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The New York Sun is very much grieved to find that the democratic party in Nebraska "is only an unconsidered appendix of the populist party."

The Clay county delegation wish it known that they are for Senator Murphy for lieutenant governor from start to finish and came up to win.

Spain appears to want a string attached to the peace proposition, perhaps several strings But she is merely wasting time and money by delay and adding to the weight of Uncle Sam's mortgage. Sparring for time will not pay her at this stage of the game.

Attention has been called to the fact that since Joe Leiter borrowed the money from his dad to settle up his wheat deal accounts they no longer hail him in high financial and journalistic circles as the "Napoleon of the wheat pit." Napoleons never pay up when they lose.

The Chicago peace carnival is growing so rapidly that it will make even Chicago move rapidly to keep up with all of the plans. Originally it was thought that the expenses of the affair could be paid with a public subscription of $100,000, but now it is thought that five times as much will be needed to carry out all of the programs of the two weeks that are to be devoted to the fete.

The democrats of Missouri have taken the alarm and are going to pass resolutions in favor of annexing everything that is loose and cool enough to handle. Some of them propose to demand the taking in of Cadiz as a coaling station. They do not propose to split on the Bryan anti-imperialism rock and Governor Stone does not care who knows it.

The governor gives it out cold that he hardly thinks that colonels know enough about war and about the merits of thy men under their command to be entrusted with the responsibility of promotions in their regiments. He will himself attend to that function You see an office is an office to the governor whether it is in the army or in civil life and too precious a thing to be wasted in the conduct of pop politics.

The Oregon having discharged her mission in Atlantic waters she will probably start back to the Pacific before many days by way of the Suez canal and join Dewey's fleet at Manila. The Atlantic fleet is strong enough without her now that the Spaniards at sea have had their quietus. When she finally comes back to the harbor of San Francisco she will have made a cruise around the world the most remarkable in the annals of naval warfare.

The first column of the current issue of the Omaha World-Herald is devoted to a heroic attempt to explain what a silver republican is. The effort is a timely one, but the World-Herald after struggling manfully for several sticksful, got tangled up with Mark Hanna and fell down. Mark is more trouble to a pop newspaper man than anything else on earth and it would be a great favor to them if he would evaporate from the public view. So long as he is extant they can see nothing else.

The Prince of Wales has broken his knee pan and as the doctors are afraid to give him an anaesthetic while they bind the fragments together with silver wires, they fear that he will evermore go lame. This has started the discussion as to what fashionable society men will do about it. The weight of opinion seems to be that after giving the prince a reasonable time to recover, if he fails to get over it, all the chappies in London will have to walk lame for the rest of the days of Albert Edward.

Some people are getting hysterical lest we have terrible religious troubles in our newly acquired territory if we take in Porto Rico and the Philippines. They say that the Roman Catholic is the established or state religion there and the people may object seriously if we interfere with their religion.

But bless their souls, that is the one thing that Uncle Sam never has any trouble about. He interferes with nobody's religion wherever he goes. He has taken in more than half of his present territory on just such conditions. There was the same established religion in Louisiana, in Florida, in Texas and in New Mexico, Arizona and California and no one ever heard that a hair of any religious head was injured by the change of allegiance from France, Spain or Mexico.

There was no trouble at all, in fact, and the people of all these domains have enjoyed to their full any sort of religion they happened to fancy. That is, in fact, Uncle Sam's stronghold. He never meddles with theology.

JOURNALISTIC ADMIRALS.

People who don't know a tarpaulin from the mainmast have been criticising the conduct of the navy with as much aplomb as though they had been at sea all their lives and had seen naval battles without end. It is a curious coincidence, suggesting somehow a flock of sheep, that they have, almost to a man, declared their disapproval of Admiral Sampson.

Somebody conjectured immediately after the destruction of Cervera's fleet that Sampson, being out of gunshot when the battle came off, attending to his duties as commander of all the fleets in the Caribbean, might "claim the credit," which they said belonged to Schley, and on the strength of the guess began to belabor Sampson as no end of a land lubber and no sailor at all.

This suggestion took like wildfire because when you do not occasionally roast an admiral or a major-general people may suspect that you are not competent to lead armies and navies yourself. Such a suspicion will bring any journalist into disgrace or at least into disrepute, and all the pop organs and some others immediately jumped on Sampson, giving General Miles, whom they had been accusing of a desire to steal the laurels of Shafter, some much needed rest.

