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### Meeting of the Republican State Central Committee.

The members of the republican state central committee will meet at the Millard hotel, Omaha, Neb., on Thursday, the 22d day of May, 1884, at 7:30 P. M. for the purpose of fixing time and place for holding, and proportioning delegates to a republican state convention to nominate state ticket and for such other business as may be properly submitted. S. B. CALSON, GRO. W. E. DORSEY,

Secretary. Chairman. FREMONT, Neb., May 10, 1884.

Is Nebraska to become the sluggers paradise

MAYOB CHASE should dismiss his imimbecile marshal without further delay.

juictly away, after years of retire-THE assessors should do their duty imment, Charles O'Conor, by reason of his partially, but if they will not the county singularities and his extraordinary abilicommissioners should raise the assessties, is worthy of recall to the people's ment. memory. It is claimed for him that he

was the last of the common lawyers, who According to the latest advices, Ben believe the common law to be the "per-Butler doesn't propose to have anyone fection of human reason." He always nominated for vice-president. He has stuck to his old time logic and learning, his eyes on both places on the ticket. and was so thoroughly their master that

he was rarely overthrown by any oppo-A NIGHT message can be sent from New nent. It is said of him that he never York to Kansas City, by the Western allowed his preconceived opinion to be Union telegraph, for fifteen cents, but it modified by any subsequent event, that still costs twenty-five cents to telegraph he always stuck to his prejudices, and a message from Omaha to Council Bluffs, never forgave an enemy or forgot a

friend WHEN the officers of a railroad compa-It was not without a bitter and deterequip a special train to convey a gang of mined struggle that Charles O'Conor at roughs and sports to a prize fight, which tained to eminence. His early life was they know to be a criminal gathering, one constant fight against poverty, and it they ought to be indicted as accessories to is actually told of him that he at times the crime. suffered for the want of food. It was on-

ly after several years of practice in the The next thing to be done after the lower courts, that he finally reached the paving is completed, is to keep the proper field for his abilities. There were streets clean. There are already several at the NewYork bar numerous New Engpaved streets which ought to be regular- land lawyers who always seemed to throw ly cleaned. The council ought to make their influence in every possible way

CHARLES O'CONOR. The death of Charles O'Conor removes it would be to increase it. All that was one of the most eminent lawyers of the necessary, it has been insinuated, was to United States. He was the son of an give such steamships the mail carrying to educated Irish gentleman, and was born do, and \$1,500,000, or one dollar a mile, in 1804 in New York city, where he has was only a fair bonus to induce them to always made his home. After receiving undertake this service. The facts a common school education, young brought out in the debate, however, tell O'Conor studied law, and was admitted a very different story. Instead of costto the bar at the age of twenty years, ing \$1,500,000 a year, or anything like it, He was an untiring and industrious a fair and reasonable expenditure for carstudent, and in the course of a few years, rying the mails to Brazil is not more he worked his way to the front rank of than \$4,500 a year, so that the real his profession, in which he became the object of the bill is to grant acknowledged leader, a position which he It is a shrewd attempt to enable a few retained until his advancing years com- ship owners to get their big hands into June. pelled him to retire from active practice, the national coffers. Subsidy in this in-Charles O'Conor was always a democrat stance is merely another name for swinin politics. The only political office that dle. This country has had a long enough he ever held, however, was that of dis- and bitter enough experience with that trict attorney, for a few months, under kied of fraud. It doesn't want any more. the administration of President Pierce. It is just as bad to subsidize ships as to Ho was a member of the constitutional subsidize railroads. There must be no convention of 1864 Few people remem- more raids on the treasury for subsidies

and received complimentary votes to the

number of about 30,000, in various states.

or was regarded as one of the leading

lawyers and one of the most eminent of

American citizens. He was engaged in

some of the most important cases ever

tried in this country. A quarter of a

century ago there was no better known

man in the American metropolis, and

there was no better known voice in the

courts than his, uttering, as it did, the

atter bitterness of sarcastic emphasis. To

the man of to-day, Charles O'Conor was

a tradition. Now that he has passed

During his public career Charles O'Con-

ber that Charles O'Conor was once nom. of any sort. Now that this bill is known inated for the presidency of the United to be an attempt to grab a subsidy under States, but such is the fact. In 1868 he a lying name, it ought to be killed bewas nominated for the presidency by the yond any hope of resurrection. extreme or "straight-out" democrats,

THE RESULTS OF LIMITED FRANCHISE.

