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THE CONFEREES OF THIS CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT MET AT THE PROCTOR INN LAST EVENING AT JAMISON CITY. UP TO THE TIME OF GOING TO PRESS NO NOMINATIONS HAD BEEN MADE.

THE SOUND MONEY DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 12:30 O'CLOCK YESTERDAY BY SENATOR PALMER. THE SECRETARY REPORTED THAT THE ROLL OF STATES SHOWED THAT FORTY-ONE WERE REPRESENTED.

AFTER AN ADDRESS BY EX-GOVERNOR FLOWER THE CONVENTION TOOK A RECESS UNTIL 4 O'CLOCK P. M., AT WHICH TIME IT REASSEMBLED AND THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION WAS READ.

THE COMMITTEE ON PLATFORM NOT BEING READY TO REPORT THE CONVENTION AT 5:30, ADJOURNED UNTIL THIS MORNING AT ELEVEN A. M. THERE WERE 828 DELEGATES PRESENT.

McKINLEY'S LETTER.

CANDIDATE McKINLEY'S letter of acceptance contains no new matter except that which relates to the currency. In this part of the letter he speaks ostensibly for gold but advocates bimetallism by international agreement.

HE insists that high tariff is one of the supreme issues of the campaign. It is, at least, the issue which he cannot get away from. He would reinforce the burdensome tariff taxes of 1890 at the behest of the allied municipalities of the country, for their profit, for their enrichment, at the expense of the poor.

THE rest of the letter is but routine matter, and all of it, except the currency part, is McKINLEY chaff many years old, and that part relating to the currency is the same as other Republican speakers have delivered in their addresses. In short, in making a bid for votes Mr. McKINLEY has not given one good reason why a Democrat should leave his party and vote for the Republican candidate.

BACKS UP HIS OPINION.

Offers 60 Cents for Wheat if Bryan is Elected.

The following is clipped from the New York World of last week.

NOBLEVILLE, Ind., Aug. 23.—James L. Evans, of this city, a former congressman and a life-long Republican, has come out for free silver.

Mr. Evans has been engaged in the grain business here for forty years. He has posted the following offer in the office of his grain elevator:

"I will contract to buy all the No. 2 wheat you have raised in 1896 at 60 cents per bushel, provided Bryan is elected and with him a free coinage congress; or I will sell you all the No. 2 wheat you want at 56 cents per bushel, providing McKINLEY is elected."

How a Pittsburg Man Bets.

A rich oil man of Pittsburg has offered \$10,000 even that no one can name nine states that will go to McKINLEY. Four to one is offered by Republicans that McKINLEY will carry Ohio. Plenty of even money is offered that the Republican plurality in Pennsylvania will be reduced to 30,000. None of these offers have been taken.

A CAMPAIGN OF ENLIGHTENMENT.

IT WAS Abraham Lincoln, the providential and presidential emancipator of the enslaved of this country, who gave this admonition to those who deem it easy to delude and manipulate the voter: "You can fool all the people some of the time, and some of the people all the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time."

THE present predicament and attitude of the Republican party (being ousted from power and grievously disappointed in her plans to gain popular favor through some more favorable issue than our money matters) clearly exemplifies the value of Lincoln's words, and demonstrates their forgetfulness of his wise admonition.

WE were among those who deemed the Republican party as exactly right, originally, because it was in earnest touch and sympathy with the enslaved and in opposition to a Southern aristocracy which was lazily luxuriating upon a servitude that gave the lie to our flag, and which tolerated the frequent selling at auction of the amalgamated offspring of the slave holder.

IT came into power with a heaven-born mission, in our opinion, which culminated in entire fulfillment through Abraham Lincoln's emancipation proclamation during the war. But when in the zenith of its glory, and vanity and extravagance it forgot all wise admonition, forgot the masses, finding it more personally profitable to cater to the classes, it soon lost the plebeian's confidence and, what is more essential, his upholding vote; and hence its downfall.

NOW it takes no great depth or knowledge or foresight to observe that this party is not apt to regain her lost prestige by pursuing her prevailing attitude and line of policy as between the masses and the classes. Should she win a plutocratic victory perforce of the power of her concentrated wealth and cornered gold, or through threats to make times harder still by closing her varied industries, she could not long withstand the plebeian's contempt and opposing vote.

