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Democratic County Committee for 1897.

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Table with columns: Precinct, Name, P. O. Address. Lists candidates for various precincts like Bellefonte, Centre Hall, etc.

The Democratic State Ticket.

For State Treasurer, MICHAEL E. BROWN, of Indiana county.

For Auditor General, WALTER E. RITTER, of Williamsport.

The Democratic County Ticket.

For County Surveyor—J. H. WETZEL. For Jury Commissioner—J. J. HOY.

The New York City Contest.

The city election that is now pending in New York is the most interesting contest in the history of American municipalities. There is involved in it not only the question of good city government, but other issues, not directly connected with municipal matters, but nevertheless of great importance to public interests.

Four candidates for mayor are in the field, representing four shades of opinion in regard to city government, as well as conflicting sentiments on questions not connected with municipal affairs.

An organization of reformers, composed chiefly of Republican material and known as the Citizens' Union, have nominated SETH LOW as their mayoralty candidate.

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This quadrangular municipal contest is an object of intense interest to the whole country. The vote has been partially polled in advance by canvassing agents of the New York Journal and World, and although they do not agree as to which candidate for mayor is in the lead, they accord in showing that TRACY, the candidate of PLATT's Republican machine, is hopelessly behind all the others.

As greater New York is in fact Democratic by a large majority, it is not surprising that the Journal's canvassing shows VAN WYCK and GEORGE as having the highest number of votes, the former being slightly ahead of the latter, forming a basis for estimating the final result as

172,920 for VAN WYCK, 168,630 for GEORGE, 121,825 for LOW and 86,625 for boss PLATT's man TRACY.

The election of either VAN WYCK or GEORGE would be satisfactory to Democrats, but HENRY GEORGE's success would mean the most for true Democracy.

Fulfillment of Expectations.

The Philadelphia Press remarks that the DINGLEY tariff act is more than meeting expectations. "The truth of this depends upon what the expectations were. If it was expected that it would furnish labor with more employment and increase its wages there has not been a realization of what was looked for.

Those who were capable of forecasting the result of such measures expected that the DINGLEY tariff act would increase the number of trusts and enlarge the opportunities of monopoly, and this expectation has been fully realized.

Prominent among these re-invigorated monopolies is the window glass trust, which was formed some days ago by a convention of glass manufacturers at Columbus, Ohio, constituting one of the most gigantic monopolistic combines in the country.

It was expected by those who know what high tariffs are made for, and how they work, that the DINGLEY tariff act would be productive of such monopolistic atrocities as this window glass trust, and they also very reasonably expect that in addition to raising the price of its product it will wipe out every small glass operation in the country.

—Republican state chairman ELKIN says that his candidates for state treasurer and auditor general will have 180,000 majority in Pennsylvania this fall. What are the Democrats of Centre going to do to knock his calculations into smithereens? Let us have an old time majority in the county. It would be so glorious in the face of these good (?) MCKINLEY times.

—RITTER and BROWN should be made the entering wedges of the people in the great struggle to get at the truth in the conduct of state affairs. Both are gentlemen of unquestioned integrity and ability and the hope of Centre county is that they will get a large vote.

—This fall should mark the beginning of a great era of political reform in Pennsylvania. Never before have circumstances so conspired to aid the cause of good government and Democracy.

—Glorious, life giving Democratic sunshine at municipal elections in Tennessee and Indiana only foretell the bitter, blighting Republican frost that will come in 1900.

—WETZEL and HOY must both be looked after on election day. Don't forget it, Democrats.

October Crop Report.

Condition of Corn Declined and is Below the Average for the Last Ten Years.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—The October report of the statisticians of the department of agriculture shows the average condition of corn, on October 1st, to have been 77.1, as compared with 79.3 on September 1st, with 90.5 on October 1st, 1896, and 82.5 the average for the last ten years.

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The condition of buckwheat since September 1st has declined 43 points, the condition on October 1st being 90.8. All the States of principal production show a decline of several points except Wisconsin, where it is only one point.

The average yield of wheat per acre will not be published, pending the result of a special investigation of acreage and production.

Tobacco shows a decline of 5.2 points during September. In Pennsylvania and Maryland there was an improvement of 3 and 11 points respectively, while Virginia shows a decline of 2 points; North Carolina, 4; Tennessee, 11; Kentucky, 10; Ohio, 2; Indiana, 6; and Missouri, 6.

