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MERCHANTS ORGANIZATION.

Red Cloud Merchants Organize for Their Mutual Protection.

The retail merchants of Red Cloud met at the Gardner House last evening and organized a branch of The Retail Merchants Association of Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas. The system in use by this association has for its purpose the protection of retail merchants. A by laws furnished by the general association was offered and adopted. The first Thursday evening of each month was selected as the time for holding the regular monthly meeting, after which the following were chosen as officers: J. L. Miner president, A. Morhart vice president, E. M. Perkins, secretary, Frank Parker treasurer, F. E. Goble, Chas. Wiener, G. W. Lindsey, C. L. Cutting, G. H. Watson, executive board.

This association uses no dishonorable means to force collections or settlements, but the merchants propose to exercise their legal right to refuse credit to a person who gains the reputation of not treating a member of the association honorably.

There is no law compelling merchants to sell their goods on credit. There is no law forbidding merchants refusing credit to any person they see fit, and when a merchant sells his goods on credit it is as an accommodation to the consumer, and if such consumer has no appreciation of the favor extended and willfully neglects to make a reasonable and honorable adjustment of his indebtedness, then he should be compelled to pay as he buys. It is better for him and much more profitable for the merchant. Many a poor worthy man has been refused credit for the necessities of life because of the merchant's unpleasant experience with bad debtors, but this system will tend to obviate all that, because the man who does respect his credit will be known and have a standing among merchants, while the "dead beat" and others of his kind will also be known to the members of this association and be absolutely refused credit, no matter if he moves to another town or state his reputation as poor pay will follow him and the merchants in such new places of residence will also refuse him credit. This association issues no ratings on individuals. It issues a regular and legal Monthly Abstract of unsettled accounts. Each member agrees to forfeit twenty dollars to his branch as a penalty, in case he extends credit to a person whose unsettled account appears in the abstract and no account can appear therein until the debtor has had a full and fair opportunity to go to the merchant he owes and in some way arrange such indebtedness. The man who can pay and won't pay and the man who cannot pay, but will not go to the merchant and state his condition and make effort to arrange, is the person this association is after.

This association does not interfere with the credit of men who deal honorably, no matter if they are slow; neither does it in any way regulate prices. Its sole object is to compel men to be honest with merchants or to pay spot cash for goods purchased. Something of this kind has been needed for a long time and this system will work. "In combination there is strength." The members have the success or failure of this system in their own hands. Wherever merchants have properly combined the system has proven a great success. The west is being carefully covered by this association, and the merchants in all small towns are visited and solicited to join the county branch.

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—Carlyle's present popularity in England is estimated by the fact that during six months 15,000 volumes of a cheap shilling edition of his works have been sold.

—John Tod, a Scotchman who has just published in Edinburgh a book entitled "Bits About America," says that American women have great power of expressing what they mean.

—The most expert stenographer in the country is said to be Mrs. Barrows, wife of the editor of the *Christian Register*. She is able to "take" Carl Schurz's speeches without difficulty.

—Alexandre Dumas is one of the few wealthy authors in the world. He has a magnificent house in Paris filled with art treasures. Near Dieppe he owns a beautiful chalet covered with ivy and decorated on the inside with handsome furniture and rare paintings. Dumas is sixty-four years of age, but strong and vigorous.

—Mrs. Dr. B. H. Badley's "Life of Queen Victoria" has already had three thousand copies sold, and another edition is ordered. The author has received the thanks of Queen Victoria for a copy of the work, and it has been adopted as a text-book in the vernacular schools of the American Methodist mission in Ouda and Rohilcund.

—Prof. Edward A. Freeman says: "Anglo-Saxon" is such a very foolish word that I never use it. I see no reason why the two branches of the English folk should be called in the nineteenth century by an antiquated description used—for a particular reason—in characters of the tenth and eleventh centuries and hardly anywhere else."

—The encyclopedia published by the company at Peikin, as far as bulk is concerned at least, is the largest in the world, it being composed of 160,000 volumes. We are not informed how long it takes to find a given topic, or how long to read it when found. We have been accustomed to look upon the "Britannica" as a stupendous work, but here is an enterprise which appears far more colossal in its proportions.

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