



It is now given out that Vice-President Morton has not engaged in the saloon business, but we believe the denial is not over his own name.

A meeting of the Jasper county Democratic Central Committee was held in Rensselaer last Saturday. David W. Shields was elected Chairman and James W. McEwen, Secretary.

The court in Montana has ordered the republican judges of elections to count the districts they had determined to throw out. Thus the attempt to make an infamous steal has been thwarted. The democrats will have a majority of the legislature on joint ballot.

Mahone, the rebel brigadier whose sin of treason was washed away on his entrance into the republican fold, republican candidate for governor of Virginia, was arrested the other day on charge of shooting a jolifier at Petersburg, Va. He was admitted to bail.

The Australian system where in operation in the elections last Tuesday was in every instance beneficial to the Democracy. Let the Democracy of republican-ridden Jasper County take courage. We will not be in the least surprised if republicanism is downed in this county at the next general election. Take courage! Rally along the whole line!!

Our neighbor each week devotes considerable space to the productions of the 'Home Market Club,' an institution maintained by the monopolists of the land. A strong republican farmer the other day remarked to us that 'It is a hell of a home market—wheat 55, oats 15, other cereals away down, cattle 1 1/2 @ 2c, hogs next to nothing. Yes, it's a hell of a home market. They don't fool me with that kind of chaff again.'

**GETTING READY FOR BUSINESS.**  
Rensselaer, Nov. 5.—[Special.]—The democrats have reorganized their county committee by electing David W. Shields chairman and James W. McEwen secretary. Mr. Shields is a young, active democrat and a faithful worker. Mr. McEwen's democracy is of such a character that no disappointment can shake it, and through sunshine and shade he works vigorously for the cause. With such a committee, and tariff reform as the watchword, look out for a good showing in the future.

The above good words we clip from the Indianapolis Sentinel, and assure the author that Mr. Shields, ourself and the committee will strive to justify his expectations.

**BOUGHT BY THE TRUST.**  
The state board of education accepted the new series of school books. The state board of education is republican. If the books were not good they should not have been accepted. As they were accepted, we presume that the state board was more competent to judge than the average republican editor. The truth of the matter is the whole republican press (with now and then an exception) is bought, body, soul, and breeches by the trust.—Stake County Ledger.

Our neighbor thinks the late grand jury didn't understand its duties.

# The Australian Ballot in Connecticut.

The New York Times dispatch from Hartford says: "The secret envelope ballot, which was used for the first time in this State at the elections Monday, has elated its friends and silenced its opponents. Could a popular vote be ordered concerning its continuance it would be rewritten on the statute book, even with the minor defects noted, by a tremendous majority throughout the State. To all intents and purposes it gave what it purported to—a secret ballot. The persistence of ticket and paster peddlers, who were able under the old system to pursue a man to the very ballot-box itself, was wholly escaped by the voter under the new law, which prohibits these election pests from coming within 100 feet of the polls."

"The elector's booth gave the voter place and opportunity to arrange his ballot to suit himself. During the three minutes allowed him by law in the booth he was free from outside influence and intimidation of every kind. The voting was the freest which has taken place in the State for 30 years. In two conspicuous instances the political effectiveness of the law was demonstrated. The Democrats at Windsor Locks nominated a ticket notoriously unfit for support. In spite of the fact that the town is a Democratic stronghold, the secret ballot defeated the party managers and turned the control of public interests over to the opposition for the year. At Norwich the tables were turned on the Republicans who had established a political bossism that had prevailed since the days of Buckingham. In neither of these towns would Monday's result have been possible under the old system. The new law has proved itself in principle the mortal foe of corrupt and dishonest politics."

A New York Sun dispatch from Norwich says: "Since the civil war times this town has been known all over southern New England as the 'Citadel of Connecticut Republicans.' To day every buttress of the citadel which has been shaken for several years got a clean knock out, and the old thing was tumbled into the meat of public repudiation. The secret ballot helped to do it, for in no part of the Union has political bulldozing on the part of the mill towns been more flagrantly and audaciously exercised. In some of the mill villages it has been worth a mill hand's job for him to vote openly, as he had to do under the old time ballot for Democratic national or township offices. Often then the hands employed by the most powerful corporations were driven in the mill teams in squads of thirty or forty to the polls, and all overseers walked with the voter to the boxes to be sure that he cast the ballot the bosses had prearranged he should deposit. To-day each voter was compelled by law to prepare his ballot in one of the numerous little booths provided for that purpose, and screened by closed doors, place his ballot in an envelope and seal that envelope before he could legally go to the ballot box and deposit it."

## A FARM VIEW.

A bushel of oats for a pound of binding twine; a pound of butter for a pound of sugar. This is about the condition of the home market for which the farmers voted last fall. If they don't like it, there is no one to blame but themselves, because the cities and manufacturing districts, as a rule, voted the other way. If protection makes high wages, the farmers ought to come in for their share but on this deal it looks as if they were "getting left."—Savannah Journal.

We urge the American Protective Tariff League to investigate the charge made by one of the Scripps League workmen that in visiting the "Ashbury" car shops near Birmingham, he found that establishment engaged in filing a contract for 8,000 journal boxes for the Pennsylvania Railroad. Is the great Pennsylvania railroad buying things abroad that it could get for twice as much money in its own State?

