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OUR STANDARD-BEARERS.

For President: WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, OF NEBRASKA.

For Vice-President: ADLAI E. STEVENSON, OF ILLINOIS.

THE PRIMARY SYSTEM.

Col. A. Kohn, Columbia correspondent of the News and Courier, has begun a war against the State primary system for State offices.

We favor the primary system, but we believe there should be some changes in the rules, so that candidates for State offices can arrange their own meetings and take the chances for audiences.

The rules of the party require every voter to be sworn, and the oath is prescribed, yet we know that it is a common practice for managers to neglect this requirement.

One can never judge the length of a woman's tongue by the size of her mouth. The man who voted without the formality of taking the oath, would not have voted differently had the oath been administered to him.

We have been intimately connected with the primary system ever since it started, and we have no knowledge where there has been a candidate cheated out of a single vote since 1890; we have a recollection of charges of fraud before 1890, when it was alleged that the names of dead men appeared on the poll list.

The favorite family cathartic is Hood's. Contentment has one advantage over money; people don't try to borrow it from you.

nevertheless this conflict of language exists, and men were permitted to vote whether their names were on the list where they offered to vote or not.

Rev. F. C. Hickson continues to keep the readers of the State entertained with political literature, but we suppose he was wound up for a season, and the season has not run out.

The National Prohibition party has nominated candidates for President and Vice President, but as yet we have not heard of a Prohibition electoral ticket in this State.

The wage earners at the North are having a tussle with the mine owners, and as a consequence the strike among the miners is the largest ever known; some compromises have been effected, and about sixty thousand laborers who have been out of work since June have started back to work.

Deafness Cannot be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by the use of the Bessonian Tube.

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The progressive nations of the world are the great food consuming nations. Good food well digested gives strength. If you cannot digest all you eat, you need Kodol Dyspepsia Cure.

The Health Problem is much simpler than is sometimes supposed. Health depends chiefly upon perfect digestion and pure blood.

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Moody's Vote or Thanks. Possibly the most novel response ever made to a request to return a vote of thanks to a chairman was that made by Mr. Moody during his first visit to England.

He had attended a meeting at which the Earl of Shaftesbury was chairman. The duty of proposing a vote of thanks was assigned to him and the announcement made.

The speaker has made two mistakes. To begin with, I'm not the Rev. Mr. Moody at all. I'm plain Dwight L. Moody, a Sunday school worker.

From the northern end of Chatham square starts the Bowery, and a few steps from its commencement is the building now used as a German theater, which was once the Old Bowery.

Had Tried It. "Did you ever experiment with the Kneipp cure?" asked one of the inmates of the convalescent ward at the hospital.

He Let Him Out. The king of Naples, in the plenitude of his absolutism, paid one day a visit to the Neapolitan prisons in order to see for himself what sort of men his criminals were and whether they really deserved the punishments they were undergoing.

Turkish Police Justice. A trifling dispute between a Kurd and an Armenian on a street in Constantinople the other day led to an amusing instance of justice as it is dispensed by the Turkish police.

China and Glassware. When in Sumter it will pay you to visit my Furniture Parlors.

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