

## CASUALTIES.

Prentice Swain of Union, Ind., an engineer at a coal shaft, was found sleeping in fifteen inches of snow and died in a few minutes.

Morton Newhouse, a farmer of Kokomo, Ind., injured in a railway wreck several years ago, has become violently insane as a result.

Patrick Connolly, a switchman, was killed by the cars in the yards at Peoria, Ill.

Edward Conway, John Dilts and Thomas Ericson, were badly scalded at Kewanee, Ill., while repairing a boiler. Harry Isaacs accidentally shot and killed Elmer Ross with a Flobert rifle at Evansville, Ind.

John King, a prosperous farmer, living four miles from Trivoli, Ill., was killed in a runaway accident.

Theodore Paskert of Remsen, Iowa, accidentally fell down stairs and fractured his skull, death resulting from the injury.

The 9-year-old son of George Tidd was burned to death and another will die as the result of a suspected incendiary fire which destroyed his home at Lima, Ohio.

At Harrisville, W. Va., Mrs. Hall, aged 80 years, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed the store and residence of her son.

George Reed, yardmaster for the St. Paul road at Prairie du Chien, Wis., was killed by the cars.

Charles Anderson was thrown from his wagon by a runaway at Madrid, Iowa, and when found was so badly frozen that he cannot recover.

Miss Katie Kinko was burned to death; Mrs. Meyers, who tried to save her, was burned so badly that little hopes of her recovery are entertained; and a hired hand was also painfully burned by the explosion of an oil can at Peck, Kas.

## FOREIGN.

The Rome Itale states that the Crispi ministry authorized Gen. Baldissera to negotiate a peace with Menelek after the defeat of Adowa.

The Egyptian council at Cairo Saturday stated that Lord Cromer, the British agent, had announced that 1,000 British troops, drafted at European stations, were coming there directly to take part in the advance upon Dongola.

Advices from Havana say that Col. Galvis has routed the insurgents under Maximo Gomez, killing fifty. The Spanish columns, it is also reported, continue to press Maceo closely.

After a concert Sunday night at Barcelona, Spain, the bulk of the audience started to make a demonstration before the United States consulate, but gendarmes promptly barred their way and dispersed the crowd before they had reached the building. Several were injured in the scuffle.

Russia's secret treaty with China relating to Manchuria has been confirmed. Extraordinary rights are granted Russia in the document.

The oldslough, or lower house of parliament of Norway, by a vote of 44 to 40 adopted a bill providing for the recognition of a separate Norwegian flag.

Knight of Labor, in session at Ottawa, Ont., decided to form a Canadian federation, having no connection with United States labor organizations.

## CRIME.

Alonzo Reed of Rushville, Ind., has been arrested on a charge of deserting his wife.

Dr. J. A. Reid, on trial in the Scott County, Iowa, District court on a charge of murder in the second degree, was acquitted.

The family of W. B. Taylor, a wealthy farmer, was mysteriously poisoned at Craig, Mo. The drug is supposed to have been introduced in the coffee, though by whom and for what purpose it is not known. W. B. Taylor died. His three sons, one of their wives and Taylor Criman, a cousin, are dying.

To escape arrest for embezzlement of government funds, Frank Mapes, postmaster at Kansas City, Kan., committed suicide in his residence.

A dispatch from the Shoshone agency to Lander, Wyo., reports that Jim Washakie, who was shot by the half-breed, Will Lamoreaux, is in a dying condition. Should young Washakie die the Indians will avenge him by making war on a number of Sioux half-breeds who are on the reservation.

Dr. Charles E. Massbacher, a physician of Toledo, Ohio, was found dead in his bathroom, with a bullet hole in his head, under the most mysterious circumstances. His relatives are of the opinion that he did not commit suicide, and the police are at a loss to account for his death.

Jesse Marshall, a young negro from Des Moines, Iowa, who assaulted Tom Combs, another negro, last fall in Oskaloosa, cutting him nearly in two with a razor, has been lodged in the Oskaloosa jail.

Jail officials at Guthrie, O. T., discovered an underground tunnel in time to prevent the escape of Bill Doolin, Bill Reidler and Bob Montgomery, members of the Dalton gang.

William G. Watson, superintendent of the Hudson river division of the West Shore railway, is dead, the result of a pistol shot wound inflicted by ex-Detective Edward Clifford, at Wee-nawken, N. J., last Thursday. Clifford pleads to temporary insanity.

J. E. Crandall, president of the First National Bank of Johnson City, Tenn., was sentenced to eight years in the United States penitentiary at Brooklyn by Judge C. E. Clark.

