

The Family Circle.

THE BABY'S RISK.

Sunbeams creeping through the maples.
Flash across the window-pane,
Lighting up the darkened parlor.

To have some books if I could only spare the money to get them?
Do you go to church or Sunday-school?
He held down his head, pretending to brush the dust off the floor with his foot, and replied: "No, sir."

HOW TO BE A WAIN.

Not long since a boy of some seven or eight years of age called on a merchant doing a large business in New York.

When at liberty, the merchant said: "Well, my young friend, what can I do for you?" "I called, sir," he replied, "to ask you for a situation as engineer."

THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

National Republican Policy in the United States, as embodied in National Conventions in the City of Chicago in the 21st Day of May, 1858.

I. We congratulate the country on the assured success of the Reconstruction policy of Congress, as evinced by the adoption in the majority of the States in rebellion of Constitutional amendments securing Equal Civil and Political Rights to all.

II. The guarantee by Congress of Equal Suffrage to all loyal men in the South was demanded by every consideration of public safety, of gratitude, and justice, and must be maintained; while the question of Suffrage in all the loyal States properly belongs to the people of those States.

III. We denounce all forms of Republicanism as a national crime, and the national honor requires the payment of the public indebtedness in the strictest good faith to all creditors at home and abroad, not only according to the letter but the spirit of the laws under which it was contracted.

IV. It is due to the labor of the nation that taxation should be equalized, and burdens as rapidly as the national debt will permit.

V. The National Debt, contracted, as in this case, for the preservation of the Union, for all time to come, should be extended over a full period for redemption; and it is the duty of Congress to tender the fate of interest thereon, when over it can be honestly done.

VI. That the best policy to diminish our burden of debt is to so improve our credit that capitalists will seek to loan us money at lower rates of interest than we now pay, and must continue to pay so long as repudiation, partial or total, open or covert, is threatened or suspected.

VII. The Government of the United States should be administered with the strictest economy; and the corporations which have been so shamefully nursed and fostered by Andrew Johnson, call loudly for radical reform.

VIII. We profoundly deplore the untimely and tragic death of Abraham Lincoln, and regret the accession to the Presidency of Andrew Johnson, who has acted, unconsciously to the people who elected him and the cause he was pledged to support, who has usurped high legislative and judicial functions; who has refused to execute the laws; who has used his high office to induce other officers to ignore and violate the laws; who has employed his executive powers to render insecure the property, the peace and lives, of the citizen; who has assumed the pardoning power; who has denounced the National Legislature as unconstitutional; who has persistently and corruptly resisted, by every means in his power, every proper attempt at the reconstruction of the States lately in rebellion; who has prevented the public patronage into an engine of wholesale corruption; and who has been thus impelled to high crimes and misdemeanors; and properly pronounced worthy

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thereof by the vote of thirty-five Senators. IX. The doctrine of Great Britain and other European powers that, because a man is once a subject he is always so, must be resisted at every hazard by the United States, as a relic of feudal times, not authorized by the laws of nations, and at war with our national honor and independence. Naturalized citizens are entitled to protection in all their rights of citizenship, as though they were native born; and no citizen of the United States, native or naturalized, must be liable to arrest and imprisonment by any foreign power for acts done or words spoken in this country, and, if so arrested and imprisoned, it is the duty of the Government to interfere in his behalf.

X. Of all who were faithful to the trials of the late war, there were none entitled to more especial honor than the brave soldiers and seamen who endured the hardships of campaign and cruise, and imperiled their lives in the service of the country; the braves and pensions provided by the laws for these brave defenders of the nation, are obligations never to be forgotten; the widows and orphans of the gallant dead are the work of the people—a sacred legacy bequeathed to the nation's protecting care.

XI. For an immigration, which in the past has added so much to the wealth, development and resources and increase of power to this republic, the asylum of the oppressed of all nations, should be fostered and encouraged by a liberal and just policy.

XII. The Convention declares itself in sympathy with all oppressed peoples struggling for their rights.

Resolved, That we highly commend the spirit of magnanimity and forbearance with which men who have served in the Rebellion, but who now frankly and honestly cooperate with us in restoring the peace of the country and reconstructing the Southern State governments upon the basis of Equal Rights, are received back into the communion of the loyal people, and we favor the removal of the disabilities and restrictions imposed upon the late Rebels in the same measure as their spirit of loyalty will admit, and as may be consistent with the safety of the loyal people. Resolved, That we recognize the great principles laid down in the inaugural Declaration of Independence, as the true foundation of democratic government; and we hail with gladness every effort toward making those principles a living reality on every inch of American soil.

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