When Sampson's report came out and it was found that it was a very simple affair, containing nothing but what he saw, a description of the movements of the various ships of the fleet to head off Cervera and the results of the same, they declared that in his failure to praise by name and circumstantial details the achievements of the various captains he had shown himself a dog in the manger, and ought to be removed.

Now it is the rule of the navy for an officer when he makes his report to tell what he saw and not repeat what somebody else told him and in that way the battle of the 3d of July was admirably reported when you combine the stories of all the commanders and nothing is repeated. Sampson told what he did and what he saw and so did Schley and Evans and Philip and Clark and Wainwright and we can easily get at the truth and there is no clashing.

If every man called upon for a report had endeavored to tell not so much what he did and what he saw as what everybody had told him there would perhaps have been a sad mess of stuff for the managing editor of the department at Washington to untangle.

But finally people began to write to Secretary Long explaining their dissatisfaction with Sampson and telling all about the mistakes he had made until Long got weary and he has replied to all these experts in a bunch, showing them that they are innocent but capricious kids in naval warfare and will do him and the country good service by not exposing their ignorance. This may be a slam at free speech and the sovereignty of the common citizen and all that sort of thing, but it makes good reading. His letter is a valuable contribution to the literature of the campaign.

AN OMAHA STRIKE.

The labor union question has been precipitated upon the Omaha board of education. It was waited on the other evening by a delegation from the union, asking for the passage of an order to the effect that none but union men should be employed in the repair department. This would include carpenters, painters, masons, plumbers and so on to the end of the list of men employed on school buildings in the city.

The board debated the proposition, making many inquiries of the committee as to the scope and effect of the desired action and was pretty strongly of the opinion that such action would be unlawful as setting up a qualification for employes of the board not conformable to free institutions.

Non-union men as well as union men paid taxes and sent children to school and this sort of prohibition to them to seek public employment would certainly be of the nature of class discrimination. The board finally refused to take action and referred the matter to the judiciary committee, notwithstanding the union committee threatened to call off all union men from their jobs at once in case of the failure to adopt the resolution.

The union makes no complaint of the wages paid mechanics by the board or of the hours of labor, but it was determined that all men working for the board in the city who did not belong to the union should be discharged and further that no contracts should hereafter be let to non-union men

Of course that sort of thing could not be tolerated. The board, through its agents, might perhaps quietly discharge non-union men and appoint union men to their places and refuse without ostentation or apparent public argeement contracts to non-union men, but to make a record such as the unionists demand would be in the highest degree improper. It is the record evidently that the union men want for future use more than anything else.

The receipts of the Dingley revenue act for the last five months are $9,530,000 in excess of the ordinary expenses of the country. That would have given us in a time of peace a surplus of over $20,000,000 a year, which is ample for all ordinary contingencies.

The whole nation knows without being told what it has done for the industries of the country. It has amply vindicated the wisdom, patriotism and business sense of the party that framed and passed it. Let the electors next November bear in mind the pains and penalties of a popocratic administration and indorse the economic success of the republican party at the polls. No matter what the petty provocation may be to kick out of the traces and displace the old party from power, it costs too much.

The city council has done well in taking the bull by the horns and ordering a water meter placed on virtually every connection supplied by the department. For more than ten years the works have been behind the growth of the city, and no means were at hand for bringing the supply of water up to the demands of the consumers. The fact that the consumption was largely wasteful and extravagant has been known for some time, but not until the present have the councilmen had the courage to impose the meter remedy. This reform ought to put the water department in good condition immediately. With good management the sale of water will yield the city a profit large enough to keep the works in first class condition and eventually wipe out the bonds issued for water purposes. The council ought to have the support of the people in carrying out this much needed reform. It seems to be vital to the success of this most important department of the city government.

The Beatrice Creamery company is undertaking the rebuilding of the plant destroyed by fire last June without asking any bonus from this city, although flattering offers have been received to move the business to some other place. Lincoln has been made the headquarters of this growing business purely on account of superior railroad facilities, but it still devolves upon our people to show their appreciation of the course of the company in remaining here If every user of creamery goods in the city will insist upon being supplied with the Lincoln brand this company will have reason to rejoice over its selection of a home and other concerns will find in this loyalty of our people a reason for coming here also. The patronage of home firms involves no extra expense, and adds immeasureably to the commercial strength of a community.

