that when two end pieces slip down into the box-mould, the chain urges the rest forward to be in readiness for the next box.

Then, from behind, as it were like a big wave, the end is pressed by the action of the machine at a pressure of about a ton. After this is done, the plunger is raised, clearing itself, as it does other parts of the machinery, from the box, which drops below. Here a wide belt, which is riveted to the sides of the box to the rooms above. All this is done in less than three seconds, or 1,200 boxes per hour and 12,000 per day.

The inventor has in view a machine that will make the cover of the box also. This is the first time the machine has been operated in any factory whatever, and proves to be a grand success.

An Engagement Ring Found. Burlington Republicans: Samuel Blair, an Erie brickman, who was in town on Monday for the purpose of not taking \$100. He captured the owl early yesterday morning a short distance outside of the city. Blair was standing on top of a box car, when suddenly he was struck full in the chest by some one who was coming sailing through the air straight toward him. The object dropped to the top of the car and was quickly seized by Blair. He found that it was a small owl of the "hoot" variety. As soon as he had an opportunity he took his prize to the caboose, and proudly exhibited it to the other trainmen.

As soon as the light from the lamps shone full upon the bird, one of the men discovered a small, glittering object concealed by its feathers on the owl's breast. It was found to be a plain gold ring suspended around its neck by a fine chain, which also appeared to be gold. The trinket was closely examined, and on the inside the following inscription was found engraved: "F. M. Blair to G. M. 1881. Fidelity."

The trainmen promptly voted that the home of the midnight wanderer should thereafter be in the caboose. If this should meet the eye of "G. E. S." or "G. E. M." will be the explanation. They were engaged, of course, and the engagement was broken. Maybe "G. E. S." is now a wanderer on the face of the earth, bitterly cursing the fate that parted him and his betrothed.

"G. E. M." sits silent and melancholy, murmuring "He cometh not." If either of the hopeless lovers are living, and wish to possess the ring, it may be had of Mr. Blair by proving property, but he declares he will not part with the owl for any price.

BOYD CAPTURES DELEGATES.

He Will Present a Strong Front in the State Convention.

CLEVER WORK IN HIS FAVOR. After a Fiery Exchange of Speeches His Adherents Carry Their Point and Make Up the List of Representatives.

The County Democratic Convention. The democratic county convention met in the council chamber yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. It was called to order by Euclid Martin, chairman of the democratic county central committee.

On motion of C. S. Montgomery, Charles O'Neil was elected temporary chairman. On motion of J. J. Mahoney, J. J. Points was elected temporary secretary.

Charles Conroy moved that a committee of five on credentials be appointed. The motion prevailed and the chair appointed as such committee Messrs. Charles Conroy, John Heib, Euclid Martin, Judge W. S. Felton and E. F. Morarty.

On motion of Frank Morrissey, pending the report of the committee a recess of fifteen minutes was taken.

While the committee on credentials was out deliberating chaos prevailed among the delegates, the wire pullers and ward heelers. Buttonholing and ear whispering was engaged in, and the men with "influence" gathered in little knots and with paper and pencil wrote out the names of their favorites for the several offices.

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The inventor has in view a machine that will make the cover of the box also. This is the first time the machine has been operated in any factory whatever, and proves to be a grand success.

An Engagement Ring Found. Burlington Republicans: Samuel Blair, an Erie brickman, who was in town on Monday for the purpose of not taking \$100. He captured the owl early yesterday morning a short distance outside of the city. Blair was standing on top of a box car, when suddenly he was struck full in the chest by some one who was coming sailing through the air straight toward him. The object dropped to the top of the car and was quickly seized by Blair. He found that it was a small owl of the "hoot" variety. As soon as he had an opportunity he took his prize to the caboose, and proudly exhibited it to the other trainmen.

As soon as the light from the lamps shone full upon the bird, one of the men discovered a small, glittering object concealed by its feathers on the owl's breast. It was found to be a plain gold ring suspended around its neck by a fine chain, which also appeared to be gold. The trinket was closely examined, and on the inside the following inscription was found engraved: "F. M. Blair to G. M. 1881. Fidelity."

The trainmen promptly voted that the home of the midnight wanderer should thereafter be in the caboose. If this should meet the eye of "G. E. S." or "G. E. M." will be the explanation. They were engaged, of course, and the engagement was broken. Maybe "G. E. S." is now a wanderer on the face of the earth, bitterly cursing the fate that parted him and his betrothed.

"G. E. M." sits silent and melancholy, murmuring "He cometh not." If either of the hopeless lovers are living, and wish to possess the ring, it may be had of Mr. Blair by proving property, but he declares he will not part with the owl for any price.

On motion, the temporary organization was made permanent, and Mr. Morrissey moved that the committee on credentials be appointed. The chair selected thirty-five delegates to the state convention on a basis of the vote cast in ward and precinct. This was the important question, and it would be decided by the chair to select thirty-five delegates to the state convention on a basis of the vote cast in ward and precinct. This was the important question, and it would be decided by the chair to select thirty-five delegates to the state convention on a basis of the vote cast in ward and precinct.

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