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STATE DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Governor,
WILLIAM M. SINGERLY,
of Philadelphia.

For Lieutenant Governor,
JOHN S. RILLING,
of Erie.

For Auditor General,
DAVID F. MAGEE,
of Lancaster.

For Secretary of Internal Affairs,
WALTER W. GREENLAND,
of Clarion county.

For Congressman-at-Large,
THOS. COLLINS,
of Centre county.

HENRY MEYER,
of Allegheny county.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

For Congress—**AARON WILLIAMS,**
For State Senator—**MATT. SAVAGE,**
For President Judge—**CALVIN M. BOWER,**
For Legislators—**JAMES SCHOFIELD,**
ROBERT M. FOSTER.
For Jury Commissioner—**JOSEPH J. HOY.**
For Associate Judge—**THOMAS F. RILEY.**

What the People's Interest Requires.

The people for their own interest require that further disturbance about the tariff should cease and that business should resume its accustomed course under existing fiscal regulations. SHERMAN, REED and HARRISON agree in this opinion, as shown by recent expressions, that there is no use to continue the disturbance—that it had better be stopped. MCKINLEY, who is personally interested, and HASTINGS, who doesn't know any better, are the only conspicuous Republicans that are bawling for MCKINLEYISM.

The people have it in their power to stop further trouble on the tariff question by maintaining the Democratic majority in Congress. They cannot afford to run the risk of another MCKINLEY uprising. For this reason every district represented by a Democrat should again send a Democrat to the House of Representatives. The Pennsylvania Democrats should determine to hold every one of their districts, and if possible, to add to the number of their Representatives. An infamous Republican gerrymander has limited the representation that they should have but they should resolve, in the interest of industrial peace and business restoration, that there shall be no diminution of their congressional representation.

In this district there is not a citizen who is not really and substantially interested in sending plain, practical and common sense AARON WILLIAMS to Congress, in preference to a MCKINLEYITE. At his hands neither the business interests of his constituents, nor the principles of his party, will suffer any injury, but will be sustained to the full extent of his honest purpose and practical ability.

Unfit to Represent the County.

If there is any reason why HARRY CURTIN should be elected to represent the Democratic people of this county in the Legislature, we certainly have failed to see or hear it. His qualifications are not such as to make it an inducement for any man to vote for him. His politics has been of that kind that no Democrat is under any obligation to him. A few years ago, before he had ever cast a vote or spent a penny for the party, he came knocking at the Democratic door, and wanted to be nominated as the Democratic candidate for Legislature. Upon its refusal to honor him with that position he went back, like the pig to its wallow, to his own party and has since that been putting in his time filling Republican offices and abusing the Democracy. A man who would betray his own party as HARRY CURTIN was willing to betray his for a Democratic nomination, only a few years ago, is not the kind of a man that anybody wants to trust as a Representative. Voters of all parties will do well to stay clear of him.

Republican manufacturers who for political reasons don't want to put their works in full blast before the election, find themselves overtaken by orders for goods which they are unprepared to fill. It must be embarrassing to them to make their business subserve their party interest; but wait until after the election and you will see how their factories will boom.

It is rather late for TOM REED and BEN HARRISON to come out as tariff reformers and demand a cessation of tariff contention. The Democrats have pre-empted that ground.

Good Bye, Old Fraud!

Our attention was attracted the other day by a Republican campaign poster in which the most prominent line was "Protection to American Industries."

Upon seeing this familiar fake, which played its part in many a past campaign, we could not refrain from saying: "Good bye, old fraud; we shall never see you again in political contests. You have served your purpose in deluding voters, but your delusion has been dispelled by tariff reform, and you will be cast aside as an exploded and useless humbug."

The claim that high tariffs protected American industries and benefited American workmen was for years the leading campaign cry of the Republican party. It affected the judgment and influenced the ballots of thousands of unthinking and impressionable voters. It was the chief factor in bringing the HARRISON administration into power. This promise of "Protection to American Industries" had its only fulfillment in the passage of MCKINLEY'S monopoly tariff under which both the reserve and the surplus in the treasury were exhausted; a collapse in every department of business occurred, and, instead of industry being protected, twelve hundred strikes against wage reductions were chronicled, including the great Homestead uprising; cheap foreign laborers were imported to compete with American workmen, and large communities of operatives were dependent upon soup houses for their subsistence.