This will probably be the last week of the war and the trouble will end with the regiments in the camps who have not yet been sent to the front. But the boys must understand that Uncle Sam is just as much obliged to them as if they had thrashed any number of Spaniards. It was because Senor Sagasta knew that they were lying out there in the camps, aching for a chance to go in and use up his soldiers, that he made a virtue of necessity and threw up his hand.

DAILY DRIFT.

Nebraska republicans have plainly signified their choice. The convention has only to obey and all will be well.

The way the convention treated Jay Burrows calls to this mind the happy times of old when he had it all his own way.

One of the unhappy features of this campaign is the utter impossibility of making anything decent rhyme with Poynter.

The worst proposition a newspaper man has to contend with is the insufferable bore who has a grievance and tells it over and over again.

The democrats have no one to enthuse over but the man who is ashamed to spell his name as it is spelled by the great common people

No one will question Hobson's bravery since he gave permission to a St. Louis girl to kiss him right in the mouth. And he never flinched.

In comparison with frauds upon the ballot, stealing cash is a virtue The republican party is for an honest ballot and a strict accounting.

In the case of Poynter, as of many others, perennial office hunting has rusted his conscience, and he will have to be classed as simply a politician

Cunningham of Harlan, who is trying to break into the legislature on negative pledges, ought, if elected, to have a body guard appointed to see that he isn't stolen.

A tramp in Chicago supposed to be ill was taken to the hospital and given a clean bed. When one of the nurses suggested a bath, the poor fellow actually went into convulsions.

Strange that the populist papers that lately published the alleged biography of Congressman Greene never mentioned the time when he preached the Gospel and pretended to be a good man.

According to the latest dispatches Spain has and she hasn't, she would and she wouldn't, she will and she won't. In the meantime Admiral Sampson is getting ready to sail across and find out why.

Rather than stay out in the cold any longer Bill Dech came back and said he would swallow free silver if the doctor prescribed it, though he still doubts if it be good for what ails him. Dech is a logical cuss.

Strange, when prohibition was not an issue in this campaign that the democrats should insist upon knowing how Poynter stood on that question before giving him their indorsement. Strange, too, how quickly a man can modify his views to fit an emergency

If Bill Greene sticks to the truth it won't take him long to enumerate his achievements in congress.

He drew his pay and went away
To western field and fen;
His home discerned, and then returned
And drew his pay again
He made one speech, one poppy screech,
(For future votes a bid),
And then, they say, he drew more pay—
And that was all he did.

O, William Poynter, once again
I beg you will not scorn the task,
But freely draw your fountain pen
And fully answer all I ask

Have you not said, in times gone by,
That selling liquor was a sin?
That water, when a man is dry,
Is better for his health than gin?

Did you not cast a freeman's vote
In Eighteen-ninety and before,
That booze a-down the public throat
Might cease to trickle any more?

If criminal to sell, dost think,
O, Poynter, of the raging Platte,
It doesn't hurt a man to drink,
If he's a Bryan democrat?

And did it hurt you any, pray,
When called before the drunk and just,
To give ambition right of way
And trail your honor in the dust?

Let not cold silence be your plan,
The time has come for ink to flow;
Stand, William Poynter, like a man,
And squarely answer yes or no.

This do, and that without delay,
To satisfy your fellow men,
And I will publish what you say
And—rip you up the back again.

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL.

REPORTS of the candidacy of Mr. Metiklejohn for the governorship have been put in circulation without his knowledge or consent, and perhaps for the purpose of causing him embarrassment. A statement comes to The Journal directly from the war department that Mr. Metiklejohn is not a candidate for the office and has not been at any time since the campaign opened. He feels that it is his duty to remain in his place as assistant secretary of war, and cannot be tempted to leave by any tender of another place, no matter how flattering. The republicans of the state will appreciate Mr. Metiklejohn's feeling of loyalty to the president, and his name will not be presented before the convention today.

Judge J. B. Barnes of Norfolk has been widely reported as a candidate for attorney-general before the republican state convention today. Judge Barnes desires the statement made that this is a mistake. The candidate is A. M. Barnes of Ponca, an accomplished lawyer and a gentleman who would honor the office. The northeast, by the way, is embarrassed by a wealth of candidates for this office, large numbers of delegates wishing to support both Barnes and Jackson, and feeling sorry that it will be necessary to choose between them when the balloting takes place.

