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Democratic State Ticket.

For Treasurer—**FRANK C. OSBORN**, of Allegheny.
For Supreme Judge—**SAMUEL GUSTINE THOMPSON**, of Philadelphia.

Democratic County Ticket.

For Sheriff—**J. P. CONDO**.
For Treasurer—**JOHN Q. MILES**.
For Register—**GEO. W. RUMBERGER**.
For Recorder—**W. GALER MORRISON**.
For Commissioners—**GEO. L. GOODHART**,
T. FRANK ADAMS,
W. W. BOYLES.
For Auditors—**H. W. BICKLE**,
W. W. BOYLES.
Surveyor—**W. N. GROVE**.
Coroner—**DR. G. S. FRANK**.

Elect Democratic County Commissioners.

The idea of a Republican Board of Commissioners having charge of Centre county's finances is a very repugnant one to those who remember the extravagant administration of that Republican Board during the years of 1888, '89 and '90. If there had never been a Republican official elected there would be less ground for serious doubt and possibly the people would not look upon a change with the same forbidding of evil. But in Centre county the tax payers have had experience, dear too it was, and it is but natural that they should look to their own interests by electing men whom they can trust.

The condition of the county can ill afford experiments, such as the election of Republican Commissioners would be, and as the best alternative is to elect Messrs. GOODHART and ADAMS we advise all taxpayers, who desire to see the business of the county conducted on an economic plan, to vote for them.

Aside from the natural distrust, which the three years of awful extravagance which characterized the HENDERSON rule, has created in the minds of the people of Centre county, there are many other reasons why the Democratic nominees merit, and should have, the hearty support of all. First of these is the fact that they have been tried and have proven themselves thoroughly capable and honest officials.

Second, they took hold of the county affairs in January 1891 to find a burden of debt to the amount of \$5,267.63 on the county. Instead of piling up more, as their Republican predecessors had done, they went to work to reduce. What was the result? In two years time they had not only paid off the Republican debt of \$5,267.63 but were able to show a surplus in the Treasury, in January 1st, 1893, of \$6,880.90. Making an entire gain in two years of \$12,148.53. They did not do this at the sacrifice of other county business, but made expenditures for bridges and various other improvements of a more beneficial kind than their predecessors.

Third, they made numerous and expensive improvements on the Court House; were subjected to the burden of establishing the new BAKER system of voting in the county, which in its consummation involved an enormous expense; and built several much needed bridges. They did not do this by increasing the millage, but by the economic conduct of the county's finances.

Fourth, they are men who have been tried and their record is before the people to-day as clean as can be. There is no doubt about it and the comparison is only made the brighter when the facts are known about the Republicans who held sway from 1888 to 1891.

It should be a matter of grave importance to our tax payers to pay attention to their own interests and vote for men who have been tried. They are the ones of whom you can feel certain and not the fellows who aspire to succeed the two officials who came near running the county into bankruptcy.

When HENDERSON and DECKER were elected in 1888 they found a surplus in the Treasury, left there by Democratic officers, of \$24,098.83. Gross mismanagement, and reckless extravagance made away with that enormous amount of the tax payer's money in less than two years and when they were called to account for it in the Fall of 1890 an overwhelming vote turned them out of the office they had disgraced.

Do you, tax payers of Centre county, want to run the risk of another such gang. If not vote for GOODHART and ADAMS, the Democratic candidates. Men whom you know to be careful, honest and economical.

Vote for RUMBERGER for Register.

International Anomalies.

The excessive hospitality lavished by the French upon their Russian naval visitors had something about it that bordered closely on the ridiculous, but in considering this episode the fact should be taken into account that French conduct is not to be judged by comparison with the conduct of any other people, for the mercurial Gauls are a peculiarly impressive and excitable race, and their present international situation increases their susceptibility to the attractiveness of their Russian friends.