George Boetz, aged 16, shot and killed himself in Floral Park, Union Hill, N. J., because he had been accused by his stepfather of stealing two rings and selling them.

Editor Heiner, in jail at Elizabeth, N. J., in default of \$13,000 bail on twenty-six charges of libeling Mayor Rankin, has been granted a writ of habeas corpus, the purpose being to reduce the bail.

## POLITICAL NOTES.

Populists of Bureau county, Illinois, will hold their convention April 28 in Princeton.

Of the fourteen republican national delegates so far elected in Kansas all but one stand on the currency plank of the Minneapolis platform.

Populists in four Kansas counties have endorsed Senator Tillman for president, while in two Judge Caldwell has been endorsed.

The New York World says that it has made a poll of nearly every state in the union, and as a result predicts the nomination of William McKinley by the St. Louis convention.

Ex-Gov. John P. St. John denies he is or will be a candidate for president on the populist ticket or a candidate for congress in the Second Kansas district. Furthermore, he says he is not an aspirant for any public office within the gift of any party.

Livingston county, Illinois, prohibitionists will hold their county convention at Pontiac on March 26.

South Dakota democrats will select national delegates-at-large May 20 at Aberdeen.

Republicans at Hebron, Ind., organized a McKinley club, with George C. Gregg as president and nearly 200 members.

County Superintendent John F. Snow was elected chairman of the new democratic central committee of Adams county, Indiana.

Senator Morgan of Alabama has been endorsed for president and Senator Allen, of Nebraska for vice-president by the California executive committee of the American bimetallic party.

Primaries in Union county, Illinois, to select delegates to the republican state, congressional and senatorial conventions will be held April 18. The county committee unanimously endorsed Major McKinley for president. The prohibitionists of Peoria county, Illinois, will hold their county convention at Peoria on March 19.

The young republicans of Knox county, Ill., 300 strong, have formed a club for social and political purposes at Galesburg. It is named in honor of the late Philip Sidney Post.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

The Cass County Sunday School association concluded its six days' institute at Ashland, Ill., Sunday. Daily sessions were held at Chandlerville, Beardstown, Arenzville and Virginia during the week.

W. W. Montgomery, formerly county superintendent of schools at Red Oak, Iowa, has bought the Saturday Mail of that place, an independent paper, and will change it to republican in name and politics.

Mrs. Frank Clisby died suddenly at Arcola, Ill.

Carl Neuheusen, a journalist, 56 years of age, and a member of a noble German family, is dead at St. Paul, Minn. Elias S. Tompkins, senior member and founder of the firm known as Tompkins' Bright's Disease Company, is dead from old age at New York.

Marcus H. Bliesmer, boot and shoe dealer at Laporte, Ind., has assigned, with assets of \$9,000 and liabilities of \$5,000.

At Huntsville, Ala., George C. Scruggs & Son have made an assignment. Indebtedness, \$5,000, with \$7,000 to \$8,000 assets.

The will of George Hiles, who died Sunday at Milwaukee, has been filed for probate. The value of the estate is estimated to be close to \$4,000,000. Baron Paumgarten, Austria-Hungarian minister to the United States, has arrived from Bremen, accompanied by his family.

A bill to prevent the killing of native song birds of the state passed the Ohio house of representatives after it had been amended so as to include the American eagle.

Citizens of St. Louis adopted resolutions calling upon congress to pass the bill providing for a deep water channel introduced by Congressman Cobb.

Governor Griggs, of New Jersey, has appointed Charles E. Hendrickson to succeed Clifford Stanley Sims, lay judge of the court of appeals, deceased.

## LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

CHICAGO.			
Cattle—Com. to prime.....	\$1.40	@	4.55
Hogs—All grades.....	2.75	@	4.25
Sheep—All grades.....	2.10	@	4.50
Wheat—No. 2.....	.63	@	.64
Corn—No. 2.....	.28	@	.29
Oats.....	.19	@	.20
Rye.....	.42	@	.43
Eggs.....	.14	@	.15
Potatoes.....	.25	@	.30
Butter.....	.08	@	.19

MILWAUKEE.			
Wheat—No. 2 spring.....	.63	@	.64
Corn—No. 2.....	.27	@	.28
Oats—No. 2 white.....	.21	@	.22
Barley—No. 1.....	.33	@	.34
Rye—No. 1.....	.42	@	.43

PEORIA.			
Rye—No. 2.....	.38	@	.39
Corn—No. 3.....	.27	@	.28
Oats—No. 2.....	.20	@	.21

