

Dark man was a Frenchman under Roebuckman. I have lost his name, but he was a 'de la' something or other grand with ancestry enough at the back of him to make him...

"A very humble individual?" "Yes, if he ever thought of how much glory and noblesse he had to keep up; ah, that old chivalry! Well, this one could do it, I fancy. Well, after they had gone 'la belle' was more wretched than ever. She had sent them from her without the kind words they had pleaded for, if either were slain how could she give herself to the other? So her young life was just a misery of anxiety and self reproach. Only think what it must have been to her, all those long weeks of weary waiting, poor young thing, tossed about by desires, feelings and emotions so at variance with each other. Can't you fancy the anxious days, the weary nights, always waiting, waiting for something? Always expecting, she knew not what. The eager questionings when a courier would arrive, bearing perhaps some little word or token from one or the other. There's a little element of absurdity in it all, I know; you can't help thinking of the old line about being 'happy with either'."

"But it seems to have been serious work for the poor little belle, and even all it is pathetic too. Poor little temptress, too, one must pity her with all her naughty, coquettish wiles and wickednesses. And you can't help believing that away down at the bottom of her little wayward heart she was sweet and true, and she was so young! Poor little forlorn heart!" and Nan's gray blue eyes grew sad, and her sweet voice had a tone in it that—well, it's true, I sobbed a night. You see, I had been with a thing all three the night before, and I had seen all her tears and her grief, and I believed in them all. Well, my dear, they never came back? We heard—they heard of a great fight at sea—there were sea fights in the revolution, weren't there? That was followed by a heavy storm, and in her crippled condition she—went down, at least it was supposed so, for another fight that had been in the engagement with her reported her as dismantled and evidently sinking. On account of the gale it was impossible to give any help.

"Almost at the same time came the news that a battle had been fought somewhere in the west and the fair faxon lover had been slain; they gave him Christian burial, as they call it, as if he had away in the clear blue depths of God's ocean by his own hand were a thing less desirable, less holy, and the thunder of the waves and the roar of the winds were not a grander thing than drum and fife and the popping of a platoon of muskets.

"What is it about? 'One was killed in the east by the sea and one in the west'?" So that was the news that came to the little waiting heart and broke it. I knew. So it was settled for 'la belle Barberine'.

"I suppose she would've likely have gone into a convent, and if she had she would have become the mother superior before she died. I should fancy that a very good way of ending such a story, don't you think?"

"Nan! if you have!" "Have what?" "Made it up." "What if I have? I've done my very best for you." "I'll never forgive you!" "For doing my best?" "For not believing my story."

"She thought it was the morphine, but I knew better.—Home Journal.

Names of Western Rivers. It is a pity our noblest rivers cannot be made the monuments of noble achievements in their names, instead of bearing such trivial titles as Grand and Green, Red and Blue, North Fork and South Fork. Even when they have a good name it is forgotten or perverted, as has happened to the Rio Bravo del Norte. This is done in many cases deliberately, though the speakers know better. Tomich is generally called Tometch; Orray (Orray) becomes Yonray. It is willful, too, and characteristic of the pig headed ignorance and conceit which crops out so offensively in all frontier society. I had a man tell me the other day that he mispronounced Spanish and Indian names, possibly, because he hated grocers and redskins, and thought it a shame that anything should be named after them or any mention be kept of their former presence. He talked Spanish as well as English, and more correctly, yet never failed to say "meesa" for mesa, and "Santa Fee" for Santa Fe, and Denver, and "Iyo Grand" instead of Rio Grande. Old Escalante, in 1776, gave names to many of these rivers, and would be a great gain if they could be restored.—Ernest Ingersoll in Cosmopolitan.

Millionaires of the Metropolis. Another source of millionaires in the metropolis is their emigration from the country. Great cities always draw from smaller ones. Men who have gained a fortune elsewhere like to display it, if not to enjoy it, in the capital, where they find a more favorable environment for their business, as well as pleasure. They are anxious, often, to hide their humble antecedents in its indifference, bustle, distraction and glitter. They fancy that its vastness and splendor are consonant with their own. Comparatively few affluent New Yorkers by residence are New Yorkers by birth. They have come from New England, the west, the south, from Boston, Providence, Hartford, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Savannah, New Orleans, St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, and are cosmopolitan and thoroughly comfortable in their island home. Whatever objections may be urged against the city, it is generally agreed to be a good place for the rich. It has been called a center of papers and millionaires, and it often seems such, because, perhaps, people in moderate or independent circumstances appear contented with the magnificently opulent, pinched with penury. A man with only \$300,000 or \$300,600 can scarcely aspire here to the decorousness of poverty.—Paul R. Cleveland in Cosmopolitan.

