proof, but there are circumstances that lead to the belief that he is.

BEDFORD CERTIFICATES.

Two Affidavita Calculated to Befute

LEXINGTON, Mo., Oct. 20.-To Whom

May Concern: We, the undersigned citi-

zens of Lexington, Mo., respectfully state

that we are now citizens of Lexington,

Lafayette county, Mo., and that we'lived

there before and during the rate civil war,

that we are acquainted with and personally

know Jefferson W. Bedford. He was born

and raised here among us, and we further

state that he was not during said war en-gaged in hostilities to the United States

government nor was he a member of any body or company of bushwhackers, nor

belonged to or a memoer of any confederate states company, or regiment, or militia, nor in the confederate states army in any ca-

pacity.

We further state that we are members of

the political party whose name is set oppo-

site our names respectively:

M. Morrison, banker, home during war;
D. W. B. Lewis, druggist, democrat; W. G. McCausiand, banker, democrat; B. R. Ireland, cashier, democrat; Robert Taubman,

Damaging Story.

SCHEMING TO BEAT BEMIS

Disgruntled Ward Politicians Hold a Secret Conference with Dr. Mercer.

FLASHES OF A DARK LANTERN SESSION

Similar to the Old "Twenty-Eighters"-Att Participants Swear Secreey-The Doctor Will Pose as a Petition Candidate for Mayor.

Like Barkis, Dr. Samuel D. Mercer is "willin'," but unlike Barkis, the doctor has placed himself in the hands of his friends and has assured them that he is anxious to submit to the leg-pulling act, providing they are willing to take hold and pull his leg, and they are.

Last night, behind bolts and bars, the nucleus of another "Twenty-eight" club was formed in this city, having for its object the defeat of Hon. George P. Bemis for mayor, with Dr. Samuel D. Mercer furnishing the money to carry out the plans of the unhely

During the day couriers were scouring the city, notifying the sad-eyed republicans that their presence was desired at the Mercer hotel during the evening, as business of great importance would be transacted by those who were invited.

Caramela of Fiattery. As soon as the sun went down Dr. Mercer hied himself to his hotel and there waited the coming of the throng, but he did not have to wait long, for a few minutes later W. J. Broatch, a man who drank wine and broke bread with Hon. George W. Lininger four years ago and then went out and betrayed him, appeared upon the scene, and with a winning smile informed the doctor, who has the mayorality bee buzzing in his bonnet, that all was well and that it was

the desire of all the "God and morality" peo-

ple of the city that he should stand as their candidate for mayor. It was apparent that the doctor felt flattered, for he tasked of crops and the need of rain, now and then changing the subject and getting over on to the side of politics. A little later Henry Ehrenpfort, a man who has been known as a notorious railroad lobbiest, sauntered into the office and shook the doctor's hand with one of those give-me-five shakes, which Henry alone knows how to shake. Not knowing so very much about politics down in Henry's ward. the doctor was slow to catch on to the point, but he discovered it later when the smooth

Henry told him that he carried about 500 German and Bohemian votes in his vest Napoleon of Finance Was There. At this time Ernest Stuht, the man who served as treasurer of the republican city central committee and refused to turn over the committee cash to his successor, boited in and stepping up to where Mercer and Ehrenpfort stood talking, remarked as soon as he caught the drift of the conversation. that anything that Henry said "went" in the south end of the city. He also intimated that Henry had assessed the Union Pacific property a couple of times, and that he had great influence in that direction in the way of driving whole herds of votes up

to the polls on election day. These boasts of Stuht and Ehrenpfort continued until Dr. Morcer was almost convinced that he was elected, and he might have been convinced of that fact had not Jim Kyper, a member of the republican central committee from the Fifth ward, hobbled in and exhibited a great political sore that has been filled with gan. grene ever since he failed to get a nomination for most any office at the republican convention, which was held a few days ago. by a long shot, and that he would not be until the last vote was cast on election day An Imposing Array.

