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Democratic County Ticket.

For Prothonotary-M. I. GARDNER. For District Attorney-N. B. SPANGLER.

Thanks for Gov. Hastings.

It is not often that the WATCHMAN can endorse his political views or is given reason for thanking ex-Governor HASTINGS for an honest expression of them. It has been furnished an occasion for both endorsement and thanks and hereby makes that acknowledgment publicly and with

In his convention, which he, Col. REEDER and his chairman, Captain BENNIson ran so "harmoniously" on Tuesday, he rose to oppose the endorsement of the Republican state administration and the work of the late Legislature, a matter that Governor STONE'S Secretary of Agriculture, Prof. JOHN HAMILTON, was sent to the convention to secure, and seemed determined to have incorporated into the county platform. When the committee on resolutions made its report Prof. HAMILTON moved to amend by adding to those reported by the committee, the following, which are given in brief :

6. We recognize in the administration of the affairs of this State, the business integrity, courage, and high purpose of Governor Stone in limiting the expenditures of the State to the amount of its revenues.

7. We commend the action of the Legislature whose session has just closed: as being of the most salutary character and highly beneficial to the business and social interests of the State.

8. We commend the action of our Representative, John K. Thompson, in his attitude in associating himself with the majority of the Republicans of the House.

9. We declare in favor of majority rule in politics as in church or business life: and we denounce those who reject this fundamental principle of government by refusing to be bound by the will of the majority: who make common cause with Democrats against the interests of the great Republican majority; and who denounce and defame loyal Republicans who will not join them in their efforts to destroy their party.

In a speech opposing these the ex-Governor declared that their adoption would "be the endorsement of the cutting of the public school appropriation \$1,000,000 for the benefit of political rulers and jobbers-a matter that Republicans dare not do. It has robbed our indigent insane, the helpless wards of the State, that a gorgeous capitol may be erected and contractors and favorites profit out of the stealings. It will be the endorsement of the ripper legislation that has disgraced the State and from the people of cities of the second class will be the endorsement of acts that have in the Republican outfit. given franchises belonging to the people and the State worth millions upon millions of dollars to individuals for political favors; it will be the endorsement of JNO. K. THOMPSON, a man whom no decent citizen will recognize, whose neighbors abhor. whose enemies despise, whose friends mistrust and whose employer discharged; a man who, Judas-like, betraved his trust for the silver that was offered him; and accepted bribes to misrepresent the people; it would be the endorsement of a man who has proven himself both a liar and a thief."

must heartily thank ex-Governor HAS-TINGS. It ought to open the eyes of honest man who vote the Republican ticket. It ought to show them the necessity of ridding the State of the disgrace and wrong and robbery of Republican rule.

But how cowardly and how craven was it in both Governor HASTINGS and his convention to fear to denounce these wrongs demnation of the public.

As for the vicious and cruel arraignment of Thompson we have nothing to say. That is a matter for the Republicans of the county to settle among themselves. In order to deceive somebody they refused to pledge their candidates publicly two years ago. They left the QUAY supporters under the impression that one of their candidates would represent the QUAY faction and one the anti-QUAY; they led the anti-QUAY people to believe that both representatives were anti-QUAY men and would vote against the re-election of QUAY and the state machine measures. It was a matter of deception all around. Someone had to be cheated. Governor HASTINGS was in control and at the bottom of the trickery, and it ill becomes him to complain because the dose he had prepared for hisenemies was given to himself.

-The HASTINGS Republicans complain that it was Hamilton's persistence in attempting to have the state administration | Hastings, was on his feet to move that a endorsed that caused the bitterness and trouble in the Republican county convention. Possibly it was. If Mr. HAMILTON and his friends had remained quiet and allowed HASTINGS and his crowd to have their own tary of Agriculture arose amidst the fumes way; if they had accepted the dictation of the boss, without protest or opposition, of course all would have been "harmonious." It is easy to have "harmony" when you Hastings, Hamilton and Gray got into an give some people everything they demand, and that is the only way the ex-Governor is willing to have it. Such, at least, seems to have been the lesson of Tuesday.

Harmony, a Lost Art Among Centre County Republicans.

One Man Power is Still Being Felt in the Republican Camp.—Harmony Won't Take the Place of "The Real Thing" in Centre County Politics and Dan Will Have to Shell out Right in the Future. He Gathered all the Quayites in for Harmony's Sake then Gave Them Hell for His Own Sake.

