

OLD KENTUCKY IN LINE

GOLD DEMOCRATS SELECT THEIR DELEGATES.

Eight Hundred in Convention With Col. Breckenridge as the Main Orator—His Reappearance in Public Life the Occasion for One of His Best Oratorical Efforts—The Delegates Selected at Large.

Kentucky Sound Money Democrats.
LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 22.—Kentucky Democrats who are not in sympathy with the Chicago platform raised their standard yesterday, and the Bourbon state will lead the procession to Indianapolis. The convention which met at Music hall contained some 200 delegates, who filled the central portion of the hall set apart for them, while on the stage were many of the men who have fought Democracy's battles in the state for a quarter of a century. Two sessions were held.

In the afternoon temporary organization was effected. The selections of the various districts for committee, electors and delegates were presented and an address was delivered by Colonel W. C. P. Breckenridge that aroused a whirlwind of enthusiasm. The eloquent colonel's reappearance into public life was the occasion for one of his best efforts. He pitched into the Chicago platform with might and main, and declared it was the duty of Kentucky Democrats to compass the defeat of Bryan and Sewall, whose election, he declared, would be the greatest calamity that could befall the people of this country.

The platform, which was unanimously adopted, aroused frequent outbursts of enthusiasm. It was a severe arraignment of the Chicago platform, which was declared to be "revolutionary and destructive of Democratic principles." The candidates were denounced, Mr. Bryan as a Populist and Mr. Sewall as a "subsidized shipbuilder, and a high protectionist." It contains a strong presentation of the principles to enunciate which the gathering was called, namely, the maintenance of an honest and stable currency on a gold standard; a tariff for revenue only; low taxation and economical expenditure; civil service reform; the duty of the government to protect the citizen and property from lawlessness, an independent and unimpaired judiciary, the condemnation of "special privileges, sumptuary legislation, governmental favoritism, bounties and other forms of paternalism and Populism," and a hearty endorsement of the national Democratic administration. Every mention of Cleveland or Carlisle during the afternoon or evening was greeted with an outburst of applause. The delegates at large are Gen. S. B. Buckner, A. J. Carroll, W. P. C. Breckenridge and W. F. Browder.

SENATOR BACON'S VIEW.

Republicans Arming With Argument, But Silver Sentiment Unchanged.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—United States Senator Bacon of Georgia, who has just returned from the Pacific coast, was at Democratic headquarters today. He said that as the sentiment now existed in the country Bryan would be elected, but that Republicans had told him that the sentiment of the people would change before election. He failed to see that the sentiment of the country through which he had passed had changed, but was inclined to think that the money which the Republicans were putting into the campaign would have its effect. He did not mean by this that the voters would be bought, but that the Republicans would get their literature more largely circulated, would have more speakers and would have more and better informed men at many places who would be able to defeat the Democrats in argument. He noticed at the stations and other places where there were groups of men arguing the silver question, that it was a general thing the Republican was better informed and could array his argument with more effect, and when he got the better of his Democratic antagonist he was likely to carry the crowd with him. This he attributed to a large circulation of literature and special work of the Republicans, who were posting men everywhere. He thought that this was the only feature where the Republicans were succeeding and said he had no doubt that all this would be counteracted by the Democrats.

COLORADO DEMOCRATS.

State Ticket Named, Subject to the Action of the Populists.

PUEBLO, Col., Aug. 22.—Colorado Democrats expressed their choice among Democrats for candidates for the several state offices yesterday, subject to the action of a conference committee of eleven of the most prominent Democrats of the state, who are to endeavor to arrange a fusion with the Populist and Silver parties. In the event of a combination, candidates for the offices apportioned the Democrats will be those named by the convention for the positions. On presidential electors a fusion ticket was nominated, one Populist, one silver Republican and two Democrats. If fusion is not effected the full ticket will stand.

At the second district Democratic congressional convention John C. Bell of Montrose (Populist) was endorsed for renomination, subject to the action of a conference committee of seven, the policy of the state convention being followed.

Callers Upon Chairman Hanna.
NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—Chairman Hanna's callers at the Republican national headquarters to-day included ex-Congressman G. C. Hazleton of Washington, William H. Parry, city comptroller of Seattle, Wash., Commissioner F. S. Gibbs of this city and Wilbur F. Wakeman of the American Protective Tariff Association. Mr. Hazleton has just made a tour of New England, where he found, as he told Mr. Hanna, that farmers and artisans were generally with the Republicans on the currency issue, and would vote for McKinley and Hobart.