A few days ago a joint resolution was reported in the house proposing an important amendment to the constitution. The change suggested was the insertion of the word "nativity" in the list of causes for which neither the national nor any state government may forbid a itizen to vote. The real meaning of this addition does not appear on its face. one or two other states have set up, and fifteenth amendment was first proposed it mentioned "nativity, property and creed" among the grounds on which the franchise should not be denied to any citizen. The Rhode Island senators objected to these three words because hey would conflict with the laws and prejudices of their state. The threat was made that if they were retained, the amendment would be rejected by Rhode Island. The other senators believed the vote of that state necessary to the success of the measure. Rather than see it fail, therefore, they struck out the objectional words. The present attempt original shape, and make universal suf- dangers.

frage compulsory everywhere. The constitution of Rhode Island pro-

unless they possess taxable property to

trade is with those por.s, and how easy It is feared some one has taken it for an um-brella and walked off with it. now be gibben 'em to pick up deir hats an' feet an' trabble." Roswell P. Flower is blooming, but his oom has not yet burst forth in full leaf. Mr. Blaine has laid down his historical per nd has bought a nice new slate and pencil.

Henry Watterson doesn't want to be a del egate to the national democratic convention, Mr. Edmunds is said to be too cold. Th uble with Mr. Blaine is that he is red ho It looks as If Mr. Edmunds would get the mination. He has not a single photograph Miss Susan B. Anthony declines to be entioned as a possible presidental candidate Gay, Cleveland has only been absent from his desk five weeks since his election. He is

More than one-third of the members of the House of Representatives have applied for leave of absence during the first week in

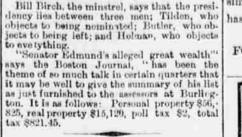
is called a 'rustler

e 15 than vote.

sheep's eyes at the charming Cousins.

Gen. Guitar is coming as a delegate from Missouri to the Chicago convention. There will be music in the air when he pulls the The reason the Wyming women object to uffrage is said to be their adversion to stating

heir ages to be over 21. They would rather Miss Phoebe Cousins declares that Don Butlea is her preference for the Presidency. The giddy general has doubtless been casting Bill Birch, the minstrel, says that the presi



### Speed, Expense, and Safety,

If ever, or rather, whenever-for that day will soon come we entertain no doubt -a ship crosses the Atlantic at an average speed of twenty knots an hour, it is probable that she will have cost about Its real aim is against the property limit half a million pounds before she sails for to the franchise which Rhode Island and the first time from Liverpool or from Mil ford Haven. "It is the pace which kills, as all riders to foxhounds, all drivers of which are felt to be wholly opposed to railway express trains, and all engineers the spirit of our institutions. When the of ocean and river steamboats, know full well; nor can it be denied that extraordinary and sustained speed in a hunter. a railway locomotive, and a steam-vessel is attainable without a heavy cost.

Who that has contemplated the magnificent machinery with which such vessels as the Oregon, the Alaska, the Arizona, the Servia, the City of Rome, and the Germanic are fitted, can have forgotten the note of alarm sounded by Charles Dickens in his well-known letter to his biographer, John Foster, which was written after the author of the Pickwick Papers' had made his first trip across the Atlantic in 1842. "We mean," writes Dickens to his friend, "to return home in a packet ship-not a steamer. When I tell you all I observed on board the Britannia I shall astonish is to put the amendment back into the you. Meanwhile consider two of her

First, that if the funnel were blown overboard, the vessel must instantly be on fire from stem to stern; to compre ides that while the native born citizens hend which you must recollect that the who pay a poll tax of \$1 are entitled to funkel is more than forty feet high, and suffrage, naturalized citizens cannot vote at night you see solid fire two or three feet above its top.

Secondly, each of these boats consumer the amount of \$134 Some very interesting between London and Halifax seven hun facts about the results of this provision dred tons of coal, and it is pretty clear have been brought forward in the discus. from this enormous difference of weight sion of the proposed amendment. In burden that she must be either too heavy nity and l 1880, according to the census, Rhode Is- when she comes out of port or too lig rhoea caused by t when she goes in. It is satisfactory to when she goes in. It is satisfactory to reflect that during the two and forty cars which have intertained in the satisfactory for \$5.00, sort by mail prepaid on receipt of price years which have intervened since these words ware written, there has been n It is safe to say that when the con- blown overboard upon the Atlantic, or thousands of trips have been made by steamers with such security to passengers



a contract with some one for this business at an early day.

