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THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 1897.

A bill offered in the House recent-

ly for legislative apportionment, gives

Columbia county but one member. It

may not pass, but it is quite certain

that when a new apportionment is

made we shall get but one member

The new libel law prepared by the

Pennsylvania Editorial Association

has been killed in the legislature. The

libel law as it stands gives sufficient

freedom to the press. The proposed

law was intended to enlarge this free-

dom, and this the legislature properly

It looks now as though the sugges-

tion of the Governor for the erection

of a new capitol to cost not more than

\$550,000 would be adopted by the

legislature. This is right. The peo-

ple are in no humor to be taxed for

The proposed Dingley tariff ap-

privileged industries than did the Mc-

Kinley bill itself. This partly because

many duties are higher, and partly

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THE COLUMBIAN.

Bloomsburg, Pa.

The Democratic County Committee | Vote on Dingley Measure in the House is convened in No. 2 Court Room, Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Chairman William Chrisman called the assemblage to order.

The meeting was called for the purpose of electing a County Chairman and Secretary, and five delegates to meet in extraordinary session a transact such other business as may as the House of Representatives was come up before them. The calling concerned, at 4.30 o'clock, yesterday of the list showed a fairly good representation of committeemen present. ley tariff bill was announced by Speak-Nominations for County Chairman er Reed-yeas, 205; nays, 121; anwere then in order, whereupon John swering present and not voting, 21. G. McHenry of Benton, was unanimously elected, there being no opposi- of 190 Republicans, five Democrats-

Briarcreek was made the choice. C. B. Jackson, Christian Small, E. J. Ohl, A. J. Derr and H. P. Hower were elected delegates to the State Convention.

Hon. W. T. Creasy offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted :

tendered our former County Chairman nois; Marshall, Simpson and Todd. Hon. Wm. Chrisman and efficient Secretary, C. A. Small for their excellent work while holding their respective offices. Elliot Adams, of Berwick, presented this resolution which was also adopted without a dissenting vote.

WHEREAS the vote of the late Presidential election has shown that a great majority of the citizens of Columbia County favor the principles as set forth in the Chicago platform. And, WHEREAS we hold it to be good

sound Democratic doctrine that the majority shall rule and their wishes carried out and respected. Be it therethe building of a palace at a cost of fore

Resolved, that the delegates to the State Convention chosen this day by this committee are hereby instructed pears to be specially designed to help to support such candidates for state trusts and monopolies. It takes offices-who have been open and several dollars from the pockets of the avowed advocates of the Chicago people for every one that it turns into platform and supporters of the candiour national treasury. As a whole it dates nominated at our last national confers even greater benefits upon convention. And be it further

Resolved, that it is the sense of this committee that those newspapers which loyally supported the Demobecause the same duties are more pro- cratic candidates and platform of last hibitive, now that manufacturers have year merit the confidence and support of all loyal Democrats.

prove their machinery and methods A resolution that a committee of to compete with foreign manufactur- five be appointed to revise the rules ers. In many cases though increasand report at the next Democratic ing the burdens of taxation, it de-County Convention was offered by creases the income from custom duties. Mr. Creasy. The only important increases expect-

No further business appearing before the committee, the meeting was articles necessary to health and com- adjourned. This meeting was one fort which should not be taxed at all of the most quiet and orderly ever in times of peace, or while it is possi- held by Columbia County Democrats, ble to obtain sufficient revenue from and the business was transacted with the utmost serenity.

The committee could have made no better selection for County Chairman than it did. The election of Mr. Mc Henry as Chairman is wise, and he No one man is as wise as the whole community-and no mere political is well qualified to fill every requirecoterie is as wise as the whole party. ment of this most important position. In the selection of a candidate for

# A Job in Contemplation.

Tariff Bill Passed.

Yeas, 205; Nays, 121.

DUTIES IN EFFECT TO-DAY.

The object for which President Mc-Kinley called the fifty-fifth Congress to the State Convention, and to fortnight ago was accomplished, so far

The affirmative vote was composed tion. Next came the election of a Messrs. Broussard, Dovey and Meyer Secretary, and R. G. F. Kshinka of of Louisiana, and Kleberg and Slayden of Texas-and one Populist, Mr. Howard of Alabama.

Mr. Reed, in the Speaker's chair, directed the clerk to call his name just before the announcement of the vote to which he responded aye amid applause. The negative vote comprised 117 Democrats and 4 Populists Resolved, that a vote of thanks be and fusionists, Messrs. Baker of Illi-

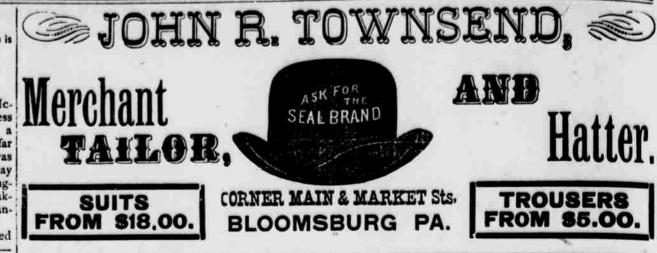
#### The Consumer Pays the Tax.

