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County.
August 31, Thursday, Platte Center Platte county. September 1, Friday, Albion, Boone

# In the Counties.

Wheeler-The county central committee meets at Bartlett August 19, at 2 p. m. Furnas-County convention called to

meet at the court house in Beaver City August 19, at 1 p m.

Sherman-County central committee called to meet at Loup City, August 8, at 1 p. m
Polk—County convention smeets in
Osceola September 1.

Adams-County convention meets at Hastings August 26. Lancaster-County convention meets in Lincoln August 25.

## THE STRIKE IS STILL ON.

A Card from the Officers of Lincoln Typographical Union. To the Friends of the Workingm in:

For some time past the Nebraska State Journal has industriously circulated the pocketful of warrants. report, by mail, by its agents, and even by telegraph, that the strike of the printers against that paper had been settled and that there was harmony now existing between The Journal and the workingmen of Lincoln. We want to say to our friends throughout the state that between the State Journal company and the printers have not been adjusted, nor has the strike been declared off, nor will it be. On the contrary, the fight against The State Journal as a pronounced enemy of labor will be prosecuted as vigorously in the future as at any time in the past, The attitude taken by The Journal on all matters affecting the working people makes this fight the concern not of the Typographical union alone, but of every labor organization in the state, and as such it will be fought out. Friendly papers please copy.

M. T. WHITE, President. S. W. MCATER, Financial Secy.

The people turned the republicans out because they wanted "a change." But they didn't get it. It's the same old brand of Wall street rule with a different label. When 1896 rolls round perhaps the people will want a change is a change.

THE St. Louis Globe-Democrat seems to be competing strongly with the Re outrivaling the latter paper in its for an oat crop at once. laudations of Mr. Cleveland's policy. As a toad-eating servile slave of corporations, trusts and plutocracy generally the G.-D. stands pre-eminently in the dishonesty in its editorial columns. corned "between the lines" in every editorial appearing in that sheet, and yet such '- been the poison sucked by tionne in the West for MAUY

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## STATE NEWS.

Interesting Items Regarding Nebrasks and Nebraska People.

Gering people are still unable to find a purchaser for their school bonds.

F. G. Hooker of Bladin has an educated hog. It grunts in four languages Cuming county sports are doing up the prairie chickens in plain defiance of the statutes.

A fire fighting brigade of twenty-five members was recently organized at Hartington.

The year's crop of beets, both in quantity and quality, promises to be the best ever grown in the state.

There is said to be an organization of men in Greely county who are sworz to sell their vote to the highest bidder.

W. S. Brown of Fillmore county threshed his crop of wheat and it measured up twenty-six bushels to the

The members of the Campbell cornet band presented their leader with a fine silver-plated "bugle" in testimony of his valued services.

Lightning struck the barn of W. F. Deats, living three miles west of Cort-land, and tore out one gable end. It did no other damage.

Nebraska has some of the best school and universities in the United States and no one need go out of the state to get a good education.

Eustis has a new brass band which will grind out music after a while, but at present the citizens look upon it as an almost insufferable nuisance. In round numbers, the value of Ne braska's sugar crop last year was \$2

000. If given proper encouragement, the industry would be worth many millions to the farmers. It seems there is plenty of money in

the country to loan at low rates of in-terest on real estate security. It is only the city borrower who is discrimi-nated against in these troublesome Lightning rod swindlers are playing their nefarious professiion near Bloom-field, and one of the papers of that town suggests a "swift kick" as the proper medicine for all men who peddle lightning rods.

M. W. Bruce sent a telegram to friends at Creighton from Port Townsend, Wash., saying he was on his way east with a party of Esquimaux. Mr. Bruce has been in Alaska for some months in charge of the reindeer farm

under the government. Several York citizens whom it is

thought have been selling a little beer and boot-leg alcohol for medicinal pur-poses only, had urgent urgent business in the country when the deputy United States marshal called this week with a Near Eustis a farmer's team ran away

with a self-binder and after circulating freely through a field of corn ended the matter by dropping the cargo into a canyon where the machine was mashed beyond recognition. Luckily the team escaped serious injury,

Mrs. Samuel Sapp of Smyrns was The infant at her side was uninjured.
Mr. Sapp had just arisen to answer the call of parties who were seeking shelter from the storm and was several feet away when the flash came.