Right at this point it became apparent that the invitations to attend the meeting had been bearing fruit, for a lot of dis-gruntled politicians filed into the rotunda of the hote! Among the number there were such prominent republicans as A. R. Sauer, Joe Redman. Phil Winters, W. H. Allen, incipal of the Dodge school; Jake Couns-an, A. J. Van Alstine, an alleged man who not long ago was fined \$50 and costs for tam pering with a jury; Sandy Knight, Sam, Maclecd, the superintendent of school buildings, whose peculiar work has been criticised in a most severe manner, and a dozen other republicans of the same lik, together with Wait Kelley and "Buck," the colored man who does jani-tor work down at the government building. There was a season of hand shaking, after which Mercer invited his guests into the

All of those prominent reputicans were warm enough, but seclusion was just what they were hunting, and, quickly accepting the invitation, they bolted into the room, nearly knocking down a half dozen watter gives who kent gloss variance over the girls who kept close vigilance over the spoons and the rest of the silverware. Once inside they felt better, though some of the men longed for a chance to fill their tanks at the expense of the doctor, but that chance they did not get, for the man of physics told them that he was not ready to uncorn his wine, nor was he ready to pull his purse until the time arrived when there was something tangible in sight.

dining room, saying that there it was warm

Sauer's Biting Sarcasm. A. J. Sauer suggested that the meeting was not a feast but was for the transaction of business of the most sacred nature and that it was proposed to formulate a plan that would save the city from a worse fate than that of Sodom and Gomorrat. Several of the men caught the idea and then by a

unanimous vote, Phil Winter was elected chairman, with Schoolmaster Allen acting as secretary. The next thing on the pro-gram was to clear the room of interlopers, bolt the doors, pull down the blinds and turn belt the doors, pull down the blinds and turn the gas to the lowest possible burning point. That having been done, Billy Broatch stated that the object of the meeting was to formulate a club that would have for its object the political annihilation of Bemis.

"That's not the object," interposed Van Alstine, the man who was convicted of tampering with a jury, "The object of this meeting, as I understand it, is to nominate Dr. Mercer."

"That's so," interjected Ehrenpfort, "and

"That's so," interjected Ehrenpfort,"and it is also to 'down' Rosewater and show him that he cannot dictate politics." don't you forget it for a minute," exclaimed Ernest Stuht, as he pounded his heel into the marble of the floor and laughed a heavy

The chairman suggested that the meeting

was drifting away from the real point at issue and that it was for the members to decide whether or not they should go out into the byways and hedges to beat Bemis. Minro's Manhood.

Upon hearing this George F. Munro, who d been inveigled to the dining room by the derstanding that the gathering meant the discussion of ways and means for the promo-tion of the interests of the republican party, remarked that these present were not his kind of people, and that he guessed he Mr. Munro was informed that if he would

oin the club he would be helped in a political way, and that his election would be made

"I had rather be defeated than to partici-ate in such a traiterous gathering," re-arked Mr. Munro, as he gathered his hat ad hoited for the door, only to find it

relat me out of here or I will cause twould," demanded the councilman from the Fifth ward. "I am a Bemis man, and I want it understood that I do not take part in a maching that has for its prime object the tarting of the noministration over to the democrats." And without waiting to hear any more the door was unboiled and Mr. Munroe was let our into the cold night.

Sworn to Secrecy. The disturbing element having gone, the

doing this, all the members were compelled to take a terrible each that they would never divulge anything that occurred.

Loud and long calls were made for Dr. Mercer, but why they were so loud and long, no man could tell, as the doctor was in plain sight and not ten feet away from the chairman. Notwithstanding all of the excitement, the doctor stood up and smiled, while the waves of enthusiasm rebounded from wall to wall and then went out and fell down the elevator shaft.

In fine, classical language the doctor told the members of the club that "he never would have thought of being a candidate if the republican convention had not adopted such damnable means of foisting Bemis upon the public." Then he howled calamity and said that Bemis was the deadest cock in the pit; that if something heroic was not done Haspall would be the next mayor of the city of Omaha, which would be a shame and a disdrace to the better element. He knew this, for he had been credibly informed that the populists were bound to carry the city, even if they lost everything in the state. They were raising shake pots, which they were going to send to Omaha for the purpose of they lost everything in the state. They were raising shake pots, which they were going to send to Omaha for the purpose of corrupting voters. It was not a fight against Bemis or Hedford, but was a fight against Hascall. If nominated, the doctor opined that he would make the best showing that was possible.

