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A GOOD RULE FOR 1905.

Set their character. Give their thoughts no tongue.
Nor any unpropitious thought his act
Be thou full of joy, but by no means vain.
The friends thou hast, and their adoption
tried.

Grapple them to thy soul with hooks of steel
But do not dull the palm with entertainment
Of each new hatch'd, unfledged comrade beware
Of entrance to a quarrel, but being in,

Bear't that the opposed may beware of thee.
Give every man thine ear, but few thy voice;
Take each man's measure, but reserve thy judgment.

Creeds, the subtle as pious can buy,
But not expressed in fables, rich not slender
For the argument of pretenses the man
Neither a heretic, nor a lover of
Portents, nor a man of both flesh and friends;
And borrowing dulls the edge of husbandry.
This above all:—To thine if be true,
And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."
Psalms to James—(Hamlet)

A STATE'S CRIME.

Not long since Ray S. Baker wrote an article in a magazine on the trials and convictions of Caleb Powers formerly secretary of state of Kentucky. It will be remembered that Powers has been twice tried for complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel of that state and each time convicted. He was sentenced in the first case to imprisonment for life, which judgement the supreme court set aside. He was retried and convicted. This time being sentenced to be hanged. Mr. Baker related the circumstances of the trial and the character of the testimony adduced against the accused. The article bore the imprint of truth and was convincing of the fact that a horrible wrong was being done Mr. Powers and the state of Kentucky was about to commit the crime of taking an innocent man's life. Mr. Powers was a republican, Governor Goebel who was so foully murdered was a democrat. When the judge and court officers came to select a special jury to try Mr. Powers they selected a panel of one hundred and thirty six men, every one of whom was not only a democrat but a personal friend of the dead Governor.

During the progress of the trial every indignity was heaped upon Powers by the court and every favor upon the jail birds and inmates of the penitentiary who were witnesses against him. Of course such a trial was criminal, and such conduct led to the conviction of the defendant without delay.

Week before last the supreme court reversed this latter judgement and again granted Mr. Powers a new trial. In doing so the chief justice (a democrat) writes one of the ablest opinions we

have ever read. He reviews the province of a court of justice, and in unmeasured terms excoriates the judge who permitted his prejudice and politics to displace his sense of right and justice in the trial of the accused. It is to be hoped that this opinion will have a tendency to restore reason and decency to the judiciary of Kentucky. The murder of Caleb Powers because of his political affiliations would be a crime from which the state of Kentucky would never fully recover. The reading of this trial and the opinion of the supreme court convinces us that the question of an elective judiciary as against an appointive one is not so easy of solution as some seem to think.

FREE SPEECH.

In the present state of civilization every liberty is abused to a greater or less extent. The liberty of the press and the right of free speech are sometimes prostituted to base purposes.

At the time of the assassination of President McKinley it was generally admitted that yellow journalism was in part responsible for the tragedy.

There is a man in congress now who should never have been permitted to take his oath of office. That man is Congressman Hedin of Alabama.

In a speech at Tuskegee, Ala., in the recent campaign in referring to the occasion when Booker T. Washington was entertained at the white house, he said: "There they sat, Roosevelt and Booker, and if some Czolgosz or one of his kind had thrown a bomb under the table no great harm would have been done the country." In the same speech he said referring to the lynching of negroes at Statesville, Ga., that it was "the sending off a few more republicans singing 'Nearer my God to Thee.'" This was a brutal illusion to the death of President McKinley who died with the words of this hymn on his ashen lips.

That such a man as this should be a part of this government is revolting to every citizen worthy of the name. Free speech has its evils when it permits an anarchist to become a law maker.

TELEPHONE.

The letter from Mr. Randolph which appeared in the last issue of The Tribune should convey a warning, to the business interest in Falls City. He says "we spend many hundreds of dollars every year with your merchants. We want to continue trading at Falls City but we have about reached the conclusion that Falls City don't want our trade, at any rate they don't treat us like they did."

Why should an ill feeling be permitted to exist between these farmers and this city? Why

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This institution is not restricted in the scope of its patronage. Its patrons are:

- 1.—The children and young folks with their small savings.
- 2.—The Breadwinner, striving to accumulate a fund to procure a home, or competency for old age.
- 3.—The well-to-do, for the convenience afforded and the income provided.
- 4.—Those with idle funds awaiting other investments.

Remember this bank receives deposits from One Dollar and upwards and pays 3 per cent on Time Deposits and 4 per cent on Children's Accounts.

should our merchants lose valued customers to no other end than Weaver and Morehead shall have a continuance of this telephone monopoly.

Every man nominated for a city office next spring should be required to go on record on the telephone question.

We know whereof we speak when we say that these farmers must be given the same rights in this city as the Bell people, the Inter State and the local telephone company have been given or it will cost the merchants of this city several hundred dollars in the next year. Something must be done and it must be done now.

Gracious, but it feels good to be a year old and to have a legal existence.

The Lord loveth a cheerful giver, but what will the grand jury think about it.

The Tribune has made arrangements for a weekly letter from the legislature during the present session.

The canning factory which cost the citizens of Falls City ten thousand dollars is to be turned over to a hog powder concern. How the mighty have fallen.

It is rumored that the grand jury which will convene during the present month will be called upon to pass on certain infractions of the election laws during the past campaign.

The political situation in the state of Colorado is deplorable. The democrats seem to have succeeded in stealing part of the offices and the republicans are trying to steal what is left.

The decision of the supreme court invalidating surety company bonds given by county officers has put in doubt the right of about half the officials of the state to hold the offices now occupied by them. But two of the

state officers have given personal bonds, Marsh and Weston, all the others have given surety bonds. The law will doubtless be amended by the present legislature so as to permit all officials to give surety bonds if desired.

E. O. Lewis ex-post master and F. E. Martin ex-county attorney have organized a hog powder company. We have not as yet answered the question "what shall we do with our ex-president?" But Richardson county has found a place for her ex-office holders.

One of the secrets of success is to know what to do in an emergency, and then to do it. We heard of a boy last week who will someday be president or a high mogul in frenzied finance. He was driving a load of hay which in some manner caught fire. It blazed fiercely in an instant. The boy without a second's delay crawled the wagon, whipped up the horses, upset the hay and drove to a safe distance with wagon, team, harness etc; safe from harm, and quietly watched the hay burn. That kind of a boy born and not made.

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