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THE JOURNAL takes no glory to itself for yesterday's victory against the efforts of the two republican organs. It simply voiced the popular will and did a little toward making that will effective.

The victory of H. N. Dovey for delegate to St. Louis seems assured. This is a distinct triumph for Polk over the Chapman-Newell-Davies combine and gives Cass county an honor that the combine would have thrown away. Mr. Dovey is a prominent young republican who deserves his coming victory, and whose selection will give satisfaction to all people, regardless of party.

The joke of the city campaign in on both the News and Mr. Chapman's mouth-piece, the little Tribune. While their campaign mud batteries have been leveled at C. W. Sherman, and THE JOURNAL under his management, that gentleman has been keeping perfectly quiet, enjoying the fun, never saying a word or writing an article, but permitting other hands to do the work, which they have done so well to set both the organs of the g. o. p. wild with rage. Mr. Sherman admits that he is not in the present race for mayor, and, to be honest, he don't think Mr. Newell is in it seriously. He says he has withstood a good deal of abuse before now, and he can stand some more of it from the same sources. So he hopes the boys will pelt away. It won't hurt him any, and if it affords them any satisfaction he is willing to let them throw all the mud they can stand.

### Call for Democratic County Convention.

In pursuance of the invitation of the Democratic central committee, and the action of the county central committee of Cass county, the democratic voters of said Cass county are hereby invited to meet in delegate convention at the village of Union on Wednesday, April 15, A. D. 1896, at 1 o'clock of same day.

The object of said convention is, to elect twenty-one delegates to represent said Cass county in the state convention, and twenty-one delegates to represent said county in the district convention, both of said conventions are called to meet at Lincoln, Nebraska on Wednesday, April 22, A. D. 1896.

The primary meetings for the election of delegates to said county convention, are hereby called for Saturday evening of April 11, 1896 at 8 o'clock.

The representation from each ward and precinct in the county shall be upon the basis of one delegate at large to each ward or precinct, and one delegate for every forty votes or major fraction thereof, cast at last general election for Hon. B. S. Ramsey for district judge. Upon that basis the several wards and precincts will be entitled to representation as follows:

- Tipton 3, Louisville 3, Plattsmouth precinct 6, Elmwood 4, Avoca 3, First ward Weeping Water 2, Salt Creek 3, Mt. Pleasant 4, Second ward Weeping Water 2, Stove Creek 3, Eight Mile Grove 3, Third ward Weeping Water 1, Greenwood 3, Nehawka 3, First ward Plattsmouth 3, South Bend 2, Liberty 4, Second ward Plattsmouth 5, Weeping Water precinct 2, Rock Bluffs First district 3, Third ward Plattsmouth 4, Center 3, Rock Bluffs Second district 3, Fourth ward Plattsmouth 4, and Fifth ward Plattsmouth 3.

All persons who believe in the principles of Jefferson democracy are invited to participate in said primaries and convention.

H. D. TRAVIS, Chairman.  
D. O. DWYER, Secretary.

### Call for Congressional Convention.

The democratic convention for the First district of Nebraska is hereby called to meet at Lincoln, Nebraska, on the 22d day of April, 1896, at eleven o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating two delegates to the democratic national convention to be held in Chicago on the 7th day of July, said nominations to be ratified by the democratic state convention to be held in Lincoln on the 22d day of April, 1896, at two o'clock p. m. The basis of representation shall be one delegate for every 100 votes, or major fraction thereof, cast for Hon. W. J. Bryan for United States senator in 1895. The several counties shall be entitled to representation as follows:

- Cass . . . . .21
- Johnson . . . . .21
- Lancaster . . . . .21
- Nemaha . . . . .21
- Otoe . . . . .20
- Pawnee . . . . .8
- Richardson . . . . .20
- Total . . . . .138

## THE RESULT.

The electors of this city Tuesday decreed a change in the administration of city affairs. This was in direct line with the predictions of THE JOURNAL. Ten days ago this paper took up the cause of exposing the hypocrisy and shams of the so-called "reform" administration. Ten days ago it began its appeals to the voters to return to their senses, and elect a set of city officials who would be only what they said they would be and nothing more—good officials.

