

A POTPOURRI PARTY

Proposed by a Conference at Chicago of All Odds and Ends of ISMS.

TEMPERANCE A TOUGH NUT But Some Sort of Prohibition Plank Necessary for Dry Voters.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE HAS A SHOW, TOO Trying to Frame a Platform That Will Catch the People's Party.

AN ADDRESS TO AMERICANS ISSUED CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—Every "ism" in the country which favors kicking over the traces of the two old parties, is represented here to-day.

Among those present at the meeting were Lady Somerset, George F. Washburne, of Boston, Secretary of People's party, Gilbert De la Matry, of Akron, O., who led some of his countrymen a wild chase after greenbacks; Mrs. Anna M. Diggs, of Kansas; General Weaver, of Iowa; A. Wardell and H. L. Loucks, of Huron, S. D., and Prof. Samuel Dickey, of Albion College, Albion, Mich.

Uncle Sam the Sale Saloon Keeper. G. F. Washburne, National Secretary of the People's party, and the other members of his organization present, labored in the general meeting and afterward in committee for the adoption of the following:

We believe the principal solution of the liquor problem lies in abolishing the element of profit which is a source of constant temptation, evil and corruption. We, therefore, demand that the exclusive importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors shall be conducted by the national government at cost, under conditions and restrictions which may be adopted by the various States. In adopting this national plank, we declare our no offense to either the personal liberty man or to the prohibitionist. We merely declare for the principle, and leave the restrictions for adoption to the various States, according to the temperance sentiment in each State.

The fight for "nationalizing the liquor traffic" was largely ineffectual, however, for it found no place in the address brought in by the committee to be presented to the coming convention of the People's party in St. Louis.

Why the Plank Wasn't Nailed. Ignatius Donnelly, in reporting the result of the committee's labors, noted the omission and expressed the opinion that the address in its present form would not be acceptable to the People's party. He referred to the number of foreigners in the party, and said the prohibition clause should be modified so as to save to them the idea of individual right in the matter of beer-drinking held to by them so tenaciously.

In the committee room he said, he had, through himself a believer in temperance, advocated the substitution of the phrase "abatement" of the liquor traffic as being more acceptable to the People's party, but he had been overruled by the rest of the committee.

Taubeneck, of Illinois, moved to accept Donnelly's suggestion to substitute the word "abatement" for "annihilation," but E. J. Wheeler suggested that "suppression" would be a better word, and in that form the address was adopted. After he had voted yet for nor against the address, because he was confident that its statement of the prohibition question would not be acceptable to the People's party.

The address to the Country. The following committee was then appointed to present the address to the St. Louis Convention February 22: Dr. G. De la Matry, Frances E. Willard, G. W. Miller, General Weaver, J. H. Weaver, Ignatius Donnelly, Samuel Dickie and E. J. Wheeler. The following is the address in full:

The undersigned, expressing the consensus of opinion of an informal voluntary assembly of members of the People's party, the prohibition party and the National Reform party, protesting to themselves and to the people of the United States upon which we ourselves are substantially agreed. We are in favor of consolidation of all political elements in behalf of these issues, to wit:

First.—That money should be issued by the general government, without the intervention of any private institution, in sufficient quantity to carry on the business of the country, and such money should be full legal tender for all debts, both public and private.

The Prohibitionists' Cause. Second.—That the saloon is the great enemy of reform in these matters. As the chief fountain of corruption in our politics, we denounce its pernicious influences upon our country and demand its suppression.

Third.—All means of public transportation and communication should be controlled by the government, to obtain for all the people equal and equitable advantages in such services and effort so to control said means, and if the effort to control said means of transportation and communication shall prove unattainable, then we favor government ownership of the same.

Fourth.—That we are opposed to speculation in land and alien ownership of the same, and we demand a reasonable limitation of the amount of land that can be owned by any corporation or individual.

Fifth.—That we favor municipal suffrage for women with an educational qualification.

THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE MEETS. A Lively Fight Between Iowa and Nebraska Delegates Won by the Latter.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—The twelfth annual meeting of the National Farmers' Alliance is being held here to-day, with an attendance of about 100 members. President Powers says there is no particular significance in the meeting, which is a business one.

In the absence of Mayor Washburne in the East, City Controller May and Chief of Police McCloughry delivered addresses of welcome. President Powers presided over the meeting and in the settlement of a lively dispute over the seating of seven more delegates from Nebraska than the constitution was said to permit. The Iowa delegation, particularly, opposed the admission of the additional Nebraskans. Finally the Nebraskans were triumphed by guaranteeing all delinquent dues. The convention will continue to-morrow, and possibly the day after.

