

State Democratic Ticket.

FOR CONGRESSMAN AT LARGE. GEORGE A. ALLEN, Erie, THOMAS P. MERRITT, Berks.

FOR SUPREME JUDGE. CHRISTOPHER HEYDRICK, Venango.

FOR ELECTORS AT LARGE. MORTIMER F. ELLIOTT, Tioga. JNO. C. BULLITT, Philadelphia. THOMAS B. KENNEDY, Franklin. DAVID T. WATSON, Allegheny.

FOR DISTRICT ELECTORS. Samuel G. Thompson, Clem'r. R. Wainwright, Adam S. Conway, Charles H. Lafferty, W. Redwood Wright, George R. Guss, John O. James, William Moran, James Duffey, Charles D. Breck, S. W. Trimmer, Samuel S. Leidy, Ann Lathrop, T. C. Hipple, Thomas Chalkant, W. D. Himmelright, P. H. Strubinger, H. B. Piper, Joseph D. Orr, Charles A. Eagan, Andrew A. Payton, John D. Braden, Michael Leibel, Thomas McDowell, J. K. P. Hall.

When Honesty Would Tell.

FERDINAND WARD, the Napoleon of Finance, who was the active manager of the firm of GRANT & WARD was released from prison on Saturday, having served the term of ten years less the time deducted for good behavior. He thought the cautionary suggestions customary on such occasions, were unnecessary, in his case, and protested that he came out poor and had no plans as to his future. But he was well-to-do relatives and, according to reports, takes rather a cheerful view of the future.

No doubt Mr. WARD was guilty of the offence for which he was punished, and equally no doubt he deserved the punishment which he endured. But there is a good deal of silly sentimentality abroad in regard to criminals of his type. Subordinate bank officials who commit crimes under the direction of their superiors are in many cases treated too leniently for the mistaken reason that they were obliged to break the law or else they would lose their situations. The man who commits crime under such conditions is as guilty as he who suggested it.

When a bank official directs his subordinate to violate the law, the time has arrived for resignation and exposure. A clerk who loses his place for that reason is not likely to be out of employment long, and one who retains the place by performing the forbidden act, is practically certain to lose his employment and his liberty, both, sooner or later, besides bringing disgrace on his family and distress to his friends.

If book-keepers and tellers and cashiers would make it a rule to resent propositions to commit crimes by which they have no pecuniary profit, presidents and directors would soon stop asking them to do it. There are a dozen or more bank officials in prison, in this State, now who are claiming sympathy on the ground that they were compelled to do evil in order to preserve the means of earning support for their families. But as a matter of fact they have been deprived of the opportunity to thus perform their duty to society and they have brought disgrace upon those whom they ought to have protected.

If the silver advocates, or rather the silver producers and the Farmers' Alliance men combine in the coming Presidential contest and put a ticket in the field, headed by one of the bonanza Kings there may be no outlook for fun in the future. It would be an incongruous combination, but then it is proverbial that politics make strange bed-fellows.

The Reading combine is likely to have trouble in Jersey and it is not certain that it will not encounter a snag or two in this State yet. Attorney General HENSEL is not given to head-long proceedings in such matters, but, like DAVY CROCKET, he goes ahead after he is sure he is right. Just now he is going ahead.

The Combine's Answer.

The answer of the Reading Railroad Company, the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and the other corporations, parties to the Reading combination, are just what might have been expected. That is to say the claim is set up that because the Reading and the Lehigh Valley roads are not parallel and for the reason that the Port Richmond and the Central railroad, of New Jersey, do not run side by side, the constitution of the State is not violated. Literally that is true, but in fact it is far from the condition existing.

If the Reading Railroad and the Port Richmond Railroad had been competing lines the fact that each had strengthened itself for the contest by adding to its mileage and tonnage would have been all right. The Cen-

tral Railroad of New Jersey and the Lehigh Valley are parallel lines, competing for the traffic of the anthracite coal field, and if the roads which absorbed them had occupied the same relations to each other good rather than harm would have resulted. Competition is the life of trade and an impossible conflict for the business of the district might have followed.

But unhappily such is not the case. The Reading Railroad and the Port Richmond though not identical in fact are so in effect, and are practically owned by the same people. The absorption therefore of the two lines by these friendly corporations creates a combination which is believed to be clearly in violation of the spirit of the Constitution, because it defeats the purpose for which the inhibition was put into the instrument.

The answers of the able lawyers, representing the corporation, to Attorney General HENSEL's complaint are strong and adroit, but they are not likely to deceive the Court. Judge SIMONTON has had shrewd lawyers before him often and is not easily fooled.