The appeals of THE JOURNAL have borne fruit. The result on mayor is, in itself, a sufficient vindication of every charge presented in these columns. When the people chose John A. Gutschel to succeed Mayor Newell they acted wisely and well. Mr. Gutschel was THE JOURNAL's candidate, not because of the fact that he was on the democratic ticket alone, but because he represented the correct principles of municipal government. Under his administration there will be no sham "reform."

Whenever genuine reform is needed, it will be had, but the right of every man to live and enjoy life will be respected. There will be no abuse of the law. There will be no reduction of the wage scale. There will be a qualified and competent police force and every man will receive fair and courteous treatment from him. This program is democratic in its entirety and will be carried out.

In choosing Henry R. Gering to administer the city finances for two years the people have again acted upon THE JOURNAL's advice. Mr. Gering won his election over a most spirited fight. It is no discredit to Mr. Gering that he was defeated. He made a magnificent, albeit an unscrupulous fight, and was defeated because the people believed Mr. Gering to be better qualified and more capable to fill the position. Mr. Unruh's bond record campaign militated much against his chances of success and the people considered that a man who had no stronger a record than that was not a man for public position.

That the people's judgment is not partisan is shown by the fact that B. C. Kerr was chosen clerk over the popular, young Frank Green. It was to Mr. Green's detriment that he lacked acquaintance among the voters. He would have made a capable, trustworthy official, but Mr. Kerr's extended acquaintance enabled him to escape the general defeat.

M. Archer's election was largely due to the fact that he has been tried and found true. The people desired to have the best men in office and Judge Archer's record has proven him to be that man.

The choice of Messrs. Davis and Travis as members of the school board was timely. THE JOURNAL desired to see Mr. Wilkinson elected, but as in Mr. Green's case, his lack of extended acquaintance had much to do with the result. Mr. Davis has been upon the board and seems to have satisfied the people. Mr. Travis will make an earnest, conscientious officer and will act for the best interests of the city and the schools.

Mike Mauzy's election was generally conceded, even by republicans, before election. It is needless to state that Mr. Mauzy will give complete satisfaction to the people of the city and the ward. He will be no hypocrite or fraud but plain Mike Mauzy, a friend of the people, and an honest, sturdy representative of good government.

Geo. Heisel was chosen over John F. Hinshaw in the second ward, because he was considered the proper man for the place. Mr. Hinshaw had made a clean, honorable record and put up a good fight for re-election. His successor was elected upon the ground of personal popularity and because he was considered fully qualified for the position. This is correct. George Heisel will make an excellent councilman and will meet the wants of his ward and the city in every respect.

Councilman Steimker went down in defeat because the people were tired of his domineering ways and disgusted with his antics in the council chamber. He never merited election, but was always in line for defeat. Dr. Cummins' overwhelming majority bespeaks well for the intelligence of the voters of that ward and indicates that good business principles have resumed sway in the big third. Dr. Cummins may well feel proud of his victory over "Doll-rags," it was an excellent testimonial of the high regard in which Dr. Cummins is held and thoroughly vindicates THE JOURNAL's position.

John P. Sattler's victory in the fourth is well merited. It is a complete knock-out for the gentlemen who made it their business to slander Mr. Sattler by charges of drunkenness and inattention to business. The people will not believe slander and have so testified. John P. Sattler made a good record and he stands vindicated.

In the fifth, the expected fight against Wm. Slater failed to materialize. Nothing could be said against Mr.

Slater's record. It was a whole campaign in itself and its voice was heard yesterday.

Upon the whole THE JOURNAL feels proud. It is proud of the voters of Plattsmouth city. They acted in harmony. While the men elected are as a rule democrats, yet, the ballots fell from hands republican as well as democrat and in the end it was the voice of the people. A voice terrible in its power—the voice that raises hopes and speaking, crushes out ambitions high in their expectations, but doomed to lasting defeat. So the victory is the victory of the people.

## PERSONAL, POLITICAL AND PERTINENT.

Maxey Cobb, county treasurer of Lancaster county, committed suicide Thursday, near Lincoln, by taking poison. A shortage of some \$36,000 in his accounts is supposed to have preyed upon his mind to such an extent that he was unable to face the disgrace and took his own life. He was a son of Judge Amassa Cobb.

