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Candidates.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE, MORLECAI MILLARD, CENTRE TOWNSHIP.

The President has appointed Attorney General Olney to the position of Secretary of State, and Judge Judson Harmon of Ohio was appointed Attorney-General.

The wide tire bill, introduced in the legislature by Representative Harvey, of Luzerne county, passed finally last week and is now in the hands of the Governor. It provides as follows:

Section 1. That all persons who shall own and use only draft wagons on the public highways of the commonwealth with tires not less than four inches in width for hauling loads of not less than two thousand pounds weight shall for each year after the passage of this act receive a rebate of one fourth of their assessed highway tax, provided, however, such rebate shall not exceed in any one year five years' labor on the highways for road or highway tax or its equivalent in cash to any one person.

Section 2. Any person complying with the provisions of section one of this act who shall make and subscribe to an affidavit that he, she or they has for the preceding year owned and used only such wagons with tires not less than four inches in width for hauling loads of not less than two thousand pounds in weight on the public highways of this commonwealth shall be credited by the supervisors of highways of their respective districts in which such tax is levied and assessed with one fourth of the road tax assessed and levied on the property of such person. Such credit shall not exceed in any one year five days' labor on the highways for road or highway tax to any one person or its equivalent in cash, and any supervisor of highways is hereby authorized to administer such oath.

Section 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

CHAIRMAN WRIGHT ON STATE POLITICS.

Robert E. Wright Esq., Chairman of the Democratic State Committee, was recently interviewed. He says he has no idea who will be nominated by the Democrats for state treasurer. He will shortly call a meeting of the state executive committee to fix the time and place of holding the state convention. The time for the convention will be somewhere around September 15. Talking of the record made by the Republican legislature, Chairman Wright says the results will be beneficial to the Democratic party, speaking politically. The recklessness, vicious legislation and squandering of the public moneys will arouse the better class of Republicans and may create a strong independent movement in the future in their ranks.

Asked what he thought of the proposed "Lexow" investigation of Philadelphia, Mr. Wright said he felt sure that the independents of Philadelphia, especially the Citizens' municipal association, was in earnest and meant to push ahead the investigation. He was inclined to think, however, that the delay of Chairman Andrews, of the "Lexow" committee, in formally accepting the offer of the Municipal association of \$20,000 for the use of the committee, was indicative of insincerity among the friends of Senator Quay.

Chairman Wright does not favor the suggestion recently made that the Democrats should nominate more than one judge this fall for a seat on the superior court bench. He thinks by naming more than one candidate unless bitter local fights of the different candidates would result among the Democrats with no probability of electing more than one judge anyhow. The chairman says he does not know whom Governor Hastings will name as the Democratic representative of the new Bench. He thinks, however, the selection should not come from Philadelphia, but from some other portion of the state, especially from some Democratic locality. When asked whether he thought the Democratic convention should nominate the minority judge whom the governor will appoint this Summer, Mr. Wright said, "not necessarily so." If the appointee fills all the requirements of ability and popularity he should be nominated.

QUAY SNIFFS DISASTER.

SAYS THE REPUBLICANS ARE DRIFTING ON AN UNKNOWN SEA.

Senator Quay was interviewed Saturday evening at his home in Beaver, Pa. "I am not given to discuss national candidates," said Mr. Quay decisively. "But I have no objection to stating my opinion on the issues of the next presidential canvass. I would consider it improper for me to discuss the doings of various gentlemen in New York City at this time, and I have nothing to say as to candidates or politics that will be played at the convention. But I will say that I think the Republican editors and leaders are making a grave mistake in allowing the Democrats to push the silver issue to the front.

"The Democratic party leaders and rank and file are far from being a union on the tariff question. Many of these politicians who favor the president's tariff reform program are not as enthusiastic in their support of it since the last election. They do not know to-day what to say on the question in their next platform. But, divided as they are on the tariff, their confusion on the silver question approaches that of Babel. Representatives of the party in every state of the union have each one a different solution of the financial question. Having fostered the Populist craze as a parasite which they thought would feed on Republican vitality, Mr. Cleveland finds it fattening on the Democratic body the whole country over. Here is where the Republicans have made their mistake by trying to fight the free silver question a year ahead. They have taken up an issue on which they are almost as hopeless as the Democrats, instead of clinging to the tariff idea, on which they are practically united. Then they allowed the Democrats to call away public attention from the subjects on which Democratic tendency was so clearly revealed. Talking silver, the Republicans have drifted from solid ground to an unknown sea."

A Partisan Dilemma.

The Republican managers in the East are still in much doubt as to how the silver cat may jump. Hence they are extremely anxious to prevent the party from committing itself by any formal and positive declaration against or for the free coinage of silver until they can ascertain which side is likely to win. But they will not be permitted to sit on the fence while the silver controversy is raging among the people. The representatives of the bonanza miners who are hastening to the convention of the National League of Republican Clubs at Cleveland will insist upon a plain declaration in favor of free silver coinage. At the same time some Republicans in the East will earnestly demand that there shall be neither compromise nor temporizing with the champions of cheap money.