STREET DEBATES.

Indianapolis' Police Judge Holds That Orators Must Be Let Alone.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 22.—A great crowd has collected each day for ten days on the postoffice corner discussing the financial question. This frequently lasted until midnight. As fast as one speaker finished another filled the gap.

The police made numerous and futile efforts to scatter the disputants and finally made several arrests. Two cases came before Judge Cox of the city court and the last time, with much impatience, he discharged the defendants, holding that there was no decision by any court, high or low, where it was held that a man violated the law by discussing politics in the street. "On the contrary," he continued, "all of the decisions are the other way. The right of free speech is fundamental in our constitution, and must not be denied. No police force can stop it. It is the right of American citizens. This is a time when perplexing questions are puzzling the people. They are questions of vital importance to the common people. It is only by ample discussion of the questions that confront them that they can learn properly to exercise their right of franchise. They have a right to discuss the questions and the court will protect them." The court also criticized the policy of the police in interfering with these street corner talks by using the ordinance against sidewalk obstruction as an engine of oppression. He warned the officers that further arrests would be useless, as the defendants would not be punished.

CAUSE OF SUNSTROKE.

New York Scientists Discover That Heat Evolves a Blood Poison.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—The cause of sunstroke has been definitely discovered, according to the claims of officers of the state pathological institute. They have made investigations which show that, instead of the sun's rays being the direct cause of sunstroke, as has all along been believed by the medical profession, the internal chemistry of the body and its secretions are so modified by atmospheric conditions of excessively hot weather that some of these secretions become abnormal, either in quality or quantity, and are absorbed by the blood and act as virulent poisons.

On the first day of the recent heat plague, Dr. Ira T. Van Gieson, director of the State Pathological institute, assisted by two physicians, began investigations. The conditions were peculiarly favorable for the success of the prosecution of their work. A record was kept of all cases and experiments were made on acute cases. Animals treated with an infusion of blood from living cases just after they had been stricken by the sun had convulsions within an hour and a half and usually died. The physicians are convinced from the results of these experiments that sunstroke is really blood poisoning.

FORGERY CHARGED.

Depositors Getting After the Argentine Bank Cashier.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 22.—Criminal proceedings were threatened today against Cashier G. A. Taylor of the defunct Argentine bank, on several charges. J. F. Frankey, the deputy county attorney in Argentine, said this morning that he expected to issue a warrant on complaint of one of the depositors before noon, and J. F. Steele said that he would swear out a warrant for Taylor's arrest as soon as he could get to see the county attorney. He will charge Taylor with forgery and with receiving money when the bank was known to be in a failing condition. Steele says he signed for \$1,000 on the security bond given to Wyandotte county when the bank was made a county depository, and that Taylor raised the amount to \$10,000.

RUSSELL'S MISSION.

Urged by Both Parties in England to Promote Good Feeling.

LONDON, Aug. 22.—Commenting upon the address of Lord Russell of Killowen, Lord Chief Justice of England, on "International Arbitration," before the American Bar Association at Saratoga, N. Y., the Times says editorially: "It is an open secret that Lord Russell was encouraged to accept the Saratoga invitation by statesmen of both political parties because it was believed that his presence there would have a tendency to promote peace and good will between the United States and England. His address makes for peace, and it is welcome because it resembles the calm summing up of the judge, rather than the one-sided statement naturally to be found in the argument of a lawyer."

DEMOCRATIC QUARTERS.

The Auditorium Annex Finally Selected—Illinois Democrats Disappointed.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—Chairman Jones of the national campaign committee has changed his mind as to the location of headquarters, and the Democratic national campaign will be conducted from the Auditorium annex. The state committee will continue its work at the old stand in the Sherman house, though it was anxious to conduct its campaign in Illinois in conjunction with the national campaign, and Secretary Nelson and Chairman Hinrichsen had been in hopes that the headquarters of both committees would be located in the same hotel.

Li Hung Chang's Formal Titles.

SOUTHAMPTON, Aug. 22.—The American line steamship St. Louis, which sails for New York to-morrow, will carry Li Hung Chang, who is described on the passenger list as "Ambassador, senior guardian to the heir apparent, prime minister of state and earl of the first rank, with the title of say."

Dismore Renominated.

EUREKA SPRINGS, Ark., Aug. 22.—Congressman Hugh A. Dismore of Fayetteville, Ark., was renominated for his third congressional term by the Democrats of the Fifth district.

