

election to carry it. The law says: "The ballots, in so far as they relate to this act, shall be in the following form: 'For the \$581,712 appropriation; and when so voted shall count in favor of this act; but if cancelled with ink or pencil, it shall be counted against this act.' The law then provides that the votes shall be counted and declared by the same officers who count and declare the votes for presidential electors. If it stopped here the inference would be irresistible that to carry the state house appropriation it must receive a majority of all the votes cast for presidential electors; but away down at the foot of the section another clause is added: "But if a majority of the votes shall be against the \$581,712 appropriation, then it shall be defeated." &c. The law defines what votes shall be counted "for" the appropriation, and what votes—to wit, such as have been "cancelled"—against it. The intention of the framers of the law seems thus manifest to have been to carry it by a simple majority of the votes actually cast on the subject in its favor, though such vote may fall short of a majority of all the votes cast at the November election.

Individually we care nothing about the distinction, for we think the appropriation ought to be voted anyhow; but it may be as well for those who are opposed to it to understand the changed conditions under which they will vote on the question this fall.

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DEMOCRATIC DOINGS.

A Rousing Democratic Rally at Grand Ridge.

GRAND RIDGE, Oct. 2.—With hardly any effort, and threatening skies, an unexpectedly large and enthusiastic Democratic crowd was gathered last evening in this village, the number present being about 2,000, of whom many were ladies. The Streater delegation consisted of five car-loads, including the Cleveland & Hendricks Club of that city with 200 carrying lamps, headed by St. Patrick's Band, a fine musical organization of all "solid Democrats." No less noteworthy than the Streater Club was that of Grand Ridge, of which Lacey Hibbs is captain and R. Whitehall and Clark Moss are lieutenants. They have a crack drum corps and skilled fifer, and their "marching band" numbers 150, with white oil-cloth helmet, white cape with light blue collar, red leggings and each bearing a torch and small flag.

The train arrangements brought the Ottawa Club, 200 strong, headed by McDonald's fine drum corps, last upon the scene. They were formally received by the other clubs and awarded the post of honor, in front. Amid ascending rockets and the popping of Roman candles the procession slowly unrolled itself from the square in front of the depot and marching through the principal street moved to the stand erected in the western limits of the town.

The stand reached and the speakers seated. Ransom Palmer, Esq., president of the local club, called the meeting to order, and then gave the audience a most agreeable surprise by introducing the famous Bartels Glee Club, who had hitherto kept in the background, and who now gave a few of their popular songs, which were boisterously encored and cheered to the echo.

The first speaker introduced was Willard Gentlemen, Esq., whose clear logic, keen invective, delicate sarcasm and yet courteous treatment of his opponents had a fine effect. Ben. F. Lincoln, Esq., followed, dealing in unanswerable argument based on historical facts, sparing no culprit high or low, and not omitting an admirable reference to our too much neglected local ticket. M. T. Moloney, Esq., came next, beginning humorously, but soon warming up to his work and pouring hot shot into the enemy's ranks. He was in good voice and made an eloquent speech, leaving a splendid impression with many who had previously been prejudiced against him without knowing the mental qualities of the man. Senator Duncan and G. W. W. Blake were next successively introduced, but both being painfully hoarse from previous speaking for many night in succession, were excused after a few remarks and loudly cheered. The last speaker was Dr. Leroy, of Streater, who made a fine address, but was unable to do justice to the subject on account of the lateness of the hour.

The meeting adjourned about 11 o'clock and everything had passed off so successfully and pleasantly that the Ottawa boys were poorly prepared for the disappointment that awaited them on being escorted back to the depot, from being informed that the engine that was to take them back had become disabled at Streater, had to be repaired, and would not be along for at least a couple of hours. The boys, however, made the best of the situation, and what with songs, stories, &c., managed to kill the time pleasantly and extract a good deal of fun out of it. B.

The Poor House, the Grave and Victory.
ASHMORE, ILLINOIS.—The *Citizen* publishes the following facts: Abram Beaver, an inmate of the Coles county, Ill., poorhouse, certifies that he suffered several years with rheumatism, so that he could not labor, and finally became so poor and prostrate he was sent to the poorhouse. The physicians there gave him up and said he must die, but, as a last chance, they tried St. Jacobs Oil. A few applications gave relief, and by its continued use he was enabled to leave his bed. To this is added the certificate of the Superintendent to the truth of the statement and to his belief that the man's life was saved by the use of the great remedy.

Commenting upon the foregoing, the *Citizen*, editorially, as follows: "We are pleased to be able to testify to the correctness of the above as the case came directly under our notice. Any one desiring further information can correspond with this office."

