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Republican Platform.

Following is the platform: The to that industry. people, Abraham Lincola, and to and by such cover also with wreaths of imper- REVISION OF THE TARIFF LAWS

PHILLIP H. SHERIDAN. In the spirit of those great lead ers and of our own devotion to huoppression which is the fundamen- labor a menace tal idea of the Republican party, we send fraternal congratulations and our constitution, and we de- ing. Idaho and Arizona to the en-

vorite child of victory.

American continents. '/e earnestly hope that we may zens of Irish birth upon TEXAS. peaceful recovery of home rule for trarily the condition of trade among exercised in the past is a menace Ireland.

ries in the Union, and especially to ducts to their markets. the supreme and sovereign right We approve the legislation by to divorce the political from the of every lawful citizen, rich or Congress to prevent alike the un. ecclesiastical power and thus stamp poor, native or foreign born, white just burdens and untair discrimina. out the attendant wickedness of or black,

TO CAST ONE FREE BALLOT in the public elections and have that ballot duly counted. We hold free and honest popular ballot and just and equal representation all people to be the foundation our republican government, and we demand effective legislation to secute the integrity and purity of ef elections which are the foundations of all public authority.

We charge that the present administration and the Democratic majority in Congress owe their existence to the supression of the ballot by criminal nuitication of the constitution and laws of the United States.

We are uncompromisingly in fa vor of the American system of pro tection. We protest against its destruction as proposed by President and his party. They serve the interests of Europe, we will support the interests of America. We accept the issue and confidently appeal to the people for their judgment. The protection sys-

MUST BE MAITAINED.

Its abandonment has always been followed by general disaster to al interests except those of the usurer and the sheriff.

We denounce the Mills bill destructive to the general business, labor and farming interests of the country, and we heartily endorse the consistent and patriotic action of the Republican Representatives in Congress in opposing its passage. We condemn the proposition of the Democratic party to place wool on the free list, and we insist

adjusted and maintained so as to ernment therein the people of such our soldiers; for necessary works

Republicans of the United States The Republican party would efassembled by their delegates in fact all needed reduction of the national convention, pause on the national revenue by repealing the threshold of their proceedings to taxes on tobacco, which are an au honor the memory of their first novance and a burden to agricul great leader, the immortal champi- ture, and a tax upon spirits used on of the liberty and rights of the in arts and for mechanical purposes, in they are to serve. South Dako-

ishable remembrance and gratitude as will tend to check the imports in the Union under the constitution the heroic names of our late lead- of such articles as are produced by farmed and adopted by her people. ers who have more recently been our people, the production of and we heartily indorse the action called away from our councils, which gives employment to our la. of the Republican Senate in twice Grant, Garfield, Arthur, Logan, bor, and release from import duties passing bills for her admission. Coukling. I May their memo- those articles of foreign production, The refusal of the Democratic than the Democratic policy of loanries be faithfully cherished. We except luxuries, the like of which House of Representives for paralso recall with our greetings and can not be produced at home. If tisan purposes to favorably conwith prayers for his recovery, the there shall still remain a larger sider these bills is a wilful violation name of our living hero, whose revenue than is requisite for the of the sacred American principle memory will be treasured in the wants of the government, we favor of local selfgovernment and merits history both of the Republican the entire repeal of the internal the condemnation of all just men. party and of the republic, the taxes rather than the surrender of The pending bills in the senate for name of of that noble soldier, fa- any part of our protective system acts to enable the people of Washmanufacturers.

man liberty and with that hospi- introduction into this country of for- sary delay. The Republican party tality to all forms of despotism and eign contract labor and Chinese pledges itself to do all in its power

TO OUR CIVILIZATION

to our fellow Americans of Brazil mand the rigid enforcement of the joyment of elf-government as upon their great act of emancipa- existing laws against it and in fa- states, such of them as are not tion, which completes the abolition vor of such immediate legislation qualified as soon as possible and of slavery throughout the two as will exclude such labor from the others as soon as They may our shores.

We declare opposition to all comsoon congratulate our fellow citi- binations of capital organized in the trusts or otherwise to control arbi- mon church in the territories as We reaffirm our unswerving de- Congress and the state Legislatures, longer to be suffered: Therefore, votion to the national constitution in their respective jurisdictions, we pledge the Republican party and to the indissoluble union of the such legislation as will prevent the to appropriate legislation asserting states, to the autonomy reserved to execution of all schemes to oppress the sovereignty of the nation in all the states under the constitution, to the people by undue charges on the territories where the same is personal rights and liberties of their supplies or by unjust rates questioned, and in furtherance of citizens in all the states and territo- for the transportation of their pro- that end to place upon the statute

tions between the states.

We re-affirm the policy of appropriating the public lands of the United States to be homesteads for of the use of both gold and silver ports under the treaty of 1818, the American citizens and settlers, not in congress and which has brought postage to 1 cent per ounce.

MAGNIFICENT DEVELOPEMENT. railroad land grants to the public er is exercised except by the will domain for the use of actual set of the people, it is important that tlers which was begun under the the sovereign people possess inteladministration of President Arthur ligence. The free school is a proshould be continued. We deny motor of that intelligence which is fence against a foreign enemy that the Democratic party has ever to preserve us as a free nation. declare that by the joint action of both combined should supply free fifty millions of acres of unearned afford to every child growing up lands originally granted for the in the land the opportunity of construction of railroads have been good common school education. restored to the public domain in We carnestly recommend that pursuance of the conditions in prompt action be taken by Con serted by the Republican party in gress in the enactment of such the original grants. We charge the legislation as will best secure the Democratic administration with rehabilitation of our American harass innocent settlers with spies lessening the wages of those engagvindicating the law.

ADMISSION OF THE TEERITORIES. The government by Congress of the territories is based upon peces. the early rebuilding of our navy. sity to the end that they may become states in the Union There

furnish full and adequate protection territories should be permitted as a right inherent in them to form for themselves constitutional state governments and be admitted into the union. Pending the operation for statehood all officers thereof should be selected from bona fide residents and ci tizens of the territory where

ta should of right be immediately ADMITED AS A STATE

at the joint behest of the whisky ington; north Dakota and Montana trust and the agents of foreign territories to form constitutions and establish state governments We declare our hostility to the should be passed without unnecesto facilitate the admission of the

erritories of New Mexico, Wyombecome so.

TO STAMP OUT POLYGAMY. The political power of the Morour citizens and we recommend to to free institutions too dangerous books legislation stringent enough

polygamy.

