

REPUBLICAN TACTICS.

For many months past Republican journals throughout the country have teemed with quotations from an obscure paper published in Mississippi, called the Okolona State. Its utterances reeked with gibberish and treason. It advocated the most pernicious doctrines and filled its columns with insults to the Union and its people. Extracts from this paper were everywhere heralded by the Republican press as an expression of the real feeling and sentiment existing at the South, and doubtless contributed no little toward spreading such erroneous belief among the Northern public. During a long period the patient inhabitants of Okolona and its vicinity were content to view its editor as a harmless but amusing idiot, little dreaming that his absurdities would ever penetrate beyond the little circle in which they were laughed at. In time, however, and that very recently, they have learned better—learned how systematically and infamously they had been misrepresented and insulted—learned how they were coming to be regarded as a desperate gang of partisan cut-throats, instead of a body of peaceable farmers as they are. They commenced to inquire into the personality of the red-hot editor, who he was, and where he came from; and soon found out that he was a Northamptonian, with a very hazy history. In their righteous indignation they rose, and it was not many days before he was making the fastest time on record across the Ohio river. Since then the Okolona State has been dumb.

The most prominent among the western newspapers which had given wide-spread publicity to the Okolona editor's infamous insults was that staunch Republican journal, the Chicago Tribune; and strangely enough, when the fleeing editor landed it was in its sanctum, where he has since been engaged as a member of its staff.

Now, the inference is unavoidable that this red-handed rebel, who wanted to use the American flag as a door mat, shoot every negro, and lynch every white man who voted the Republican ticket, refuse to pay taxes, and re-establish the confederacy with saintly Jeff Davis as its Chief Executive, was, after all, only a paid Republican spy, in the service of some of the unscrupulous managers of that party.

ITEMS.

The Rev. F. W. D. Mays recently started a paper at Pomeroy, W. T., from which we clip the following items:

Rev. F. W. D. Mays will preach at the Baldwin School-house, below Dayton, on next Sunday, at 11 o'clock A. M. For Milwaukee Beer, English Ale, Porter, and Havana cigars, go to" etc.

A Williamsport woman who has not spoken a word since 1873, has received an average of sixteen marriage proposals a year during that time. A word to the wise is sufficient. New gold fields have been discovered at Lemors, New South Wales, causing a great rush. The matrimonial match between U. S. Grant Jr., and Jennie Flood, has been broken off. Charles Livingston is attempting to fast 42 days, and is on exhibition in Brooklyn. Stanley, the African explorer, has been heard from on the Congo, where the captain of a Portuguese steamer saw him. The Republican majority in Vermont will be 22,500, and their plurality 27,000, and it is claimed the majority of 1872 has been exceeded.

The Woman's Journal suggests that the way to get the standard dollars into circulation is to pay them to Congressmen, who ordered their unlimited coinage. A few thousands of the dollars to each one would serve to forcibly remind them that silver occupies considerable space, and the Treasury would be slightly relieved from the demands on its storage capacity.

All Hancock and English campaign clubs and other organizations which support the Democratic candidates are requested to send to W. H. BARNUM, Chairman Nat. Dem. Committee, 138 Fifth Ave., New York, 1. The name and location of their organization. 2. A statement of the number of their members enrolled. 3. The names of officers. 4. Accounts of meetings held. 5. Reports, every two weeks during the campaign, of the number and increase of membership, with the condition and prospects of the canvass.

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The Democratic party of the United States in convention assembled, declare:

First—We pledge ourselves anew to the constitutional doctrines and traditions of the Democratic party as illustrated by the teaching and examples of a long line of Democratic statesmen and patriots, and embodied in the last national convention of the party.

Second—Opposition to centralization and that dangerous spirit of encroachment which tends to consolidate the powers of all the departments in one, and thus to create, whatever be the forms of government, a real despotism; no summary laws; separation of church and State for the good of each; common schools to be fostered and protected.

