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REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE MEETING.

The members of the republican county central committee are respectfully called to meet at the court house, in North Platte, on Saturday, March 14th. 1896, at one o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of determining the manner of selecting delegates to the state convention to be held at Omaha on April 15th, 1896, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. A full representation is desired, as important business reaching through the campaign of '96 is liable to come before the committee.

> G. C. McAllister, Chairman. THE SIXTH DISTRICT.

The Congressional Committee of the Sixth Congressional district is Kearney on Wednesday, March 11, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the transaction of such business as may properly come before it.

G. H. CUTTING. Chairman. P. T. LAMBERT, Secretary.

dential possibilities.

E. McLernon, of Sidney, has been announced as a candidate for delegate to the St. Louis republican convention from this congressional district. He is one of the promicounty.

THE Baltimore & Ohio railroad, the oldest corporation of its kind in the United States, passed into the hands of receivers last Friday are John G. Cowan and Oscar G. officers of the road.

Or the twenty-eight democratic members of the Iowa legislature. only three are in favor of any proposition for free coinage under the present conditions. If this is an indication of how the rank and file of the Iowa democracy stand upon the silver question. ex-Gov. Boies must feel rather lonesome.

NEWSPAPERS in every county in the state weekly record the return of farmers, who under stress of crop failure, and for other reasons, left the state to seek better locations. Without exception these tarmer are glad to get back to Nebraska, and will be contented to remain.

Investigation has proven that only twenty per cent of children o' school age in Omaha attend the Sunday schools of the various denominations. There has always been a suspicion that Omaha needed the services of a few missionaries, but the suspicion has now become a painful necessity.

THE first presidential veto of this session of congress was overridden by the house on last Saturday. The measure was one providing for the leasing of public lands in Arizona, goods. Here is the trade balance that and the vote was 189 to 38. The the "cheerful idiot" of un-American bill authorizes the governor and local authorities of Arizona to lease the school lands of the territory for educational purposes.

According to dispatches from Washington the Nebraska maximum freight rate cases, which have been suspended for several years through the machinery of the law, will be taken up to-day for argument in the United States suppreme court. J. M. Woolworth appears for the railroads and attor- can goods were \$8,057,933 larger in 11 ney general Churchill for the state.

piration of fifteen days the Cuban 11 months. This is "the cheering fact, insurgents who refuse to surrender massacred. In the language of Senator Vest "will the United States stand dumbly by while this bloody Spanish general drives the ocratic newspapers should make the Cubans into a pen and slaughter country ring with the announcements of

CONGRESSMAN HAINER has given cheering fact" will be too much for out for publication a lengthy defense of his action in booming ex-Senator Manderson as a presidential candidate, but the defense is not likely to cut any figure in help- last year. - Dun's Review, Jan. 18. ing out Manderson. If the ex-senator desires to be classed as a dark horse, and it appears in the con- knocked out now. This is "the cheering vention that McKinley cannot be fact." nominated, then the Nebraska delegation will probably swing to him. This far in advance of the national party to not only extend ample protecconvention it is safe to say that tion to the manufacturers of the New Nebraska's sixteen votes will be England states, but it is the policy of cast for McKinley.

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every article in which the southern peotutions. —Hon. Binger Hermann of Orsing on other plants and drawing their
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the year ending December 31st 1895. The total farm, town and city and chattel mortgages filed for that year show a decrease of \$9,183,977 .-04 from that of the year of 1894. To offset this, however, there is a corresponding decrease in the total amount of satisfactions, the satisfactions of farm, town, and city and chattel mortgages for 1895 being \$9,289,577.42 less than for the same period in 1894. The total decrease of farm mortgages is \$4,118,-022.75; total decrease of chattel mortgages \$3,237,287.62. In town and city mortgages for 1895 there is a decrease of nearly \$2,000,000, and a corresponding decrease in the

amount of satisfactions. The

number of sheriff's deeds and other

deeds in foreclosure are about the

same for the two years.

THE Chicago saloonists have decided that something must be done to put a little more of a veneer of respectability on their business, and have concluded that the rushing of the growler is a belittling feature. One of the advocates of reform crowded several extra octaves into his voice as he urged the abolition of the growler as a needed hereby called to meet in the city of start toward the suppression of crime. His proposed remedy was to refuse to fill any growler for less be thus suppressed is that of trya nickel. The growler has grown THE library of the average news- so that it is often as big as a washpaper editor is now being enriched boiler, and the trade can't stand it. with biographical sketches of presi- Crime must be suppressed. - Council Bluffs Nonpariel.