Had His Petition Prepared. "Is there time to get you before the pub-lict" asked one of the men. Dr. Mercer smiled again and added that he had fixed that. "You see," he continued, "I am not as slow as some of the boys may think. smelled this meeting in the air and secured my petition some days ago. It is in shape and can be filed in five minutes if necessary."

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"That's the stuff," remarked Billy Broatch and A. Jay Van Alstine in unison. "The doctor has been in politics before and knows how to skin 'em."

"He's a great politician," chimed in "Buck" of the government building.

Dr. Mercer blushed like a school girl as he accepted the compliment and passed around the cigars.

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Then it was decided that the doctor was in the field and the preliminaries were arranged by voting that the chairman should announce at the next meeting a committee of twenty-seven, three from each ward, whose duty it would be to get out and hus-tle Mercer votes, both before and on election

That having been settled, pledges were

made, while the newly born candidate lis-tened and smiled. Ehrenpfort renewed his pledge that he could control 400 of the shopmen, while Teacher Allen went him several better by saying that he was on the inside and could turn over the entire church vote of the Eighth ward. That saddened the heart of the could be could the could be could the could be could the could be cou Eighth ward. That saddened the heart of Jim Kyner, but after a conference, the legislator who insulted a lady last winter vowed that he could handle the vote of the Omaha Street Railway company, and that in addition thereto "he could bring in a large vote from East Omaha, to say nothing of the churches which he and his wife had under control."

Other members promised blocks of voters if money was in sight to pay expenses and grease the wheels, and before the end was reached, Dr. Mercer was promised fully 25,000 votes.

That seemed to be about all the business in sight and a motion to adjourn was made, but before it was put, Biliy Broatch cautioned all of the members about divulging the proceedings of the meeting, stating that it was better to allow the masses to remain in ignorance until Dr. Mercer swept down upon them like a Dakota cyclone. Jake Counsman, Van Alstine and "Buck" agreed with the suggestion and nothing will be said about the Mercer candidacy until after the next meeting of the club, which will be held on Monday night.

SAM MACLEOD'S SCHEME.

Promises to Fire School Board Employes Who Vote Against Him. Sam Macleod, superintendent of school buildings, by offensive partisanship, has in curred the displeasure of certain members of the Board of Education. His work in the recent judicial primaries was freely com-

mented on by THE BEK. It is now reported that he is determined to whip his subordinates into line and coerce them into voting for his preferred councilmanic candidate. During the city primaries for ten years has been foreman of repairs for the school board, was not supporting Mac-leod's candidate for the council. The latter protested and finally ordered Hoover to de-sist. Hoover claimed the right to vote for whom he pleased. Macleod attempted to bulldoze his subordinate, but was forcibly notified that he could not do so. Subsenotified that he could not do so. Subsequently he told a certain party that Hoover would not long remain on the payroll of the

Mr. Hoover was seen about the matter, but was not inclined to talk. He did say, how-ever, that no man could tell him how he must

deavoring to hit upon a plan to bring about the dismissal of Macleod from the service of the board. They favor the abolition of the office he holds and propose that all re-pair work shall be done under direction of the committee on property and buildings.

Republican League Clubs.

The presidents of all the league clubs of Omaha and Douglas county are urgently requested to meet at room 7, Commercial National bank building, on Monday evening at so clock sharp to complete the organization of the Union League club and arrange for a grand rally on Thursday evening, when all clubs will be expected to be present.

B. H. Robison, Vice President State League.

City Central Committee Meeting. The republican city central committee held regular session last evening. The various committeemen reported progress in their respective wards. Routine business occupied the balance of the evening.

WEATHER FORECASTS.

Nebraska is Threatened with a Cold Wave and Fair Weather. Washington, Oct. 21 .- Forecasts for Sunday: For Nebraska-Fair, much cooler, cold wave in northern portion; high northwest winds.

For Iowa-Fair, colder; cold wave in northwestern portion; brisk and southerly, shifting to westerly winds.

