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A call for republican county convention to nominate delegates to the State convention should be made soon.

If the crop season holds out as it has started in (and it looks that way now) the next Nebraska State fair will be a hummer.

The republican National convention will be held at St. Louis, June 16th, and the republican State convention at Lincoln, July 1st.

The irrigating ditches ought to serve a good purpose this year in taking care of the surplus water. They say it is a poor rule that will not work both ways, and so it is with the ditches.

Secretary Piper has made a good officer and should be renominated. He has made a splendid record and perhaps of all the state officers is most deserving of a second term. He will no doubt be renominated by acclamation.

The crop of candidates from Douglas county this season is about as thrifty as the grain crop over the state. They must have sprouted with the first planting and may get blighted before the season is over. Some of them seems to have been nipped a little by the frosts already.

The weather reporter for the Nebraska Farmer is a little off his base in reporting the condition of Sherman county. He says, "It is too windy and hot for small grain." The fact is it has been cool and wet, just the condition that will make the small grain stool out and grow rapidly. Samples of small grain have been brought in that will measure eighteen inches in length. Corn is nearly all planted and a great deal of it is up.

The case of the \$32,000 bonds which the pop Supervisors of Valley county pronounced illegal and refused to pay the interest of \$6,000 on, has been decided by Judge Shiras of the United States federal court in favor of the purchaser who brought suit to recover said interest.

Valley county voted and issued said bonds, and said them and used the proceeds to pay off her indebtedness. Since the pop administration they have tried hard to repudiate the debt but Judge Shiras reads a bit of law to them that may be of benefit in future life. The following is an extract from his decision.

"The question of the validity of \$32,000 in bonds voted by Valley county in 1879, was involved in a case submitted to the court some time ago, and decided this morning. The bonds were voted to pay off accrued indebtedness of the county. About ten years after they had been sold the county refused to pay the interest coupons, and suit was brought. The county set up as a defense that the bonds were illegally voted. That the amount was greatly in excess of the limit placed by the laws of the state, and that two precincts in the county had not been allowed to vote on the bond proposition. The court held that the innocent purchaser had a right to depend upon the report of the board of canvassers as to the legality of the election, and upon the report of the equalizing board for the limit of the county's indebtedness. Judgment was therefore given to the plaintiffs against the county."

This office received a pleasant call last Tuesday evening from D. W. Reed and J. T. Hogan, of Omaha, who are now traveling over the state in the interest of John M. Thurston, the United States Senator from Nebraska, and who are evidently fixing up political fences for some of the most prominent candidates for state offices. These gentlemen have nothing but good words for our western candidates, Jack McCall for governor, and informed us that he will get a good following from the Omaha delegation. They also thing that if Mickeljohn receives the nomination he will make a good race, and if elected an excellent officer. Douglas county, in their opinion, will be divided on many of the candidates on the state ticket, and in fact all but Churchill, who seeks renomination for the office of attorney general. Douglas county seems to have a candidate for nearly every office on the ticket, but it seems that Churchill will be the only one from that county who can carry a solid delegation to the state convention. Messrs Reeo and Hogan are active members of the Nebraska Republican Club and seem very anxious to get up the strongest possible ticket in the field and one that every loyal republican can support, and that will meet with general approval by the people.

A terrible cyclone swept through the northeastern part of Kansas and southeastern Nebraska last Sunday which did great damage and resulted in the loss of many lives and injury to many people. Many who escape instant death are maimed for life the storm covered a large scope of country and several small towns through which it passed were completely demolished. The storm crossed the Nebraska line east of Preston, and passed through Preston and Fall City. At both these places considerable damage was done. In the country districts the destruction of property was equally great. A special from Falls City says that four persons were killed and a number of houses dashed into kindling wood. Judge Dandy's fine forest which he had preserved since the settlement of the country was laid low. The Hinton park one mile south of the city was completely destroyed. All the buildings in the park was reduced to kindling wood and two-thirds of the trees were torn up by the roots. Farm houses and barns in its path were blown down and people were compelled to flee for their lives.

Hogue Wins The Case.

The following opinion handed down by Chief Justice Post in the case of the First National bank vs. John Hogue will be of special interest to our readers. It will be remembered that the bank sued Mr. Hogue for a large sum of money and the case was tried in the district court of Sherman county, August 26th, 1892, by Judge Holcomb, and a judgement obtained against Mr. Hogue in the sum of \$14,836.81. Mr Hogue appealed from the district court and the case was taken to the Supreme court where it was reversed. The following is the opinion rendered.

