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Candidates.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE, MORDECAI MILLARD, CENTRE TOWNSHIP.

WASTING PUBLIC MONEY.

Squandering Thousands For Needless Supplies for the Departments of the State Government.

There Was No Money For Many Worthy Charities Of The State, But Plenty For Luxuries For The Officials.

The Harrisburg Patriot of last Monday contains the following:

Thousands of dollars of the people's money are to be squandered this year for needless supplies for the various departments of the state government. Contracts have been awarded by the board of public buildings and grounds for an abundance of the best bay rum, fancy soaps, expensive towels, rare flowers, chamois skins and Dresden china inkstands.

The board has also ordered expensive furniture, silverware and cut glass for the executive mansion and costly furnishings for the new quarters of Lieutenant Governor Lyon on the second floor of the north wing of the capitol. It will be hard to convince the average citizen that the State is short of funds when he learns of this extravagance.

Requisitions for all these things were made a year ago upon the board, but Auditor General Gregg and State Treasurer Morrison, who constituted a majority, refused to allow them and they were stricken from the schedule of supplies, stationery, furniture, &c., for the senate and house of representatives and the several departments. But things are different now. Everything that was refused then will be supplied this year, and a great deal more.

A new feature this year is the bulb and flower schedule, which indicates that the state is going into the floral business on an extensive scale. This schedule includes all of the finer varieties of roses, Dutch and Roman hyacinths, lilies, daffodils, Chinese sacred lilies, lilies of the valley, japonicas and the ixia crateroides, a fiery scarlet flower of great beauty. The schedule also calls for 300 strong clumped japonicas to cost \$4 a hundred and the same number of japonica compacta multiflora, the cost of which is scheduled at \$6 a hundred.

Another new feature this year is two dozen leather cases for carrying postage stamps, one dozen real seal card cases, selected, and four German silver reading glasses with ivory handles. Eleven thermometers are called for to keep the clerks and officials informed as to the condition of the mercury. In the matter of stationery there will be fancy writing paper, with envelopes to match, in costly boxes. There will also be fine pocket knives, scheduled at \$3.25 each and combination pocket knives at \$4 each.

Buckskin pocket knife cases will be supplied to preserve the knives from rust and dirt. The schedule calls for three dozen of scissors and forty pairs of shears. Nine dozen of fountain pens will be distributed among the state officials and employees. Besides hundreds of ordinary pens and penholders are scheduled, together with many gross of lead pencils and hundreds of quarts of writing fluid.

works for the executive mansion. The towel schedule calls for all sorts of towels. There are 100 bird's eye huck, hemstitched, with the words, "Commonwealth of Pennsylvania," woven in each towel, fifteen dozen "snow drift" bath towels, five dozen linen bath towels, twenty-five dozen hemstitched towels, three dozen bleach towels and 250 yards of crash. Strange to say, the schedule does not call for any cork screws, but it calls for about everything else kept by a first class hardware establishment. Some of the "useful" articles provided for by this schedule are claw hammers, monkey wrenches, carpet tacks, wire brads, cross and rip saws, chisels, scratch awls, rivet cutters, gimlets, screw drivers, nail pullers, syringes, fumigators, hoes and rakes, trowels, sheep shears, spades, manure forks, pruning knives, lawn mowers, axle bolts, red, blue and green paint, walnut stain, harness dressing and glue.

The schedule of miscellaneous supplies includes ten dozen baccarat and six dozen fine cut tumblers, one dozen Limoge pitchers, one dozen filters, twenty gallons of the best bay rum filtered, twenty gallons of ammonia, four demijohns of a cheaper grade of ammonia, a half barrel of lubricating oil, a half barrel of castor oil, twenty pounds of lump alum, ten pounds of camphor, ten gallons of insect fluid, eighteen dozen of shoe blacking, nine alligator satchels and one refrigerator.

The board has contracted for two \$500 clocks with chimes and mantel decorations and three office clocks ranging in price from \$15 to \$60. There is a greater variety of clocks now on Capitol hill than in the largest establishment in Harrisburg. After every session of the legislature one or two of these expensive time pieces disappear and it becomes "necessary" for the board to purchase new ones to take their places.