THE masses are too numerous for the classes at the polls, even though the classes are too potent for the masses in our halls of legislation and in committee rooms. Here is where class legislation is formulated, paid for and clothed in ambiguous terms which are hoped to be beyond the comprehension of the common yeoman, and those who can't go to the Supreme Court and get their taxes exonerated as unconstitutional. We mean those who can't handy find a gold-bearing and untaxed investment for their idle capital.

WITHOUT regard to past political affiliations, these monied patriots will stand by the single standard of value no doubt, they being entirely satisfied with prevailing conditions because they have our treasury well in hand already. As to botlers, we think it will be observed that the shelved and defeated politicians will prove the more zealous among them. And, as the silver masses seem to have already observed the fear and trembling of the gold classes, the chances are about 10 to 1 that they will get another deserved thrashing in November.

LET them move up a little closer to the people who are more in need of protection and special favor. They need it because of their impoverished condition through bad legislation. Then, indeed, the "G. O. P." may reasonably hope to succeed with the people and not be forced to win all her victories in the committee-rooms, the caucus and executive session with powerful monopolists. Vox populi, vox Dei.

RESPECTFULLY yours, I. J. JAMISON. Bryan Ahead.

B. C. SNIDER of Pottsgrove, Northumberland county, polled the voters on the train from the Granger's picnic to Harrisburg last week with the following result: Bryan, seventy-four; McKINLEY, sixty-nine; on the fence, forty-four.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Voters and Taxpayers of Columbia County.

I desire at this time to express my sincere thanks to the Democratic voters of Columbia County who so heartily supported me as a candidate for County Commissioner at the late Democratic delegate election, and in as much as the people of the south side have been deprived of their just representation on the Democratic ticket, I herewith announce my name as an Independent candidate for the office of County Commissioner, and respectfully solicit the support of all voters who believe in a fair distribution of this office among the people on both sides of the river.

W. H. FISHER. Superficial Preparation for Business.

THE assertion is often made that our American youth are inadequately prepared to enter business life as compared with the English or the German. The youth of our country are rarely willing to give the necessary time to get a thorough training. Both the young Englishman and the young German, as a matter of course, give years to fitting for business pursuits. An English book-keeper who cannot use shorthand, or a German accountant who cannot write several modern languages is a rarity.

THE REPUBLICAN CONFERENCE.

THE Republican Congressional Conference for this district met at Danville last Tuesday. Fourteen conferees compose the conference distributed as follows: Northumberland County five votes, Columbia County, four, Montour, three, and Sullivan two. The candidates were M. H. Kulp, of Shamokin, present member of Congress, and J. C. Brown, of this place. Inasmuch as Mr. Kulp had received the endorsement of Northumberland, Montour and Sullivan counties his nomination was a foregone conclusion.

PIONIER OF PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.

Reduced Rates to Centre Hall via Pennsylvania Railroad.

FOR the accommodation of persons who desire to attend the twenty-third annual Picnic and Exhibition of the Patrons of Husbandry, State Grange, to be held at Centre Hall, Pa., September 12th to 19th, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell from September 14th to 19th, inclusive, excursion tickets to Centre Hall and return from Johnstown, Catawissa, Renovo, and intermediate stations (including stations on branch roads) at a single fare for the round trip, good to return until September 21st, inclusive.

For information in regard to rates and train service apply to the nearest ticket agent.

DEEMER Beidleman, editor of the Shickshinny Democrat, who was a candidate for the office of County Commissioner at the recent Democratic County Convention of Luzerne county, withdrew from the contest, and he gives the following as his reasons for said action:

1. The quiet but determined decision of the bosses to ignore him. 2. The fact that a country editor cannot buck against a bank account and well marshalled forces. 3. Because, as results show, it was determined that both nominations should go to the sons of Erin. Let it be remembered that a careful canvas developed the fact that he was not the weakest, but the strongest and most popular American candidate seeking the commissionership nomination. For the above assigned reasons, and to have a more desirable man to the powers that be placed upon the ticket, he withdrew in favor of Koons. That he "sold out" or received "expense money" is as false as the statement is unkind. Beidleman returned from the convention disgusted and penniless, but with clean hands and a clear conscience.

Lieutenant Governor Walter Lyon says John Bardsley ought to be pardoned and that he will vote to recommend the famous embezzler to Governor Hastings for clemency. There is no longer any doubt but that Bardsley will be pardoned and that he will be released from prison within the next ten days.

