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THE fourth of July oration of was from the beginning to the end a vigorous Democratic stump speech | signature of Philip Metz. from the Pendletonian stand point without a single reference to the ion that America is a nation of party. rogues and dupes, while her whole system of self government is a pondent caricature of the nation should have been presented on the day when every true American points with just pride to the self sacrificing patriotism that made out America a nation of freemen we are at a loss to devine. At all events we are forced to pronounce it eadly out of taste, especially when

cal facts and statistics. ACCORDING to Harrison Johnson and Judge Dudley, who are the founders and chief national officers of the Co-ops., the principal object of this order is the formation of a political party, pledged to inaugurate and carry out certain specific reforms in the interest of the industrial classes in the various branches of the public service.

In other words, the object of the founders and managers of the Cooperative Council of Industry is the formation of a new political party, which is expected eventually to accomplish the overthrow of both the Democratic and Republican organigations. When St. A. D. Balcombe, the manager and proprietor of the Omaha Republican, voluntarily assumed the sworn obligations of membership in Harrison Johnsons political dark-lantern party, he placed himself in direct antagonism to the Republican party, which his paper still assumes to represent.

He cannot plead the baoy act in extenuation of his political treason, nor can he escape the just responsibilities of his course, by declaring that he never intended to live up to that oath. It would be decidedly more creditable for him to avow his active sympathy with the political new departure, than to admit that he is playing the spy and perjurer in the Co-op camp.

In any event he has forfeited what little confidence the Republican party have had in his sincerity. or sagacity as a political guide. Henceforth Saint A. D. Balcombe and the Republican will have to share the political fortunes of the Co-ops, and we dare say the Republican party will not be a very heavy loser by tais change.

COUNT DE CHAMBORD has issued another stirring and pompous manifesto to the French people, in behalf political party now, which you reof what he is pleased to term fused to support two years ago. Has "Christian Monarchy." This mani- the Republican party become more festo is chiefly remarkable for the corrupt in that short period? And startling declaration that "France | what has the Democratic party done has need of royalty; my birth since then to merit your confidence? made me your king." Why France Do you claim that there has been as should have need of royalty at a much corruption in our present time when her National Assembly State Government as there was unhas virtually pledged a republican der the reign of Butler & Co. form of government to the nation is Is not your chief cause of furthermore declares that he would would that prevent the enactment be wanting in the most sacred duties if he neglected to make a supreme effort to overthrow the barriers of prejudice. This supreme effort may, however, prove a supreme effort, which proved so disastrous for the Legitimists it the French Assembly six months ago.

A DECISION has just been rendered temperance laws? Would it not be more sensible for them to defend their opinions of the drift, where it was full two feet thick, and was certainly a fair article of the Black Diamond, and being tolerably clear from slate and sulphur, we should say that in our opinion it is equal, if not superior to Fort Dodge coal. The vein is increasing in quality and thickness and soldity, until we arrived at the present terminus of the drift, where it was full two feet thick, and was certainly a fair article of the Black Diamond, and being tolerably clear from slate and sulphur, we should say that in our opinion it is equal, if not superior to Fort Dodge coal. The vein is increasing in quality and thickness and soldity, until we arrived at the present terminus of the drift, where it was full two feet thick, and was certainly a fair article of the Black Diamond, and being tolerably clear from slate and sulphur, we should say that in our opinion it is equal, if not superior to Fort Dodge coal. The vein is increasing in quality and thickness and soldity, until we arrived at the present terminus of the drift, where it was full two feet thick, and was certainly a fair article of the Black Diamond, and being tolerably clear from slate and sulphur, we should say that in our opinion it is equal, if not superior to Fort Dodge coal. The vein is increasing in quality and thickness and soldity, until we arrived at the present terminus of the drift, where it was full two feet thick, and was certainly a fair article of the Black Diamond, and being tolerably clear from slate and sulphur, we should say that in our opinion it is equal, if not superior to Fort Dodge coal. Chamord's manifesto is the declara-tion that the union of the people braska to five per cent of the proand king enabled the ancient mon-archy to frustrate for centuries the lands located within this State. The domineer over the people by conbraska is not entitled to any porthemselves as being well satisfied domineer over the people by con-tending against the king. We ap-tion of this fund. prehend that that was the kind of

THE GERMANS AND THE DEMOCRACY

Just two years ago, during the memorable reconciliation campaign, the great old Democratic party went into voluntary political bankruptcy by placing itself under the protectorate of Liberal Republicanism with Greeley and Brown as chief assignees. The experiment proved disastrous and the old political bankrupt at once, and without ceremony, repudiated its liberal Republi-

can associates. most keenly.

ance to the Republican party, de-

trust in the promises of Bourbons. And now when the old political the verge of colapse, its leaders are making frantic efforts to convert German Republicans to the Democratic creed.

