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OUR CHOICE. For President: W. S. LINTON of Michigan. For Vice-President: JOHN L. WEBSTER of Nebraska.

WHAT DOUGLAS COUNTY WANTS. The state at large knows that this paper has never misrepresented the sentiment of the people of this county or city. It will not do so in this campaign.

While the county convention instructed the delegates to present the names of Messrs. Balch and Williams, it did not intend to say that it was opposed to the renomination of Attorney-General Churchill.

We do not say the people of this county do not want and would not feel honored by the selection of either or both Mr. Balch or Mr. Williams to fill the positions they are aspiring to, but we do say that foremost in the minds of the people of this city when they cast their votes at the last primary election was a desire and an expectation that Mr. Churchill would be renominated and re-elected.

probably be mentioned in the state convention; but not seriously. Such being the case, we urge upon our friends in the state convention to see to it that Douglas county electors get what they want—that they be not disfranchised.

We do not think the Republicans of this county will refuse to support the ticket, even if Mr. Churchill is not upon it, but we do think his nomination would strengthen the party in this county, where it has been getting its majority for the last five years.

CUBA'S HEROIC SONS. One has only to read the dispatches from Cuba to make him a patriot; to make him long to do something to help the struggling heroes who are contending so manfully for that greatest of all boons—liberty.

Up to this time the murdering of disabled soldiers, the outraging of young girls, the disemboweling of women in a delicate condition and the murdering of innocent, prattling children has not had the desired effect. In fact, if it has had any effect, it has been to nerve the Cuban hand and steel the Cuban heart to win liberty or die fighting for it.

A LOYAL ROMAN CATHOLIC. When we see a Roman Catholic who, in spite of the anathemas of his ecclesiastical superiors, stands manfully by what he believes is right and for what he believes is for the best interests of his country, we shall not fail to give him unstinted praise.

It is stated that the great banner province of Ontario is to give to the Liberal cause a sweeping majority this year. You are told also that our friends of the Conservative persuasion publicly, and privately with still more glee, that in Quebec the Liberal party are to be swept out of existence.

WE EXPECTED MORE. All the world is appalled at the indifference displayed by the Christian nations now that the unspeakable Turk is butchering defenseless women and children, and killing their natural protectors for no other reason than that they worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience.

most revolting, demonical and inhuman. Mothers were murdered in sight of their children; innocent babes had their brains dashed out even while the agonizing and piteous pleading of the mothers rang in the ears of the fanatical followers of Allah; women who were about to become mothers were rudely asked by the barbaric soldiery to tell the sex of the child she expect to bear and when she plead ignorance those inhuman demons cut open her abdomen, and even as she expire, held her unborn child before her eyes and jeeringly told her that it was a boy or a girl.

THE editor of this paper is well satisfied with the work he has been able to do in behalf of his fellow citizens during the last five years. In fact, he feels that the lessons he has taught will be of lasting benefit to all our people, and that none will have greater reason to feel thankful for the stand he took and maintained than the lay members of the Roman Catholic church.

THE AMERICAN favors an equal and just taxation of all property, whether held for religious, speculative or business uses. THE POLITICAL LANCE. Messrs. Kennedy, Cornish, Carr, Burbank, Brome and Andrews had no personal reason for antagonizing Mr. Rosewater last year but remained true to the Republican party as a matter of principle.

There will be no necessity for the organization of an A. P. A. party if the Republican party or the Populist party does what the voice of the common people tells them is right. Everybody believes in the principles of the A. P. A. and the only thing that has kept men in public life from becoming open and avowed advocates of those principles was the warfare against certain ecclesiastical politicians which they construed into hostility to all Roman Catholics many of whom they were not prepared to acknowledge owed primary allegiance to a power outside of the United States.

MISS HELEN GOULD has lent a lustre to her name, by contributing \$100,000 to the St. Louis sufferers, which exceeds that which some imagine results from an alliance with royalty. She has proved herself a good, tender-hearted, lovable girl, such a one as would do honor to any American home, and we hope she may have a thoroughly American one some day.

THE North Pole, evidently, was not discovered by Dr. Nansen, as other intrepid explorers are perfecting arrangements for a trip to that point in an air vessel, which will carry three men and enough provisions to last them three years.

deem of interest or worth recounting. It does seem that for the millions spent and the lives sacrificed there could be devised some plan for reaching the North Pole, and thereby set at rest for all time all questions pertaining to it.

It is now quite evident that the gold-bug Republicans will build the money plank in the next national platform. It is equally evident that the single-standard Democrats will support the Republican nominee. The question then arises: Will the silver Republicans, of whom there are thousands in the west, join forces with the Democratic party, whose platform will surely declare in favor of the free coinage of all silver mined in the United States?

THE SEVENTH WARD is to be congratulated upon the material that is already at hand to choose a councilman from. The candidates now mentioned and who would be acceptable to voters, whom we have not heretofore announced, are Messrs. G. A. Ambler, A. E. Baldwin, Joseph H. Taylor, J. E. Griffin and F. H. Smith.

Hon. John L. Kennedy of the Seventh Ward is a candidate for congress, and his friends in that section declare that he will have a solid delegation to the county convention. We can say this for Mr. Kennedy: He is an able and conscientious man, a loyal Republican, an able and steadfast friend.

There was a little amusement around the city hall last Friday over the neglect of the mayor to sign the warrants of Chairman Munroe and Street Commissioner Winspear of the board of public works. They had opposed the mayor in his effort to secure the Douglas county delegation for governor, and it is hinted that the mayor had a political ax to grind.

A man who accepts a deputyship under an officer who has defeated him in convention and then deliberately undertakes to injure the service of his chief is not a safe man to be placed in a public position. The state republican convention cannot afford to make any mistakes this year.

Metcalf's history of the Howe-Majors campaign in Nemaha county is pretty nearly correct, except possibly the location of some of the actors. Captain Pollock was the postmaster at Brownville, while William Daily's home was in Peru.

Four years ago it required a great deal of moral courage for a man to stand on the floor of a convention in Omaha and, when his name was called, cast his vote for John C. Thompson as a delegate to the republican national convention. One of the candidates for congress in the Big First possessed that courage and so recorded his preference. His name is E. J. Cornish.

for congress he will have no more earnest, faithful friend than the man for whom he voted in 1892.

Harry Brome will be one of the candidates asking favors of the Sixth ward congressional delegation. Harry is a hard worker and it will be a close race between he and B. G. Burbank, who is also a candidate.

Dave Mercer would have been the "lion of the hour" could he have reached Omaha as quick as the news of the passage of the Trans-Mississippi exposition bill.

The "Lance" admires a man who has the courage to express his honest convictions either in public or private, and all good citizens will endorse the sentiments expressed in the following letter which has come into our hands, through private sources: "Dear Sir—In the coming contest for congressional honors, I will be a candidate for nomination upon the Republican ticket at the coming Republican convention, to be held in this city upon the 9th of July.

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