The erection of the GRANT monument in New York has at last begun and it is to be hoped that further progress will be less tardy. The metropolis owes to the country this tribute to the memory of the great Captain, and the snail's pace in which the work has thus far progressed was becoming scandalous.

If the coal trust meant to credit the poor buyers for their daily bucketful it could be forgiven.

A Terrible Accident.

A Pennsylvania and Northwestern Engine Explodes.—Engineer and Fireman Killed.—The Divulser Took Place at Irvonia Yesterday.—Two Other Men Were Injured.

ALTOONA, May 5.—The people of Altoona were startled yesterday afternoon by the report that the boiler of a locomotive engine on the Pennsylvania and Northwestern railroad had exploded in the yard at Irvonia, instantly killing the engineer and fireman.

"Engine No. 25, of the Pennsylvania and Northwestern railroad, blew up this morning at Irvonia, about two miles west of this place, and killed F. L. Moulton, the engineer, and Charles Ake, the fireman. Moulton was a married man and leaves a wife and family. Ake was a widower, with five children. Nothing was left of the engine but the drivers. No one knows the cause of the accident and it is not likely that any one ever will, but it is said the engine had been condemned and that it was making its last trip, the intention having been to give the unfortunate men a new engine to-morrow."

An Associated Press dispatch from Irvonia says the explosion occurred at 10.30 o'clock a. m., and that Fireman Ake's body was blown entirely through a box car. Engineer Moulton's body was found 100 yards from the scene of the explosion. Heavy pieces of iron, weighing from 200 to 500 pounds, were thrown into different portions of the town, some lodging a distance of a quarter of a mile from the spot where the engine had been standing. Fortunately no serious injury was done to any of the inhabitants or the buildings of the town. It was a startling and a terrible event, the recollection whereof will not soon fade from the memories of the people of Irvonia.

The Reading Combine.

Inter-State Commerce Commission Says It Has No Jurisdiction in the Matter.

WASHINGTON, May 3.—The House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce devoted its session to-day to the consideration of Representative Stout's resolution requesting the Interstate Commerce Commission to investigate the facts in the case of the Reading Railroad Company consolidation, and report whether such consolidation should not be prohibited by law.

The Interstate Commerce Commission has made the following reply to the committee: The act to regulate commerce does not give the Interstate Commerce Commission jurisdiction of matters which relate only to dealings between railroad companies. The magnitude of the railroad deal referred to is calculated to arouse grave apprehensions of resultant injuries to the public welfare, but until the attention of the commission is called to some contravention of the interstate commerce law caused or made possible by the combination of railroad interests no grounds appear to exist upon which an investigation of the consolidation could properly be instituted by the commission under that law.

The Revised Version.

From the Chicago Times. A Republican organ quotes the old saying "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad" as applicable to the sugar and coal trusts. The organ is informed that the cases are different. Whom the trusts would destroy they first make slaves. And when the slaves get mad they will destroy the trusts.

A Receiver Appointed.

HARRISBURG, May 2.—A decree was made by Judge McPherson to-day dissolving the insolvent Waynesboro Mutual Fire insurance company and appointing J. Harper Snyder receiver who is given power to assess the premium notes of the company to such an amount as may be necessary to pay the debts of the company.

On The Make.

Russell Harrison receives \$5,000 of Yellow Stone Park Association stock for Using his Influence to Secure Certain Leases from the Land Department at Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 30.—The question of the Yellowstone Park leases was again investigated by the House Public Land Committee this morning. Mr. E. C. Waters of Montana, for four years Manager of the Yellowstone Park Association, testifying. A letter was produced and read to the Committee by him, which was addressed to F. F. Oaks of St. Louis, and was in substance as follows:

"The party to whom the \$5,000 worth of Yellowstone Park Association stock is to go when paid in for in dividend is R. C. Kerens, of St. Louis. Will you please have Mr. Gibson, or the proper person, notify him of the situation namely that that amount is held by order of the Directors. My friend will probably explain to him as fully as he desires."

A member of the Committee asked witness to whom the term "my friend" referred, and witness replied that it was his lawyer. Witness was again asked to tell why the \$5,000 of stock was so promised, and for what purpose. In answer, Mr. Waters said he had come to Washington to secure certain leases from the then Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Vilas, but had accomplished nothing; and upon seeing that he could not get anything done, he said to Oaks that when another Administration came in he could get the matter through. He acknowledged an acquaintance with Russell Harrison, and said that at the time he thought he might interfere in the matter and help him to get things fixed up. Upon close questioning by a member of the Committee, witness said that the \$5,000 stock was intended for Russell Harrison, but that neither he (Harrison) nor Kerens knew anything about it. Mr. Harrison, however, was to give his aid purely for the public good, and did not know the stock was set aside for him until last spring when he had been told so.