A Cedar county farmer signed a gon tract for a lightning rod in which he supposed he was getting the best of the peddler on guessing at the number of feet. And in the settlement it so fig-ured that the rod was free, but the braces and joints cost him \$150. Some people do not read the papers.

Charles Martin of Plattsmoth, for a short time mourned the loss of a shotgun, suit of clothes, watch and other urniture and fixtures, but the thief who was sighted on a sand bar in the Platte dropped the articles one after another as he legged it it for Oreapolis and liberty. He crossed the B. & M. bridge well in advance of his pursuers and disappeared in the timber.

The Bayard Transcript says: "The humane society, if doing business in Nebraska, should get a hump on itself and look after some of the poor horses used in pulling Uncle Sam's mail through this section. It is a shame to humanity to know that we are obliged to receive our love and dunning letters and daily papers drawn in here by public of that city for the organship of the present administration, and is They should be turned into storehouses

The Plattsmouth News tells of a young lady who was "poisoned with poison." To be poisoned with poison is nothing so queer but it might be worth talking about if some one would lead among Western newspapers. cite a condition, my dear, where some to the money, and no honest man There is nothing so conspicuous in that one was poisoned without. Or, to make paper as the impress of insincerity and the case as plain as the sun, it must be transcendently clear, to frighten a man "We are paid to lie and deceive and have caused him to fear. To further know that you know it," is easily dis- illustrate, supposing we say that felsmiling too often with Bacchus to-day and drinking the drink that he drank.

# SPARKLES OF WIT.

Struggling Pastor-The collections have fallen off terribly. Practical Wife-It's that new vestryman who passes the plate. He never watches to see what people put on.

"How often," he said with intense sarcasm, 'do you expect to be engaged this summer?" "Oh, dear," she snawered, "don't talk that way; you know I despise arithmetia."

"I think you must have misuaderstood," said a hungry man in a Harlem rectaurant to a walter. "How so, sir?" "I ordered fried liver, and you have brought me fried leather."

"This verse," said the Jooose editor, "looks as if it went by the yard." "Why," expostniated the post. "It is perfect trimeter." "Well," rejoined the editor, "isn't trimeter three feet? And don't three feet make one yard?"

"You have tears in your ayes; what have you been reading?" "All about Columbus discovering America." "What is there to weep over?" "Think, dear, if he hadn't found this boon a fallure."

### THE CRICKET.

Oh to be a cricket.
That's the thing!
To scurry in the grass
And to have one's fling!
And it's O, to be a cricket
In the warm thistle-thicket,
Where the sun-winds pass,
Winds a wing,
And the bumble bees hang humming
Hum and swing,
And the honey drops are coming. remember, too."

It's to be a summer rover.

That can see a sweet and pick it
With the sting!

Never mind the sting!

And it's O, to be a cricket
In the clover!
A gay summer rover
In the warm thistle-thicket Where the honey-dro s are coming.
Where the bumble bee hings humming
That's the thing. —Cosmopolitan.

# HIS WEDDING PRESENT.

Barker came down to breakfast to find the usual number of letters lying beside his plate. Long letters from friends, short notes from slight acquaintances, tradesmen's bills and invitations mixed together indiscriminately. He did not mind the bills. though they reached him with remarkable frequency. He had plenty of money with which to pay them at any time, but somehow he hated to do it, though the payment would not have deprived him of a single luxury for even a day. He was a thorn in the side of the people with whom he dealt, for they had to wait indefinitely for their dues. Yet they did not like to proceed to extreme measures if they could avoid it, for his custom was extensive enough to be well worth keeping, and they were sure of being paid eventually. And they knew that Barker's check was as good as greenbacks - when they could get it.

Barker picked up the last letter. He knew, from the shape and from the quality of the paper, that it was an invitation. "Mr. and Mrs. J. B.

Smith request the pleasure, etc., etc. Barker seldom wasted time on the clerks at Hammett's; he usually walked through the store to the little office at the back, from which Hammett seldom issued except to attend to some specially honored customer. Hammett was busy when he entered. and Barker sat down to wait until the other had finished the entries he was making.