Ever since her overwhelming defeat by the Germans France has held an isolated position among the nations of Europe. She had apparently no friends and experienced, until very recently, the distressful want of an ally to which she might look for assistance should she have further trouble with her powerful neighbors. Standing alone, as she did, she was over-matched by the triple combination of Germany, Austria and Italy arrayed against her.

From this untoward and discouraging situation she has at last been relieved by gaining a friend and ally in Russia, and, from the backing she can expect in that quarter, she feels in condition to hurl defiance at her hated enemies, and to meet them on the battlefield with reasonable confidence of success, if her difference with them should be submitted to the bloody test of hostile operations.

Is it any wonder then that the French are effusive in their attention to allies whom they stand so much in need of, and that they showered their blandishments upon such welcome guests? Under the circumstances their enthusiasm over their Russian visitors is relieved of the charge of being ridiculous by the fact that it was a manifestation of their intense patriotism.

The circumstance of the great European republic fraternizing with the great European despotism may be made the subject of criticism, but France could not be scrupulous in her choice when a friend was so greatly needed. As an example of ill assorted friendship is there not something of a parallel in the peculiarly friendly relations existing between the republic of the United States and the despotic government of Russia? Such attachments are anomalies in international relationship, entirely explicable in the French instance.

At the top of the column marked "Democratic" you will see a circle. The proper thing for all Democrats to do is to put a cross mark within that circle. By so doing you will vote a straight Democratic vote.

The tragic death of Mayor CARTER HARRISON, of Chicago, at the point of an assassin's pistol though a shock to the world will hardly be called a genuine surprise. Inasmuch as he had been in a position of great prominence for months before his death, by reason of the mayoralty of the World's Fair city, it can hardly be denied that more than once the eyes of the nation were drawn to him. The mind of the fanatic, deceased and the hot-bed of terrible impulses, along with the rest was centered upon the honorable gentleman who found it his duty to welcome potentates from almost every country on the globe. The outcome was but the sequence of fanatical resolution. A man both useful and honorable died as the sacrifice of one whom no plea of insanity should save from the hangman's noose.

Vote for MORRISON for Recorder.

It may appear that we are spending much time and space in our endeavor to have every Democrat in Centre county go out to the polls and vote a straight ticket, but Democrats stand more in need of attending the election this Fall than they have done in many years before. Our party is being unjustly charged with the present depressed condition of the country, which is due entirely to Republican enactments which we have not yet had time to change, and it is the duty of every Democrat to repudiate such malicious charges by voting the straight ticket and re-affirming that Democratic principles are the ones needed for proper government.

The election of Democratic Commissioners insures careful and economic administration of the county's business. The election of Republican Commissioners would leave room for grave doubt as to whether we would not have the same mismanagement and extravagance that characterized the incumbency of former Republicans. Do not hesitate; but be assured of a good thing by voting for GOODHART and ADAMS.

Falsehoods Exposed.

The Gazette's Charges Against John Q. Miles Shown to be Untrue and the Dirty Work of Irresponsible Political Enemies.

Last week's Gazette contains about a column of statements and affidavits reflecting upon the character of Mr. JOHN Q. MILES, the Democratic candidate for county Treasurer, which Mr. FIEDLER, its editor, now avers he would not have published had he known their untruthfulness or understood the animus that instigated their authors. It is not for the WATCHMAN to stoop to reply to every allegation that irresponsible and untruthful people may make, concerning their political opponents, but upon the eve of an election, at which an effort is being made to place the Republican party in charge of the offices of the county, we do not propose that falsehoods, such as the Gazette has given circulation to, shall go uncontradicted.

The truth is that the whole column of stuff referred to is furnished by three personal enemies of Mr. MILES, who hope by downright lying to deceive the public and prejudice voters against casting their ballots for him.