The labor and capital employed in all American manufacturing industries should ponder very deeply just now the cheering fact, which the latest returns of the bureau of statistics bring to light, nent republicans of Chevenne that the exports of our manufactured goods in 1895 have beaten all previous records. - New York Herald.

The suggestion of the New York Press that The Herald's deliberate distortion of the results shown by our trade statistics arises because that Democratic paevening. The receivers appointed per is not furnished with brains to comprehend the compilations may be the past three months than had been precorrect one. Assuming that this is so, Murray, both of whom have been and that the policy of the paper is directed by its proprietor, it is some satisfaction to know that the "cheerful idiot" is a resident of Paris and not of the United States. His latest bit of flimflam was the following:

EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MANUFACTURES FO ELEVEN MONTHS, ENDING NOVEMBER. Chemicals, drugs and dyes 7,008,220 7,976,432 Leather and manufac

Machinery...... 12,615,245 Glass and glassware..... 823,593 These statistics also show beyond cavil or question that no such era of trade prosperity was ever enjoyed by American manufacturing industries generally as that created by the Wilson law. Ten thousand Republican calamity howlers cannot gainsay this fact.

Of course this Pecksniff had no use for our imports of similar goods. He had no desire to be honest, even if he knew how. But here are the imports of the same classes of goods:

IMPORTS OF FOREIGN MANUFACTURES FOR ELEVEN MONTHS, ENDING NOVEMBER. Chemicals, drugs and dyes 37,157,568 41,451,487

Leather and manufac-The extent of the "era of trade prosperity" that is now being "enjoyed by

American manufacturing industries" can be ascertained by placing side by side the increase in our exports and the increase in our imports of these different classes of goods. We omit "machinery" because it is already included in the "iron and steel" manufactures, and the totals would inaccurately represent our foreign trade statistics if "machinery" were given again as a separate class of

INCREASE FOR ELEVEN MONTHS, ENDING NOVEM-

American Foreign manufac-Iron and steel....\$3,624,771 \$4,808,846 \$1,184,075 Chemicals, drugs

Totals......\$8,057,983 \$16,082,331 \$7,974,308 The "cheerful idiot" shows that our exports of these four classes of Amerimonths of 1895 than in 1894. The other side of the national ledger shows that our imports of similar foreign goods in-

GENERAL WEYLER's last proclama - creased by \$16,032,331. The balance of tion is to the effect that at the ex- trade against us was \$7,974,398 in the The increase in what we bought is practically just double the increase of what will be treated as bandits," which we sold. For every dollar's worth of probably means that they will be trade captured in the markets of the world we have lost \$2 worth of trade in the iron and steel, chemical, leather and glass trades at home.

> The "cheerful idiot" says that "Demthese statistics." We don't believe they will. "Tho

Continue Their Record.

Failures for the past week have been much larger in magnitude, numbering 895 in the United States against 273

And it is the "solid returns," the 'left overs' from 1893, that are being about our financial conditions as the free Senator Pritchard's Sentiment,

It is the policy of the Republican the Republicau party, as evinced by all the legislation it has enacted in the Highest of all in Leavening Power.-Latest U.S. Gov't Report

ABSOLUTELY PURE

ONLY WAGES CHEAP.

DEMOCRATIC PROMISES OF 1892 PROVE FALLACIOUS.

Prices of Goods to Consumers Make a Sharp Advance-"Cheap" Things Existed Only In the Minds of Free Trade Liars-How the People's Burdens Were Reduced.

The effort of congress will be to reluce the burdens of the people, not to increase them; to cheapen living, not to render it more costly.-New York World, Nov. 14, 1892.

This is a sample of the Democratic promises of 1892. Every paper and every politician that favored free trade was, at that time, spreading broadcast the wildest statements as to the wonderful cheapness of goods that would follow their success in the national elections. We have shown, from facts compiled by Dun's review, that prices in cotton goods, woolens, silk, iron manufactures, boots and shoes were all higher at the end of 1895 than at the openthan ten cents. The chief crime to ing of that year. But Bradstreet's has examined this subject of "cheaper ing to work a ten-cent growler with prices" even more extensively, and, in its issue of Jan. 11, 1896, gave such interesting facts that we quoted them more fully because they give the lie direct to every free trader's promise of "cheap-

"Among food products which are higher than on April 1, 1895, are wheat, eggs, butter, milk, molasses, mackerel, sugar, peas, apples, peanuts and raisins; as compared with six months ago the list is found to be smaller, consisting of eggs, butter, cheese, mackerel, milk, molasses, sugar, peas, raisins and currants, while as compared with quotations for Oct. 1, 1895, higher prices for food products include those for wheat, flour, beeves, sheep, muttou, eggs, butter, cheese, molasses, mackerel, sugar, rice, peas, apples, cranberries, peanuts, raisins and currants, indicating a much more extensive advance in quotations for staple food commodities during the sumed from some market reports.'

