

OUR NEIGHBOR'S OPINION.

In the midst of our political contest it is helpful to take a peep through some one's spectacles beside our own, and it is very pleasing to find that outsiders take a favorable view of our situation. The following editorial from the Rocky Mountain News will be read with special interest by the friends of General Van Wyck in Nebraska:

All advices from our neighboring state of Nebraska indicate a sweeping populist victory in November. The nomination of General Van Wyck for governor has visibly strengthened the national ticket and aroused a high degree of enthusiasm and confidence that is certain to lead on to success. A stubborn fight, however, must be expected at the hands of the republicans, who have placed a very able man in opposition to the populist nominee. The campaign will not, therefore, turn on personalities, or on questions of fitness for the position. The issue is one purely of principle, and is simply this: Shall the people or the corporations (Wall street) rule Nebraska?

The two candidates fairly represent the principle at stake. Judge Crouse is a representative republican partisan and has followed his party into the goldbug camp. He is an office holder under the present administration, and is in full sympathy with its anti-silver Wall street policy. He will be supported by all the power of Harrison and the federal machinery, and by the corporations whose grasp on the farmers of the state he is pledged to strengthen and prolong. His election would mean the veto and defeat of all measures calculated to relieve Nebraska farmers from the tyranny of the plutocrats under which they have been so long suffering.

On the other hand General Van Wyck as fully and fairly represents the popular cause. He stands squarely for the free coinage of silver, for a reduction of the railroad rates charged on grain and other freight shipments, and for the assertion and maintenance of the power of the people over all corporations to the end that they shall be the servants rather than the masters of the people. The ability and sincerity with which General Van Wyck has so long advocated these principles, render him the fittest of all leaders in the present crisis. He was among the first to sound the alarm of the growth of corporate power, and his protests against it cost him the favor of the republican party, of which in New York in the stirring days of 1856, he was one of the organizers. He became an independent before there was an independent party; he was a populist long before a third party was deemed possible. The people have come to him and they find in him a leader worthy of their cause. The strength of his convictions is only equalled by the boldness with which he announces them. A mere politician always trims his opinions to keep himself within party lines; a demagogue espouses the winning side when success has been rendered certain; but it requires a man of nerve, of intrepidity of purpose, of courageous qualities of heart and brain to become the champion of a cause as General Van Wyck did in the face of the overwhelming republican majority that once existed in Nebraska. These qualities the great populist leader possesses in an eminent degree, and with his tact, and experience in public affairs, and judgment and rare personal integrity, they fit him beyond all other men to bring victory for the people from the hands of the plutocrats who have so long dominated Nebraska, and held the state within the firm control of the money power. The election of General Van Wyck, which is now practically conceded, will be the crowning triumph of the Nebraska independents.

DOES General Van Wyck know that Bob Dreusdell, the most disgusting upstart and smart aleck in eastern Nebraska is palming himself off as his (the General's) confidential adviser, first lieutenant, and prospective private secretary? If he doesn't this will inform him of the fact,

THEY ARE FULL LEGAL TENDER.

Some independents have fallen into an error concerning the legal tender quality of silver dollars. It was stated by a prominent speaker at the Kearney convention that standard silver dollars are only legal tender for sums of \$10 or less. This is a mistake. Since the passage of the old Bland law in 1878, standard silver dollars have been a legal tender for all debts, in any amount, "except when otherwise expressly stipulated in the contract." Subsidiary silver coins are legal tender only for sums of \$10 or less

WE DO not wish to say anything that will detract from the success of the state fair. We would like to see it have the general and liberal patronage it deserves. But the managing board is certainly making an unwise move when it persists in advertising Tuesday as "Independents' day." The independent state central committee has politely yet positively declined to accept that day, and the board has been so informed. We believe the state committee was justified in refusing to accept Tuesday. No one will dispute that Thursday is the best day, and Wednesday the second best. Why were the democrats, who didn't even have a ticket in the field last year, given preference over the independents? The various parties should have been given preference in the order of their strength. The board did not see fit to do this. The independents refused to accept third choice of days and so informed the board. And still the managers persist in advertising Tuesday as independents' day. If this creates a reaction that hurts the fair, the board alone will be to blame.