The first charge, by one "A. C. WILLIAMS," a bitter and unrelenting Republican, that he heard him, on the 16th day of May, make disparaging remarks about the people of Pennsylvania, is, we are authorized to state, an unmitigated and unfounded lie. WILLIAMS neither saw nor spoke to Mr. MILES at the time stated, nor has the latter ever expressed himself as charged. Mr. MILES says he has never received any but the kindest and most gentlemanly treatment from the people of Pennsylvania, and he has always entertained and expressed the highest opinion of the intelligence, hospitality and democracy of the citizens of that valley. The fact that Mr. MILES received more votes, throughout that valley, at the primaries, than any other candidate for Treasurer, shows the feeling the Democracy of that side entertain for him, and a barefaced lie, such as this creature WILLIAMS starts out, will fool no Pennsylvania Democrat nor will his appeal to voters to cast their ballots for COMLEY assist that derider of the christian religion and of church going people in securing the support of the honest voters of the county.

The affidavits of a simple minded, worthless fellow named RICHARDS and attested by a blathering, loud mouthed Republican named JONES, that, "at the funeral of Mrs. NANCY JONES at Martha Furnace," Mr. MILES should have made a remark disrespectful of the church in which the ceremonies were being held, is proven to be false by the fact that the funeral of Mrs. JONES did not take place at Martha Furnace, as they swear it did, but at Port Matilda. Men who will swear to what is not correct in one thing will do the same as to another, and the individual is hard up for something to believe who will put credence in an affidavit that carries a lie on the face of it.

The last charge, made by some one who is ashamed to father his own statement and slinks out of its authorship under the signature of "HUSTON TOWNSHIP VOTER," to the effect that in a hunting camp in the Alleghenies, Mr. MILES sacrilegiously administered the sacrament, is effectually branded and proven a villainous and cowardly lie by the following affidavit, of two reputable and respectable Republican neighbors of Mr. MILES who were with him at the time referred to:

STATE OF PENNA.) ss.
Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for Centre county, the undersigned citizens of Huston township, in said county of Centre, who upon their solemn oaths do say, that we have been personally acquainted with John Q. Miles, now the candidate of the Democratic party for Treasurer, for a long time, that we were with him every time he was in the hunting camp, we further say, that at no time, and upon no occasion, did Mr. Miles conduct, or attempt to conduct a communion service in camp, or any where else, as alleged in a letter published in the Gazette of Oct. 27th, 1893. We also declare that such thing could not have been done, or attempted to be done, without our knowledge, as we were in the camp every time Mr. Miles was there. We pronounce every statement in the letter signed by Huston township voter as wickedly false.

SWORN and subscribed before me, this 27th day of Oct. 1893.

W. S. WILLIAMS, J. P.

MARTIN COWHER, [SEAL]
G. G. FINK, [SEAL]

We are glad to know that the better class of Republicans repudiate efforts of the kind to which reference is made above, and that while a few Republican scallwags may glory in such dirty work, reputable and decent men belonging to the same party will show their condemnation of such efforts, by voting for Mr. MILES.

From one of the leading Republicans of Worth township, a gentleman who writes us that we can use his name if we see proper, the following note was received on Tuesday.

Port Matilda, Oct. 31, 1893.

EDITOR WATCHMAN:

As a Republican of Worth

township, I think it my duty to give you some of Mr. J. Q. Miles' good traits. He is by no means deserving of the abuse he has had from others. We who know him personally and well are glad to testify that he is a different man. He is an honest, hard working farmer. Those whom he employs, he pays well, a fact that cannot be stated of his competitor. He contributes liberally, considering his circumstances, to all benevolent and charitable purposes, and has helped to erect a fine church in our midst.

He is a friendly, accommodating gentleman who will do a favor for any one at any time he can, and the charges against him, I venture to say, are the results of personal spite more than anything else.

A great many of us feel like taking him by the hand and assisting him in his contest, as we admire and respect him, and many of us who have never before voted for a Democrat expect to cast our ballots for him because we know him to be worthy of our support and feel that he will make a creditable official.

A WORTH TOWNSHIP REPUBLICAN.

Get Out the Vote.

Democrats of Centre county, the question for you now to determine is, will you poll the full Democratic vote in your respective districts? It is a more important question than many of you may imagine.