Well, harmony won't work. That is in so far as it applies to the contending elements in the Republican politics of Centre county. It was tried last fall as a substitute for "the real thing" and proved a very happy arrangement until "the real thing" proved too much for the moral marrow in Thompson's back bone. Since then they have been between the devil and the deep sea, but it was cheaper for Hastings to trial and on Tuesday there was no room left for guessing. The Republican county convention met

a call issued by county chairman Reeder. The plans were all laid, everything cut and dried by a committee composed of Daniel H. Hastings, John G. Love, W. E. Gray and Wilbur F. Reeder that had met respectively at Reeder's office, Hastings' house and Grav's house, with T. H. Harter as a witness to sundry acts and deeds. Everything moved along nicely. There was to be no fight of any sort. Hastings even became so warm hearted as to speak to Love and Chambers for the first time in two years when he met them on the street. The past was to be wiped out and a new start made. At this conference it was decided that no reference was to be made in the resolutions to anything unpleasant to either faction, Allison and Jack Dale were to be sent to the state convention as representatives of each side, Phil. Foster, or anyone who would have it, was to be the nominee for prothonotary and, having failed to induce Ned Blanchard to make the running for district attorney, that office was to go by default. This, in substance, embodies all of the agreements of the conference. They were all right, but when Secretary of Agriculture John Hamilton heard of them and Representative John Thompson learned that his cause in the Legislature was not to be vindicated he got mad and we don't blame him. They sent him there because they thought he was a slick individual and when he proved himself a little slicker than they thought he was they ought to have stood up and given him credit for it. Perhaps that was what Dan was trying to do when he was making

that speech. Hamilton and Thompson arrived on the scene last Friday and at once began the work of upsetting the plans that had been will be the endorsement of a policy that so carefully made and while they are both supposed to be discredited politicians in their own county the fact that they scared up 531 votes, out of 119, for their candidate for permanent chairman is indisputable evidence that there are a few of them or some of its votes on organization But the right to elect their own officials and he would be very apt to take to a tree if empowering a single individual to appoint called upon to prove this assertion. You whom he pleases to fill these positions: it know Will is one of the greatest climbers

> It was harmony and not rum that prevailed up to noon on Tuesday. The delegates were all sober and quiet. It didn't seem much like a Republican big day, but then everything was pleasant until the unpleasantness began-and that was shortly after the call to order.

Assistant Adjutant General Deputy Attorney General Colonel Wilbur Fisk Reed er called the convention to order at noon and so far as any speech making or congratulations on the large attendance were concerned he might as well have been a For this honest acknowledgement of fresh graduate from Mt. Airy or some other what the Republican party has done under | deaf and dumb institution. His secretary, the administration of Governor STONE we partner and defunct candidate for district attorney Henry C. Quigley read the call and roll of delegates and it was found that every township was represented.

The Hon. Harry Rindydink Curtin then nominated Capt. S. H. Bennison, of Marion township, for permanent chairman of the meeting and someone nominated W. E. Gray, notwithstanding the latter's promise to be good and keep his hands off. and hold up their perpetrators to the con- This was a great surprise, evidently for Abe Jackson jumped to his feet at onceno it wasn't Abe either, it was his substitute, Hastings, who jumped up and looked at Reeder with such a meaning light in his lamps that Wilbur promptly decided that it would be necessary to have secretaries before they proceeded further. So, with nominations for chairman before the house they elected J. Frank McCoy, of Potter Twp., and Hard P. Harris, of Bellefonte, secretaries, then Secretary John Hamilton was heard from. He arose to ask : "Is this not an unusual proceeding,?" Reeder acknowledged that it was but replied: "It might be, but it is the way we will proceed today." There was a slight odor of hot oleo just then, but it passed on out the windows, which had been lowered to carry off such fumes.

After the secretaries had taken their posts the vote was taken on permanent chairman and resulted in Bennison's getting 651 and Gray 532. Before the Marion township statesman could get his seat, or his hooks on the gavel Abe Jackson ala committee of five be appointed on resolutions and all resolutions be sent to that committee without debate. This started the oleo to scorching right and the Secreto insist that the resolutions should be read in convention before going to the committee. Then there was trouble, Abe Jackson altercation that reminded us of the days when Steele Crissman was wont to send them "twisters," just for the fun of it.

