

WHAT THEY HAD TO SAY.

The Free Trade Apostles Argue Their Cause.

Higgins, Bryan and Smythe Tried to Entertain an Audience at the Opera House Last Night. From Saturdays Daily.

The much advertised Bryan appeared before a good audience at the opera house last evening in company with Judge Higgins of Columbus, the democratic nominee for attorney general, Col. Smythe and Frank Morrissey of Omaha. County Judge Ramsey presided, while Sam'l Waugh, Col. Peter E. Ruffner, Mr. Gutsche, Hon. Wm. Neville, Hon. J. M. Patterson, W. H. Cushing, Col. J. A. Connor, Col. Peterson and Col. Sherman of the Journal acted as a stage setting to the entertainment and applauded lustily on the slightest provocation. Judge Ramsey presented Mr. Higgins who is evidently a very pleasant gentleman but his speech was one of the most insipid listless point less affairs we have heard during the present campaign. As a sample of some of his statements which we took down at the time, the following shows the tenor and depth of the argument he was trying to use and the wide divergence between what he said and the facts.

Mr. Higgins says: "Christianity started out 1800 hundred years ago with the ten commandments and the Lords prayer and has been whooping it up to the boys ever since." The point he was trying to illustrate need not be mentioned when it is seen that a little itenatwo thousand years from the truth on his ten commandment start, was like most of the remarks of the evening, largely made up of misquotations of facts or the magnifying of imaginary evils.

After the Judge had ground out his grist, the sacred Bryan, with the mellifluous voice, made his bow to the audience, which received the gentleman so recently from Illinois with marks of approbation. The first chestnut was, "Where I stand on prohibition," and as he said his piece on that point, Tom Wilkinson was noticed to move restlessly in his chair and look imploringly about him for comfort—but it never came. Since Guy Livingston in a tragic manner tried to dress him down, Wilkinson begins to feel like an orphan in strange land. But we must not digress; the pampered and breezy son of democracy warmed up to his subject and finally broke out with the assertion that he wanted sugar, salt, wool, and all raw materials, which is almost limitless, in its scope placed on the free list. He forgot that he had said at Weeping Water and Omaha that he stood squarely on the Mills bill and advocated it, when the tariff was not taken off of sugar by that bill at all. He then stooped to mention the World Herald fake about the Dorsey telegram which appears to be the popular democratic method of electioneering. Stealing telegrams and publishing them is heartily indorsed and warmly commended by Mr. Bryan. But whether the people endorse it or not we will learn later. Bryan forgot to tell us how many letters had passed between the chairman of his committee and the New York importers who are furnishing the money to run these democratic congressional campaigns. These New York importers are the fellows that are suffering to help the dear farmers of Nebraska, they are worried most to death because we out west are taxed, it is too bad, but it will be infinitely worse for us if Bryan is elected to congress and far better for the importers.

Bryan made so many misstatements that we cannot notice the half of them today but one more must be mentioned. He said that the increased cost of tin plate would increase the price of cans \$10,000 for one years work by the canning factory at Beatrice, for he had been there and knew all about it. Well we have figured with one of the leading stock holders and a bookkeeper in that institution and we find that the increased price of 4 cents per pound if that were added entirely to the cost of the cans after the work and former price had been paid, it would take enough cans to keep 200 men employed every day for one year, and would supply enough tin cans to furnish all the canning factories in the state with more cans than they could use in five years, on the basis of the output last year.

We will notice the speech more fully in Monday's paper, as our space cannot be farther given up to the subject today.

More Lies.