FAVORS BOTH METALS. The Republican party is in favor as money and condemns the policy aliens; which the Republican party of the Democratic administration established in 1862 against the per- in its efforts to demonstize silver. sistant opposition of the Democrats | We demand a reduction of letter sels receive in ports of the United

our great western domain into such | In a republic like ours, where the citizen is the sovereign and the The restoration of unearned official the servant, where no powrestored one acre to the people, but therefore the state or nation or Republicans and Democrats about institutions of learning sufficient to

failure to execute the laws secur- merchant marine, and we protest ing to settlers title to their home- against the passage by Congress steads and with using the appropri- of the free ship bill as calculated ations made for that purpose to to work an injustice to labor by and prosecutions under the false ed in preparing materials, as well as pretense of exposing frauds and those directly engaged in our ship yard.

> COAST DEFENCES. We demand appropriations for for the construction of coast forti-

population material resources, pun jul defence for the protection of his. We, therefore, repeat our lic intelligence and morality are defenceless harbors and cities; for declaration of 1884,; to-wit "The that the duties thereon shall be such as to insure a stable local gov. the payment of just pensions to

of national importance in the improvement of barbors and channels of internal, const-wise and foreign commerces for the encouragement of the shipping interests of the Atlantic, Gulf and Pacific states, as well as the payment of the maturing debt. This policy will give employment to our laborers, activity to our verious industries, increase the scentity of our country, promote trade, open new and direct markets for our DEALERS Inproduce, and cheapen the cost of transportation. We affirm this to be far better for or our country WAGONS, ing government money without STOVES. interest to "pet banks."

POREIGN AFFAIRS.

NAILS

The conduct of foreign affairs by he present administration has been distinguished by its inefficiency and its cowardice. Having withdrawn from the Senate all GUNS pending treaties enacted by the CART-Republican administration for the RIDGES, removal af foreign burdens and CAPS, restrictions upon our commerce PO VDER and for its extension into better markets, it has neither effected nor FUSE proposed any others in their stead, professing adherence to the Monroe doctrine, it has seen with idle complacency the extension of foreign influence in Central America, and of foreign trade everwhere among our neighbors. It has retused to charter, sanction or encourage any American organization for the constructing of the Nicarauga canal, a work of vital importance to the maintenance of the Monree doctrine and of our national influence in Central and South America, and necessary for the development of trade with our Pacific territory, with South America and with the islands and further coasts of the Pacific ocean.

THE FISHERIES TREATY. We arraign the present Democratic administration for its weak and unpatriotic treatment of the fisheries question and its pusillanimous surrender of the essential privileges to which our fishing vessels are entitled in Canadian reciprocal maritime legislation of 1880, and the comity of nations and which Canadian fishing ves-States. We condemn the policy of the present administration and the Democratic majority in Congress toward the fisheries as unfriendly and conspicuously unpatriotic, and as tending to destroy a valuable national industry and an indispensable resource of de-The name of America applies alike to all citizens of this republic, and impresses upon all alike the same obligation of obedience to the laws. At the same time that citizenship is and must be the panoply and safe guard of him who wears it and protects him whether high or low rich or poor, in all his rights. It should and must afford him protection at home and follow and protect him abroad, in whatever land he may be, on a lawful erraud. CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

The men who abandoned the Republican party in 1884 and continued to adhere to the Democratic

party have deserted not only the sound finance, of the freedom and security of the ballot, but especially have deserted the cause of reform in civil service. we will not fications, and prodern ordinances they have broken theirs, or hefore, whenever the condition and other approved modern means cause their candidate has broken

Cencluded on Fourth page,

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and that will be the winning card. A CHILD of E. P. Ledon, a jeweler

window on June 22nd, and was not ipjured.

co Examiner has been seized for and others. rent due on the office in which it was stored.

A SNAKE was killed near Groonviile last week, and contained a large cow horn, in which was anugly ensconced a prairie rat.

Ir is said that dyspepsia is one of Jay Gould's ailments, and an exchange says that a trip over one assist him in the assimilation of his food.

MR. St. John, the prohibitionist. in for pie four years hence.

platform is that they view with alarm the fact that they are locked out of the national treasury, and point with pride to the tail of the out. Early one morning in Febru- kinds. We have a county where flapping wildly to the breezes.

county this year .- Throckmorton Times.

Oats, did you say, neighbor? Well, we should smile. Drive over some cool day and take a look at what Haskell county produces in that particular line.

Decision Handed Down in the Famous Case of the State Against the International Railway.

Austin, Tex. June 21 .- Judge Townes this morning handed down opinion in the celebrated case of the State of Texas vs. the International and Great Northern Railroad Company, in which the state through Attorney General Hogg prayed for a decree of the forfeiture of the charter and tax exemptions of the corporation on the ground of failure to comply with the terms of the charter in properly managing and operating their road. The opinion is quite lengthy, and goes into the merits of the question at ssue in detail. After discussing the facts, his honor concludes as follows: Applying the law to the facts I hold, first-that netwithstanding portions of respondents the remains recently discoverd. road have not been kept in good not so far failed in its duty of terious crime. The news comes maintainance as to require a forfallure of compliance on the part creek, north of Greer county.

bigged] Grosse C. Towns Jadge Tweny-sixth District.

The decision will effect tax exemption on the property of the company, but not the land donated by the state in the compromise over a dozen years ago and comprising over 3,000,000 acres, for the reason that the land has been sold and passed into other hands. At least this is the understanding in the land office here where the mat-

ter is thoroughly understood. The clerks in the agricultural department presided over by commissioner Foster are hard at work throughout the state.

THE grand old Democratic par- Live Stock Company amended, provide with lands suitable for ty is now pledged to tartiff reform, changing the name to the North homes, and assist to commence and West Texas Live Stock Comp- business in life, but can not do so any. The incorporators are, C. C. with their present surroundings, of Waco, fell from a second story Slaughter, G. F. Wright and E. J. and must seek cheaper lands and Ganton, the general offices to be at better opportunities in other and Dallas. The Ennis Building and newer localities. Loan Association: capitol \$50,000. THE material of the defunct Wa- Incorporators Messrs. Baldringe

FOUL PLAY.

A Murder Unearthed by the Finding of a Skeleton.

