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erty owners of Logan county wanting state aid, the board of supervisors, adhering to its do-nothing tactics of the past, rejected the money. It is quite likely that the tax payers will yet have something to say about it, and will see that this county is saved from this disgrace.

Attorney General Lucey has rendered an opinion that no city has a right to pass an ordinance fining anyone for shipping liquor into dry territory. Jacksonville passed an ordinance authorizing a fine of \$50 for shipping or bringing liquor into that city. The above opinion nullifies the ordinance. Mr. Lucey says nothing but a state law could accomplish the purpose. That means that after the people work for "dry" territory that it can be "wet" in places.

The next legislature will be asked to provide a state pension and retirement fund for school teachers. Each teacher will put in a small sum, amounting to 1 per cent of his salary for the first ten years. During the next fifteen years 2 per cent will be charged. In case of permanent injury after eighteen years of teaching, or in case he should reach 25 years, he will be entitled to a pension. This fund will not be liable to alienation, and it will be in the hands of a board, consisting of the state treasurer, the superintendent of schools, a superannuated member of the board and two others to be appointed by the governor. Most cities have this provision already and it is designed to put the country schools in a higher state of efficiency.—Peoria Star.

The Freeport Journal Standard and many other papers throughout the state are very much interested in the coming senatorial primary campaign. There are quite a number of aspirants mentioned, and among them are Ex-Senator Cullom, Ex-Governor Deneen, Senator Sherman. There are also others, as might be inferred by the following editorial clipped from the Journal-Standard:

"Col. Frank L. Smith, of Dwight, who thinks well of Uncle Shelby M. Cullom, throws a scare into the other Republican aspirants for the senatorial toga by announcing that Uncle Shelby may attempt to come back. His eighty odd years do not look like a handicap in the eyes of Col. Smith, who is himself full of vim and vigor. By the way, the Colonel would not make bad senatorial timber himself. He is head and shoulders above some of the aspirants we have heard mentioned for the job."

There is one most important feature about buying at home instead of

buying of mail order houses. By following the former policy, the money stays at home and one may get it back, but when added to the millions of the mail order corporations it is lost forever. It's a losing game to send money away where one never stands a ghost of a show to ever see it again. It reduces the size of the local funds. The dollar sent away can never be used to pay the preacher or the teacher, or the blacksmith or carpenter, the doctor or the dentist, the dressmaker or the milliner, the clerk, teamster, or the blacksmith or any tradesman or anyone at home. It would go the rounds if kept at home. It is a form of protection to the home and worth the consideration of all. At the same time the local merchant should not forget that his best opportunity is to keep the local patrons well informed as to what he has to offer.

THE WRONG LETTER.

Some very peculiar mistakes are made at times in type by the use of a single wrong letter. These mistakes are not always the compositor's fault, for sometimes the manuscript which he "sets up" is so poorly written that half of the words have to be guessed at. The English language is full of examples where a single letter misplaced will change the whole meaning of the word, and oftentimes make a sentence meant to be serious extremely laughable. A paper recently speaking of a "garbled" account of a play prints it "warbled," making it appear an opera. Another editor wrote and recommended a certain "diet" for children, but the letter "r" was substituted for the "e," and therefore the praise of "dirt" was sung. As most very young people are fond of making "dirt pies," the mistake did not seem so apparent, but even that kind of pies would not do for a steady "diet."

In a Western paper, not long ago, the review of a school-book was given in which the writer spoke of "Greek and Latin roots and verbs." That is, he meant so to speak to the public, but the compositor probably thought he knew better than the writer, and using an "h" in place of a "v" the account read "Greek and Latin roots and herbs." The combination would be all right in a book on botany, but was sadly wrong in connection with a grammar.

Sometimes whole words are misread by the compositor, and an old joke speaks of a reporter's grief when he found that his account of a young lady's shoes, referred to them as "ferry-boats," instead of "fairy boots," as written. In an Indiana paper the "regular meeting" of the town coun-

cil was rendered a "burglar meeting," and a Buffalo paper came out one day with the startling headline "A Solemn Circus in Church." Upon investigation it proved that the editor had written "A Solemn Service in Church," but before the mistake was discovered and the explanation given there was much speculation as to what was meant.—Harper's Young People.

TRUE TO PRINCIPLE.

The Republican party can afford to do only what it ought to do. No permanent success can be achieved through abandonment of righteous principle or pandering to an unhealthy sentiment of whose profundity there is no certain assurance says the Salt Lake Herald-Republican. Changes in party methods may be properly made, for they do not affect its precepts of its policies. Revision of its subordinate articles of faith may also be effected in so far as these fail to respond to the spirit of the age. Yet the fundamentals of party doctrine are as essential to national well-being as when they were first espoused.