They told all about their harmony conference and Hamilton denied their right to patch up any such a scheme. Abe Hastings said that they had agreed that there should be no resolutions at all, except endorsing the national administration, and called upon Grav as a witness to the truthfulness of his statement. Gray, of course, had forgotten (?) whether the matter of resolutions had been mentioned at all but thought it hadn't been and called on the equilibristic Mr. Thomas Tash Taisy Harter to bear testimony to him. With tears in his eyes and looking like the picture on a slamon can Thomas was dragged out from under cover. It was a pitiful sight and a pitiful tale he had to tell. Swinging from out Love's make certain of its failure by one more goatee with one hand he squirmed and twisted and labored desperately to hook his toe onto Hastings' watch chain or vest button until finally he accomplished the feat and said that he thought the resoin the court house at noon, in pursuance to lutions had been spoken of outside the meeting, but he didn't remember of hearing of them inside. Thus his old trick of "carrying two waters on one shoulder" was accomplished again, but everyone was onto it. Then Abe Daniel Hartman got up again and there was a spouting that would have done credit to a busted Standard pipe line. Pointing to Hamilton, Gray and Chambers, he said: "Here are office holders who are here to earn their salaries by throwing fire brands into this conven- and Foster 58. It must have been a wiretion." Whereupon Mr. Chambers caught the infection of smart things and retorted: ple are glad the accent is on the ex."

The commotion was frightful during all this time. The fumes of coal oil got intermingled with that of oleo until one could scarcely stand it in there. They took all the curl out of Clementina Dale's, the beard- by the reading clerk as follows: ed lady's, whiskers and she ran out to have them attended to. All the while Hamilton was trying to have his motion put through and Bennison was just at the point of going up in the air like a paper balloon, when Daniel Hartman Jackson, on the one when Daniel Hartman Jackson, on the one side, and Reeder, on the other, pulled him down onto the seat and told him that the down onto the seat and told him that the motion could be ruled out of order. He did it very promptly, then poor Ned Chambers jumped up in a perfect frenzy and with a voice, like the fellow who had the rope thrown to him too late, squeaked "We want the motion !" "We want the motion!" When he found he couldn't have it he started to digging up some of those tears he wasted at the famous Irvin trial and wasn't heard of again for several minutes. They certainly did do Hamilton and and his friends bad in this mix-up. They had a right to have their motion put and when it was voted on and a division noticed they had just as much right to call for

the aves and navs. After it had quieted down a little the committee on resolutions was announced as follows: Daniel Hartman Abraham left, especially since Will Gray is reported Jackson Hastings, Harry Rinkydink violated constitutional rights by taking to have said that the other side paid \$50 Curtin, H. F. Cheney, John Oleo Hamil-

> As the next thing in order was the nomination of a chairman for 1902, H. A. Mc-Kinney, of Worth, nominated Reeder and John Hamilton, the Hon. Little Fillup Womelsdorf, of Philipsburg, he who hadn't been heard of for so many moons. The vote was taken and as Hamilton's name was called he tried to state his reasons for voting against Reeder, and as they wouldn't listen to them up there we publish them here for the Secretary of Agri-

culture. He said : "In voting as I do for the election of a chairman for the Republican county committee I desire to record my protest against the election of man for the Republican county committee I desire to record my protest against the election of anyone to this position who has not been a consistent, staunch and loyal Republican; against any man who has so far forgotten his obligations to the Republican party as to join with its enemies in opposing the election of a speaker to the House of Representatives who had been the choice of the majority of his party associates; who opposed the election of a President pro-tempore of the Senate who was the choice of the majority of his fellow Republican Senators; I wish to protest against the election of a man for chairman who deliberately joined the organized Democratic Members of the Legislature in opposing the choice of the Republican caucus for United States Senator; of a man who has forfeited, and now does not have the confidence of a regular Republican State Committee, but is so distrusted as to be unable to secure for the Republican cambel to secure for the Republican campaign, which is cheerfully and freely given to Republican chairmen in other counties of the State; to a man who has lost the confidence of the mason stanch Republicans at home who believe in the principal of majority rule; of a man who can not command the confidence of regular Republicans sufficiently to secure their contributions to the legitimate expenses of a campaign and who did not contribute last year to the expenses of the regular Republicans in the state campaign; for these and other reasons equally conclusive I cast my vote for Phil Womelsdorf and file this the regular Republicans in the state campaign; for these and other reasons equally conclusive I cast my vote for Phil Womelsdorf and file this protest against the re-election of this former county chairman, and I wish further by this to express my disapproval of any so-called "Agreement" or "Compromise" which makes the election of such a man possible in a regular Republican convention, where such an election means a practical endorsement of such a course and is a direct insult to the regular state committee and every