MOBEETIE, TEX., June 20 .- A

few days since a party of cowboys

engaged on the annual round-up in Collinsworth county discovered the skeleton of a man in the breaks of his Texas roads would greatly of the salt fork of Red river, in the southeast corner of the Rocking Chair ranch. It was in an advanced stage of decomposition, but some flesh remained on the says Cleveland and Thurman will bones. The ghastly discovery at be elected this year, but the party once recalled to the older settlers of which he is a member will come in Collinsworth the mysterious disappearance of a man named THE Grayson county druggists Rush, a settler on Eden creek in who were under indictment for the Rocking Chair pasture, which selling whiskey upon prescription happened about sixteen months without license, bave compromised ago. Rush came to the Panhandle and agreed to pay \$350 occupation some time in the latter part of 1886, with a herd of 125 cattle, and settling on a section of school land, MAHONE AND WISE of Virginia built a dug-out in the vicinity of entertained the Chicago conven- number of small stockmen comtion with some choice wrangling, prising the Elm settlement. He which finally culminated in a fistic was from either Johnson or Hill encounter. They were separated county. As he was driving his before any material damage was cattle through Vernon, a stranger between the extreme cold and exnamed Clements became associat-THE sense of the Republican ed with him, and traveling with him to Collinsworth became his companion there. The two men lived together and alone in a dug bloody shirt, which will soon be ary or March, 1887, an employe of the Rocking Chair ranch called at Rush's dug-out and found Clem-THE FREE PRESS says the yield ents alone. - His inquiries about of oats was very large in Haskell Rush seemed to strongly agitate Clements, who stated that the former had left the evening before with relatives, who came through the country in a wagon, and persuaded him to go to Colorado with them. He said that Rush had sold his cattle and all his interest to him. One of the chief objections urged His story and manner aroused the by Republicans against Thurman suspicions of the cowboy, who exand his wife, is that they carried amined the locality and found no food to Confederate prisoners con- wagon tracks. His suspicions were fined in Camp Chase. They cast communicated to his associates. their bread upon the waters to be and the matter became a subject gathered many days afterward, of general gossip on the range the Mr. Thurman will lose no votes in belief being currently expressed the South on account of having that Clements had made away fed the starving Confederates-not with Rush to secure his cattle. Shortly afterward Clements gathered up nearly all the cattle in Rush's brand, and, assisted by one or two other parties, drove them to Kansas and sold them. Returning about a year ago, he effected a sale of a small remainder of Rush's cattle left on the range. has never been presented for pay- creeks heading near the center of independent condition fluancially northeasly course into Baylor counadd strength to the belief enter- ty. The waters of these streams tained by all the cattlemen that are pure and free from mineral or he was the victim of foul play, alkali. the first tangible evidences of

from the Indian territory of the adents to deprive it of the He disappeared about a year ago

HASKELL COUNTY.

Her Advantages, Resources and Future Prospects.

In almost every neighborhood of the older states and the thickly settled portions of our own state there are many of its citizens who are contemplating a removal or a change of residence for many reasons. Some to restore lost health, some to make their first beginning compiling the statistics of the state. in the world, others to repair finan-So far about thirty counties have cial losses, others seeking safe and been finished, the reports showing profitable investments of surplus a large increase of population capital. There are many others who have comfortable homes and The following charters were filed are well contented, but who have to day: Charter of the Slaughter children, whom they would like to

To such we would say, you are just the people we want. Come and see us, and you will find a broad field of occupation and investment to choose from, with chances greatly in your favor. In coming to Haskell do not imagine we are a people wild and woolly and indigenous to these 'western wilds," that we are loaded with dynamite and shooting irons, that our conversations are collections of cuss words and Mulbatton mixtures, but rather that we are a people reared among the same surroundings, that we have received the benefit of the same advantages, that we have availed ourselves of the same educational priveleges, that we have had the same christian instructions you yourselves have had. Be enlightened by past experience. Fortunes have been made by the development of new countries, and fortunes are yet to be made in our new and equally as good county.

rasses, fruite and vegetables of the temperate zone. We have a climate which is a bappy medium treme heat, a climate which will preserve the strong and robust and strengthen the sickly and weak. We have a county well adapted to stock raising of all no malarial sickness ever comes. We have a county of the best lands in Northwest Texas. We have an abundance of mesquite, elm and backberry timber for firewood and fencing. We have the most substantial inland business town in the northwest. We have the greatest abundance of the purest water. We have a class of citizens as honest and industrious, as hospitable and good natured, as law abiding, patriotic and religious as can be found anywhere in the United states. We have plenty of room, and invite you and all who contemplate a change, to come, all neighbors and friends.

This county is situated in the northwestern part of the state, and is about 1800 feet above the level of the sea; is in form of a square, embracing an area of 200 square miles, or 576,000 acres, of which 4-5 is arable or agricultural.

hunting Rush for the avowed pur south, then running an easterly pose of of paying a debt of \$1500, direction across the S. E. portion growing out of some old transact of the county; Paint creek heading tions. A small note due him from near the west line of the county, a gentleman living near Mobeetie and running gast; Miller and Lake ment. These facts showing Rush's the county, and running in a

which were brought to light by furnished by these streams, we have the greatest abundance of The spring round-ups have un- the purest water all over our counrepair, but taken as a whole it has folded more than one story of mys ty, which can be obtained at a detph of from 15 to 40 feet. Free teiture of its corporate existence; finding of the body of a young from mineral of any kind, it is per acre. The usual terms of sale second-that there has been such man named Kitzmiller on Timber nearly pure freestone water. Good is one-third cash, and the balance lands and good water in abund- in equal payments in one and two ight to longer exemption from while engaged in detective work, ance, form the basis and founda-years, with ten per cent. interest. tion for a prosperous farming burners in that locality. He was tion for a prosperous farming formerly a clerk in Mangum, country, second to none anywhere in the state.

the rain. Crops will survive three relieving our people of the addior four weeks drouth without very tional tax, to maintain an efficient serious injury-it is a six or eight school system. weeks drouth in mid summer that In Haskell there is a flourishing blasts and ruins crops. Except school with more than 100 scholars mesquite grubs and stumps, which enrolled, besides several flourishing are easily extracted, there are no schools in different parts of the obstructions to plows, and the land county. Our school fund is ample being level or generally rolling, for all who may come. It is a and easily worked, the use of labor source of pride to our citizens and saving implements at once becomes an evidence to all of the enlightenpleasant and profitable.

PRODUCTS.

Indian corn, wheat, cats, barley, rye, durah corn, millet, sorghum, castor beans, field peas, peanuts. pumpkins, and all the squash family, turnips and cotton are grown successfully and profitably. Also the mail line from Abilene via sweet potatoes do well, and Irish Anson; which line also brings ex-South: Garden vegetables grow satisfactory to our people. to perfection, and mellons luxriate in Haskell county soil, growing to stock over winter.

per acre is about 30 bushels, and ings. the price varies from 50 cents to We have a county endowed by \$1.25 per bushel; the wheat yield The town of Haskell is the counmade pork is usually worth 6 to 8

SHIPPING POINT. shipping to and from Abilene, a Railroad. There is also some shipmiles southeast, on the Texas Cenwagon roads.