Did the Republican party obtain wholly to win elections it might then justly trim its sails to every passing breeze. Were the elevation of ambitious men to office its sole excuse for existence it might defensibly "crook the pregnant hinges of the knee where thrift may follow fawning." Sacrifice of righteous tenets is ever a preliminary to whole-hearted worship of the great god Success. But the party of Lincoln, of Grant, of McKinley, of Blaine, is greater than the selfish aspirations of a few men; its proper sustenance is not the patronage upon which its members fatten but the glow of faith in well defined governmental and economic ideals.

Leaders of the party are properly considering a declaration of faith that shall affirm the policies in which it now believes. They are justly determined that it shall be progressive. That they should take full cognizance of the immediate problems that press for solution is agreed; they would be less than truly representative of party sentiment if they ignored this manifest obligation. And yet they should not fall easily into the error of assuming that whatever is new is progressive. The party history shines too brightly to be sullied with a surrender to the foolishness of the half-baked.

The Republican party must remain the champion of the constitution, of a government of laws and not of men of the protective principle, of encouragement to honest business, of the lasting integrity of the courts and the maintenance of representative govern-

ment. It must continue the foe of demagogism, of unthinking radicalism and of hasty experiment that imperils the foundation of the republic. It would be political suicide for the party to surrender to the mania for unconsidered change at the moment when sanity is returning.

STILL HITTING THE FARMER.

Hurrah for the United States Democratic Government and its great policy of Political Economy! Hurrah for its success in not only opening the American market for the competition of all foreign countries here against our own American producers, but in actually going abroad itself—the Government—to buy its meat with which to feed the American navy. How such a diet must inculcate the principles of patriotism to the Government which feeds its own navy upon Argentine beef, while American beef production lags, says the Paris Beacon.

It is glorious news to the American farmer to learn that the United States Government has beaten down the price of beef by buying its supplies this year from Argentina. Instead of effectually breaking up the beef trust in America, and thus bringing the cost of meats, which the consumer must pay, a little bit closer to the price that the producer gets for his cattle on the hoof, our Government has gone by the American producer, ignored the supplies of the American farmer, and actually it boasts that because of its free trade tariff law it is able to buy its meat in foreign markets.

"Under the old high tariff law," says Secretary Daniels, of the President's Cabinet, "this saving could not be effected, but the recent Democratic tariff bill allows the importation of foreign meat free of duty."

What an economy. It will not hurt the beef trust a particle. The beef trust's grip upon the American consumers is just as tight as ever. But every pound of meat imported from Argentina displaces a pound of meat produced upon the farms of America. Every hour of labor performed in Argentina and every bushel of grain involved in feeding the live stock which made this meat, displaces an hour of remunerative labor by American farmers, and a market for American grain in producing American meat. But it does not lessen the monopoly of the beef trust in the American market. The beef trust's margin is just as wide as ever, but the demand for American beef is just that much reduced without reducing the cost to the consumer, which is maintained by the packers.

AN EDITOR'S DOG.

An editor had a dog. Some rascal has been poisoning the canines in his immediate vicinity, and they have finally succeeded in inducing the dog of this editor, who runs the Mount Carroll Democrat, and whose name is Feazer, to swallow the poison. Thereupon the scribe goes after his enemy in the following vigorous fashion:

After months and years of persistent effort the festering ulcer who has been laying strychnine in Mt. Carroll endangering the lives of children as well as canines, was rewarded by our beagle hound getting one of his carefully laid doses Sunday morning. Owing to the fact that we were present when Cubs was taken sick with the first convulsions and that Dr. Wood and Dr. Parkinson were both at home and in our office, the former not two minutes after the dog had had his first convulsion, and Dr. Parkinson not three minutes later, after four hours' labor, the life of the dog (which is a hundred times more valuable than that of the mongrel who laid the poison, as Cubs is a thoroughbred and the poisoner is a half-breed or less) his life was saved. This poisoner, who undoubtedly is a maniac (for no man with God-given sense could ever be so low) has done his work very well. With the cunning of the insane he hides his tracks; he may never be discovered, but our one hope is that he will some day be bitten by a rabid dog, that he will contract hydrophobia, that he will have convulsions in the street, and that we see him with those convulsions, spit in his face, and tell him that this is only the beginning of the hell to which he is going. If we knew him, if he would make himself known to us, we would spit in his face in public and slap him all over the street. He is a vermin, a low-down cowardly cur. To call him a dog would be an insult to the dog tribe. He is a festering pimple on the community, if there is any name on earth that will arouse him to the point of coming out and making war on us, he is that, no matter what the term is. He is lower than a crawling reptile, and more cowardly than the most cowardly coyote. We dare him, defy him, we challenge him to come forth, if there is one drop of manhood in his cowardly hide, and say that he is the man who is laying the poison. We guarantee and promise him that there will be no legal proceedings. We will not have him arrested. But this low cowardly, filthy whelp will not dare come out of his shell.

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