Lieutenant Governor Lyon will have in his new apartments five pairs of curtains to cost \$300 each, a cover for a grand parlor piano to cost \$100, although no arrangement is made in the schedule for the piano. These apartments will be furnished with mahogany furniture and costly carpets and rugs. The schedule provides for six fire sets at \$125 each, 625 yards of the best Wilton carpet and a great many rugs, ranging in price from \$2.50 to \$60. Many of the departments are to have new furniture of mahogany, quartered oak, walnut or cherry. The carpets will be used for the lieutenant governor's rooms and the departments of internal affairs and public instruction.

The executive mansion will be refurnished at an expense of about \$30,000. The parlor will be Louis XIV style and the study Moorish. There will be expensive portieres, curtains, overdrapery and wall and window hangings. The schedule also calls for a "tea service, six pieces, latest designs," to cost \$400, for the mansion, and an entire equipment of silverware, including a marquis set of tea, dessert and table spoons, forks, dessert and eating knives, sugar spoons and tongs, oyster forks, coffee spoons, punch ladle, gravy ladle, orange spoons, lettuce forks and soup ladle. Besides, there are fruit knives, fish sets, salad spoons, ice cream spoons, tomato server, jelly server, Trilby berry forks, pickle forks, grape scissors, cake knife, bon bon dish and spoons, cheese scoop, butter plates and spreaders, sugar sifter, pepper and salts, candelabras, chafing dish and chafing spoons and flagon.

The special cut glass schedule for the executive mansion comprises bowls, trays, water pitchers, carafes, cheese dish, fruit dishes, vase, sugar bowl, cream pitcher, cruets, tumblers, goblets, spoon holders, finger bowls, knife rests, ice tubs, cracker jars and fruit saucers. Much of the furniture, carpets and drapery now in use are in good condition and will stand the wear for ten years. To make room for the new furnishing for which the board has contracted it will be sold at public sale in the corridor of the capitol to the highest bidder.

At first it was reported that the reason why the Roaringcreek delegates to the Republican County Convention did not appear in their seats, was that they were under the influence of liquor. This is now denied, and the story is that they dared not come in the convention and vote, because they had accepted money from both sides. Who handled the money we don't know, but we do know when and where and to whom they told that they had been hoodled by both factions. It would not have changed the result, but this little incident shows that all parties employ the same means for accomplishing political ends, and the boasted honesty and purity and integrity of the G. O. P. is a myth and a delusion.

In the Republican factional fight the Hastings combine is losing ground, and Quay is gaining every day. Should Quay control the convention it would be a humiliating thing either for the Governor to be defeated as chairman of the convention, or to accept it through the courtesy of Quay. It may also make a difference in the nominees for Superior Judges. There is a nice fight on hand, and Democrats can afford to look complacently on, and smile.

CONSOLIDATED COMPANIES.

TO MAKE LOCOMOTIVES THAT WILL GO 150 MILES AN HOUR.

The Baldwin Locomotive works of Philadelphia, and the Westinghouse Motor Company of Pittsburgh have entered into an agreement for the manufacture of electric engines.

W. D. Updegraff, private secretary to George Westinghouse, Jr., in explaining the scope of the affiliation of interests of the two companies said:—"The combination is to develop the possibilities of the Tesla motor as applied to the railway service. I intend to make it possible to ride from New York to Pittsburgh in three hours. With the Tesla motor we are assured power to draw a car at the rate of 150 miles an hour or more. The only thing now is to get cars and car wheels that will stand the strain of traveling at that rate of speed. The Baldwin people assure us that this can be done."

We now have this system working at our plant at East Pittsburgh, the only trouble being to get a car that will remain on the track. We believe that with this union of interests we will be in operation between Pittsburgh and New York. The present railway tracks cannot be used. We want air lines. The cars will be very light and on the principle of the air ships. We can run them on trestle work that would not bear the weight of a Pullman coach. We intend to cross the mountains by lifts.

"It is only intended to use the lines for passengers, mail and express. There will be no engines, each car being provided with its own motor. A car will not stop until it reaches its point of destination."

GENERAL NEWS.

Trolley parties are being inaugurated on the Pottsville line.

