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Is Congressman Dave supporting Edgerton?

AND still the free traders do not quote the latest McKinley prices.

THE district judgeship will be in safe hands for two years more at least.

THE verdict rendered at the polls in Nebraska last Tuesday, indicates that the people question the ability of the independent more to make them all rich.

Now that the alliance has gone out of politics in Nebraska and Kansas, the organization will probably be of good service to the farmers of the northwest.

THE democratic papers that stooped so low as to support Edgerton are not entitled to the sympathy of the people it matters not how much they feel in need of it.

IMMEDIATELY after the World-Herald flopped for Edgerton, the Journal at once accused Mr. Hitchcock of "going to the dogs." In a few days, the democratic nominee withdrew and our esteemed contemporary had to either go republican or go "to the dogs" also and it chose the latter course. It is thought highly probable that e're this the Journalists has become tired of canine association and henceforth will prefer to seek better company.

IOWA REPUBLICANS AND PROHIBITION.

In the re-election of Gov. Boies of Iowa the enemies of the present prohibitory law claim that the people have demanded its repeal. We are not prepared to say what would be the decision of the voters of Iowa were they permitted to again vote upon a proposition to amend the constitution, but in our judgment the time has arrived that the republican party should cease to make it a party issue. In the event that it does not take this course, there is little hope that Iowa will ever again be included in the republican ranks.

After the constitutional amendment, which carried by 30,000 majority, had been declared unconstitutional, the party, true to the principle upon which our government is founded, argued that the majority should rule, and that their demand should be respected. That party having complete control of the executive and legislative branches of the law-making department, accordingly, in fact, enacted a statutory law embodying essentially the same declarations proposed in the amendment. The republicans at this time had a majority of over 30,000 in the state. The democrats at the very next election declared in favor of license and at every subsequent election the prohibition question has been the all-absorbing issue. The result has been that prohibition has not been fairly tested, owing to the open and avowed hostility toward the law manifested by the democratic party. That party has argued that its enforcement would add to the probabilities of republican success and rather than endeavoring to enforce it they have in many instances encouraged its violation. Besides other incontrovertable evidences of this action, it is a significant fact that nine-tenths of the cities and towns in which saloons run openly, the municipal officers are democratic.

It is evident, also, that as long as this question remains a party issue, it will never receive the support of its friends that is justly due. There are thousands of democrats in Iowa that would favor the law were they not required to sacrifice their democratic principles in order to approve the law.

The duty of the party is to resubmit the question of amending the constitution and permit men, regardless of party affiliations, to step to the polls and vote "for" or "against" the amendment. In choosing this course the party cannot be accused of betraying a trust, for it is evident it has lost everything by the issue and gained nothing; neither can it be said that their action will continue to further jeopardize the permanency of the law because it is almost certain, in the event that the democratic batteries are aimed at it two years longer, that a legislature will be chosen that will repeal the law, and enact peacefully one satisfactory to the saloon element.

An honest Swede tells his story in plain but unmistakable language for the benefit of the public. One of my children took a severe cold and got the croup. I gave him a teaspoonful of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and in an incredible time I gave him one more. By the time she had to cough up the gathering in the throat. Then she went to sleep and slept good for several hours. Then she got up and vomited; then she went right to bed and slept good for the remainder of the night. She got the croup the second night and I gave her the same remedy with the same good results. I write this because I thought there might be some one in the same need and not know the true merits of this wonderful medicine. CHARLES A. THOMPSON, Des Moines, Iowa. 50 cent bottle for sale by F. G. Fricke & Co.

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THE ANGEL OF SORROW.

A poet whose songs were as sweet as could be,
But were light as the foam of the restless sea,
Was stopped one day, on his joyous way,
By an angel, who said: "I would speak with thee.

"Every true poet should aim to bring
Peace to some heart by the songs he may sing;
But how can he know what will comfort woe
Until he has felt in his own heart its sting?

"Thy life has been free from sorrow or care;
Hast thou the courage to suffer, and share
The grief and pain of others, to gain
The power to cheer those who burdens bear?"

The poet made answer, "I have no fear
Of pain if it bring me the power to cheer;
Lay a cross upon me, and, though heavy it be,
Close will I hold it as a treasure dear."

The angel said gravely: "Thou hast chosen aright,
And a cross will be laid upon thee tonight;
There is one to love dear, and her loss, I fear,
Will be hard to endure"—then vanished from sight.

