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By what rule, or means, can any one measure the difference between Democratic promises, and Democratic performances.

The late Indiana legislature adjourned in disgrace.—Ex.

That isn't news. Every one for the past twenty years has done that.

We ask a careful reading of our articles denominated "Our Plea." We earnestly request all to preserve the copies containing them, and when finished read them as a whole. We have so much faith in the justice of our demands that we don't believe any fair minded man will dissent when he understands them. Hence we beg for an impartial hearing.

A farmer living in Jordan township owning 160 acres of land, half of which is in Jasper and half in Newton, both assessed at \$1,200 apiece, paid last year on the Jasper 80 for county purposes (exclusive of all state and township taxes) \$5.40. On the Newton 80 he paid for county purposes (exclusive of all state and township tax) \$4.04. A farmer up in Gillam has two 80's, one in Jasper, the other in Pulaski, both valued at \$1,200 each. On the Jasper 80 last year he paid for county purposes alone (exclusive of all other tax) \$5.40 and on the Pulaski 80 he paid for county purposes alone \$3.84. If these figures are not correct we would like for the Republican or some of the county officers to set us right. The official organ is continually harping about us slandering the county officers. What have we charged these officers with? We said the net increase of local tax last year was \$13,251. The Republican was forced to say the same. We have said that for county purposes alone ours is among the highest taxed counties of the state, within 14 or 15 of the highest notch. Nobody has as yet denied it. We have said we pay the highest gravel road tax in the state, over \$300 per mile. Nobody has dared to dispute it. We have held that the county officers, or at least part of them, are responsible for the unreasonable, uncalled for high tax we have to pay. The question is simply this: is our tax too high or is the tax of other counties too low? If our's is too high who is to be blamed? We examined the report of the auditor of state and find that if 75 or 76 of the 92 counties of the state do not tax the people enough, then have we unjustly criticised our county officers.

Elsewhere will be found the decision of Judge Wiley in reference to the PILOT—whether or not it was a newspaper of general circulation. The decision was expected by everyone and was no surprise, but it was a matter of gratification to everyone, with the exception of the commissioners who have prostituted their office for spite and a few ringsters. The commissioners have incurred the contempt of every honest man in the county and have insured their defeat should they, in the future, run for any public office.

O. P. Tabor, the president of the board, has proven time and again that he would stop at nothing contemptible or dirty to

gain his ends, but the other two members, previous to accepting office, were always regarded as honorable men, and by their course in prostituting their office to be revenged on the PILOT they have done an act which they will always regret and be ashamed of. As soon as O. P. Tabor, and the other two members were elected to the honorable and responsible position of county commissioner their official acts became public property, so to speak, and therefore were proper subjects of criticism. As for Tabor, our strictures have been of Tabor, the official, not of Tabor, the individual. True, we have said he is bald headed, and truthfully we might have said that while externally his head is as smooth as a billiard ball, it has infinitely more on the outside than it has on the inside. His first error was that he thought the office conferred on him the power to alter the law from what it is to what he thought would serve his ends, hence when the law said "a newspaper published in the county," he changed it to "a newspaper of general circulation published in the county," and refused to obey the law, (ostensibly) because the law was not what he thought it ought to be. But he is now denied this consolation, since Judge Wiley has found "that the PEOPLE'S PILOT is a weekly newspaper of general circulation" within the meaning of the law. His second error lies in his entire misconception of the duties of a county commissioner. He thinks that when elected the office becomes his personal property, and is to be used to gratify his own personal spites and party hates and to reward party henchmen. It has not, nor cannot, enter his thick head and muddled brain (if he has any) that this honorable and responsible office belongs to the whole people, and that he is only one of the chosen agents of the people to see that the law is observed, that justice is done, that the rights of all are respected and that the most rigid economy consistent with a progressive policy in the management of county affairs is practiced. The ideal commissioner, in his office, knows no man or party, but with a clear head, honest heart and firm hand discharges its duties to promote the good of the whole people. How this contemptible whiflet has misconceived and misdischarged the duties of his honorable office we leave the good people of Jasper county to determine. We owe the PILOT readers an apology, or explanation, rather. When we first disgraced our columns and occupied valuable space in the PILOT by writing Tabor's name, we must say that we didn't believe the man so low and contemptibly mean as he has proven himself. History affords instances where men, by their acts, have become so obnoxious to mankind that it was made a capital offense to speak their names. Tabor is not that bad yet, but he has moved so far in that direction that from our utter contempt for the man and a decent respect for the good taste and opinions of the people of Jasper county, we would never mention his name in our columns again, but for the fact that his misdeeds would never become known were it not for the PILOT, as the subsidized press of Rensselaer makes a specialty of suppressing facts which might incur the enmity of this czar from Carpenter township.

Hear Us.