JOHN R. TOWNSEND, AND Hatter. Merchant TAILOR, ASK FOR THE SEAL BRAND.

SUITS FROM \$18.00.

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TROUSERS FROM \$5.00.

We have observed that even the good gossip. But they usually gossip in the guise of illustrations—just to tell what awfully wicked stories the world invents.

The following letters are advertised September 1, 1896. Miss Annie Smith Ayres, Frank Anderson, Mr. Wm. J. Brobst, Mr. John Crofford, Mr. Lute Gehring, Mr. Albert Gillaspay, Mr. William Lentz, Miss Effie Robbins, Chas. Small, D. H. Whitmer. Will be sent to the dead letter office Sept. 15, 1896.



It may be a little early to do your spring papering, but not too early to look over our large stock now ready for your inspection. In spite of the fact that the manufacturers charge us from 10 to 20 per cent. more than last year, we will sell at last year's low prices, and in some cases even lower.

Window curtains of all kinds. Room and picture moulding always in stock.

WILLIAM H. SLATE, EXCHANGE HOTEL BLDG. UNDERTAKING. W. C. WALL, Undertaker and Funeral Director.

Embalming done by the latest improved methods. Special attention given to all the details of the funeral. Carriages provided, &c. A competent lady assistant. Calls during the day can be left at the Leader Store, and night calls at the boarding house of Mrs. Blosser, corner of Market and Third Streets.

WIDOW'S APPRAISEMENTS. The following Widow's Appraisements will be presented to the Orphans' Court of Columbia county on the fourth Monday of September, A. D. 1896, and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute: Jonathan Ritchie est., Pine twp. Personality \$1,400. Realty, \$25,000. William H. Swentzel est., Bloomsburg. Personality, \$72.15. Joseph Schaffer est., Bloomsburg. Personality \$29.45. Realty, \$7,700. Miles Oil est., Bloomsburg. Realty, \$900.00. Abram Miller est., Beaver twp., Personality, \$100.50. George W. Ande est., Madison twp., Personality, \$25.40. C. W. Eves, est., Millville Boro. Personality, \$355.55. Charles E. Benscoter est., Sugarloaf twp., Personality, \$94.91. Harman G. John est., Main twp., Personality, \$37.00. Theodore Lewis est., Benton twp., Personality \$90.78. Joseph Yorks est., Jackson twp., Personality, \$37.00. Josiah Kromer est., Centre twp., Personality, \$39.00. Realty, \$350.00. G. M. QUICK, Clerk O. C. Clerk's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Aug. 31, 1896.

NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that the following account has been filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, and will be presented to the said court on the fourth Monday of September, A. D. 1896, and confirmed nisi, and unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute: First and final account of B. D. Frens, Trustee of The Northern Columbia and Southern Luzerne County Agricultural Association. G. M. QUICK, Prothy. Prot's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Aug. 25, 1896.

PEIRCE SCHOOL 32d Year. A representative American Business School for both sexes. RECORD BUILDING, 917-919 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. THOMAS MAY PEIRCE, A.M., Ph.D., Founder and Principal. 1865-1896.

A Systematic Business Training Coupled with a practical, sound and useful English education. Three full courses: BUSINESS, SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING, ENGLISH. The whole constituting an ideal combination. Graduates cheerfully assisted to positions. Visitors welcome, especially during school hours, day or evening sessions. Call or write for School Literature. DAY SESSIONS, '96-'97, begin Monday, August 31, 1896. NIGHT SESSIONS, Monday, September 21, 1896.

Twixt Hay and Grass. But the new fall purchases are beginning to arrive. We're going to put our best foot foremost this coming season. Think we can show you the handsomest stock of dry goods ever brought into this town in a few weeks. In the meantime we're ready to supply your between season wants, be they large or small.

Dress Goods.

We are closing out very desirable wool dress goods, plenty heavy enough for fall wear at prices to suit the buyer. Just this seasons goods and nothing wrong but the price. It will pay you to examine them.

Thursday we put on sale a lot of Gilbert cloths. You know what that means—the best cloths that money can buy. They are all wool, 36 in. wide. Never heard of such a price, 21c. the yd. Still have some more of those best calicos; none better at any price. 44c. the yd. Lancaster gingham, 5c. the yd. Good unbleached muslin, 25 yds. \$1.00.

Gloria Silk Umbrellas.