The Journal gang, not satisfied with a mass of wholesale lying through their own columns that would make Ananias blush, inflicted themselves on to the World-Herald last night. The house was not twice as large as Mr. Tate's; Bryan's speech, as every man who has heard him before knows, was not entirely new. And Bryan did not say anything about taxing western farmers for eastern shops; at Weeping Water he said shops, just as we printed the sentence in full. There was no attempt to

garble or mislead the public. Mr. Bryan was talking cheap trash to the farmers for votes, not expecting that it should be repeated in Omaha and Plattsmouth. And his explanations and attempt to score the Herald fell perfectly flat on an audience that was largely composed of shop men; one turned to the editor of this paper with the remark that the explanation was worse than the original story. And when Mr. Waugh attempted to break the chilly stillness by starting an applause it met with no response. And yet this immaculate Bryan after getting off the "top not" chestnut and the earnest remark that the man who "garbled hurt himself went right ahead and quoted from Connell's speech in Washington, which he garbled shamefully as he well knew, Mr. Connell having called him down on it at Weeping Water. And he did worse than that, he reiterated the explanation of Mr. Hayes chestnut which Mr. Hayes repudiated entirely several days ago stating that the supposed interview was baseless and false. And this is the manner of man that the democrats wish to send to congress whose campaign is a constant reiteration of decayed issues and questionable statements.

A Fire.

Seldom is Plattsmouth's people called upon to assist in putting out a fire and when the fire company does get out the fire always goes out too. Today about one o'clock the fire alarm was sounded and smoke was seen issuing from the roof of Mr. Hyes's residence on south seventh street. As the outlook for a serious conflagration seemed imminent the entire department was soon on the grounds and with four streams of water the fire was quickly routed. Great carelessness was shown in the removal of goods several articles being damaged. The fire started near the chimney under the roof and was slow in getting out. The fire boys worked like trojans and deserve great credit for their prompt action and successful management of what seemed for a time would prove a disastrous fire. The house was fully covered by insurance so that the damage will doubtless be paid in full.

G. A. R. Fair Notes.

Col. Lew Ginger, who has been here for the past week perfecting his arrangements to hold the coming Grand Army Fair, reports that he is highly pleased with the prospects of having one of his most successful enterprises here. He has been introduced to our business men and citizens, to whom he has explained his manner of conducting these fairs, and all assure him and McConihie Post of their warm support.

By Mr. Ginger's management at least one thousand dollars will be brought here from other cities to help build the Hall, besides many hundreds of old soldiers from all the surrounding towns and cities will visit Plattsmouth during the fair.

Our business men will donate articles to be used as presents, to be given to those holding the tickets, of which three thousand are to be issued and sold at one dollar each. The ticket admits to the entire three days and evening of the fair, and the numbered coupon attached will be used in distributing the presents.

Farragut Post of Lincoln writes Comrade Ginger that they and the W. R. C. will attend in a body from that city and they are now negotiating with him to have him work again for them during the meeting of the legislature, and use the money now held by them as the result of his eeterprise last winter, and the receipts of the next fair in erecting a fine Memorial Hall in Lincoln. The four G. A. R. Posts in Omaha will greatly assist the comrades in their work here and our citizens will respond to help the "Old Boys."

Another Lie Nailed.

It is said that Mike Cavey made another attempt to blacken the character of Lemasters at his home town of Elmwood Saturday. When Mike got the floor the audience picked up their hats and left.—Independent Eagle.

The above is as false as hades. Facts are that Mr. Cavey was called up at the speaking in Weeping Water and asked to prove the charges made against Lemasters. He read two affidavits in proof and attempted to explain, when he was requested to with-hold and he would be granted opportunity to discuss the matter next night in Elmwood, before Lemasters' neighbors. The meeting came off and Mr. Cavey was not even given a chance to speak, nor did he attempt to. Lemasters carefully evaded the question and did not permit it to come up, and was afraid of it where the people know the facts. The Eagle's statement that the audience got up and left when Cavey attempted to speak, is false. He never attempted to speak.

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STATE CONVENTION

Of the Nebraska Young Men's Christian Associations

The Eleventh Annual State Convention of the young Men's Christian Associations of Nebraska, will be held in Grand Island, November 13-15.