The Philadelphia & Delaware county trolley line has reached Media. Tumbling down a high precipice at Wilkes-Barre, little George Peterski was mortally hurt.

Ex Chief of Police B. F. Meyers, of Wilkes-Barre, has gone insane, and is in Da-ville asylum.

The Colbert colliery, at Shamokin, employing 600 men, has resumed work after an idleness of a month.

Hotel Proprietor Amandus Rice, of Wind Gap, who shot the Penders brothers, has surrendered.

Judge Cyrus L. Pershing, who had long been ill, returned to his duties at Pottsville court house Saturday.

The Shenango and Mahoning valley manufacturers have advanced wages of union puddlers twenty-five cents a ton.

The Stewart iron company, of Sharon, have acceded to the demands of their employees by granting a ten and twenty-five cent raise.

Assistant Superintendent Alexander Bryden, of the Pennsylvania coal company, has been made superintendent, with headquarters at Dunmore.

The employees of the Pennsylvania bolt and nut company, Lebanon, have received notices of a ten per cent increase, to go into effect August 16.

While readjusting an arc light carbon, Curtis Shipp touched a live wire at Shamokin. Although he received 2,000 volts, he escaped with a badly burned wrist.

The employees of the Franklin copper mine at Hancock, Mich., have had their wages restored to the figure holding before the cut caused by the panic two years ago.

William Grundy & Co., proprietors of worsted mills in Bucks county, who took ten per cent. off their several hundred employees a year ago, have added the ten per cent. again.

The Christian Endeavor State Convention, to be held at Erie, beginning Thursday, August 22, and lasting four days, will be the largest meeting of the kind ever held in Pennsylvania. A tent is being prepared that will hold 7,500 people.

A Selingsgrove lady was startled the other day when she went to answer a ring at the door bell and found no one there. The mysterious ringing of the bell, so the Sunbury Item says, was repeated at intervals during the day and in the evening the lady re-

Hood's Saved My Life

"I Can Honestly Say This" "For years I was in a very serious condition with catarrh of the stomach, bowels and bladder. I suffered intensely from dyspepsia, and in fact was a miserable wreck, merely a skeleton. I seemed to go from bad to worse. I really wished I was dead. I had no rest day or night. I did not know what to do. I had taken so much medicine of the wrong kind that it had poisoned me, and my finger nails began to turn black and come off. I began to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I had faith in the medicine, and it did more for me than all prescriptions. I have gradually regained perfect health, am entirely free from catarrh of the bowels, and pain in my back. My recovery is simply marvelous." W. B. Young, Potter's Mills, Pa.



Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures Hood's Pills relieve distress after eating.

JOHN R. TOWNSEND, Merchant TAILOR, AND HATTER.



SUITS FROM \$18.00.

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TROUSERS FROM \$5.00.

ceived the announcement of the death at Muncy of her cousin.

The Carbon County Game and Fish Protective Association received forty German hares, or Belgian rabbits, which will be carefully guarded until fall, when they will be allowed to run in the woods of Carbon county. German hares multiply very fast. One buck and two does were brought into the country about five weeks ago by William F. Johnson. These three have already increased to over twenty, and pretty soon they will begin to multiply so fast that it will be impossible to keep count of them.

As a number of young men were on their way to Hazel Dell, near Ellwood, Lawrence county, one of them noticed a peculiar hissing noise issuing from a large hollow tree near the road. An investigation disclosed the fact that the tree was literally full of snakes. The snakes showed fight, but the boys pulled off their coats and went to work. In an hour 45 snakes had been killed. The largest measured a trifle over 6 feet in length, and they ranged from that down to ten inches. They were of the blue-black snake variety. They fought desperately, but the boys escaped without being bitten.

Sheriff Fulmer, of Lycoming county, is in a predicament owing to a mistake made by him a few days ago resulting in the discharge of the wrong man from jail. William Donley was committed for picking pockets during the Williamsport centennial, and was awaiting trial under heavy bail, when he suddenly and unexpectedly regained his freedom. The Sheriff had received an order for the discharge of a trivial offender whose name was somewhat similar, and in preparing the order of discharge copied the wrong name from the docket. A messenger carried this to the jailer, who forthwith opened Donley's cell and asstounded him by telling him he was free. Donley was so elated that he hung around Williamsport a day or two, and even paid a visit to some of his old cronies in the jail. When he found out that he had been discharged by mistake he lost no time in getting away from the city, and no trace of him has been obtained.