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Asked Bread; Got Bullets.

A number of these marshals and assistant marshals of 1896, came down upon the Governor, and such a pressure was brought to bear against that official, that the bill was vetoed. This partially opened the eyes of their victims. But it was not until the butchery at Latimer that they came to see clearly and comprehend fully the infamy of the deception that had been practiced upon them.

It is not surprising that, in consequence of such an experience, almost to a man those who are voters have changed their political opinion and will be found this year voting for Brown and Ritter and honest and decent management of the State's

Spain's Answer to Woodford.

Cannot Fix the Date for the End of the War, But it Will Not Be Long—Cabinet Will Approve It—Rebels Have Had Support Under the United States Flag—Candidates for Cuban Posts.

MADRID, October 12th.—The minister of state has finished a note answering United States minister Stewart L. Woodford's and will read it to-morrow to Premier Sagasta. The next cabinet council will examine and approve it. It will declare that the government cannot fix exactly when the war will end, but is able to assure him that the campaign will not be long.

Minister Woodford had a private interview of 20 minutes with the Queen this afternoon. He refused to say afterwards what was the nature of the discussion. The visit was the usual one of courtesy paid by the several ambassadors and ministers on her return to Madrid.

A semi-official statement issued after the cabinet meeting yesterday, says that by employing native volunteers in Cuba instead of European troops the expenses of the campaign would decrease, and the operations against the insurgents would be conducted more rapidly.

The minister for the colonies, Senator Moré, announced at the cabinet meeting, with a view to proving the sincerity of the government's promise to grant autonomy to Cuba, that he had telegraphed to Senator Montoro, the leader of the Autonomist party, asking him to nominate candidates for appointment for some of the important posts under the Cuban administration.

The government has decided that general Primo de Rivera is to retain command in the Philippine island, in order that he may initiate the proposed reforms and reorganize that colony.

Mob Terrorizes Connelville.

Negroes Chase Pedestrians from the Streets and Shoot an Officer. Lynching is Threatened. Posses of Citizens in Pursuit of the Supposed Murderer. Large Crowd Surrounds Jail.

CONNELVILLE, Pa., Oct. 11.—A riot occurred here this evening at 8 o'clock which ended fatally for at least one man, with several others badly injured and a lynching imminent.

Half a dozen negroes were trying to take the minister officers Bishop and Rottler attempted to arrest them. Two of the party, Frank Hinds and George Chambers, drew their revolvers and began firing, four of the balls taking effect in Bishop's body. At midnight he is still living, but the attending physicians say he will die before morning.

The town is greatly excited, and threats of lynching are being freely made. A large crowd is now about the city jail and burges's office yelling and calling for vengeance.

The police and a posse of citizens are searching for Chambers, who started to run in the direction of Pittsburg. Telegrams have been sent to all the surrounding towns, and to the chief of police at Pittsburg.

The officials will have great difficulty in restraining the people from hanging Chambers if he is caught to-night.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Oct. 12.—The municipal election to-day resulted in the overwhelming defeat of the Republican ticket. Colonel Ed. Watkins, the Democrat, was elected by 995 majority. Colonel Watkins is a leading lawyer and promoter, and the canvass being personal, attests his popularity among the people.

The Democrats elected six out of the eight aldermen. This city is normally Republican by from 400 to 500, and the overwhelming reversal of the conditions is partly due to the apathy of the Republican voters and disaffection of the negroes.

finances and thus paving the way for the election of a Governor and a Legislature and county officials who will be less ready to do the bidding of the corporations and more respectful of the lives and interests of our citizens.

Evils as Seen by the W. C. T. U.

They Resolve to Not Allow Gentlemen to Smoke in Their Presence.—Vice in India is Opposed.—Preston Denounced as Being on the Run Traffic Side.—Swallow the Union's Choice.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Oct. 11.—The state convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union gave up to-day to passing resolutions. These resolutions embrace a wide range of subjects, from urging members not to allow their gentlemen friends to smoke in their presence down to politics in the shape of an indorsement of Rev. Dr. Swallow and a protest against vice in far-off India.

Many speeches were made, and at times the discussion among the delegates aroused great enthusiasm. Among those who took a prominent part were Miss Minnie Bell, of Washington county; Miss Sallie Gibbs, of Dauphin county; and Mrs. Ella Boole, secretary of the New York "Y's."

