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**THE COLUMBIAN,**  
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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1896.

The Democratic State convention will assemble at Harrisburg to-day for the purpose of nominating candidates for representatives-at-large and for presidential electors, when vacancies may exist by reason of resignation or otherwise; and for the adoption of a platform in accordance with the principles declared by the National Democratic convention at Chicago. The delegates who attended the convention at Allentown will attend this convention. There is likely to be some friction, as Chairman Garman has declared his intention not to permit the temporary chairman elected at Allentown, to preside. There is also a disposition on the part of many delegates to stand by the platform they unanimously voted for at Allentown. Just what the outcome will be, cannot be foreseen. Things are somewhat mixed.

**Taken out of Politics.**

Ten thousand employees under the War Department were classified in the civil service on the 1st of Sept. in accordance with the sweeping order of the President of May 6 last, which extended the operations of the law to practically all Government employes, except those laborers whose work did not require any great amount of technical skill or intelligence above an ordinary degree.

The delay in making the classification in the War Department was due to the tremendous difficulty involved in including all those on the pay roll of the engineer's division, consisting of about 5000 persons employed in various capacities, some of temporary nature, on rivers and harbors improvement at out-of-the-way points throughout the country.

In many of these places the work goes on in summer only, and at others in winter only, but a provision has been inserted in the rules to permit the furloughing without pay of efficient men, who can thus be re-employed without examination when operations are resumed within a year.

The Civil Service Commission has also perfected arrangements whereby lists of eligibles are available hereafter for all vacancies that may occur.

The sweeping effects of the order, as broadly interpreted by Secretary Lamont, to include even laborers who perform duties requiring a comparatively mediocre intelligence, is shown by the fact that in his own office but two persons, the confidential clerks of himself and Assistant Secretary Doe, remain outside of the classified lists, these being specially exempt from examination by law. Even the Chief Clerk of the Department and all heads of divisions are placed under protection of the civil service statute.

**A SURPRISED HUSBAND.**

His Wife Gave Birth to Four Children, the First Event of its Kind in Connecticut.

Mrs. O. H. Stickle increased materially the population of Strawberry Hill, Stratford, yesterday, giving birth to three girls and a boy. All are healthy and lusty.

Mr. Stickle is a farmer. The family lives in a small house. Mrs. Stickle, eight years ago, when she had been married two years, gave birth to twins. Mr. Stickle would not have been surprised had a similar event happened again yesterday, but he was hardly prepared for four more at once. With three others, who came into the world alone, as it were, there are now nine.

Dr. George T. Lewis, who has been in attendance upon Mrs. Stickle was present. The case is said to be the first of the kind in the State. All the babies are under-sized. The heaviest, the boy, weighs seven pounds, while the smallest, the last born, weighs five, and is the most delicate. The other two weigh about six pounds each, making the combined weight of the four twenty-four pounds. The parents are in robust health. Mrs. Stickle is an American, about 35 years old and of ordinary figure.

Not quite two months before the election day, and if the poor of this country had the money, wisely used for their benefit, that will be burned upon the political campaign for those sixty days, they would have a much easier winter than they dare hope for now.

**CONGRESSIONAL CONFERENCE.**

Another effort was made at Berwick last Monday evening and Tuesday to nominate a candidate for Congress for this district. On account of sickness, Mr. Dickerman, the candidate from Northumberland county, was not present, neither was Mr. Polk, Montour county's candidate, who was detained at home on account of sickness in his family. Mr. Flynn, one of the conferees for Mr. Walsh, was unable to be present, and as per previous resolution Mr. Goodhue was allowed to cast the two votes. Mr. Auten, one of Mr. Dickerman's conferees, sent word that he could not be present until Tuesday morning, and Hon. P. J. Criste was substituted in his stead until his arrival. After an excellent supper the conference adjourned to a private room and three ballots were taken with the following result:

1st ballot—Dickerman 4, Polk 4, Fritz 2.  
 2nd ballot—Dickerman 2, Polk 4, Fritz 2.  
 3rd ballot—Dickerman 2, Fritz 2, Walsh 2.

Adjournment was then taken until Tuesday at nine o'clock when three more ballots were taken with the following result: 1st—Fritz 4; Polk 4; 2nd was the same. 3rd—Fritz 2 Dickerman 2; Polk 2; Walsh 2.

During the proceedings of the conference a telegram was received announcing the death of an infant child of Mr. Polk.

