

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

The action of the league of Republican clubs in this state by which they wisely left platform building to the regular state convention imposes a direct, untrained duty on the convention that must be wisely and thoroughly done.

The question of the silver plank will be one of the most interesting and this is the action on that question taken by three states of the west in the state conventions this week.

The Illinois republicans in their state platform say:

We favor bi-metalism and believe in the use of gold and silver as money metals upon a parity of values, with complete interconvertibility, under such legislative provisions as shall make the purchasing or debt paying power of any dollar coined or issued by the United States the absolute equivalent of that of any other dollar so coined or issued.

The Iowa republicans in their platform adopted in state convention this week, say on the silver question:

We adhere to the declaration of the National Republican party in 1892 upon its monetary policy. We reaffirm our belief that "the interests of the country, its farmers, and workingmen, demand that every dollar, paper or coin, issued by the government, shall be as good as any other dollar." We favor the largest possible use of silver as money that is consistent with the permanent maintenance of equal values of all dollars in circulation. We do not want monometallism, either of gold or of silver, and we pledge ourselves to continue to work for bimetalism, to be brought about by all fit means within the power of the government.

Wisconsin republicans have this to say:

The republican party is in favor of honest money. We are unalterably opposed to any scheme that will give to this country a debased or depreciated currency. We favor the use of silver as a currency to the extent only that it can be circulated on a parity with gold.

TWO POINTS OF VIEW.

Wife—How people gaze at my new dress! I presume they wonder if I've been shopping in Paris.

Husband—Most likely they wonder if I've been robbing a bank.

THE DIFFERENCE IN THE MORNING.

Quercus—Was that their silver wedding?

Cynicus—So they announced; but when they come to examine the presents they will be more likely to call it a silver plated one.

TWENTIETH CENTURY POLITICS.

Mrs. Brown Jones—Mr. Smythe is opposing your nomination bitterly. Can't you conciliate her in any way?

Mrs. Jones Brown—It is impossible. Twentyfour years ago I said that her baby was small for its age.

HARDLY CREDITABLE.

It seems hardly creditable, yet the fact has been reported more than once, that Emperor Williams intends sending one of his sons to America to be educated at West point. It has been settled that the young prince can come as a student from the German government.

HIS CHANCES SLIM.

A French statistician says that the number of men and women in France is more nearly equal than in any other country in the world, there being 1,007 women to 1,000 men. The condition in Hong Kong, China, are appalling for the matrimonial chances of the sterner sex, there being only 336 women to 1,000 men.

ECCENTRICITIES.

Eccentricity has always abounded when and where strength of character has abounded. And the amount of eccentricity in a society has been proportioned to the amount of genius, mental vigor, and moral courage it contained.—J. S. HILL.

WRITTEN DURING MUSIC.

Play me that strain again; a plaintive air
Such as a soul forlorn might breathe to lull
Itself to sleep in lonely midnight hours,
When on a pillow wet with bitter tears,
The pale moonlight in dreary splendor falls.
Ah, sad and sweet. In some forgotten time,
Some day long past, did I not hear that song
Fall on mine ear, interpreting to me
My heart's deep longing and infinite pain?
But listen, death those sorrow-laden chords
There wanders a soft, plaintive melody
That tells of bliss and sings of faithful love,
Even so, beloved, through all my years bereft
Memories of thee flow like sweet undertones
And life's sad symphony is made divine.

ELIZA CALVERT HALL.

BACK FROM THE SUMMER RESORT.

"Summer resorts are very demoralizing places," the social philosopher said sadly. "I got so hard up for hairpins that I actually picked them out of other girl's braids and never once thought that I was doing anything dishonorable. Thieving becomes an established fad at a place of that kind. If a new girl arrives with a nice stock of newly laundered shirt waists and neglects to keep them under lock and key she need not be surprised if half a dozen other young women suddenly blossom out in clean, stiff bodices.

"You lay down a book or a magazine and go for a drink of water. You know there's not a soul in sight and you are away just a minute and a half, but when you return your book has disappeared and you never, never see it again. And it's the same way with everything. The one motto is 'Findings and keepings.'

"I lost my sailor hat twice. I found it being used for a ship and towed by seven howling youngsters. The last time I saw it the hat was posing as a receptacle for wet bathing suits and had got beyond the rescuing point.

"How about the summer man? the pretty girl interrupted.

"Oh, what there was of him was all right," the social philosopher replied with a funny little shrug of her shoulders.

"Of course he tried awfully hard to be real entertaining," she went on. "He didn't like me very much because I spoke of him as being 'cute' and 'cunning,' and besides, I didn't go there for the purpose of spooning, so when I would make fun of his love making he'd flounce off like an injured school girl and would treat me with frigid dignity for a day or so."

Then the social philosopher paused a moment to examine the sunburn blisters on her fingers.

"I say," she laughed, "I'm suffering for the sight of a soda fountain. Let's adjourn."

And they did.

F. E. Voelker has moved his stock of furs from the Y. M. C. A. building to the north-east corner of Twelfth and N streets where he will be glad to serve all of his old customers and many new ones.

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