BAILROAD PROSPECTS.

At present there is no prospect of a railroad building into Haskell in the immediate future. We expect to get an extension of the Texas Central Railroad from Albany to Haskell, but that road is in the hands of the U. S. Court, The water supply comes from and not likely to be extended until After this he diappeared. Some the Double Mountain Fork of the it is discharged from the control time after Rush's disappearance, Brazos river, in the western por. of said court. We also think that a gentleman named Laudrith, from tion of the county; California creek the Fort Worth Western Railroad Hill county, visited Collinsworth, entering the county from the will build from Fort Worth west ward through Haskell, and it is believed that the St. Louis and San Exerbitant Charges any more. Francisco Railroad will build Come to Abilene to do your trading. southward through the Parken .. and through Haskell, and it is pessible that the Chicago and Rock est High Quality Island Railroad may yet build Groceries through Haskell.

PRICE OF LANDS.

Rich river valley unimproyed agricultural land more than 5 miles in the City, and promise to give Aside from the sprface water from town, sells at \$3 to \$4 per you some figures you never have acre. Rich unimproved agricult- seen before. ural prairie uplands, more than 5 miles from town, sells at \$2 to \$3 per acre, and within 5 miles from town, \$3 to \$15 per acre. Pasture land unimproved sells at \$1 to \$2

PUBLIC SCHOOLS. Our school fund is perhaps the best of any county in the northwest.

In addition to the amount received The soil is an alluvial loam of from the state, about \$5.50 per great depthand fertility, varying in capita, our Commissioners Court color from a red to a dark chocko- have wisely executed a lease for late, and by reason of its porosity 10 years of our 4 lengues of school and friable nature, when thorough- land, situated in the Panhandle, ly plowed, readily drinks in the the revenue from which added to rainfall, and in dry seasons absorbs the amount received from the moisture from the atmosphere; and state gives us a fund amply suffi for the like reasons the soil readily cient to run the several schools of drains itself of the surplus water, the county ten months in the year. thereby preventing stagnation of This fund can also be drawn upon the water and the baking of the to build school houses in any orsoil, as well as the germination of ganized school community of the miasma. It is these peculiar county. The fund of Haskell Co. qualities of the soil that enables is all sufficient to run the vegetation to withstand much school without voting a special drouth and wait for the coming of school tax provided by law, thus

ed yiews of our people and, wise

MAIL FACILITIES.

There is only one post office in Haskell county, that at the town of Haskell. It has a daily mail, over potatoes as well as anywhere in the press freight, and proyes very

management of our county gov-

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS. The religious and moral status fine size of superb quality. Besides of the people of Haskell county will the native grasses that grow on the compare favorably with that of any prairies, sustaining large numbers people. The Methodist, Baptist, of cattle, horses and sheep through. Christians, Old School and Cumout the year, Johnson and Colora- berland Presbyterians each have do grasses grow to great perfection organized churches in the town of and the hay made from these Haskell, and have preaching on grasses form a valuable adjunct to three Sundays in each month; the winter pasture, in keeping also preaching at other points in the county, We have a good YIELD AND PRICES OF FARM PRODUCTS. Union Sunday School, and Band The average yield of Indian corn of Hope, and weekly prayer meet

HASKELL.

nature with all the conditions of for the year '87-a dry year-ranged ty site of, and is situated one and soil prairie and valley adapting it from 3 to 30 buchels-averag- one-half miles south of the center to the production of all the grains, ing between 16 and 18 bushels per of Haskell county, on a benutiful acre, and sold in the home market table land, and is four years old for 90 cents to \$1.00 per bushel; and has a population of 600 to 700. oats yield 50 to 75 bushels per agre, found anywhere, which is secured and usually sell at 35 to 75 cents at a depth of 18 to 22 feet. Also per bushel; cotton yields a half to has two never talling springs of but owing to the great distance to Haskell has four drygoods and market its cultivation is not engage lines, and supply the people with ed in to a great extent. Other groceries, at prices as low as can crops make good yields and com- be had in railroad towns, with 50 mand corresponding prices. Home cents per bundred pounds for freight added, and drygoods as cents per pound; fresh beef 4 to 6 drug stores; one hardware store; cheap as anywhere Also has two cents; home made butter, sweet one notion store; one hotel, and and delicious, usually sells at 25 one restaurant, both first class; cents per pound; chickens 15 to 25 one blacksmith shop; one cabinet cents each, and eggs 10 to 25 cents and wood shop; one exchange bank, one barber shop; two silver smith shops; one saddlery shop; one meat market; two livery stables; As yet Haskell has no railroad, four doctors; eight lawyers; three and our people do their principal land agents; one first class county newspaper and job office, and only one saloon; all doing a very good town 60 miles south, in Taylor business. The town of Haskell county, on the Texas and Pacific with her natural advantages, of location, climate, good water and ping done to Albany, a town 45 fertility of soil of the surrounding country, 18 destined in the near who want good and cheap lands. tral Raffroad, but not so much as We have them, and want you for to Abilene, because of rougher connection for Haskell, is all that is needed to accomplish this. Reader, please hand this to your

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Saturday, June 30, 1888.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

District Attorney. We annouse J. F. CUNNINGHAM as a candidate for District Attorney of the 39th Judicial

District Election November 6, 1888. COUNTY JUDGE. We announce W. R. STANDEFER BS candidate for County Judge of Haskell Coun-Election November 6, 1888.

Sheriff. We announce E. Y. HILLDRETS as a candidate for Sheriff and Tax Collector. Election November 6, 1888.

We announce W. B. ATRONY 88 a candidate for sheriff and Tay Collector. Election Novem-TAX ASSESSOR.

We Aunounce D. F. WILLIAMSON as a car dicate for Tax Assessor of Haskell County. Election November 6, 1888. We announce D. L. Smith as a candidate for Tax Assessor. Election November 6, 1888. Tax Antensor Election November 6, 1888.

LOCAL DOTS.

Mr. Wm. Ward was in the city Monday. Cotton knitting yarn at Dod-

son's. Mr. H. C. Dillabunty was in the

city Monday.

son's. Mr. A. H. Tandy was in the city this week.

Lyle thread hoes at Ladies Dodson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Casner were in the city Wednesday. Go to D .R .Gass to find best

sortment of Virginia tobacco, Miss Lawless Jones, Mrs. Hatcher and Master Hugh Pogers have

returned from Albany.

\$1.75 up.

ing the assessments.

Haskell county had four good rains the latter part of last week, that have insured the corn crop.