Will J. Moore has bought out the interest of R. F. Priest in the grocery business of Priest & Paxton. Success.

"The impression has gotten out," said Judge Taylor, "that I decided recently that the act concerning liens of mechanics, laborers and materialmen, approved March 6, 1889 (Acts 1889, p. 257), is unconstitutional and void. That is a mistake. I made no such decision. My decision was that said acts of 1889 did not repeal section 5 of the said act of 1883 (Acts, 1883, p. 140), and, consequently, that the 5th section of said act of 1883, is still in full force. My reason for so deciding is this: The title of the act of 1889 among other recitals has this: 'Repealing section 5 of said act' (act of 1883), and the body of the act, section 5, provides that section 4 of the said act of 1883 'be and the same is hereby repealed.' Now, section 5 being mentioned in the title to the act, and section 4 in its body, makes the attempted repeal inoperative both as to section 5 and section 4 of the said act of 1883, and leaves both of those sections in force under section 115, article 4, of our State constitution."

## BROUGHT HIM IN DEPT.

The following queer story of a transaction between a farmer and a butcher in one of the counties bordering on San Francisco Bay is told by the Butcher's and Live Stock Gazette; Mr. Jones sold a bullock to Mr. Lazarus for \$16, to be taken and paid for when fat. When Mr. Lazarus came for the animal Jones said he would like to have a fore-quarter for his own use. Mr. Lazarus willingly accepted the order, and after the bullock was slaughtered, delivered the meat. A few days later Jones went to town, called on Lazarus, and a preliminary to a settlement, asked for his bill. "Dot's all right, Mr. Jones; I haf the oil already made out. Here you are." Mr. Jones read: Mr. Jones, Dr. to Jacob Lazarus—To one-quarter of beef, 185 pounds, at 10c ..... \$18.50 By credit, one bullock ..... 16 00

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"Ah, Mr. Jones, that beef was cheap at 10c a pound."

"But, Lazarus, you only gave me \$16 for the whole bullock."

"Ah, but Jones, dot's pizness, pizness, do you see?"

"Well, Lazarus, next time I have a fat bullock I'll kill it myself, use one quarter and throw away the rest, and then I will save \$2.50. You see?"

"Ah! ah! but dot's not pizness; farmers should not be butchers—dot's bad."

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## New Style in Trunks.

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Cause and effect are not well balanced. A man with a good cause often make little or no effect.

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## Brignoli's Explanation.

Sig. Brignoli tells that once while he was singing in concert for a charitable object, the prima donna was suddenly attacked with singer's sore throat, and it became necessary that some one should apologize to the audience. The manager declared he was suffering from nervousness and could not do it, and he begged Brignoli to make the explanation. The tenor, going forward, said: "Ladies and gentlemen, I regret to say that Mrs. N— eez a leetle horse dis evening."

Peals of laughter greeted this announcement, and the tenor looked puzzled, thinking the audience misunderstood him. He advanced once more, and with thundering emphasis roared out: "I say that Mrs. N— eez a leetle horse dis evening."

Another roar of laughter, amid which a voice in the gallery cried out: "Then, if she is a horse, why not trot her out?"

Then the mistake was plain to him, and Brignoli laughed as heartily as any one.—Boston Herald.

## A Good Opportunity.

The deacon had been threatening to repair that well-curb for the last thirteen years, but something had always occurred to prevent. He was not, therefore, greatly surprised one day when the boards gave way as he was hauling up the bucket, and he found himself going for the bottom. He bumped around a spell, dodged the bucket as it followed after, and finally brought up in good shape with his feet under him, and the water up to his chin. The well was forty feet deep, and the house five rods away; but nevertheless, the deacon called his wife by name about 6,000 times before he got tired of playing on that string, and began abusing her relatives clear back for seven generations. He had dropped this and was threatening to mortgage the farm and run away with the Widow Taylor, when his wife appeared at the well and called out: "Deacon, are you down there?" "Of course I am, and have been for the last three hours!" he yelled. "Well I thought so, but I was busy and couldn't look. Say, deacon, being as you are down there, you'd better stir around and look for that table-spoon which slipped out of my hand the day Joel Skinnard's barn got afire!"

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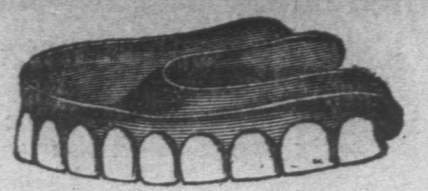
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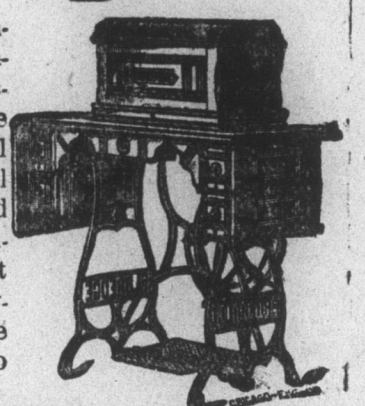
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