This is the dilemma which causes so much embarrassment to the Republican politicians. The manly, straightforward and wise course would be to put the Republican party squarely on the platform of sound money, and have done with it. But the ominous threats that come from the Rocky Mountains and the fear of popular fanaticism for free silver coinage fill the Republican leaders with irresolution. In their distress they will endeavor to persuade the League of Republican Clubs at Cleveland to totally ignore the silver question or take refuge in a declaration for international bimetalism. The gathering at Memphis to-day will show how much contempt the free silver mongers have for such a declaration. In the meantime the irresolution of the Republican leaders on the currency question increases the confidence and courage of the Silverites.

There is no ignoring the danger with which the free silver question threatens the Democratic party. But the Democrats are playing no game of hide-and-seek with an issue of so much importance to the country.

Those among them who favor free silver coinage have at least the merit of sincerity and frankness in defining their position. Friends and foes know just where they may be found. The open, above board discussion in the Democratic party throughout the country promises the most auspicious result in a solution of the question in favor of honest money before the assembling of the Democratic National Convention in 1896. The dodging and irresolution of the Republican leaders, on the other hand, daily increase the embarrassment of their party. A failure of the convention of the Republican League of Clubs at Cleveland to meet the issue would greatly discourage the friends of sound currency, and encourage the Silverites in equal degree. But it has been suggested that these Leagues have nothing to do with questions of political principle, and this is not improbably a very proper conception of the character of such organizations—Record.

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The Passing of the Law-Makers.

Both in what it did and in what it left undone the Legislature which adjourned yesterday, after one of the longest sessions ever held in Harrisburg, has left a record of which the public has the highest reason to be ashamed, and one which should make every self-respecting member of either house wish from the centre of his heart might be speedily forgotten. It is a record of public duty neglected, of reckless squandering of the people's money for personal and partisan purposes and of niggardly economy where the highest public interests were at stake.

Worst of all, it is a record of the subordination of the public good to private greed in every instance where the two came in conflict. The repeal of the pipe line bill in the interest of the Standard Oil monopoly, the passage of the two bills handing the electric lighting business in the entire commonwealth over to the existing corporations without possible competition from any source, the bills permitting the consolidation of the street railway systems, the greater Pittsburg bill, in short nearly every important bill passed by the Legislature was a private gift to somebody at the public expense.

Its record for the creation of useless offices and for adding to the public burdens by unnecessary public expenditures was equally bad. More than \$300,000 was added to the annual pay roll of the State by the creation of new offices and the increase of salaries to officials already provided for by law. Appropriations for improvements vital to the welfare of the State, such as the deepening of the Delaware channel, were refused, while hundreds of thousands of dollars were voted by logging agreements to institutions of doubtful public utility and which, if necessary at all, should be maintained as private charities.

The constitutional requirement that the State shall be newly apportioned into Congressional, Senatorial, Representative and Judicial districts after each decennial census was ignored, except as regards a judicial apportionment, which was marred by the creation of a lot of unnecessary new judges. The failure to pass apportionment bills was without even a partisan excuse, as the State government is Republican in every branch. The Legislature could have passed bills partisan to the last degree and they would have received executive approval.

It would be impossible even to enumerate in a single article of moderate length the sins of omission and commission justly chargeable to the expiring Legislature, and disorderly as its closing scenes were its most welcome act was that of final adjournment. It has left the dominant party divided into two bitterly hostile factions, while the entire party must rest under the stigma of its extravagance and its utter disregard both of its sworn duty and the public welfare. If a worse and more worthless Legislature ever disgraced the State the memory of its misdoings has faded from the public memory. The most unfortunate part of it all is that a few capable and public-spirited members of both houses must share the malodorous reputation of the body of which they were a hopeless minority.—Times.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has just taken the point off an exceedingly fine construction of the Sunday treating law. One Sunday two years ago, just before election, when the police were especially vigilant, a resident of Quakertown visited two friends and gave each one a sip of whiskey from a pocket flask which he carried. He was arrested, convicted, and sentenced to fine and imprisonment on the ground that while he might have given the whiskey to friends in his own house, it was unlawful to furnish it in the home of another. The man was a prominent citizen and managed to escape the imprisonment, but paid the fine and appealed the case. The Supreme Court has just reversed the decision, and declares that it is lawful for a man to treat his friends to a drink on Sunday in any place.—Ez.

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ORDINANCE NO. 84.

The following ordinance was passed by the Town Council at a meeting held May 22. An Ordinance to Provide for an Increase of Indebtedness of the Town of Bloomsburg, in order to fund the Present Indebtedness of said Municipality as Evidenced by Outstanding Orders, and a Judgment of Court in an Action for Tort, for Damages Sustained by W. R. Ringrose, for Personal Injuries Received, and also Purchase Real Estate and the Equipment of a Plant to Furnish Light for the said Town, and to Pay the Expenses Incident to the Opening of Jefferson Street and North Street, Ordained to be Opened by Previous Councils, and for Obtaining Consent of the Electors of said Municipality thereto.