IRISH FACTIONS BITTER.

Healy and Murphy Denounce Dillon and the Proposed Convention.

DUBLIN, Aug. 20.—Meetings now being held in this city indicate no cessation in the bitterness existing between the various factions of Irishmen. At a meeting of the followers of T. M. Healy, Mr. Murphy, a former member of Parliament, made a brief speech, during which he declared: "The alleged convention called by Dillon is a fraud. It is intended merely to ensnare the American delegates." The scenes on the streets were exciting, many of the leaders narrowly escaping personal injury. At the opposing meetings the speakers were constantly interrupted by groanings, hissings and hootings.

ARGENTINE BANK FAILS.

A Pioneer Banking Institution Closed by the Bank Examiner of Kansas.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 20.—The Argentine bank, the pioneer banking institution of Argentine, was closed this morning by Myron A. Waterman, deputy state bank examiner of Kansas. The bank's liabilities are about \$193,000, of which \$123,500 is due to depositors. The bank owes other banks \$2,380. The assets are principally in loans and discounts, which the officer claims, are secured by gilt edge paper, but which they cannot realize on at this time. The bank had cash amounting to \$7,800 on hand this morning. Wyandotte county had \$29,795.93 in the bank. The county is secured by a bond of \$100,000.

NO FUSION FOR TEXANS.

The Democratic Managers Decline Overtures.

FORT WORTH, Texas, Aug. 20.—A committee of three, representing the Texas Populist party, called on Chairman Dudley of the state executive Democratic committee here and requested that he appoint a similar committee of his party to confer on a proposition to fuse on an electoral ticket composed of seven Populists and thirty-eight Democrats. Dudley refused to appoint such a committee. The Populists now threaten to fuse with the Republicans, giving their vote to the Republicans, getting in return for Republican votes for the Populist state ticket.

Searching Out Seceders.

CHICAGO, Aug. 21.—The Republican managers will endeavor to find out every Republican who intends to vote for Bryan and every Democrat who intends to vote for McKinley. This will be undertaken by the 26,000 Republican clubs of the country. It is expected that this canvass will cover every county in the country, and that when it is completed the Republican managers will know exactly where they stand on both the money question and Presidential candidates.

The Brown Case Again.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 20.—Mattie Overman, who figured so conspicuously and unenviably in the Rev. Dr. Brown church affair, has made a confession in which she declares that she is a perjurer and that Dr. Brown is all his enemies represented him to be. The Bay conference has been called to meet in special session to take action, and Dr. Brown, who is now in the East, will be summoned to appear before the body.

Topeka Has a Curfew Law.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 20.—Last night the council adopted a curfew ordinance providing that children under 16 caught upon the streets or in public places unaccompanied by parent or guardian after 9 o'clock at night between March 1 and September 31, and 8 the rest of the year, shall be arrested and fined between \$5 and \$25. In summer a fire bell will be rung as a warning at 8:45, and at 7:45 in winter.

Democrats Not Flush With Cash.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—The Democratic Congressional campaign committee is confined to close quarters, and the work is being done by a volunteer force, the committee not being supplied with money to pay. During the day they have about twenty-five volunteer workers, and at night the number is increased to fifty. With this force of men, who are working for love, they are now getting out a great mass of literature.

A Gold Ticket Expected.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 21.—Chairman Bynum of the gold standard Democratic national committee telegraphed yesterday to a New York newspaper that the national convention here September 2 would adopt a Democratic platform and nominate Democratic candidates for President and Vice President. It is said that Secretary Carlisle will write the money plank of the platform.

A Missionary Explorer.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 21.—The Rev. Dr. Snyder, an American missionary in the employ of the Southern Presbyterian mission board, has just arrived here after four years' absence in the Congo region of Africa. He penetrated a thousand miles into the interior, exploring regions never before visited by white men. He claims to have discovered a new lake.

Telegraph Operator Found Dead.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Aug. 21.—The body of A. B. Carroll, an operator in the employ of the Western Union, was found in a badly decomposed state at Levee and Pauline streets last evening. He disappeared from home Friday and foul play is suspected. A bottle of liquor was found near by. He leaves a wife and child.

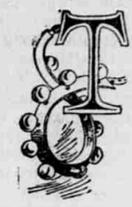
Severe Cloud Burst in New Mexico.

