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Republican State Convention.

The republican electors of the state of Nebraska are hereby called to send delegates from the several counties to meet in state convention at Omaha on Wednesday, September 23rd, A. D., 1882, at 7 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following named offices, viz:

Table with 4 columns: Counties, Votes, Delegates, and another column. Lists counties like Adams, Antelope, Boone, etc., with corresponding vote and delegate counts.

It is recommended: First, That no proxies be admitted to the convention, except such as are held by persons residing in the counties from which the proxies are given.

Second, That no delegate shall represent an absent member of his delegation, unless he be clothed with authority from the county convention, or is in possession of proxies from regularly elected delegates thereof.

JOHN STEEN, Secretary, LINCOLN, Neb., July 6, 1882.

The Republican is a little too previous in sounding the loud timbrel over the city printing. Don't crow until you are out of the woods.

AMERICAN sympathy is generally with the "under dog in the fight." Our doctrine is America for Americans, native and adopted.

The effect of Senator Van Wyck's onslaught on the land survey frauds is seen in the way every bill for the regulation of land surveys has been challenged in the house.

The heavy rain and hail storms of this unprecedented season are beginning to tell on the general prosperity. The crops are drooping and the farmers are uneasy.

When we discuss the relations of the railroads to the public and the corrupting influence of passes upon public officers, we do not propose to be diverted into a personal controversy with corporation editors.

WALSH'S testimony, which the New York Herald publishes in an interview with him on the star route frauds, makes a home charge upon the immaculate W. P. Kellogg, late of Louisiana. It would not be difficult to understand that some of the gentry who were foisted into public office in the south by the flood-tide of reconstruction might very well be caught in the business of public robbery.

PASSES ARE BRIBES.

The accredited mouthpieces of the railroads in Nebraska takes issue with the Anti-monopoly league in its declaration that passes are bribes, and the tender of a pass should be treated by law as the tender of a bribe.

THE PRECISE FACTS.

The Omaha Herald is still harping upon those contested election cases from South Carolina as the coming outrage of the season, and specially instances the case of Smalls against Tillman.

Now these men are both specimens in their way. Tillman murdered a man in Edgefield county before the war, was convicted and fled to Texas. In 1877 Smalls was convicted of wholesale bribery and corruption in the state legislature and would have gone to the penitentiary but for the magnanimity and personal sacrifices of the then United States attorney.

How do passes affect our law makers? The people pay to each member ten cents per mile to and from their places of residence to the capital. But the railroads generously supply them with passes not only from their places of residence to the capital, but to the most distant points on their lines, including Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and Montana.

It is the entering wedge whereby vulnerable men in public office are corruptly approached by the railroad managers. It is an established fact that nine out of ten officials who accept this species of bribe can be safely approached with another corrupt proposition, and when once in the drag-net of the monopoly capper, few can withstand the more tempting bribes which are always at the disposal of giant corporations.

The failure of congress to make the necessary appropriation to sustain the national board of health is a measure of doubtful economy. Small pox, cholera and yellow fever are malignant enemies of the public welfare and ought to be met in some way. If a few thousand of bogus pensions were cut away and a million or two taken from the survey and cleaning out of every little ditch that runs through a close congressional district, there would be abundant means found to maintain our national board.

Had the trials continued under the operation of the test oath, a great number of convictions would have been reached, but they would have amounted to nothing as that challenge was declared unconstitutional, and for every democrat convicted twenty republicans would have gone to the state penitentiary and stayed there. Every personal and political interest of the United States attorney was against this amnesty, but the public peace and welfare demanded it.

This, once for all, is the key of the situation in that distracted state. If Gen. Smalls has been a convict he has also been pardoned, and the plain figures show that he has a clear majority of the votes.

of these rascalities. But it has not surprised us to learn that Dorsey, Spencer and Kellogg, all ex-southern senators of the immigrant order, are implicated up to their eyes, and it will be marvelous if Ex-Senator John I. Patterson of the same kidney is not gathered in before the close.

THE DENVER EXPOSITION.

The national mining exposition will open at Denver two weeks hence. The magnitude of the undertaking, considering the narrow range of the exhibit, will equal anything of the kind that has ever been attempted in this country.

Not only for Colorado, but for other of our far western states, is mining ever to be the great industry. The stimulus which it will receive from this exposition will tend to the greater prosperity of the whole country bordering upon the mineral-filled back bone of the Rockies.

Though the day of the prospector has not passed, it is waning. The miners of the future will be capital. There are embowed millions waiting to be drawn from the mountain sides, but millions are required to begin the work.

The Republican party was virtually dead there under this judicial slaughter. Its members were justly and unjustly in exile or jail. On the other hand, thousands of cases for violation of the federal election and revenue laws were on the dockets of the United States courts.

Then came the political amnesty in which all offenses on either side growing out of politics were under order of court discontinued, the democrats pardoning all their convicts and binding their government to entire immunity for the past years of unparalleled and monstrous corruption.

The match between Sullivan and Wilson has ended in another victory for English obstinacy. There was a special feature about this exhibition which made it the most dangerous to public morals of any of a like character ever before given in this country.

The fearful punishment so manfully accepted by Wilson, who was knocked down twenty-seven times, proves the firmness of the glove.

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THE PENNSYLVANIA CAMPAIGN.

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