Last fall the country voted that it was tired and sick of Republican rule: It voted to get rid of Republican methods and vicious Republican legislation. Under our system of government changes cannot be made in a day. Until the Democrats have time to change the laws, and have had opportunity to enact wholesome and needed legislation, we cannot expect a change of times or the betterment of the condition of those who need it so much.

Those whom we have placed in power are doing their best to carry out the pledges we made. We must sustain them now by our votes. Any falling off in the Democratic vote, will be charged by Republicans to a lack of faith, on the part of the people, in the Democratic administration. It will weaken and discourage those who are fighting for the interest of the people and for the principle of democracy.

A short Democratic vote in the county, also gives the Republicans hope of success. It is not many years ago since you had a dose of local Republican rule. Those of us who live in Bellefonte have it all the time. We pay as taxes 33 mills on the dollar, on one valuation because of that rule. The few years they controlled the county finances, they made rapid strides toward rolling up your taxation to the same high point. Do you want more of that kind of management?

If not, get down to work and arrange to have every vote at the polls. You will find the Republicans out in force. They hope to catch you napping. They want to steal into power again, and then jibe and insult and tax you.

It won't cost you much time or any money to see that your neighbors are gotten to the polls. If this is done there will be no question about the result in the county, and it will be a satisfaction to know that you have done your duty.

A good county Surveyor is what the county wants. Voters do not care to have a school boy looking after the engineering business of the county and consequently will vote for W. W. GROVE. He is a man thoroughly capable and trustworthy. Vote for him.

As an old line Democrat there is one man on our ticket whose name is familiar to every voter in the county. It is that of Geo. W. RUMBERGER who has stuck to the party through thick and thin and now comes before it, justly asking the support of everyone. As a man there need be nothing said of him because no one speaks unless it is of highest commendation. As an office holder he will carry the same integrity and faithfulness into public duty that has always characterized his private life. He is a poor man and as such is a poor man's friend. He was once clerk to the Board of Commissioners in the county, an office which he filled to the satisfaction of all. Mr. RUMBERGER is in every way qualified to fill the office of Register with dignity and efficiency and we hope that the Democrats will give that rousing majority that every good man has a right to expect.

Dr. GEORGE S. FRANK, of Millheim, the Democratic candidate for Coroner is a physician who is well known and thoroughly trusted in his own community. He is a man who has been a life long Democrat and as such expects the support of his party. Nothing can be said to Dr. FRANK's discredit for he has always lived an honorable, christian life. The office of Coroner may seem to you to be an unimportant one, but the Democracy has nominated an excellent man for it just to complete the excellent ticket in the field. Vote for Dr. FRANK for Coroner.

Vote for GROVE for Surveyor.

To The Old Soldier.

A fact that the old soldiers of the county, who want to stand by a comrade, should remember, is, that JOHN Q. MILES is one of them. He took his chances along with the rest of the boys, following the "old flag" for three years and returned home after the expiration of his term of enlistment with an honorable discharge, and a record for good service that he has reason to be proud of. You don't hear Republicans, who are always shouting for the old soldier when they have one on the ticket, saying a word about "army records," "bravery," "risking life for the country" and "protecting the old flag," this fall. The reason is, they turned down the only old soldier who desired to be placed upon their ticket, Capt. STEVENS, and made up a ticket of men who believed the war was necessary and right, but were afraid to go to the front. Their principle fight has been on Mr. MILES who was a soldier. They are resorting to every means to defeat him and to put in his place a stay at home who, while professing to favor the war, took good care to keep out of danger, and now comes forward asking old soldiers to vote for him in preference to standing by a comrade.

W. GALER MORRISON, the Democratic candidate for Recorder, is a man who needs no praise of ours to recommend him for the office he aspires to fill. His three years service for the county is the best endorsement he could have and he invites a careful investigation into the manner in which his office has been conducted, not fearing that the result of such an investigation will leave anything other than the most favorable impression as to his competency. If Mr. MORRISON had not been a life long resident of the county there would be necessity for us to tell you who he is, but as it is such would be an old story. He has taught school or traveled in almost every community and to know him is to be acquainted with an honest, hard working man, who not only merits the full party vote, but will draw largely from the Republicans who appreciate worth when they see it.