We begin this week a series of articles, entitled, "Our Plea," and we ask at the hands of our school teachers, ministers, lawyers, doctors, business men, politicians, wage-workers and farmers, a patient and careful reading of what we have to say. We may be in error, we may not read the signs of the times aright, we may misconceive the

trend of national affairs, but we don't believe that we do, and being possessed of that faith, we are confident that we are nearing a great national crisis unless we effect many changes in our social and political affairs. And so believing we speak and ask for a patient and impartial hearing.

That Ruins Him.

John Sherman says that Carlisle is as well qualified for secretary of the treasury as any man in the nation. The endorsement of any man by that old villain will ruin him in the eyes of all honest people. Eighteen months ago, Carlisle was a bimetalist and voted for free coinage. To-day he is one of the most obsequious lickspittles that fawn at the feet of Wall street and the Jew money power. Those Democrats who voted for Grover upon the endorsement of Dan Voorhees can now seek some sequestered spot and kick a fool to their heart's content. Dems. Wall street has the twist on you for four years. It may be that during that time you will learn something.

Surprised.

A foreigner now in Chicago expresses great surprise at Chicago's city government, or rather misgovernment. Among the many wrongs observed by this gentleman, he was most surprised when examining the tax duplicate of Cook county and the city of Chicago, to find that the railroad property therein, which a conservative estimate would place at three hundred and sixty millions at least, is only assessed at twelve millions. The gentleman evidently knows nothing of us as a people. A further acquaintance with us will enlighten him upon the American way of doing things. He will learn that labor produces all wealth and pays nearly all the taxes, while the corporations absorb nearly all the wealth and almost entirely escapes taxation. He will learn that we don't look to the wealth of the nation for the means to pay the expenses of government. Oh no, we look to the necessities of the people, the wealth producers; we just whack it to them for the amount necessary and let the corporations, the wealth absorbers, go scott free. Evidently this unsophisticated foreigner has much to learn of the shrewd ways of these sharp Americans.

Worse Than Ever.

That Chicago is overrun with thieves, thugs, deadbeats, political boodlers, great rascals and any amount of canting, religious hypocrites, has long been known. That there are a half million of heathens there, persons wholly destitute of any knowledge of God and his ways, has been boldly asserted by some of its leading divines and never denied so far as we know, is known to all PILOT readers, but it is not generally known that Chicago has a gambling school in full operation, that was publicly advertised, and terms of instruction fully set forth. Twenty-four lessons, six each week till course was completed; twelve dollars and a half for the first week, and six and a half for each succeeding week till the student graduates. As an inducement to enter the school, the proprietors of this enterprising institution guarantee employment at ten dollars per week to all who receive diplomas. As an evidence of Chicago enterprise and the general interest felt in this latest addition to Chicago educational institutions, we are informed that the advertisement brought two hundred and sixty applicants the first day. That a city which thus defies God and sets at naught every recognized right in the universe can longer escape the divine wrath we don't believe. In the history of human depravity we have never known or heard of anything lower or more damnable.

Our Plea.

The man who is surrounded by conditions that adversely affect his interests, and forces that impel him to his own ruin, and does not comprehend the conditions or recognize the forces, is, to our mind, of all men, the most deserving of pity. Such we believe to be the condition of the great body of the American people to-day. But he who pauses amid the activities of life, to look deep into causes and patiently gathers up results, carefully notes tendencies and interprets them by the lights of history, and thereby gains a thorough knowledge of surrounding conditions and realizes the final outcome unless changes are affected, is to our mind one deserving of the greatest praise. Such persons we believe to be the People's party men and women, persons who have broken party ties and left behind them so called Democratic and Republican principles, as measures wholly insufficient to meet the demands of the age, and out of their hardships, sufferings and researches have formulated principles which if enacted into law, would bring that happy readjustment in our social, financial, and commercial conditions that would place us far in advance of all past and present civilizations, and lay the foundations of our government upon such sure basis that it would endure while governments among men were necessary. It is of the past and present conditions and these principles that we are to speak, and submit to the consideration of a candid people. To fully comprehend the People's party, its principles and the necessity of its existence, one fact must be constantly borne in mind, and that is, that we are in a new and wonderful age, that old things have passed away, (meaning production, transmission of intelligence, transportation and communication). The means of production in use in the memory of living men and women, are wholly discarded now. The age in which they were born and reared was a domestic age. Almost the entire wants of the household, were manufactured in the home. The flax was grown upon the farm, pulled by hand, spread on the meadow by hand, "rotted" and gathered up by hand. The old fashioned and homely flax brake, that was so ugly that the sight of one would have frightened an engine off the track, had there been engine or track in those days, was operated by hand, scutching and hatcheting were done by hand, and the little wheel of our mothers, with its flyers, distaff, quills, etc., were all operated by hand or foot, and the old fashioned loom, big and ugly, and always in the way, were the rude machinery by which all the table linen, sheets and toweling and largely the shirting for the family were supplied. The sheep were reared on the farm, the fleece was clipped, the burrs picked out, the coloring, much of the carding, all of the spinning, weaving, cutting and making of clothing and bedding were made in the household, and done by hand. On the farm similar conditions maintained, everything, almost; in the food line was the product of the farm; bread, meat, the sweets, and fruit were all of home growth or manufacture. A breaking plow, single shovel plow, an old fashioned reap hook, a grass sythe and a "three quarter augur" to tap the sugar trees, an ax, an iron wedge and a mattock were the farm implements of those days. The whole outfit would not cost forty dollars.