The leading Democratic organ, the Omaha Herald, which as we all know, never displayed much Major James W. Davis at the love for the conquerors of Louis Na-Grangers Elkhorn bridge pienic poleon, except during political camreminds us forcibly of the play of paigns, places great stress upon an Hamlet with Hamlet left out. It article that appears in the columns of a German contemporary, over the

This gentleman, says the Herald, is widely known in the State, as a anniversary of American Inde- leading Republican, whose intellipendence. The orators chief aim gence, integrity, and candor, will seseems to have been to depict the cure for him a hearing from all men degradation and corruption of the of all parties. Taking his cue from American people in the most glar- Boss Hesing, and the Illinois ing colors. Viewed from that stand Staats Zeitung, Mr. Metz concludes point, the effort was doubtless a that in Nebraska, as well as in Illiremarkable success. Nobody could nois, very little improvement can be have listened to this rhetorical hoped for either from the Republijeremiad without forming an opin- can, or from the so-called Farmers'

After admitting that some of the reforms demanded by the farmers gigantic fraud without a single re- and mechanic's party, are timely, deeming feature. Why such a dis- Mr. Metz declares that nothing can be hoped for from a party led by preachers, women and conscienceless professional politicians.

Mr. Metz very properly inquires whether it is necessary under the best form of government in the world to organize secret political socleties to oppose corruption? Is it not a sneer at progress to in-

we reflect that some of its most troduce secret by-laws in a land striking passages were based upon where free speech and free press striking passages were based upon where free speech and free press tering Dakota county, we found the first indication of the grasshopper be palmed off as truths on people antiquated humbug in order to sewho are unacquainted with historicure the just demands of the peo-

> Again referring to the Bepublican party, Mr. Metz states:

The experience which the German Americans have had in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and especially in Iowa, will be wholly lost on them if they now and in the future follow the Republican party through thick and thin, and the more so if it is proved that the bigot element forms a principal part of that party.

Referring to these superficial utterances, the chie! organ of Nebraska Democracy says:

"Mr. Metz advises all Germans to join the Democratic party, and it is not for us to question, when we thoroughly appreciate, the wisdom of that course. The Democrats of Nebraska do not merely need Ger-man votes at the ballot box to elect good men to office; they require their co-operation to re-establish the grand old party upon the advanced principles for whose practical play in the national, state and local government it is their common duty to labor. It was the Democratic party that struck down oath-bound leagues and cabals which threatened foreigners with political and social ostracism in this land, twenty years ago; it is to the Democratic party that the same class of citizens, now so justly great and powerful in this country, must look for the maintainance of their political, as well as their social rights and freedom, against intolerance and fanrising

Yes, the Democrats of Nebraska do not merely need German votes to re-establish their broken down Bourbon party, but they will need several thousand other votes to earry this State in the impending

The BEE is a Republican journal. and as such it has done more to expose and denounce dark-lantern political organizations than the Herald and all the other Democratic papers in the State combined.

And now we will address a few plain questions to Mr. Philip Metz. You advise the Germans to join a

not explained. Much less does De sion a fear that Nebraska will enact Chambord seem to comprehend that laws that will interfere with the the meré accident of birth should traffic in beer? Suppose the Gernot, in this enlightened age, make mans should all follow your advice him a king. His would-be majesty and join a hopeless minority party, be wanting in the most sacred du- of the much dreaded temperance

a union where the people were vas-sale or serfs, and the kings their ab. mine stricken districts of India insolute masters. The world has dicate a marked improvement owmoved a peg or two since then, and ing to the favorable condition of the Hues, and they expect to be able to

NEBRASKA SKETCHES.

From Omaha to Sioux City.

[Special Correspondence of THE BEE.] SIOUX CITY, July 5.

with horses and buggy it is quite a The German Republicans who, Maher House, which is a good under the generous impulse for re- hotel with reasonable charges. Mr. form, had followed in the wake of Maher also keeps a general store, Schurz and Hecker, were the chief over which is a photograph gallery element in the ranks or liberal Re- that is now vacant. Here is a rare publicanism, and they felt the chance for some enterprising artist, treachery of their Bourbon allies as Blair is large enough to support a first class gallery. Two elevators Two years have past. A majority furnish the grain shipping facilities of the Liberal Republican Germans for Blair, while Omaha has none, have resumed their former allegi- and is apparently content to let the surrounding towns earry off her termined never again to put their of Blair, situated on the Missouri Valley bottom is the beautiful little village of Arizonia, containing howbankrupt in Nebraska, is again on ever, the finest store in the country, which, together with three-fourths of the buildings in town and a vast tract of well cultivated land is the property of one of the most genial hospitable gentleman to be found anywhere. I refer to Mr. W. B. Newton, who also owns a fine ferry, which is liberally patronized by emigrants who cross the "Big Mud dy" to find a home in the fertile

prairies of northern Nebraska. Decatur is a rather sleepy town on the southern edge of the Omaha Indian Reservation. The only indication of life is where the stage stops, and this is at the Fuller House, which is certainly a good hotel, with a gentlemanly land-