TRYING TO GET ARSENAL PARK The City Officials Solicit the Co-Operation of Major Phelps.

gheny Arsenal yesterday to enlist his support in their effort to get part of the Arsenal grounds for a park. Major McKee, the commanding officer, has approved the plan. He claims that the Government needed the property, and that in event of a war every foot of it would be required for storage and other purposes.

MISS PALMER GUILTY. CONVICTED OF CALLING MUSTARD SEED SILK WORM EGGS.

The Pretty Chambersburg Girl Fails to Clear Herself of the Charge Brought in Topeka—She Takes the Verdict Coolly—Punishment for the Crime.

TOPEKA, Jan. 27.—[Special.]—The criminal suit against Miss Aloysius Marguerite Palmer for obtaining money fraudulently from E. E. McClelland, of this city, has been on trial in the District Court for several days, and has attracted a throng of spectators by reason of the peculiar circumstances surrounding the case.

Two Cincinnati Fires. The Finest Merchandise Stock in the City Burned With the West & Tice Company's Building—A Railroad Shed With Much Valuable Freight Destroyed.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 27.—At 10:15 o'clock to-night the maximum force of the fire department was called to 123 and 141 West Fourth street where the six-story building occupied by the West & Tice Company, importers and dealers in queensware, was burning.

THE QUEEN IS GRATEFUL. She Writes a Touching Letter Acknowledging the Sympathy of the Country.

PREPARING FOR A BOUNCE. The Rowlen-Weybrecht Case Nearly Ready for the Expected Decision.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 27.—[Special.]—The Committee on Elections of the House is hearing the Rowlen-Weybrecht contest from Stark county. Weybrecht, Democrat, holds the seat on an apparent majority of 24 in a total vote of 18,600.

MISSOURI DEMOCRATS FOR CLEVELAND. St. Louis, Jan. 27.—The Democratic State Committee met here this afternoon and selected time and place for holding the various nominating conventions. A majority of the committee expressed themselves as favorable to Cleveland for President.

A PIECE OF BAD POLITICS. The German Education Bill May Force a Condition Against the Kaiser.

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—All Conservative leaders were present at the Emperor's recent conference with Count von Seidlitz, Minister of Public Instruction, on the education bill. It was resolved to force the bill through, if possible.

A PISTOL ENFORCES POLITENESS. How a Russian Army Officer Compelled Subordinates to Salute Him.

ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 27.—Much excitement has been caused in Russian military circles by the conduct of an officer of an artillery regiment stationed at Vilna. The men of one of the regiments had lately displayed a mutinous spirit and to-day refused to salute the artillery officer.

THE KAISER 33 YEARS OLD. BERLIN, Jan. 27.—The thirty-third anniversary of the birth of Emperor William

STARVED MEN REBEL.

Suffering Russian Peasantry Growing Ungovernable.

NO FEAR OF SOLDIERLY FOR THEM. Tales of Famine Poured into the Czarowitch's Deaf Ears.

THE STORY OF HORROR NOT HALF TOLD. ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 27.—Advice received here from the Government of Voronezh show that matters in that part of the famine-stricken districts are going from bad to worse.

A Badly Frightened Official. The peasants then sent a deputation to him with a very plain intimation that if the soldiers touched a single person they would burn the Natchalnik's house and kill him and all his family.

MOBLEY OUT ON BAIL. HIS ITALIAN COMPANION, WHO SHOT PIKE, STILL AT LARGE.

The Case Continued Till Next Saturday—Pike, the Victim of Marino's Knife, Will Live—His Assault Ran Off With Two Bullets in Him.

AKRON, Jan. 27.—[Special.]—Major W. C. Mobley, of Allegheny, arrested last night after the stabbing of Ball player Charlie Pike by Mobley's Italian companion, M. Marino, was bailed out to-day. He is in charge of friends in his hotel. It was developed by police investigation to-day that two shots were fired in the fray, and that the Italian had two bleeding wounds when he ran out of the house.

MORE CHARGES OF BRIBERY. Another Representative in the Ohio Legislature Claimed to Have Been Offered an Office for His Vote—The Legislative Committee's Investigation Begun.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 27.—[Special.]—The Legislative Committee to investigate charges of bribery against Representative H. M. Daugherty, in connection with the late Senatorial contest, organized to-day and will begin work next week. An evening paper responsible for the charges against Daugherty this evening printed a long article in which it charged the Sherman managers made an effort to bribe Representative Porter, of Cuyahoga county. The paper says:

SEE PREMEDITATED THE MURDER. Miss Alice Mitchell Told a Man She Was Going to Cut Freda Ward's Throat.

MEMPHIS, Jan. 27.—[Special.]—It develops to-night that the murder of Freda Ward was premeditated by Miss Alice Mitchell at least 24 hours before she died was done, and probably longer, as the murderer rode by the house, where the Ward girls were visiting, several times a day during their stay. But on Sunday night she was heard to make direct threats against what is now known to be her victim.

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