The Wage Earner's Journal, of Philipsburg, is no more but in its stead there has come to our desk the Bituminous Record, a really excellent seven column quarto that is a credit to brother KINSLOR its publisher. A neat new dress and the evidence of typographic skill make it one of the best looking exchanges on our list. Owing to the inconvenience occasioned by the similarity of its name with another journal of Philipsburg, Mr. KINSLOR decided to change the title of his paper and when once started at the head he did not stop until there was a transformation all over it. WILLIS CLARK has taken charge of the editorial department and W. A. KINSLOR will manage the paper.

There seems to be no doubt that our candidates for Auditors, Messrs. BICKLE and ROYER will be elected. Vote for them so you can rejoice with the rest of the good Democrats when the election is over.

Vote for CONDO for Sheriff.

Sherman Act Repealed.

The Wilson Bill as Amended by Mr. Voorhees Passed the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Repeal has won; the purchasing clause of the Sherman law has been rendered unable to any more harm. At 7:25 p. m. by a vote of 43 to 32 the senate, after one of the most remarkable and memorable parliamentary battles of a generation passed the bill unconditionally repealing the purchase clause of the Sherman silver law.

The end was reached at the conclusion of a continuous session of 14 days, after 61 days of debate, during which five volumes of the Congressional Record had been filled with speeches, amounting in the aggregate to about 20,000,000 words, a stream of talk that would stretch in cold type from the seaboard 1,600 miles into the interior, from the statue of Liberty Enlightening the World in New York harbor to the foothills of the Rocky mountains.

Of the forty-three senators who voted for repeal twenty-four were Republicans and nineteen were Democrats. Of the thirty-two who voted against repeal twelve were Republicans and seventeen were Democrats. A large number of senators were paired.

After the vote on the amended bill had been announced Mr. Voorhees then moved that the senate adjourn until tomorrow at 12 o'clock and at 7:30 p. m. for the first time since October 16, the senate adjourned. The bill will go to the house tomorrow.

FINAL PASSAGE OF SILVER REPEAL BILL.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The final legislative touches were put on the silver purchase repeal bill in the house today. It was taken up soon after the reading of the journal, and was, after a series of abortive attempts at obstruction, and after a half hour's discussion, the time being parcelled out to some half dozen speakers, steered to a final vote by Mr. Wilson, of West Virginia, who had charge of it. A motion by Mr. Bland, of Missouri, to refer it to the committee on coinage, with in-

structions, was voted down—yeas, 109; nays, 175, and then the senate substitute was concurred in—yeas, 193; nays, 94. The close of the long contest was witnessed by a short speech from Mr. Allen, of Mississippi, returning thanks in a comic manner to the friends who had supported him in the fight, and had enabled him to accomplish what he had desired.

SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT.

The president signed the repeal bill at exactly half past 4 o'clock this afternoon, one hour and thirty-five minutes after its passage. It was brought to the White House by Representative Albert J. Pearson, of Ohio, chairman of the house committee on enrolled bills, who made the trip from the capitol on a cable car. Mr. Pearson reached the White House about 4:25 and was immediately admitted to the president's office while the president was examining the figures of the revised vote on the final passage of the measure. Secretary Carlisle and Attorney General Olney were present when the president attacked his signature.

Mr. Carlisle hurried over to the White House to see the final act in the repeal legislation, while Mr. Olney had dropped in to consult the president on a matter affecting his department. When Mr. Pearson presented the enrolled copy of the bill to the president, explaining what it was, Mr. Cleveland immediately took up his pen and wrote these words in the lower left hand corner: "Approved, Nov. 1, 1893. Grover Cleveland." And the bill became a law.

Tomorrow the act will be entered upon the official record at the White House and the engrossed measure will be sent to the state department for permanent keeping.