These are facts that can not be truthfully denied and present a withering commentary on the political posters of the high tariff party which in this campaign are again trying to work off the exploded fraud of "Protection to American Industries."

We repeat that this is the last time this discredited humbug will make its appearance in political campaign.

The beneficent effect of Democratic tariff reduction, already making itself manifest on every hand, will lay that deception on the shelf for all time. Tariff reform will effectually take the tariff question out of politics. In all human probability a general tariff bill will never again agitate the country, but reduction or removal of particular duties will from time to time, without political agitation, be made by separate bills, as industrial or fiscal interests and exigencies may require, of which we shall have an illustration next winter in the passage of supplemental bills that will enlarge the free list.

"Protection to American Industries," as a high tariff Shibboleth, has seen its last campaign service. Good bye, old fraud; after this year we shall never see you again!

A Dental That Don't Deny.

PHILIPSBURG, Pa., Oct. 22, 1894.

EDITOR DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN.
Dear Sir—In a recent issue of your paper you published an entirely false charge against me, and believing that you do not mean to print a mis-statement intentionally, I would ask of you to place in your paper my following denial of the same, in order that no one be harmed or be benefited by an untrue.

The Philipsburg Republican club does not now, nor ever has required a pledge of any kind from me, or any other of its members, and any statement to the contrary is absolutely untrue and unwarranted.

Very Truly Yours,
P. E. WOMELSDORFF.

We publish the above because the WATCHMAN is, and intends to be, entirely fair to everybody, and as Mr. WOMELSDORFF imagines he has been unfairly represented we give him the space asked to set himself right. Whether his denial is intended to correct a false impression, or whether it is to "shut up the eye" of the Democratic voter, is a question for them to determine.

It will be noticed that Mr. WOMELSDORFF makes no denial for himself. It is for the Philipsburg Republican club that he speaks. That club is not a candidate and consequently no one cares what it does or requires. It is Mr. WOMELSDORFF who wants Democratic votes, and Mr. WOMELSDORFF if he wanted to be entirely frank, and fair, as he would have others be, should have answered for himself. What support has he ever given to any Democrat or to any Democratic principles that would justify any Democrat supporting him at this time. He is known and glories in being a violent, unbending, bitter Republican. Every vote that he would cast, if elected to the Legislature, would be in the interest of that party.

Even as a Philipsburg councilman he cannot forget his bitter partisanship. Before he became connected with that body it was a municipal and not a political body. He has dragged politics into all its business, and the Democrats of Philipsburg know what show he ever gives any of them.

Did you ever vote for a Democrat, Mr. WOMELSDORFF, if so what was his name? If you did not what right have you to ask or expect Democrats now to vote for you?

Democratic Vigor in Philadelphia.

Nothing could be more encouraging to the Democrats in the interior of the State than the spirit and vigor exhibited in the movements of the Democratic organization in Philadelphia. Factional difference in the party in that city has given place to harmony, and the indifference which too often diminished the Democratic vote in that quarter has been succeeded by energetic action and determination. The party meetings, both in attendance and enthusiasm, were never surpassed, and indicate the harmonious and determined purpose of the Philadelphia Democracy.

The Democratic candidate for Governor is found nobly leading the united Democracy of his native city. He is putting all his energy into the contest. His voice is heard addressing the numerous meetings, and his plain, practical speeches go directly to the common sense of the plain people whose interests he has always had so much at heart.

Mr. SINGERLY'S high character as a citizen and a business man; his long continued efforts for the promotion of the city's prosperity; his deeds of benevolence and charity, and the sincerity of his friendship for the city's working people, displayed ever since he has been an employer of labor and a payer of wages, are qualities generally recognized by his fellow citizens of Philadelphia, and will bring to his support a host of voters in the city, even from outside of his party.

The Democrats of the county can therefore make their fight for the State ticket with the assurance that they will not be deserted by the Democracy of Philadelphia. They can be confident that their best efforts will be matched by the city Democrats under the leadership of the gubernatorial candidate.

Don't Trade on the Legislature.

There is no reason why Democrats should not support either one of the legislative candidates, who are men entirely worthy the honor which they seek at the hands of the Democracy.

Mr. SCHOFIELD is a self-made man. Every penny he has in the world has been earned by hard work. He began life here as an apprentice in a saddlery establishment and his faithfulness has made him the owner of a large shop today. The same grit that enabled him to accomplish his career as a State Legislator. He has been fearless in defence of right and the poor man knows no better friend. JIM SCHOFIELD, while at Harrisburg, was constantly on the watch for chances to favor his constituency. He helped the farming classes by fighting for the NILES bill, which was designed to lighten the burden of taxation on the farmers. He worked for every measure that would be of benefit to the poor people and with such a record he now asks the honor of a second term from those whom he has so faithfully served.