(To be continued.)

LEADING HORSEMEN SAY

Morris' English Stable Liniment is the best remedy for rheumatism, lameness, swellings, cuts, burns, hard or soft lumps, sprains, bruises, frost bites, etc. It is put up in large bottles that sell for 25c, 50c, and \$1. Sold by F. B. Meyer.

GILLAM.

Gillam is prospering. Gillam is still alive and booming.

Chas. Odom has completed his store and has brought on a fine stock of goods.

Supt. J. F. Warren visited our schools last week.

Twenty-one applicants for graduation took the examination Saturday. We hope to have some graduates in Gillam this year.

Mr. D. B. Coppess, of Tipton, Ind., is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Miss Lizzie Faris is teaching the DeMotte school, Mr. Bruce having resigned.

Mrs. N. Harris was called to the bedside of her daughter, who is very sick at her home in Chicago.

Jas. Overton, of Hanging Grove, is moving on James Cooper's place this week, in the northern part of the township.

Mr. Alf. McJimsey has rented his farm to Warren Swisher and will move to Medaryville soon.

There will be six months of school in Gillam this year.

Mr. Robert Manan, Miss Molie Faris and Miss Florence Robinson will attend school at Valparaiso as soon as their schools close.

Rev. Street, the Christian minister, from Ohio, occupies the house vacated by Mr. Hutchinson.

Mr. John Mason and family, from Greencastle, have moved back to their farm in Gillam.

Mr. Nathan Harris will move to Medaryville soon, where he will be engaged in the hardware business.

A rushing business is being done at Georgetown, the new town in the northern part of Gillam.

RUGGINS.

EGYPT.
Literary at Blake school house Wednesday night.

Dan Blake has moved on the Chas. Harris farm east of Remington.

Perry Blake, of Wolcott, was in this vicinity last week.

Charley Brand is working for Judge Frazier this season.

H. W. Iliff has rented his farm to Mr. Ireland.

Mrs. Frank Nicholson is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Miss Grace Iliff has been very sick with the measles, but is now rapidly recovering.

Morris Besse went home last Friday to wrestle with the measles.

Judge Frazier and Bill Taylor sold their hay to Blake Wilson, of Goodland.

H. W. Iliff has rented his farm to Mr. Freedland.

Frank Johnson has moved near Otterbein.

Jake Hanaway has rented the Canfield farm and has moved on the same.

Mark Lewis is feeding a large bunch of cattle for A. McCoy.

Harvey Gates, brother of Mrs. Minnie Morris, has become a resident of this vicinity.

Miss Anne Swarts, who has been teaching school at Del Rey, Ill., came home on Monday.

Mont Dutton's new house is to be occupied by Charley Rowen.

Will Pruet is feeding a large drove of cattle for Blake Wilson, of Goodland.

Mr. Reed went to Remington last Friday and hauled out a ton of flour for the Egypt lodge.

Charley Miller went to Goodland last Wednesday and purchased a team of horses.

Miss Hattie is sick with the measles and had to give up her school at Never Fail. Miss Anne Swarts will finish teaching her term.

Egypt Alliance met last Saturday night with John G. Bicknell in the chair.

Al Keister, the great American joker of Possum Creek and John G. Bicknell, the funny man of Slim Timber, entertained the audience last Saturday evening at the Alliance by cracking jokes and telling yarns. Keister had been sawing wood all day and was full of black oak sap.

EAST WALKER.

Sabbath school at the Herschel school house is in a prosperous condition with an average attendance of about thirty.

Good interest is manifested and good work is being done.

A series of meetings conducted by a Christian preacher of Rensselaer, commenced at the above



COL. C. W. DEAN.

SUNSTRUCK IN BATTLE!

DR. MILES MEDICAL CO., ELYRIA, OHIO.—I must say the Restorative Nerve and Nerve and Liver Pills have done me great good.

FOR YEARS I HAVE NOT FELT AS WELL AS NOW.

The starting point of my disease was a sunstroke received in battle before Port Hudson, Louisiana, June 14th, 1863. Up to this time I was in full strength and took Dr. Miles' Remedy. I had had a continual distressing pain in my head; also, weak spells, and the past four years I have had to give up everything.

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