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DEMOCRATIC STATE PLATFORM FOR 1894.

The representatives of the Democratic party in convention assembled at Astoria make the following declaration of principles and measures as their platform in the present campaign: We declare our steadfast adherence to the fundamental maxim of the Democracy, viz: 'Government by the people and for the people, honestly and economically administered, for the greatest good to the greatest number.' We charge upon the Republican party and its reckless legislation all the evils from which the people are now suffering, and assert that the low prices of farm products, non-employment of labor, general depression in business and stagnation of industry are the results of the unjust and burdensome taxes, high protective tariff system and other class legislation of the Republican party, of which the demoralization of silver in 1873 and the contraction of our currency are instances.

We believe that all taxation should be equal and just, that unnecessary taxation is unjust taxation, and that the wealth of a nation should bear its just proportion of the burdens of the national government, and that we are in favor of an income tax.

We favor the speedy construction of the Nicaragua canal by the government and under government supervision and control.

We re-affirm the position that has ever been maintained by the Democratic party, to wit: that gold and silver are equally the people's money. We are opposed to all measures of discrimination against silver, and demand free coinage to supply the demands of business, and that all money issued by the government be made a legal tender for all debts, both public and private.

We are in favor of the abolition of railroad and all other unnecessary commissions.

We favor fixed salaries for all public officers and the abolishment of the fee system, and are opposed to an officer receiving more than his constitutional salary.

Where He Feinoned. An English paper tells the following old story of a something having recently happened: The Dorford magistrate sent a boy named Mace to a reformatory school for two years, whereupon this colloquy ensued: Clerk—You are bound to say the father what is his religious persuasion? Chairman—Do you go to church? Defendant—No, sir. Chairman—Do you go anywhere? Defendant—No, sir. Clerk—Then we shall put him down as belonging to the Church of England.

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CHINESE MOCK MONEY.

Made by the Celestials to Defraud Their Departed Ancestors. A correspondent of The North China Herald, writing from the interior of Kiangsu province, mentions that one of the industries there is the manufacture of mock money for offering to the dead. Formerly the Chinese burned sham paper money, but in these days of enlightenment and foreign intercourse the natives of Soongking, Hangchow and other places have come to the conclusion that dollars are more handy to the ghosts than clumsy paper money; hence they now, to a great extent, supply their ancestors and departed friends with mock dollars. These are only half the size of real dollars, but there appears to be no more harm in cheating the dead than there is in cheating the living. Besides the deceased are not supposed to know the difference, for many of them passed their life before silver dollars were imported into China. A hundred mock carolus dollars, done up in boxes, are sold for 34 cash.

The operation of making this money is as follows: First, there are three blocks of tin which are melted down and then poured between boards lined with Chinese paper, and when the upper board is pressed down on the lower a thickness of tin remains. This is cut up into strips, each one inch wide and an eighth of an inch thick. Some 10 of these strips are placed evenly together, one on top of the other, and one end is held between the fingers, when the workman proceeds to hammer them out till he has beaten them so fine that they are no thicker than the thinnest paper. This is next passed on common cardboard, which is then cut with a punching machine to the size of half dollars, and this having been done a boy takes the cut out pieces in hand and with two dies, one representing the side and the other the reverse, makes impressions of dollars on them, and the money is ready for use.

Another very curious instance of the practice of cheating the gods is recorded in the same journal, but from quite a different part of the country. It appears that districts of the Anhui province have lately been ravaged by an epidemic, so that in many places the people were unable to attend to the harvesting of the crops. An attempt was then made to deceive the gods by 'playing at' New Year's day and pretending that Sept. 1 was the first day of the new year. This was done from quite a different part of the country. It appears that districts of the Anhui province have lately been ravaged by an epidemic, so that in many places the people were unable to attend to the harvesting of the crops.

AN ENOQUENT PLEA. And the Lawyer Who Made It Resped His Reward. A good story about a lawyer is being the rounds. The conference took place so long ago that it is not within the recollection of any but the older disciples of Blackstone, so it will pass muster even though it is a chestnut.

It seems that a tramp was indicted for stealing a watch, and pleaded not guilty. Having no counsel and being without funds and a total stranger, the court assigned his defense to the Union Pacific Railroad Company and its employees.

