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Arthur Sewall has contributed \$20,000 to the Democratic campaign fund.

BRYAN PREDICTS ELECTION.

His Confidence Based on the Steady Growth of the Free Silver Sentiment.

William J. Bryan has no doubt of his election. He gave out a signed statement Saturday in which he says the defection of Republicans to silver is increasing every day, while that of Democrats to gold is rapidly diminishing. The statement follows:

I have no doubt of my election, and I base my confidence upon the fact that the free coinage sentiment is growing every day.

The people are studying the money question, and the study of it is convincing the people generally that there can be no permanent prosperity so long as the gold standard is maintained.

The gold standard makes a dollar dearer; a dearer dollar means falling prices and falling prices means hard times.

The people who profit by hard times are relatively so few in number that they would amount to nothing at all for the fact that they are aided by a considerable number of people who, not having studied the money question themselves, have received instructions from a few financiers.

The number of Democrats who have declared for free silver outnumber the Democrats who have deserted the ticket; and, while the number of silver Republicans is increasing all the time, the number of bolting Democrats is all the time decreasing.

While I have no doubt as to my election, I believe that every advocate of free coinage should work from now to election day to make the majority in the electoral college so large that no party hereafter will ever dare to propose submission to a foreign financial policy.

W. J. BRYAN.

GOOD NEWS FOR DEMOCRATS.

Encouraging Reports to Washington Headquarters From Maryland, Michigan and Kansas.

The chairman of the state Democratic committee of Maryland reports to Democratic headquarters that Bryan will come to Baltimore city with a large majority. As to the city of Baltimore, the situation has improved every day and the city will go Democratic.

From Michigan the state Democratic committee reports: "In the last presidential election the Democratic vote in Michigan was 202,296, and the Republican was 222,708, showing a Republican plurality of 20,412. The Prohibition vote was 20,857, and that of the People's party 19,931, showing that on the whole vote the Republican party was in a minority of 20,376."

"In the present campaign there has been a thorough combination or fusion between the Democrats, Populists and a silver Republican organization, and the leaders and the rank and file of the broad gauge Prohibitionists are for free silver and Bryan and Sewall, although they have not yet withdrawn their ticket. There are at least 10,000 votes for Bryan among the Prohibitionists."

"While there is some defection from the Democratic party among gold Democrats, the Democratic and People's party vote is practically solid, and the chances of carrying the state for free silver without Republican aid are great. The Republican free silver vote will be very large, and, in any event, ample to give Bryan and Sewall a good majority."

Marsh Talks About Bob.

Ex-State Chairman J. Marshall Wright, surveyor of the Philadelphia port, made a speech before the Bi-metallic league of Lehigh county, last week in which he defended the Chicago platform on the judiciary, and says the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has reversed its decision 1,200 times in the last three years. "Here is my brother Bob," he continued, "He goes to Washington and buys a bond for \$1,000. They give him an interest-bearing bond at four per cent. He gets notes for the amount and then comes home and loans the money away and draws an additional six per cent. on that."

M'KINLEY'S CHANGE OF MIND.

They are beginning to apologize for McKinley because of his changed opinions on the currency, and point out a number of prominent American gentlemen who more or less violently changed their opinions during their political lives, saying it is "not regarded as a crime" for a man to so change his views.

Ordinarily it is not a crime, but in the case of McKinley it is as nearly a political crime as possible. The major did not change his views upon conviction but under compulsion, not swayed by argument but by expediency. He had been carefully groomed for the presidency, at the cost of much time and expense, and at the time the New York Sun was speaking of him as "Bill the Still" and other patriotic "Democratic" papers were anathematizing him for his silence on the currency he was trimming his sails for any coinage breeze that would most readily bear him toward the coveted goal, ready for a stiff breeze from either the gold or the silver quarter, willing to get there by tacking under capfuls of wind from both sides, and equally ready to get out his oars and row without any currency wind from any direction or to make wind for himself.

If McKinley had changed his mind upon conviction he would be deserving of confidence, for a man who is not open to conviction is weak-minded. But any man who recalls the major's attitude before, during and immediately after the St. Louis convention knows that the candidate, who had been a free silver man, was a candidate first and a man with convictions according to circumstances created by his candidacy and his managers. His change of "belief," if it must be so called, does him no honor.—*Paritist.*

The New Ballot.

