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The Inevitable Logic of Correspondents at the Seat of War.

A Valentine Shrieker Materializes in Platte County.

Butler County Speaks Out, Short and Sharp for Railroad Regulation.

Proceedings of the Anti-Monopoly Convention of Furnas County

Turners Multiplying Rapidly in Nance.

Boomerang of Platte.

Correspondence of The Bee.

COLUMBUS, September 18.—The opposition to Turner in this county has at last developed. The Valentine boom has materialized. As John Dillon used to say, it is a boom with a bang—a genuine boomerang. It is now in keeping of David Anderson of savory record. Does THE BEE know Dave? He is a true blue republican—when his son-in-law is running for office—and talks loudly about bolters, etc., but never voted the republican ticket in his life. It is a notorious fact that he has bolted every election for the last four years, and is this year doing all in his power to defeat McAllister, the republican candidate for representative from the first district, composed of Platte and Colfax counties. Three years ago Dave was very active in accomplishing the defeat of the regular republican candidate for sheriff, in favor of his son-in-law, a bolter. He also induced a number of good republicans to sign his son-in-law's bond as sheriff, but deserted when suits began to multiply on said bond for malfeasance in office and let the bondsmen pay the judgments recovered against them.

Dave is a notorious lackey for the U. P. and tries to create the impression that he is a special favorite with said company and tells the grangers that he can afford to pay a cent more a pound for their stock as he receives rebates from the company, although it is hardly likely that even the U. P. would pay such a price for a man of his caliber and influence. No better fortune could have befallen Turner's cause in this county than to have secured Dave's opposition.

Eron Ross Early does not come to the front very lively; on the contrary it is an open secret that he has all the time been ready to sacrifice Val if he could thereby make himself state treasurer. Dave's lieutenant is Geo. W. Clother, a statesman of rare ability—acrobatically speaking, a standing candidate for the legislature, who always gets left in convention and then bolts. A good one is told illustrative of his skill as a political acrobat. Two years ago he was an anti-monopolist but was defeated in the convention. This year he tried the other track and went into the convention as an avowed railroad man. Imagine his consternation when the Platte county anti-monopoly resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote. It was what the lamented Strickland would have called a very short term, but George was equal to the emergency. He rose and solemnly said, Mr. President, the resolutions just adopted express my sentiments exactly, and if nominated and elected I will carry out those principles to the best of my ability. Again defeated, however, he again bolts. These two men are on the street to-day administering the oath of allegiance to life long republicans. A list of Val's supporters is being prepared by them for publication. It is to be hoped that they will publish the list. From the vigorous expressions of disgust by the most influential of Val's supporters of the course pursued it is evident that said boom is really a boomerang. In my next I will give the political records of some of the stalwarts who are now shrieking bolters at such influential and consistent republicans as M. K. Turner and Leander Gerrard.

Overthrowing Bosses.

Correspondence of The Bee.

GENOA, NANCE CO., Neb., September 18.—I notice in THE BEE that Mr. K. Turner, of Platte county, has been nominated by the republicans of the third congressional district. I mean independent republicans who feel free from slavish dependence on Valentine and his vassals and political tools. That there is that freedom from bossism manifested by any considerable number of the voters, and a determination to quite in supporting a sound republican candidate, one free from the corrupting and vicious influences that surround and control the opposing candidate and his factious partisans, is really encouraging as an evidence of the advancement of the people in intelligence and independence, moral courage and fidelity to sound principles.

Nebraska has been weighed down ever since her organization as a state by a large influx of political adventurers who came to the state to make their fortunes by office, politics and jobbery of whatever kind could be made available for their purposes; and many of them have been but too successful in their schemes through the tolerance or unwatchfulness of the people. But within the past few years a large accession to the population and votes has taken place, and with that increase a material increase of wealth, intelligence and independence; independence of political

schemes and railroad domination. It would, therefore, seem an auspicious time to show such schemers and political tricksters as Valentine and his subservient followers, that they can not control this district for their own special aggrandizement against the public interest and welfare.