This list comprises pretty nearly every commodity that the average family needs for its daily existence. A "much more extensive advance in quotations for staple food commodities" is not quite the same as the promise of "cheaper prices." But let us look at the cloth-

"Quotations for textiles, raw and manufactured, which are higher than they were on April 1 last, include cotton, wool, hemp, silk, flax, print cloths, eastern sheetings, ginghams and southern sheetings, and the list is practically the same for those higher today than on July 1 last, the exception being more careful housekeeper in the city." southern sheetings."

articles of food there has also been a in her ability in that line." hold articles. Now for the products of of a household."

"Quotations today as contrasted with 1, 1895, present quotations show ad- I do not like to eat up to an average." No. 2 southern pig. bessemer pig, steel | the old man. billets, rails and beams, copper, lead "Yes. According to my understand-

pared with quotations on April 1, 1895. | waste. which are higher today includes refined Post. petroleum, cottonseed oil, castor oil and American | thrpentine, and as contrasted with prices on April 1, 1895, higher prices today are those for crude and refined petro-

leum, naphtha, castor oil and rosin."

and chemicals are dearer too. Not much inducement is offered either for the wage earner who wants to build a home for his family. With free lumber he was promised a "cheap" house. Lower duties on nails and glass were to belp every man to own his own castle. These were the promises. These are the entrance, and marches in procession up "I sho' hope they won't," this old

nails, glass, pine, spruce and hemlock rails. He carries in his hand a gorgeous- New York Herald. are higher than they were three months | ly bound mass book, which he peruses | ago, and the like is true as compared with six months ago, with the exception of hemlock, and a similar statement may be made in reference to nine months ago, with the exception of the quotations for brick and for hemlock." We might enlarge the list. But it is not necessary. Friends of protection

have proof enough that the Democratic cry of "cheap prices" was a fraud. Almost the only "cheapening" has been

No branch of manufacture has made progress. - Dun's Review, Jan. 18. What's the matter? We still have free wool. We still have the Gorman tariff.

Free Trade Results.

And we still have a Democratic administration. Is this the trouble? The Cause Removed. We fail to see such cause for alarm

trade papers exhibit. They forget entirely that Mr. Cleveland and his foreign emissaries will not be permitted to run the country further into debt.

Congressman Hermann. It is a relief, sir, to know that the day has already dawned for a return to On Saturday last Auditor Moore past, to likewise extend protection to American policies and American insti-

Held by Its Glittering Eye, a Rabbit

A GOPHER AS A HYPNOTIST.

Awaited Certain Death. A gopher snake at Escondido has been the cause of much carnest discussion among local naturalists recently. The question discussed was, "Do Snakes Charm or Hypnotize 'Their Prey?" One of the naturalists had the unusual but fortunate experience at Escondido of happening upon a large gopher snake just as the reptile was about to overcome a trembling cottontail rabbit and envelop the animal in its deadly coils. For some time the naturalist watched the snake's movements.

It was within 10 or 12 inches of the apparently fascinated rabbit. Silently and almost imperceptibly the snake had wormed its way nearer and nearer to its victim. Its eyes glistened with an intense brightness. Not a movement did it make which might alarm the timid rabbit. The forked tongue, which to the eye of a human being is so repulsive and intended to be terrifying, appeared to exert an entirely different influence upon the mind of the innocent rabbit.

This darting tongue either excited the victim's curiosity or caused the animal to so concentrate its mind on the snake's tongue as to throw that mind into a hypnotic condition of such strength that it could not break the spell and run away from impending death. The forked tongue darted out of the snake's mouth almost as regularly and rapidly as the needle of a sewing machine rises and tionless. Its eye was fixed on the piercrabbit failed to break the spell, and softly and slowly grim death in snake form wreathed its folds about the creature. Then was the spell broken.