The weekly crop report compiled by the Nebraska weather bureau shows that the northern counties of the state will have a full crop of corn, while the southern district shows a drouth damage running all the way from 25 to 70 per cent. It is believed that the extremely favorable state of the weather thus far in August will still further decrease this damage. It is to be noted that the state as a whole has good, full harvests of every crop with the exception of corn, and that the damage in this cannot average 25 per cent.

Citizens who have voluntarily put in water meters have as a rule been pleased with the arrangement. It gives them the right to use water for all kinds of purposes without annoying restrictions. They use all they want and the bill is hardly so large as under the old rating system. The Crown meter which has been selected as the official measuring device will cost $12.50 for an ordinary service, and from $2 50 to $5.50 in addition for the help of a plumber in putting it into position. If the water consumer wishes to use another meter he has the privilege of selection from among three or four approved models. It is expected that the introduction of the meters will slightly decrease the revenues of the water department at the beginning, but it will put an end to the troubles about a shortage of water and in the end make the department self sustaining by cutting down the operating expenses.

Volunteers—provide yourselves with a bottle of Dr. Siegert's Angostura Bitters Prevents ill effects of bad weather.

BAIL FOR SUSAN.

Colored Woman Gets Out of Jail to Await Trial.

Yesterday Susan Blue and Mary James were brought before Judge Comstock charged with disorderly conduct. Judge Waters defended them and after a good deal of discussion, succeeded in getting his dusky clients out on their own recognizance to appear August 16 at 4 p. m., in spite of a protest from Detective Malone, who with Officer McGuire, had been responsible for the arrest. The Blue woman is Luvilla Johnson, who cracked the head of Dick Johnson with a beer bottle and who has a charge of highway robbery hanging over her among the back police records. The woman whom the two were beating was on hand to testify against them.

Lillian Tolles was given a resting place at the station last night. She came in from Crete on the Burlington train and said that her husband would follow her on the box car route, having too little money to expend it for railroad fare. She was only seventeen years old and claimed that both she and her husband intended to hunt work in the city today.

Louis Elgin was fined $5 and costs yesterday in police court. He was with Albert Swanson when he bombarded the windows of a house on the bottoms. Swanson got a fine of $5 and costs, but Elgin thought he could get out of the charge by hiring an attorney, which he did Attorney Kilpatrick appeared for him, but the court decided from the evidence that Elgin was in bad company and fined him also. The money was paid

C. G. Brown, giving his occupation as a clairvoyant, was pulled in last night in a happy state of intoxication and was charged with beating a board bill. He came to the city and ran up a $3.50 bill with the Lincoln hotel which he has failed to settle. He made money yesterday telling the fortunes of the women of the town. The reason why Ella Houston got so gloriously drunk was stated to be because he pictured so happy a future for her.

REPUBLICAN EDITORS MEET.

Members of the Nebraska Federation Indorse McKinley.

Members of the Nebraska federation of republican publishers met in annual session at the Lindell hotel and elected officers Secretary M A. Brown reported that the federation membership had passed the 100 mark. The organization does not seek to dictate in politics, but it is now recognized as a permanent force in the republican party organization.

The newly elected officers are. Ross Hammond, Fremont Tribune, president. W. E. Dayton, York Republican, secretary-treasurer; advisory committee, W. H Stowell, Auburn Post; L A Williams, Blair Pilot; Ross Hammond, Fremont Tribune, W. E. Dayton, York Republican, Jeff L. Stone, Minden Gazette, M. A. Brown, Kearney Hub.

The editors present passed the following resolutions:

"We reaffirm our allegiance to the principles of the republican party.

"We most heartily indorse the administration of President McKinley in every item, detail and particular.

"We fully approve of the wise and patriotic course pursued by President McKinley previous to and in connection with, and following the declaration of war against Spain.

"We are also in accord with the policy of President McKinley and his administration in those larger matters growing out of the war, such as the annexation of Hawaii and the establishment of new footholds in the Pacific and Atlantic, so far as that policy has developed."

MORE TITLES IN DANGER.