Hogue vs Capital National Bank.— Error from Sherman County. Reversed. Opinion by Chief Justice Post.

Where a corporation has had a de facto existence for a considerable time, its corporate character cannot be collaterally assailed by persons contracting with it in such capacity, relying upon its corporate credit, in order to nullify stockholders thereof individually liable on account of the failure to observe the statutory requirements essential to constitute a legal corporation.

2. The liability imposed by Sec. 120, Chap. 16, Comp. Stats., as originally enacted was penal in its character, and rights of action there under not reduced to judgement, shared with the repeal of said section without a saving clause. Chap. 13, Laws, 1891.

Why McKinley is so strong with the people is neatly told by the Beatrice times. Here it is. "McKinley is both the man and the platform, one and the same, indivisible, concrete, and in the abstract; that is what makes him strong. You remember before the whirlwind of 1892 the Democracy preached that high tariff was the cause of every ill or want or disaster that happened to mankind in the United States, and McKinley was the apostle thereof and demanded a change, a change with a thousand tongues and pens. The change was made and the crash came. Now the farmer that held his wheat for a low tariff policy, and \$2 per bushel, and the workman that flew the track because his dinner pail was to cost 5 cents more under the McKinley tariff law, are both for McKinley and tariff; for the one has sold his wheat at less than a dollar a bushel, and the other has no grub to put in a nickel pail even."

A lady asked us whether etiquette requires one to knock at the door of an editor's sanctum before entering. We hasten to reply. If you are coming to pay your subscription or bring in a nice juicy item of news, don't stop to knock but just walk right in as if you owned the place. If, on the other hand, you are out on a collection tour, you should make the fact known through the window, and then knock at the door until the editor opens it. You may sink down from exhaustion before he does so, but you will be adhering to the printing office etiquette and that is bound to please the average editor.—Seward Blade.

Seldom does it happen that nature pours out such an abundance of moisture upon our portion of the earth, and at the same time distributing it so equally over all localities, as has been the case with our April rainfall for 1896. From first to last it was a pleasant succession of sunshine and soft winds that have set all Nebraskans to reminiscing of ye olden time when the corn stalk grew into saplings, and the potatoes elbowed one another out of the ground.—Nebraska Farmer.

Suits aggregating a million dollars are now pending against railroads entering Sioux City on the ground of overcharges on freights from that point east.

Elopers Caught at Shelton

On Tuesday of last week giving his name as George Spicer arrived in Shelton accompanied by a woman whom he resented as his wife. The remained in this vicinity a few days when the men secured work as a farm laborer on the place of Henry Webben, taking his supposed wife there with him. Nothing unusual was thought of them until Tuesday of this week when John Spicer, of Keon, Iowa, arrived here and caused their arrest, claiming that they had eloped together, leaving him with a four-year old child on his hands. He had in his possession a letter from the county attorney at Leon, Iowa, stating that a serious crime had been committed and instructing they be held until a requisition could be secured to take them back to Iowa.

Constable Bently went out to Webben's place and arrested the pair and brought them to town and notified the county attorney at Leon by telegraph that he had them in charge. He received a reply instructing him to hold them until the sheriff arrived with the requisition.—Shelton Clipper.

Prof. King appeared at the rink last Monday night, for about thirty minutes, and then disappeared in a blaze of glory. The most enthusiastic applause marked his appearance. His magic lantern performance, famous Kentucky jig and slight hand performance were all left in the dark after about twenty minutes had elapsed and he had to flee for his life, the ticket seller having previously fled with the funds, amounting to about thirteen dollars. The performance will not be repeated.—Kearney Sun.

Backward, turn backward, O, time, if you will, give us McKinley or give us his bill; Kindle the fires in the furnace again, Furnish more work to our laboring men; We are so weary of Cleveland and Hoke, Weary of smokestacks emitting no smoke, Weary of spindles that nobody spins; What are our sins, mister, what are our sins? Backward, roll backward, O' scroll of the fates, Show us why Cleveland once carried the states; Bring us the men who in Grover believed, Tell us just how they were caught and deceived. What, in the nature of popular wrong, What have we done to be punished so long? Always the same when democracy wins—What are our sins, mister, what are our sins?

Ever so often fresh converts are made, Voters who howl for free whisky and trade; Don't give a darn for the future expense, Howl without reason and vote without sense. That was the cause only four years ago, Cleveland elected and four years of woe; Those who were for him are crying "enough!" Isn't it tough, mister, isn't it tough? —Bixby in State Journal

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