Mr. Waters further said that he had never promised Russell Harrison the stock for his influence, and when he was told of it Mr. Harrison appeared very much embarrassed, and said he would not have the matter done for anything, Mr. Harrison told him, said Mr. Waters that he would see Secretary Noble and lay the matter before him; but whether that was ever done he did not know, as Mr. Gibson had come to Washington to attend to the matter, and stayed until it was concluded.

The Committee will continue the investigation Monday.

Verdict in the Case of Deeming.

Found Guilty of Murder and Declared Not to be Insane.—He Made a Speech of an Hour's Duration Without Signs of Nervousness. How He Murdered His Wife.

MELBOURNE, May 2.—The jury in the Deeming case returned a verdict to-day of guilty, and added that the prisoner was not insane.

The trial was resumed this morning. Dr. Springtharp related Deeming's explanation of how his wife had disappeared. Deeming said that while he and his first wife were living at Rainhill, near Liverpool, a man named Ben Young had told him that his (Deeming's) wife would leave him for fifty pounds. He paid the money and his wife left him. He supposed that Young had killed her while he (Deeming) was coming to Melbourne with his second wife (Miss Mather), for whose murder he is now on trial. His second wife, Deeming said, confessed that she was already married, and she left him in Melbourne because she was afraid of being implicated in the murder of his first wife. Deeming is noted for being a notorious liar, and the above is a fair specimen of his ability in that line. The fact is that the Rainhill murder was known to no one save Deeming until after it was known that he had killed his wife here. After further testimony by Dr. Springtharp that did not in any way tend to clear the prisoner of the crime charged against him, the defense announced that its case was closed.

When the sentence of death had been pronounced Deeming said that after his death the public would soon know his real history. It was better that the law should destroy him than that he should destroy himself. He would only like to know that Miss Rounzevell believed him innocent. In a strong voice he continued to ramble in a similar strain for a long time. Reaching the rails for support he concluded by swearing that he was innocent. He spoke altogether an hour, giving no sign of hesitation or nervousness. The Judge's summing up was strongly against the prisoner. While Deeming was speaking the scene was a weird one. Owing to the fading of daylight, gas and candles had to be lighted. The verdict was given at nearly 9 o'clock.

A Disastrous Cyclone.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 3.—A disastrous cyclone, destructive alike to property and life, last night struck the farming community of Texas, a village on the Missouri Pacific road ten miles southeast of Topeka. Two farmers named Paxton and Mitchell were killed, John P. Heill badly injured and may not recover, and his wife and child badly hurt. For a space of about two miles square the farms suffered severely. Many people were more or less injured. Hail fell in great quantity, destroying fruit prospects and breaking trees.

Burlington Route New Service.

The Burlington Route is the best railroad from Chicago and St. Louis to Kansas City, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Deadwood, Omaha and Denver. Through Sleeping Cars, Chicago to San Francisco via Denver, Leadville, Salt Lake City and Ogden; also one Chicago to Deadwood, S. D. All are equipped with Pullman Sleeping Cars, Standard Chair Cars (seats free) and meals served in Burlington Route Dining Cars. If you are going west take the BEST LINE.

Methodist Episcopal Conference in Session.

No Material Change to be Made in the Wording of the Discipline—A Deep Interest in the Epworth League and the Liquor Question.

OMAHA, May 3.—The afternoon session of the Methodist Episcopal conference was devoted to hearing of the report on constitution appointed four weeks ago, and the preliminary work of appointment of committees. Bishop Foss presided and Bishop Merrill called up the report of the committee. The report was read by Rev. Dr. Neely, of Philadelphia. After giving a brief review of the various meetings of the committee D. Neely presented the changes and recommendations suggested in the report.

Among other things suggested was a change on the arrangement of the discipline. No material change was recommended in the rules or in the wording of the discipline, but the committee thought the book could be arranged to much better advantage. The report also suggested that the date for opening the general conference be fixed on the first Wednesday in May every four years instead of the first day in May. It also recommends that the ministerial and lay delegates vote in the general conference on all questions except those intended to make a change in the organic law of the church.

A Minority Report Submitted.

At present the ministerial delegation vote first and the lay delegates follow. This plan has become quite unpopular among the lay delegates and the recommendation of the committees on this point will probably meet with approval. The report also recommends that no annual conference shall be organized with less than thirty traveling ministers, and with concurrent vote of three-fourths of the delegates and of all the annual conferences to make changes in the organic law of the church.