**THE PROHIBITION CONVENTION.**

The Prohibition convention for this County met at the office of M. P. Lutz and Son last Thursday afternoon and notwithstanding the fact that no special effort had been made to secure a large representation, thirty-four delegates all from the North side of the river were present. The convention was called to order by the county chairman, M. P. Lutz, and after prayer by Rev. M. E. McLinn, of the Lutheran Church the chairman stated that the object of the meeting was to nominate a county ticket and elect new officers for the County organization. Mr. Lutz was elected chairman and W. B. Cummings secretary of the convention and after some discussion it was decided to nominate a full ticket with the exception that only one candidate would be nominated for the office of County Commissioner. The following were the nominations.

- County Commissioner—Thomas Seaborn, of Locust.
- Associate Judge—John Eves, of Millville.
- Prothonotary and Clerk of the Courts—G. E. Enterline, of Bloomsburg.
- Treasurer—A. B. White, East Scott.
- District Attorney—Ralph R. John, of Bloomsburg.
- Representatives—S. W. Dickson, Berwick; P. D. Black, East Greenwood.
- Register and Recorder—F. B. Hartman, Bloomsburg.
- County Auditors—R. L. Kline, Berwick; C. B. White, Orange.
- County Surveyor—S. D. Neyhard, of Bloomsburg.
- Congressional Conferees—J. B. Eves, Millville; M. P. Lutz, Bloomsburg; S. W. Dickson, Berwick.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- Chairman—W. B. Cummings; Secretary—C. B. Lutz; Treasurer—G. W. Corell; Members of Executive Committee—W. J. Bidleman and Rev. J. C. Reaser.

All the delegates manifested an extraordinary amount of zeal and held themselves in readiness to perform any work that might be allotted to them. It was not all talk, either, as was evidenced by the liberal subscription which was made for State and County work.

**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.

Every family should have a list of poisons and their antidotes in sight in the medicine closet, and have the antidotes within reach, if there are small children in the family. Whatever the poison if one does not know the antidote, induce vomiting as quickly as possible. Strong salt water luke warm is an emetic always at hand.

John W. Davis, who for several years has been assistant book keeper for Creasy & Wells, intends taking a two years' bible course in a college in Mass., with the object of doing missionary work. He was always a favorite with the employees of the above named firm, and they decided to give him an expression of their appreciation, and so repaired to his home in a body and left with him a useful as well as valuable gift. The evening was spent in conversation and consuming the refreshments which had been bountifully provided.

About three years ago the house in which Mrs. Ella Kline resided was on fire and in the excitement she lost a watch, chain and gold pin. Diligent search was made for it but it could not be found and she had given it up as lost. Last week in attempting to close a bureau drawer she found it would not shut and in taking out the drawer to discover the cause found her watch and chain wedged behind it.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Rosemont Cemetery held in the office of Col. John G. Freeze Esq., last Tuesday the following persons were elected managers for the ensuing year: John G. Freeze, I. W. Hartman, William Neal, John Wolt, John K. Grotz, J. J. Brower, W. E. Rinker, C. A. Kleim, R. R. Little, J. E. Wilson and C. S. Furman.

Washington Camp No. 17, P. O. S. of A., of Light Street, will hold a festival in the front of their hall next Saturday evening. Ice Cream, cake, lemonade, bean soup and hot coffee will be served. A band will be in attendance. Inasmuch as the proceeds will be used in purchasing books for a library it should receive a liberal patronage.

The following letters are advertised Sept. 8, 1896. Mrs. E. A. Albertson, Miss Dora Kisner, (2) James F. Kramer, Mrs. Bertha Kuntz, Mrs. Nora McHenry, Mr. M. Masunter, Miss Rheda, Miss Lizzie Robbins. Will be sent to the dead letter office September 22, 1896. JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

**Married.**

WERKHEISER—MAUST. On the 5th inst., at the Reformed parsonage in Orangeville, by Rev. A. Houtz, Mr. James E. Werkheiser and Miss Sarah Ann Maust, both of Bloomsburg, Pa.

WHITENIGHT—WEISS. At the M. E. parsonage, Buckhorn, Saturday Sept. 4, 1896, Mr. Charles Whitenight and Miss Mertie Weiss, both of Buckhorn by Rev. W. H. Hartman.

"I consider it my duty," says Mr. F. Z. Dias, of San Diego, Texas, "to certify that Ayer's Pills have completely relieved my wife of neuralgia, from which complaint she was, for a long time, a great sufferer." They are easy to take and always effective.

**A CARD.**

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of county commissioner, for the south side of the river, and respectfully solicit the votes of Democrats and all others who think that the south side ought to be represented.