There was howling and cat calls during the entire time that Hamilton was reading his paper, but he stuck to it. The vote resulted in Reeder having 87 and Womelsdorf 7. They didn't call a divis-

ion on this one When the election of delegates to the state convention was taken up Gray named John M. Dale, of Bellefonte. Abe Jackson Hastings named Hon. William M. Allison, of Spring Mills, and Git-there Eli Townsend, who didn't get to the Legislature, named J. N. Schoonover, of Philipsburg. Here Hamilton undertook to give his reasons for not voting for Allison and they wouldn't listen to him again, so we will just publish them, also, for the sanctimonious-oleaginous statesman from State

College. He said:

"I wish in casting my vote for delegates to the Republican state convention, to enter along with it my protest against the election, by the Republicans of Centre county, as representing them, of any man who refused to enter a party caucus regularly called, to organize the House of Representatives, of which he was a member; who refused after the caucus had been held, to abide by its decision, but who voted against the caucus nominee for Speakers notwithstanding the fact that the nominee had received in caucus the majority of the votes of all the Republican Members of the House; I protest against the election of a man as our Representative to the Republican convention who united with the Democrats in voting against our candidate for United States Senator; who voted regularly with the Democrats against party measures in the House of Representatives College. He said :

which had the endorsement of the regular Republicans of that body; who did what he could to embarrass the state administration in the enactment of legislation whenever this legislation; was distasteful to the Democrats or Insurgents against a man who in the State Republican convention will, if he is consistent, vote against the nomination of any man whom the regular Republicans may select. For these reasons I cast my vote for John M. Dale and J. N. Schoonover, and I also wish hereby to protest against any so-called "agreement" or "compromise" which has made it possible for a man with such a record to be nominated and elected; whose election will be a direct insult to the associate Member of the House from this county, who stood with the regular Republicans and was loyal to the principles of his party."

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All being quiet along the line again the matter of choosing a prothonotary was taken up and Edward C. McKinley, of Boggs Twp.; Phil D. Foster, of State College; and Milford Fletcher, of Howard, were placed in nomination. The first ballot resulted McKinley 46, Foster 56, Fletcher 17, but it didn't go. The anti-Quayites realized that with such a fight on there would be no hope for their candidate so they got there heads together quickly and decided that McKinley would be a better martyr than Foster who could be saved to run for sheriff later. Accordingly some one discovered Clementina Dale's absence and he was sent for and another ballot taken. Meanwhile Abe Dan had leaned over and put a little message into secretary Harris' ear and when the next ballot was announced McKinley had 59, less telegram from Tommy Mitchell, who 'Yes, and an EX-office holder and the peo- jugglery with figures had so often helped Dan out in the past.

They couldn't find a candidate for disings took occasion to present the report of the resolutions committee. It was read

We, the Republicans of Centre county, by accredited representatives in convention as-sembled, do hereby reiterate our allegiance to the Republican party and renew our pledges of devotion and loyalty to its principles and tra-

We rejoice with our fellow Republicans over the triumphant re-election of William McKinley as President of the United States and extol the

We praise and applaud the administration of President McKinley and regard the domestic and foreign policy which he has pursued to be in perfect accord with the principles and doctrines of the Republican party.

We have witnessed with gratification the patriotic American spirit which has directed hi triotte American spirit which has directed his course in meeting the many and varied complications arising from a series of events involving the nation in international disputes and contentions, and we receive with appropriate satisfaction the abundant evidence of the success that has marked the sagacity and foresight of American diplomacy under his careful and watchful guidance.

We have experienced the benefits and we share We have experienced the benefits and we share the blessings which have come to our country and our people through the application in the administration of national affairs of the Republican principles of protection to Amercan labor, and we rejoice that the re-election of President McKinley assures us of a continuance for four more years of a protected policy which has made our country the commercial, industrial and the financial leader among the Nations of the world, and has given our neople a prosperity unequaled

and has given our people a prosperity unequaled in the history of this or any other government. We commend and endorse the policy of President McKinley and his administration toward the inhabitants of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands, which has been such that commands the admiration and respect of all liberty-loving people at home and abroad.