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tending Commissioners Court.

creek, were in attendance upon threshout 40 bushels per acre. Commissioners Court Monday.

nice line of ladies and misses hats He says he has the best crop he to close out at cost.

Mr. J. E. Cotce and family, of California, accompanied by Miss Mollie Cutes, his sister, are visiting their sister, Mrs. Lomax,

. Mr. J. C. McLaren and family of Stonewall county, spent several days with the family of Mr. H. C. Dillahunty this week.

have gone out on the Salt Fork to announcement column, he is a improve a farm and ranch on the candidate for the office of tax as-

a plank the other day, and it is self to his many neighbors by the feared he is permanently injured. straight forward manner in which His backbone was injured in the he attends to his own affairs, and

a letter containing the sad news of tentiveness to his own interest, the death of his brother, John we consider him worthy to be trust-Kigans, who was killed by lightning ed with the affairs of the people; in the Nation the 10th inst.

farm on Miller creek blown away as a candidate for the people's by the storm last Friday. The suffrage. house was vacant. The same wind moved Mrs. Alston's house off the blocks, but did not materially in-

Mr. Post says the grasshoppers No 1 Haskell Texas on May 31st ate up his crop entirely. The pests 1888, and appraised by Ed. J Ham "the bureau" will not be a failure are very numerous in the creek valleys, and until they have wings about 8 years old 14½ hands high and can fly away, and scatter over the county generally, they are sufficiently sumerous to do great case of the county generally. The pests are the county generally, they are sufficiently sumerous to do great case of the union. As soon as we hear from the railroads in regard to the same we will comficiently sumerous to do great damage. If all the valley lands this June 2nd 1888. were in cultivation, the granshop-

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M. H. Lackey.

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The County Commissioners Court met Monday, and concluded equalizing the assessment lists. While there is some room for complaint, their work will compare favorably with that of any other court of the state.

Mr. R. S. DeLong and Mr. J. C. Bohanan left town the other evening for Mr. Bohanan's camp and missed their way, and were out in the rain and wind nearly all night without coats. Hereafter they will wear slickers on all occasons.

The assessment of the resident tax roll of Haskell county in 1887. We announce I, Rengars as a candidate for amounted to \$238,000, and that for 1888 amounts to \$274,000, being an increase of over 15 per cent., and if personal and real property had not been rendered at a much lower valuation, the increase would have been very large, which could be referred directly to the increase of personal property in the county.

Mr. E. Y. Hildreth, whose name appears in the column of annouce-All kinds of dress lining at Dod- ments as a candidate for sheriff and tax collector, has been a citizen of Haskell county for the past three years, and a part of the time he To has efficiently and conscientiously served the people in the capacity of constable, and now as he comes before the people with a clean reccareful consideration.

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Mr. M. H. Lackey came into town this week, and brought the Representative convention, should EREE PRESS a mess of fine roasting one be held for this district. ears. Mr. Lackey says he has lad Mesers. E. Roberts and E. Y. roasting ears since the 21st inst. Hildreth have been in the city at- He has 40 neres in corn that will yield about 381 bushels per Messrs. Livingood, of Paint acre. He thinks his oats will He has 20 acres in cotton that be-Dont forget that you will find a gan to bloom on the 18 of June. at Dodson's which he proposes ever raised. Mr. Lackey is an industrious practical farmer, and is doing a great deal to prove up the resources of the country. He and one more have cultivated 100 acres this year. Wherelse can two men cultivate so much land?

Mr. E Roberts came to Haskell county three years ago, and is one of our most progressive stock far-Messrs. McGreggor and Miller mers, and, as will be seen in the banks of that picturesque stream, sessor. Mr. Roberts is a consteous Mr. Lackey's little boy fell across gentleman, who has endeared himas he has thus shown his ability as Mr. B. M. Kigans has received a business man as regards his attherefore we do not hesitate to ask Mr. Couch had a house on his for him a thorough consideration

Estray Notice.

Taken up by M.S. Shook estrayed before R. C. Lomax J P. prect

C. C. C. H. C. Texas.

On last Thursday Mr. F. G. Mr. W. B. Anthony came to Alexander and Mr. W. F. Draper Haskell in 1884. He participated were presented each with a dozen in the election that organized the fine roasting ears, grown by Mr. county, and is so thoroughly known that it is needless for us to mention his many virtues in inthe drug store of Bass Bros. & Co. troducing him as a candidate for and examine their stock of wall the office of sheriff and tax-collecpaper, paints, oils and glass, tor; but we will just say that as a They carry a large stock and sell business young man he has been a successful manager of ! ranches, a position that requi ability, and having the opportunity of a good business education, is well fitted in all respects for the other for which he offers himself, and we recommend him to the consideration of the people,

What President Has Done so Well.

from official or personal scandall; has and cattle, horse, sheep and goats principal foreign commerce of Kanbeen honest and clean. There are fat and fine. A heavy pecan sas, Nebraska, Dakota. California waste by United States Marshalls; a consequence hogs will fatten the markets of the world. We no treasury combinations or speculations; no corrupt opperations in or through the Land Office. No of the above statements and feels whose echo the hum of flying spin-American at home or abroad has any interest in verifying them let dies has never mingled. Mineral had occasion to droop his eyes in him come look for himself, and it springs of life-giving waters are shame because of any such things he does not admit that we have found in many portions of the under Mr. Clevelands administra- made a conservative statement we State. Such are some of the nattion. On the contrary there has will forfest \$25 towards paying neal advantages Texas offers to the been a resolute effort to promote his expenses if they have been immigrant. honest government, to increase efficiency, and to lessen expenses .-Philadelphia Ledger [Rep.]

theDemocrats of Haskell Co.

1. I. H. Carmichael, Ch. Dem ord for promotion, we ask for him Democrats of Haskell county to large and fine territory to control, occurred to day-when Henry held a hasty consultation in their

> 1. To elect delegates to represent the county in the state con- Times.

2. To elect delegates to the Con-

3. To elect delegates to the

be held for this district. 4. To elect delegates to the

I. H. CARMICHAEL,

Ch. Dem. Ex. Com. False Impression Removed.