The new ballot contains nine columns, with the Republican party first. Then follow Democrats, Prohibition, National, People's, Socialist, Labor, Free Silver, Jeffersonian and a blank column in the order named. The sur-names of the Presidential candidates of each party are placed in the column just below the circle above the electors. To the right of the names of the candidates is a large square, in which the voter, by making a cross, votes for the entire thirty-two candidates for elector in that column. A voter desiring to vote for any other candidate below the electors in any other column will be required to put a cross mark opposite each name. This is the most convenient form of ballot that has yet been adopted in this State, and will be more easily understood than any form used in the past. Colonel Glenn of Auditor General's office, also has prepared for the State Committee a book of instructions to and duties of election officers under the general election law, which will be sent broadcast over the State this month by Chairman Elkins. It will contain copies of the new form of official ballot with instructions how to vote straight and split tickets. The book will also contain all the decisions of the law to date.

ASK BOTH TO RETIRE.

Philadelphia Citizens Appeal to Candidates Miles and Crow to withdraw

One of the startling features of the Republican campaign was the appearance Monday evening of a lengthy letter addressed jointly to James L. Miles and Alexander Crow, candidates for sheriff, and signed by seventeen of the most prominent Republicans in the city. The signers ask both gentlemen to withdraw as candidates because of the probable consequences to the national Republican ticket and permit a new candidate to be chosen by a reconvened convention. It is not yet known what action either Miles or Crow will take.

CARNEGIE TO CHANGE WAGES.

Army of Workmen at Homestead and Braddock Notified.

Notices have been posted at the Homestead mill and the Edgar Thomson works at Braddock of the Carnegie Steel Company, notifying the thousands of employees of an adjustment of the tonnage men, to take effect on January 1. Under the scale agreement both sides must give 90 days notice of any changes desired in the wages.

The men will raise no objection unless there is a serious cut in their pay, and this is not at all likely.

Columbia County Fair.

On account of the Columbia County Agricultural Society Fair to be held at Bloomsburg October, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 1896, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell Excursion Tickets on above dates to East Bloomsburg and return, for the benefit of persons desiring to attend this Fair.

A West Chester man paid off a mortgage recently with 900 silver dollars.

A Bully Resists Arrest.

And the Officer Shoots Himself and a Woman.

In trying to effect the arrest of a furious Polish bully, named John Flomena, at Shamokin, Constable Jack Dando shot himself in the leg and also shot a Polish woman, Mrs. Maggie Pulsawicz, in the abdomen.

Flomena was wanted on a charge of assault. He knocked the constable down with a club and evidently intended to beat him to death, when the officer drew his revolver and fired four shots, two taking effect as stated, and the other two being harmless.

The entire police force went to the scene, but Flomena took refuge in a shanty and kept the officers at bay for several hours. A citizen got near the shanty and Flomena knocked him senseless with a club. The man was eventually captured by strategy and taken to jail at the muzzles of revolvers. He was committed for trial. Constable Dando and Mrs. Pulsawicz are in a critical condition.

Beaten and Robbed by Tramps.

While Samuel Morgan was on his way to his home in Sunbury Monday evening two tramps emerged from a side street and attacked him. He was choked into insensibility and robbed of his watch and several dollars. Morgan then went home and securing a revolver started out in search of the tramps. He tracked them to the Pennsylvania Railroad yards, where he attempted to shoot them. The weapon failed to go off and the tramps again assaulted Mr. Morgan, hitting him over the head with a coupling pin. Morgan was found unconscious later in the evening by several railroaders.

Dragged by a Speeding Train.

Head Downward, a Ride-Stealer Meets an Awful Death.

When a passenger train on the Buffalo & Susquehanna Railroad stopped at Austin, Potter County, Friday, blood was discovered spattered over the brake rod of the baggage car. It was subsequently learned that an unknown man had boarded the train at Keating Summit, and during the ride up through the mountains he was jolted down between the cars.

In some way his trousers leg caught the brake beam, and his body, face downward, went dangling along over the ties. Marks on the track showed that the man had been dragged two miles in this manner. His mangled body was beyond identification.

A "Jag" Breaks Up The Court.

A drunken man stopped the progress of the United States Court at Williamsport on Monday. Edward C. Brown, who was an important witness in a post office robbery case, appeared in Court in an intoxicated condition. District Attorney Hall called Judge Buffington's attention to the matter, and Brown was sent to jail for three hours to sober up. Then Court adjourned until Brown got sober.