In going through the Omaha Indian Agency, you see plenty of half naked savages swarming from loathsome looking places. The Government has built plenty of good and substantial houses for them and endeavors, in every possible way, to civilize them, but, as a rule, they prefer to live in tents, and refuse to labor in any way. The Omahas are dull pupils in the Government school of civilization.

Just north of this is the Winnebago Reservation. Here some progress is being made, and you actually see good farms and fine stock owned by Indians who cultivate the soil themselves, and, some of them, are reputed to be wealthy. Schools are established among them and fairly attended. Mr. Taylor Bradley, the agent at this reservation, is a man who is evidently well adapted for the control of savage minds, and he seems to take great pride in educating them in the ways of civilized people.

He has now just completed a mag-

nificent industrial school, three stories high and one hundred by sixty

On leaving the Agency and endestroyed hundreds of acres growing crops that otherwise would have given a bountiful yield. Dakota City, situated six miles west of Sioux City, is a very quiet, pretty

little village,
Opposite Sioux City is Covington,
which is taking a Rip Van Winkle
sleep, when it could by a little exertion become a formidable rival to its thrifty neighbor across the water. Sioux City is as lively as usual, and is putting up more substantial buildings this year than ever before. To-morrow we will visit the coal mines and that wonderfal volcano, an account of which we will endeavor to send in time for to-morrow's

The Dixon County Coal Mines and the Ionia Volcano. (Correspondence of the BEE.)

RANGER.

Ponca, July 2, 1874.

EDITOR BEE: Nebraska's greatest need is cheap fuel, and so the mere announcement a few months ago that a good vein of coal had been discovered in the northern part of the State sufficed to create quite a sensation. But when, still later, an infant volcano was reported from the same locality, people thought Dixon county was merely trying to get up an excitement. So, in order to investigate the matter, we have visited both the volcano and the coal mine, so that the many readers of the BEE would know just what those reports

mine, as that is of the most practical importance. It is situated two and a half miles north of Ponca, the county seat of Dixon county, and the vein runs under the bluff that skirts the south bank of the Missouri river. In a small log hut near by we found the man who, as owner of the mine, will probably some day be one of Nebraska's richest men. His name is Fernand Conrad, and, though poor, he is a gentleman and deserves the good fortune which has fallen to him. When we told him our business was to see the mine he left his plow and eading the way down a precipitous bluff we were soon at the entrance of the coal drift. Here everything indicated the hurry with which the work was being pushed forward. A force of miners was very busy tim-bering the drift and making other preparations for developing the mine. The work is under the super-intendence of Mr. Winnermout intendence of Mr. Winnerm man who can talk coal much better than Grant can talk horse.

The drift is a simple hole, six feet by four, dug straight into the bluff,

and has at the present, been com-pleted for a distance of 117 feet. The first indication of coal is found at the very entrance, in the shape of a stratum of what looked to us like nothing but very black dirt, but as we walked along the drift, we noticed this vein increase rapidly in thickness and soldity,

The steam ferry across the Misformed to work this mine are

already found thicker veins of coal than the one we examined. And before another year rolls around, there will be coal drifts by the dozen in

full operation.

The Dakota Southern is now making arrangements with a view to putting in a railroad ferry and to putting in a railroad ferry and the horny handed sons of toil.—building a branch line from Elk Blair Times (Rep.) July 23d. Point to the coal mines. This shows commendable enterprise on the part of this railroad, and suggests the idea that Omaha capitalists should From Omaha to Sioux City by rail is a trip of no consequence, but at once make extra efforts to comjourney, especially if the roads are plete the Northern Nebraska Road, muddy. At Blair we stopped at the placing Omaha in direct communi cation with the coal fields, thereby furnishing to her cheap fuel for manufacturing and other purposes After dinner we started for the half a mile above the pleasant little

village of Ionia. Mr. S. T. Hill, who is the general business man of this portion of the country, kindly volunteered to act as guide. He took us in his skiff and rowed up the river to a bank towering up from the water's edge, full two hundred feet. There, on a narrow plateau, about half way up the bluff, we saw and smelt the sulphurous vapor which indicated the spot we sought. On arriving at the plateau we saw several fissures in the clay, from which issued vapor so hot that the ground in the vicinity was too warm to rest the hand on comfortably. On listening, we could hear strange sounds under our feet, like the distant roar of a blast Mr. Hill said that it was consid-

