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**GOVERNOR HASTINGS FORMALLY  
 INSTALLED INTO OFFICE.**

**Imposing Ceremonies, Parade, &c.**

The 15th of January being the day for the installation of the Governor of Pennsylvania, the weather happened to be all that could be desired for the occasion, and the streets of Harrisburg were in good condition. The line of march alone was very much crowded. Political clubs unnumbered appeared early, in order to make sure of being there, and the music which began early continued late. The Fifth, Eighth and First regiments participated in the parade, besides many civic and political organizations.

Noon being the hour for the inaugural ceremonies, the governor-elect and the chosen members of his cabinet, accompanied by the retiring State officials and other dignitaries, repaired from the executive mansion under brilliant display and escort to the Capitol. Appearing on the portico of the edifice the new governor was greeted with cheers.

The inaugural program opened with music from the Third Brigade Band, of Pottsville, after which the divine guidance was invoked by Rev. Wm. A. Houck, of Hazleton.

The certificate of General Hasting's election being next in order, Mr. Smiley, chief clerk of the senate, read it. Administering the oath of office being the next important step, Chief Justice Sterrett propounded the questions to which the new governor responded, and which clothed him with full authority as chief executive of the Keystone State of the Union.

The inaugural address followed, consuming perhaps a half an hour, when the ceremonies concluded with prayer. Taking their place at the head of the inaugural procession, the governor and his retinue passed in review and received the customary enthusiastic greetings.

The governor's first official act was the nomination of his cabinet after which, being unanimously confirmed by the senate, they were punctually sworn in by Mr. Tilden, deputy secretary of the Commonwealth. On the morning of the 16th the new cabinet assumed control of their respective departments.

Aside from the assistant executive clerk, Captain Wm. F. Reber, who will be retained, the clerical force of the governor and his cabinet will be apt to experience more or less inward and outward rotation, and the future nominations and preferences of the new governor we are afraid will not strictly comport with the civil service notion which objects to removals and appointments for political reasons.

The close of the inaugural ceremonies in the evening were marked with more or less red paint, as usual; but they closed in some cases early and in others late, and without much regard for the condition of heads in the morning in many cases. The military ball at the armory, the public reception and the fire-works on Market square were all features well calculated to relieve any monotony that might set in.

Prior to the reception governor and Mrs. Hastings entertained at dinner the members of the governor's cabinet and ladies and Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Lyon. The reception began at eight o'clock and continued until close to midnight.

The receiving line formed in the south parlor of the mansion in front of an alcove filled with potted plants banked to the ceiling and illuminated by an arch of electric lights. Music was furnished by the First regiment band, of Philadelphia. Private Secretary Beitler stood on the left of the receiving line and introduced the governor to the guests as they filed into the room. Governor Hastings was flanked on the right by Mrs. Hastings, Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Walter Lyon, Secretary and Mrs. Reeder, Attorney General and Mrs. McCormick, Adjutant General Stewart, Insurance Commissioner Lambert and Mrs. Beitler.

The ladies carried large bouquets of roses, lilies of the valley and maiden hair fern tied with white satin ribbon. The roses in each bouquet were of a different color. The gentlemen wore sprigs of lilies of the valley on the lapel of their coats.

The ladies' dresses were in train. Mrs. Hastings wore white satin striped moire with crepe lisse bodice and duchess lace, and diamonds and pearls; Mrs. Lyon, crepe brocade satin with crepe pink velvet and chiffone; Mrs. Reeder, white brocade, with pale green velvet and point lace and diamonds; Mrs. McCormick, white moire antique, with pearl and chiffone trimmings and diamonds; Mrs. Beitler, duchess satin, with duchess lace and diamonds; Miss Helen Hastings, daughter of the governor, wore an attractive gown of white silk crepon trimmed with pink rose buds.

A Philadelphia Times correspondent thus describes the dress and appearance of Mrs. Hastings and the inaugural reception as it appeared to him:

"The inaugural reception to-night is said by those whose word is authority to have been one of the most brilliant and politely enthusiastic ever held within the four walls of the mansion. The receiving party were Governor and Mrs. Hastings, Lieutenant Governor and wife, Secretary Reeder

and wife, Attorney General McCormick and wife, Commissioner of Insurance Colonel Lambert and Mr. and Mrs. Beitler.

"Mrs. Hastings was repositely dignified, womanly, and was beautifully and effectively gowned. Her dress was white silk, pipe organ skirt, square cut neck, chiffon vest, double puffed sleeves, real lace trimmings. Mrs. Hastings carried a large bunch of roses, lilies of the valley and ferns."

**MUST PRESERVE THE BALLOT.**

**The Supreme Court Decides That Blanket Stickers Must Not be Used.**

In the contested election case for School Directors, appealed from the Quarter Sessions Court of Lawrence county, the Supreme Court, in an opinion by Chief Justice Sterrett, has settled an important question as to the manner in which persons who are not named upon the official ballot may be voted for.

At the election held in Little Beaver township in February, 1894, many of the electors procured printed ballot slips containing the names of persons to be voted for, the titles of the offices, etc. These slips they pasted on the right hand column of the official ballot which was devoted to blank spaces, and when thus pasted they obliterated all the titles of offices, the directions for marking, etc., upon the official ballot and substituted like matters which were printed upon these slips. Cross marks were also made opposite certain names in this column.

A contest arose and the Court below decided that ballots so pasted and marked were illegal. An appeal was taken to the Supreme Court. In deciding the question Justice Sterrett quotes from the ballot law and says that while it is perfectly right to fill in the blank spaces it is entirely wrong to cover up the printed matter. Concluding, he says: "To permit the voter to procure from outside parties a slip-ticket or sticker, corresponding in size with said column, and paste the same over the printed matter, as well as the blank spaces thereon, would be contrary to the letter as well as the spirit of the act. But it is enough for us to know that no authority can be found in the act for doing any such thing."

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