



### A CORRECTION.

Chairman Triplett Explains About Casting Votes in the Primaries.

To the Editor of the GRAPHIC.

I wish to correct an impression which seems to have been created by pernicious persons in the minds of many voters in Jefferson county regarding the casting of ballots at election. It has been stated that the ticket printed by the election commissioners (or, in case of primaries, by the county central committee) would have to be voted as printed. This is entirely untrue and so unreasonable that it is almost ridiculous. The commissioners, or the central committee, are governed by section 2625 in Sandell & Hill's Digest of the Statutes of Arkansas. That section authorizes them to print tickets of all the candidates regularly nominated for county offices. In primaries, the nomination is regular when the candidate has paid the sum assessed against him by the central committee. The names of these candidates are placed on the tickets and under the list of candidates for each office is left a blank line, so that the voter can, if desired, mark out each of the names on the ticket and write in the name of the person for whom he wishes to vote. And the vote would be as legal as if the name was printed on the ticket. Where there is more than one to be elected, as in the case of magistrate, the voter can scratch out as many names as he wishes all on the ticket and write in the names of the persons for whom he wishes to vote. The printed ticket is used for the benefit of the voter, so that he will not have to write the names of the persons for whom he wishes to vote, and a voter may scratch all the names on the ticket and write others.

The central committee does not wish in any way to interfere with the casting of ballots at the election and has never taken the position that only votes for candidates on the ticket would be legal.

C. H. TRIPLETT.

### THE PRESIDENT

RESPONDS.

To the Offer of the Maceo Division K. of P. at Pine Bluff.

A short while ago the local order of Knights of Pythias tendered their services to the President in case of war with Spain. In response they received the following letter:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,  
WASHINGTON, April 20, 1898.

DEAR SIR: I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 16th instant, addressed to the President, tendering the military services of your organization in the event that it should be needed, and to inform you that it has been referred for the consideration of the Secretary of War.

Very truly yours,  
JOHN ADDISON PORTER,  
Secretary to the President.

Captain Forrest Gay, Knights of Pythias, Maceo Division, Pine Bluff, Ark.

### A CARD OF THANKS.

PINE BLUFF, Ark., April 20, '98.  
R. H. M. Mills & Sons, Agents, Pine Bluff.

DEAR SIRS:—I beg to acknowledge receipt of check in full settlement for my loss on household goods which occurred by fire on the 14th inst—just six days ago—and desire to express my sincere thanks for the very fair, prompt and straightforward manner in which my claim was treated by you and the TEUFONIA Insurance Company, in which company I was insured. I can cheerfully recommend your Agency to the insuring public.

Again thanking you and wishing each member of the firm unbounded success, I beg to remain,  
Yours very truly,

d2t J. G. SMITH.

### Asthma Can Be Cured.

J. R. Niblo, ex-school superintendent of Pochester, Pa., says: "I have been a great sufferer from asthma for years, but I have had a splendid winter, owing to the surprising efficacy of Brazilian Balm." A lady in Cincinnati, who had suffered with asthma for 17 years, could not lie down; was perfectly cured with Brazilian Balm.

### CONFIRMATION CLASS.

Rt. Rev. H. N. Pierce, Bishop of the Diocese of Arkansas, confirmed a class at Trinity church Sunday morning as follows: Messrs. J. H. Jordan, Edward Jordan, Harry S. Oliver, Arthur Dreyburg, Thos. Evans, Mesdames A. L. Ferguson, Matthew Waitt, and Misses Helen Lovelady, Grace Broomfield, Willie Cross.

These terrific storms, which of late years have been encountered in every section of the country, seem to follow no law which can be definitely determined, even by scientists, and no season or locality is exempt from them. The sections that are spared today from their wrathful visitation may be the scenes of great destruction tomorrow. It is, therefore, the part of wisdom for all to secure themselves as much as possible from these causes. Bell & Vernon will write insurance against loss or damage caused by tornadoes, cyclones or wind storms at 20, 50 and 80 cents per \$100 for one, three and five years respectively. It will be to your advantage to give this firm a call if you contemplate placing tornado, fire or accident insurance.

### Why Suffer with Dyspepsia?

Chas. Broome, 850 South Second St., Philadelphia, says: "It took only two months for Brazilian Balm to cure me of dyspepsia with which I suffered over 30 years. Now I have no pain or stomach cough, and can eat anything. Brazilian Balm beats the world."

## THE BATTLESHIP TEXAS

Left New York Saturday For Key West.

Scripps-mcRae Telegram.

WASHINGTON, April 25—The battleship Texas left New York Saturday for Key West and will arrive Thursday. When the Texas sails from Key West she will be accompanied by another ship which will lay a cable and establish a cable station outside of the blockade line near Sagua La Grande.

Measures are being considered for landing supplies for the relief of reconcentrados under the Red Cross flag. It is stated if the Spaniards refuse to recognize a neutrality flag, Cuban forts will be bombarded and Miss Barton and assistants will join the Texas at Key West.

## GREAT BRITAIN

Announces Strict Neutrality—Somers Ordered to Leave.

Scripps-McRae League Telegram.

LONDON, April 25.—Great Britain has posted a proclamation of strict neutrality. It is also asserted that the Somers has been ordered to leave Falmouth forthwith, the time expiring this afternoon.

### Fired on a Torpedo Boat.

KEY WEST, April 25.—The shore batteries of Matanzas fired on the torpedo boats Winslow and Dupont Saturday night. No damage.

### The Spanish Squadron.

ST. VINCENT, April 25.—The Spanish squadron is hurriedly preparing to leave here and will probably get away this afternoon. Destination not learned.

### A Declaration of War.

WASHINGTON, April 25, (2:45 p. m.)—The House war resolution passed without a dissenting vote. Senate passed House war resolution without amendment.

### A Call to the Governors.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The President today will issue the call to Governors for the enlistment of troops under the proclamation issued Saturday.

GRAPHIC reporter and circulation manager enjoyed a rare treat today. They were the guests of Frank Pickering, representative of Montgomery, Ward & Co., of Chicago. The company had an electric carriage here, the first ever seen in this city. The carriage was placed at the disposal of the two gentlemen who rode over the streets for some time. They also listened to a gramophone and banjo concert at the company's advertising cars. Mr. Pickering left with his carriage to-day.

Lily Wakefield returns to her home at New Madrid, Mo., tonight.

### Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.

If you want to quit tobacco using and forever, be made well, energetic, full of new life and take No-To-Bac, the wonder-remedy that makes weak men strong and gain ten pounds in ten days. Over 400,000 cured. Buy No-To-Bac from your town drug-store who will guarantee a cure. Free sample free. Address: Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

Forrest Gay, who is managing the State cake walk, has returned to a trip to Hot Springs, where he will be the interest of the cake walk. The contest will be pulled off at the house next Tuesday night. The lower part of the opera house will be reserved for white people. Besides \$50 in money many of the merchants in town have offered

## KATZENSTEIN'S Specials This Week

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Misses' and Children's strap slippers. Child's strap slippers, with bow and buckle, chocolate and black, sizes 5 to 8 65 cents. Child's strap slippers, with bow and buckle, chocolate and black, 8½ to 11, 85c. Misses' strap slippers, with bow and buckle, chocolate and black, sizes 11½ to 2, \$1.00.

& S. Katzenstein,  
No. 112 Main Street.

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