MOGULON, N. M., Aug. 21.—A cloud-burst struck this section about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, drowning John Knight, a miner, at Georgetown, and an unknown Mexican, rendering about 100 families homeless and badly damaging the property of the Colonial Mining company of Boston, Mass., and of the Deep Down Mining company of Kansas City. The flood attained a height of over eight feet in the street and lasted over thirty minutes. Hardly a business house in the town escaped damage.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"A SHADOW ON THE HARVEST FIELD," SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

"And When the Child Was Grown, It Fell on a Day That He Went Out to His Father to the Reapers"—Second Kings 4:18, 19, 20.



HERE is at least one happy home in Shunem. To the luxuriance and splendor of a great house had been given the advent of a child. Even when the Angel of Life brings a new soul to the poor man's but a star of joy shines over the manger. Infancy, with its helplessness and innocence, had passed away. Days of boyhood had come—days of laughter and frolic, days of sunshine and promise, days of strange questions and curiosity and quick development. I suppose among all the treasures of that house, the brightest was the boy. One day there is the shout of reapers heard afield. A boy's heart always bounds at the sound of sickle or scythe. No sooner have the harvesters cut a swath across the field than the lad joins them, and the swarthy reapers feel young again as they look down at that lad, as bright and beautiful as was Ruth in the harvest fields of Bethlehem gleaming after the reapers. But the sun was too hot for him. Congestion of the brain seized on him. I see the swarthy laborers drop their sickles; and they rush out to see what is the matter, and they fan him as they try to cool his brow; but all is of no avail. In the instant of consciousness, he puts his hands against his temples and cries out: "My head! my head!" And the father said: "Carry him to his mother," just as any father would have said; for our hand is too rough, and our voice is too harsh, and our foot is too loud to doctor a sick child, if there be in our home a gentler voice and a gentler hand and a stiller footstep. But all of no avail. While the reapers of Shunem were busy in the field, there came a stronger reaper that way, with keener scythe and for a richer harvest. He reaped only one sheaf, but O what a golden sheaf was that! I do not want to know any more about that heart-breaking scene than what I see in just this one pathetic sentence: "He sat on her knees till noon and then died." Though hundreds of years have passed away since that boy skipped to the harvest-field and then was brought home and died on his mother's lap, the story still thrills us. Indeed, childhood has a charm always and everywhere. I shall now speak to you of childhood; its beauty, its susceptibility to impression, its power over the parental heart, and its blissful transition from earth to heaven.

The child's beauty does not depend upon form or feature or complexion or apparel. That destitute one that you saw on the street, bruised with unkindness and in rags, has a charm about her, even under her destitution. You have forgotten a great many persons whom you have met, of finely-cut features and with erect posture and with faultless complexion, while you will always remember the poor girl who, on a cold, moonlight night, as you were passing late home, in her thin shawl and barefoot on the pavement, put out her hand and said: "Please give me a penny." Ah! how often we have walked on and said: "Oh, that is nothing but street vagabondism;" but after we got a block or two on, we stopped and said: "Ah, that is not right;" and we passed up that same way and dropped a mite into that suffering hand, as though it were not a matter of second thought, so ashamed were we of our hard-heartedness. With what admiration we all look upon a group of children on the playground or in the school, and we clap our hands almost involuntarily and say: "How beautiful!" All stiffness and dignity are gone, and your shout is heard with theirs and you trundle their hoop, and fly their kite, and strike their ball, and all your weariness and anxiety are gone as when a child you bounded over the playground yourself. That father who stands rigid and unsympathetic amid the sportfulness of children, ought never to have been tempted out of a crusty and unredeemable solitariness. The waters leap down the rocks, but they have not the graceful step of childhood. The morning comes out of the gates of the east, throwing its silver on the lake and its gold on the towers and its fire on the cloud; but it is not so bright and beautiful as the morning of life! There is no light like that which is kindled in a child's eye, no color like that which blooms on a child's cheek, no music like the sound of a child's voice. Its face in the poorest picture redeems any imperfection in art. When we are weary with toil, their little hands pull the burdens off our back. Oh, what a dull, stale mean world this would be without the sportfulness of children. When I find people that do not like children, I immediately doubt their moral and Christian character. But when the grace of God comes upon a child, how unspeakably attractive. When Samuel begins to pray, and Timothy begins to read the Scriptures, and Joseph shows himself invulnerable to temptation—how beautiful the scene! I know that parents sometimes get nervous when their children become pious, because have the idea that good children always die. The strange questions about God and eternity and the dead, excite apprehension in the parental mind rather than congratulation. Indeed, there are some people that seem mark-

