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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1896.

William McKinley will be the twenty-fifth President of the United States. On the 26th of February, six days before the inauguration, he will be 52 years old, the same age that Abraham Lincoln was when inaugurated in 1861.

A canvass of the House of Representatives shows that sound money will have 47 majority in that body. Such a preponderance, after such a determined battle in defense of the public credit carries with it a responsibility for action.

Preserve the Flag. The election and its attendant excitement is over, partisan rancor is again buried, and all of us are once more only American citizens, jealous of the honor of the country, and a self-constituted but vigilant guard over the country's flag.

We do not think it is patriotic or right for American citizens or anybody else to use the American flag for any other purpose than that for which the founders of our government and the defenders of our country intended it should be used.

During the recent campaign the American flag was converted into a political advertisement by all parties. No man but a fool would insist his party is the only one that contains American citizens and patriots, and when he says it is everybody knows he is a fool and he would know it too if he were not so great a one.

There is a law against using the American flag as a business advertisement. We respectfully suggest to the various patriotic orders and societies that they endeavor to have passed a law preventing the use of Old Glory as an advertisement by any political body now existing or to exist.

Governor Hastings, having refused a further respite to Eckard, the Luzerne County murderer, who killed School director Bittenbender some years ago, he must hang on December 8th.

Resumption of Business.

Dun's Review for November 21st, has the following to say about trade: The gain in volume of business continues entirely without precedent. More than 390 establishments have started work, since the election, which were idle, and at least 300 have increased working force, making 690 concerns which are known to have added largely to the number of hands at work, and these are only part of the whole number.

The speculative markets have been reacting, which is also natural. Wheat has risen with wonderful rapidity, so that exports had been checked by the higher prices, and realizing started a break which made the close 34 lower for the week. It appears that Pacific exports of wheat, flour included, were nearly 3,000,000 bushels larger July 1 to Nov. 1 than last year, and all other exports about 15,800,000 bushels larger, or more than 50 per cent., and in November Atlantic exports have been 4,394,106 bushels, flour included, against 4,763,745 last year.

Cuba, Spain and the United States.

The war in Cuba is a vastly interesting affair in which both our sympathies and our interests are largely engaged; but it is not our affair. Spain has given us no cause to interfere, and much as we would like to intervene in behalf of the Cubans, who by their spirited defense against overwhelming odds have given proof of their courage and their deserving, we are restrained by that international comity which leaves to every nation the regulation of its own internal affairs.

But the war in Cuba is so exhausting to both parties that it must soon be brought to an end. The United States will occupy a position of the greatest advantage at the close of the struggle if, in the meantime, it shall have observed the obligations of neutrality. If Spain shall no longer be able to maintain its authority in Cuba the geographical position of the island and its necessary commercial relations with the United States will make the interests of this country paramount in the determination of its future.

Defaulter to the Extent of \$110,000.

John H. Hoffa, cashier of the first national bank of Lebanon, now occupies a cell in the Dauphin county prison in default of \$15,000 bail, a self-confessed defaulter to \$110,000. He stole the money and invested it in a mine in the far west. Hoffa was connected with the bank for seventeen years, twelve of which he served as cashier. Hoffa's bond cannot be found, and a report gained currency at Lebanon on Monday that he had made way with it to save his friends.

Mr. Hoffa confessed his guilt which is as follows: "I have stolen from the first national bank of Lebanon at least \$109,180. Included in this amount are certain notes amounting to \$13,400, upon which I appear; also a note of \$5,000 signed by my brother, Allen D. Hoffa. These notes were discounted by me, not passed by any of the board of directors. This money was stolen by me at different times and in different amounts, covering a period of at least six years." "John H. Hoffa."

Governor at a Silver Wedding.

Governor and Mrs. Hastings were in Bellefonte Monday night attending the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Malin. The presents were valuable and numerous, and included a full silver set from Governor Hastings and General H. C. McCormick. Mr. Malin is a prominent Republican politician, and superintendent of the telephone company.

Additional Local.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MRS. HOUTZ.

Resolutions of condolence passed by the W. C. T. U., of Orangeville, Pa., on the death of Mrs. Sarah J. Houtz, wife of Rev. Alfred Houtz, who died at her home in Orangeville, Pa., Nov. 17th 1896.

WHEREAS, in the allwise providence of God has passed from earth the spirit of Mrs. Sarah J. Houtz.