ANALYSIS OF THE RESULT.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1.—The yeas and nays vote on the motion to concur in the senate amendments, substantially on the passage of the bill, was announced by the speaker as yeas 191, nays 94. The count by official reporters made the vote 192 yeas and 94 nays. Afterwards Mr. Somers, by unanimous consent, was permitted to have his vote recorded, which made the totals, yeas 193, nays 94. The Wilson bill passed the house Aug. 26 by a vote of 239 yeas and 108 nays.

The following pairs were announced from the desk: McMillan with Barrows; Simpson with Gillett, of Massachusetts; Enloe with Boutelle; Russell, of Georgia, with Bartoldt; O'Ferrall with Hedburn; Lawson with Towney; Goodnight with Stephenson; Conn with Childs; Page with Pickler; Coffey with Lacey; Breckinridge, of Kentucky, with O'Neill, of Pennsylvania; Lester with Northway; Abbott with Walker; Pendleton, of Texas, with Neal; Hare with Loud; Hayes with Powers, of California; Woodward with Henderson, of Illinois; Hatch with Cousins; Bankhead with Gear; Hooker, of Mississippi, with Goosener; Graham with Van Voorhis, of Ohio; Ellis, of Kentucky, with Dalzell; Brattan with Dooliver; Wise with Story.

Of those who voted to concur in the senate amendments the following representatives previously voted to recommit the bill with Mr. Bland's instructions to incorporate the free coinage act of 1837: Alderson, Black, of Georgia; Brockshire, Cannon, of California; Donovan, Edmunds, Gardner, Geary, Holman, Hunter, of Illinois; Marshall, Herdith, Richardson, of Michigan; Swanson, Taylor, of Indiana; Turpin, Taylor and Whiting, Democrats, and Post, Republican.

The following, all Republicans voted against the bill and also against the motion to recommit; Cannon, of Illinois; Cainer, Lucas, Micklejohn, Smith, Hopkins, of Pennsylvania, also a Republican voted against the motion to concur, but for the motion to recommit.

The following did not vote at all on the motion to recommit, but voted to concur in the senate amendments: Gardner, Scranton, White and Wright, of Pennsylvania, Republicans, and Weadock, Democrat.

The following on the motion to recommit but are not recorded as voting on the motion to concur: Kerr, of New York, Republican, and Mc Millen and Neill, Democrats.

Of those voting yeas 124 were Democrats and 69 Republicans.

The Pennsylvania members voting yeas were: Democrats—Belzhoover, Erdman, Hines, Kribbs, McAteer, Mutebber, Reilly, Sipe, Wolverton. Republicans—Bingham, Boetius, Harmer, Lilly, Mason, McDowell, Phillips, Ryburn, Scranton, C. Stone, W. A. Stone, Wanger, Woomer, Wright.

Of those voting nays 69 were Democrats, 18 Republicans and 7 Populists. Pennsylvania members voting nays were: Democrat, Sibley; Republican, Hopkins.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT THIS WEEK.

The action of the house on the repeal bill naturally stimulated the expectation of an early adjournment of congress. It has been arranged that the committees on rules of the senate and house should come together at 3 o'clock this afternoon to fix upon the date when the special session shall close. House committee failed to go over to the senate however, and the senate committee, after discussing the subject informally, decided to leave to the house the selection of the time of the adjournment. The members of the house committee on rules will probably get together tomorrow morning and arrange the program, which, it is now believed, will contemplate final adjournment on Friday.

Prendergast Sleeps Well.

CHICAGO, Oct. 31.—Patrick Eugene Prendergast, the assassin slept well in the Cook county jail last night. He was astir early this morning and after eating a hearty breakfast he was taken into the big cage and in company with a guard on either side, he walked around the enclosure for some time. The exercise brightened him up and he began to talk. His conversation was confined to inquiries about the jail, the number of prisoners, etc. The interrogatories were answered by the guards in a general way, who paid little attention to Prendergast's talk.

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