Lead Pipes Not Rat Proof. If some inventive genius will get up a poisonous preparation with which to coat the lead pipe used in residences he will make a fortune. Fully one-half of the unexplained cases of burst or leaking lead pipes are due to rats, and not to flaws in the material. In a well cemented basement, with cement floors, etc., as nearly vermin proof as can be, the annoyance from rats is the greatest, as being unable to find water, they are driven frantic by the sound of it flowing through the pipes, and they proceed to eat their way to it. A rat can make a hole in a soft lead pipe in a very short time, and then the cellar is flooded and the landlord is notified that the pipe has burst. It seems to me that some sort of coating could be got up that would kill the rat just as soon as he commenced to eat his way to the running water.—Plumber in Globe-Democrat.

REPUBLICAN PLATFORM

The republicans of the United States assembled by their delegates in national convention, pause on the threshold of their proceedings to honor the memory of their first great leader and benefactor of this nation, Abraham Lincoln, and to recall also with veneration the imperishable remembrance of the noble names of our great leaders who have been more recently called away from our country, Grant, Garfield, Arthur, Logan and Coolidge. We also recall with our greetings and prayer for his recovery the name of one of our living heroes whose memory is preserved in the history both of the republic and of the world. The name of our noble soldier and favorite child of victory, Philip Sheridan.

In the spirit of those great leaders and of our devotion to human liberty, and with that honest regard for the rights of all which is the fundamental idea of the republican party, we send fraternal congratulations to our fellow Americans of Brazil upon their great act of emancipation which completed the abolition of slavery throughout the two American continents. We earnestly hope that they may soon congratulate our fellow citizens of Irish birth upon the peaceful recovery of home rule for Ireland.

WE AFFIRM OUR UNSWERVING DEVOTION to the national constitution and to the indivisible union of states to the autonomy reserved to the states under the constitution, to the personal rights and liberties of citizens in all states and territories in the union, and especially to the suppression of the traffic in every citizen, rich or poor, native or foreign born, white or black, to cast one free ballot in the public election, and to hold a free and honest popular ballot and just and equal representation of all people as the foundation of our republican government, and demand effective legislation to secure the integrity and purity of elections which are the foundations of all public authority. We demand the prompt administration and the democratic majority in congress over the existence of the suppression of the ballot by intimidation, bribery, fraud, the constitution and laws of the United States.

We are unambiguously in favor of the American system of protection. We protest against the repeal of the tariff laws by the present and his party. They serve the interests of Europe.

WE WILL SUPPORT INTERESTS OF AMERICA. We accept the issue, and confidently appeal to the people for their judgment. The protective system must be maintained. Its abandonment has always been followed by general disaster to all interests except those of the unscrupulous and the unscrupulous.

We denounce the Mills' bill as destructive to general business, labor, and the farming interests of the country, and we heartily endorse the amendment and the retention of the republican representatives in congress in opposing its passage. We condemn the proposition of the democratic party to place wool on the free list, which would be a disaster to the sheep raising industry, and to the interests of the wool grower and the manufacturer.

AGRICULTURE AND LABOR. We declare our hostility to the introduction into this country of foreign labor, and our opposition to any legislation which would give preference to the products of any foreign country, or to the products of any foreign manufacturer.

We declare our opposition to all combinations of capital organized in trusts or otherwise to control arbitrarily the condition of trade among our citizens, and we recommend to congress and the state legislatures in their respective jurisdictions such legislation as will prevent the execution of all schemes to oppress the people by undue charges on their supplies or by unjust rates for the transportation of their products to market.

We urge legislation by congress to prevent unjust and unfair discrimination between states.

LAND REVENUE. We reaffirm the policy of appropriating the public lands of the United States to be homesteaded by American citizens and settlers, and we demand that the republican party established in 1828 against the persistent opposition of the democratic party, which has brought into our great western domain into magnificent development the restoration of ungrazed land grants to the public domain for the use of our citizens, and we demand that the administration of President Grant should be continued. We deny that the democratic party has ever received a cent from the people, but declare that by the joint action of republicans and democrats about fifty million acres of ungranted lands, originally granted for the construction of railroads, have been restored to the public domain in pursuance of conditions which are favorable to the people, and we demand that the democratic party should be held to the same conditions.

ADMISSION OF TERRITORIES. The government by contract of the territories is a violation of the constitution, and we demand that the territories be admitted as states in the union; therefore, whenever the conditions of population, material resources, public intelligence and morality are such as to insure stable local government therein the people of such territories should be permitted to elect representatives to form for themselves constitutions and state governments, and be admitted into the union. Pending reports on the subject of all officers thereof should be selected from bona fide residents and citizens of the territory wherein admitted, and the southern states should be immediately admitted as a state in the union under the constitution framed and adopted by her people, and be admitted on the same basis as the republican states in twice passing bills for her admission. The refusal of the democratic house of representatives to admit any territory is a violation of the sacred American principle of local self-government, and we demand the immediate admission of all justly entitled territories to the union.