A GREAT EVENT.

The event of the season is the Bloomsburg Fair. The event of the fair is J. W. Guernsey's exhibit of Pianos and Organs. The stock will comprise the products of the best factories and the prices during fair week will be greatly reduced. If you are in need of a musical instrument don't let this opportunity pass.

The musical feature of the State Sunday School Conventions has always been an interesting one; this year, as on a former occasion, it will be in charge of Professor and Mrs. J. J. Lowe, both of whom are singers of repute and have great attractiveness. Professor Lowe will conduct all of the musical exercises of the Convention, October 13 to 15, to be held at Carlisle, where a large gathering is sure to be found in attendance. Dr. C. J. Kephart will send to those who desire it a souvenir program, now in press, and any particulars desired with regard to the Convention, to those who desire to arrange for entertainment.

UNION VETERAN LEGION ENCAMPMENT.

Reduced Rates to Washington, D. C., via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The National Encampment of the Union Veteran Legion will be held at Washington, D. C., from October 14 to 17, and for that occasion the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged to sell excursion tickets to Washington and return from all stations at a single fare for the round trip.

The tickets will be sold on October 12, 13, and 14, and will be good for return passage until October 25, inclusive.

A Bryan and Sewall club has been organized at Benton, with a membership of 150. Eli McHenry is president and H. O. McHenry secretary.

JOHN R. TOWNSEND, AND Hatter.

Merchant TAILOR.

SEAL BRAND

SUITS FROM \$18.00.

CORNER MAIN & MARKET STS. BLOOMSBURG PA.

TROUSERS FROM \$5.00.

The Sadest Calf in the World.

We clip the following from the New York World of Oct. 2nd.

J. Pierpont Morgan's three-legged dog has a rival. This is a three-legged freak calf, born in a Pennsylvania town, with the freak name Shick-shinny. Shickshinnites have felt for many years that they had something out of the ordinary coming to them. They feel now that it has come.

The triped belongs to S. C. McDaniels. Five months ago his faithful family cow presented him with Ben. Ben is the name of the calf that has become famous for being not like other calves.

His right leg is entirely missing. Both hind legs are perfectly formed and placed. His left foreleg is also just as perfect as any calf's, but it is almost in the middle of his body. All the ribs are naturally formed, reaching all the way to the neck. There is not even the trace of a shoulder blade on the right side.

The calf weighs 250 pounds, and can run and play as lively as any calf with a full set of legs. Stone piles and ditches are not obstacles to him—he frisks over them, tail high in the air, using his fore leg on the principle of a jumping pole. He has been much petted, and follows the members of the McDaniels family about like a dog.

At the tender age of four weeks Ben left his mother and went with his master on a jaunt about the surrounding country, attracting considerable attention and earning considerably more than his living expenses, thanks to the willingness of Americans to pay to see freaks. He has not missed a meal in his life, and is unusually strong and healthy.

Hypnotists Liable.

A Georgia Judge Holds the Operator Responsible for His Subject's Acts.

If the ruling of Judge Foule, of Atlanta, obtains, hypnotists will have to be very careful what they order the subjects to do. The Judge holds that the hypnotist is directly responsible for the acts of his subjects. It is the first case where such a decision has been rendered.

During a performance at a local theatre the subject of Hypnotist Lee imagined he was a monkey and grabbed the hat of a man in the audience, biting a piece out of it. The professor and his business manager declined to make good the cost of the tile and the hypnotist was prosecuted before Judge Foule upon a charge of malicious mischief. The Judge sustained the charge and bound Lee over to a higher court.

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 REICHAUT, Mainville, Pa.



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

A number of Christian Endeavor members of this town attended the convention at Scranton.

Chas. H. Creasy and Miss Jennie Siler, both of this town were married by Rev. M. E. McLinn, at the Lutheran Parsonage, on Thursday October 1st.

I. G. Deitrick has a very attractive display of candy. The store is decorated with palms and other plants.

With his body wedged between a wagon and one of its wheels at Jeddo, Luzerne County, John Fisher was crushed to death.

Some of the Bloomsburg dairymen who lost their wagons by the storm, are now calling on their customers with spring wagons.

S. A. Goodhue estimates the damage done to timber by the storm, on the North Mountain tract owned by the company which he represents, at \$40,000 to \$50,000.