If a woman hasn't a husband, she gets a cat or a dog, anything, so it is something she can worry about for staying out nights.—Atchison Globe.

In a certain Knox county school the children took to spoiling each other's dinner by putting cayenne pepper in the pails. The other day a little girl discovered a white powder on her pie and found upon tasting it that it was very bitter. She gave the pie to a dog, and the beast died a few minutes afterwards. It was strychnine.—Seward Blade.

The Sarpy county authorities have offered a reward of \$500 for the capture of Vic McCarty, the outlaw.

No peddler does anything to help the town. He gives nothing to schools, churches or public enterprises. He spends no money here; he pays no taxes; he has nothing in common with the home people. He can swindle you, often does swindle you, and you cannot help yourself. He has no store in town to which you may return goods that are worthless. The itinerant merchant has no reputation to sustain. He can cheat you with impunity. The home merchant bears his share of the business of good government. When a subscription paper is passed he is the first approached. He spends all of his money here. He builds a home which enhances the value of all property. He helped to pay for the church in which you worship and the school to which you send your children.

A Long Island stamp collector named Nelson Terrett, who is well known as an enthusiast, has just sold 5,000 or 6,000 United States stamps. The stamps, all of which brought good prices, were quite rare. One of them, a 21 cent stamp of the 1851 issue, bringing \$19. The entire lot realized \$6,008. Mr. Terrett still has a large collection of both United States and foreign stamps.

When a sharp battle takes place within twelve miles of Havana, and the dispatches state that "the details are meager," the inference is that the Spanish troops were roughly handled and have no desire to go into particulars.

The net earnings of the Burlington system for the month of February show an increase of \$236,559 over the same month of last year, when the net earnings showed a deficit of \$278,392. The net earnings of the system from the first of the year to February 29 show a deficit of \$44,843; an increase of \$352,048 over the same period of the preceding fiscal year.—Lincoln Journal.

An editor who has experienced a dragging sensation about the heels has the following to say: "When a man goes to church and the shingle nail that holds his pants fast to his suspenders, drops out and goes rattling down on the hard wood seat like a cow bell, and lets his suspenders slip around his neck, he might as well get up and go home, for the sermon won't do him any good."

Here is a little item taken from the Syracuse (N. Y.) Herald of some years ago. "Yesterday morning at four o'clock p. m., a man with a heel in the hole of his stocking, committed arsenic, by swallowing a dose of suicide. The inquest of the verdict returned a jury that the deceased came to the facts in accordance with his death. He leaves a child and six small wives to lament the end of his untimely loss. In death we are in the midst of life."

Hon. W. J. Bryan addressed the teachers of Dodge county Friday evening with "Job and His Boils," as a title for his lecture.

Editor Edgar Howard of the Papillion Times expresses himself thusly: "The editor of this paper will measure his volume of true friends by the list of those who shall vote against him for village trustee. His name was placed on the ballot without his knowledge or

consent. He now holds one office and an average hand at whist. That's enough. Unless you want him advertised to the world as a hog, please don't elect him to another official position."

Most persons are dependent upon rubber overshoes to keep their feet dry in wet weather. But one who has practiced it for a number of years knows that leather boots can be made water proof in the following way: Melt together equal parts of castor oil, kerosene and lard and while it is still warm rub the mixture all over a pair of new boots, both upper and soles. As it dries in repeat the operation about five times and you can then put the boots on and walk in melting snow with impunity. Give another dressing with this mixture about once in three or four months. Leather is not only made water-proof in this way but becomes very soft and pliable.

In a suburban town of New York one day last week two fire department horses, a pair of iron grays, were "borrowed" for a couple of hours to haul a moving van loaded with household goods. Among the goods was an alarm clock. During the moving the clock, jarred by the jolting of the truck, started to ring. The horses, thinking it was the fire alarm, started off at a gallop, increasing their speed at every stride, while the alarm clock rang on merrily. By a strange coincidence, a fire engine on its way to a fire dashed by. The horses attached to the truck dashed after the engine, and the driver was unable to stop them until the scene of the fire was reached. Even then it was with great difficulty that the horses could be driven away from the conflagration.

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