erably hotter than when he was there a few days before, and that the heat has been continually increasing. Some time before this "hot-hole" was discovered a vast land slide occurred, which is suppo-sed was caused by the internal fires which have now found a breathing place. After examining the embryo the bluff, which is of slate and clay, with occasional gypsum formation, and is full of petrifaction of all kinds. Half way up the bluff we dug out of the slate a petrified backhoue, showing every vertebral, and not scarred or injured in the least, and immediately along side we found imbedded in soft rock a handful of shell fish, and there is no scarcity to these petrifactions, but the bluffs is literally full of them. It was from one of these bluffs that Mr. Joseph Brawer dug out the Mr. Joseph Brewer dug out the wonderful petrified monster, which is now on its travels making a fortune for some enterprising side showman. Another item of inter-est is that Mr. Newton Whitehorn, who lives a few miles south of Ionia, is now digging a well with strong prospects of striking oil instead of water. We did not visit the well, but do not doubt it, for there are springs here that are so permeated with oil that a cloth after being diped in them burns readily, showing beyond a doubt that there is oil with the water.

Messrs. Hill and Smith, while prospecting for coal, discovered a mine of boot blacking, as they fa-cetiously call it. It is some kind of black, porous substance, which, without any alteration from the state in which it is found, makes a Surplus and Profits.... very neat polish blacking when applied in the ordinary manner. Carry the news to the boot-blacks. Speci-mens have been fo, warded to Prof. Aughey, at Lincoln, who will, it is hoped, properly christen the found-

When I find anything of interest I will write again, but, for the present, I will give my quill a rest.

The Illinois Excursionists.

YORK, Nebraska, July 1st, 1874. EDITOR OMAHA BEE:

I take a few moments from the press of business, to drop you a jotting or two, concerning our Fairmont on the 24th, and return on the 22d of July. Most of the visitors have been on the wing ever since their arrival, in order to drink in as much of prairie beauty as possible. Some came to visit friends, some for health; but a respectable portion were solid men, who wished to purchase lands on a large scale. Four well loaded wagons went to the new town of Arborville, and expressed themselves as delighted with its location and prospects.

Among the visitors were Rev. H N. Baldwin, with a number of friends from Wyanet, Ill., Rev. Mr. Dixon, of Hebron, who addressed the people of York Sabbath morn-ing, and Rev. Dr. Walker, of Wheaton College, who spoke in the evening. Dr. Walker is a writer of wide fame, and the people were highly delighted with his discourse. The medical profession was well represented by three of their number, among them, Dr. Wiley, of Earl, a physician of note, who also was a short time ago, a member of the Illinois Legislature. Among the substantial farmers were I. J. W. Henning, of Plano, Ill., who at this date purchased a section and a half of B. & M. land, and now have their eye on several sections of U. P. land for sheep-raising. Like most other visitors, they were afraid that our short grass indicated a poor stock county. But when I took them on my own farm and showed them grass on the high ground that would cut a ton and a half to the acre, all because the fire had been kept off, they expressed themselves as satisfied, and was ready to record the fact that Nebraska was the finest country upon which the sun ever

The Bowen brothers, who are the largest farmers in LaSalle county, Ili., were represented by one of their number, who has looked over several sections near Arborville with a view of purchasing. The railroads are wise in giving the people these op-portunities to visit our new State. The enthusiasm of large crowds as they compare notes after their different inspections, is something magnetic; the good feeling engendered in an excursion is contagious—the testimony of a large number of enthusiastic and delighted people goes a great ways towards inspiring others to come. As superintendent of the excurson I cannot refrain from expressing the thanks of the visitors to the officers of the B. & M. Railroad, who, by every means in their power, contributed to the comfort of the passengers. And what the visitors and people say is, give us more excursions," and we ope before summer is over to have

Deflection in High Places, We are surprised to learn that Balcombe, who for nearly a century has stood at the helm of the Omaha Republican, and leading in the van of the Republican hosts in that-city, has, at this late hour, been brought to see the error of his ways, and joined hands with Gen. Silas A. strickland and Hon. Harrison nobody but a lineal descendant of crops. This will doubtless be follow-the Bourbons would attempt to saddle royalty upon an intelligent nacket the British grain market.

Intelligent to be anie to supply a vast amount of coal, as soon as the mine is developed.

Other companies have been organized, and are actively at work digging drifts, some of which have the order was re-christened last win-

two or three over the U. P. R. R.

Yours, C. S. HABRISON.

ter and it is now known as the Farmers' and Mechanics' Institute. In view of the coming elections it is truly wonderful to see the amount of patriotism displayed on the part esemen, and we indeed wonder at their solicitude for the good of

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