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The members of the Republican State Central Committee are requested to meet at the Paxton Hotel, in the city of Omaha, on Thursday, June 23, 1883, at seven o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of fixing the date and place for holding a convention to nominate candidates for Judge of Supreme Court and members of the University, and such other business as may properly come before it.
W. E. DOISEY, Chairman.
Fremont, June 9, 1883.

The Journal named Dorsey and Brady, yesterday evening, as the republican candidates for 1884. It probably forgets that these men were prosecuted by a republican administration and cleared by a jury, two-thirds of which were democrats.

The Ohio democratic convention is in favor of a "judicious and properly graded license system" in regard to the liquor traffic. In the democratic lexicon, "judicious and properly graded" when applied to the liquor traffic, means just as about as little regulation as one can possibly dream of. It is a meaningless phrase, and is intended only for license democrats. The liquor men will all vote for such a platform, for they expect their kind of fellows will "properly grade" it.

Speaking of Judge Hoadly, the democratic nominee for governor of Ohio, the editor of the Omaha Herald calls him the "matchless candidate." We were at a loss to understand the Herald's rhapsodies over this democratic prodigy, until it leaked out the other day that this man Hoadly, was the only democratic lawyer in the United States who had cheek enough to get up an argument in defense of red nosed Croain, of Oregon fame, who attempted the feat of national larceny, by stealing the electoral vote of Oregon for Mr. Tilden and reform—it is clear to us now.

In the ground scuffle for place, had in the Democratic Convention in Ohio, day before yesterday, that sturdy old bourbon, Allen G. Thurman, he of the "red bandaner," made a manful fight for his old friend Durbin Ward, and warned the Ohio Democracy not to nominate the other fellow, nor "trim" in making up their platform; yet the old man was unceremoniously sat down upon; the other fellow was nominated, and an evasive platform was promulgated.

The Democratic hope of carrying Iowa is no doubt a slim one. The situation, however, does not justify the Republicans in taking any more risks than are necessary. Their majority has gradually dwindled for a few years past. Formerly a solid Republican delegation to Congress was naturally expected from the State. This custom was broken by the Greenbackers, and in the next House there will be one Greenback and two Democratic Representatives. The Prohibition question may cause a still further diminution of the party's strength. The campaign this year will be the most earnest the State ever witnessed. While the Republican State ticket is probably safe, it would not be surprising to see the party's candidate for Supreme Court Judge defeated. If such a result ensues and the Republicans are weakened, it will be caused manifestly by allowing a few extremists too much influence in party councils.—N. Y. Tribune.

GERMAN VOTERS AND THE OHIO LIQUOR LAW.

The Scott law was approved by the Ohio Republican convention, and no fair-minded republican can discover in that any tendency toward "ultra sumptuary legislation." The howl that is raised against the operation of the law emanates altogether from the liquor and beer brewing interests, which do not want any reduction in the number of saloons and beer mills of the large cities. The "beer drinkers" are not affected in the least by the law, neither in point of quantity to be drunk, nor price to be paid for the article consumed. As far as the German American voters are concerned, it has been observed that they begin to recognize in this continued opposition of the distillers and brewers to a fair and equitable legislation that tends to regulate the liquor and beer traffic the fact that their votes are only the political capital with which it is sought to enforce special claims of exemption from taxation. The license of \$100 imposed on a beer shop by the Scott law is not in any sense prohibitory, nor does it place a stigma upon the business, as the brewers would like to have their dupes believe. The whole question is simply one of revenue, and the manufacturers who hail the establishment of each additional gin mill or beer shop with anticipations of increased profit and gain, are naturally opposed to the imposition of tax. That it is becoming plain to the average German beer drinkers, and sooner or later they will decline to be made the political football of beer manufacturers who care for nothing but the increase of their own wealth and capital.—New York Tribune.

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CONDUCTED BY MRS. J. N. WISE

To whom all communications for this department should be addressed.

Mrs. J. N. Wise—Dear Sister—I have just come to the hour, and really the first one, when I could fulfill my promise to tell you something of my work in the state

As some of my appointments, prove to be (like one stormy W. C. T. U. so-called)—disappointments. I will only mention a few.

More and more, as I pass over the face of this beautiful state, and see the evidence of its marvelous growth, its cities and villages, springing up in a day; and its very trees that beautify their streets, confirming the faith in the wonderful word that sheltered the prophet at Ninevah, do I feel that this must have been in the dim distance, when the prophet's eagle eye caught the vision of a "wilderness that should rejoice and blossom as the rose." I grow to appreciate Nebraska as never before; and yet, though I go away out toward the mountains or to the far north-west, where the Union Pacific has scattered so many blessings, in spite of the many cursings it has received, if I stand and look at the newly opened streets of the town of a day, or rest in the homes that have been builded a whole decade, I am frequently brought to see the picture as Moore has drawn it of the Peri standing at the gate of Paradise and listening to the angel—"poor race of men!"—said the pitying spirit, "dearly ye pay for your primal fall. Some flowerets of Eden still ye inherit—them all."

But the trail of the serpent is over for right along by the side of the pioneer who has come to stay, and to build for himself and his dear ones a home, glides the serpent, and when he has set his stakes, and begun to build for the future, the hiss is heard, build up and I will destroy; educate your children, I will degrade them, and as you sit under your own "vine and fig tree" they shall shelter me.