Promoter Hooley Not Yet Through With His Testimony.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Counsel for the receiver of the estate of Ernest T Hooley, the company promoter, applied to Justice Wright in the bankruptcy court for an order calling for the examination of Mr. Hooley, Earl de la Warr and Messrs Broadley, Rucker, and Bradshaw by the justice. All the persons mentioned are concerned in the alleged efforts to bribe Mr. Hooley to change his testimony in the matter of the large sums of money which he is said to have paid titled people during the course of his company promoting.

It developed today, that Mr Hooley is ill, and he may be unable to continue his revelations for some time to come.

FATHER TAYLOR OF BETHEL

ECCENTRIC SAILOR PREACHER WELL SKETCHED.

ILLITERATE BUT POWERFUL

Unique in History of the Pulpit—Took Hold of the Hearts of Men and Lifted Them Up.

The Epworth assembly had enjoyable coolness at its meeting last night. A large audience was there to hear and see The brothers and sisters spent more than an hour before the meeting visiting. Prof. Apmadoc had a little difficulty in persuading them to stop visiting and join in the opening songs. Rev. Mr. Alexander, presiding elder of the Hastings district, led in prayer.

Rev. Mr. Jennings made a plea for the Methodist book concern

The jubilee singers were as popular as ever. In one number they assisted Professor Huckins, who rendered his bell song. When called back more verses were sung.

The Wesleyan quartet sang several numbers, being recalled.

President Jones, in introducing Chancellor McDowell, said that the west was now holding its own. The east was sending for the McIntyres, the Berrys, the Drivers and the McDowells.

Chancellor McDowell spoke without his manuscript with ease and freedom in movement. The brethren liked his lecture and gave him evidence of the same by careful attention.

The substance of his excellent and original lecture on "An Eccentric American Preacher," was as follows:

"Father Taylor has been called an eccentric American. So he was, but his eccentricity must be understood. It is a relative term The old Quaker said to his wife. 'All the world is queer, except thee and me, and even thee is a little queer.' An eccentric man revolves around his own centre, and makes his own motion. If he does not 'wobble' too much he is simply odd. If he 'wobbles' very much he is quite peculiar. If he 'wobbles' wildly and has an element of madness in his 'wobbling' he is a crank. Our subject of tonight 'wobbled' a great deal, made his own orbit and was not a crank.

"I mean to speak of Father Taylor, the sailor preacher of the Boston Bethel. There was never another like him. Friends he had by the hundred, but no one ever tried to be like him. We have had plenty of greater men, some more eloquent men, but only one Father Taylor. He lived in the midst of great and famous men, and had a glory all his own. On quarterdeck, in forecastle pit, pulpit, platform and parlor this unique diamond shone for years. He was sailor, elder, farmer, preacher and Father Taylor.

"He was a Christmas gift, born as we reckon it on the Savior's birthday in 1793 at Richmond, Va. He knew little of his parents, and with him life began in earnest when the new birth came to him years later.

"When a lad he was placed in the family of a lady near Richmond. One day when he was about seven years old he was in the yard picking up chips, when a captain came along and asked him if he did not want to be a sailor He literally jumped at the offer. He then began his acquaintance with sailors and the sea. Ten years this bright lad dwelt on the ocean, having every experience that belongs to sailors. He rarely referred to those ten years and in his life's record they are blank.

"At the age of seventeen he entered Boston port, then the chief maritime port in the country. Boston was a city of 30,000 Taylor is a typical sailor, with nothing to distinguish him from other sailors He drifts up toward the commons, then a cow pasture. He tells it himself:

"'I was walking along Tremont street and the bell of Park street church was tolling. I put in. I up helm, unfurled top sail and made for the gallery, entered safely, doffed pennant or cap and scud under bare poles to the corner pew, where I hove to and came to anchor. The old man, Dr. Griffin, was first naming his text which was "But he fled unto him." Pretty soon he unfurled the mainsail, raised the topsail, run up the pennants to free breeze and I tell you the old ship Gospel never sailed more prosperously. The salt spray flew in every direction, but especially did it run down my cheeks. Satan had to strike sail. His guns were spiked and his light crafts by which he led sinners captive were stranded and the captain of the Lord's host rode forth conquering and to conquer.'

"He drifted from there down to another meeting house where Elijah Hadding was holding a revival. Instead of going in by the door he listened outside and when stricken under conviction with characteristic impulsiveness he climbed in through the window. To use his own sailor words 'I was dragged in through the "lubber hole," brought down by a broadside from the seventy-four, Bishop Hedding and fell into the arms of Thomas W Tucker.' Henceforth Edward Taylor belonged to the Lord He enjoyed the spiritual honeymoon. He fairly reveled in religious meetings, but not for long.

