

ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of COUNTY ASSESSOR subject to the will of the county Republican convention.

J. A. VAN EATON.

WAR WITH SPAIN.

The springing up of warlike relations between our country and Spain is watched with keenest interest. It is inevitable that such should be the case, owing to the proximity of Cuba and the efforts of the Cubans to shake off the Spanish monarchy.

When it is recalled that Spain was the first nation in Europe to recognize southern confederacy as belligerents, the action of the senate showed true American spirit and was a warning to all the monarchies of Europe, that in a contest between any royal power and the struggle of a dependency for liberty, our sympathies were with the oppressed.

Following the senate resolution was the rioting in Spanish cities, the assault on the American consulate, and the warlike utterances of the Spanish press and English sympathy. Promptly the Spanish government asks the administration to disavow the senate's action.

The gentleman quoted above is in a position to know whereof he speaks and it can be seen from this that the late publication, while claiming to work for the best interests of the masses, was merely a blood-sucker, and it all was fish that came to its net.

APPOINTMENTS TO BE SOLD.

We call the attention of some of the Populist managers in Oregon who are fighting for leaves and fishes that will never exist to the following from the Nebraska City Times:

A well known Populist and stock holder of the late Progress Publishing company has let the cat out of the bag how they expected to re-establish that paper and keep it running. He said "we expected to get \$200 from the appointments at the institute for the blind, but it did not pan out. The new superintendent, however, will have to come down to the tune of at least \$200, or his life will be made miserable. Before we sold the appointment of physician at the institute for \$50 and expect to sell it again, and other appointments will be made along that line, prices to range according to the salary received from their respective offices. We have in the past done this way and the money was to have gone towards maintaining the paper, but it seems to have failed. This time, however, we propose to start out right and make a scale of prices in the beginning and keep it up. We propose to give the support of the paper in a campaign to the candidate who pays the highest price. We tried this last fall, but then the blind fool having the business in charge failed to collect in advance and the result is that little was realized. The Populist candidates would not put up what we thought was enough so we tried others and were made promises of a big pile, which never materialized. If we can get this second pull out of the institute for the blind I believe that we can start the paper up again, but if not, then Stroble will have to start it on his own hook, when he wants to run for the legislature or commissioner against Webering this fall."

VICTORY FOR THE PEOPLE.

The result of the action of the Republican county central committee in deciding to allow each precinct to hold its own primaries is a great victory for the people over ring methods, bossism and centralized politics. The movement at Salem to have all the primaries conducted according to the city primary law, was confined to a few individuals, and was short-lived. The people who comprise the Republican party are perfectly competent to conduct their own primaries in their own way, in the absence of a general law.

Bosses and dictators should be relics of bygone times. The people of this state are making a fight on bossism, and they will have none of it in this county. The Republican party is too big for that. The Republicans of Marion county expect the party management to be conducted on broad and generous principles.

If this initial move was intended to subordinate party interests to personal aims, or to control the party in the interest of anything but Republican welfare and success, it proved a great mistake. Factions and bosses may succeed in gaining control of party machinery, but it is another matter to satisfy the voters that they should be dictated to in any such manner.

Party bonds sit lightly upon the shoulders of many voters and if unwarranted dictation is attempted they will not hesitate to indulge in what is known as "scratching."

Machine dictation and bossism will not be tolerated even in county politics. We fear that Governor Fletcher would never be happy in the next world. He might praise the Lord all right enough one day but he'd find fault the next day with the electric lights, or the extravagance, or the angel lady clerks, or the general appropriation, and go and join the party of kickers below.

McKinley seems to be leading all candidates.

THE COAL BARONS.

Rev. Thomas J. Dixon, Jr., preached in New York Sunday in the Academy of Music, and, in a prelude to his regular sermon paid his respects to the coal combine. The attorney-general he said has announced that he has no power to interfere with the combine, because the laws as now framed do not give him the authority. This was true, and the attorney-general could not be accused of favoritism. Under the laws it was impossible to prevent these people from combining and increasing the price of coal. The result will be that people will starve for want of heat, coal being as essential as water. Factories will stop that cannot afford to pay the proposed increase of 40 cents a ton; people will be thrown out of employment, and the people will freeze. The members of the coal combine are guilty of murder, he said, as much as if they had driven daggers into the hearts of their victims.

The men who have gone into this combine, he added, have gone into it for the sake of the money there is in it, regardless of the necessities of the people. Any statute prohibiting them to combine could be used against manufacturing companies. But there was a remedy. Let the sharks keep on, and when the next generation took charge for themselves they would take charge of mines and the railroads and run them in the interests of the people. Every step like the combine only hastened the death of such a system.

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Hardscrabble Offers a Suggestion.

HARDSCRABBLE, Clackamas County, Or., Feb. 29, 1896.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—Mr. H. W. Scott, of the Oregonian, recently wrote to that paper a very interesting article from the city of Mexico. I can well see how Mr. Scott should find much to astonish him in Mexico. For instance, it is no wonder, coming fresh as leader from the United States and particularly from the city of Portland, he should find much to marvel at, in conditions which he describes as follows:

"The introduction of capital from other countries, chiefly from the United States, the extension of commerce and the advent of new population in increasing numbers, are helping the country forward. Residents speak of the great changes noted within the last few years, and of the certainty that the causes will operate with steady and cumulative force. In every part of the republic there is noted the introduction of new forces, of new varieties of activity and energy."

Mr. Scott is resolved, however, to be, by no means, satisfied with what he sees in Mexico. After having found, as one should suppose, so much to comfort him, he suddenly recollects himself and becomes miserable at the sight of a people who are utterly unable to appreciate how silver "debases humanity." Nor is our astonishment at this sudden turn of affairs in any wise abated, when we read that the worst feature of their misery is their contentment.

Mr. Scott stands, "distilled almost into a jelly," before people who, doing business and prospering on a silver standard are, yet wholly insensible to their degradation! They are, they must be, miserable, but they are too degraded to see it, and even are actually contented! He offers no solution for what he calls this "problem" of Mexican Civilization. Yet it is clear that this vice of contentment in the character of the Mexican people admits of a ready and perfect cure.

Try the "gold standard" on these obstinate people and you shall soon see them brought to their senses! If it does not cause their industries to languish and the contentment of the people to take wings then, what a former president of the chamber of commerce of Liverpool called this "huge fraud on civilization," will have failed to do what it has done in every land which has felt its blighting influence.

HARDSCRABBLE.

Salem has a choral union that is worthy a hearty support of all Christian people. There is more refinement and civilization in music alone than in much-called education and religion without music.

Salem school district is better insured against fires than against 500 or 600 children growing up without any schooling at all.

Let the people be heard from at the primaries—not the office holders and bosses.

THE STUDY of the action of medicines, or vegetable compounds, upon the stomach, and tests in many hundreds of cases, long ago convinced Doctor R. V. Pierce, Chief Consulting Physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., that all cases of Indigestion, Dyspepsia and Liver Complaint could be cured permanently if the right treatment were given. In support of his belief that he had discovered an alternative extract which he called "Golden Medical Discovery," that would cure these diseases, he collected from all parts of the country the evidence of those who had used his medicine, and he has asked the public to investigate for themselves, and would be glad to furnish the names and addresses of thousands of people who have used Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. All interested should send for a little medical treatise on Dyspepsia, Chronic Diarrhea, "Liver Complaint," Biliousness, Constipation and Piles, published by the World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and mailed on receipt of six cents in one-cent stamps. This book also contains the photographs and testimony of many persons who have suffered from diseases of the digestive organs.

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