Resolved, That as by the action of certain professors of Princeton university in signing a petition asking that license be granted to the Princeton inn for the sale of intoxicants, the influence of the university has been placed on the side of the rum traffic, we earnestly ask the mothers of Pennsylvania to consider prayerfully whether or not it is wise to place their sons under the instruction of that institution.

Resolved, That the state executive committee ask that the Governor recommend legislation that women, as well as men, be appointed upon boards of managers of public institutions.

Resolved, That we continue to enter our protest against the wearing of birds or parts of birds as adornment for head-dress, as many kinds of birds of sweet song and beautiful plumage are becoming extinct because of the demand for these adornments.

Resolved, That we thank Rev. Dr. Swallow for his presence at this session and for the administration of public affairs, and urge our husbands, sons and brothers to support him at the polls.

Resolved, That we urge that no certificate should be granted to teachers who use tobacco in any form, and that no member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union shall grant permission to anyone to smoke in her presence, and that members of churches shall discontinue the use of tobacco by their pastors.

Resolved, That we respectfully urge upon the Senators and Representatives in Congress assembled the passage of the anti-cigarette bill.

Resolved, That we again petition our Legislature to prohibit by law, treating in any form, and the sale of the same on Memorial day.

Resolved, That we desire to place the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Pennsylvania on records emphatically opposed to the passage of any law looking to the licensing of vice in India or any other country, and indorse the position of the national convention taken along this line.

The executive committee at its session this morning voted to amend the report of the appropriation committee by increasing the amount in the following departments: President's salary, \$200; publisher of "Ballads," \$300; corresponding secretary, \$250; recording secretary, \$100; prisons, \$20.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Rebecca B. Chambers, of Chester county; vice president-at-large, Mrs. C. A. Irvin, Allegheny county; Miss H. Frances Jones, re-elected corresponding secretary; Mrs. Olive Amies, Philadelphia, re-elected recording secretary; Mrs. W. H. Woods, of Huntingdon, re-elected treasurer.

Came Down from Alaska.

Dr. Jackson Reports 150 Reindeer for Freightage Duty—Convey for a Gold Ship.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 13.—The United States revenue cutter Corwin, 10 days from Bering sea, dropped anchor in the bay this evening. She brought down from the north Dr. Sheldon H. Jackson, United States agent of education in Alaska; Lieut. D. S. Jarvis, from the cutter Bear; J. A. Peters, of the wrecked whaler Navarah and Richard and Rollo Camben, who went up on the Eliza Anderson but who returned to wait until spring before going to Dawson. Dr. Jackson has been spending the summer in the Yukon river valley in the interests of this government. He reports the reindeer herds as doing very well, 150 trained deer being ready for freightage. On Friday, October 11th, the steamship Humboldt arrived at Dutch harbor with Col. Randall, United States army, and a detachment of United States troops, and left on the 3rd for St. Michaels waiting to convey the steamer Portland on her return trip with miners and their gold.

ADDITIONALLOCALS.

While Scott Buck, of Warriorsmark, was cleaning out his trout pond, one day last week, he injured one of the trout so badly that it died. It weighed 2 1/2 lbs. and was 18 inches long.

The colored tramp who terrorized south Thomas street, on Wednesday, and was arrested, only to be driven out of the town, was the same fellow who had to wash the dirty tramp, in Tyrone, an account of which appears in another column.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, G. W. Rumberger, during the past week.

Irvin E. Robinson, of Curtin Twp., and Carrie May Reese, of Howard Twp.

James S. Colburn, and Elizabeth Smith, both of Phillipsburg.

Frank Hollingsworth, of Altoona, and Amber St. Clare Price, of Bellefonte.

Floyd Sanderson, of Huston Twp., and Oliver B. Conley, of Unionville.

TRIED TO BREAK JAIL.—Allison Woodring, alias "Edward" Woodring, in jail here awaiting trial for having stolen a bicycle from H. B. Goss, of Phillipsburg, and having helped steal three fine cows from Jacob Woodring, a farmer living west of Port Matilda, on the night of September 5th, attempted to break jail last Sunday afternoon. He had broken the lock on the door of the dungeon cell and endeavored to make a hole in the wall by prying out stones around the window frame.

The sheriff, who was walking in the jail yard, heard the noise and locating it caught him in the act and afterwards locked him in a cell by himself.

It has been decided to stock the propagating dams on the Nittany rod and gun club property with trout from 3 to 6 inches in length.