Colonel John Ray, a member of the committee, submitted a minority report upon a few points. The reports were ordered printed and will be taken up as special order next Tuesday at ten o'clock. In addition to the usual standing committees the conference decided to have several special committees.

A committee consisting of one from each annual conference was appointed on temperance and overthrow of the liquor traffic, and a committee of equal size was appointed on the Epworth league. The discussion of these two subjects indicated that the conference is very deeply interested in both subjects and radical action is anticipated.

A Vital Arm of the Church.

Many of the delegates declare that the temperance cause was one of the most important matters to be considered by the conference, and the Epworth league had become one of the vital arms of the church and should be fittingly recognized by the conference.

A special committee was also appointed to consider the order of deaconesses. A resolution was passed returning thanks to the citizens of Omaha, and especially to the mayor and city council, for the magnificent reception tendered the conference delegates on Monday night. The conference accepted the invitation of the citizens of Lincoln and the president of the Nebraska Wesleyan university to visit Lincoln on May 7. A great mass meeting was held to-night in the interest of the church extension work. Bishop Foss presided and addresses were made by Dr. Kynett and Dr. Spencer, of Philadelphia.

He Loved and Lost.

And With a Sharp Razor Shortened His Road to Glory.

SUNNER, Ill., May 3.—A most sensational suicide occurred at Landes, a small town north of this city, last night due to unrequited love. For nearly two years past Theodore Baker, son of William H. Baker, of Willow Hill, Ill., has been paying court to Miss Lulu Paddock, daughter of Henry Paddock, of Landes, and from all appearances was her accepted suitor. At 7 o'clock yesterday evening Baker called on Miss Paddock, but did not enter the house. They remained outside on the porch where he pressed his suit ardently, but to all his pleadings Miss Paddock replied his nay, saying she could never marry him.

When young Baker took his departure Miss Paddock retired to her room and a few minutes later was terror-stricken at the sight of her unlucky lover suitor staggering into her bed chamber with five ghastly gashes in his throat and the blood streaming on the floor. Upon reaching the room he fell full length at her feet, dying before a physician could be summoned. The weapon used was a razor.

Ward's Mysterious Disappearance.

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California Republicans for Free Silver.

STOCKTON, Cal., May 4.—The resolutions adopted by the Republican convention to-day declare for silver equally with gold to be the money of the people, and demand the passage of such laws as will provide for the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

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union of the church north and south is drifting closer and closer and that the north still held out its hand of welcome.

The conference held a session this afternoon for the special purpose of organizing the committees. Fourteen standing committees and several special committees were appointed. This occupied the entire time of the afternoon session. A mass meeting was held to-night in Exposition hall in the interest of the Freedman's Aid and Southern Educational society. Bishop Walden presided. Addresses were delivered by Rev. J. C. Hartzell and Dr. W. A. Spencer.

Fales Admits His Guilt.

He Displays Great Nerve Without Having Any Appearance of Bravado.

NEWARK, May 4.—Adam Fales, the self-confessed murderer of Thomas Hayden, was brought before Criminal Judge Hayes this morning and again admitted his guilt. He retold the story of the murder with the same self-possession displayed last night. He said that he struck Hayden four times with the bale stick and then chloroformed him. The prisoner told Superintendent Brown where the chloroform bottle and the handkerchief which he had used could be found at his home, and also showed a large blood stain on his jacket.

The boy is cool and displays great nerve without having any appearance of bravado. He did not weaken until a formal charge of murder was made against him this morning, but then turning to Superintendent Brown appealingly he said:

"It is not as bad as that, is it? I did not mean to kill him." The boy's mother became hysterical this morning when she learned of the grave charge against her son. Her two brothers are notorious criminals. The woman's supreme effort for years has been to keep her boy from following the example of her uncles. Fales will be sixteen years of age on May 26. In his room were found a new revolver and six packages of cartridges.

Not Yet Satisfied.

Allegheny Democrats Will Still Further Test the Baker Ballot Reform Law.

PITTSBURG, May 4.—The decision of Chief Justice Paxson in declaring the Baker ballot bill constitutional has not discouraged the Allegheny Democrats, who, after the recent mayoralty election in Allegheny, decided to test the constitutionality of the new election law. W. J. Brennan, the attorney for the Allegheny Democrats, will, he says, carry up to the same court several points upon which he will ask that the supreme judges pass.