We join with our fellow countrymen in heartfelt thanks to Our Father in Heaven for his boundless mercy to our honored President in sparing to him, and we hope for many years to come, the life of this gentle and beloved wife, whose comfort and pleasure and happiness has been his chief thought during all the years of their domestic association. We are proud of our Chief Magistrate, who, burdened with the cares and obligations of his high and responsible official station, never wavers in his love and devotion to her who has shared his joys and sorrows, his disappointments and success.

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We enthusiastically endorse the ticket which his convention has this day nominated, and we oledge to each candidate our united and hearty upport with the determination to exert our best fforts to accomplish this election in November.

Immediately at its conclusion the minority report, submitted by Hamilton, was also read as follows:

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We commend the action of our Senators and Representatives in Congress in sustaining the policy of the Republican administration in all matters of public interest brought to their attention, and especially in advocating and supporting the passage of the Grout bill.

We recognize in the administration of this State, the business integrity, courage, and high purpose of Governor Stone in limiting the expenditures of the State to the amount of its revenues, and in payment of the debt of over three million of dollars which had accumulated in the past.

We commend the action of the Legislature whose session has just closed; whose work as now printed upon the statute books of the State shows for itself and commends itself as being one of the most salutary character and highly beneficial to the business and social interests of the State.

We commend the action of our Representative, John K. Thompson, in his attitude in associating himself with the majority of the Republicans of the House in his efforts to secure liberal appropriations for the various educational and charitable institutions of the county.

We declare in favor of majority rule in political as in church or business life: and we denounce those who reject this fundamental principle of government by refusing to be bound by the will of the majority; who make common cause with Democrats against the interest of the great Republican majorsty, and who dencunce and defame loyal Republicans who will not join them in their efforts to destroy their party.

This latter production made the bobtailed horse switch his stump good and Standard rose to about 6 ft. 2in, in an in-

There was talking then for your life. Abe Hastings is an orator. He had three speeches in his pocket and two up his sleeve, but the one he got off was like the withering jets of hot air that have swept over the corn fields of the West during the past month. Oleo was scorched until it fairly sizzled and still the hot oil gushed forth. The Big Kettle in which it was boiling ran over and called Pot Thompson black and then rubbed it in by saying that he is a liar and a thief. It was awful. Chairman Bennison just then sat on a little of the filth that the judicial ermine had left on the seat of the chair and slipped off. It made a noise that sounded so much like the clatter of the hoofs of the horse that John Baker rode down the valley of the Conemaugh on the morning of May 31st, 1889, to warn Johnstown of its awful doom that it seemed to scare Abe, for

he sat down instanter. Of course Hamilton's resolutions were knocked out and Abe Hastings' were endorsed, because it was important that they should resolute about Mrs. McKinley's Just then Chambers wakened up health. again and called for three cheers for Thompson, but Reeder pulled the thunder out of his proposition by making it for Allison and pandemonium reigned supreme. There was no adjournment. They just

Hanna Has Eves on the Presidency.

Possibility of His Candidacy Said to Be Worrying Senator Fairbanks.

WASHINGTON, July 27 .- It is reported here on very good authority that Senator Mark A. Hanna seriously intends to be the next Republican candidate for President. The story is not accompanied with affidavits, but it is so well authenticated as to cause considerable uneasiness to the friends of Senator Charles W. Fairbanks. gentleman from Indiana is a candidate under cover. He has first to be re-elected to the United States Senate, his term expiring March 3, 1903, and he does not care to figure as a candidate for two political honors at the same time. But whatever may be done quietly in the way of organizing is receiving the attention of his able lieuten-

ants. Senator Hanna is looked on as the most formidable obstacle in the way of the Fair-banks boom. With the chairman of the Republican national committee unfriendly, the work of securing control of the national convention must be uphill work. The secretary of the committee, Perry S. Heath, has given evidence of his unfriendliness in other ways than by the interview in which he first named Hanna as a possible candi-