For the Dakotas—Snow in North Dakota, fair in South Dakota, cold wave, high north-

Fever Increasing at Brunswick. BRUNSWICK, Ga., Oct. 21 .- At the yellow fever camp today there occurred seven deaths from the dreaded disease, while fortyfive new cases were reported. There are now 255 cases under treatment, sixty white and 198 colored. The outlook for the next twenty days is not cheering. The warm weather following the few days of rain and to the front. When the dread malady seems to be disappearing and the people breathing easier the deaths roll up, and the fever in-creases alarmingly.

Terrorized by a Search Light. Madaid, Oct. 21,-An official dispatch from Mellila says the forts there today opened fire on the Moors in their trenches and that the warship Vanadito is shelling the coast. Shortly after the firing began the Moore fled into their own territory. They sus tained heavy losses. Melliia is illy prepared for defense pending the arrival of reinforcements. The Spaniards will assume the offensive. The Vanadito's search light terrorized the Moors.

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Murderer Admitted to Ball. OLATHE, Kan., Oct. 21 .- The proceedings in the case of the banker, A. Little, who is charged with murder in Kansas Oity, Kan., of Lawyer B. E. Johnson, were concluded at 9 o'clock tonight. Judge Burns granted the writ asked by Little Little's bond was placed at \$15,000, and was immediately fur-nished by him. The case was recently trans-ferred from Kansas City on a change of

Threatened to Carve. O. E. Skinner was arrested last night for drawing a kuife on a man named McAu-drewa.

DeWitt's Witch Hazer Saive cures piles

BENNETT AND HIS BATTERY

Desperate Efforts to Secure a Mouthpiece Finally Crowned with Success.

FLOCKS WITH THE FIGARO AND ED KOEN

ingratitude of an Ex-Convict, Who Seeks to Stander the Man Who Befriended Him-Heelers of the Sheriff at Work.

Sheriff Bennett is a political dead bird. The desperation manifested by him and his mmediate followers shows conclusively that they see defeat staring them in the

Politicians who bave watched Sennett's maneuvers say that he is nonplussed and does not know which way to turn in endeavors to retrieve lost ground. This condition of things accounts for his craze to get an organ in this city to defend him against the charges preferred by THE BEE, that his conduct of the sheriff's office the past twenty months has been scandalous, if not positively corrupt.

Bennett is reported to have offered \$1,000 in cash for the support of a weekly labor paper here whose editoris opposed to his candidacy for re-election. The offer was declined and Bennett is said to have sworn eternal vengeance upon the publisher. He made every effort to buildoze the labor editor and force him into line.

Another attempt of Bennett and his gang to get a mud-slinging mouthpiece was crowned with success. The Figaro, published by Ed Koen, who was for months an inmate of the county jail, was two weeks ago subsidized by Bennett, under commission, to vilify and traduce the editor of THE BEE to any extent possible. A week or ten days ago the miserable little sheet was filled with a drivelling tirade under the caption, "Rosewater a Liar," in which a weak defense of Bennett was sought to be made. Koen openly boasted on the street that Bennett had bought and paid for 6,000 copies of the Figaro containing this screed, and he felt that he had driven a good bargain.

During the past week, however, it became apparent to Bennett and his ilk that the puerile work of his subsidized scribble; had proved a dismal failure. Former supporters throughout the various wards were found to be deserting his cause like rats from a sink-

Something had to be done. The ex-convict wanted to "touch" Bennett again. No wanted to bottom Bennett again. No better way was suggested than to repeat with variations the outrageous slander first concocted by Mosher and his confederates in Lincoln prior to the bank-wrecker's incarceration. The story of Rosewater's insanity is perennial. It bobs up whenever he hap-pens to be in hot pursuit of faithless officials and public thieves. Here is the latest version, embellished by

appeared in the Figaro yesterday: A Sad Occurrence.

ex-Convict Koen's active imagination, as i

A sad Occurrence.

It is now certain that E. Rosewater, the noted editor of The Omaha Bee, is insane.

Aithough he continues to attend to his business in a way, close watch is kept on his every movement, his family fearing that he will take his own life.

By those most intimate with Mr. Rosewater this event has been feared for some time, and arrangements are now being made to put him under the care of the best physicians in the east in the hope that he will improve and thus be enabled to return to his business.