ed for heaven. This world is too poor a garden for them to bloom in. The hues of heaven are in the petals. There is something about their forehead that makes you think that the hand of Christ has been on it, saying: "Let this one come to Me, and let it come to Me soon." While that one tarried in the house, you felt there was an angel in the room, and you thought that every sickness would be the last; and when, finally, the winds of death did scatter the leaves, you were no more surprised than to see a star come out above the cloud on a dark night; for you had often said to your companion: "My dear, we shall never raise that child." But I scout the idea that good children always die. Samuel the pious boy, became Samuel the great prophet. Christian Timothy became a minister at Ephesus. Youg Daniel, consecrated to God, became prime minister of all the realm, and there are in hundreds of the schools and families of this country to-day, children who love God and keep his commandments, and who are to be foremost among the Christians and the philanthropists and the reformers of the next century. The grace of God never kills any one. A child will be more apt to grow up with religion than it will be apt to grow up without it. Length of days is promised to the righteous. The religion of Christ does not cramp the chest or curve the spine or weaken the nerves. There are no malarials floating up from the river of life. The religion of Christ throws over the heart and life of a child a supernal beauty. "Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace."

I pass on to consider the susceptibility of childhood. Men pride themselves on their unchangeability. They will make an elaborate argument to prove that they think now just as they did twenty years ago. It is charged to frailty or fraud when a man changes his sentiments in politics or in religion, and it is this determination of soul that so often drives back the Gospel from a man's heart. It is so hard to make avarice charitable, and fraud honest, and pride humble, and scepticism Christian. The sword of God's truth seems to glance off from those mailed warriors, and the helmet seems battle-proof against God's battle-axe. But childhood; how susceptible to example and to instruction! You are not surprised at the record: "Abraham begat Isaac and Isaac begat Jacob;" for when religion starts in a family, it is apt to go all through. Jezebel a murderer, you are not surprised to find her son Jehoram attempting assassination. Oh, what a responsibility upon the parent and the teacher! The musician touches the keys, and the response of those keys is away off amid the pipes and the chords, and you wonder at the distance between the key and the chord. And so it is in life; if you touch a child, the results will come back from manhood or old age, telling just the tune played, whether the dirge of a great sorrow or the anthem of a great joy. The word that the Sabbath School teacher will this afternoon whisper in the ear of the class, will be echoed back from everlasting ages of light or darkness. The home and the school decide the republic or the despotism; the barbarism or the civilization; the upbuilding of an empire, or the overthrowing of it. Higher than parliament or congress are the school and the family, and the sound of a child's foot may mean more than the tramp of a host. What, then, are you doing for the purpose of bringing your children into the kingdom of God? If they are so susceptible, and if this is the very best time to act upon their eternal interests, what are you doing by way of right impulse? There were some harvesters in the fields of Scotland one hot day; and Hannah Lemond was helping them to gather the hay. She laid her babe under a tree. While she was busy in the field, there was a flutter of wings in the air, and a golden eagle clutched the swaddling band of the babe, and flew away with it to the mountain eyrie. All the harvesters and Hannah Lemond started for the cliffs. It was two miles before they came to the foot of the cliffs. Getting there, who dared to mount the cliff? No human foot had ever trod it. There were sailors there who had gone up the mast in the day of terrible tempest; they did not dare risk it. Hannah Lemond sat there for awhile and looked up and saw the eagle in the eyrie, and then she leaped to her feet, and she started up where no human foot had ever trod, crag above crag, catching hold of this root or that root, until she reached the eyrie and caught her babe, the eagle swooping in fierceness all around about her. Fastening the child to her back, she started for her friends and for home. O, what a dizzy descent! sliding from this crag to that crag, catching by that vine and by that root, coming down further and further, to the most dangerous pass, where she found a goat and some kids. She said: "Now I'll follow the goat; the goat will know just which is the safest way down;" and she was led by the animal down to the plain. When she got there, all the people cried: "Thank God, thank God!" her strength not giving way until the rescue was effected. And they cried: "Stand back, now. Give her air!" O, if a woman will do that for the physical life of her child, what will you do for the eternal life of your boy and your girl? Let it not be told in the great day of eternity that Hannah Lemond put forth more exertion for the saving of the physical life of her child than you, O parent, have ever put forth for the eternal life of your little one. God help you! * * *