"Good morning, Mr. Barker; we haven't seen you for some time." said the dealer as he closed the book. "It's partly your own fault. Hammett," said Parker. "You have fitted me out so completely that there

is hardly anything left to buy for myself, and it has been rather an off season for weddings." "So it has, so it has," smiled Hammett. "I've noticed that myself.

even more than you have, probably. But I suppose something has turned up at last, since I see you here?" "Yes, here it is," tossing him the

Smith invitation. "I want so nething for that; particularly fine and original, for I'm an old friend of the family. Something in silver, of cour e: something that won't be duplicated by all the idiots in thwn. the rest to you, as usual."

"Oh, just a moment, Mr. Barken, exclaimed the silversmith." hastily "I am rather cramped just at present; could you make it convenient to send me a check on account of your bill some time scon? I hate to have to ask you." he went on apologetically, "but during the last few months I have had an unusually large number of bills out, and they have left me very short."

"That's all right, Hammett, of course." returned Barker, pleasanty. "How much do I ewe you?" Hammett named the amount.

"So much?" queried Barker. "I had fancied it was less, but I suppose a man always underestimates such things. Well, I'll send you a check in a few days; if I forget it just remind me again."

"Thank you, Mr. Barker; it will be a very great convenience to me. You would be surprised to learn how much I have out in that way, and what straits I have been put to sometimes of late even for the means to pay my workmen."

"It's too bad: people ought to pay up more promptly. You should come down on them if they don't."

"Do you think so?" smiled the silversmith. "But, you see, they would be very likely to be angry and withdraw their custom."

"No man of sense would do that." asserted Harker. "You have a right should feel in-ulted at being asked civilly to pay his just debts.'

"Well, some day I'll come down on you," laughed Hammett, "and we will see how you relish your own prescription '

"I'm not afraid of that," smiled Barker, in return. "But if you do, I'll promise to take the medicine like a man.

Hammett was as good as his word. The silver piece that he produced was a musterpiece in both design and execution; his taste was always exquisite, and as he looked at the completed work his heart swelled with pride. Only one thing alloyed his pleasure. Barker had forgotten to send the promised check. though the silversmith had reminded him of the matter. And the more Hammett thought over the trouble he had fult, until finally the hurt changed to resentment, to anger and then to desperation. He had spoken the truth when he told Barker he was hard pressed, otherwise he would not have mentioned the matter at all. And he know exactly why Harker had not sent the check; he had not dealt with him all these years without learning Barker's little business poculiavities.

"I have accommodated him often would be a good plan to give him a served at St. Petersburg.

dose of his own medicine. I'll do it, and do it in a way he will

Various matters prevented Parker from calling at the Smith house until the very day before the wedding. People ought to have more consideration than to call at such a time; but Barker was sufficiently intimate at the Smiths' to know that he would not be in the way, or, if he should be, that he would be dismissed po-

litely.
Miss Mamie, though in the midst of enthralling preparations. was delighted to see him. "Come upstairs." she said, "and see all my presents. I haven't pretended to count them. but there are an astonishing number. and they are just lovely. My feelings run away with me when I think of all those beautiful things.'

Barker went and duly admired the display, keeping an eye open for his own, which he not unreasonably expected to see in the place of honor. It was nowhere to be found.

"Hasn't Hammett sent mine yet?" he asked, at length. "He promised faithfully to have it done in plenty of time, and he has never disappointed me yet."

"Oh, yes," answered the girl. "It came several days ago, and was just magnificent. I don't know how to thank you enough for it. It was the very prettiest thing of the whole lot. But," with a merry laugh, "a very funny thing happered in connection with it. Yesterday the man who brought it called again and asked to be allowed to take it back to the store. He said that it wasn't paid for yet, and that Mr. Hammett hadn't intended to let it go out of his hands until it was paid for. It had been sent up by mistake, the man said. Of course we knew there had been some mistake, but we gave it to the man, and no doubt it is still there at Hammett's, waiting until your bill is settled," with another laugh of enjoyment at the joke. "We knew it wouldn't make any differ-ence, and we were sure it would turn up again before to-morrow."

The more Barker thought about it the more his anger increased; and by the time he reached Hammett's place he was fairly boiling over with rage.

"Look here, Hammett," he cried, as he strode into the little office, .. what the devil do you mean by sending up to Smith's for my present -and with such a message, too?"
"Good afternoon, Mr. Barker." re-

turned the dealer calmly. Has anything gone wrong?" "Wrong!" Barker was ready to

explode. "Didn't you send for that present of mine and say it wasn't paid for yet?" "I believe I did, Mr. Barker.