Dr. Charles Rosewater, brother of the editor, keeps close watch on his unfortunate relative, never leaving his patient except that he is closely guarded by some trusty person.

This mental breakdown, unfortunate in that it has appeared at this time in the career of the paper, has been couling on for some time, and his condition has continued to grow worse, despite the best care that could be given him.

After his return from the recent republican state convention Mr. Rosewater's decline has been rapid, until at the present time his business affairs are entirely in the hands of his brothers and sons, though they give the de-

state convention Mr. Rosewater's decline has been rapid, until at the present time his business affairs are entirely in the hands of his brothers and sons, though they give the demented editor his own way in many matters, just to humor him, in the hope that it will do him good. The breakdown began a year ago. It is nearly a year since that Mr. Rosewater's mental breakdown first became noticeable, though he has never been considered a really sane man by even his best friends since the day when he was slugged by the negro, who was afterwards sent to the penitentiary for his dastardly assault.

During the last session of the legislature Mr. Rosewater took great interest in the legislation, as usual, and his indefatigable work at the time saved the state many thousands of dollars, but finally wrecked an intellect that was at one time considered one of the brightest in the state. The fact was published at the time throughout the United States and attracted much attention, as Mr. Rosewater was considered throughout the country as one of the leading men of the state. * * Mr. Rosewater's final breakdown occurred on Tuesday of this week, and the great editor is now confined at his home and is in a dangerous condition. Since that time he has been absolutely incapacitated for business, though his physicians are of the opinion that he will recover and for a time, at least, be able to resume his duties as editor of The Bre.

Song of a Jall Bird,

Koen served a term in the state penitentiary for no less scandalous fabrications than this. In that case his object was the same as in this—money. Bennett is paying him to libel Mr. Rosewater, and he does it for hire. So utterly deprayed is he that the more money Bennett pays him, the greater will be his effort to traduce and

malign.

Bennett's hope is, of course, to break the force of any further strictures THE BEE may be called upon to make concerning his offi-cial misconduct. This story of insanity can do no harm among those who know Mr. Rosewater and meet him frequently, but possibly it will do some damage among those who do not know him and never see him.

who do not know him and never see him.

A more despicable piece of work was never done in this community. Koen was not without sympathizers during his term at the pen. Some men were slow to censure him severely because of his youth, and expressed the opinion that Judge Davis' sentence was too severe. These mistaken opinions must undergo radical sevision. Just look at it. undergo radical revision. Just look at it a minute. When Koen lay in the county jail under sentence awaiting transfer to the pen. under sentence awaiting transfer to the pen, his attorney secured a stay of sentence from the supreme court and filed it in court. Bennett, however, did not have sense enough to examine the court record, and the attorney failed to notify him of the stay. He took Koen to the pen in defiance of the order of the higher court, which sought to give Koen every opportunity to clear himself if he could. When the court finally approved the sentence of the lower court, Koen of course languished in the pen. But he had every reason to censure Bennett for his blunder, as of course he did. Yet in spite of the knowledge that Bennett is incompetent, he takes his money and devotes the greater share of his paper to Bennett's candidacy for re-election.

for re-election.

Koen, from the day of his arrest, seemed possessed of the insane idea that Mr. Rosewater was responsible for his troubles. He said that Mr. Rosewater had caused his imprisonment and thought that he could effect his release. He wrote a letter from the jail imploring Mr. Rosewater to secure his liberty, promising to mend his ways and never engage in the blackmailing business again. Nothing was done in response to his piteous appeal. After his transfer to the penitentiary he again done in response to his piteous appeal. After his transfer to the penitentiary he again wrote to Mr. Rosewater imploring him to see Governor Boyd and request that a pardon be granted him. Mr. Rosewater was moved by this appeal and made a request for Koen's pardon. Governor Boyd deferred the matter to his successor, Governor Crounse, to whom also Mr. Rosewater applied for Koen's pardon. Finally Governor Crounse granted Koen his liberty and a short time thereafter Koen called upon Mr. Rosewaterand thanked him for his kindness. He had still another favor to ask. As an ex-convict he felt that it would be difficult for him to find employment as a printer. He prevailed upon Mr. Rosewater to instruct the foreman of The Ber composing room to give Koen an even chance with other printers to earn an honest dollar. Koen was permitted to work in The Ber office and did work there until he found other employment.

other employment. Koen's lagratitude. But regardless of all this kindness and ex-traordinary favor extended to him in time of need, he willfully accepts the money of Ben-

nett to public y scandalise and libel Mr. Rosewater by the publication of a tissue of base and cruel falsehoods.