To the naturalist who watched the the snake had certainly fascinated the animal. As a gopher snake is not poisonous and has no well developed fangs, its only means of killing prey is by constriction. In order to catch an animal it seems almost necessary for the snake to fascinate the victim. -Washington Post.

HE HESITATED.

But the Lover Discovered That His Objection Was a Mistaken One. The doting father was reflective.

"You will find Mabel a splendid housekeeper," he said at last. The lover's face was blanched "I-I had not heard of her accomplish-

ments in that direction," he said hesi-"Then it must come to you in the nature of a glorious surprise," returned

her father, "for I assure you there is no "I presume," faltered the young man, Besides the advance in the prices of | "that she takes a very pardonable pride

"much more extensive advance in quo- "Of course, of course. She is naturaltations" of wearing apparel and house- ly proud of her economical management

The young man groaned. "I never knew but one woman who July 1, 1895, show advances for iron | was considered a really first class houseore, No. 2 southern pig iron and lead, keeper," he said, "and I had hoped that and as compared with prices on April | Mabel would have none of those traits. vances for iron ore, castern anthracite, "Eat up to an average!" exclaimed

ing of the subject, a good housekeeper More money has to be paid, too, for is one who allows no waste. She studies articles made of iron, lead, steel and your hunger and your capacity for about copper. Fire and light, as well, are a week, strikes an average and then inmore expensive, as the following shows: sists that you must eat up to it ever aft-"Circular prices for bituminous coal, ler. If you don't eat enough, she grumsouthern and Connellsville coke are bles about the waste, and if you eat too higher today than on Oct. I last and as much somebody will find a shortage, compared with July 1 last, when an ad- and she will call your attention to the vance for anthracite coal must be added. fact that you were far below the average The like is true when prices are com- the day before and caused considerable gry, tossing the moisture off his wrin-

Crude and refined petroleum, castor oil "I see your point," returned the old and turpentine are all higher today man, "but you misunderstand me. I journalism failed to present in his ac- than they were on Oct. 1, but as com- said she was a good housekeeper, not a Custer and his men was wiped out. They pared with July 1 the list for those good boarding house keeper."-Chicago

Goes to Church Once a Year.

pold of Belgium is assuredly the least | whenever there was a fight or skeery Even the sick man has to pay more divine service only once a year-that make, they was the first ones called for. money for his caster oil. Other drugs is, on his namesday. A special service They he'ped haul the Seventh from here the aucient cathedral of Ste. Gudule, here. There's never been a campaign or which everybody belonging to the male | a march from this post that them mules sex attends in full uniform. The king ain't gone on it. And they've never is received in grand ecclesiastical state | been separated till today, an durned if by the prelates of the kingdom and by I b'lieve they'll work a lick by the'the clergy of the basilina at the main | selves. Do you, Bevis?" the central aisle under a magnificent | fellow answered bitterly. And they "Among building materials brick, canopy to his seat within the chancel walked away to the teamsters' mess. with an appearance of devotion throughout the ceremony, and which on his return to the palace at Laeken is locked up once more out of sight until the recurrence of St. Leopoid's day 12 months later. -St. Paul Dispatch.

A Misapprehension.

"Isn't it astonishing how cheap matches are made nowadays?" asked the statistical passenger.

"Eef you mean to insult me, sare," said the foreign looking passenger, "here is my carte. I hold myself, sare, at no less than one million of your

Eyeless Worms.

Worms that have no eyes are believed to gain information of the presence of light from some other sense than that of sight. Light is always dangerous to an an effort to conceal itself.

The drag used for recovering bodies from the bottoms of ponds or streams is modeled after the well known grapple plant, a thorny bush common in South America and Africa.

The orchids are true parasites, grow-

JIM AND WENCH SOLD.

UNCLE SAM'S TEAMSTERS HATED TO

And the Worst of It Was That They Were to Be Separated-For More Than Twenty Years They Had Been Together In the Service of the Government.

"At 15! At 15! Going at 15! Who says the half? Do I hear it? Only \$15 for this mule? Why, gentlemen, she's worth more'n that if she never did another lick o' work. Whoa, Wench, you little old darling! Fifteen dollars I am offered! Can't I get the half? Fifteen once! Do I hear the half? No? Fifteen twice! Third and last call and sold to Mr. Carl for \$15." And the auctioneer, who was also the civilian clerk in the post quartermaster's office, tenderly caressed the face, gray with age, of the little brown mule, and, brushing his hand across his own eyes, walked slowly back to his desk in the office.