ROBERT M. FOSTER, the other nominee, is a representative of the younger element in politics, and the good of the party demands that its young blood be recognized. It is a recognized fact that the Centre county Democrat has many able young men. Hard party workers, who will only continue their co-operation with the older Democrats, if they are given some recognition. Mr. FOSTER is in every way qualified to make a good Representative. He has been a student at the Pennsylvania State College, and his connection with the firm of SMITH, FOSTER & Co. wholesale grocers of Philadelphia, has given him sound business ideas as well as an opportunity to become well acquainted in the county.

SCHOFIELD and FOSTER ought to poll an enormous vote when the character of their opponents is taken into consideration. Read elsewhere in this issue and find out what the Republican candidates have done in their time.

Complimentary Voting.

The dodge of asking for complimentary votes for different candidates on the Republican ticket is being worked for all it is worth this fall. The object of it all is to show a falling off in the Democratic vote in Centre county and thus encourage the Republican State organization to use extra efforts to carry the county at the future elections.

A word to the wise ought to be sufficient. The Republicans are asking Democrats to vote for HASTINGS, because he is a Centre county man, but the real object of this solicitation is not so much to give candidate HASTINGS a large vote in this county as it is to encourage Republican workers to extra efforts in the future. You remember how they crowded over carrying Centre county at the February election. This was due to the fact that a large percentage of the Democratic

voters, knowing their votes would not be needed to elect township officers, stayed at home. But it was like an elixir of life to the Republicans. A false hope was created among them and they are working harder this fall than ever before. Now the point is simply this. If you allow them to bamboozle you into giving a complimentary vote to any of their candidates it will mean just that much harder fighting next time to hold our own, and possibly the loss of the county this fall.

They will say! Oh, you can easily do this, we often do it. But don't you see, they have nothing to lose. They are the minority party and cannot possibly suffer by such an arrangement, while the Democrats have everything to lose and nothing to gain.

Don't cast any complimentary votes.

Influenced by a Subsidy.

Sugar growers in Louisiana, to the number of 587, have announced their intention of leaving the Democratic party and joining the Republicans because the Democratic tariff bill deprives them of the bonus on their product, allowed them by the MCKINLEY law, which last year amounted to \$11,000,000 for Louisiana alone, a handsome sum indeed to be divided among less than 600 producers. No wonder they are kicking; but the people who had really a cause to kick in connection with this matter were the raisers of wheat, corn, cotton, dairy products, and other agricultural productions, who had as good a right to a bonus as the sugar growers, but instead of receiving such a benefit from the government, were compelled to help pay the subsidy allowed the Louisiana planters.

The Republicans are greatly pleased with the prospect of gaining several Congressmen in that State through this disaffection of the sugar producers, but they will find themselves disappointed. A few hundred men who are displeased because they have been prevented from continuing an unjust pull on the public treasury are not going to change the politics of the State. Senator CAFEY, of Louisiana, who did all he could to maintain the interest of the planters of his State in the Wilson tariff bill, tells them that their bolt from the Democratic party is ridiculous, and that they have reason to expect more real and substantial benefit from the Democratic tariff than from one that made them the objects of charity as recipients of a government bounty. Besides, all the sugar planters of the State are not kicking. Among those who take the right view of the question is Representative ANDREW PRICE, of the Third Congress District of Louisiana, a very extensive sugar producer and the recipient of a large bounty, who emphatically repudiates, both for himself and his constituents, the movement against the Democratic party on account of the loss of the subsidy.

After the Democratic sugar planters, shall have had time to reflect, they will see the folly of joining the party that has been their worst enemy, and the Republicans will not have the gratification of gaining Congressmen in Louisiana through such a mercenary consideration as a government bounty.

Do We Want a Man of This Kind?

What is to become of our courts if they are to be presided over by a man who is in such serious ways unfit for the office. Love would not be an impartial judge, so many of the voters in the county think. He is a bitter partisan and as such is not fit for the office. He has dragged the Methodist church into his campaign. The primaries at which he defeated Judge Farst for Centre county's endorsement were notorious for the rum and boozle used by his henchmen. Campaign literature that is being sent out in his behalf begs the veteran vote for him, claiming that he marched into Fulton county to guard the rail-roads during the war. This is a lie for Fulton county never had a rail road and has none today. Furthermore JOHN G. LOVE is so notoriously lazy that in all probability the January session under him would never be gotten through with until time for the December court.