"In the war of 1812 he was off to sea again as a privateersman and was captured by a British man-of-war and carried prisoner to Dartmoor Here he began his course as a sailor-preacher The prisoners got their British chaplain discussed and Taylor substituted Then they said he must preach He was amazed He could not even read How could he preach? But they insisted that anyone who could pray like he could talk on his feet as well as his knees He yielded and got one of his shipmates to read the Bible He began in Ecclesiastes and struck this passage, 'A poor and wise child is better than a foolish king' 'Stop,' cried Taylor, 'read that again It was done 'That will do,' said Taylor Give me the chapter and verse of the text

"He sat brooding over his sermon The hour came. He blundered, got tangled but managed to get out a few rich blossoms. His blood was up. He began to blaze about the old and foolish king The sailors trembled. They thought he was mad He saw it and spoke more boldly and cried out 'You think I mean King George, but I mean the devil.' His adroit stroke won the day. He was voted their chaplain Taylor's career began in the hold of a prison vessel, himself a prisoner and a sailor."

Chancellor McDowell quoted from Taylor's life, how he tried the career of peddler and shoemaker, his license to preach and his marriage His wife's life was consecrated to God Her experience developed great strength of character and executive talent She shared her husband's work and care

She devoted herself to her husband's people.

In 1819 Father Taylor joined the New England conference. He went on a circuit where there were no churches and he had to preach in kitchens and barns. He drew crowds. He stirred things up Congregationalism of that day was shocked

"His opportunity came in 1829, when the Bethel was founded. A sailors' church was established on a non-sectarian basis. Taylor was the man for it All his senses were full of the salt, salt sea. His circuit had hugged the beach. For forty-two years he trod the deck of the Bethel. Emerson was preaching not far away. Beecher was waking the echoes in his beautiful edifice. Into a haughty community came this unlettered peddler, sailor, circuit preacher. He came at his best to Bethel. He made it famous in every land and on every sea. He was the Bethel. He thought of others. His sermons were never reported. Men came and forgot what they came for, began to report and forgot to continue. He always extemporized his sermons No man except Lincoln has left so many original sayings."

The chancellor gave a number of these quaint sayings. He once cried out to a sober-looking audience: "Take the longitude off your face."

"We have only extracts and meagre descriptions of his sermons These do him only scant justice.

"The wisest men of two hemispheres went to hear him. He, a man without culture, drew orators and philosophers. For nearly fifty years he was the hero of every conference."

The lecturer gave a fine description of the delivery of a sermon by this eccentric preacher, its wanderings and pointed personal attacks.

He was foremost in reforms. Some of his temperance speeches read as if they might have been made in Iowa after the murder of Haddock.

If he was at home anywhere it was at prayer. Here his radiant soul leaped for joy

In 1868 he nominally resigned, but up to his death he felt that he was head of the Bethel.

"A witness says that very touching was the scene on the last night of his life He called his daughter to his bedside as if she were his mother, saying like a little child: 'Mother, come here by my bed and hear me say my prayers before I go to sleep.' She came near. He clasped his white withered hands reverently and whispered: 'Now I lay me.' Never did a sailor rejoice more at making the port. He floated off to the peaceful haven as the tide went out.

"He lies close by the sea. The white sails float by from every clime and in many a vessel the sailors reverently remember their father and try to follow him to the evergreen shores.

"The lesson of his life is: Do your best where you are. He was not a college graduate. Do your best for the imperiled classes. Cultivate them as you travel. It's easy to curse a conductor on a train, but it is a mighty sight better to hold onto his hands and remember he's your brother.

"Then be happy and do the best where you are 'Let the lower lights be burning.'"

THEOLOGY OF NEGRO SONG.

Dr. Bowen Delivers a Very Interesting Lecture.

Rev. Dr. Bowen of Atlanta, Ga., thrilled a large audience of people at assembly tabernacle yesterday afternoon at 2:15. Mr. Bowen is a colored gentleman highly cultured, and is a professor in Gammon theological seminary. He is one of the most distinguished men of his race. He talks readily and has a pleasing address. His lecture was on "The Theology of Negro Plantation Melodies."

Preceding the address prayer was offered by the Rev. A. B. Buckner, of the Des Moines conference.