It is said now that the feeler then thrown out brought some unexpectedly encouraging returns, and the more Hanna has thought it over, the more taken he is with the idea of inheriting the McKinley mantle and becoming the administrator of his political estate of prosperity. He knows he would have been held responsible if the administration had been a failure. He bore his part in the heat and labor of the day Now he believes he should receive his share of the credit. What is of more importance was hurrying home from Europe and whose he is beginning to believe the voting public ingglery with figures had so often helped is coming to regard the matter in this light also. From the expressions which have appeared in print, and from what certain of his political friends have said to him in pritrict attorney so D. H. A. Jackson Hast- vate Senator Hanna is about persuaded that he is no longer the bugbear in the public estimation that he was painted the early days of the '96 campaign. His friends tell him there has been a reaction of sentiment, helped along greatly by the Senator's appearance on the stump and his straightforward style of utterance in the

last campaign. Hanna realizes that the next Republican convention is a long time in the future; but he knew the value of early beginnings when he started out on the road as the advance for William McKinley back in 1894. It was as early as March 27th, 1894, that McKiuley was sprung on the Northwest as a candidate for the Presidency, at a convention which he attended in Minneapolis under the auspices of the State League of Republican Clubs, with John Goodnow, now Consul General at Shanghai, presiding. And the work of propaganda was begun before that.

Next to the influence of the Republican national committee is the influence of the administration as represented by President McKinley. The friends of Fairbanks have always made a point of the relations of confidence said to exist between Fairbanks and McKinley; but as against Hanna this argument loses its weight. As there is no one man to whom McKinley owes more in a political way, so there is no one more than Hanna who could command a larger share of his assistance in a political game like the one now beginning.

The Rehabilitation and Revival of the Philadelphia Democracy. Hope for the State and Encourage ment for Democrats Throughout the Country.

At a special meeting of the Democratic ommittee of Philadelphia, on last Friday Mr. Charles Donnely, who has been chairman of that organization for the past five or six years, handed in his resignation was accepted at once, and with a unanimity seldom experienced Ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison was chosen to the position. In a letter to the committee accepting the chairmanship, Mr. Pattison savs :

"I would much rather that the responsibilities of so important a position should have fallen upon other shoulders. I am unwilling, however, to be numbered among those who shirk the duties and burdens of citizenship while enjoying its benefits. I accept the election." Continuing he says

in part: It is openly charged and admitted that, in this Republican stronghold, political corruption and political rings now hold the seats of power and place. These have been deaf to the voice of the people. Public works have been made the source of ex-orbitant private gain. Public franchises have been distributed as personal gifts.

"These evils cannot continue in the presence of an intelligent and aroused people. Parties are now organizing for the struggle--the Republican ring for its defense, the people for the overthrow of the

ring. "In this contest the Democratic party must take its place with the people. Twice in the history of the city the Democratic party, in the administration of the office of district attorney, has demonstrated that the people made no mistake in the commission of public affairs to its hands. Its administrations are bright pages in our city's

"Let us rally under the Democratic banner, and, by thorough organization and in-telligent co-operation, deserve a victory that will again prove to our fellow citizen that we are worthy of their confidence."

Governor Stone Announces the Name of the Capitol Commission

HARRISBURG, July 27.—Governor Stone to-day named the following Commission, who will spend \$4,000,000 to complete the state capitol. William H. Graham, Allegheny.

William P. Snyder, Spring City. Edward Bailey, Harrisburg. Nathan C. Schaeffer, Lancaster.

The first three are Republicans and Dr. chaeffer is a Democrat. The commission is named under the provisions of the Fox capitol completion bill. Under the act Governor Stone will be president of the commission, which is required to complete the present legislative building by January 1st. 1905. The announcement of the Commission

was made shortly before Governor Stone left for Wellsboro, Tioga county, where he has taken a house for the remainder of the

The first meeting of the Commission will be held in the Governor's office here at noon on August 20th.

-A burglar attempted to enter a creamery at Benton, Wis., the other day, deeply feel the responsibility laid upon through a trap door in the roof. He had a them in this bequest and are now ready to bottle of nitro-glycerine in his hip pocket, and the trap door, falling, struck him on the hip. He was literally blown to pieces by the force of the explosion which follow-

More Rain Fell in the West Corn Crop in Southeastern lowa May be Saved-

Arizona Rejoices in a Downpour BURLINGTON, Ia., July 29.—Reports received here show that the drouth in south-eastern Iowa has been effectively broken by heavy rain which lasted all night. It

is believed that the rain arrived in time to

largely save the corn crop in this section

PHOENIX, Ariz., July 29.-Within the past twenty-four hours very heavy rainstorms have covered all of central and southern Arizona and extended down into Mexico. In some parts of the Salt River valley the storm assumed extraordinary proportions and in the western part a large amount of water fell. will help stock and forests in the mountains, where fires have been creating hav-

MADISON, Wis., July 29.—A heavy rain fell in this vicinity through the night, effectually breaking a protracted drougth.