STATE IMMIGRATION BUREAU Adm

convention meets in December. Texas business is booming everythirty-pound packages and send them to us at once. It is hardly vegetables and luscious fruits every where. But keep up your spirits Whoop Ner Up.

of a railroad. Will the Fort Worth supply and as pure in quality as can Gazette tell us what is the matter be found in the Union, silver mines with the Fort Worth Western?-Haskell Free Press.

tion of Western Texas has com- it can be scooped up by the carflourishing condition as any coun- and of as good as anywhere, coaltry could be. Its wheat, oat and oil wells that will flow from 100 to rye fields have returned large 500 barrels of oil per day, fine clay yields, there is now an abundant that cannot be excelled in quality, mosture in the ground and corp, sorghum, millet, Kaffir corn and rior quality, mountains of granite various other crops are most prom- and marble-beautiful in variety ising--in fact, the first crop of sor What President of any party ghum, Kaffir corn and millet are that of which Cleopatra's Needle is has, in more respects, done so well? now assured. The range is finer made. Five hundred miles of sea His administration has been free than for several years previous coast bathes her shores where the have been no star route robberies; and acorn crop has set on the trees and all of the intervening terrino navy jobberies; no war Depart- in those portions of the county tory of the great west will ultiment corruptions; no profligate where pecan and oak grow, and as mately find ingress and egress to

this fall at no cost to thier owners. If any man doubte a single one less variety of machinery, with that much.

We confidently believe that if the Fort Worth Western was built to Throckmorton and Haskell it would have a better business to begin with than any new road

met Monday and finished equaliz It is guaranteed to give perfect gressional convention, should one crops than any known country in the world. Its chief products are cotton, corn, wheat, barley rye oats Senatorial convention, should one etc., and vegetables of all kinds, in. cluding Irish and sweet potatoes grow to perfection in nearly every part of the State. Portions of the southern part of the State are the very best of sugar producing lands where large quantites of augar cane are profitably cultivated. The various fruits known to the northern latitude, such as apples, peaches, pears, plums, strawberries, grapes tin Tex., June 19,-Secretary im- and other varieties, including also migration Association --- County, semi-tropical and tropical fruits, Tex.: Dear Sir-Parties from other oranges, figs, etc., are grown to States rre writing this office stating perfection. It is the only country that thay saw in our State papers where cotton, corn, wheat and oththat the immigration bureau was a er small grain and grasses of all failure, etc., and inquiring if it is kinds, peaches, plums, grapes and true, and within the past week other fruits, all grow to perfection three organized counties in Texas on the same lands. Our vast plains have written, giving the same au- and woodlands produce 253 variethority, and asking the same ques- ties of native grasses and over 4, tions. Now this circular is sent to 000 varieties of plants, turnishing every county in Texas to tell every subsistence, winter and summer, one that the State Immigration Bu- for stock, in most cases without reau has no idea of failing, but will feeding them otherwise. The chief run on fall time until the next State product is cotton. The crop last year was 1,352,377 bales, nearly one fifth of the entire crop of the Uniwhere and Texas pride will not ted States, and the State is capable permit of anything but success, of producing enough cotton to The movement is growing gradually clothe the world and still have soil and every county and section that enough left to produce food enough does its part will ultimately reap a to feed fifty million people. The rich reward. By arrangements value of the cotton crop last year is made with the Pacific and the Wells \$67,618,850. The staple is the fi-Fargo Express companies any pack- nest in 'the market, commanding ballot to-day as compared with age under thirty pounds will be a higher price than any other, The deadheaded anywhere in Texas, so yield is from one-half to one-andall who have not sent printed mat- a-half bales, (500 pounds of lint ter to this office might make up to the bale,) to the scre. Corn and small grain of all kinds grow in all worth while to send specimens of parts of the state-the belt especiagrowing crops because Texas is lly adapted to the cereals covers rison (which New York was under one yast field of fine cereals, big an area of 150,000 square miles previous pledge to give) would not larger than Missouri, Illinois and and work hard, and rest assured Ohio combined. The yield of corn is from 25 to 50 bushels per acre four votes on the lifth ballot Sathope to announce a cheap immi- wheat 18 to 25; oats, 40 to 80; bar- urday as against the fourth. This grant rate to Texas in a few days ley, 30 to 60; rye, 20 to 40. The to- spanking addition, therefore, of soon as we hear from the railroads tal yield in the State last year was, in regard to the same we will com- of corn, 63,416,300 bushels; oats,

OUR MINEBAL RESOURCES.

We have coal of good quality, Haskell county is badly in need iron and copper as abandant in that are being profitably worked If the Fort Worth Western peo. sulphur in large quantities and aiple intend to build the road, now most in the pure state, gypsum in is the accepted time. All this por- endless quantities, sait lakes where pletely shaken off the effects of load and wells which it can be the drouth, and is, indeed, in as made in inexhaustable quantities kaolin in large quantities of supeand most equal in durability to have water powers to run an end-

HARRISON-MORTON.

tion.

CHICAGO, June 25 .- Ney er that has been built in recent years, was there a more striking it was discovered Harrison was gain-Ex. Com. of Haskell county, do and of course, not only maintain illustration of uncertainty of polit- ing, Depew, Hiscock, Platt and hereby call a convention of the but increase it, as it would have a loal calculations and proposals than Miller put there heads together, county, on the 14th day of July, men of the right stamp have con- republican presidential nomination. not abandon Harrison while he was 1888, for the following purposes, trol of the enterprise they will in- At 10 o'clock this morning fully gaining. Mr. Depew said to your vestigate and see these facts and four-fifths of the 830 delegates be- correspondent on the floor of the act accordingly .- Throckmorton lieved and expected that John Sher- convention five minutes after con-Streets Monthly for June Says: noon. That Senator Sherman ex- fore to-day's second ballot has be-Texas produces a greater variety of peeted this result there is no doubt, gun; as did also Mr. Depew Senator His- "Yes, we will vote for Harrison ator Sherman was the man.

This wide spread confidence was imously reached between Depew, yote was in rigor mortis. Hiscock, Platt and Warner Miller bearer. The Obio senator was no-

what they felt would be the result to the old veteran's eyes as he by congratulating Senator Sher- turned to Mckinley and said: But the big men of New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio delegations who thought they had arranged everything, neglected to include in their calculations this vitally imporwere wearied and auxious for a speedy termination of the struggle. To this fact, more than anything else, is attributed the gain of eighteen votes for Harrison on the first his last vote on Saturday. This magnificent gain of 18 yotes resulted in Harrison's nomination for when New York made her comthat the first ballot to-day for Harshow any gain for the Indiana candidate; in fact they expected his yote would fall off, as it fell away eighteen votes at the opening this municate with you at home and your friends abroad. Respectfully, about 10,000,000; and wheat 4,374, erai Harrison's ewn managers. for of hay and about 1,000 bushels of F. B. Chilton, Secretary.



