

Rooks County Resolutions.

EDITOR ADVOCATE:—Enclosed find a copy of the Rooks County F. A. & I. U. resolutions, passed at their quarterly meeting last week:

Resolved, That we endorse the action of the executive department of the state, senate and Populist house and that we further firmly believe that the Populists had both branches of the House, by right, notwithstanding the decision of the railroad judges.

Resolved, That Rooks County F. A. & I. U. are opposed to the calling of a special session of the state legislature by the executive, and further, that we condemn the action of the house in killing the senate maximum rate bill.

Resolved, That we view with alarm the concentrated powers of capital in the manufacturing of farm implements by using their influence to induce the various implement associations to pass resolutions that are intended to force all farmers and independent purchasers to purchase their goods of the local agents, thus preventing all persons from purchasing their goods on the cheapest market; and be it

Resolved, That we give our trade to those implement dealers that keep out of the combine.
JOHN RUSSELL,
County Secretary.

Dodging the Question.

The Abilene Reflector publishes the following conundrum which it says the county superintendent of Wabaunsee county propounds to the intending school teachers of that county:

"From a close study of the Declaration of Independence, contrasted with some of Major McKinley's speeches favoring a protective tariff, what comparison would you be led to make between the methods of thought of our forefathers and our present methods?"

Whereupon, the Reflector feels moved to say, "Of course he is a Populist, and really cannot be expected to know any better."

Cannot be expected to know any better than what? To ask such a question? To contrast the common-places, threadbare fustion of the Declaration with the fine-spun, "protected" lace-work of one of Bill McKinley's arguments in favor of a policy which taxes the farmer's bed and board to enrich the button-maker and the tin-plater? Is it that the county superintendent should know better than to bring forward at this time the old dogma of equal rights? Should he not have remembered that the true policy is the enrichment of the few at the expense of the many?

In all its aspects the county superintendent of Wabaunsee county has asked a question full of puzzlement. For a common Populist, who is not supposed to know any better, he has handed out a nut which some hammers will find some difficulty in cracking.

Will the esteemed Reflector please answer the query?—Lawrence Record.

Hanging at Salina.

Another southern outrage has occurred in Kansas, and a telegraph pole has been decorated with a man's body. And that in the county which was a week ago receiving congratulations from the whole state for having prevented the lynching of a man after he had been dragged through the streets.

On last Thursday, Dan Adams, a negro, assaulted Troy Shout, the bag-gageman at the Union Pacific depot in Salina. Adams was loafing in the depot and Shout ordered him to leave. This enraged Adams and the result was he drew a razor and cut his victim so severely about the body that it was feared he would die. Adams was at once arrested, and to prevent violence the officers advised him to go into the district court, which was in session, and plead guilty to the charge of assault

with intent to kill. He did so the same day and received a sentence of seven years in state's prison.

This would probably have put an end to all attempts at lynching, had not the people become possessed with the belief that Adams was the man who had assaulted Mrs. Frost a few days before, the crime for which John Hudson came so near losing his life. When this idea got abroad the lynch law again became popular. That night the sheriff and his deputy started to take Adams to Lansing, and got as far as the inside of a Santa Fe car. Just before time for the train to leave, a small crowd of men entered, quietly captured the prisoner and took him a short distance away. In a few minutes more their hideous job of outlawry was done and their victim left hanging in the air. The lynchers were not masked and the only noise they made was while going from the car to the telegraph pole, when their leaders gave a few orders in a loud voice, and several gun shots were fired.

The Kansas City Stock Yards.

Among the greatest institutions of Kansas City are its stock yards and the market it affords to stockmen of the West. But few people have a knowledge of the magnitude of the business done, or, perhaps, a full appreciation of the energy or enterprise that have built a market at the doors of Kansas that rivals the great markets of the world. In 1871, the yards handled 167,199 head of stock; in 1890, 4,986,955 head; an increase in nineteen years of thirty times the initial business.

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Experience shows that better meats can be produced by killing at Kansas City, and better prices realized the stockmen, than by shipping stock to Chicago or New York for slaughter. Others have lately been induced to establish here, viz: United Dressed Beef Co. and Mr. Goldsmith, of New York, both heavy exporters, who are thus hastening the day when cattle will command the prices in Kansas City that they do in Ohio.

The old time speculative shipper, who bought to get a better market in the east, has almost disappeared in conjunction with the profits. Now, all the hogs, 98 per cent of the cattle and 90 per cent of the sheep are bought for use here. This condition has been brought about by the increase in the number and capacity of the packing houses. Armour's have enormously increased their plant. Swift's are making extensive additions to their houses, and the demand will soon be good for every hoof of stock raised in the Missouri valley. The shippers from this region who send to Chicago are fewer each year. The costlier freight, the large shrinkage, and higher feeding charges of eastern markets often

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