THEREFORE—Resolved: That by her death the Woman's Christian Union has lost a wise counsellor, an earnest faithful worker, and while we mourn the death of our sister helper in the cause of Temperance, we are admonished to greater zeal and diligence, realizing that the standard she has laid down must be grasped and born aloft, by us who remain, till comes the time, "When the tears of the sower and the songs of the reaper shall mingle together in joy."

Resolved: That the community has lost a valuable member of society, the Reformed Church an honored, willing and successful worker, the home a faithful wife, a loving tender mother. Yet we would not murmur, we know she has exchanged suffering for joy, labor for reward. Let us emulate her virtues, and seek to be ready as she when the Master shall call.

Resolved: That we tender the bereaved family our warmest sympathy, recommending them to the care of Him who does not afflict willingly.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, and also entered on the records of our Union and other copies inserted in the county papers.

Com. { MRS. MARGARET S. EVES. MRS. JANE MASTELLER. MRS. MAY CONNER.

BITS OF BASE BALL NEWS.

Who will manage the Phillies next season? It is announced that the Brooklyn club is willing to exchange Mike Griffin for a good man.

Walter Brodie says he has not yet been notified by Manager Hanlon of being traded to Pittsburgh.

Monte Cross, of the St. Louis Browns, is of the opinion that Donahue is a better pitcher than Brittenstein.

Anson would like to have Billy Nash to play third base, but the Philadelphia management will hardly be so foolish as to let him go.

Emmet Rogers, who caught for Pottsville last year, is free to sign with any club, and would like to get into some good minor league.

Could the Philadelphia club afford to give Taylor, Grady and Cooley for Rusie? If these three men were offered Freedman might accept.

It is asserted on good authority that Lave Cross will play in Cleveland next season. A deal is said to be on for McKean, Cleveland's shortstop.

Ben Ellis, who is on the Phillies reserve list, says he will not go to Detroit next season unless he gets the same salary he received from the Phillies.

Tony Mullane, who pitched for St. Paul last season, has made an application for a position as a National League umpire. Mullane has been pitching for fifteen years.

New York's infield next season will be composed of four players who have been captains of base ball teams. Joyce, the present captain, was also captain of the Senators; George Davis captained the Giants, so did Gleason, and Jake Beckley acted in the same capacity for the Pittsburg team.

And now again we repeat as we have done so many many times before "lookout for them Phillies next season." It seems very peculiar that a team which is composed of the very best individual players that ever donned a uniform as everyone knows the Phillie team is, can get together and play such miserable ball as they have done throughout the season that has just closed. It is very discouraging for an admirer of the Phillies to look

Why Because

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JOHN R. TOWNSEND, Merchant TAILOR, AND Hatter. SUITS FROM \$18.00. CORNER MAIN & MARKET STS. BLOOMSBURG PA. TROUSERS FROM \$5.00.

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Pursel & Harman, BLOOMSBURG, PA. Williams' COLLEGE of BUSINESS. Columbia Building, BLOOMSBURG, PA. Will be organized OCTOBER 29th. One school in seven cities having the largest number of students of any business college in America.\$100 for \$50....

In order to facilitate organizing the Bloomsburg branch, the first fifty scholarships will be sold for only \$50 each. A scholarship will entitle the holder to graduating courses in the Business, Shorthand, Typewriting, and English departments. Time unlimited. The regular rates for these courses in other schools are from \$100 to \$200. For full information, write to G. W. WILLIAMS, Pres. Williams' College.

Sound-Writing. Sixteen hundred and fifty years ago, at Alexandria, we find one Origen, a theologian and scholar, under the patronage of his friend Ambrosius, devoting himself with tremendous energy to his literary labors. It is interesting to note that this wealthy friend and patron has provided him with seven shorthand writers and with an equal number of transcribers, together with young girls who act as copyists. As much progress has been made in sixteen years in the matter of stenography and transcribing as was made in the sixteen centuries from the time of Origen. Shorthand has become the vocation of thousands of both sexes. Only seven years ago was the study of shorthand introduced as a full course of Peirce School, yet in that time it has become the largest shorthand school of Philadelphia. The great champion live bird shoot of the world will be held at Trenton, N. J., Dec. 1, 2, and 3. All the professional shots of the world will be present. Some members of the Bloomsburg Gun Club will probably attend. WILLIAM H. SLATE EXCHANGE HOTEL BLDG