Wench was led off to the blacksmith shop to be branded on the left of the neck, "I. C. S."-"inspected, condemned, sold." Twelve other mules had passed under the hammer ahead of her that morning and then to the branding iron. The last one before her was Jim, whose neck was still smoking with the burning mark of condemnation. He had

Two years ago the quartermaster had picked out Wench and Jim to submit to the inspector for condemnation, but one at a time the teamsters had all come to plead for their retention, and he had yielded to their entreaties. Last year again he had marked them for the list, but again gave way to the teamsters. But this time the chief quartermaster stepped in with his anthority, and, remarking that there was no place in the quartermaster's department for sentiment, ordered Wench and Jim to be condemned and sold.

For more than a score of years these two little beasts have faithfully served falls in the cloth. The lithe body crept | the government, and all this time they nearer and nearer. The tablit was mo- have been mates. In the pack train they jogged along together; in the wagon ing eye of the suake. Even the waving | train they pulled over the same spreader; of the wind kissed shrubs about the in the camp they are out of the same feed box; in the stable they stood in the same stall; in the corral they were always found side by side. Tonight, for the first time in this quarter century, they will be apart, for Jim was bought capture of the rabbit it appeared as if by Mr. Hammond, and Wench was knecked down to Mr. Carl, and Uncle Sam's exchequer is richer by \$30.50.

No place for sentiment in the quar termaster's department! Of course not, yet "breathes there the man with soul so dead" that he does not believe these two little dumb creatures will miss each other this night and many a night?

As the sale went on the teamsters stood on one side like mourners at a comrade's burial; on the other, the farmers and ranchmen and contractors and lumbermen from 20 miles around, all there to bid in as cheap as possible the mules the quartermaster's department was done with. Against the name of each mule on the list stood the legend, 'Old and worn out in service."

There were old Rooney and Bevis and Boss and Schaeffer and the rest of the teamsters who have driven and packed these mules over thousands of miles of mountain and prairie. Are they to be laughed at for wearing sad faces now? Yet they bore the ordeal like men good and true until Jim was led out. Then you could see their sleeves, one after

another, drawn across their eyes. "This here's awful, boys," old Rooney remarked. "I can't stand it. I'd rather see the gover'ment bust than see them

two mules sold." "You're right, Rooney," old Bevis spoke. "A gover'ment mean enough to sell them two mules ain't fit to stand." But their comments were stopped by the auctioneer's third and last call on poor

After the sale was over a farmer, wearing a canvas overcoat that he had bought at a previous sale of condemned stuff and that bere in the middle of the back the big black letters, "L C.," stepped up to the teamsters and asked why they bated so much to see the last

"Why?" asked old Schaeffer, half aukled cheek. "Because they're the best friends we ever had. Them two mules was back with the pack train the day toted packs during all the 1876 and 1877 campaigns 'gin the Indians, They're the best pair of leaders that was ever in this corral. They can drive Of all Catholic sovereigns King Leo- the selves, and in their young days, devout. He goes to church and attends | place to go through or a hard pull to is performed in honor of the event at | to Riley, and the Eighth from there up

An Adventure In the Sahara, Tartarin narrated his latest exploits in the desert: "Q Q Q I was sinking deep-

er and deeper into the sand, and I owe my preservation solely to the fact of my being prematurely and completely "You are jesting."

"Not at all. The sun was shining flercely, a strong wind was blowing at, the time; the sand drifted about my feet and rose gra ually higher until it reached my chest-in short, there was soon nothing to b. seen of me above the sand but a light e. evation as round as an egg; American dollars!"-Cincinnati En- that was my skull. An ostrich, happening to pass t. at way, closely pursued by the hanters, came and squatted on my head. It was beginning to hatch me when its pursuers came to my rescue." -Fanfare.

Physicians aver that there are disease earthworm, and when taken from the and death in storing wooden blocks from earth and placed in the light a worm old pavements in cellars for fuel. Sevwill always exhibit uneasiness and make eral cases of typhoid and diphtheria have been traced to this cause. It is well to remember a single decaying cabbage or a bushel of turnips in the basement has poisoned the air of the entire house. Damp cellars alone are sources of disease. Millions of fungi grow in a night upon damp walls, ripen, and pass off in the air and often are the direct source of fatal epidemics. Fire that will dry the walls of the house is the very best of disinfectanty - Chicago Into Ocean.