At the Allegheny election Lee Frasher was allowed to take with him into the election both a citizen of his district for the purpose of attesting his signature on his ballot. Alex Wilson was refused the privilege on the ground that the law did not permit him to do so. It is argued that if the law prevented Mr. Wilson from taking a witness into the booth then Mr. Frasher violated the law, and to guarantee a friendly test of the law they have decided to arrest Mr. Frasher and charge him with violating the election laws. The court will then be called upon to pass on that specific point. Other points will, at the same time, be raised. Among them will be the point that the provisions in the bill for a secret ballot are not stated in the title of the act.

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Flocking to see Mollinger.

Newcomers Visit the Faith Cure Priest and Bow to the Shrine of St. Anthony.

PITTSBURG, May 4.—The lame, the halt and the blind are again coming into the city in large numbers to see Father Mollinger, the faith cure priest and to bow at the shrine of St. Anthony in the chapel on Troy hill. Most of the newcomers are from the South, and some of them are so weak that they cannot walk and have to be hauled about in invalid chairs. Tennessee and Kentucky furnish a great many patients for the reverend gentleman, as he is said to have made some cures among the afflicted in that portion of the country.

Thus far this season no remarkable cures have been reported. However, many that were here last year have not lost faith in Father Mollinger and will return this year. Boarding houses in the neighborhood of the priest's residence are rapidly filling up with patients, and many more will soon come to be present during the St. Anthony's day festivities and ceremonies.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

ATTEMPTED BANK ROBBERY AT CENTRE HALL.

—On Wednesday night about one o'clock, C. O. Deining, one of the clerks who sleeps in the rear room of the Penna Valley Banking company's house, was awakened by the barking of a dog and looking through to the counting room of the bank he discovered a man's head just coming through the transom. A shot from his revolver struck the iron bar on which the would be robber was resting his head, but it was close enough to scare him off, for, dropping his chisels and a jimmy, he fled.

MARRIAGE LICENSES GRANTED.

—Following is a list of marriage licenses granted during the past week: Samuel O. Wate, of Loganton, Clinton county, and Barbara J. Wohlert, of Wolf's Store.

Con. Martin and Fannie Meese, both of Bellefonte.

Jesse Kreamer and Annie R. Miller, both of Millheim.

George W. Smith and Ida M. Wian, both of Spring twp.

Robert H. Yeger, of DuBois, and Bertha B. Harshberger, of Philipsburg.

John Graden, of Gregg twp, and Ella Greeninger, of Miles twp.

J. Walter Singer, of Cambria Co., and Clara B. Sayers, of Jacksonville.

Harry B. Miller and Sadie Greeninger, both of Spring Mills.

HE THOUGHT HIS BIRD HAD FLOWN.

—During the early part of last week Michael Beizer, a former resident of this community, married a fair York county girl and started journeying to visit his relatives hereabouts. When the happy pair arrived at Tyrone they were met by Lewis Beizer, a brother of the groom who came on from Altoona to accompany them to this place. During the wait, in Tyrone, the groom left his bride to purchase something at a store near by, and while absent she and her brother-in-law boarded the valley train, which pulled out promptly. The benedict returning, saw nothing of the couple he had left but a few moments before. Naturally enough he became frantic and at once appealed to train dispatcher E. W. Stine, who, in the generosity of his large heart and for pity on the unfortunate young lord and master, telegraphed to hold the valley train at Vail until the arrival of the Tyrone and Clearfield train, a few minutes later. The young husband shed tears of joy when he once more beheld his blooming spouse, and united once again they came on their way rejoicing.

A FRENCH ASSAULT.

—On last Sunday morning Noah Confer, a little dutchman who has been working for James Davison, on the farm owned by ex-sheriff Kline, just below town, made an assault upon the 9 year old ward of his employer. The little girl was in a very precarious condition, but is getting over the awful ravage of her assailant's brutal passion.

On Sunday morning Mr. Davison expressed his intention of going away with his wife, to spend part of the day. The child was to be left at home and it must have been then, that the hellish idea came into Confer's head, for he told Mr. Davison to chase some boys, from this place, who were gathered in the barn, away lest they do some damage. But he was told that the boys would not hurt anything and Mr. Davison and wife then departed. Confer went out to the barn and talked to the boys, who were there, with Amos Wilson, a colored lad also an employee on the farm, a little while, then started back to the house. "Was not long until the screams, coming from the house, attracted their attention, whereupon they all ran in and caught the villain in the very act of his crime. Wilson grabbed a large club and it is said would have killed the miscreant had not the others interfered. He was then locked up in a room in the house, but subsequently escaped and came up to McCulley's lively stable where he slept all night. Monday morning he was arrested and taken to jail to await a trial.

He had just served a sentence in the county jail for a similar offence and no punishment can be too severe for such a depraved thing.