That he and his office-seeking and paid politicians and tools will resort to all kinds of corrupt and unworthy means to secure success, no intelligent person will doubt. Doubtless all manner of vindictive proscription, intolerance, misrepresentation, glaring falsehood and slanders will be brought into requisition by them to deceive, intimidate and bulldoze the hesitating, timid or time-serving papers and voters in his support. For these are the means invariably resorted to by officeholders of his class to retain office and power, and of aspirants who attach themselves to his fortunes with the prospective hope of political gain; or which is about equally potent with small editors and politicians—free passes on railroads. But with men of intelligence, sound principles and independent minds such pernicious and degrading means to subsidize or overreach the voters will have but little weight or influence.

I resolved several years ago that I would not knowingly and willfully vote for corrupt, immoral or incapable men for office, and I see no good reason why I should change my resolution because I have become a citizen of Nebraska, and consequently during the same year that I have lived in the state I have not voted for a candidate for congress, but I am glad of the opportunity to vote for a candidate worthy of the office and the support of the republicans of this district.

CLYDE.

Butler County Republicans.

Correspondence of The Bee.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Sept. 16.—The Butler county republican convention held here to-day selected delegates to the state, judicial, congressional and senatorial conventions. The republican county committee is to meet three weeks before the general election to call the primaries and county convention to nominate a county ticket, including candidates for the assembly. It will be observed that this will not leave more than two weeks between the nomination of county officers and the election, and the probability is that the Hon. J. C. Roberts and the Hon. Thos. Jensen, will be nominated again from this county, and Hon. J. H. Mickey, of Osceola, for senator.

The causes for this convention were, as a rule, very light, and Franklin precinct (David City), is said to have had the smallest primary ever held here for many years, and the convention was not much over half its full number as appointed, with quite a number of townships not represented by any regular delegates, because such precincts had held no primaries.

Butler county has seldom ever held a more quiet hardworking "diplomatic" county convention than this one, and resident Pardoe, so well known in Central Nebraska as a thorough parliamentarian, added much by his promptness and neural energy. The seven delegates to the state convention are no doubt a mixed delegation, with Si Alexander and C. C. White combined as the stronger element, and Dorsey not forgotten, although it is claimed that nobody knows how they stand, so they could easily be classified "a trading delegation." They are Frank Davis, C. C. Cook, Wm. H. Hunsicker, Hutchison, Geo. Bacon, B. P. Cook, and Senator A. J. Evans. The congressional delegates are supposed to lean to Judge Post, with some strength for Laird, and nothing for Claudius Jones, although nobody claims to know.

There was a resolution asking the state convention to take grounds for the submission of a prohibitory amendment, and the other two resolutions adopted were as follows:

Resolved, That we are in favor of railway regulation, both state and national, in their respective spheres, in the interest of the producing and laboring classes.

Resolved, That we favor a judicious appropriation by congress for the improvement of the transportation facilities of the Mississippi river and its practically navigable tributaries.

There was a small tremble and one or two who made a slight kick against the temperance resolution, and the substance, while the resolution passed with applause.

DAVID CITY is growing. The \$10,000 elevator, just finished by James Bell, is supposed to be one of the most complete in all its arrangements and machinery, and will have a feed mill, and is one of the ornaments of the city, being finished unlike any other elevator ever seen by your correspondent. Frank Stafford, the superintendent, thinks it about as complete a model and as near perfect as it can be, and claims for it 40,000 capacity. The mill is at ready for its machinery.

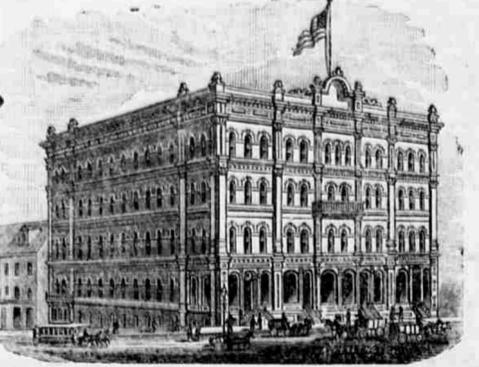
T. B. Myers is building a fine brick residence, and the county fair, to be held next week, is trying to outdo the state fair. They have provided for a double ball on ascension on Tuesday, and are importing some noted scientists from Chicago for the purpose of sending them up at the same time in separate balloons, and are expecting to pay large premiums to the bicyclists, and run the farm machinery on the grounds by steam. This will outdo any county fair ever held in central Nebraska.

