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THE REPUBLICAN LOVE FEAST.

Attended by the rank and file of the republican party throughout the state, and not by the leaders alone, the great love feast was held at Springfield Tuesday. Never before had such an imposing gathering of representative republicans graced an assembly of this kind in Illinois. It was a mass love feast—a jollification meeting to open the campaign for 1896. Harmony prevailed, and no matter who may be named as the leaders, this fall will witness the return of republican policies to influence the conduct of affairs—state and national. Springfield captured the convention, the date being fixed on April 29th. The basis of representation being the vote of 1892. Of the 1355 delegates, Cook county will have 372.

Many booms were launched, including a large sized presidential boom for Senator Shelby M. Culom, of Illinois.

For the state ticket candidates, A. J. Hopkins and John R. Tanner are in the lead for the gubernatorial nomination, while for treasurer the friends of Strassheim are very properly turning down the machine candidate Hertz. But through all a harmonious feeling prevailed. Many petty jealousies none the less rancorous because they involved no great places were forever buried.

The meeting was an unqualified success. It brought together men from all parts of the state, who discussed candidates and policies and plans for effective campaign work. Those men have gone home animated by additional courage and energy, ready to roll up their sleeves the day following the convention.

THE PROPOSED NEW PARTY.

The silver men are talking again of a separate party, devoted to the one issue of free silver coinage, and declare that this is the auspicious occasion for them. It is to be devoutly hoped that they will take that step without delay. Some of them have been called Republicans, it is true, and have sought and obtained conspicuous places on Senate and House Committees and in party organization as Republicans, who profess to be ready to sacrifice every other interest and thrust aside every other issue in order to do battle for free silver. It would be much to their credit and to the good of the country if they would cease to profess any attachment to Republican principles, which they have not, wherever there is office or influence to be secured by it, and to defeat Republican principles and measures when they have opportunity. The Republican party would be much stonger without any such deceptive support. However useful or worthy any of them may have been in the past, the time has really come for them to determine, and to let the world know whether they are Republicans or not—New York Tribune.

A. J. Hopkins of Aurora, who is a candidate for the republican nomination for governor, spent Thursday in Bloomington looking after his political interests in that vicinity. Mr. Hopkins was accorded a very cordial reception. He was called upon at his hotel by the republican leaders and among his visitors were many democrats also. Mr. Hopkins said that he believed the outlook for his nomination was bright. Speaking of national politics and as a member of the house committee on ways and means, he said: "The senate will add a free-coinage amendment to the bond bill as passed by the house and the bill will go to conference and will go no farther. The revenue tariff bill will pass the senate substantially as it came from the house. The president will sign it because of the pressing need of revenue and because the life of the bill is limited to two years and a half." Mr. Hopkins created a very favorable impression in Bloomington, as he does every place he visits in the interest of his candidacy.

All other candidates for member of board of equalization from this district might as well withdraw. T. S. Rogers is now thoroughly in the race, and since he has been a worker in the interests of the party for over 40 years, and has done hardly anything in his life but for the party, it is safe to say that he is the man on whom the people of this district should place their confidence. The press in this vicinity is all in favor of Capt. Rogers for member of board of equalization, and recognizes no other candidate.

The postal saving bank scheme has been revived again, and Thomas Wilson and others who are interested in the welfare of the laboring classes are urging the postmaster-general to send a special report to congress asking the passage of a bill to carry it into effect. Various measures of this character have been proposed in past years and several postmaster-generals have endorsed them. Mr. Wanamaker gave a great deal of attention to the subject. He not only discussed the various plans at length in his reports to congress, but appeared before the postoffice committees on several occasions to advocate the adoption of the system for the benefit of the wage-earners of the country. The additional inducement is now offered of raising money for the government. It is estimated that the deposits would amount annually to at least \$40,000,000 and perhaps \$100,000,000 a year, which would be an important item in the present condition of the public revenues.

Sisson Thompson, editor of the Evening Journal since 1892, severed his connection with that paper Saturday evening. While having no definite plans as to his future, Mr. Thompson said: "I have regarded my departure from the Journal as inevitable since the new ownership came about. It was purely a disagreement in regard to policy which brought about the differences between Mr. Booth, who really owns the paper, and myself. On account of these differences, culminating in the manner in which the hanging of Foster was reported, I was asked to leave and have done so. I am informed that Major G. R. Osman will succeed me and I have been asked to remain a contributor to the paper. I believed in conducting the Journal on the conservative lines of the past and was not sustained." Journal readers greatly regret his leaving the paper.

A communication from a taxpayer, to the Illinoisian in writing of the money expended by the County Commissioners in attempting to capture the Ott murderers, very aptly says: "The hope is that these outlaws will be captured this year, even if it costs the tax payers of the county ten thousand dollars. As yet only about \$6,000 has been expended, but if the scoundrels can be caught the people had better pay twice that amount rather than have them escape. In this connection it is well to remind farmers that to escape burglary and murder, money in any considerable amount should never be kept about the premises. Banks are established to care for the people's money and if it is kept there these crimes will cease."