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Mosher's "fine Italian hand" is easily recognizable in this scurrifous business. He has recently declared that he does not propose to go to the penitentary, but will stick it out in the county failed He very naturally favors the re-election of Bennett, who has disgraced his office by The unprecedented favoritism shown Mosher during his alleged imprisonment in the Douglas county jail. These two men have "alummed" together and are said to be fast personal friends. Whether Mosher is putting up money for Bennett's campaign is and susceptible of proof, but there are circumstances that lead Populist Mass Meeting.

in Clear Notes -Call to Arms in the Fight Against the Corporations.

About 200 populists met at Exposition hall ast evening to listen to addresses by J. M.

D. Ciem Deaver called the meeting to order

menaced the prosperity of the country.

The financial depression furnished an extensive theme for the speaker. There was a conspiracy between the president of the United States and the money barons of New York and their partners in Europe to so stampede the legislature and people of this country as to procure the repeal of the Sherman act.

nand, cashier, democrat; Robert Tauoman, president Commercial bank, republican; Charles M. Neet, city recorder, republican; Butlor Williamson, mer hant, republican; Joseph Chinn, farmer, democrat; George M. Vaughn, merchant, prohibitionist; George man act.

The speaker said that this was a direct effort to destroy the liberty of the people. He drew a direful picture of the national debt of the country and of the burden of mortgages resting on the homes of the nation. This was all the result of misgovernment and it was the mission of the neonless party to redeem the country from

Joseph Chinn, farmer, democrat; George M. Vaughn, merchant, prohibitionist; George Farrow, contractor, republican; W. B. Hamlete, ex-mayor, democrat; Joseph Hook, retired merchant, democrat; C. B. Russell, mayor, democrat; John E. Ryland, judge; John W. Waddell, president Savings bank; Granville Clayton, saddler, republican; Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of October, 1893.

Honace W. Winson, Notary Public. My commission expires June 4, 1896.
Public, Colo., Oct. 19—To Whom it May Concern: Learning that Mr. Jeff W. Bedford, candidate for mayor of Omaha, has been charged with having been a guerrilla or "bushwhacker" in Missouri, I desire to say that any and every such charge is absolutely false. I spoak from my own personal knowledge, as I boarded with his father and slept in the same bed with Jeff during a large part of 1861 and 1862; that I was with him daily; that together we started for Colorado in 1862; that Mr. Bedford, up to this time being but a boy, had never belonged to any military company of any kind; that when the Indian war with the Cheyennes broke out, Mr. Bedford joined the Third Colorado federal cavalry, in which he served until honorably discharged; that he took an active part in the memorable Sand Creek fight under Colonel Chivington; that he had three arrows shot through his clothing, narrowly escaping death therefrom; that he served honorably discharged therefrom; that he served discount of the control The tariff came in fer a share of attention and inadvertently the speaker made a point for protection. Since the democratic party came into power and it was promised that the tariff would be lowered, the balance of trade had steadily turned against the United States. The tariff question as octween republicans and democrats was not what either of them believed it to be Whether the tariff respectively.

value was deceiving.
Mr. Devine said that the creditor classes of the world were engaged in a great effort to strike out half of the money by destroying the value of one of the two metals in which the value of one of the two metals in which its value was expressed. If this was allowed to be carried out there would be a gradual falling off of prices for the next thirty years and in the meantime labor would be paralyzed. The only result would be that the hoarded wealth would be doubled in value at the expense of the laboring classes. That this evil would ever be remedied by either of the old parties was a value. edied by either of the old parties was a vain

he served honorably in the federal army and was honorably discharged therefrom; that he never did serve one day or any other time in any bushwhacking or any other kind of a military company in Missouri.