St. Louis, July 29.—Telegrams from Marshall, Boonville, Mexico, Jefferson City and Louisiana, among other points in central and northern Missouri, report heavy rains to-day.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 29 .- A heavy rain fell to-day throughout central Illinois It was the first recorded here since July

WATERTOWN, N. Y., A severe electrical storm accompanied by a copious rain, swept over northern New York, beginning early Sunday morning and lasting till late last night. The rain broke the drouth and watered the parched crops. The benefit to the farmers in this way was great. To offset the gain lightning struck scores of barns, destroying them, together with their contents, including the newly harvested crops.

NEW YORK, July 29.—Corn fell 21 cents here and 3½ cents in Chicago to-day on news of heavy rains in the West.

WASHINGTON, July 29 .- Official advices to the Weather Bureau are confirmatory of the press reports of the prevalence of rains over much of the corn belt since last night, with cooler weather than yesterday. At Kansas City there was over an inch of precipitation; from one-fourth to almost two inches in various parts of Iowa; in Nebraska the rainfall was fair; in eastern and northern Oklahoma there were some showers and in Missouri they were pretty fair. Showers are predicted for tomorrow east of the Mississippi river, and fair farther west.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 29-—The drought has been broken in Kansas and Missouri by good rains which have fallen in heavy and frequent showers since Sunday morning.

Colonel George W. Veale, who has watched conditions closely in Kansas for a score of years, says that Kansas will raise nearly half a crop of corn.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

MARRIAGE LICENSES.-Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, A. G. Archev, during the past week : Harvey L. Truckenmiller, of Zion, and

Rebecca S. Corman, of Bellefonte. H. F. McManaway and

Meyer, both of Penn Hall. Andro Drapo and Lizzie Horodo, both of Clarence.

Chester S. Kerns, of Jersey Shore, and Ruby M. Wright, of Apalachacola, Fla. Wm. H. Allen and Mabel C. Wian, both of Bellefonte.

AN OUT-SIDE VIEW, OF THE PROPOSED "PETRIKEN HALL."-"And Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury, and many that were rich, cast in much, and there came, a certain poor widow and she threw in two mites, which make a farthing. And He called unto Him, His disciples, and saith unto them, verily I say unto you, that this poor widow, hath cast more in, than all they, which have cast into the treasury. For all they did cast in of their abundance, but she, of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living.—Mark 12th chapter, verses 41-42-43-44.

It is almost two years since the death of Marion Petriken, the present seems a suitable time towards the carrying out of her will. The significance of this bequest impressed all, as Miss Petriken was an Episcopalian, a staunch church woman. was not an active member of the W. C. T. U., although a regular attendant at their meetings, and a contributor. She seemed to have clearly seen the aim and scope of this organization, in its christian philanthrophy comprehended in its forty departments of work, and she consulted the best interests of the community in which she lived, in opening a way for better aiding the Bellefonte W. C. T. U. in its effort to uplift and bless all. She recognized that uplifs and bless all. She recognized that this organization, being undenominational, could reach all classes and conditions of humanity, as no denominational organization could. The existence and history of the W. C. T. U. all over the world, proved to her the necessity of sustaining the one in her own town. By this act she calls on all christians of whatever great to assist all christians of whatever creed, to assist in the completion of this most worthy enterprise. To those who knew of her spotess character, sterling worth and use life, she especially appears. The community recognizing the largeness of her thought for them in this bequest, should unite with the churches, and in every way aid in

the rapid completion of this hall. Our distinguished citizens have the opportunity of making Bellefonte more conspicuous by their generous assistance in the erection of a building that will be an ornament to the town, and a worthy memorial of Marion Petriken, and their generosity, furthermore, aiding the town curing a hall which has so long been needed. Since this is the first time in the history of Bellefonte such a bequest has been made for a christian benevolence whose object is the benefit of all classes, conditions and creeds, and this by a woman who gave

all she had. Shall not such effort be respected by the the united action of all, in the completing of the object of such bequest. Therefore, the writer of this article places this matter before all named, who by virtue of their interest, are called upon now to act. The Bellefonte W. C. T. U. as an organization unite in definite action. There is little

- Subcribe for the WATCHMAN.