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CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Holt county republican central committee is hereby called to meet in O'Neill on Saturday, July 13, 1895, for the purpose of fixing a date for the county convention and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

NEIL BRENNAN, Chairman.

CLYDE KING, Secretary.

M. E. ROOT has succeeded A. R. Leedom as editor and proprietor of the Page New Era.

THE Sun does not believe in convicting men on perjured evidence, so it says, but does it believe in acquitting men on perjured evidence?

THERE seems to be a great discrepancy between the new statute and the session laws in regard to the vote required to divide counties. The statute, as quoted by us last week says, "If it shall appear that a majority of all the votes cast at such election," while the bill as given in the session laws says, "If it shall appear that a majority of all the votes cast on the question." In a case of this kind we presume the bill as it passed is the law.

THE money plank adopted by the prohibitionists is a rather peculiar thing, especially when we consider that they claim free silver by right of discovery. It reads: "The money of the country should be issued by the general government only, through government banks of loan and deposit directly to the people upon adequate security and at a uniform rate of interest. It should be a full legal tender for the payment of all debts public and private, without exception in favor of contract stipulation."

THE evidence introduced at the Scott trial tending to establish the venue was of the weakest and most technical kind and we have failed to find any who express surprise that the jury should dismiss the defendants upon that ground alone. It is a well established principle of law that a man charged with crime must be tried in the county where the crime was committed, and in this particular case when the state failed to clearly establish its allegation that Scott was killed in Boyd county its case was sure to fail. The evidence in regard to the place was barely sufficient to allow the case to go to the jury at all.

AND now the pop supervisors are discussing the idea of refusing to redistrict and give up their fat jobs to seven commissioners in accordance with the law in such cases made and provided. We understand that they, in their infinite wisdom and unlimited understanding have decided that the law is wholly unconstitutional. You may always depend upon a pop to kick when he is called upon to unhand a good thing. The average pop pops for revenue anyway and never pays any attention to the groans of Jones who pays the transportation. The pops have a majority and if they refuse to redistrict we presume that will settle it, but they will hear from the people later on; the same people who are tired of keeping a congress as large as the senate of the state.

THE decision of the jury on the Scott murder case at Butte last week, but again sustains the careful and considerate judgment of our worthy county judge, and his action at the preliminary hearing.—Plain Dealer.

ROT! It sustains nothing of the kind, but demonstrates what disastrous results may follow the "slipshod ways of our courts," about which the pops are continually howling. Had "our worthy county judge" been possessed of that "careful and considerate judgment" with which the Plain Dealer credits him, it is easy to imagine a different ending to this case. Had he refused to release them on bail, which was the only proper course in the light of the testimony introduced at the preliminary, they would have had less opportunity to buy beer for Boyd county farmers and work up sympathy and evidence for their trial. That he afterwards became a witness for the defense, coupled with the nature of his testimony, is a straw that indicates the direction of his inclination.

COME, Horatio, my boy, sit down for a few moments while the old man talks to you again. He has an apology to make, and hopes you will forgive him for the false teachings he gave you in your younger days. You remember, Horatio, the old man always taught you by precept and example to be honest, law-abiding and God-fearing in your relations with your fellow man and fellow sister, at the same time holding up to you the beauties and possibilities of such a life and the probabilities of its faithful observance leading you in a maze of glory to the presidential chair. You have not forgotten? No. Well, the old man has learned that his philosophy is principally flat. If you seek honor and notoriety throw away all thoughts of righteousness and consecrate yourself to the world, the flesh and the devil: join the populist party,

which is controlled by passion instead of reason, howl against the courts, join a vigilance committee and murder a man and then the local paper will print your biography, make virtues of your sins, and while you may never be president, perhaps your name will be mentioned in connection with some county office.

IN the last issue of the Beacon Light was a column and over devoted to Lieutenant King of the Bartley Guards. The theme was an expression imagined by the writer to have been made by the lieutenant in regard to the inspection of the guards recently made in this city by Adjutant General Barry. The lieutenant is quoted as saying that he "would not be inspected by a Paddy." Now to our people who are capable of seeing the other meaning in that article the object of its publication is obvious enough to spoil its effect. It is evident that this man desires to see a religious and factional fight stirred up in O'Neill, believing that such a calamity would tend to draw the lines of business, society and politics more closely and that the populists would be the beneficiaries. He has not made this senseless tirade because he has any love for General Barry or the militia, as for the past two years he has unrelentingly exerted himself to disorganize our company and cause its disbandment. The article in question is really not worth a second thought and we would not stoop to notice it were it not to shut off a few backcappers who would construe our silence to be an admission of the offence. It is true that King refused to be inspected, and while his reasons therefor are not proper matter for newspaper discussion they are sufficient and fully understood by the general, who has had in his possession for the past two months the resignation of King as first lieutenant of the Bartley Guards. The idea that we refused to be inspected by the general because he happens to be an Irishman is preposterous and is laughed to scorn by our Irish friends. Fact is King did not know the nationality of Mr. Barry until he read the article in the Beacon Light. We do not care to discuss the merits or demerits of any man's nationality or religion, as neither is of interest to us. We believe one man is as good as another, no matter what religious creed claims his faith and devotion, or under what sky he first beheld the light of day. The writer devotes this space in reply to the accusation, not to clear himself of a charge that is untrue, but because he has been publicly, and with malice, charged with showing disrespect, as a member of the national guard, to its commander, who is a gentleman and a soldier deserving a denial as public and as forcible as the accusation, and while we are upon the subject we desire to brand the material statements of Kautzman's libel as both false and cowardly and defy him to produce one reliable person who will substantiate his assertion, one who heard us make the remark by him credited to us. We suppose we will be considered unwise for noticing this attack, but there are men, as Paul says, filled with unrighteousness, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness, envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity, whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, without understanding, covenant-breakers, implacable and unmerciful who make us very tired.

"DEMONETIZATION" OF SILVER. "Demonetization" is a word used in this connection with much looseness, and is generally misunderstood. It is a favorite word with writers and speakers careless of what they say, or who intentionally deceive and misrepresent the facts. All silver dollars now in circulation are a legal tender for the payment of all debts, public and private, and the government makes no discrimination whatever against silver or gold. [The old trade dollar is not a legal tender, and for that reason went out of use. It is not supported by the gold reserve, and consequently it cannot be changed for a gold dollar nor for a legal tender silver or paper dollar. It is, therefore, worth only about 50 cents, although it has the dollar stamp of the United States upon its face. This is clear proof of what our silver money would be worth if it were not interchangeable with gold. The mere stamp of the United States, or of any other country, could not make it worth in purchasing power, more than about 50 cents, its commercial value in weight.] The repeal of the Sherman law did not in any way affect the \$625,000,000 of silver now in the treasury, and in circulation, unless, indeed, it strengthened its value and its position as good money. The "gold bugs" are not trying to destroy the use of this silver. On the contrary all advocates of sound money want to continue silver in safe quantities in use as good money. The government has simply quit making any more silver dollars. That is all the "demonetizing" that has been done. The silver we have is as good, as money, as it ever was, and will remain so, unless the free coinage people succeed in putting us on a free silver basis, in which event it would not be worth more than half its present value, if, indeed, it would be worth that. There is absolutely no "demonetizing" of silver in the sense the word is understood by the mass of voters. It is used merely to deceive and mislead.—Dollars or What.

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