Do we want a man of this kind to preside over our courts? Let every voter ask himself the question and if he is true to his convictions an emphatic No will answer the query. Mr. BOWER is the man to be judge of the 49th district. His election will give us one who has not besmirched the judiciary already with intrigue and campaign filth, it will give us a judge who will not be biased by partisanship, who will be active in the conduct of court matters and whose position on the bench will not be a menace to any of our citizens.

Vote for BOWER if you have any regard for the honor of our courts.



Singerly Will be Here To-morrow.

Candidate for Governor Wm. Singerly, and All the Candidates on the State Ticket, With Many Prominent Democrats Will be Here To-morrow Morning. Gov. Pattison, Wm. F. Harry, W. U. Hessel Will Probably Accompany the Party.—A Grand Meeting in the Court House.

Tomorrow morning the Democrats of Centre county will have an opportunity of welcoming their standard bearer to the home of his Republican opponent, for candidates Wm. M. Singerly, John S. Rilling, David F. McGee, Walter W. Greenland, Henry Meyer and Thos. Collins, with a party of distinguished Democrats, will arrive in town and stay long enough to refute the lies which Republican campaigners are circulating.

THE PROGRAM.

The reception will be given under the direction of the Wm. M. Singerly club, of Bellefonte. Its president, Hammon Sechler, will preside at the meeting in the court house and act as master of ceremonies. A special train bearing the distinguished party will arrive at Bellefonte from Tyrone, at 8:20 in the morning. The visitors will be taken to carriages, immediately on arrival of the special, and escorted to the Court House by the Singerly club. Then the meeting will be organized at once and speeches will be made by Mr. Singerly and others. After the speaking an impromptu reception will be held in the Court House so that every one can meet the candidates, then a line of parade will be formed and the party escorted back to the rail-road station, where they will take the regular 9:33 train for Lock Haven. This arrangement will give to Centre county an hour and thirteen minutes in which to receive the Democratic leaders.

Owing to the short time there will be in which to hold a meeting there will be no demonstration at the rail-road, other than the reception by the club, but it is desired that all who can should be in town early so as to give the party as rousing a reception as possible. It is necessary that no time be lost in getting to the Court House, for some of the ablest public speakers in the State will be here and all will want to hear what they have to say.

SPECIAL TRAINS AND EXCURSION RATES.

In order that people from all parts of the county can have an opportunity of taking part in the reception special trains will run as follows:

Over the Bellefonte Central A train will leave State College at 7 o'clock in the morning for Bellefonte, stopping at all intermediate points, arriving here at 8 o'clock. Half-fare tickets will be sold for return on any regular train during the day.

Over the Central R. R. of Pa. A special train will leave Clintondale at 7:15 in the morning for Bellefonte, stopping at all stations enroute, arriving here at 9 o'clock. Half-fare tickets will be sold from all points, good to return on any regular train during the day.

The people from Penns Valley can come over on the regular morning train, which arrives here at 8:55, so they will get here in time for more than half of the time. Those living in the lower Bald Eagle can come up on the early morning train and be here early enough to help receive the big crowd that will undoubtedly turn out.

From the Bald Eagle valley between here and Tyrone all who want to come can do so on the special train that will bring the distinguished party here. It will leave Tyrone at 7 o'clock in the morning and stop at all stations where there is anyone to get on. Regular fares will be charged.

Handsome silk badges will be given to all Democrats who want to help the Singerly club in escorting the party from the train. Those who expect to march with the club will meet at the club rooms as early as possible Saturday morning, whence, headed by Meyer's band, they will march to the station to meet the arriving delegations.

LET THE RECEPTION BE A ROUSER.

Ever since the Singerly party started out it has met with perfect ovations. Tyrone was the first stop on Monday morning and there booming cannon, cheering men and brass bands made things lively during the few minutes stay. At Philipsburg several thousand people met the train and the party was fairly carried on the shoulders of the enthusiasts to the Potter house annex where ringing speeches were made. At Clearfield a monster reception was held, calveades of horsemen, marching men

and bands led the way to the opera house where a rousing meeting was held. Four hundred admiring Clearfielders accompanied the party to DuBoise, the next stop, and there another ovation awaited them. They will be at Pittsburg to-night and arrive here at 8:20 tomorrow morning.