Downers Grove township is in first-rate condition to claim everything in sight in nominations for county officers this year, with a very reasonable expectation of having its claims favorably considered by the republican convention. When a good republican majority is wanted Downers Grove always rolls up more than her share; therefore she has a good pull and this year it will be used for Hon. M. Slusser for the nomination of states attorney. County slate makers will do well to make a note of this. Downers Grove wants it clearly and early understood. So "mote" it be.

The county political caldron may not yet be boiling over, but nevertheless there are a few carefully concealed cables being strenuously stretched to make connections for future aggrandizement. But it may transpire that there are flaws in the cables and present indications go to show that it is possible some of these cleverly laid wires may break and wind up the pullers in a tangle that will forever put an end to their political careers in this county.

The Joliet News is trying to get into Lemont, but so far has been unsuccessful. Every man they send over gets pumelled by the thugs of that city. They are now going to try the mails and see what Uncle Sam can do. Since that paper showed up the dives of Lemont last year, it is as much as a news representative's life is worth to go about in that Sodom of Illinois.

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W.C.T.U. Column.

A PARABLE. Said Christ, our Lord, "I will go and see how the men, my brethren, believe in Me." He passed not again through the gate of birth, but made himself known to the children of earth. Then said the chief priests, and rulers, and kings, "Behold, now, the Ulver of all good things: Go to, let us welcome with pomp and state Him who alone is mighty and great." With carpets of gold the ground they spread Wherever the Son of Man should tread. And in palace chambers lofty and rare They lodged him and served him with kingly fare. Great organs surged through arched dim Their jubilant floods in praise of him: And in church, and palace, and judgment hall, He saw his image over all. But still, wherever his steps they led, The Lord in sorrow bent down his head: And from under the heavy foundation stones, The son of Mary heard his bitter groans. And in church, and palace, and judgment hall, He marked great figures that rent the wall, And opened wider, and yet more wide As the living foundation beaved and sighed. "Have ye founded year throne and altars, then, On the bodies and souls of living men? And think ye that buildings shall endure Which shelter the noble and crushes the poor? With gates of silver and bars of gold Ye have fenced my sheep from their Father's fold, I have heard the droppings of their tears In heaven these eighteen hundred years. "O Lord and Master, not ours the guilt, We build but as our fathers built; Behold these images, how they stand, Sovereign and ool, through all our land. "Our task is hard, with sword and flame To hold thy earth forever the same, And with sharp crooks of steel to keep Still, as thou wast, them, thy sheep." Thus Christ sought out an artisan, A low-browed, stunted, haggard man, And a motherly girl, whose fingers thin Pushed from her infant's want and sin These set he in the midst of them, And as they drew back their garments bent, For fear of defilement, "Lo, here," said he, "The images ye have made of me." —JAMES R. LOWELL.

KEEP THE STANDARD UP. Many good friends who believe in temperance men and women, do not believe wholly in the work they do. They look upon the unrequited, unappreciated effort to spread the gospel of temperance truth as wasted energy. While admitting our standards and ideals correct, they declare their application practically impossible. Every business has its goal of success, every company its engine, every school house its flag, every student his exchequer, every church its banner of the cross, every soul its aspiration after purity and love. All these represent ideals never fully entered into business, social, religious, national or individual life. But banish the ideals and what should we have? Leave out the inspiration of lofty purpose, and we should never have even appropriate realization of the highest and best in civilization. Blot out the standard of total abstinence for the individual, and prohibition for the state, as enunciated by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and other temperance societies, and what becomes of progress in the temperance reform? These ideals for individual and state relations to the use, the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages, are not realized, but the public sentiment upon these points of antagonism to drinking usages and beverage manufacture and sale of liquors, is a long way in advance of the point at which it stood when they were enunciated. Individual practice, as to drinking alcoholic beverages, is long strides in advance of the status of the question a century ago. Legislation with respect to the liquor traffic, is much in advance of the old time law, or lack of law, upon the question. Ideals must be maintained if achievement is ever to reach approximate success in any line. If we did no other work than to lift aloft these two emblems of ideal excellence, and cry continually to the people, "come up to the flag," temperance truth, would be of invaluable help to the cause of advanced civilization. Who can measure the depths into which public thought and conviction would sink if all these agencies for propagating temperance truths along gospel, scientific, economical, purity and social lines should cease. The flag of this reform must be kept at the mast head, and the rallying cry must be reiterated again and constantly, if any advance is made. No single effort along this line is lost. The aggregate in advance. Slow it may be. All growth is a matter of time and largely of unseen agencies. Every worker in God's evangel for the publishing of a glad gospel of a higher, better living, and a wider and broader achievement for human well being. —F. M., in "The Dial of Progress."

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