

The Columbia Democrat, ESTABLISHED 1866. PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY MORNING at Bloomsburg, the County seat of Columbia County, Pennsylvania.

The statement of the finances of Columbia county, as they appear in the offices of the county commissioners and county treasurer, for the year 1895, were published for four weeks in several of the county papers in February. These accounts as published were carefully examined by a competent and honest board of auditors, who spent more time than usual because of certain oft repeated allegations of crookedness and mismanagement, and who even extended an invitation to those persons who had made such charges, to appear before them and point out whatever might be wrong in the statement as submitted to them by the officials.

No man is infallible; everyone makes mistakes, and it may be that the county commissioners are no nearer perfection than anybody else, but if they have made any mistakes they were of the head and not of the heart. Where is there a business man who never blunders in his own private affairs? We believe the present board of Commissioners is composed of men of integrity, who have handled the county business to the best of their ability for the best interests of the taxpayers.

The Democratic County Committee, at their meeting last Saturday, saw fit to pass a resolution, which appears elsewhere in the report of their proceedings, condemning the course of the Sentinel in its treatment of Democratic officials. This resolution was no doubt called forth by the fact that the Sentinel has for some time past kept up a war on nearly every Democrat who holds a public position.

If the attitude of the Sentinel be right, then there is not an honest or competent Democrat holding office in this county to-day. If this be true, the Democratic party, which selected these men, is responsible for this state of things and it is high time that the party supremacy be overturned, and the public offices be filled by the Republicans.

In the case of William Neal & Sons, before Judge Metzger on Tuesday, counsel for the defendants filed a motion to quash the proceedings, and on request of counsel for the other side a rule was granted to show cause why the proceedings should not be quashed, and the hearing continued until April 10th, at 11 o'clock.

COUNTY COMMITTEEMEN MEET.

In response to the call of the County chairman the members of the standing committee met in Court room No 2 Saturday afternoon. Cleveland township being without representation upon motion, C. A. Small was elected to represent said township in the committee meeting. William Chrisman was re-elected chairman of the County Committee, and C. A. Small of Catawissa Secretary.

THE CENSURE RESOLUTION.

The Democratic County Committee at their meeting on Saturday last, censured the publisher and editor of The Sentinel, for their conduct "in denouncing democratic principles and democratic officials and representatives in national, state and county offices without cause."

Resolved, That the delegates to the Democratic State convention to be held April 29th, 1896, be instructed to vote for and use all honorable means to secure the election of Hon. Grant Herring, as District Delegate to the National Democratic Convention to be held at Chicago in June next.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Standing Committee of the Democratic Party of the County of Columbia approve the wisdom of President Cleveland, his declarations for sound money, his message to Congress stemming the grasping hand of Great Britain in enforcing the Monroe Doctrine as to the territory of Venezuela.

Resolved, That we condemn the last legislature for its lavish expenditure of millions of the peoples money, in the creation of useless offices already overburdened with men kept therein in idleness upon large salaries, and in passing laws in favor of trusts and combines to the detriment of the toilers of our land.

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Sabbath Reform.

Mr. J. C. Batham, National Superintendent of the Sabbath Observance department of the W. C. T. U., has sent out, in connection with representatives of other societies, a call and appeal to all lovers of the Lord's Day to devote April 5th to 12th inclusive to special secret and public prayer, that this day for rest and worship may be better loved and honored.

By the Democratic State rules regulating party action, the last Saturday in March has been fixed for the meeting of County Committees, to perfect their organization by the election of chairman and secretary, and of course for the transaction of such other business as is committed to their jurisdiction by local rules.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the following accounts have been filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, and will be presented to the said Court on the first Monday of May A. D. 1896, and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute.

The second account of A. Z. Schoch, assignee for the benefit of creditors of Isalau W. McKelvy.

The first account of John M. Clark, assignee for the benefit of creditors of William Neal, Clinton W. Neal and Robert C. Neal, trading under the firm name of William Neal & Sons.

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