His was long ago the poet, grief worn,
Has through the slow years his cross traversed bore;
His words are replete with sympathy sweet,
And are dear to the hearts that love and mourn.

He firmly trusts to a heavenly morrow,
He views their chains from suffering below;
On her grand roll Fame has written his name
It was whispered to her by the angel Sorrow.
—Charles W. Bissell in Good Housekeeping.

To Test Pure Silk.

If you wish to purchase by sample and to test the quality of silk take ten fibers of the filling of any silk, and if on breaking they show a feathery dry and lack luster condition, and discolor the fingers in handling, you may at once be sure of the presence of dye and of artificial weighting.

Or take a small portion of the fibers between the thumb and forefinger and gently roll them over and over, and you will soon detect the gum, mineral, etc., should their be any, or their absence.

Another simple but effective way to test the purity of silk is to burn a small quantity of the fibers. Pure silk will instantly crisp, leaving only a pure charcoal. Heavily dyed silk will smoulder, leaving a greasy yellow ash.

If you cannot break the ten strands, and if they do not discolor the fingers at the point of contract, you may be well assured that you have pure silk, that is honest to its core and durable in the wear.—Detroit Free Press.

The Prayer Should Have Been Answered.

A member of a certain Massachusetts parish, prominent for his thrift and personal consequence, was also notorious for his overbearing assumptions and pomposity. Under the distress and fright of a dangerous illness he "put up a prayer" on several occasions. Finally, and after his recovery, according to usage, he offered a note, to be read by the minister, expressive of his thanks.

The minister was somewhat "large" in this part of his prayer, recalling the danger and the previous petitions of the "squire," and returning his grateful acknowledgments with the prayer that the experience might be blessed to the spiritual welfare of the restored man. He closed with these words:

"And we pray, O Lord, that thy servant may be cured of that ungodly strut so offensive in the sanctuary."—Atlantic Monthly.

Pocketbooks in Letter Boxes.

From time to time pocketbooks are found in the pillar boxes. Pickpockets have taken this way of returning to their owners whom they have robbed the valuable contents of pocketbooks, generally papers, which are of no use to any one but the owner. The thieves in this way get rid of articles which might lead to their conviction, and at the same time assuage the losses of the pocketbook in some measure. They of course have no time to do up a package, but drop the articles into the most convenient boxes.—London Tit-Bits.

An Episode of Nebraska Life.

I met a gentleman at the Union depot the other night who had just returned from Kearney county. He said: "I took up a claim three weeks ago and built my shanty with more care than is usually taken with them. I built a bedstead of boards in the corner and left in a stock of canned goods and dried meat. The first night after it was completed I crawled into bed and fell into a deep sleep. About midnight I was awakened by a half dozen rude jolts, some one cracked a whip, yelled 'Git up!' and I straightway felt the motion of a heavy wagon. I was but half awake, but I realized that my bed was tipped to an angle of 45 degs. and that everything was moving. I realized that my shanty, erected to be unoccupied, was being stolen with me in it. I grabbed my revolver and emptied it at the vanishing in answer to the sound of receding feet. I counted 100 of the small white dogs and drove the team to 100 yards to the side of the house where I left the horses fast and pitched my stuff under the wagon. The next day I drove two miles to my nearest neighbor and secured 100 spades and that of several other farmers. They all said the horses and wagon were miles beyond doubt, as no one would ever claim them."—Kansas City Times.

Going Home to a Wife He Has Never Seen.

Wong Sie Kie came from Hong-Kong to America three years ago. He arrived not at San Francisco or New York, but selected Hartford as his abiding place. Immediately he began washing clothes, and his attention to business and his good natured "Hello" to all visitors brought him many customers. He prospered so well that he thinks he has now made enough to justify his return to China.

Wong will leave Hartford for San Francisco, from which port he will take immediate passage for his beloved Hong-Kong. He has sold out his business to a cousin, who has taken charge. His savings and the money he got for his laundry amount to $2,000, representing his net profit after his living expenses have been deducted from three years of laundrying. Wong says his father and mother are living, and that he has brothers and sisters. Besides, he has a wife in China, to whom he has been married since he came to America. His imperfect English prevented a lucid explanation of how this marriage occurred.—Hartford Courant.

A Successor of Newton.