These conventions have become the most important gatherings held in the state, in the interest of young men. Special arrangements have been made this year to make this the most successful convention held in the state. It is expected that delegates will be present from every Association in the state, and a cordial invitation is extended to Christian young men from towns where there are no Associations.

The following prominent workers abroad will be present:—C. E. Ober, International Secretary, New York; C. L. Gates, International Railroad Secretary, New York; I. E. Brown, State Secretary, Illinois; Geo. S. Fisher, State Secretary, Kansas; T. C. Horton, General Secretary, St. Paul. Special arrangements have been made for the singing, which will be in charge of F. H. Jacobs and wife, of Missouri.

A rate of one and one third fare, round trip has been granted by all the roads in the state.

The Grand Island Association will entertain all regular accredited delegates. Those who plan to attend the convention should send in their names at once to E. E. Cole, chairman entertaining committee Y. M. C. A., Grand Island, Neb.

Among the topics to be considered, will be:—"Revivals of Religion Among Young Men," "Systematic Giving," "Foreign Work," "Bible Work," "Association Bible Classes," "College Work," "Work in Small Towns," "Railroad Work."

Seven parlor conferences will be held on Friday afternoon from 4 to 7 o'clock, as follows:—College students, railroad men, commercial travelers, boy's branches presidents and directors, committee men, small towns.

Special arrangements have been made for the consideration of "Work in Towns Without Associations," and young men from these places are specially invited.

Credentials should be signed by the pastor of the church to which the delegate belongs. Credentials must be presented to the credential committee upon their arrival at Grand Island to secure entertainment. The credential committee will be in session at the Association rooms after 3 p. m. Thursday.

This convention is called for the purpose of earnest work and it is hoped that all delegates will come in a prayerful spirit.

Further information can be had by addressing

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BRAZIL and Cuba have already asked for reciprocity under the McKinley bill, and other countries will soon follow. Yet Bryan tells the people we are to be held up by foreign countries on account of the tariff, just as though we had not had a tariff for the last twenty-five years.

"His hands reeking with the blood of organized labor" would be the way the World-Herald would print headlines for Boyd if he were running on the republican ticket for governor, but he isn't consequently in the mind of that modern ananias he is all right.

WHEN a candidate has to come back over his territory to explain the mistakes he made the first trip, he had better resign his candidacy at once or postpone the election until after Christmas. And if his explanations are not clearer and more satisfactory than Bryan's were last night, the former course, would certainly be the best.

The Irish votes in Omaha where Mr. Boyd, the orangeman from the north of Ireland, is well and thoroughly known, refuse to be dragged into supporting that gentleman. He will lose hundreds of votes from men of that class who love the old Emerald Isle, and who do not love its enemies, though they be born on its sacred soil.

A STATISTICIAN calls attention to the interesting fact that most of our deceased great men have died before their wives Grant, Garfield, Logan, Conkling, Mc Clellan, Sheridan, Fremont, and others being cited as instances. He adds that women in general live longer than their husbands and brothers, which is certainly contrary to the common understanding of the matter.

There are men in Plattsmouth however who might keep from needlessly frightening their wives by reading the three first lines to them aloud, we venture the wife would calm her fears.

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Discord in the Choir. Drilling a volunteer choir is the most exasperating work ever undertaken by a human being. In the first place it is morally certain that at least half a dozen members think they know more than the leader, and two or three are always better informed than the man who wrote the music, so they offer, with cheerful alacrity, the most idiotic suggestions as to the manner in which it should be performed, and feel much aggrieved if their ideas are not acted on. Then the women are always either so devoted to each other that they keep up a constant chatter when they should be singing or listening to the leader's direction, or are quarreling and "put each other out."