There is not a large family, or hardly a large family that has not bent over such a treasure and lost it. In the family fold is there no dead lamb? I

have seen many such cases of sorrow. There is one pre-eminent in my memory as pastor—Coville Haynes McCollum. The story of his death has brought hundreds unto God. He belonged to a parish in the west. A thorough boy, nine or ten years of age. Nothing morbid, nothing dull about him. His voice loud and his foot swift on the playground. Often he has come into my house and thrown himself down on the floor in an exhaustion of boisterous mirth; and yet he was a Christian, consecrated to God, keeping his commandments. That is the kind of childish piety I believe in. When the days of sickness came suddenly and he was told that he could not get well, he said: "Jesus alone can save me. Jesus will save me. He has saved me. Don't cry, mamma. I shall go right straight up to heaven." And then they gave him a glass of water to cool his hot lips and he said: "Mamma, I shall take a draught from the water of life after awhile, of which if one drink he shall never get thirsty again. I lay myself at Jesus' feet and I want him to do just what he thinks best to do with me." In those days, "Rest for the Weary" was a new hymn, and he had learned it; in a perfect ecstasy of soul, in his last hour, he cried out:

In the Christian's home in glory
There remains a land of rest;
There my Saviour's gone before me
To fulfil my soul's request;
There is rest for the weary,
There is rest for you.

Sing, O sing, ye heirs of glory,
Shout your triumphs as you go;
Zion's gates are open for you,
You shall find an entrance through.
There is rest for the weary.

The brightest light that can be kindled, Christ has kindled. Let us, old and young, rejoice that heaven is gathering up so much that is attractive. In that far land we are not strangers. There are those there who speak our name day by day, and they wonder why so long we tarry. If I could count up the names of all those who have gone out from these families into the kingdom of heaven, it would take me all day to mention their names. A great multitude before the throne. You loved them once; you love them now; and ever and anon you think you hear their voices calling you upward. Ah, yes, they have gone out from all these families, and you want no book to tell you of the dying experience of Christian children. You have heard it; it has been whispered in your ear, O father, O mother, O brother, O sister. Toward that good land all Christians are bearing. This snapping of heart-strings, this flight of years, this tread of the heart reminds us that we are passing away. Under spring blossoms, and through summer harvests, and across autumnal leaves, and through the wintry snow-banks, we are passing on. O, rejoice at it, children of God, rejoice at it! How we shall gather them up, the loved and the lost! Before we mount our throne, before we drink of the fountain, before we strike the harp of our eternal celebration, we will cry out: "Where are our loved and lost?" And then, how we shall gather them up! O, how we shall gather them up!

In this dark world of sin and pain
We only meet to part again;
But when we reach the heavenly shore
We there shall meet to part no more.

The hope that we shall see that day
Should chase our present griefs away;
When these short years of pain are past
We'll meet before the throne at last.

True Americanism.

In the coming campaign let the presumption of sincerity and real desire to serve the country lie with all who have not forfeited their claim to it, and when the president shall have been elected let it be insisted on by all true patriots that he is the head of the nation, not the instrument of any party, and his good name and fame are in the keeping of all loyal hearts.—Rev. B. F. McDaniel.

FOR WOMEN ONLY.

The dainty, pretty, and generally becoming fancy waists appear to be just as popular as ever.

The latest hats are charmingly light and bewitching, with their brims encircled by full box-plaitings of the finest tulle.

The tan shoe is not as popular as it was last summer, and when worn it is of a dark russet shade.

Among the newest fancies of fashion are the bright green belts of alligator skin.

Every variety of flower that nature has produced, and many others, which must have originated in the fertile brain of the flower maker, are in conspicuous evidence, and flower bonnets are shown among the newest hats.

Straw hats with rows of plaited tulle around the brim are among the prettiest fancies, and the plaitings are sometimes wide enough to stand up around the crown with a twist of velvet or ribbons between.

Vails which are designed to enhance the loveliest complexion and improve a poor one are made of black Russian net, spotted with chenille, and lined with the thinnest pink tulle.

The closely fitting sleeve is fast gaining in popularity, and in thin material, such as chiffon, net and muslin, it is often arranged in puffs, with insertions of lace between, with narrow black velvet ribbon drawn through the lace.

The skirts of heavy cotton and linen gowns are made without any lining, and five yards is considered ample fulness at the bottom, unless they have the broad box-plait effect in front, which some prefer.

A most sensible fashion is the one of making street gowns to clear the ground, and some of them are even shorter in the back than in front, so the skirt which trails even a little bit is altogether out of fashion.