The public schools opened this week with Professor R. E. Call, of Des Moines, as principal, and W. I. Austin as teacher of the high school. The schools have 390 or 400 pupils and five teachers, with probably another next week. Prof. Call is beyond doubt an able and thorough man, and the board have shown wisdom in their effort to put the schools on a basis of advancement by securing capable teaching force, and furnishing other needed supplies and apparatus, and the people will sustain them.

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for some time editor of The Pawnee Republican and The Tecumseh Christian, has formed a partnership with Dr. T. J. Murphy, and will practice medicine at David, and they expect to put in a full stock of drugs. Crowds of people who went to the state fair and are coming home, believing that Omaha is one of the great cities of the west. BUCKEYE.

Furnas County Antis. Correspondence of The Bee. WILSONVILLE, Neb., September 17.—The Furnas County Anti-Monopoly convention met on September 9th, at Beaver City, and nominated the following ticket: For representative, J. G. Armstrong; for county commissioner, S. R. Ries, Arapahoe. The following delegates were elected to state, congressional and judicial convention at Hastings: C. E. Bennett, R. H. Rober, J. C. Metcalf, A. E. Lutton, D. W. Irwin, H. J. Romington to the senatorial convention at Indianola; S. R. Ries, E. F. Bennett, J. A. Gibson, C. F. Hornett, R. H. Rober, A. F. Lutton. The valley will support C. F. Bennett for congress. Where is Valentine, Church Howe and Jim Laird now? We suppose they are looking for a position in some land office up Salt river. This part of Nebraska is solid anti-monopoly and now to see the people are not entitled to a representation in the state, and are going to show by their ballots this fall that they have no use for such bosses as Valentine, Church Howe, Carnes, Laird and such capers. Flour Mill Barred. Special Dispatch to The Bee. HARVARD, Neb., September 17.—The steam flouring mill in Harvard was totally destroyed by fire about 11 o'clock last night. Loss about \$5,000; no insurance. The fire caught from fire in the coal bins. Probably combustion.

McVitie's Family. Special Dispatch to The Bee. WASHINGTON, September 18.—The telegram received by Acting Secretary of Navy Walter, yesterday, from Engineer McVitie, simply asked for extension of leave on account of sickness in his family. The request was granted. None of the particulars of McVitie's actions are known at the department. The reports of his having deserted his wife created quite a sensation among the officials here. PHILADELPHIA, September 18.—Dr. Longstroth, McVitie's family physician, and Dr. Bartleson, to-day gave a certificate of insanity in the case of Mrs. McVitie, and she has been placed in the Norristown insane asylum. Her children accompanied her to the asylum and then returned home. Chief Engineer McVitie telegraphed for his sister in New York, who will hereafter take care of his home and his children.

Mason's Case. Special Dispatch to The Bee. WASHINGTON, September 18.—Bigelow, counsel for Sergeant Mason, has prepared a petition for a habeas corpus addressed to Judge Cox, United States district judge for the northern district of New York. St. Iving Against a Boss. Special Dispatch to The Bee. HENTERS POINT, L. I., September 18.—Four hundred employees of the Stearns piano works struck this morning on account of the unpopularity of Superintendent Sumner. The men will not return to work unless he is discharged. Should the demand not be acceded to, it is said the employees in New York, about 1,000 will also strike.

A Colorado Comet. Special Dispatch to The Bee. DENVER, Col., September 18.—At Georgetown and Central City, this state, at about eleven o'clock this morning, a comet was plainly seen with the naked eye about 5 degrees from the sun. The direction was a trifle south of west.

A FORLORN HOPE.

The Remnants of Arabi's Army Bucking the British at Damietta.

A Few Forts on the Sea Refuse to Lay Down or Come Out.

The Probable Fate of the Rebel Chiefs—Opening the Railroad.