Third—Home rule, honest money, the strict maintenance of public faith, consisting of gold, silver and paper convertible to coin on demand; the strict maintenance of the public faith, State and national, and a tariff for revenue only.

Fourth—the subordination of the military to the civil power, and a general and thorough reform of the civil service.

Fifth—Right to a free ballot as the right preservative of all rights, and must and shall be maintained in every part of the United States.

Sixth—The existing administration is representative of conspiracy only, and its claims of right to surround the ballot boxes with troops and deputy marshals, to intimidate and obstruct the elections, and by unprecedented use of the vote to maintain its corrupt and despotic power, insults the people, and impairs their institutions.

Seventh—The great fraud of 1876, by which, upon a false count of the electoral vote of two States, the candidate defeated at the polls, was declared to be President, and for the first time in American history, the will of the people was set aside under the threat of military violence, struck a deadly blow to our system of representative government. The Democratic party, to preserve the country from the horrors of a civil war, submitted for the time, in the firm and patriotic faith that the people would punish this crime in 1880. This issue precedes and dwarfs every other. It imposes more sacred duty upon the people of the Union than was ever addressed to the conscience of a nation of freemen.

Eighth—We execrate the course of this administration in making places for political criminals, and demand a reform by statute which shall make it forever impossible for a defeated candidate to bribe his way to the seat of a usurper by villainies upon the people.

Ninth—The resolution of Samuel J. Tilden not again to be a candidate for election, the exalted place to which he was elected by a majority of his countrymen, and from which he was excluded by the leaders of the Republican party, is received by the Democrats of the United States with sensibility, and they declare their confidence in his wisdom and patriotism and integrity, unshaken by the assault of the common enemy, and they further declare to him that he is followed into the retirement he has chosen for himself by the sympathy and respect of his fellow-citizens, who regard him as one who, by elevating the standard of public morality and adorning and purifying the public service, merits the lasting gratitude of his country and his party.

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Eleventh—Amendment of the Burlingame Treaty; no more Chinese immigration except for travel, education and foreign commerce, and therein carefully guarded.

Twelfth—Public money and public credit for public purposes solely, and public lands for actual settlers.

Thirteenth—The Democratic party is the friend of labor and the laboring man, and pledges itself to protect him alike against the corporations and the commune.

Fourteenth—We congratulate the country upon the honesty and drift of the Democratic Congress which has reduced the public expenditures to \$40,000,000 a year; upon the continuation of prosperity at home and the national honor abroad, and above all, upon the promise of such a change in the administration of this government as shall insure its genuine lasting reform in every department of the public service.

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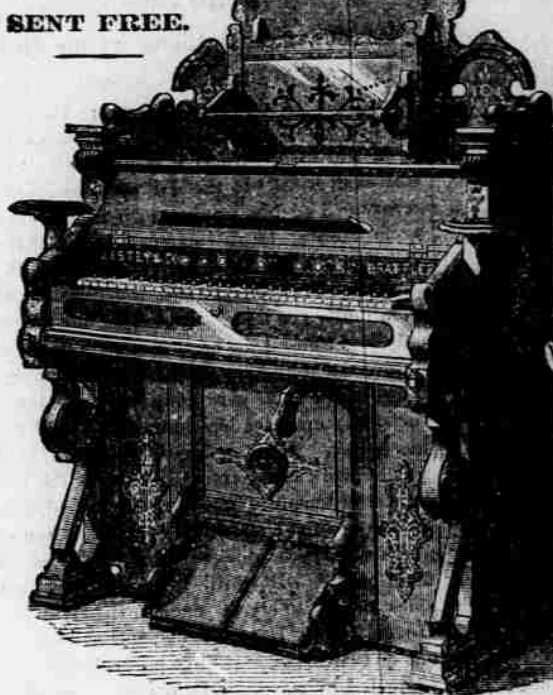
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