Short addresses were made by Dean Fordyce of Wesleyan university, and Chancellor D. W. C Huntington. Their talks related to affairs of the university. Wesleyan college yell was occasionally given by students

The Wesleyan male quartet sang university's college song, 'The Yellow and the Brown." They responded to an encore.

A selection was given by the Tennesseeans, which was well received.

L. O. Jones introduced Dr. J. W. E. Bowen.

It was Longfellow, America's greatest poet, who chanted in a few verses the negro's condition in the south. Sadness and mirth are the two great characteristics in the negro's life

Jesus has said out of the fulness of the heart the mouth speaketh. What people have had more sorrows or right to complain than the negro of the south? With all their sufferings in the life they had to live they were filled with a soul whose condition brought out all the lyric of the south land

Negro songs of the south are simple songs made up by the negro. They are not classical but they are filled with an emotion that far surpasses any other music

The negro music is the only spoken or original music in America The negro is the only one who can sit on a stump with nothing in his stomach and nothing in his pockets and be happy.

Negro songs are intensely religious. The negro knew what it was to suffer and chop cotton. His songs were put together in short sentences and were easy to understand The songs were scriptural, realistic The negro was bound by fetters for fifty years and looked forward to a better day Yet the negro never bore malice. If it had not been for his songs he would have gone mad with a broken heart, but as long as he could sing he was happy regardless of conditions.

The negro songs were evangelical The negro wants to be in a church where he can do his own talking. He wants to shout They could not do that and be Catholics. The negro is evangelistic in his spirit and temper

Leading songs of the negro could be put together and make all the doctrines of the church.

The most prominent experience of the slave was sorrow. He was the only one in the furnace of affliction, but it cannot be said that he had revenge in his heart.

Crowned heads of Europe have admired as they have heard the heart song, "Steal Away to Jesus"

The Tennesseeans sang the selection named by Mr Bowen. It is a remarkable song and has a pathos in it that touches one's heart

Dr Bowen continued his address with a lengthy description of the song sung and many other songs. Many of them would defy criticism he said

He said the black people kept time with their bodies with the music because it was natural A class of small children singing will keep time with their bodies with the rythm of the song

The Tennesseeans sang a number of the melodies mentioned by Mr Bowen at the conclusion of his lecture

Chautauqua Reading.

Yesterday afternoon was the last meeting of the Rev. George M Brown's Chautauqua round table meetings Mr. Brown's methods of work and eloquent addresses have been deeply appreciated. The subject yesterday afternoon was: "The Books We Read."

After Mr. Brown had offered a short prayer he took up his subject. He especially condemned both bad books and light books.

He of course recommended the Chautauqua readings. Reading should give information, an intellectual uplift. Books should have good moral tone, be wide in comprehensiveness Desultory reading was deprecated and that with a purpose urged

Mrs L S. Corey, state secretary of the C L. S. C. announced that there would be a round table question box conducted by Dr. F. S. Stein at the junior pavilion this afternoon at 5 o'clock

Assembly Notes.

Last year the total gate receipts of the Epworth assembly was $3,300. Up to last night the gate receipts for the assembly were $3 500 The returns yesterday were very satisfactory.

The state president of the P. E. O., Mrs West, would like to meet all members of the P. E. O society at the woman's educational council headquarters this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

PLANNING FOR VICTORY.

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Rico ought to be annexed, the annexation of Hawaii ought to be commended and that stations should be secured in the Philippines and one of the Ladrone Islands ought to be annexed. The delegation declared unqualifiedly for the gold standard.

The following committee was appointed to look after the interests of the delegation: J. L. Caldwell, L. L. H. Austin, Amasa Cobb, J. C. F. McKesson, John Watson and Adolph Walte. Dr. J. L. Greene of University Place was elected as state central committeeman from the country.

H. H. Wilson of Lincoln attended the meeting He has received flattering offers of support from outside counties in his candidacy for attorney-general and believes he could have made a splendid showing of strength in the state convention, but owing to the unwillingness of a part of the Lancaster delegation to support him he will not be a candidate.

Gold Standard.

A draft of the resolutions which will probably be presented to the convention by a committee has been prepared. The platform will probably declare for the single gold standard, for municipal home rule, a pledge in favor of economical and businesslike administration of state affairs. The resolutions heartily indorse President McKinley's successful conduct of the war and approve his terms demanded of Spain for peace Nothing is said of annexation. Revision of the state constitution is advocated and also revision of the state revenue laws, also a proper control of corporations.

