EDITOR INDEPENDENT:- Dear Sir-Barker is our resident minister of M. E. church and was one of our taunchest supporters in our late campaign for financial reform and industrial emancipation. He is a christian cutleman in the fullest sense of the arm, of splendid ability, and while possing strong political convictions, does not believe in mixing religion with politics as so many of the Mammon worshiping ministers did in the late campaign.

I sincerely hope Mr. Barker may reserve the compliment his high character nerits.

Respectfully yours, GEO. A. ABBOTT. blain in the forthcoming legislature.

eders of fine stock can find no better rtising medium than this paper.

Cleveland's Picture Cut to Pieces. CHICAGO, Des. 9. -The picture of President Cleveland which hung in the as of the Cook County Democratic club has been cut to pieces. The per-petrators of the deed are unknown. It is supposed to be the result of the strife between the gold and silver wings of the club. The picture was one of the largest and finest of the President in existence. It was painted

## Insurance Department.

Conducted by J. Y. M. Swigart, Correspondence

I presume that all mutual insurance en will rejoice with me because Samuel

be present as we should be heard through

FALLS CITY, Neb., Dec., 4, 1896.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT:—Dear Sir—

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In the District Court of Lancaster County.

men will rejoice with me because Samuel Lichty of Falls City will be the insurance deputy in the anditor's office for the next two years.

There are several good men and some not so good who are looking for the clerkship in the insurance department but so far Mr. Cornell has not said who would be the clerk. We are not particular as to the name of the person who fills that place but we are exceedingly anxious to see no one in either of these places except that he islthoroughly a mutual man. Now that Mr. Lichty is to be the deputy we hope he will not be handleapped by a clerk who is not in full accord with the work.

We do not expect any favors to mutual companies from the state officers but we are sure now that all mutuals will have a chance to do bu iness without fear of being haraseed by unfriently officers. We know Mr. Lichty well enough that we may say that he will surely comply with the law and ask all others to do the same. The stock companies will not suffer by this appointment but they will not dictate how the law shall be construed. We need some new laws on the subject of insurance, a law to allow mutual hall insurance, a law to allow mutual insurance, a law to allow mutual his insurance, a law to allow mutual hall insurance, a law to allow mutual hall insurance, a law to allow mutual his mortance, a law to allow mutual his mortance, a law to allow mutual his mortance, a law to allow mutual insurance, a law to allow mutual his mortance, a law to allow mutual his insurance, a law to allow mutual his mortance, a law to allow mutual his mort

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SUCCEEDS ED. J. HALL.

Nels O. Alberts Gets the Oil Inspector

ship in the Pifth District.

Nels O. Alberts of Saronville has been appointed deputy oil inspector for the Fifth district, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Ed. J. Hall of Grand Island. Mr. Alberts is well known in this state, being a Bryan presidential elector, and one of the prominent leaders elector, and one of the prominent leaders in the populist party. He is of Swedish origin and received the unanimous en-dorsement of the Swedes in his neighbordorsement of the Sweder in his neighbor-bood and from many others over the state. His appointment will be gratify-ing to his numerous friends, who believe no more efficient successor to the late Mr. Hall could have been named. Mr. Hall's son was spoken of in connection with the place awarded to Mr. Alberts, but he is booked for another position of trust equally as good as an oil inspector-ship.

### WILLING TO UNITE.

A Startling Statement from Chairman

Chairman Jones is credited in the dispatches with having used this language: for no other reason. In order that all elements constituting the movement (the silver republicans, the silver democrats and the populists) may be satisfied it may become necessary to merge all these forces into one great army under one new name. It is rarely that a new great issue succeeds under an old name."

This is the most sensible thing we have seen from this source for three months. There is no political sense, in the demo-There is no political sense in the democrats playing the hog and demanding all while they yield nothing. An now while we condemn "hoggishness" in democrats, we are not in position to play the same role and demand that all come under our banner. It is becoming to us as reformers that while we stand uncompromisingly for all the principles in our platform, that we exhibit that spirit of tolerance that will be willing to join hands in a movement embracing all elements in sympathy with the movement. It is true that our tanner was first floated over these principles, but it is equally true that extremists and passionate self-styled leaders have brought the name into disrepute in many places. It is a commendable epirit to find in these elements when they express a willingness to abandon party home, as did Senator Teller, and "get together" for the common good.

The only opposition to Hon. J. N. Gaffin for speaker of the next house came from the northwest in the person of Col. A. E. Sheltion of Chadron, but the following clipping from the Valentine Democrat will show that Col. Sheldon has very wisely concluded to give up the ace which gives Mr. Gaffin a clear field. This was the proper thing to do as it must be conceded that outside of Mr. Gaffiu's personal popularity, gentlemanly bearing and love for justice and fair play, that his experience alone makes him the best qualified member of the next house for that position:

GAFFIN FOR SPEAKER.

Col. A. E. Sheldon, of Chadron, having

representatives in our state legislature is one which carries with it no small amount of resposibility, and the man who fills the place should first of all be a man of experience. Next he should be a good parliamentarian, a judge of human nature, as it is he who appoints committees, and the posessor of quick conception and an ability to make use of and turn to advantage the tactics of those who are opposing legislation advocated by the majority. Speaker Gaffin is well known to the democrat and this paper can vouch for him as posessing all the qualities named above, together with those other characteristics which are needed by all officials—courtesy and true gentlemanliness.

Only six of the one hundred members of the house have been returned this year, and J. N. Gaffin should be elected speaker on account of his experience if

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