Wood's College of Business and Shortland, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Wilkes-Barre will eclipse all former records in Business College organization. 300 purchased Charter Member Scholarships in 40 days. 173 day school. 127 night school. The Scholarship includes both the Business and Shortland Courses, does not limit the student to time and is good in both sessions at the price of one Scholarship, \$50. The home of the College in Memorial Hall is almost a palace, the equipment is superb. 10 of the Charter Member Scholarships reserved for Columbia county. After August the regular rate of tuition will be charged. Write for College Journal. F. E. WOOD, President. 89 4t.

RUPTURE CAN BE CURED. Grateful Testimonial From One Who Has Been Cured.

The new method of curing rupture, practiced by Dr. O'Malley, 80 South Washington street, Wilkes-Barre, is bringing most excellent results. An absolute cure is guaranteed in ninety out of the hundred cases now under treatment. There is no discomfort or annoyance of wearing a truss afterwards. No cutting, no pain and no operation. Many testimonials from grateful patients, one of which is given by permission: John Villinger, 21 Division street, employed at Stegmaier's brewery, Wilkes-Barre, says: "I had been ruptured from lifting heavy weights and hard work. I tried many physicians, who pronounced my case incurable. No truss was of any use to me until I consulted Dr. O'Malley about three months ago. I am now well. I have no pain, no rupture, and am delighted to inform my fellow sufferers. I now work hard at the brewery every day and have thrown away my truss, having no occasion to use it." N. B.—We make no charge when we do not cure. Examination free.

DR. A. P. O'MALLEY, 80 S. Washington St. Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Do your walls need papering? If so, call on William H. Slate, Exchange Hotel Bldg., and see for what a small amount you can have it done. Our stock is the largest and most carefully selected in town. The prices suit the hard times. William H. Slate, BOOKS, STATIONERY AND WALL PAPER.

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In the Face of a Rising Market!

We are offering you now thousands of yards of cotton and wool dress goods, that we cannot commence to buy at the figure as they cannot be manufactured for it. Why do we do this? Because we believe in giving our patrons the benefit of our experience in buying before the goods advanced. You reap the benefit of it, and so do we but in a different way.

Wool Dress Goods.

We place on sale to-day some Henriettas that we used to sell at \$1.00 the yd. Today we cut the price in half and offer it for 50c. yd.

Skirt Lengths.

In our spring cleaning we found a lot of goods that would make a lady a nice skirt. We proceeded to tie them up in bundles for that purpose and to-day they go at just about one-half the cost when new. Will make you an elegant skirt for mornings.

Remnants.

There is always to be found in this box lots of useful things, some long enough to make a skirt, some a waist, and you can always find some thing that will be of use to you.

They are all of them marked at one-half the actual cost and some less.

Shirts.

We have just received a new invoice of unlaundried men's shirts. We are offering them to you for 50c. each. While the quality of muslin and linen which is consumed in their manufacture cost more now, but we bought it some time ago. Can't be equalled in town for the money.

Madras Cloths.

We place on sale to-day one entire stock of these goods at greatly reduced prices. Some of them at less than half, some not quite so much, but they all go for one price: 10c. the yd., used to be 25 and 15c. and well worth it.

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Having procured the services of E. H. Froelich, an expert watch maker and hand engraver, all goods purchased of me will be engraved free of charge. I am also better prepared to do watch, clock and jewelry repairing than ever before. A new and complete optical outfit has been added, and glasses are adjusted and fitted free of charge.

J. G. Wells, Jeweler and Optician, BLOOMSBURG PA.

Persons to Travel. WANTED.—Several faithful gentlemen and ladies to travel for established house. SALARY \$780.00 AND EXPENSES. Position permanent if suited; also increase. State reference and enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. THE NATIONAL, 316-317-318 Omaha Bldg., CHICAGO, ILL.