Not that they hear these words, (more's the pity) because the air is full of the noise of the saw and the hammer, and the buzz of machinery, these hisses are unheard, but they mean business.

At Madison, I found to my great surprise, a very pretty village, three nice churches, with good schools and congregations, and as intelligent an audience as I have seen in Nebraska. And yet here the demon of Eum had planted himself by the side of the church and the school and asked for the support of the town, as well as the rest of the institutions for the public benefit, and strange to say, men had listened, and for the greed of gold, had given him place; Organized a union of 26 members and 6 honorary members, from Madison to Columbus, to attend the State S. S. Convention, the best, many say, ever held in Nebraska. A resolution, offered by a lady, pledging the convention to make the effort to pledge every child in the S. S. Schools of the State to total abstinence, and to be more thorough in temperance instruction, was received with much feeling, and unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Thence to Osceola, the capital of Polk county: Here the committee showed that they thought the motto of the W. C. T. U., "For God, and Home, and Native Land," meant something, and was worthy the attention of God and true men and women. Meetings were held in the court house; we were welcomed by the band, which discoursed grandly its inspiring strains. The Glee Club added their melodies and so sustained, we made an effort to speak of this great question. There were large audiences each evening; as a result a Union was formed—forty-six ladies and about half the number of gentlemen—Mrs. Nance, wife of Hon. Albinus Nance, former Governor of this State, being President, and Mrs. Jennie K. Kyle, wife of a rising young lawyer of the county, Corresponding Secretary. There has never been a license granted in Polk county yet, but think not the serpent has forgotten! An effort has been made to controvert the desire of citizens of Osceola by forcing a saloon upon them—a petition having the required number of names being obtained, promising a "first class saloon, eminently respectable." But as soon as this was known, all honor to the business men of the town—a remonstrance, signed by the best and truest, including lawyers, doctors, ministers, bankers, and not least in influence, is ex-Governor Nance, protesting against it. So, for the present, it is shut out. Rum cannot endure to see prosperity unless he may come and enjoy it too; and for rum to enjoy the prosperity of others is to tear down what they build. When will men learn that God said ages ago "Woe to the town that buildeth itself

with blood, and a city by iniquity." Truly, when men permit this—"The stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it. More anon. Truly Yours, for God and Home and Native Land,

EMILY M. J. COOLEY.

The action of the Democratic convention which met and nominated a state ticket at Columbus, Ohio day before yesterday, will certainly prove a bitter disappointment to the free trade wing of that party in the West, no matter how bravely they whistle through the graveyard of their blasted hopes and expectations. But one day before that convention met, the Omaha Herald, the mouth-piece of bourbonism in Nebraska, appealed to the democracy of Ohio to declare against the tariff plan in ringing tones. Said the Herald:

"Tomorrow the democratic convention in Ohio will meet to nominate a state ticket headed by a governor. It is of the utmost importance, not only to the commonwealth in question but to the country at large, that the men and principles advanced on this occasion should be decided, strong and sound, and ring the key note for 'this and the greater campaign that is to follow. The tariff it is conceded 'will be the coming issue.'"

The convention met and here is their declaration upon the "coming issue." "We favor a tariff for revenue, limited to necessities of the government, economically administered and adjusted in its application as to prevent unequal burdens, encouraging productive industries at home and afford just compensation to labor, but not to create or foster monopolies; that acts of the republican congress reducing the tariff on wool, while at the same time increasing it on woolen goods, was iniquitous legislation discriminating in favor of monopoly against agriculture and ought to be corrected." A tariff that will encourage productive industries at home and "afford just compensation to labor, but not to create or foster monopolies."

This has a "ring" to it and may be the "key note" for the great campaign that is to follow; but the ring and the note is that of protection to our "productive industries," although just what productive means in the connection in which it is used in the platform will most probably be hard to explain; but this convention evidently afraid this declaration in favor of protection was not strong enough for the intelligent Buckeye, emphasize it with the further argument that it may, "afford just compensation to labor." Thus we find the democracy of Ohio, the state that among its "productive industries has produced such blatant free-traders as Mr. Frank Hurd, and several other Iroquois chiefs, making a declaration on the tariff question that would suit the most energetic protectionist from the iron regions of Pennsylvania; and if this Ohio "key note" is to be taken as an instruction to be followed by the forthcoming National Democratic Convention, protection to home industries is to be a cardinal tenet of the Democratic faith for 1884. In view of all this, it now remains to be seen what the heroes of the Detroit "diet of isms" are going to do about that "independent party" with which they were threatening our Democratic brethren; and it will be but fit and proper for the editor of the Omaha Herald to invoke the rustling spirit of our antimonopolist friend from "Arbor Springs Lodge" to declare his position through its columns in view of this Ohio heresy; but this Ohio Democracy go still further and join lustily in the "Ohio kick;" on the Wool question, it declares, that the reduction of tariff duties upon wool is "an iniquitous proceeding."

We venture the prediction that for clear dodging and evasive twisting, the Ohio Democratic Convention, which adjourned yesterday morning, has put forth a platform which will not be equalled by any other convention, during the season of 1883.

IOWA SUPREME COURT.

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