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man would be nominated before sutting with his colleagues and be-

eook and Senator Quay. Even again this time, notwithstanding General Harrison himself, up to the our ultimate voting for Sherman it verry hour the convention reassem- would not be fair nor honorable to bled, must have believed that Sen- desert a man while he is gaining, and we will not,

It would seem that during the based upon the action of the New excitement attending this ballot York delegation at their secret the Ohio people neglected to make meeting yesterday when they de the point with New York that termined to abandon Harrison after Sherman had also gained 20 votes another ballot, and then throw on the opening ballot as compared their full vote to Sherman. That with his last vote Saturday. The New York was sincere in her inten- pext ballot showed a gain of 60 tion to vote for Sherman there is no votes over his closing vote Saturdoubt, as the agreement was unan- day, and instantly the Sherman

Ben Butterworth was the first to make Sherman the standard member of the Ohio delegation to apparently recognize the fatality of tified of this programme last night, the blow that California strkue and those who were in the secret, Sherman in this ballot when she even some of the New York dele- broke for Blaine and cast 15 votes gation, went so far as to interpret for Harrison, for the tears sprang 'There goes the old man's flag. lieutenant, we'll go down with it," and so they did.

The vote of California drew 32 additional votes before the roll was tant fact, that the convention was finished, 6 from Kentucky, 3 from seven days old and the delegates Kansas, 4 from Massachusetts, 3 from Maine and the balance scattering. Had not California swelled the Harrison vote on this ballot, Pennsylnania would have held firm for Sherman another ballot, but fate ordered it otherwise, and the man tho last Tuesday night was acturlly negotiating with Senpact with Pennsylvania and Ohio ator Sherman for a place in his last night she did it on the basis cabinet was himself made the can-

> Dr. J. H. McGee went to Abilene in the early part of the week expecting to go to Chicago.

Mr. D. L. Smith hes returned from Abilene, where he had gone to ship some muttons.

Mr. J. M. Sherman says that he morning was a genuine surprise to has paid out \$25 for seed and la-New York, Ohio, and even to Gen. bor, and he will make fifteen tone

Parker.

meet at the court house in said settle and develop. If business Harrison, of Indiana, received the seats, and concluded they would All Kinds of Lumber, Doors, Windows, Blinds, Shingles,

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The hew Texan Capitol.

The fame of Texas is spreading from one side of this continent to the other and even across the great wastes of water. The scales are falling from the eyes of the world and the Lone Star State, in all ber grandeur, pride and magnificence is revealed. To many-yea, to the great majority, the truth comes as a mighty revelation, for the opinion long prevailed that this was the land of the scapegoat, and home of the outlaw. Actual facts cannot always be concealed, however, and the millions are beginning to discover and acknowledge that rather is it the land of law and order, the home of education, sociability, refinement and progress. A late issue of the London Morning Post.

Cable advices from America announce the completion and official acceptance by the Texas State authorities of the magnificent new capitol, which has been in progress of erection at Austin during the past flye years. The inauguration ceremonies and festivities occupied the whole of last week, and were attended by an engrmous concourse of spectators, including many distinguished personages specially invited by the govenor of Texas, and coming from all parts of present administration. the United States. The celebration has been of a highly imposing character and the Texan capitol is described as one of the finest public edifices in the world. It is built of beautiful red granite, obtained from a mountain quarry seventy miles distant from the city of Austin. The architecture is Doric, tht edifice being in the form of a Greek cross, with a rotunda and dome in the center. The capitol is 562 teet long by 287 feet wide, and the star, illuminated by electric light, which crowns the colloss al Statue of Liberty on the summit of the dome is 376 feet above the level of the ground, surpassing in hight any other public building in America. Indeed, with the sole exception of the national capitol at Washington, the state house at Austin occupies the foremost rank amongst similar edifices in the United States. The history of the new capital is somewhat curious. The original contract for its construction entered into by the state provided that the cost of the building should be defrayed by a concession of land in the northwestern part of the state, known as the "Pannandle" of Texas, comprising 3.000,000 acres including nine entire counties, and extending over a region 200 miles long and 25 miles wide. This enormous estate is now in the possesion of an English company, which has supplied a large portion of the money, expended in the construction of the new capitol the total outlay amounting to about £1,000,000. This grant has caused some discontent in Texas and the state authorities have been recently severely criticized by the local press for having given a consideration vastly more valuable than the sum expended in building the capitol. Texas can afford, however, to be generous as her present condition is more flourishing than at any preceding period of her history. Last year the state construct ed no less than 1,400 miles of railway, in itself a significant indication of growing population and prosperity, and Texas is now receiving a larger number of European emigrants than any other state of the Union. The fares derived from railway passangers amounted last year to nearly \$6,000,000 whilst excess of \$29,000,000.

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reform of our civil service auspiciously begun under the Republican administration should be completed by a future extention of the reform system as already established by law to all grades of the service to which it is applicable. The spirit and purpose of reform should be observed in all executive appointments, and all laws at variance with the object of existing reform of the civil service should be repealed, to the end that the dangers to free institutions which lurk in the power of official patronage may be wisely and effectively avoided.

PENSION LEGISLATION. The gratitude of the nation to the defenders of the nation cannot be measured by laws. The legislation if Congress should conform to the pledges made by loyal people, and be so entarged and extended as to provide against the possibility that any man who honorably wore the federal uniform shall become an inmate of the almshouse or a dependent upon private charity. In the presence of an overflowing treasury it would be public scandal to do less for those whose valorous service preerved the government. We denounce the hostile spirit shown by President Cleveland in his numerous vetoes of measures for pension relief, and the action of the Democratic House of Representatives in refusing even consideration of general pension legislation.

AMEN. In support of the principles herewith enumerated we invite the cooperation of all working men whose property is so seriously threatened by the free trade policy of the

A FAMILY AFFAIR.

Man's Runaway Wife Returns and the Husband Shoots Her Paramour.

SULPHUR SPRINGS, TEX. June 21 .-Early this morning a Mexican namwounded by William Day about convention the conclusive and emwo miles south of town. Dr. Dis was called to attend the wounded man and found that three buck shot had struck him, one in the cheek, one in the shoulder, breaking the collar bone, and one in the side, making a flesh wound. The trouble which culminated in the shooting is as follows. Last December Goodman left his wife and small children and ran away with Day's wife. Goodman's wife and children went to Louisiana, where they have relatives. Day received a letter from his wife sometime ago from some point in West Texas asking for money to come home on. and stating that she was tired o living with Goodman. Day paid no attention to this appeal. Last Friday Mrs. Day returned and was reinstated in the house she so dishonored. The lives upon Mr.Parks. farm and near by lives Mr. Fletcher Tuesday night Goodman returned and stopped at Fletcher's and the next day went to work hoeing cotton for Fletcher. Wednesday night before retiring Mrs. Fletcher discovered some one with a gun. She went to the door and recognized Day, Fletcher called him but he made no answer and continned to walk around the house as if looking for some one. Fletcher told him that Goodman had not come in, and he went away. Goodman came in later in the night. Early next morning Fletcher took him out a short distance from the house and began to warn bim to leave the country. While they were talking, a report of a shotgun rang out and Goodman fell to the ground. Looking up, Fletcher saw Day standing a short distance away with his gun, making an attempt to conceal it. Goodman's wounds are serious though not fatal. One of the shot touched Fletcher's face,

The Work of the Deep Water Convention.

but did not hurt him.

