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### A "FLOSSY" SCHEME

How the "Journal" Wants to Secure an Anti-Clough Delegation from Its City.

Jeffersonian Democrats Met Las Monday Evening to "Bury Cæsar not to Praise Him."

special Correspondence to the UNION. MINNEAPOLIS, April 14, 1896 .- The Tournal outlines editorially a plan which it thinks will serve to do up Governor Clough in Hennepin county. The plan is this: For all the gubernatorial candidates except Clough to unite upon one set of delegates in the county, and for voters to vote at the primaries on their choice for governor, the candidate receiving highest choice, aside from Clough, to receive the support of the solid Hennepin delegation at the State convention. For example, if the combined opposition got three-fifths, the anti-Clough candidate in the lead should have the total delegation.

If Hennepin is entitled to 115 votes in the convention, two-fifths for Clough would be 46 and three-fifths for the combined opposition would be 69. If the 69 votes, on the basis of the primary ballot, should stand in the ratio of 22 for Eustis, 20 for Van Sant, 15 for Lee, 5 for Gibbs, 3 for Clapp, 2 for Mc-Gill, and 2 scattering-Eustis would receive the support of the delegation, although getting only 20 per cent. of the support of the voters at the primaries and less than half what Clough received. The Journal thinks this is the only way Clough can be downed in Hennepin. The method is advised as a plan to defeat the "machine." A nice question which might arise here is this: Could the combination hold together long enough to deliver the goods? Would the Van Sant supporters, for example, consent to giving the support of the whole delegation to Eustis, when Van Sant lacked only two votes of as many as Eustis? There are many nice questions here involved.

\*\*\* It has been found that there is another profitable industry in town besides the bicycle industry, and that is, in holding female bicyclist races. Misses Dottie Farnsworth, Helen Baldwin, Mattie Christopher and the rest have standing proffers to enter two or three different wheel contests in the Twin Cities during the next 30 days. It is apparent that most of the men folks of the present hard times have missed their calling. They should have been born female bicyclists in bloomers and kneebockers.

\*\*\* The Jeffersonian Democrats banquetted in honor of their patron saint last evening; although only about half of them professed to be Jeffersonian on the money question, and the other half Groverian. C. Porter Johnson, of Chicago, posed as the Mark Antony following notice: "James Cooney, a of the occasion. He evidently came to bury Grover, not to praise him.

\*\*\* The county attorney has dismissed O. L. Billings, indicted for perjury in the alleged bribery case, and the grand jury has dismissed Special Agent Howard, of the Great Northern, arraigned for bribery of jurors. Both sides seemed to have considered discretion the better part of valor.

\*\*\* The 16 junketing aldermen and the mayor have returned from their cruise to the Pacific coast in pursuit of municipal reform. In their absence four of the citizens' organizations of the city have organized to put in the field this fall a non-partisan ticket of clean aldermen and efficient city officials. \*\*\*

The Booth-Tuckers of recent Salvation Army fame arrive in town Thursday, and the local army of red shirts and poke-bonnets will be out a thousand strong in their best bibs and tuckers to receive their new com-+++

The bricklayers are after the contractor on the new University drill hall, alias gymnasium building, for reunion men. He is said to be the only contractor in town who is not paying the regulation union wages. The regents and the commercial bodies of the city have been appealed to and there are daily arbitration councils. Meantime, there is no work being done on the building.

An evening paper comes out with attorneys who have silver proclivities cil at the last meeting.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.-Latest U.S. Gov't Report

and should be kept from going astray. +++

It is said in the evening papers that the Spanish have beat a masterly retreat. Perhaps that is all they were able to beat. They may have taken a pointer from the feats of our noble 100.

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The morning dispatches announce that Spain cannot accept the good offices of the United States government. Our eminent but hungry "100" are not like Spain.

+++ Your Uncle Loren has named May 20 as the proper time for his renomination. He sings of the flowers which bloom in the spring, but no one knows what may be sprung on him by Frank Davis and other blooming candidates of the crocus and daisy family. But Uncle Loren is a lily—a tiger lily. YOUR UNCLE JASON.

Why Boys Leave the Farm. One of the strokes of Burdette's pen leaves a mark which is readable from a long range because of its simple truthfulness. "Why do the boys leave the farm?" wails a writer in an agricultural journal. Well, dear brother there are several reasons. One is because the boy is about 65 years old at his birth. Then if there is a hoe on the farm weighing fourteen ounces, bright as nickel plate and sharp as a razor, and another hoe weighing some- the State. what less than a breaking plow with

an edge on like a hammer, and a sapling with the bark on for a handle, the hired man takes one and the boy gets the other, and every man in America knows which is the other. Did you ever stand with such a hoe in your hands away down in a corn row on some airless, still, hot summer day, twenty acres of corn blades a tassels wilting about you standing fourteen inches higher than your head, shutting out every last trace of breathable air, and hear a locust down in the edge of the timber strike up his long, strident, monotonous call to make it ten times hotter? And at this time a cool creek not a mile away, loitering in the deep silent pools in shady places in the woods, or breaking into merry dancing ripples over the pebbles. And in the big, deep holes the fish just lying Mrs. Sarah Hill spoke before a very around waiting for a boy. Well then good audience at the opera house last you know why some boys leave the Monday evening, under the auspices of

Dr. Cooney's Father Dead.

