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Democratic State Ticket.

- For Governor: ROBERT E. PATTISON, of Philadelphia. For Lieutenant Governor: GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, of Allegheny.

Democratic Meetings in the County.

- County chairman BOWER has arranged to hold meetings at various places in the county during the time that will elapse between this and the election.



Hibner Has Always Been the People's Friend.

During every session of the Legislature the corporations are represented not only by their paid agents in the lobbies but by members of both the Senate and House, who have been elected for the sole purpose of having enacted laws in favor of the corporations and against the common people.

For Congress, D. E. Hibner.

There are many reasons why this, the new Twenty-first, congressional district, should not be represented by SOLOMON R. DRESSER, the tooth-pick candidate from Bradford.

When he was not trying some drivel in rhyme he stated that he was an inventor. As to the truthfulness of his assertion we are not in position to argue, but it is certain that there is a story going the rounds that DRESSER is not an inventor at all.

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Arrogant Law Breakers.

That excellent Democrat, Hon. RICHARD OLNEY, who was Secretary of State under President Cleveland, made a most truthful remark in an address delivered in Boston last week, when he said:

"The signs of the times are that under the regime of the Republican party and through the national government, forty years of partnership with the protected industries, we have come to a pass where public officials as well as private citizens deem themselves above the law."

A conspicuous example of this disposition to hold themselves above the law is furnished by the coal operators in the anthracite region, who do not recognize the restraint of the law, and by their disregard for it prove themselves to be lawless.

But who are the parties that make this insolent demand? The heads of the anthracite coal combine, including the railroad magnates and the colliery operators, are conspicuous and systematic violators of the law.

These parties, who are made insolent by their unchecked usurpation of privilege and power, have become habitual law breakers, encouraged in their lawlessness by those in political authority who put no restraint upon them.



The Men You Should Support for County Commissioner.

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A Bogus Friend of Labor.

Boss QUAY just now would like to be considered a great friend of labor. He played this role in his attempt to bring the coal strike to a close when he saw that if the strike continued it would be likely to defeat Cousin SAM's election to the Governorship.

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They spent less money, and made more public improvements in 1900 and 1901 than did a Republican board in 1898 and 1899.

In two years time they paid off a debt of \$8,352.10 left by Republican predecessors and at the same time cut the per capita tax down to the lowest figure ever known in Centre County.

During the years 1897, 1898 and 1899 the RIDDLE and FISHER REPUBLICAN BOARD SPENT \$817.80 OF THE PEOPLE'S MONEY FOR OUTSIDE CLERK HIRE.

While during the years 1900, 1901 and 1902 the MEYER and HECKMAN DEMOCRATIC BOARD HAS SPENT ONLY \$10.80 and that was caused by the necessity of getting out

the assess books just at the time of the death of the late MATTHEW RIDDLE.

Figures won't lie, and the books are open to you. If you wonder how Democratic management of the county affairs is made so profitable for you as a tax payer we need only recite one of the many instances of watchfulness on the part of the present board.

Some time ago it appeared that preceding boards had been losing considerable taxes through the fall assessment law. By that plan a man's property was assessed in the fall and should he happen to move in spring there would be nothing against him at his new abode, consequently he would evade paying his fair share of the burdens of government and the loss had to be made up by assessing that much more on those who did pay.

This is only one of the many evidences of Democratic attention to your interests and for that reason, if for no other, you should see that Democratic control of the Commissioner's office is continued by voting for MEYER and HUMPTON.

Farmers for Pattison.

Chairman Creasy, of the Democratic state committee, has received this letter from J. A. Herr, a life-long Republican, member of the state board of agriculture for 23 years, and a prominent member of the Pennsylvania State Grange:

Cedar Springs, Pa., Oct. 5, 1902.—As the senior active member of the Pennsylvania state board of agriculture, I have been in a position to study the actions of the governors of the state relative to our agricultural interests.

I can testify to the great attention and consideration accorded us by Governor Pattison. During the eight years of his administration he missed but one meeting of the board, and when favorable legislation was enacted it always received his active support and approval.

During his term of office he gave proper consideration to all the agricultural organizations of the state, thereby endearing himself to the entire farming community. I am confident that if elected governor our agricultural interests will be given proper consideration and receive generous treatment at his hands.

Let every householder in Pennsylvania remember that he is indebted to Quay and his hirelings in the legislature for \$30 coal. If the miners' bill which passed the house had not been throttled in the senate there would have been no strike and no million dollar extra burden on account of expenses for the National Guard.