Veterans for Hayward.

The union veteran republican club and the union veteran union held an enthusiastic meeting in joint session last night. One of the matters discussed was the candidacy of M. L. Hayward, for governor and the veterans grew eloquent in his behalf Amid great enthusiasm the following resolution was passed.

"Resolved, That it be the sense of the joint meeting of the veteran republican club and the union veterans' union, that we recognize in Comrade M L. Hayward one who is not seeking the office of governor, but one whom the office seeks and one who is in every way well calculated to lead the party to success in the coming campaign. Therefore, we would urge upon the comrades who are delegates to the convention tomorrow to use all honorable means to secure his nomination."

A number of veterans, who for a while have been in the free silver ranks, were back again and joined heartily in the vote.

The Representation.

The several counties are entitled to representation as follows, the apportionment being based upon the vote cast for Hon Albert J. Burnham for president at the election in 1896 giving each county one delegate at large and one for each 125 votes and major fraction thereof.

Counties	Delegates	Counties	Delegates
Adams	13	Jefferson	14
Antelope	9	Johnston	12
Banner	2	Kimball	2
Blaine	2	Knox	9
Boone	10	Kearney	9
Box Butte	5	Keith	2
Boyd	5	Keya Paha	3
Brown	4	Lancaster	53
Buffalo	16	Lincoln	11
Burt	11	Logan	2
Butler	11	Loup	2
Cass	22	Madison	16
Cedar	9	McPherson	1
Chase	3	Merrick	9
Cherry	6	Nance	7
Cheyenne	5	Nemaha	13
Clay	15	Nuckolls	10
Colfax	8	Otoe	21
Cuming	11	Pawnee	3
Custer	13	Perkins	2
Dakota	6	Phelps	9
Dawes	8	Pierce	6
Dawson	10	Platte	12
Deuel	3	Polk	5
Dixon	8	Red Willow	9
Dodge	21	Richardson	19
Douglas	100	Rock	4
Dundy	3	Sarpy	6
Fillmore	14	Saline	13
Franklin	8	Saunders	13
Frontier	7	Scott's Bluff	3
Furnas	10	Seward	15
Gage	30	Sheridan	5
Garfield	2	Sherman	4
Gosper	4	Sioux	2
Grant	2	Stanton	6
Greeley	4	Thayer	14
Hall	16	Thomas	1
Hamilton	12	Thurston	5
Harlan	8	Valley	7
Hayes	3	Washington	14
Hitchcock	4	Wayne	9
Holt	8	Webster	10
Hooker	1	Wheeler	2
Howard	7	York	16
Total			995

In the Lobby.

Senator Thurston will arrive today.

Congressman Mercer arrived last night and mingled with the delegates

F. M. Corrick, postmaster at Cozad and editor of the Cozad Tribune, is a delegate in the city.

Senator Haller of Blair, author of the bill against fire insurance combinations, is attending the convention

The convention will meet at 10 a. m. at the Oliver theatre. Fifty-three counties had presented credentials last night.

P. O Hedlund, formerly deputy auditor, is a delegate from Oxford. Since Mr. Hedlund exposed the fusionist ballot fraud he has been the mark of popocratic popguns.

Senator Conaway of York county is at the Lindell. He is now out of politics, as the senatorship in his district is to be given to Fillmore county. Charles Sloan of Geneva, who served once before, will probably get the nomination.

T J. Majors showed his chin yesterday for the first time in thirty years and for that reason his old friends hardly knew him It has been that long since he shaved his chin Since he has parted with his beard he looks several years younger

Members of the legislature who are attending the convention were more than pleased to hear that the biggest crank in the state, Charles Wooster of Merrick county, would probably be renominated for the house. He has no such thing however, on the election Senator Darnell of Merrick, who slugged Editor Bowlby, has already been renominated by fusionists.

Dr S. R. Razee, editor of the Curtis Courier, came in yesterday as one of the Frontier county men He is a personal friend and an old schoolmate of Ben Baker. As soon as Dr Razee arrived in Lincoln he started out to find his old schoolmate to tell him that he had no chance to become the nominee for governor. General A. V. Cole of Junata was in the midst of the surging mass of delegates.

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