Dr. H. C. Cooney was called to Stillwater Thursday by a telegram announcing the death of his father. The St. Paul Globe of Friday contains the well-known resident of Washington county, who has lived here since early in the 50's, died yesterday at Afton of senile debility, having attained the age of eighty-one years. Deceased was born in Ireland in 1815, and spent his early life in England and on the seas, being a member of two whaling expeditions in Arctic waters. When he came to the St. Croix valley he located at Taylors Falls, but a few months later removed to Afton, where he had since resided. He was married in England in 1845 to Miss Mary Dunn, who survives him, together with the following children: Mrs. Ann Parsons, of Afton; Miss Ellen Cooney, a teacher in the Minneapolis schools; Thomas Cooney, of Helena, Mont.; Dr. H. C. Cooney, of Princeton, Minn., and Mrs. Ed. St, John, of Marine."

A New Principal. The board of education met Monday

evening and considered the applications which have been accumulating on the clerk's desk since the first of the year. As a result of their deliberations J. H. Arnold, A. B., of Redfield, S. D., was elected to succeed Prof. Simpson. Prof. Arnold is a graduate of Iowa State College and has been fusing to pay union wages and employ at Redfield for the past five years as dean of the faculty of Redfield college. Prof. Simpson was not a candidate for re-election, feeling that he could not remain at the salary the board had decided to pay. The board expressed regret at his decision for he has given excellent satisfaction and it was slow to part with him.

the sensation that two members of the rass the pedestrians. They have been should plant as many as possible. district bench are to resign. denied the right to use the sidewalks, Trees grow and in a few years so im-It is rumored that the vacant the ordinance, which appears in an prove property that their value can places are to be filled by two eminent other column, having passed the coun-readily be estimated in money. Let's

Russell Harmon, of Anoka, was in Princeton last week hiring men to go on the Mississippi for the boom company. Russ wanted good men and of course he knew where to get 'em.

Foley Bros'. barns at Foley were destroyed by fire last Thursday evening. Six horses, all the harness, and 1,500 bushels of oats, were burned. Much difficulty was experienced in saving the remainder of the buildings.

Every train going north now carries a detachment of river drivers. Logs that have started in the lower part of the river will give a great deal of trouble owing to the high water. Considerable "sacking" will be necessary when the water retires.

A man who has travelled over a large part of the State says he is convinced from what he has heard and seen that D. M. Clough will be nominated for governor on the first ballot. This is an indication that our prophecy in another column is all right.

The State agricultural experiment station has issued bulletin No. 44, treating of the fattening of cattle in winter. It shows the results of some experiments which were made this winter and will prove interesting reading to the farmers. It will be sent free on application to any one residing in

J. H. Record, architect, 609 Wright block, has plans for a residence to be built at Princeton for I. E. Burgan. Specifications: 30x40, two stories and basement, Princeton cream brick, shingle roof, with mantel, plumbing, bath, plate and leaded glass, hardwood interior finish, laundry tubs and furnace, cost \$3.500.—Improvement Bulletin.

The mill of the Foley-Bean Lumber company has been shut down for a number of weeks, but will start up again next Monday or some time later in the week. The ice is out of the Rum river and the company has a plentiful supply of logs on hand to keep the mill running night and day. It expects to cut about twenty-five million feet during the season.-Lumber-

farm. Still boys can be kept on the Calla Temple of Rathbone Sisters. farm and made to stay there all their Her address, of course, was upon Pythian matters and was very interesting. A musical program was given in connection which was well received, especially the number rendered by the Byers children. The society should receive quite a boom from the able manner in which Mrs. Hill promulgated its objects.

The water in the river reached a very high stage Monday, the road east of the red bridge being flooded to the depth of two feet in some places. The raise was continuous from Saturday night till Monday night when a slight fall was noticeable. At one time it was feared that the West Branch bridge would go, but the ice broke up Sunday and went out without damage. The road across the flats south of town was rendered almost impassable during a part of the day Monday.

How dear to our hearts is the old silver dollar, when some kind subscriber presents it to view; the liberty head without necktie or collar, and all the strange things that to us seem so new; the wide spreading eagle, the arrows below it, the stars and the words with the strange things they tell; the coin of my fathers, we're glad that we know it, for some time or other 'twill come in right well-the spread eagle dollar, the star spangled dollar, the old silver dollar that we all love so well.-Masonic Journal.

A week from to-morrow will be Arbor day in Minnesota. Since the inauguration of this day millions of fruit and shade trees have been planted, the one adding to the prosperity of the community, the other to the beauty of the home and both to the comfort of humanity both in winter and summer. There will be no falling off either in the interest or the number who will participate in these exercises this year. But there is no need to confine the planting to that day alone. The sea-The festive cycler will no longer har- son is favorable and everyone who can all observe Arbor day.