WHEREAS, The existing bonded indebtedness of the Town of Bloomsburg amounts to the sum of \$37,940, and in addition thereto there is an existing indebtedness for outstanding orders—the sum of \$12,500 and for the judgment obtained against the said Town, for personal injuries received by W. R. Ringrose, together with the interest, costs and expenses incident to the litigation concerning the same, amounting to about \$7,000—which outstanding orders and judgment are bearing six per cent, interest, and it is desirable to fund the said indebtedness by the substitution of another form of indebtedness bearing a lower rate of interest.

AND WHEREAS, Also the said Town is now at an annual expense approximating \$4400 for the furnishing of Lights for its Highways and Streets, and there is demand made for the immediate opening of Jefferson Street and North Street, agreeably to the action of the corporate Authorities of said Town, heretofore had; and it is believed that the interests of the said Town will be better subserved by the procurement of a plant and the necessary appliances, for the furnishing of light for the Highways of said Town and to be owned by the said Town; and by the immediate opening of the Highways mentioned and previously ordained.

Therefore be it ordained and enacted by the Town Council of the Town of Bloomsburg, and it is hereby ordained and enacted Sec. 1. That for the purpose of funding the debt of the said municipality as evidenced by the existing and outstanding orders of the said Town, and for the payment of the judgment, interest, costs and expenses incident to the litigation of the claim of W. R. Ringrose against said Town for personal injuries received by him; as well as for the purpose of procuring real estate and the necessary machinery and appliances for the furnishing of light for the Streets and Highways thereof; and to pay the damages, costs and expenses for the opening of Jefferson Street and North Street is already ordained, that the bonded indebtedness of the said Town of Bloomsburg be increased in the sum of Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$40,800).

Sec. 2. That bonds be issued in denominations of \$500, \$200 and \$100 each, with coupons attached, and bearing interest at four and a half per centum, per annum, payable semi-annually, to secure the payment of the indebtedness hereby created, all of which shall be paid within twenty years from the date of issue; which bonds shall be in such form, and be executed, issued and delivered in accordance with, and subject to such regulations and resolutions as the President and Town Council may adopt.

Sec. 3. That an annual tax commencing with the first year after such bonds shall have been issued of at least two mills on the dollar of the assessed valuation of taxable property in said town of Bloomsburg, be hereafter annually levied and collected for the purpose of repaying the said indebtedness and the interest thereon; and that the President of the Town Council is hereby authorized and directed to make and file with the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace of Columbia County, attested by the Secretary of the Town Council, the statement required by law.

Sec. 4. That notice be given agreeably to the provisions of the Act of Assembly of April 29, 1874, and its supplements, by advertisement published in "THE COLUMBIAN," "Democratic Sentinel" and "Columbia County Republican," and by twenty printed hand bills, posted in the most public parts of said Town, that an election will be held at the usual places of holding the general and municipal elections in the said Town of Bloomsburg, on Tuesday, the Sixteenth day of July, A. D., 1895, between the hours provided by law for holding of general elections, for the purpose of obtaining consent of the Electors of said Town to such increase of indebtedness.

Sec. 5. That the President of the Town Council shall cause to be prepared and distributed printed tickets, labelled on the outside "Increase the Debt," and containing on the inside the words "Debt may be Increased" also the words "For Loan to Fund Outstanding Orders and the W. R. Ringrose judgment; and to pay the Expenses of Plant for Light and of Opening Jefferson and North Sts., Total \$40,800;" and he shall also prepare and distribute tickets labelled on the outside "Increase the Debt" and containing on the inside "No Increase of Debt," also the words "For Loan to Fund Outstanding Orders and the W. R. Ringrose judgment; and to pay the Expenses of Plant for Light, and of Opening Jefferson and North Streets, Total \$40,800;" that due notice be given to the Electors of the Town of Bloomsburg in the manner prescribed by the 3rd Section of the Act of 1874 and its supplements, said notice to contain a statement of the last assessed valuation of taxable property in said Town, of the amount of the existing debt, of the amount and percentage of the proposed increase, and the purposes for which the indebtedness is to be increased.

Passed and approved May 21st, 1895. S. C. CREASY, President. Attest: R. H. RINGLER, Sec. of Town Council.

NOTICE TO ELECTORS.

Notice is hereby given to the qualified Electors of the Town of Bloomsburg that in pursuance of an Ordinance to Provide for an Increase of Indebtedness of the Town of Bloomsburg in order to Fund the Present Indebtedness of said Municipality as Evidenced by outstanding Orders, and a Judgment of Court in an Action for Tort, for Damages

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of A. J. Evans, late of Bloomsburg, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned executors, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

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