Wasn't the fact correctly stated?" "Confound you, yes; but did you think I was going to cheat you out of your money?

"Oh, not at all," answered the jeweler. "Nothing of the sort. I knew Blackwood, and on one occasion the perfectly well that you were perfect- three brothers in unconscious literary amount of your bill any time that number of the magazine. you chose to draw a check for it." He opened a fat ledger. "But do you happen to remember our last conver-sation at the time your order was given?"

"Perfectly. What about it?" "Well, sir, you may remember giving me some advice about how to treat some of my patrons who were perfectly able to pay their bills."

"Yes, that is true." murmured Barker, who was cooling rapidly. me, and you needn't have taken that by him. way of doing it, either, Hammett. Think what a position it puts me in."

"Don't let that trouble you for a moment," said the jeweler quickly. I can put that right in ten minutes. I hated to have to do such a thing. but it really seemed the only way to make you realize the state of affairs.' "If you can make it right, Ham-

mett, I'll draw you a check on the spot," rejoined Barker. "Thank you. sir; you shall see,"

said the jeweler. He called a messenger, and gave him some directions. You see, sir, I tell them it was all humbly, and take all the blame upon my own shoulders. No one could imagine there was anything behind all that "

"No," said Parker as he wrote out the check, "I suppose not. But I have half a notion to deal with some other man in future; some one who isn't loaded as dangerously as you seem to be."

"I hope not, sir," returned Hammett, as he put the check away carefully. "And I think you would not find anyone who would arrange such a matter more delicately or more satisfactorily than I have done this one. For your own satisfaction, Mr. Barker, and in my own justification." he went on seriously, "I will tell you is a very common one among jewelagain. "And I have never known it to fall in bringing the victims up to the mark."-Philadelphia Timea

The most ancient Christian manuscripts in existence are the three taken for Barker, the more hurt he great codices of the entire scripture the Vatican, the Alexandrine and the Sinaitic codex. They were writton, it is generally conceded, in the fourth century. The Vatican codex has been for centuries in the Vatican library and is looked on as the most precious of the three. The Alexantrine, so called because it was brought to England from Alexandria about the middle of the seventeenth century, is kept in the British museum at London; and the Sinaitie, enough to be entitled to some con-splication." he said to himself. "He Tischendorf about forty years ago in knows how I am situated and it the convent of Mount Sinal is pre-

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## People Talked About.

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The library of Prof. Zarnecke of the university of Leipsic has been purchased and presented to Cornell university by a friend. The collection, which embraces over 18,000 volumes, is reputed to be surpassed by but few libraries in the world.

M. Carnot, the president of the French republic, has been unable to entertain during the past winter on account of his poor health. He has decided to devote the sum of \$10,000, representing in part the sum he other-wise would have spent on entertain-ments, to charitable institutions and gifts to the poor.

Edwin Booth once told Colonel Theodore P. Cook of Utica, N. Y., that as early as 1854 he rejected new plays submitted by Thomas Balley Aldrich and Julia Ward Howe. Mrs. Howe's play, according to the story, would have required a Greek theater for its production.

William D. Little, who was the first life insurance agent in Maine, beginning that business in Portland a half century ago, when many preachers considered it a sacrile e to insure a man's life, died lately age of 86. He and Neal Dow fo .. nded the first temperance union in Maine.

The recent death of General W. G. Hamley recalls a fact which probably has no parallel in periodical literature. The general and his two brothers were all highly valued contributors to

The retirement of Dr. Charles F. Macdonald, the originator of postal note, from the head of the postal money order division at Washington is to be regretted. Dr. Macdonald has held this position ever since the division was organized, thirty years ago, and his work has been characterized by singular efficiency. The present details of the division are his work, and the various comventions with foreign countries for the ex-"But I didn't expect you to try it on change of money orders were drawn

# Height of Men.

According to Topinard, the average height of Laplanders is 60.7 inches; of Bushmen, 62; of Chinese, 64; of Frenchmen, 65; of Russians, 65.4; of Germans, 66.2; of Danes, 66.2; of Irishmen, 67; of Englishmen, Scotchmen and Swedes, 67.4; of American Indians, 68.2; of Patagonians, 70.3.