During Fair—best photographs and crayons at M'Killip Bros. Over H. J. Clark & Son's Store.

AUTUMNAL RICHNESS.

Money never went so far in goods gathering as during the getting ready time for this October business. Hence, while the whole stock is new, fresh and dependable—while we've no other stock to be rid of, no blunders to correct—the news of the month must fairly ring with the fact that this is

A Shopper's Harvest Home.

We cannot too strongly recommend an early examination of the various departments of our business. Each is now fully prepared to exhibit the

Very Latest and Most Desirable Fabrics for Fall and Winter.

Take for Example the Dress Goods.

Might as well try to sketch an autumn sunset with a lump of charcoal as attempt to describe the rich warm beauties of these master pieces of the weavers art. We were fixed with enthusiastic admiration for them when we bought them, and we want to convey this enthusiasm to you. Nothing but a visit to this up to date dress goods department will do this. Latest novelties, blue ground with black figures, all wool, 45 in. wide, 85c. the yard.

Camel's hair novelties, all wool, in brown, blue and green, 43 in. wide, \$1.00 the yd.

All wool novelties, red bodied, with navy black stripe, 38 in. wide, \$1.00 the yd.

Brown, mixed, all wool poplin, 43 in. wide, \$1.50 the yard.

Seen the New Garments?

No? Then there is a great surprise in store for you. You'll be surprised at the extreme moderation of price, and we will be much pleased at seeing you so surprised, and shall feel well repaid for our efforts when we see with what satisfaction you make your selections.

Shawls, all wool, \$3.98 Worth \$5.00 anywhere.

Shawls, all wool, best the market affords \$6.00

Elegant plush caps, trimmed with fur, lined with changeable silk, emb. with beads and braid, 20 in. long, with 125 in. sweep, \$9.50

Plain plush cape, collar, and front edged with fur, lined with serge, 27 in. long, 135 in. sweep, \$10.00

Plain black beaver cloth coat, edged with narrow braid, trimmed with buttons, two pockets, \$6.50

Blue and black kersey cloth coat, lined all the way through with colored taffeta silk, trimmed with pearl buttons, cuffs to sleeves, \$10.00

Best coat in town for the money.

Blankets.

Nothing more enjoyable on a real cold night than a nice warm blanket. You know the kind of blankets we always sell, the same kind we are selling this year—the right kind, the right price, and in fact, they are the best we can buy for the money anywhere. We have them here in a great variety of colored borders, different weights and prices. Will you see them?

Lamps.

One of the necessary things to a house. Time used to be when you could not enjoy having a nice lamp unless you were rich. Things have changed now, and they are in reach of every one. Our line this year, you will find far superior to any in town. We bought them right and are selling them right. If, when here you will ask to see them, you will be surprised at the collection and the littleness of price.

Dishes.

We want you when here to ask us to show you our line of Queensware. We can please you with them. Any price you want from \$2.75 for an iron stone china tea set, to \$30.00 for a full china dinner set. Four distinct patterns to select from in decorated semi-porcelain. Sell you any number of pieces you want. Make you set your own price. Little or big, no difference to us.

Groceries.

Have you seen the German wafers? No? Then you should. The finest wafer in the market to-day. Put up in 1 lb. tins, healthful to eat and moderate in price, 21c. lb.

Won't want to work much this next week, Fair week you know. Just drop in and see what nice things we have to save you the trouble of cooking. They don't cost much either.

Pursel & Harman,

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Telephone Connection.

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. 42 Main St.

L. F. BEISHLINE, Prop.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

State of Israel Holstine, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Israel Holstine, late of Boaz township, Columbia county, deceased, have been granted by the Register of Wills of said county, Pennsylvania, to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands against said estate to present them, as directed by the will, to the undersigned, at the office of the undersigned, at the Exchange Hotel Building, Bloomsburg, Pa., on or before the 10th day of October, 1896.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

State of Elias Schlicher, late of Beaver township, Bloomsburg, Pa., deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Elias Schlicher, late of Beaver township, Bloomsburg, Pa., deceased, have been granted by the Register of Wills of Columbia county, Pennsylvania, to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands against said estate to present them, as directed by the will, to the undersigned, at the office of the undersigned, at the Exchange Hotel Building, Bloomsburg, Pa., on or before the 10th day of October, 1896.