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Second Judicial District.

For Judge of the District Court,
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Republican County Ticket.

For County Clerk,
JOHN W. JENNINGS,
of Plattsmouth.

For County Treasurer,
WM. H. NEWELL,
of Plattsmouth.

For Sheriff,
J. C. EIKENBARY,
of Plattsmouth.

For County Judge,
KALVIN RUSSELL,
of Weeping Water.

For Superintendent of Schools,
CYRUS ALSON,
of Stove Creek.

For Clerk of the District Court,
SUMNER S. HALL,
of St. Nevas.

For County Surveyor,
GEORGE W. FAIRFIELD,
of Plattsmouth.

For County Coroner,
FERRY F. GASS,
of Plattsmouth.

For Commissioner, Third District,
JOHN CLEMENTS,
of Stove Creek.

Our democratic friends wish to know who Mr. Clements the republican nominee for county commissioner is; had the manager of that party resided in Cass county any great length of time he would know John Clements was one of our oldest and most responsible settlers and a Cass county farmer for fifteen years and upwards, in our midst, thoroughly identified with our people and conversant with their every want, while Mr Skiles is comparatively a new comer from Iowa, and a resident of the district he seeks to represent as county commissioner, but a short time.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS, Robert G. Ingersoll and other eloquent advocates, have had their innings at the Supreme Court of the United States, taking that tribunal roundly to task for its recent decision against the constitutionality of the Civil Rights legislation by Congress.

Some of these gentlemen go to the extravagant extent of claiming that the doctrine laid down by the Supreme Court in the Civil-Rights test case, is as monstrous as that enunciated by Chief Justice Taney and his colleagues in 1857. It is hard to believe that men of the intelligence, learning, and knowledge of public affairs, of Frederick Douglas, or Mr. Ingersoll, would so far forget themselves, or the truth, as to make an assertion like this one. In the case now attracting the attention of the Nation, Congress, doubtless supposing it was acting within the scope of the Thirteenth and Fourteenth amendments to the Federal Constitution, enacted this Civil-Rights bill or law, which was trenchantly questioned, at the date of its passage, by statesmen and jurists of unquestioned patriotism. The Supreme Court today, passing upon this legislation, by Congress, finds that that co-ordinate branch of the government exceeded its authority and mistook the scope and intent of the amendments to the constitution.

None of the advocates of the law, thus set aside by the court of last resort in this country, pretend to claim that Congress possesses the authority to enact such legislation in the absence of these—the Thirteenth and Fourteenth—amendments, and all the Supreme Court does is to say that these amendments do not warrant the legislation in question.

In the Dred Scott case a Missouri slave, claiming his freedom upon the ground that he had been transferred by his master from the soil of a slave State into territory made free by act of Congress, attempted to maintain an action in the circuit court of the United States for his freedom claiming to be a citizen of a different state from that of his master the defendant. When chief Justice Taney and a majority of the old democratic regime who held possession of our Supreme bench said of the complainant on account of his color, that he was a "being of an inferior order altogether unfit to associate with the white race either in social or political relations; and so far inferior that he had no rights which the white man

"was bound to respect;" from this brutal decision an appeal to public opinion was had, which, in the end, overthrew that tribunal; neither the sentiment nor opinion of the present supreme court, in the case now at the bar of public opinion, warrants any such an attack upon its integrity and patriotism, as the one, said to be made by Mr. Ingersoll. The Supreme Court of the country is composed, a majority at least, of patriotic citizens, and men who have just as high a respect for the rights of the private individual as Col. Ingersoll can possibly have, and if an assault is to be made upon that tribunal let it be made upon their interpretation of the law; let it be shown where in they are wrong.

MR. NEWELL is a bank director says our democratic organ, and uses the county funds for undue purposes. Mr. Newell authorizes the statement that this assertion is false in every respect. This kind of electioneering of course is anticipated by everybody conversant with the manner in which the democratic managers conduct their campaign; however, we are glad to have the reasons why the democratic party of Cass county ask republicans to vote for William H. Cushing. First, Mr. Cushing "is a democrat," and scorns to "pin his faith" to the republican party "dying of its own inate corruption;" second, Mr. Cushing is "young;" third, he is "active;" fourth, he is "ambitious;" these are the reasons given why Mr. Cushing is the preferred candidate of the democratic party; hence, republicans are exhorted to vote for Mr. Cushing instead of a gentleman of age, experience, integrity, and known devotion to the principles of the republican party; a man who gave his time, and young manhood, to his country in her hour of need; who followed the gallant Sheridan in the Shenandoah valley as a private soldier, always at the front, and whose whole life entitles him to the respect and confidence of his fellow citizens.

Without republican votes Mr. Cushing cannot be elected in Cass county! Are the reasons given by the democratic organ, such as would warrant republicans in voting against Mr. Newell, and for this ambitious candidate who, to use the language of the sheet which professes to champion his cause and represent him in this campaign, detests the "inate corruption of the republican party?"

But further, Mr. Newell owns stock in a bank, and that is another objection. Mr. Cushing is the servant of a National Bank; that we suppose is no objection from a democratic standpoint for a democratic candidate. Mr. Cushing is a "more expert accountant," yet everybody agrees that William H. Newell has made the best County Treasurer Cass county has ever had. Mr. Cushing is a young man who has never had experience in the business affairs of life, except as a clerk in the bank to which he is at present giving his time; yet, he is, to use the democratic argument, the best qualified man to take charge of the Cass County Treasury. We apprehend everybody will see and appreciate the force of these arguments in favor of Mr. Cushing, and that especially republicans who believe in the old party, and her proud record, will be happy to know why they are expected to vote for William H. Cushing, for whom, when the Journal says he is young, active, ambitious, and a strong democrat, it exhausts the list of his qualifications.

Against Mr. Jennings the democratic organ has several grievances, one is, that he keeps a deputy who does not suit the editor of that paper, and last but not least, he once bolted a republican ticket and helped elect a democrat to the office of county clerk of Cass county. It would appear that our democratic opponents have laid up this last grievance against John and cannot forgive him for it.

We admit if Mr. Jennings ever did deliberately bolt his ticket to help the democracy of Cass county into power it was a serious blunder; but then, for all this, the republican party has long since forgiven John, and trusted him with her honor and her reputation by placing him in charge of the records and seal of Cass county and for all this have received back from him a clean balance sheet in the shape of an office honestly administered with skill and ability, acceptably, to the entire satisfaction of the people of Cass county. Even the democratic organ is forced to say, "There is no question about the competency of Mr. Jennings;" and finally, this is the reason the republican party have nominated both Mr. Jennings and Mr. Newell, and the reason why the people of this county intend triumphantly electing both of these gentlemen, together with the entire republican ticket. Competency, not youth and ambition, is the qualification the republican party requires of its candidates. Of Mr. Green, Mr. Jennings' opponent, the Journal says in substance that he is a fine business man. The

HERALD, on the contrary, understands that John Green's particular fault is, that he is not a good nor competent business man, and is informed that Mr. Green has repeatedly failed in business, his last failure being at Ashland, Nebraska, and that very recently; of this we only speak upon information received from republicans and democrats living in that neighborhood, and if we are in error, will very gladly do Mr. Green the justice of making the correction. That John Green is socially "a hale fellow well met," we know to be a fact; but his time for administering office in Cass county has not yet arrived. We are glad the democratic mouth piece has seen fit to abandon Mr. Beeson long enough to address itself to the ticket it floats at its head.

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