HALE-MOON EPWORTH LEAGUE CONVENTION.—A convention of the Epworth Leagues of Half-Moon charge was held in the G. P. church, Oct. 8th and 9th. The topic for discussion was "What can Our Young People do in Revival Work?"

The first session opened Friday evening with a praise service followed by a forcible sermon by Rev. Minnie, of Port Matilda.

Saturday morning, after a short devotional and experience meeting led by Mr. J. C. Hartsock, Mr. George Ebbs discussed the question, "The Need of Moral Courage."

The afternoon session opened with a song service, led by Mrs. Runyan, after which there were general discussions on the topic "When and How to Hold a Revival." Great stress was laid on the "Necessity of Child Conversion." Two excellent papers on "Bringing the Little Ones to Christ" were read by the Misses Dora Kephart and Sarah Hartsock.

The evening session opened with a praise service, led by Mr. Wm. Tressler, then Rev. J. H. Lever talked on the "Need of Spiritual Power."

"The Necessity of the Day of Pentecost" was ably discussed by the popular Rev. R. W. Runyan. This closed an interesting and profitable convention.

All Through Brush Valley.

Rebersburg's news-boy is on the sick list. Austin Granley, the landlord of Rebersburg, made a business trip to Lamar last Thursday.

Emmon Strayer, of near Wolfe's Store, will build a new house on South Ave., at Rebersburg.

Thomas Koyer's new home at Rebersburg, makes a very nice appearance since it is finished.

Steward Weber, who teaches the Woodward school, and his wife, were at their Rebersburg home over Sunday.

Fred. Fell left, on Monday, for his old working place near Milesburg, after spending one week with his wife in this place.

Brush-valley's expert hunters have their guns ready to make a good haul today. No doubt some will be badly left, even if game is seemingly plenty.

H. H. Stover, of Centre Hall, after he had canvassed Brush-valley with a load of quinces, learned that our people have a very poor appetite for that kind of fruit, and was obliged to go over into Pennsylvania to dispose of them.

Merchant H. Miller and his wife, of Rebersburg, have greatly enlightened our town with city smiles since their return from Philadelphia last week. Miller is now ready to top his customers out with the latest styles.

Hublersburg.

George F. Hoy is shipping a car load of wheat.

Frank Miller and son have been very busy picking apples.

Mr. and Mrs. Benny Gates, of Coalport, are visiting at Samuel Hoy's.

Mr. Hockman, of Spring Mills, visited in our burg one day last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Runkle were entertained at C. S. Miller's on Thursday.

Miss Regina Hubler has returned home from a pleasant visit to Lock Haven.

Rollie McCauly has returned home from the fair. He came on a tie ticket.

William Decker is digging a foundation, for a new house to be erected next summer.

Frank Shutt carries a broad smile because of the recent arrival of a little daughter at his home.

While coming through town, on last Tuesday, Mr. John W. Johnston's horse took very sick.

Miss Edith Ryne and her little sister were visiting their parents at Snydertown recently.

D. A. Deitrich and family walked to Hecla to the dedication of the Union church on Sunday.

Messrs. Benner Rumberger and Samuel Hoy have returned from the mountains with their cattle. They found all in comparatively good condition.

The pot hunters have ceased their cannonading since constable Kessler has been looking "them up" for hunting out of season. Beginning with to-day it will be all right.

Centre Hall.

Barney Garis is putting up the wall for a new house on east church street.

Sheriff Spangler and J. D. Murray had important business in Boalsburg on Saturday morning.

E. M. Huyett shipped a mixed load of cattle Saturday last. He will be here again in a short time for another lot.

The clover seed is turning out very good. There has not been a crop of seed harvested in the valley for a number of years.

The frame of Ollie Stover's new house is up. The same may be said of the Presbyterian parsonage, which will prove to be a very handsome residence.

It looks as though Potter township and the stone crusher exhibited at grange park were not on good terms. The crusher agent says the township bought and the supervisors say they didn't, and so it is. Who is right?

Calculating on the same basis that the water company values its plant in Centre Hall, the officials of said company have recently discovered that the nearest route to Bellefonte is by the way of Boalsburg and across the mountain at Gregg's.

D. J. Meyer purchased the house and lot adjoining the Centre Hall implement works, which is known as the foundry house, from ex-commissioner John Wolf and will occupy the same in the spring. The Harpster property, including the tin shop, was sold to postmaster B. D. Brislin. What disposition he intends making of the shop is not known, nor has he as yet said that the post office would be moved to that place.