Miscellaneous Matters from the Old World.

Special Dispatches to The Bee.

TOO LATE TO SIGN. CONSTANTINOPLE, September 18.—It is believed the Anglo-Turkish military convention will be abandoned.

AFFAIRS IN ALEXANDRIA. ALEXANDRIA, September 18.—One of the participants in the June massacre was hanged here to-day. It is reported a ginsbot and troops have been ordered to operate against Abdallah Pasha, who is still holding Damietta. Train service on the railroad has been resumed. All stations will be occupied by the English.

ARABI FOULED. ALEXANDRIA, September 18.—One of the Egyptian officers who surrendered explains that Arabi left his best soldiers at Kafr-El-Dwar, because he thought the move on Ismailia was a ruse and the real attack of the British would be on Kafr-El-Dwar.

HOLDING THE FORTS. The Sultan has quite recently been in communication with Arabi through Damietta, and there can be no doubt that the assistance of the commander of that place originates from Stamboul.

PORT SAID, September 18.—The commander of Damietta also holds Forts Debita and Ghemiliet. The governor of Port Said sent an Arabi to the rebel commander, Friday, but the messenger has not returned.

A FRACTION OF THE COST. CALCUTTA, September 18.—The Indian government announces the issue of a loan of twenty-five million rupees to meet the expenses of the Indian contingent in Egypt.

ARABI'S CRACK REGIMENT. ALEXANDRIA, September 18.—The regiment which left Aboukir, last night, to join Abdallah Pasha at Damietta, was Arabi Pasha's own, and numbered 500 men. While at Kafr El Dwar Arabi Pasha and his wife lived with his father, mother, sisters and brothers. Arabi ate only what they prepared, as he believed the English had spies in his camp who wished to poison him.

ARABI'S DEMAONOR. CAIRO, September 18.—Arabi Pasha says he was compelled to fight against his will. He maintains a calm, resolute and disingenuous demeanor. Arabi informed Gen. Lowe he trusted himself to English honor, as a soldier whose army had been defeated. Gen. Lowe replied he could not discuss questions of war. His only mission was to arrest him. Arabi considers De Lesseps shamefully betrayed the National Egyptian party, who depended upon his assurance that he would present any landing of troops, or war material by way of the canal.

The British troops are well received everywhere, even in the native quarters.

A number of Egyptian levies are leaving for home, in many cases taking their Remington rifles. Throughout the campaign the Egyptians had a complete system of spies in Alexandria and Ismailia. The rebels expected the British would attack Tel El-Kebir at night on the 12th, and they remained in the trenches all night.

This shows the attack was not a surprise.

REORGANIZING THE POLICE. ALEXANDRIA, September 18.—Two thousand Albanians have been recruited to form the nucleus of a fresh police. During the siege of Kafr-El-Dwar 85 of the enemy were wounded and five have since died.

A mixed English and Egyptian military commission will try rebel chiefs. The surrender of Aboukir is fixed for to-day.

THE KHEDIVÉ'S DECREE. The following decree proposed at a council of the ministers has been signed by the Khedive:

Article 1. The Egyptian army is dissolved.

Article 2. Officers guilty of rebellion will be prosecuted and punished according to military law.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. Riaz Pasha, minister of the interior, states as the restoration of order will be impossible unless capital punishment is awarded to leaders of revolt he shall abandon the country if any milder sentence be passed.

THE SURRENDERED FORCES. The total surrendered here was 6,000 men, 70 horses, 15,000 Remington rifles and 50 field guns.

The surrendered rebel officers will be confined in the Khedive's palace. Two squadrons of cavalry from Mariout, after having been disarmed, were marched into Alexandria to-day.

Suleime Bey, the supposed instigator of the burning of Alexandria, is captured.

JUMPING THE STYX. LONDON, September 18.—Gerald Valorian Wellesley, Dean of Windsor and domestic chaplain to the queen, is dead.

A WOMAN SHOT. LONDON, September 18.—A woman was shot by a process server near Ghentis, County Donegal, while resisting the seizure of her cattle. The process server was arrested.