All this I know of my own personal knowledge. All reports to the contrary are malicious falsehoods concocted by designing enemies.

Ex-Receiver U. S. Land Office at Lamar, Colo. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of October, A. D. 1893.

Richard P. Vedder, My commission expires January 6, 1895.

TRIPLE ALLEANCE. Current Rumors of a Combination Between Hascall, Bennett and Eller. Since the three local political parties have placed in nomination their city and county tickets for the coming election many schemes have been concected. The latest combination was arranged Thursday afternoon: By this arrangement the conspirators hope that Hascall will be elected mayor. As a bait for the prohibition vote it is widely rumored that if he is elected he will close the disorderly houses and enforce the

Slocumb law regarding the saloons. A meeting is said to have been held at the residence of Police Officer Cory at 2530 Charles street recently. It was attended by a "faithful few" who were especially invited to be present by those most interested. Among those present were certain mem-

bers of the American Protective association, Ike Hascall, Attorney Covell and a recent candidate for the nomination for mayor on the republican ticket. The meeting was for the purpose of assisting Hascall in his cam-paign for mayor and incidentally to "down" Mayor Bemis. It is said that the members of the Ameri-

can Protective association were after the scalps of Chief of Police Seavey, Captain Mostyn, Sergeant Ormsby, Officer Keysor and Fire Chief Galligan, Several speeches were made, and all of these people had something to demand of the would-be mayor.

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In a spasm of joy Hascall is alleged to have made one of his "talks against time," in which he made all sorts of Utonian pledges and agreed to heed the demands made by the different factions present, provided, of course, that he was elected. After agreeing to depose the above named officers from their responsible positions which they from their responsible positions, which they have creditably filled for years, he was to abolish the disorderly houses and appoint either Churchill or Covell as city attorney. He was to spend all sorts of public moneys

and give everybody a good job.

After the meeting adjourned it is said upon good authority that the American Protective association held a special meeting and agreed that they would make Hascall a member of their organization. It is further alleged that he was to have been initiated alleged that he was to have been initiated on Friday evening under a special dispensa-tion in Attorney Covell's office. It is also re-ported that Hascall is now a full dedged member of lodge No. 5, American Protective association.

According to the song of the political dickey birds, it has been practically agreed to make certain trades on the populist and and republican tickets in favor of Judge Eller and Sheriff Bennett. Since then the conspirators have been working with might and main to carry out their scheme and make it possible for the election of Hascall, Bennett and Elier at the expense of all other candidates.

Republican Hally.

A republican rally was held in the open air last night at Thirtieth and Pratt streets. George S. Smith was the first speaker. He impressed upon his hearers the importance of the campaign and the ascessity of feality to the republican tickets. He said that a year ago all voters had been promised an improved condition of affairs by the demo-cratic party. Whether this had taken place

cratic party. Whether this had taken place the speaker preferred to leave to the individuals present to judge for themselves. The lack of confidence of which business men and financiers complained was brought on by the uncertain policy of the administration on the monetary question. The world regarded the financial policy as enunciated by the republican party as absolutely safe, continued the speaker, hence there was no distrust as long as this party was in power. Mr. Smith then discussed the republican ticket, speaking a few words of commendation for each candidate nominated.

John Groves, F. M. Crosby. John Jenkins, Judge Bartlett, F. C. O'Halloran, Judge Berka, Theodore Olsen and Judge Eller also spoke in favor of their candidacy. Campaign Cartridges

Isaac Hascall, populist nominee for mayor, was sued in the courts yesterday for \$1,159.93 alleged to be due on a promissory note. alleged to be due on a promissory note.

The various republican ward clubs have reported their headquarters and meeting nights as follows: Second, Sixteenth and Wilhiams, Wednesday; Fourth, central committee rooms, Friday; Fifth, Eighteenth and Lake, Friday; Sixth, Twenty-sixth and Lake, Saturday; West End, Forty-fifth and Grant, Wednesday; North End, Thirty-second and Ames avenue, Saturday; Seventh, 1212 Park avenue, Monday; Eighth, Twenty-fourth and Paul, Thursday; Ninth, 2006 Farnam, Wednesday; South Omaha, Pivonka's hall, Wednesday.