Nothing daunted, the young attorney rose before the jury to sum up his case. Providence had endowed him with a tongue capable of almost any feat, and his address as to his tongue's trial, and the manner in which he reeled it off established his name in the community in characters as impressive as the rock which he had flung. He held the '12 men, tried and true,' spell-bound. They gazed at him in open-mouthed wonder. Alternately they laughed and cried, and people in the audience followed their example. He pleaded the hopeless case of the jury tramp with all the eloquence of a Demosthenes. His client, a miserably penniless man, had been flung into the dock on a charge of stealing a watch. The jury had returned a verdict against him, and he was to be hanged.

London High Society. London high society has been exercised recently by a series of articles in the St. James Gazette detailing the experiences of an American young woman who advertised for a chapman who could introduce her into court and other exclusive circles. Elizabeth L. Banks, who recently started a lively controversy by her investigation of the domestic servant problem, assumed the role of the American heiress. The mass of replies which were received from more or less inquisitive persons of title, although printed without the names of the writers, has not a genuine sensation. Two chapters have been devoted to tentative offers of marriage from acions of British nobility. The expose may be accepted as conclusive proof both of the hard times in Great Britain and of the venality of the British aristocracy.—New York Sun's London Letter.

Ho! for Butte Creek. The undersigned will leave Central Park or Eagle Point, Medford, Lake Creek and Big Butte every day in the week excepting Sunday, returning the same day and carrying the mail, also passengers and express matter. I will make connection with the train each way. My rates are reasonable. S. F. WILLIAMS. Feed for Sale. Baled hay, rolled barley, mill feed and all kinds of grain for sale at Medford, Oregon. My stock is on hand. S. F. WILLIAMS.

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THE DATE OF THE EXODUS. It Would Seem to Lie Between the Years 1420 and 1300 B. C.

Although the monuments and papyri give us no direct information upon the subject of the exodus, they do indirectly indicate a certain period within which it must have taken place. Thothmes III, who was the most powerful king of that dynasty (the eighteenth), which finally drove the Hyksos invaders out of Egypt and reunited the whole country under one scepter, extended his conquests as far as Mesopotamia, overrunning Palestine on his way.

What is perhaps still more important is that, while the Israelites have left records of invasions by Hittites, Moabites, Edomites, Midianites and Philistines, they do not mention any invasion by the Egyptians, and the conclusion is that the Israelites were not settled on the west side of the Jordan until after the reign of Ramesses II at the commencement of his reign, which began not earlier than 1850 B. C., or, as some now say, 1300 B. C.

It has been attempted to explain this difficulty away by suggesting that Ramesses II kept close to the seacoast on his march through Palestine and did not strike inland till he was some distance to the north of the Israelites, but it is conceivable that he should not have secured his long line of communications by establishing posts so far inland that they must have been brought into contact with the Hebrews if the latter had at that time been settled in their own country.

The earliest date, therefore, at which the Egyptian history will permit the exodus to have taken place, even when full allowance is made for the time spent by the Jews in the wilderness, is not earlier than 1420 B. C., while, if the shorter chronology be adopted, it could not have been much earlier than 1300 B. C.—Scribner's Magazine.

A Montana Bear Story. "Montana is a zoological garden in its native state," said Colonel Jim Struthers. "We have all kinds of wild beasts from grizzly bears and grizzly dogs down. Speaking of bears reminds me of one upon a time. It was before the state got polluted by the trolley, and when it wasn't good form to wear a collar. It was in Montana that I was the greatest bear hunter that was ever to it. The shadows were so dark that I could not see the pack of bears. I was so close that I could see the whites of their eyes. I was so close that I could see the whites of their eyes. I was so close that I could see the whites of their eyes."

"STRONG ARMED RED" CONVERTED. Hearing the Mule in the Mission, He Abandoned a Murderous Erand. The Florence mission is just now in the possession of an interesting and promising convert who will likely trouble the minds of these philanthropists who make the reclamation of criminals their especial hobby. It was just after 9 o'clock on Friday night, and the large meeting room of the mission house was filled with a crowd of worshippers, when the door slowly opened, and there entered a heavily built, slouching individual whose gaze was low and whose forehead somehow suggested a sandbag.

The mission people are trying to obtain employment for Robinson.—New York Tribune.

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