MORE OF BLAINE'S VENALITY.
Everybody of ordinary intelligence in Illinois knows who James F. Joy is. He is the great Detroit railroad king, for years the president of the Michigan Central railroad and now president of the Wabash system. Mr. Joy is not only the equal of Vanderbilt or Jay Gould as a railroad king, but he enjoys the further distinction, which is not always awarded to the others, of being a rigidly upright, honorable man. The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, ex-U. S. senator Baldwin of Michigan and now president of the Second National Bank in Detroit, of which Mr. Joy is a director, and William C. Thompson, who was twice elected mayor of Detroit by the largest Republican majority ever given in that city, unite in a statement, published in the New York *Herald* of last Saturday, that on different occasions, to each separately, Mr. James F. Joy made the following statement:

MR. JOY'S STORY.
He was in Washington during the winter of 1869-70 in the interest of the Leavenworth, Lawrence & Galveston railroad. The road had been given a large land grant, the most valuable part of which was claimed to be covered by a prior grant by treaty to the Great and Little Osage Indians. A house committee of investigation was appointed to inquire into this. Mr. Joy was confident of the legal rights of his company as against this claim. He sent word to Mr. Blaine, asking him to appoint on the committee one lawyer of high reputation. He did not care whether the man was a democrat or a republican. Mr. Blaine made no promise at the time, but the next day an intimate friend of his came to Mr. Joy and said to him that if he, Mr. Joy, would take from Mr. Blaine \$25,000 in the bonds of the Little Rock & Fort Smith railroad at par, the speaker would make up the committee as far as possible just as Mr. Joy wished it to be made up. Mr. Joy said that he was so confident of the merits of his case that even if he had been disposed to make the bargain the price was entirely too high for the service to be rendered. He declined the proposition.

Mr. Joy, who is now understood to be a supporter of Blaine, has been challenged to deny this statement but remains mum. Beecher, Baldwin and Thompson, all hitherto ardent Republicans, are now vigorous supporters of Cleveland, as is also Don M. Dickinson, another distinguished Detroit lawyer, hitherto a Republican, but who is unable to go Blaine after hearing Mr. Joy's story.

Blaine Caught in Another Shameful Lie!

In connection with the labor troubles in the Hocking Valley, Ohio, where about 8,000 miners are resisting to the verge of starvation a shameful attempt to compel them to work for pauper wages, the statement had frequently been made that one of the principal owners of the Hocking Valley Coal and Iron Monopoly was James G. Blaine. To set the matter at rest, Mr. H. S. Bundy, an Ohio Republican, wrote Mr. Blaine, asking about his interest in the mines. Mr. Blaine answered in a letter dated at Bar Harbor, July 22, 1884, in which he declared:—

"I am not, and never have been, the owner of coal lands or iron lands, or lands of any character whatever, in the Hocking Valley, or in any part of Ohio. Nor have I at any time owned a share of stock in any coal, iron or land company in the state of Ohio.

This, it will be seen, is a denial by Blaine as emphatic and sweeping as language can make it. He denies that he ever at any time owned any land of any kind or any stock in any coal, iron or land company in the state of Ohio.

And now comes Mr. J. Henry Brooks, the trustee of whom the Hocking Valley lands were purchased by the present monopoly that they own them and has erected upon them the famous Hope Furnace and is running all the mines, and by letters, papers, receipts and contracts in his possession shows that in May, 1882, Mr. Blaine on the payment of \$50,000, became the positive and indisputable owner of one-fifth of that vast property and is such to this day. The documents furnished by Mr. Brooks are as indisputable as court records, and as immovably as a Supreme Court decision convict Blaine by his own correspondence of another most shameful lie.

Want of Faith.

If C. M. Forbes, the druggist, does not succeed, it is not faith. He has such faith in Dr. Bosanko's Cough and Lung Syrup, as a remedy for coughs, colds, consumption and lung affections, that he will give a bottle free to each and every one in need of a medicine of this kind.

Said to Be Better than Bessemer Steel.

READING, Pa., Sept. 29.—A syndicate has been formed for experimenting in a new process of manufacturing steel to compete with the Bessemer process. The patentee is James Henderson, of Bellefonte, Pa. The new product is an open-hearth steel differing in this respect from Bessemer, and is also said to excel it in pliability and toughness, and it is claimed that it will take the place of hammered and rolled iron altogether.

Money-Order Offices to Be Kept Open.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—Frank Hatton, Acting Postmaster-General, has issued an order to the effect that on and after October 1 all post-offices of the first-class and their stations or branch offices shall be kept open to the public for the issue and payment of money-orders and for the receipt of matter intended for registration and the delivery of registered matter until six o'clock p. m. every day except Sunday and legal holidays.