THE SIEGE IN RUSSIA. St. Petersburg, September 18.—It is understood that the minor state of siege here and in four other towns will be prolonged another year.

CHOLERA. MANILA, September 18.—Thirty-four deaths from cholera yesterday, one hundred and sixty-one in this vicinity.

A Forger on a Victim. Special Dispatch to The Bee. KANSAS CITY, September 18.—L. D. Ross, the ex-broker who was arrested for the forgery of railroad tickets, was last week released from custody on bail in the sum of \$750, John Knappenberger and his uncle being security. The case was called at Independence to-day, but Ross failed to appear. When last heard from he was visiting his mother near Brunswick, Mo.

Boston Briefs. Special Dispatch to The Bee. BOSTON, September 18.—President Arthur will be the guest of the commonwealth and of the city the first four days of October.

Officers of the insurance company of North America to-day announced they had discovered discrepancies in their clerks accounts of \$25,000, the result of frauds perpetrated by the transfer clerk.

A Carouck Rule. Special Dispatch to The Bee. OTTAWA, Ont., September 18.—American militia, desiring to make excursions into Canada, must henceforth file application with the secretary of the United States who, approving, will forward the application to the governor-general through the British minister at Washington.

Base Ball. Special Dispatch to The Bee. BUFFALO, September 18.—Boston 8, Buffalo 2.

CLEVELAND, September 18.—Troy 5, Cleveland 6.

PARTY EPOCHS.

New York Republican Factions Gathering at Saratoga.

Ben Butler Bags the Bourbons of the Bay State.

The Victory in Maine—Other Notes.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

THE RESULT IN MAINE. AUGUSTA, Me., September 18.—The Kennebec Journal will publish tomorrow the full official returns from all over the state except from six small plantations. Robie's plurality is 8,498. The republican candidates for congress are elected by pluralities in excess of that for governor. The republicans carry fourteen of the sixteen counties. Of the senators, 23 are republicans, 3 fusion. Of members of the house, 108 are republicans, 41 fusionist. In two districts the elections are not yet determined.

Butler and the Bourbons. Special Dispatch to The Bee. BOSTON, September 18.—For the day preceding the democratic state convention, matters in the streets and at the customary gathering places of the democratic leaders are extremely quiet. The headquarters at the Parker house is neglected. Nowhere is any appreciable excitement. Col. James H. French, as chairman of the state central committee, will call the convention to order. Judge Abbott will apparently be the chairman. Gen. Butler will receive the nomination by acclamation.

Prohibition in Pennsylvania. Special Dispatch to The Bee. PHILADELPHIA, September 18.—A number of prohibitionists of Pennsylvania assembled here this afternoon to take measures to strengthen the anti-liquor movement in the state. It is expected that the outcome of the meeting will be a permanent organization for the promotion of constitutional prohibition.

New York Republicans. Special Dispatch to The Bee. SARATOGA, September 18.—All leading hotels are crowded to-night with members of the republican party. Political discussions are heard everywhere, in the corridors and on the balconies of the hotels. Advocates of the renomination of Gov. Cornell are most outspoken. It is generally admitted he will lead on first ballot, but Folger men claim their candidate will not be far behind in votes. Advocates of Wadsworth, Starob, Wood and several "dark horses" are confident that after one ballot a break will take place in their particular choice. The general impression is that the convention will not conclude its labors in one day and a few even think it will be Friday before the delegates can leave for their homes.

Barquet to Hatton. Special Dispatch to The Bee. CHICAGO, September 18.—First Assistant Postmaster General Frank Hatton was tendered an elegant banquet at the Grand Pacific hotel this morning, by the officers of the Chicago postal service. A number of toasts were proposed and responded to. Among them one offered by Hatton, eulogizing Postmaster General Howe as a man and officer.

For Military Championship. Special Dispatch to The Bee. NEW YORK, September 18.—At Creedmore to-day Wm. N. Farrar of the Newport artillery, won the match for the military championship of the United States. Score 85 out of a possibility of 105. He used the rifle used by McVitie in the international contest. Col. Sanford shot with Sir Henry Haiford's rifle and scored 74 points.