Sir George Gabriel Stokes, who is till he retires senior member for Cambridge university, is one of the most distinguished mathematicians of the day. He is an old man in the "seventies," below the medium height, with snow white hair and a very high forehead. Sir George is president of the Royal society, an office which was held by the famous Sir Isaac Newton, who was also member for the University of Cambridge. These two positions, which have never been held by one individual since the time of Newton, are now, after the lapse of upward of two centuries, happily combined in Sir George.

To carry the analogy further, Newton never once spoke in parliament, while Sir George, although an assiduous student of debates, has during his five years of parliamentary life addressed the house on two or three occasions only. It is not generally known that Sir George Stokes is an Irishman. His father, a distinguished graduate of Trinity college, was rector of Skreen, about seven miles from the town of Sligo.—London Star.

How Maine Firemen Managed.

The firemen of Caribou, Me., were called upon to perform a feat rather out of the usual line of duty. The bridge across the Aroostook river connecting the two sections of the village burned, and although the adjacent buildings in the main village were saved those on the opposite side of the river, near the end of the bridge, took fire and were threatened with destruction. All of the fire apparatus was in the main village, the bridge was destroyed and there were no boats at hand. Accordingly the best swimmers in the fire company were selected to swim the river with a line of hose. They accomplished the feat and got across just in time to prevent the destruction of $50,000 worth of property.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Come Back After Forty-one Years.

A Missouri man left his wife and went to Australia forty-one years ago, where it was reported he died. A few days ago, however, he unexpectedly returned home with a large fortune. There was a joyous meeting between husband and wife so long separated, but once more happily reunited. Strange to say, his wife had lived single all these many years with the dim hope of once more seeing her husband. They are both quite aged now, being upward of seventy years.—Exchange.

Did Two Foolish Things.

An erring brother in Vermont got up in open meeting and made the following confession: "Brethren, my conscience compels me to confess that when boiling down my sap in the spring I put into the kettle two buckets of water and sold the sugar at the same price as that made from pure sap."—Congregationalist.

A Solid Train of Beans.

A solid train load of beans, twelve carloads in all, left Saticoy, Cal., recently, consigned to Chicago by the Farmers' Alliance of Ventura county. The train ran through to its destination as a special train.

A railway is now being built from La Paz, in Bolivia, to the headquarters of the river Madeira, in Brazil, which is the main tributary of the Amazon, thus giving a water outlet for the Bolivian products.

Money to the amount of $28,643 and checks and notes to the value of $1,471,871 were found in the 6,000,000 letters that reached the dead letter office last year.

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A POPULAR FAMILY.

JENNIE: "Now look here, Kate, that you always seem to [illegible] interesting to Billy? Do what I may, you always seem to get ahead of me."

KATE: "I don't know! I sometimes do not [illegible] anything that [illegible]."

JENNIE: "Well, [illegible] for example, you have taken up painting,

without any teacher; you came to the rescue when Miss Latimer [illegible] her business so suddenly, and generally we are all improving in every quarter [illegible]; I heard you telling Jimmy Lawson last evening how his club made motorcycles [illegible] instead; you seem to be up on all the latest "fads," and know just what to do under all circumstances; you entertain [illegible] and in the last month you have improved so in health, owing, you tell me, to your physical culture exercises. Where do you get all of your information from in this little out-of-the-way place?—for you never go to the city."

KATE: "Why, Jennie, you will make me vain. I have only one source of information, but it is surprising how it meets all wants. I very seldom hear of anything new but what the next few days bring me full information on the subject. Magic? No! Magazine! And a great treasure it is to us all, for it really furnishes the reading for the whole household: father has given up his magazine that he has taken for years, as he says this one gives more and better information on the subjects of the day; and mother says that it is that that makes her such a famous housekeeper. In fact, we all agree that it is the only really FAMILY magazine published, as we have sent for samples of all of them, and find that one is all for men, another all for women, and another for children only, while this one suits every one of us; so we only need to take one instead of several, and that is where the economy comes in, for it is only $2.00 a year. Perhaps you think I am too lavish in my praise; but I will let you see ours, or, better still, send 15 cents to the publisher, W. Jennings Demorest, 15 East 14th Street, New York, for a sample copy, and I shall always consider that I have done you a great favor; and may be you will be cutting us out, as you say we have the reputation of being the best informed family in town. If that be so, it is Demorest's Family Magazine that does it."

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