KANSAS CITY.			
Cattle—All grades.....	2.00	@	4.25
Hogs—All grades.....	3.10	@	4.05
Sheep—All grades.....	2.75	@	3.40

TOLEDO.			
Wheat—No. 2.....	.72	@	.73
Corn—No. 2 mixed.....	.28	@	.29
Oats—No. 2 mixed.....	.21	@	.22

NEW YORK.			
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	.73	@	.74
Corn—No. 2.....	.27	@	.28
Oats—No. 2.....	.26	@	.27
Butter.....	.10	@	.20

ST. LOUIS.			
Cattle—All grades.....	2.00	@	4.50
Hogs.....	3.75	@	4.10
Sheep.....	2.60	@	3.40
Wheat—Cash.....	.73	@	.74
Corn—Cash.....	.26	@	.29
Oats—Cash.....	.20	@	.22

BUFFALO.			
Wheat—No. 2 red.....	.77	@	.78
Corn—No. 2 yellow.....	.33	@	.34
Oats—No. 3 white.....	.25	@	.26

## A FEARFUL SHOWING.

What Are We Going to Do About the Robberies?

The earnings and substance of the people are absorbed by the trusts, combines and monopolies, as a sponge absorbs water.

The bank monopoly robs through interest. The railroad corporations rob by excessive charges, to pay big salaries to a horde of railroad presidents and other dignitaries—besides the millions to pay themselves interest and dividends on watered stock and fraudulent bonds.

The telegraph corporations rob the people of millions by charging more than three times as much as charged in England and other countries owning and operating the lines.

The street railways rob the people of millions to pay interest and dividends on stocks and bonds, four-fifths of which is wind and water. These railways are capitalized at an average of \$125,000 to the mile, while the actual cost does not exceed an average of \$10,000 to the mile.

Express companies, side attachments, like the telegraphs to the railroads, rob the people of millions by the extortionate charges for their service.

The Standard Oil monopoly robs the people of millions for oils.

Then comes the steel trust, the leather trust, sugar trust, and a whole brood of other trusts, corporations and monopolies, each and all preying upon the honest and defenseless earnings of the people to the tune of millions of dollars annually.

The land monopolists get in their work, and not only absorb millions in rents, but deprive more than one-half of the people of homes, their natural inheritance.

No wonder that in America there are more than four thousand millionaires averaging three millions each! Is it any wonder that less than one per cent. of the people own more than all the rest, while it is estimated that not less than three millions of able-bodied men are tramps and paupers, or bordering on that condition—to say nothing of the women and children depending on them for food and clothing and homes?

Mr. Ingalls, Republican senator at that time, proclaimed in his great speech in the senate in 1891 that more than a million of men were seeking work and unable to procure it. Since then times have been much harder, and the number and suffering of the poor has been greatly augmented. More people are being thrown out of employment daily; debts are piling up, private, state and national.

What have the Democrats and Republicans done to relieve the situation? Nothing. Instead of relief, monopolies, trusts and combines have increased and flourished as never before. What do the Democrats and Republicans propose to do to relieve the people? Nothing. Instead of relief, they pile up more bonds and add to the already unbearable burden laid upon the shoulders of the toiling masses. The struggle, upon the part of the masses, for a bare existence is becoming fiercer. How is it possible under the conditions imposed upon the people by the policy of these old parties for them to pay these enormous sums extorted from them annually for interest and monopolistic profits, and at the same time live and preserve the semblance of liberty, prosperity and happiness, to say nothing of the enormous principal? Monopoly has squeezed the juice from the lemon until it is about dry. When it refuses to yield any more juice, then what?—Representative.

## PLEDGING CANDIDATES.

Do the People Hire Officials to Boss Them?

How could a national convention pledge a president to any particular course? Where is the man fit to be president, the candidate whom the people respect, who would accept a nomination under such conditions? A president thus elected would be forewarned to a course which might violate his official oath. Such a president would be a cipher. There is not now, and never has been, a party in this country foolish enough to adopt such a course, or strong enough to carry an election by such a policy.—Washington Post.

So? Thought this was a government of the people. Appears to us that no president has a right to disobey the instructions of the people who have him hired.

Not only the president, but every other official elected by the people ought to be bound under penalty of death to carry out to the best of his ability the pledges and instructions upon which he is elected.

A majority of the people have a right to dictate the policy of government even to the extent of changing all present existing constitutional and statute law.