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D. E. HIBNER FOR CONGRESS.

Philadelphia Union Traction Co. Those who were to suffer by the defeat of the bill were the poorly paid gripmen, whose service exposed them to the inclemency of the weather.

The "hardship" which the street railway magnates would suffer from the expense of enclosing the platforms of their cars touched QUAY'S heart more keenly than the hardship of their employes shivering in the wintry blasts.

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Dresser's Agents Buying Certificates of Character for Him.

translation of an open letter issued by Mr. Dresser to the Swedish citizens of the district explaining his connection with the Holmberg-Anderson patent.

The Smethport Miner, and possibly others of our Republican contemporaries, have been pleased to borrow the translation from our columns, which was perfectly proper, and we make no objection even though a formal acknowledgement of our service in behalf of Mr. Dresser was denied.

Mr. Jewett, Pa., Oct. 1, 1902. The day the Republican club met at Mt. Jewett—Sept. 10, 1902—Fred Miller and Carl Engstrom paid me \$100, and a like amount to Fred Anderson, and promised us that we should each have \$50 additional after election.

In consideration of the payment of the above sum, myself and Anderson signed a certain letter which Mr. Dresser has since put forth in connection with a circular letter issued under date of Sept. 22, 1902, to the Swedish voters in their language.

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A Thrilling Appeal.

The Democratic campaign in Philadelphia was opened on Monday evening with enthusiastic meetings in Germantown and Manayunk, where business men and workmen united in remarkable demonstrations.

It has often been said that a larger measure of the virtue, intelligence and patriotism of a commonwealth is to be found in its rural regions than in the cities and towns. Whether this claim is well founded or not, so far as Pennsylvania is concerned, the hour is near when the test will surely be made.

They are more than ready to do their part. Will you do yours? They will come to the polls, on the 4th of November, a united and invincible host, standing up for the right which is just and true, upholding the honor and dignity of the commonwealth, sustaining its constitution and laws, demanding their faithful, impartial and fearless enforcement, to the end that the rights of all the people shall be maintained.

Will you do the same? They will roll up a great majority for clean politics and honest government. Will you bravely and loyally meet it by your ballots as freemen worthy the heritage bequeathed by the fathers? Will you likewise answer it? They will elect a sufficient number of honest and intelligent members of the legislature, with your co-operation, to repeal vicious legislation and to enact wise laws. Will you stand by them in this? Will you join hands with them in this imperatively needed work?

I appeal to your sense of name of all that you hold nearest and dearest of your rights of citizenship. I appeal to you for the honor and welfare of the great city which you love. I appeal to you in the interest of your wronged friends, for the sake of your young men, who must meet the responsibilities, bear the burdens and undergo the temptations of the future. I appeal to you as honest men, as intelligent men, as patriotic men, not to be blinded by false pleas of partisanship; not to be turned aside from the pathway of duty by the cunning wiles of the alarmed and desperate servants of unscrupulous leaders, who will hesitate at nothing to accomplish their selfish and base purposes.

In many ways you have felt the burdens and realized the bitter fruits of bad government. The amazing degradation of the public service, the plundering of the municipality, you know full well how elections have been made a mockery, how your will has been defied, how the ballot box has been debauched. The amazing statement of the self-blinded candidate of the machine that he knows nothing of these things has met your withering contempt. And you know that the same crimes will be brazenly repeated unless you patriotically resolve that they shall cease and bravely defend and uphold your inalienable rights. Do not be deterred from the pathway of duty by the sinister threats of political outlaws; do not be kept from the polls through fear of banded criminals. Go straight forward, as self-respecting, courageous American citizens, determined that this time there shall be an honest election in Philadelphia, and all will be well. Should the expressed will of the people in 66 counties be defeated through the work of a corrupt machine here, and your failure to do your part, you would not recover from the disgrace and the shame for a generation. I rejoice in the hope and the belief that you will meet the demands of the hour. Four times you have given me your high commission to execute your sovereign will, and I appeal to the record for evidence of the fact that the trust bestowed was sacredly kept and the duties placed upon me faithfully discharged. If you will again do your duty I will do mine at all times and under all circumstances.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

THE OPENING OF THE HUNTING SEASON.—The first day of the hunting season in this section turned out very much like the opening of the fishing season last spring. So little game was reported that our gunners would all be embarrassed to death and worn out with apologetic explanations were we to tell the contents of the bags of the many weary fellows who slipped into town after night-fall on Wednesday.

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