THERE is a slight difference between characterized his disposition was no doubt sprinkling the streets and flooding them. due to early poverty and the obstacles Sprinkling lays the dust, but flooding which he had to overcome. In summing makes mud. At present the asphalt up the character of Charles O'Conor, a pavements are being flooded. This kind recent writer in the New York Evening of pavement needs but a very light Post says: sprinkling to keep the dust down.

tations of genius was his utter inability How much longer will the city authori. to choose men, consequent on which came ties allow saloons to cary on business out even his strength. This inability at without license? Are the public schools once rates Mr. O'Conor as a second rate of Omaha to be closed next fall or shall man, despite his learning and his genius. schools and the public improvements be of chivalry. Of charity which at times abandoned.

ANOTHER brutal prize fight has been its scope was as warm as the sun in Augfought in this state, almost within gunshot ust, and of chivalry shown to a marked extent in the matter of his marriage. of her metropolis. The law officers, whose duty it is to suppress violence and crime, aff sirs of his friend McCracken, and findwere aware of the preparations for this ing that gentleman a bankrupt, with no brutal encounter, but instead of taking support offering for the widow, he, ateps to prevent it, they openly encour-aged it, and gave it countenance. Inough by offered himself, and for the rest of the lady's life treated her with though by no means a marrying sort of

the most perfect courtesy, indulgence The senste has passed the bill putting General Grant upon the retired list of the same with full are of the army with full pay. Of course the these fine traits, one fears that the bitter house will make haste to follow the senate's example. When this bill shall have ato's example. When this bill shall have become a law it is to be profoundly hop-hell, sir, but not in Beekman street, ed that General Grant's perennial claims rather than the chivaleresque incident of on the gratitude of the American people vate munificence. will have been about liquidated.

THE SHIPPING BILL FRAUD. IF onehundred respectable men should ask the managers of the Union Pacific for a special train to a moonlight dance beyond the Platte river, and the train was to start at midnight and be held until the dance was over, we venture to say they would not grant the request. lars.

continues to be filled with the reports of

speeches upon it that were never deliveramong their constituents. Between gartrue statesmanship has quite an easy time in this country.

dospair.

The national military encampment at sum for the mail transportation named. is un-American and unrepublican. Dabaque, June 16-21 next, promises to And yet, if it passed, it would make the bas no place here. The proposed amendbe a great affair. Companies from all mail service to Brazil cost more than all ment should be adopted. parts of the United States, with bands, the mail service to the whole of Europe, bass drums and cannon, will be present. China, Japan, Australia, Very Cruz, and Among the attractions, according to a cir- New Zealand combined. It is very clear cular just issued, will be a sham battle, that the bill is only another raid on the in which "features are to be depicted in treasury cunningly disguised under true imitation of the real horrors of a an assumed patriotic purpo e genuine battle." If this doesn't prove shown that it would be a good thing to

sufficient to draw a delighted multitude, have a line of steamships, owned in this the managers might as well give up in i country, running to South American

land had a population of 276,531 persons against O'Conor, and this explains why he Of these 133,030 were males, of whom always hated them with a"true O'Conorian hatred." The vein of bitterness which

76,898 were over 21 years of age. The population has grown rapidly since then. instance in which a funnel has been gressional election of 1882 was held the anywhere else, and that thousands upon state had 300,000 people and 80,000 males of the voting age. Nevertheless, at that, writing on board a Cunarder, Mark that election only 10,215 persons voted, Twain once remarked that he felt rather or only one-eighth of the entire male "Among Mr. O'Conor's many queer limi-

population above the age of 21. The reason for this small number of actual

voters is not difficult to find. It is found in Detroit Free Frees. the fact that more than one-half the population is of foreign parentage. of Omaha to be closed next fall or shall man, despite his learning and ins generation of and a great part of these were deprived and it was not until four minutes and it was no and a great part of these were deprived ing at the moment the triable sounded, In 1880 there were in the state 133,000

and 143,199 of foreign parentage. Of heah in front of de desk ' the latter 73,993 were of foreign birth. between the stove and the wood box, Besides those of the latter class who did calculating to get warmth enough to las not become naturalized because they him until the next meeting, and he didn't could never obtain political rights without property, there were between 10,000 and 20,000 who have been naturalized and digging into his wool, Brother Gardner since disfranchised by not having prop erty. These figures explain how it hap-

pens that only one person in eight of the voting population, and only one in thirty

side of O'Conor will be the one least refranchise membered in this community, and that In other words, the government of people. It is a government by property; his marriage or his countless acts of primoney rules the state and the masses have no voice.