CLATTER OF THE CAMPAIGN

Judge Ragan and J. M. Devine Address a

HOLCOMB'S SLOGAN IS LOUDLY SOUNDED

Battle Cry of the People's Party Rung Out

Ragan and John M. Devine.

and introduced Mr. Devine, wno arst called the attention of the voters present to the importance of their position. They were the sovereigns, and it was their duty to correct existing abuses and remove what stood between the people and liberty. After 100 years of self-government this nation had found within its limits an industrial despotism. This and a republic could not long jointly exist. One must destroy the other and the voters of this country must decide which should be the survivor. The present was the time to consult together, not as partisans, but as citizens, and to determine on the best course to pursue to alleviate the various evils which memacad the memoral the country.

peoples party to redeem the country from the mismanagement of the old parties. The tariff came in for a share of attention

believed it to be. Whether the tariff was high or low would have no effect on the business interests of the country. The country had been prosperous to a re-markable degree and again encoun-tered financial storms, but the same tariff was there all the time and had nothing to do with the conditions in either case. The money question was the issue upon which depended the prosperity of the nation. Money was not like anything else known to man and the comparison of money with other things to determine a measure of

Judge Ragan's Speech. Judge Ragan was then introduced and oc-cupied the remainder of the evening. He re-ferred to the record of the populist party as a reason why it should command the suf-frages of the voters of the state. He said that the populist legislature had passed the law which put an end to the plan of bankers and politicians to make the farmers pay 2 and politicians to make the farmers pay 2 per cent interest on money to pay their taxes with and then divide the profits and use them to conduct a political campaign with. It took a populist legislature to prohibit the employment of Pinkerton detectives within the limits of the state and to pass the Australian batlot law, which was in itself sufficient to entitle it to recognition.

The independents had control of the trees.

uries of most of the counties of the state and no defalcations had been heard of. This was not the case under republican adminis-tration, where if a man stole a sneep he was sent to prison, but if he stole half a million sent to prison, but if he stole half a million he was a hero and boarded at the Paxton hotel. The populists of the wild and woolly west had blood in their eyes and they were going to put an end to such a condition of affairs. They would abolish some of the excresences of the dark ages that hovered about the state capital. The people were paying \$50,000 a year to maintain the state. paying \$50,000 a year to maintain the state militia, and this was another thing that

they were going to abolish. Judge Ragan remarked that there was also a State Board of Transportation which cost the state \$15,000 a year. Its members laid supmely on their backs for 360 days of the year and spent the other five in running down to Omaha to ask the railroad manage

ment for orders.

He said that when the populists got into power this aggregation would be thrown down the back stairs. The populist party was ambitious. It was on its way to Wash-ington, and when it got there it would take a hand at retrenchment. Fewer major generais would be sitting around the streets of Washington and drawing a fancy salary for playing high five. They would not spend \$100,000,000 of money a year on an army and navy in these times of peace.

Continuing, the speaker said that the peo-ples party was not organized for a campaign or a day. Its platform was one of the great noral ethics of the nineteenth century. They should take lessons from the heroes of the past. They were not organized for power, but as a means to the end. They demanded a political reformation and honest govern-ment. They demanded that the laws should enforced and in the time to come would see that it was done Praise for Judge Holcomb.

At this point the speaker took occasion to pay a compliment to Judge Holcomb. He was a clean man and represented the principles of the people.

The want of confidence which had precipi-

The want of confidence which had precipitated the financial reverses of the present year was brought about by the stock cambiers of Wall street. They were neither Americans or foreigners, but they represented European capital and they brought about this condition of affairs in order that congress might be forced to vote gold bonds for the profit of European money lenders. They were afraid that Benjamin Harrison's backbone would stand in the way of such a scheme as that and so they had elected Grover Clevelland, who was sure to be obedient to their wishes. The people's party was opposed to the repeal of the Sherman law because it would contract the currency of the country at the rate of \$50,000,000 a year. It was the contraction of the currency from 1869 to 1873 that caused the financial panic of 1873, when there were \$,500,000 men udie in the country, and the people were not disposed to stand a repetition of these misfortunes.

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