26 and 28 inch for men and women. You know a good umbrella when you see it. Give us your opinion on these lots. They'll shed rain like a duck; sheds water, and that is the kind of an umbrella to buy. 26 in. Gloria for women, 98c. Good as any umbrella that sells at \$1.25. 28 in. Gloria for men, \$1.29. Usually sells for \$1.50.

Cream Bleached Damask.

The Scotch make. Fills the hand; made of pure flax and will bleach in two or three washings. We own them cheap and you are going to get the benefit. Six different designs, extremely pretty, 70 in. wide, 65c. and 75c. yd. Were \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Men's Unlaundered Shirts

Ten dozen of them, made of fruit of the loom muslin, reinforced back and front, gussets and filled seams, linen bosoms and perfect fit. You can't if they were made for you, you couldn't be better suited, and price does not much more than cover the actual cost of material. They go for 48c.

Fast Black Stockings.

Don't buy poor hosiery. It doesn't pay. There is no class of merchandise where a few cents extra shows up to such a good advantage. Here are three lots of GOOD stockings. They may cost you a little more, but— Children's sizes 5 to 8, 12 1/2c. Children's sizes, 8 to 9, 15c. Usually sell elsewhere at 15 and 18c. Ladies' fast black reg. made D. S. Were 25c. each. 2 to 25c. Ladies' high spliced heels D. S. extra fine. fast black, 25c. each.

Dishes.

One window full of them. They are rare bargains, and if you are in need of them you want these. Never saw any thing at these prices before equal to them. We guarantee every piece. 100 piece dinner sets, \$10.00 and \$12.00. 112 piece dinner sets, \$12.00 and \$14.00. 12 piece chamber suits, decorated, \$5.00.

Pursel & Harman, BLOOMSBURG, PA. Telephone Connections.

Some People Always Complain. We say some. But no one complains of the loaf of bread they receive at the Exchange Bakery for five cents. Try one and see if you will. EXCHANGE BAKERY, No. 12 Main St. L. F. BEISHLIN, Prop.

SHERIFF'S SALE. By virtue of a writ of F. F., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county, and State of Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m., all that message and tract of land situate in Madison township, and bounded and described as follows to-wit: Northwardly by lands of the heirs of John Stout and Joseph A. Zelsloff, southwardly by lands of A. J. Carr and Joseph Zelsloff, and westwardly by lands of John Shultz, containing 60 ACRES and 120 perches of land more or less, whereon are erected a FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

TRUSTEE'S SALE. —OF VALUABLE— REAL ESTATE. By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, the undersigned Trustee, appointed to make sale of the real estate of Sallie Johnson, Eliza Pratt and others, after proceedings in Partition had in the estate of Sallie Johnson and by virtue of an agreement entered into between the parties, will expose at public sale on the premises in the township of Madison, county of Columbia, on SATURDAY, SEPT. 26, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described real estate: Being a farm containing 120 ACRES,

more or less, bounded on the north by lands of B. F. Fruit, on the east by lands of B. F. Fruit and John A. Funston, on the south, by a public road leading from Jerseytown to Washingtonville and land of James Kintin, and on the west by land of D. Laidacker. Whereon are erected a DWELLING HOUSE, barn and necessary outbuildings, good water, located near the Central Penna. Railroad, and within a short distance from Jerseytown. The land is well suited for either grass or grain. This sale will convey the entire interest of all claimants to the premises. TERMS OF SALE.—Ten per cent. of one-fourth payable upon striking down of property; one-fourth less the ten per cent on the continuation of sale and the remaining three-fourths in one year thereafter.

J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff. EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Allen Shellhammer, late of Centre township, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Allen Shellhammer, late of the township of Centre, county of Columbia, Pa., deceased, have been granted to John Shellhammer and James Shellhammer, residents of Foundryville, Pa., 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. JOHN SHELLHAMMER, JAMES SHELLHAMMER, Executors. Foundryville, Pa. 7-30-61.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Mary C. O'neer, deceased. The undersigned Auditor, appointed to make distribution of the balance in the hands of D. K. Sloan, Executor of the estate of Mary C. O'neer, deceased, to and among the parties entitled to the same, will meet in person for the purpose of the performance of the duties of his appointment at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Friday, the 23rd day of September, A. D. 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all parties will present their claims or be forever debarred. L. E. WALLER, Auditor. 8-31-96.

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