

# Elk Advocate.

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THURSDAY, JULY 23, 1874.

Republican State Convention.

The Republicans of Pennsylvania will hold a State Convention at Harrisburg, at noon on Wednesday, August 13, 1874, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Lieutenant Governor, Auditor General, Secretary of Internal Affairs, and Judge of the Supreme Court.

The representation of the several counties in this Convention will be based on the apportionment of Senators and Representatives made by the present Legislature, each Senatorial and Representative district being entitled to delegates equal in number to its representation in the Legislature under said apportionment.

**RUSSELL ERRITT, Chairman.**  
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**THE POLITICAL OUTLOOK.**—There is no sufficient reason why the Republican party should not carry the State of Pennsylvania next November by twenty-five or thirty thousand majority. Everything promises victory. We go into the canvass with a fair prospect of nominating one of the most popular tickets ever put in the field, and that without creating a small army of sore-heads within our own ranks. From present appearances we will have no dead-weight candidates to carry—every man proposed belongs to the active, younger element of the party which has been its life in the past and its hope in the future. The record of the party in the State is good. For fourteen years Pennsylvania has been governed by Republicans, and to-day the people have ample evidence that their choice has been wise and good. We never had less taxation than at present; our debt is being paid off, and the interest on our sinking fund is so judiciously invested that the income nearly pays the current expenses of the government. Was ever a party after fourteen years of continuous rule able to make a better showing—*Coal Gazette.*

### The Iron Trade.

The prospects of an early resumption in the iron trade are, it is said, highly encouraging, and, judging from present appearances, an active fall business will undoubtedly be done. A leading official of one of our principal railways has lately received a letter from one of our largest iron workers, in which it is stated that more orders have been received for iron within the last few days than in all the six weeks previously. Reports have been received of similar revivals in various directions, and manufacturers generally regard matters from a *couleur de rose* point of view. Should the anticipations prove correct, a corresponding good result will be perceptible in coal and railroad circles.

The Cambria Iron Company, of Johnstown, Pa., have very recently started their rolling-mills on what is known in the trade as "double turn," viz, night and day work. The Bessemer steel works of the company, which have been running irregularly for some time past, would now be running on full time were it not for the scarcity of water. It appears that some of the most important parts of the machinery used in the manufacture of steel, such as cranes, lifts, &c., are operated solely by water-power, which is derived from the water supplying the town of Johnstown. A probable scarcity of the water supply, induced by drought or otherwise, acts prejudicially on the works, inasmuch as a temporary suspension of operations in the steel mills must take place, so that the townspeople may not suffer through the scarcity. The blast furnaces of the company are not, as yet, in operation.

The vast majority of the blast furnaces throughout the State are blown out, but, as previously stated, active preparations are in progress for a vigorous fall trade.

### STATE NOTES.

John Welsh, at work at the Colorado colliery, owned by the Philadelphia Coal Company, by error of the engineer, was dumped to the bottom of the slope. He fell 195 feet, splitting his head in two and breaking every bone in his body. He had a wife and six children.

Thomas Reddy, of Phoenixville, swam two and a quarter miles in one hour and fifteen minutes, in the Schuylkill Canal, on Sunday. This is considered the greatest feat of the kind ever performed in that section.

The Mercer Dispatch says: There lives in Coolspring township an old settler, 95 years of age, who never, to this date, has seen a train of cars. Living under the same roof with him are four generations—this venerable sire, his daughter, granddaughter, and two great-granddaughters.

Ellis Terrill, a farmer living east of Linesville, Crawford county, was examined before U. S. Commissioner Force, at Erie last Tuesday, and held in \$5,000 bail on a charge of distilling and selling liquors on his premises without having paid the special taxes required by law. Terrill is a man nearly seventy years old and is said to be a large farmer.

An awful accident took place at Potstown, Pa., Thursday, July 7. About half past eleven o'clock, John Arms, a thirteen-years-old son of John W. Arms, of that borough, arose in a somnambulistic state, got out on the roof from a third-story dormer window, and fell headlong to the pavement below and sustained frightful injuries. He lingered until nine o'clock the following morning, when he died.

### GENERAL NOTES.

General Pope says the Kansas frontier is fully protected against hostile Indians by the troops.