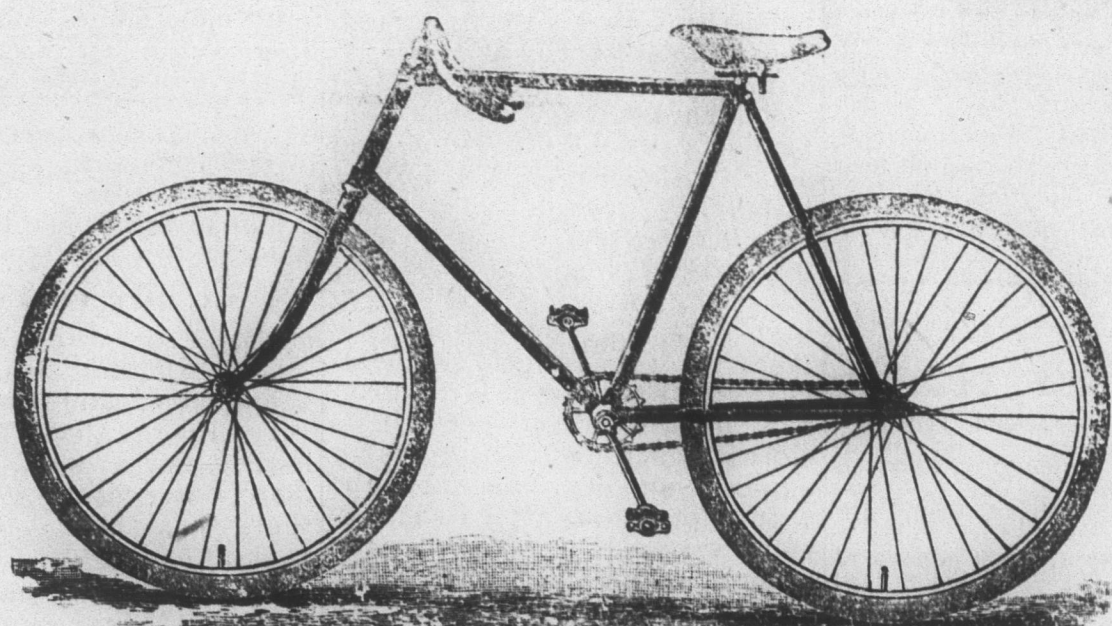
No law of the land should be allowed to stand supreme in the presence of a majority of the people opposed to it. No president or other official has any right to set up his personal opinion against that of the people whom he is sworn to serve.

There is one party that believes in instructing and binding its candidates to carry out the instructions of the convention—that is the People's party. —Arkansas Kicker.

Protection that don't protect farmers and their wives and children, protects millionaires and corporations that don't need protection.

If the democrats want to see the republicans laid in the shade all they have to do is to join the populists, and the job will be neatly done.

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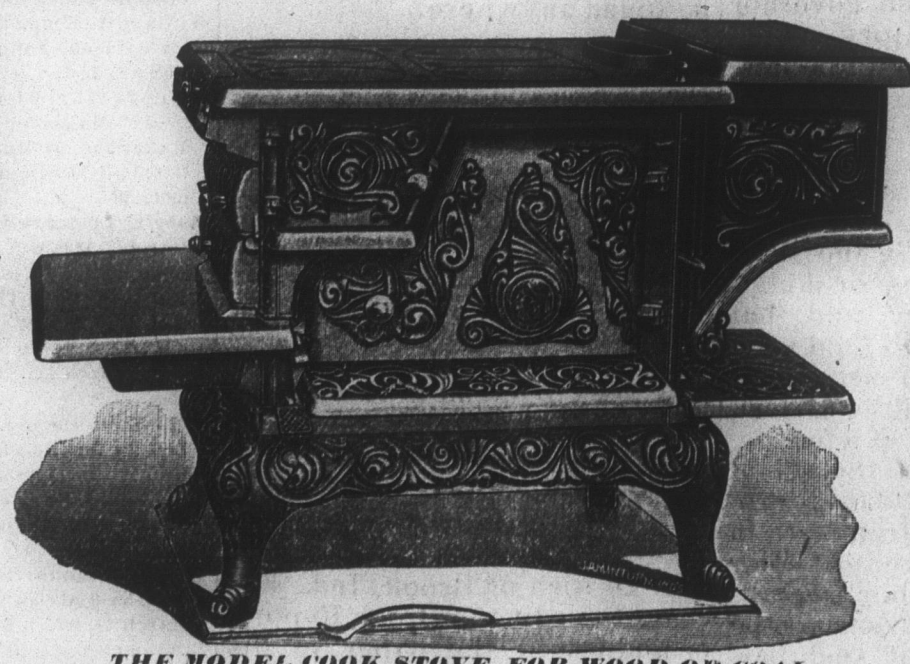
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