A careful and unalarmed reading the gross traffic receipts were in of the deep water convention call It is also for Fort Worth will disprove worthy of note that the state of Tex- idea that it is the intention of that as is doing more than any of her convention absolutely to sattle upsister states to promote popular ed. on the exact location of the deep ucation, and in this respect the water port Texas is determined to great southwest, Professor Heapt says:

Output of her children is assured have. The call reads, those "interfuture of her children is assured have. The call reads, those "inter-45 000,000 acres of the public lands ested in the establishment" of such having been set aside to form an a port; and again "the hope is ineducation fund, the proceeds of dulged that by careful investigathe sales being invested for the tion and calm deliberation some evolutive purpose. The cash in one point can be selected."

Attorney at Law, and

leading up to this result. At this phatic demand of the people will be made for government aid, not for a half dozen unavailing and un- in it. It is possible some of the resatisfactory harbors, but for one cently married people who may read commodious and amply deep port, it may have a keener appreciation of It is not necessary that this convention designate the place where this port should be. A mixed and general assembly. such as the Fort Worth convention will be, can not in the nature of things, have at hand all the information requisite to considerate action and upon which this selection must be predicated. The object is for the convention to place before congress its demand that Texas shall have ample federal aid for some one veil bunched up all over it, and falling port, and then that the assistance to hor waist, was on her head. of competent United States engineers and other experts be called in that the location of this port, may be decided upon. This is an easy with a simper,-"'I'd like-to-to-buy a marriage and natural solution of this much vexed question. The convention "How much is it?" will have the way for a request for "Three dollars." these United States engineers, and also will give our delegation in congress notice of what the state expects of them in the way of having

The Deep Water Question,

federal aid expended as indicated.

practicable thing, under the cir-

cumstances, and every county of

the state should be represented in

it. -Austin Statesman.

Louis Muhlenberg Haupt , whose recent disoveries in methods for improving the enrance to alluvial harbors has brought him prominently before the public, was born at Cettysburg, Pa., in 4844 He was appointed to a cadetahip at West Point to the fail of 1863, and four years later graduated from that institution and was assigned to duty with United States corps of engineers. His first service was assisting in the triangulation of Lake Superior. In the spring of 1869 he was appointed as aide and engineering officer on the staff of General Canby, then in charge of the Fifth military district (Texas). While in this position he became intimately acquainted with the Texas Guif coast, and deeply interested in the question of how to obtain deep water in the most ecconomical manner. 1873 Mr. Haupt resigned his position in United States engineering corps to accept the professorablp of civil engineering at the University of Pennsylvania. Among the known of Professor Haupt's writings are his papers on "Rapid Transit," "Harbor Studies," and the "Physical Phenomens of Harbor Enirances."

In a paper entitled "Great Transportion Areas of the United States," read before the Engineers' Club of Philadelphia, June 1, 1888, speaking of the trade intet and outlet of the

barricaded it with sand, which, thus far, efforts of man have been unable to open and remove. This is one of the most important problems of the future. So important it become that the people of this section of country have called a general convention hand belonging to the permanent does not mean that this convention meet at Fort Worth. Text, and consider the school fund a the issue of the last official report amounted to \$4.166. We understand the case this convention of the some point on the guit cost, west of the South cores of land still remained to the animous vardet of the entire state have taken the liberty of inviting your attention. for a deep wet r port. It is a step tien toit."

A Bride and Groom in Trouble. Those who read the following incident may think it amusing, but it was

no laughing matter for the youn couple who were the principal actors the agony of the young people than those who have been married a longer time. A correspondent writes: "A time. A correspondent writes: young and innocent-looking couple went abyly into the office of the county clerk in our town. He was so appy that his face glowed, and a brighter lustra seemed to have been given the cheap and very shiny black suit of clothes in which he was dressed. He had a white necktie, and black

gloves with red and green stitching on the back. "The young woman wore with man' test pride a drab poplin dress, plentifully besprinkled with white ribbon ows; her hands were in white cotton gloves; a white hat, with a white tissue

"The county clerk knew very well what this style of costume indicated, and was not in the least surprised when the young man came forward and said,

license.' said the clerk.

"'Yes, that's what I though, and "The smile on his round face gave

way to an almost ghastly pallor, as he hastly drew his empty hand out of his

"Why. I-I-put that pocketbook right in here!

The convention is the only wise and "Every pocket was searched. The bride's face assumed an anxious ex-

pression by this time.
"'Mother said I ought to pin my pocket up, or put my money in my hankcher, he said as he stood before his bride a picture of distress. "The bride's voice trembled, as she

said, 'Can't you fi-fi-nd it anywhere Jason' "'No. Mandy, I can't' he said with suggestion of tears in his voice. But I'vegot fivedollars more at home

and we'll come to town agin to-mor-"'O Jason, don't you know it's a sign or death to dress for a weddin' and then not git married?" "'But I den't b'leeve in them fore

signs, Mandy.' when we go back home no more mer-ried than we was when we come away?"

and she put her handerchief to her eyes. Well, there's no use bellerin', Mandy,' said Jason, the tears in his

own eyes. the weddin' party to our house te-might! I don't see what ever made you

go and loss that money!"
"I couldn't help it, Mandy."
"You ought to have been careful.
Oh, dear! oh, dear!"
"I thought I was careful, Mandy!
Land knows I'm as crazy for this wed-

din' as you are!'

"'Couldn't you—please—sir—Mr.

Clerk, couldn't you trust us for the license? We'll bring the money right in
to-morrow, and it'll make such fools
of us to go back home as single as

"The bride's tearful blue eyes and the eloquence of her appeal were too much for the clerk. He hastily made out the license, becoming responsible for it himself, and the bride and groom

went away happy.

"Before noon the next day the young Begedict came in with the thrus dollars and a whole backet full of figin's from the wedding-supper of the night of the wedding supper of the night of the wedding supper of the night of the wedge."—Youth's Companies

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