They are not responsible for all the trouble, but when they do quarrel they generally manage to enlist the men in the service of both sides, and the first time the leader knows one half his choir has quit and the other half is about to do so because they are not numerous enough to make a creditable chorus. A choir leader says: "I have gone into Church on Sunday morning and found six or eight members sitting in the congregation, instead of in their places, and the rest glaring at them from the organ stand. It is fun for them and for the people, but it's death to the leader."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Congress Gaiters and Drowning. Speaking of congress gaiters and drowning recalls a fashionable middle aged physician who thoroughly believes in this fatality. He gave it away in this wise: While consulting a man in delicate health about his care for himself in the winter time the doctor said: "What kind of shoes have you got on?" They proved to be the fatal congress gaiters, and the doctor objected. "Did you ever see an account of a drowned man found in the bay that didn't say he had on congress gaiters?" You laugh and say that doesn't make any difference, and there is no connection of cause and effect.

"How do you know there isn't? You can't trace it, but I'm not certain that congress gaiters do not tend to such moral and physical degeneracy that a man is liable to fall off a ferry boat, or in a fit of despondency to jump into the river. At any rate I don't wear them. I told a woman the same thing once and she laughed. I went on, and when I reached home found a letter from her, saying she had picked up a paper after I went away, and the first thing found several confirmations of what I said, and she wanted to admit that she was convinced."—New York Tribune.

In the Clouds. Professor Moller, of Karlsruhe, has made some interesting observations on clouds. The highest clouds, cirrus and cirro-stratus, rise on an average to a height of nearly 30,000 feet. The middle clouds keep at from 10,000 feet to 23,000 feet in height, while the lower clouds reach to between 3,000 feet and 7,000 feet. The cumulus clouds float with their lower surface at a height of from 4,000 to 5,000 feet, while their summits rise to 16,000 feet. The tops of the Alps are often hidden by clouds of the third class, but the bottoms of the clouds of the second class, and especially of the thunder clouds, often enfold them.

The vertical dimension of a cloud observed by Professor Moller on the Nettleberg was over 1,200 feet. He stepped out of it at a height of about 3,700 feet, and high above the mountain floated clouds of the middle class, while veils of mist lay in the ravines and clefts. The upper clouds were growing thicker, while the lower ones were dissolving, and soon it began to rain and snow.—Public Opinion.

A Smart Detective.

Sergeant Moser on one occasion saw a waiter in a cafe at Soho receive and place in his pocket a letter which the detective believed to be from a criminal a knowledge of whose whereabouts he was anxious to obtain. He therefore dropped his ring on the floor and asked the man to look for it. Alphonse, expecting a reward, immediately went on his hands and knees, and while thus engaged Sergeant Moser abstracted the letter from his pocket and thus obtained the means of bringing a forger to justice. Who can doubt that this was a perfectly justifiable act? But if, instead, Sergeant Moser had snatched another person to steal for reward, and without telling him the object in view, he would most assuredly have acted very wrongly.—Spectator.

The First Silk Mill in England.

A portion of the old mill built by John Lombe at Derby in 1718—the first silk mill ever erected in England—has collapsed, and it is expected that the whole building will have to come down. Lombe worked as a silk weaver in Italy, and at the risk of his life made drawings of the machinery. He then returned to England, bringing some Italian workmen, and built the factory on an island in the Derwent, having first patented the machinery. He died soon afterward, and it is said he was poisoned by a female emissary of the Italian manufacturers.

The mill was worked for many years, but has long been in disuse. It was last utilized as a steam laundry, and was condemned some years since as being unsafe.—Gulligan's Messenger.

Don't Show Your Collar Button.

It is desirable that a cravat or four-in-hand should be held firmly up against the tabs of a collar. The collar button never should be seen. With a cravat this may be accomplished by drawing the first knot firm. With a four-in-hand it may be accomplished by first tying a firm simple knot before making the four-in-hand movement.—Clothier and Furnisher.

Looks Reasonable.

A Cincinnati policeman who clubbed a citizen without apparent good reason explains to a reporter that the cost of running the department was increased so rapidly that he conscientiously felt obliged to exhibit an increase of energy. The citizen happened to be nearest his "energy."—Detroit Free Press.

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