Mrs. Mary Ann Harrison, aged 63, died on July 10 from gonorrhoeic Asiatic cholera, at her residence in Brooklyn.

Fires of burning kerosene, it is said, may be extinguished by throwing on flour.

The city of Chattanooga has voted to give \$100,000 to the Cincinnati Southern Railway.

M. L. Sullivan, of Ford county, Ill., has a single field of 20,000 acres that will produce over 1,000,000 bushels of corn this year.

Sixty thousand young shad, hatched by Seth Green, at Holyoke, Conn., have been placed in the Rock river at Rockford, Ill.

Loftus, who recently murdered his wife in Gravesville, Wis., pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to the State Prison for life.

The rumor from Washington of the intended resignation of Vice President Wilson, has no foundation in fact. Mr. Wilson's health is better now than ever since his illness.

James McCabs, a New York thief, robbed a jewelry store at Hartford, Conn., Tuesday, July 9th was caught and tried, and at 3 P. M. was sentenced to the State Prison for seven years.

The balloon monarch of the Air, containing James Allen of Providence, George A. Rogers and Charles H. Baldwin of Boston, made an ascension from Boston Common at half past five P. M. on Saturday, and landed at Point Shirley two hours afterwards.

The deficits in the First National Bank of New Bedford, Mass., caused by John P. Barker, cashier, have been made good by his friends, and no loss falls upon the bank. The defalcation is stated at \$20,000. Barker is nearly sixty years of age, and has been cashier about twenty years.

In some parts of the interior, the ripening of fruit is hastened by removing the earth around the trees to such an extent as to leave a depth of four or five feet of only about two to four inches, which could be thoroughly warmed by the sun.

In order to make the lowlands in Louisiana safe for residents, 1,500 miles of levee, or 50,000,000 cubic yards of wall will have to be built. The necessary repairs at crevasses alone are expected to cost \$3,000,000, of which Uncle Sam is expected to pay two-thirds.

The champion cow of the season turns up in Washington county, Tennessee, where she has given the immense yield of 2,040 pounds of milk in thirty days. The animal is an Ayrshire breed, and the smallest amount of milk given by her in a single day was found by accurate weight to be 57 pounds.

Early Sunday morning Mrs. John Meats residing about ten miles south of McConnellsburg, in this State, while laboring under a state of mental aberration, seized a gun, and while her husband was still sleeping shot and killed him instantly. She then with a razor inflicted a horrible wound upon the head and neck of one of her children, and with a pitchfork almost killed another. The children are in a critical condition.

A decision under the new bankrupt law has been made by Judge J. C. Hopkins, of the United States District Court for the Western district of Wisconsin, that adjudications conforming to the old law made before the passage of the amended act are not void thereby; that such adjudications partake of the nature of judgments, and cannot be set aside or altered by subsequent legislation; that the provisions in the amended act in regard to the number and amount of petitioning creditors do not apply to cases in advanced stage.

Alluding to the impression which seems to be prevalent in the East, that nearly the entire State of Minnesota is overrun with grasshoppers and the crops utterly destroyed, the St. Paul Press, of the 14th inst., published a statement showing that the total damage done by the grasshoppers' raid is equivalent simply to a loss of about one-twelfth of the usual crop, or about the same as it is the average yield throughout the State was diminished from any source something over 13 bushels per acre below the general average. It extends over only about one-tenth of the area of the State, and involves about one-thirtieth of the population. The crops outside of the devastated region promise a most abundant yield.

The terms of twenty-five Senators expire March 4, and nearly all the Legislatures which elect their successors are to be chosen this year. These Senators consist of seventeen Republicans, three Liberals, and five Democrats. Northward of Virginia and Ohio six Republicans and three Democrats retire. Two of their successors have been chosen. Hamilton, Democrat, of Maryland, to be succeeded by Whyte, Democrat, Backingham, Republican, of Connecticut, to be succeeded by Eaton, Democrat. Rhode Island has adjourned its wrangle to January. In New England, Hamilton, of Maine; Edmunds, of Vermont, and Washburn, of Massachusetts, expire. Fenton's time is out in New York, and the Republicans have a nominal majority of two in the Senate. Stockton, Democrat, of New Jersey, goes out, and the State is close. In Delaware Bayard, Democrat, goes out.

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