Was She Complimented? A Lexington girl is puzzling her pretty head trying to find out whether to consider it a compliment or not. a mistake of my own men, apologize Here it is. Judge it for her: She is very bright and is something of a literateur. She visited in a country town and one of the rustic youths thereabouts told her hostess that he would like to take her visitor to the pienie, but she was so smart that he was afraid of her. "You take her and I think you will be charmed," said the hostess. Well, he took her, and when he returned he drew his hostess aside and said. "I never had such a pleasant day before. Miss Mary is just as sweet as she can be. She just laid her intelligence saids utterly impossible for all men to be equalcompletely all day."

# When Does the Year Begin?

The countries and nations of the world with a few exceptions, begin something. This sort of proceeding the year with January 1, but that this system is arbitrary and based upon ers in just such cases. I have done it nothing in particular does not even dozens of times, and so has every need to be proven. The ancient other dealer in town." He laughed Egyptians, Chaldeans, Persians Syrians, Phoenicians and Carthaginians each began their year with the autumnal equinox, or about September 22. Among the Greeks the beginning of the year was at the time of the winter solstice down to 433 R. C., when the "Menton Cycle" was introduced, after which the new year be-

Now is the time that every lover of reform should realise the fact that his best efforts should be put forth to overcome the enemy. Purely mutual insurance is an important branch of reform in our state. We have had some excellent work done, yet the "harrest is great and the laborers are few." We insist on each member of the different county companies and the state cyclone company going to work with renewed energy. The old line companies are at work. They are sowing the seed of discord by misrepassenting mutual in-

surance.

In the companies we represent, each member, in fact everybody, knews exactly what we do. We have no secreta. The articles and by laws tell the whole story to the world, and our agents are willing and anxious to sound the praises of reform to all that are willing to hear.

STATE FIRE COMPANY.

We have received many names, an within the next three weeks we hop that every farmer that is interested i baving this company will send us hi name and about the amount he woul likely insure. And thus we will hable to send him our articles of an company. If you have no county company this will give you a chance for in surance cheap and reliable.

# LABOR ORGANIZATIONS.

They Raise the Standard of All Workingmen and Lower None.

O wad some power the giftle gie us To see oursels as ithers see us! It wad frae monie a blunder free us.

I was reminded very forcibly of the above quotation by reading an article in one of the morning papers not long ago deriding labor organizations. The article in question stated that labor unions were the means of bringing men's ability down to a dead level; allowing no man to do better work than his fellow man, and establishing a measure of mediocrity which was death to our skilled workmen, from the very fact that a uniform scale of wages gave to the inferior workman the same remuneration as his more skilled brother laborer.

In combating this idea let me here assert that no union establishes a rate of pay which has no variations. They say to employers: "You shall not pay less than a certain sum for certain work," but there is nothing to prevent the employer from paying more. The fact is that organized labor has raised the general standard of labor without lowering the individual skill, and will continue to do so, for it gives men opportunities for interchange of ideas that can be done in no other way. Labor unionists are a band of brothers that are joined together for common good, the education is one of the essential principles of all unions. It is ly proficient in all things. One might as well say that organizations of any kind establish a lower order of thought. If labor unions establish a lower order of skill or thought, what then about our great educational organizations? Do they strive to attain a lower order of excelle strive to attain a lower order of excellency? No one for a moment thinks so. Then what are unions but schools for the education of our brothers? No one who thoroughly understands the principles of labor orders can say for a moment that their sole object is to obtain a greater remuneration. If this were so, they would die a natural death. With some the wish is father to the thought, and they would like to have every one believe that labor orders were a detriment because they wish it so.

time of the fourteeath century until 1752 the legal and ecclesiantical year began on March 25.

The World's Pair.

Fifty cents, the admittance fee to the World's Fair, covers entrance to every building containing exhibits on the grounds and the idea quite generally held that a charge in addition to that amount is asked for admission to each building, is entirely incorrect.

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The labor movement is practically it its infancy, and it cannot be tilled by arguments of men who desire its death Better come and join with us and help correct some of the mistakes which are made inside of the orders. We are perfectly aware that we are not always right, but we are striving in the right directors, and will continue to do so, having charity for our detractors, even though they have some for us.

"Renevolence, charity and industry" means something to us, and, brothers, an honest effort to live up to them will surely help us.—Diric, in The Trackmen's Journal.