Assessment of Illinois Railroads.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 2.—The State Board of Equalization yesterday finished the assessment of railroads in Illinois. Seven thousand nine hundred and seventy-two miles of main track are assessed \$60,267,386. The highest is the Burlington, with 847 miles at \$9,180,352. The lowest is the Mount City Road, three miles, at \$3,000. The assessment includes sixty-one roads. The Illinois Central is not included.

Coinage for the Past Month.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—The coinage of the various mints during September amounted to \$4,613,363, of which \$2,356,000 were standard dollars.

Bull-dosing in the south has been the theme of thousands of columns in Republican papers in times past; but the terrible offence was always a crime to be found only in Democratic circles south of Mason and Dixon's line. Republicans never bull-dose—they prefer to do it in another way, say boycotting. Our cotemporary, the *Utica News*, seems to be in that fix now, some of his influential Republican subscribers having threatened a withdrawal of patronage because the *News* prefers Haley to Plumb. The *News* seems to be cut up about it to a degree. When the *News* has been in politics as long as the *FREE TRADER* such little eccentricities will hardly excite a rifle of annoyance.

Irish butter seems to be the best. At the International Exposition held this year at Calcutta, it was awarded a diploma and medal. The sample exhibited had voyaged from Ireland to India, and had withstood several months' exposure to tropical heat. The next in merit was a sample of American oleomargarine, but it was thrown out by the judges on learning its nature.

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NOTICE.—ESTATE OF ROBERT ARMOUR, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, administrator of the estate of Robert Armour, late of the county of La Salle and state of Illinois, deceased, will appear before the Probate Court of said county, on the third Monday (being the 17th day of November 1884) at the Probate Court Room, in Ottawa, in said county, when and where all persons having claims or demands against said estate are notified to attend and present the same in writing for adjustment.

Dated this 29th day of September, A. D. 1884.
WM. P. REES, Administrator. oct-17

FINAL SETTLEMENT.—ESTATE OF ANDREW IMMER, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given to all persons interested in said estate, that the undersigned, Administratrix of the Estate of said Andrew Immer, deceased, will appear before the Probate Court of the county of La Salle and state of Illinois, at the County Court House in Ottawa, in said county, on Monday, the 17th day of November A. D. 1884, for the purpose of rendering an account of her proceedings in the administration of said estate for the final settlement.

Dated at Ottawa, this 23rd day of October, 1884.
FRANCISCA IMMER, Administratrix. oct-17

NOTICE.—ESTATE OF PATRICK COLLINS, DECEASED. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Administratrix of the Estate of Patrick Collins, late of the county of La Salle and state of Illinois, deceased, will appear before the Probate Court of said county on the third Monday (being the 17th day of November 1884) at the Probate Court Room, in Ottawa, in said county, when and where all persons having claims or demands against said estate are notified to attend and present the same in writing for adjustment.

Dated this 24th day of October, A. D. 1884.
CATHERINE COLLINS, Administratrix. oct-17

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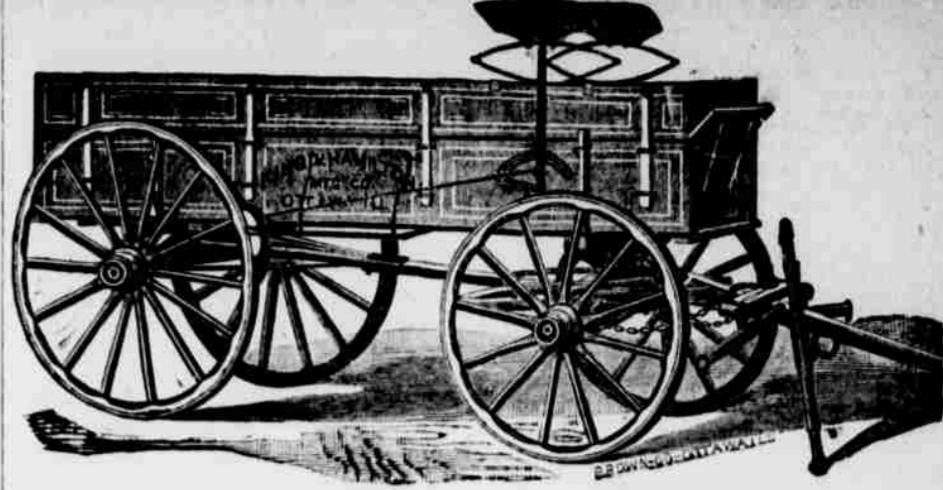
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