CHARLES REICHAERT,  
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**SHERIFF'S SALE.**

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, OCT. 3, A. D., 1896, at 2 o'clock P. M., the following described property to-wit:

Beginning at the corner of lot of William Fenstermacher on south side of Fifth Street and extending eastward along said street fifty feet or thereabouts to corner of first Alley East of Iron Street, thence along said Alley Southward 175 feet more or less to an Alley, thence along said Alley Eastward to line of said William Fenstermacher, thence to the place of beginning—Being lot No. 36 in general plan of said lots: Recorded in Book No. 53 page 668, &c: whereon are erected a two-story

**BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, BARN AND OUTBUILDINGS.**

Also at the same time and place all that certain tract of land and water right, described as follows: Commencing at a stone on the upper side of the road leading from Light Street to Orangeville and a few rods South of the Hoffman flouring mill the Bearing is North 10 degrees West, distance Fifty-Two Perches on the Orangeville road to a post, thence North eleven degrees East, 26 perches to a post, thence due North 42 degrees 20' to a stone near the mouth of Stony Brook. Thence North 42 degrees West, 36 perches to a stone. Thence North 10 degrees West, 31 perches to a post. Thence North 12 degrees East, 44 1/2 perches to Cassell's line, on the East bank of Fishing Creek in Orange township. Thence South 8 1/2 degrees West, 11 and three-tenths perches to a corner on the West bank of Fishing Creek in Mount Pleasant township. Thence South 7 1/2 degrees West, 31 perches to a post and joining lands of the late George Oman. Thence South 7 degrees East, 61 and eight-tenths perches to a post. Thence South 82 degrees West, 16 and 3-10 perches to a post, thence south 8 degrees west 30 perches to a house lot (gone), thence south 23 degrees east 24 perches to a post, thence south 26 degrees east 54 perches to a house lot (gone), thence south 21 1/2 degrees east 31 perches to a post, thence by adjoining lands of Sarris south 11 1/2 degrees east 10 and 4-10 perches to stones, thence south 5 degrees east 11 1/2 perches to stones, thence south 23 degrees east 34 perches to a post, thence to south 3 degrees east 39 perches, about two rods from bank of creek, to a corner, washed away, thence by lands of Abram Custer north 1 degree east 14 perches to a corner, washed away, north 62 degrees east 2 and 5-10 perches to a post, thence north 5 1/2 degrees east 33 perches to a post, thence northwest corner of Abram Custer property, thence north 5 degrees east 27 perches to a post, close the creek, thence north 30 degrees east 9 and 7-10 perches to a stone, on the bank of tall race, thence north 79 degrees east 10 and 3/4 perches to the stone near the mill, at which we started, containing

SIXTY-FIVE ACRES and 60 perches, whereon are erected a GRIST MILL,

one DWELLING HOUSE AND SAW MILL.

**ALSO,**

At the same time and place, on all that, the undivided one-half of a certain tract of unseated land, returned in the name of Hess, Creveling & Co., situated in the township of Sugarloaf, County of Columbia, State of Pennsylvania, containing

12 1/2 ACRES OF LAND,

being the same tract which H. W. McKeynolds Treasurer, conveyed to J. H. Creveling and H. W. Vanderlice in fee.

Seized, taken in execution, at the suit of H. H. Grotz, cashier, &c., vs. Henry W. Vanderlice, and Mordcael Millard vs. Same, and to be sold as the property of Henry W. Vanderlice.

J. B. McHENRY, SHERIFF.

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 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.

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**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 Fruit 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 Kinlen, 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 confirmation of sale and the remaining three-fourths in one year thereafter.

J. B. McHENRY, Trustee.  
 C. W. MILLER, Attorney.

**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, unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute:  
 First and final account of B. D. Freas, Trustee of the Northern Columbia and Southern Luzerne County Agriculture Association.  
 G. M. QUICK, Prot'y.  
 Prot's. Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Aug. 25, 1896.

**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, unless exceptions are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute:  
 Jonathan Ritchie est., Pine twp. Personality \$14.40; Realty, \$221.60.  
 William H. Swentzel est., Bloomsburg. Personality, \$72.15.  
 Joseph Shaffer est., Bloomsburg. Personality \$29.45; Realty, \$270.55.  
 Miles Ohi est., Bloomsburg. Realty, \$300.00.  
 Abram Miller est., Beaver twp., Personality, \$150.65.  
 George W. Ande est., Madison twp., Personality, \$25.40.  
 C. W. Eves, est., Millville Boro. Personality, \$325.25.  
 Charles E. Jenconer est., Sugarloaf twp., Personality, \$91.91.  
 Harman G. John est., Main twp., Personality, \$300.00.  
 Theodore Lewis est., Benton twp., Personality, \$91.75.  
 Joseph Yorks est., Jackson twp., Personality, \$390.00.  
 Josiah Kromer est., Centre twp., Personality, \$39.00; Realty, \$250.00.  
 G. M. QUICK, Clerk O. C. Clerk's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., Aug. 31, 1896.

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