Rev. Wolf, of Westmoreland county, filled the appointment for Rev. Eisenberg in the Reformed church in this place. His discourse was an able one and was attentively listened to by his audience. Rev. Wolf is pastor of the charge which Rev. Eisenberg shepherded previous to being called to this place. Mrs. Wolf, nee Miss Jessie Durst, is seriously ill at her father's home near Potlows Mills.

Postmaster Brislin looks familiar in the Centre Hall postoffice and, as in the past, makes a good office. Miss Roxanna, his daughter, is assistant and performs the work in a satisfactory manner. Messrs. Brislin, Reesman, Clemens and Shaffer had a lot of change for Uncle Sam's plum that ripened on October first, but Brislin was ahead a full neck's length during the entire race. The contestants claim they are not out for blood, but time develops political ulcers that usually show on the return-sheets of the following election.

The water question is the all-absorbing question in the burg. The sentiment is overwhelmingly in line with the action of the town authorities, notwithstanding the attempt of Reporter to make it appear otherwise. The tax-payers, and citizens, generally, almost to a man, are in full sympathy with the town council in their effort to secure for Centre Hall an abundant supply of fresh and pure water for all purposes and at all times.

This end in view contractor Malone, of Hollidaysburg, who was awarded the contract by the borough authorities, began in good earnest on Friday morning to dig the ditch for the pipe. Operations were started on east church street, near the diamond, with about twenty men and a ditching plow. The street was lined with towns-people for the first few hours work, and there was no little enthusiasm visible, all rejoicing because "Bible" water would in a short time flow in the pipes for which the ditch was being dug.

The work went merrily on all day Friday and Saturday. Two good days' work was done, considering the number of men employed, and Monday about forty more men were to be added, but on Saturday evening, just before quitting time, the sheriff served an injunction on chief Burgess Samuel Shoop and his council. Accordingly work was discontinued and all will be quiet until after the case is argued next Saturday.

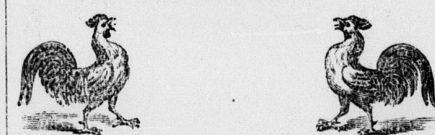
The bill of complaint made by the old water company reads more like the colic-ery of a baby (except the innocence and purity) than the defense of men endeavoring to maintain their rights. The water company says that our people must either use their water or do without; that they have the exclusive right to furnish water to the borough of Centre Hall. A good bit of space in the bill is devoted to telling of the magnificent (?) reservoirs and the large mains it owns, and that the company has fifteen thousand dollars invested in its plant.

The water company shifts considerable in the matter of dollars and cents. The first figures quoted to the council as the value of their water works were \$23,000; next came a statement footing up \$17,000; the bill of complaint says \$15,000. It is also given out that the spokesman of the water company informed a high town official that the plant could be bought for \$10,000. The real value of the concern could be denoted by much smaller figures. There is a variance of opinion in judging the value of the water plant by citizens outside the company, the figures ranging \$2,500 to \$5,000.

Politics is playing a part in the water business among the Republicans. The water company has employed Messrs. Furst and Hewes. The Centre Hall Republicans have it in for Furst and will be very willing to twist the political neck of C. P. Hewes Esq., whenever his name comes before them. Politically speaking there is bad blood between ex-burgess Brislin, Burgess Shoop and president of council Deininger and the solicitors of the water company. As is natural Deininger selected W. F. Reeder, who is in sympathy with the Republicans hereabouts, and while these facts do not necessarily enter into the case the probability is that there will be considerable sparing among the attorneys, with little or no chance for the under dog.

Your correspondent begs the indulgence of his readers for a few plain statements concerning the school property. Considerable money was expended on the school building to give it a pre-stable appearance, but if you will take the trouble to go to the premises and view them you can not but say that after a few weeks of school the surroundings have more of the appearance of a hog yard than a playground for children. The sweepings, paper and ashes are fired into the corners about the building and little or no provision is made to keep the school yard in anything like decent order. If it is anybody's business to look after this matter it is time to attend to it, and if it is nobody's business, why, let her go.

Right here it might be said that the grangers are standing in the way of a fourth school for the borough, owing to the fact that they refuse to vacate the rooms occupied by them in the school house for the past



Big Democratic Victory.

Chattanooga, Normally 500 Republican, Gives a Large Majority for a Change.