The government is entirely in the hands of an aristocracy of wealth created The extract from the Congressional by law. Poverty is as galling in itself Record which we print to-day is a clear there as elsewhere and carries with it the ping bill now before the Senate. It Questions may of course arise in any

comes in good time because there has state on which it may be right to restrict been an immense amount of ignorance the voting only to property owners. But a special train is equipped on de- about this measure which ought to be Where bonds are to be voted hurt us, an' you might kick too hard an mand for a murderous alugging match \_ cleared away. It has been popularly in aid of railroad or for the paltry sum of one hundred dol. supposed that the appropriation of \$1, schemes of improvement, or where

500,000 a year, or \$10,000 a trip which a public debt is to be created such a rethe bill makes for carrying the mails to striction might be beneficial. No man THE Morrison bill has been dead over Brazil was only a liberal but neces- should be allowed to mortgage the prop-

a week, but the Congressional Record sary expenditure. This is the idea which erty of another without his consent the supporters of the bill have in. When men are to be elected to govern no dustriously tried to spread abread. In limit to the franchise on a money or didn't want to be oppressed. In amonth ed. The printers say that another week a very plausible way they have property basis ought to be tolerated will be required to publish all the elo- a subsidy of \$1,495,500 to the ship-owners The units of government are men and not serious offense for capitalists to oppress quence which members want distributed over and above a reasonable payment for money chests. A state where seventhe work they will do. The cool audacity eighths of the men of voting age are disden seeds and the Congressional Record of this job would do cradit to the late franchised is almost as far from a republamented William Tweed. It has been lican form of government as a monarchy constantly denied that the object of the itself. This country is a republic, and

bill was snything more than to pay a just every restriction upon manho d suffrage

POLITICAL POINTERS. Lincoln looms up luxuriantly,

Logan's slogan is losing its wind. President Arthur has not yet lost his grip.

Mr. Blaine is the "matyr" candidate for the presidency. John J. O'Brian does not own the York legislature. The Hawley boom is very silent. It must be under dreadfully high preasure.

ports. They have shown how light our Mr. Randall is now looking for his

safer at sea than he did ordinarily upon land .--- London Telegraph.

An Agitator in the Lime-Kiln Club

By actual count there were forty-three members of the club coughing and sneezand it was not until four minutes after the echoes died away that the president "If Socrates Spikeroot am in de hall which to the few people who came within inhabitants of United States parentage, dis eavenin' I would like to see him out

Socrates had just crowded himself in losk over-pleased at being disturbed When he had limped along to the deak. one hand in his pocket and the other continued "How long has you been a member of

dis club ?" "Bout six months, sah."

"Um! It has been 'bout three months of the entire population, exercises the since I fust had my eyes on you, an' to night you seter your connexun wid dis club. Misser Spikeroot, it was under-Rhode Island is not a government by the people. It is a government by property; or anythin' since dat date ?" "I-I-no, sah." "On de contrary, you has loafed

aroun' saloons, an' policy shops, an' queer claces, an' no man has known you to do an honest day's work. When a poo' man kin lib widout labor people have a right to be suspishus of him. Brudder Give exposition of the true nature of the ship-double sting of political inferiority. de doah. If, when he gets dar', he should utter any remark derogatory to de char-acter of de Lime-Kiln club, you needn't put de Bogardus kicker at work. Let him go in peace. What he kin say won't

other break a leg." where After the late deceased had been shown out and order restored, the president said "Gem'len, if dar am any mo' agitators in de hall I want 'em to listen closely. So rates Spikeroot used to be a hard-workin' man. All to once he got de ideah dat capital was oppressin' labor.

> he became a dead beat. While it am a labor, it am all right for a kicker to go around borrowin money, runnin in debt, and stealin his wood. A few weeks ago Misser Spikeroot got lonesome, an he began to agitate. He went to var us laborin

refuses to lend him money he am called a bloated monopolist. When his wife wants shoes or his chill'en cry fur bread he comforts 'em wid de statement dat America am buildin' up an acristocracy to lord it over de poo' man an' grind 'em to powder. If Misser Spikeroot has left any friends behind an opportunity will