THE MORNING QUESTION. The political power of the Mormon church in the territories exercised in the past is a menace to the free institutions so dangerous to be long suffered. Therefore we pledge the republican party to appropriate legislation, asserting the sovereignty of the nation in all the territories where the same is questioned, and to enforce the same by the use of the power of the state to suppress the same, and to stamp out the attendant wickedness of polygamy.

The republican party is in favor of the use of both gold and silver as money, and condemns the policy of the democratic administration in its efforts to demonetize silver. We demand the reduction of letter postage to ten per cent.

In a republic like ours, where the citizens are so widely scattered, the only way in which where no power is exercised except by the will of the people, it is important that the sovereign power be vested in the hands of the people. The free school is the promoter of that intelligence which is to preserve us a free nation. Therefore we demand that the state and federal governments should support free institutions of learning sufficient to afford to every child growing up in the land the opportunity of a good common school education.

OUR MERCHANT MARINE. We earnestly recommend that prompt action be taken to improve the condition of our coasting trade, and we demand that the legislation of our American merchant marine, and we protest against the passage by congress of a free ship bill as calculated to work injustice to labor by lessening the wages of those engaged in the carrying trade, as well as those directly employed in our shippers.

We demand appropriations for the early rebuilding of our navy, for the construction of coast fortifications and modern ordnance and other approved modern means of defense for the protection of our defenseless harbors and cities, for the payment of the pensions to our soldiers, for the maintenance of national monuments, for the improvement of the harbors and channels of our interior waterways, and for the encouragement of the shipping interests of the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific coasts, and for the payment of the maturing public debt. We urge every citizen to employ to our labor, activity to our various industries, increased security to our

country, promote trade, open new and direct markets for our products and cheap in the cost of transportation. We affirm this to be far better for our country than the democratic policy of loaning the government's money without interest to "pet banks."

The conduct of foreign affairs by the present administration has been distinguished by inefficiency and cowardice. The treaties withdrawn from the senate all pending treaties effected by republican administrations for the removal of foreign burdens and restrictions upon our commerce and for its extension into a better market it has neither affected nor proposed any others in their stead. Profound adherence to the policy of the present administration, which complacently the extension of foreign influence in Central America and of foreign trade everywhere among our neighbors. It has refused to charter sanction or encourage any American organization for constructing the Nicaragua canal, a work of vital importance to the maintenance of the Monroe doctrine and of our national influence in Central and South America, and necessary for the development of trade with our Pacific territory, with South America, and with the further coasts of the Pacific Ocean.

FISHERIES QUESTION. We arraign the present democratic administration for its weak and unpatriotic treatment of the fisheries question, and its parsimonious surrender of all privilege to which our fishery vessels are entitled in Canadian ports under the treaty of 1854, and the recovery of the same, and the legislation of 1880 and coming of nations, and which Canadian fishing vessels receive in the ports of the United States, and we demand the repeal of the present administration and the democratic majority in congress towards our fisheries, and an immediate and comprehensive legislation to develop a valuable national industry and an indispensable resource of defense against foreign aggression.

The name of American citizen, alike to all citizens of the republic, and imposes upon him the same obligation of obedience to the laws, and the same duty of citizenship, and must be the panoply and safeguard of him who wears it, should shield and protect him whether high or low, or rich or poor, and should not be a mere name, but should afford him protection at home and follow and protect him abroad in whatever land he may be on a lawful errand.

The men who abandoned the republican party in 1854 and continue to adhere to the democratic party, have not only the character of honest government, but of sound finance, of freedom and purity of the ballot, but especially have deserted the cause of reform in the civil service. We will not fail to keep our pledges because they have broken theirs, or because their candidate has broken his. We therefore repeat our declaration of past, present and future policy.

The reform of civil service auspiciously begun under republican administration should be continued by the democratic majority in congress, and the system already established by law to all grades of the service to which it is applied. The spirit and purpose of reform should be observed in all executive appointments, and no one should be promoted to office who has not given evidence of his fitness for the office, and that the danger to free institutions which lurk in the favor of official patronage may be wisely and effectively avoided.

The interests of the nation to the defenders of the union cannot be assured except by laws, the legislation of congress should conform to the pledges made by a loyal people, and so our country should be protected against the possibility that any man who honorably wore the federal uniform should become an insurrectionist or a traitor to his country.

In the presence of an overflowing treasury it would be a public scandal to do less than to invest the surplus in the service of the government. We denounce the hostile spirit shown by President Cleveland in his numerous vetoes of appropriations for relief, and the action of the democratic house of representatives in refusing even consideration of general pension legislation.

In support of the principles herewith enunciated, we invite the co-operation of patriotic men of all parties, especially of all workingmen whose property is seriously threatened by the free trade policy of the present administration.

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