Now let us try and give them the most cheering reception they have had anywhere. Bellefonte has a candidate in the party, Hon. Thomas Collins. If his admirers alone would turn out there would be such a mighty assemblage as is seldom seen in this place. If it is at all possible, Democrats, be on hand to show your colors.

WHO OUR CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR IS.

William M. Singerly is a native of Philadelphia, where he was born on December 27, 1832, and where, with the exception of a brief period, he has lived ever since. His father was Joseph Singerly, one of the originators of the street railway system of that city, from whom his son has inherited his marked business ability. After graduating from the Philadelphia High School in 1850, Mr. Singerly spent ten years in a produce commission house and acquired a thorough commercial training. He was afterward engaged with his father in the management of his street car lines, and then went to Chicago where he was in business for himself as a commission merchant. Recalled to Philadelphia by his father to assume the management of the Germantown Passenger Railway Company, he proved a highly successful manager, extended the system, and eventually disposed of it on highly advantageous terms.

All this time Mr. Singerly was an enthusiastic and unwavering Democrat, active in the councils of the party in Philadelphia, and always eager to promote its interests in the city, State and nation. A fine opportunity for this presented itself to him in 1877, when he bought *The Philadelphia Record*, then a feeble journal, with a circulation of less than 6000 copies daily. Mr. Singerly immediately strengthened it in every department, introduced aggressive methods, and made it what it now is, the foremost penny paper of the United States, with an average circulation of about 153,000 copies daily.

This remarkable feat was performed in the face of the fact that Philadelphia is the most strongly Republican large city in the United States, and that *The Record* has antagonized the theories most cherished by its people, such as Protection. Mr. Singerly was a Tariff Reformer long before that issue became a popular one in the United States, and through his paper has always battled bravely for a vigorous reduction in the tariff duties, especially on the raw materials of industry, believing that only in this way could American manufacturers reach the foreign markets required for the extension and prosperity of their business. He took this stand as a manufacturer himself, having been for many years interested in large woolen and cotton establishments.

While *The Record* may be said to be Mr. Singerly's pet, in which he takes the greatest pride, it is but one of many diversified interests that claim his attention. He is a heavy real estate owner in Philadelphia, having erected over 1000 houses there, in addition to a splendid home for his paper.

In 1887, upon the retirement of Governor Pattison from office, Mr. Singerly took an active part in establishing the Chestnut Street National Bank, of which the ex-Governor became the first President. Upon Mr. Pattison being called for a second time to the Governorship of Pennsylvania, Mr. Singerly succeeded him as President of the bank, a position he still holds. He is also President of the Chestnut Street Trust and Savings Fund Company, and has large interests in a number of commercial, manufacturing and other establishments.

In seeking from the relaxation from the cares of business Mr. Singerly has for a number of years taken a keen interest in farming and stock raising. His herds of Holstein cattle at his large farm at Gwynedd, in Montgomery county, were famous for years; and he is now the owner of the Elkton Stock Farm, near Elkton, Cecil county, Md., in the welfare of which he takes a deep interest. At Elkton he also possesses one of the largest paper and pulp mills in the United States, from which he supplies not only paper for his own journal, but for large outside interests as well.

Notwithstanding the pressure of all these great interests upon him, Mr. Singerly has always taken an ardent interest in politics; and no man is better known in Democratic circles throughout the State than he. He has never held office, however, except the honorary position of Commissioner of Fairmount Park, in Philadelphia, as a non-salaried office, which requires him to devote considerable time to the wants of that great pleasure-ground. In the Presidential campaigns of 1854, 1858 and 1892 Mr. Singerly was especially active, always supporting Grover Cleveland with all the vigor at his command. He and President Cleveland are close personal friends. They are in entire harmony in their views on Tariff Reform, a sound currency, and other leading issues. The part recently taken by Mr. Singerly in bringing together the opposing Democratic factions in Philadelphia and securing nominations of Democrats to important Federal offices is too fresh in the public mind to require further notice.

It costs Centre county more to keep her poor than any of the other counties in the State except Columbia, Union and Wayne. Centre is the largest in territory and one of the richest in resources in the State and such a condition of affairs is hard to explain unless it be on account of the extravagance of the poor overseer plan of keeping paupers.

If you want printing of any description the WATCHMAN office is the place to have it done.