NEBRASKA is not the only state where the railroads are in the saddle. The people of Texas revolted against their rule, and established a railroad commission which proceeded to order a heavy reduction in freight rates. The railroads went before the United States circuit court and have just won a complete victory. The court enjoins the commissioners from putting the new rates in force.

THE independent papers of the state show a splendid feeling of confidence in regard to the coming election. Populist meetings are well attended the state ticket is considered very strong, good men are being put up for the legislature, and there is every indication of a sweeping victory if our people hold a steady rein until the night of November 8th.

THE Wymore Reporter, a republican paper, is supporting Van Wyck for governor.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES.

We confidently expect to see honest Bill Dech, of Saunders county, elected to congress. He was a fearless, loyal soldier and is as true to the independent cause as he was to the Union. When congress has a majority of such representatives the people will run this government in spite of combines and corporations.—Blair Republican.

J. V. Wolfe will be the next state treasurer. Joe Bartley can't carry Holt county. He will wish he hadn't accepted the nomination before the election is over.—Page (Holt County) News.

Mr. Powers displayed a splendid exhibition of true manhood when he declined being a candidate for the sake of harmony. He earned the everlasting gratitude of the independent party.

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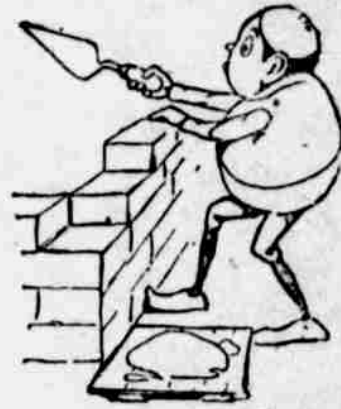
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THERE ARE SOME SHOES

THAT CAN BE CALLED FOOT WEAR ONLY BECAUSE THEY WEAR THE FEET.

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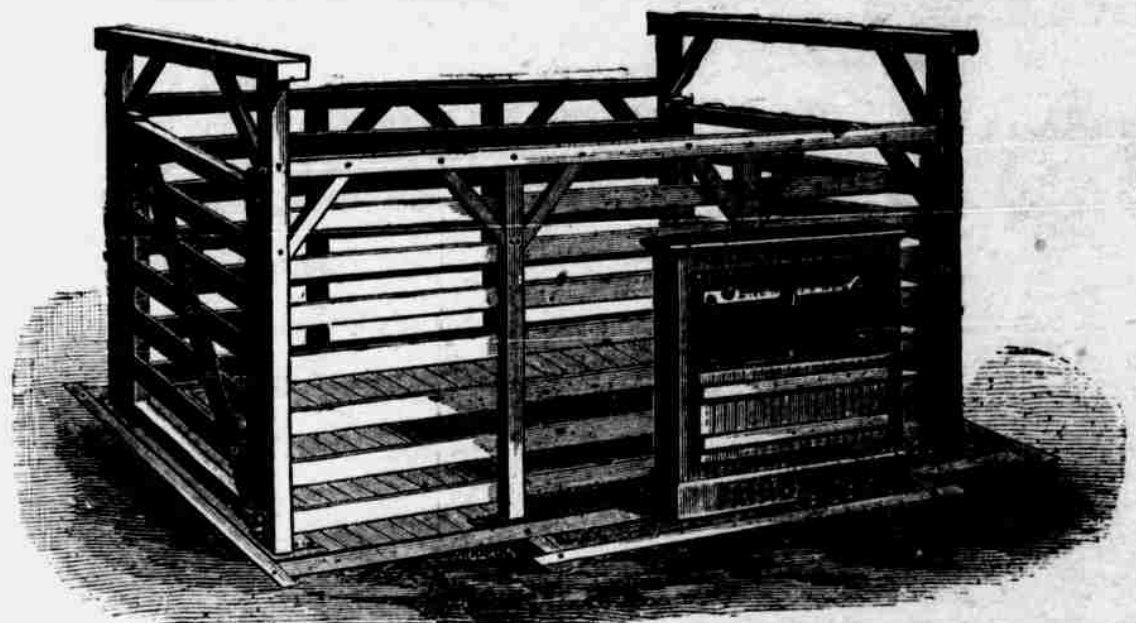
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