In the course of the tariff debate in the House of Representatives Saturday Mr. Jerry Simpson, of Kansas, in discussing the sophistry that the foreigner pays the tariff tax, suggested that the experience of the people would be that the foreigner would object to doing any such thing. In reply, Mr. Payne, of New York, narrated the experience of two farmers, one a resident of his district, the other a resident of Canada, across the river; Margaret W. Drysdale, an actress, and he added :

My constituent took 100 tons of hay to Buffalo, and sold it for \$1000, which he brought back and put in his home bank. The Canadian farmer also took too tons of hay to Buffalo and sold it for \$1000. But he had to leave \$400 with Uncle Sam as duty (it was under the McKinley law), and he took home with him but \$600.

This rejoinder was conclusive enough for the Republican mind to elicit applause ; but before the echoes had died out Mr. Terry, of Arkansas, neatly countered with the remark that the fallacy of the gentleman's conclusion was that it failed to take into consideration the effect of that 40 per cent. duty on the market price. Had it not been for that duty the price would have been but \$600 for the 100 tons; so that it came back to the Democratic position that the consumer pays the tax.

The shot went home, and the House rang with applause, this time from the Democratic side. Of course, the Pro tectionists mind never takes thought for the consumer-the consumer is a beast of burden for whom Protectionism has no use except to dump its load of taxes on his back. But, happily, though he can get no hearing before the Ways and Means Committee, he still has alert and able spokesmen in the open House, and they hurled some shots Saturday that made the splinters fly from the Protect onist



bail at Pottsville.

-A \$40,000 wreck and considerable delay to traffic on the West Penn railroad, near Salina, were caused by a broken flange on a freight car's wheel.

-The Avondale colliery, into which the Susquehanna river is breaking near Wilkes-Barre, is threatened with destruction, as pumps cannot catch up with the leak.

-Special Officer Bristley, of the Reading Railway, has found that the Chester Valley Railroad wreck of last week was caused by two innocent 8year-old boys of Bridgeport. Not realizing the seriousness of their act they had turned the switch to a lumber yard, and ruined a freight locomotive and endangered several lives. The lads will not be prosecuted.

-George F. Munce, attorney for James B. Gentry, the actor, who is sentenced to be executed on April 22 tor the murder of his sweetheart, to-day stated that he would go before the state board of pardons at Harrisburg, on April 21, and argue for a commutation to imprisonment for life. The pardon board does not meet until that date.

-John Gibbons, one of the bestknown men in Pittston, died at his home Monday evening as a result of cold tea poisoning. Gibbons was in his usual health Sunday. Going home from church he drank some cold tea from a metallic vessel that had been standing since breakfast. At 1:30 he was taken with violent cramps and suffered greatly until death reheved him.

During the afternoon Mr. Gibbons daughter, Catharine, would not believe that her father had been poison ed by drinking tea, and she drank from the same vessel. Shortly afterward she also was taken seriously ill, but a doctor promptly gave remedies to her and she recovered.

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Lima Beans, 7c a qt., 4 for 25c. Rolled Rice, same thing as rolled 15c a package.

office, in spite of our convictions, geography has sometime to go with the question at issue.

The office of Sheriff which touches the citizen more nearly has a wider territory as well as clientage for selection. A different sort of man is side of the river will no doubt contest tor the nomination. It requires a man of quicker mind and more business ability than the judgeship-a man of tact and of action. He should be a gentleman in dress and in manners and see that his office was open, and his deputy or himself in constant a...endance : And with that, that the arrangement of the office precluded outsiders from being more conspicuous than the officer. The arrangement and fixtures of the Sheriff's office, at present, are a disgrace to the County.

There has never been any system about advertising in the Sheriff's office. While a lawyer may control his writ, unless he actually does, he may find that the publicity he requires has not been secured The business men are also interested, and consult their weekly and neighborhood paper for items of interest and current advertisements and public sales. No paper ought to have a monopoly, but it is certain that every advertisement from the Sheriff's office ought to appear in some one of the three Bloomsburg papers. If the lands or subject matter is south of the river send it to serve the public with honesty and fidelity. Χ.

A report was started recently that

Nothing could more strikingly dis-

play the complete dependence of onr hulk.-Record. state authorities on the will and wish of Senator M. S. Quay than the spectacle that was presented, the other day, by a delegation of our state lawneeded for the place and the south makers going to Washington to learn what the Senator wants done in regards to the building of the new state capitol. They report that they had a conference with him on this subject, and it is to be inferred that they propose to act in the matter according to his direction.

To a majority of the citizens of the State it will be a query what Quay has to do with a work of this kind, and what authority he has over it which requires that he should be consulted. The people have their representatives in the Legislature who are expected to provide for the building of that

structure in a manner that will give satisfaction, and it is not necessary that it should be done to suit Senator Quay. The people want a creditable building, but they don't want its construction to furnish an opportunity for discreditable jobbery. If the Governor and Legislature do their duty this can be effected without the assistance of M. S. Quay, or any other party boss. Interference from such a source would have a suspicious look.

Up to this time there has been an appearance in the proceedings relative to the new capitol that has not been very assuring to those who want Catawissa-if about the east end its construction to be an honest job. send it to Berwick-if up the creek, At the very start there was an atthen to Benton-if to the west, then tempt to give the contract to favored to Millville. That is fair and it is parties, without competition, and systematic. Thus all interests would since the detection of the trick by be subserved and proper public and which that was intended to be effectlocal publicity attained. No office is ed, there is evident manœuvering a private affair-it is a public trust going on to put the work in charge of and the first thought should be to a commission something like the one which has made a twenty-four years' job of the Philadelphia city hall, costing over eighteen millions of dollars. The Governor assumes to be op-Mrs. Cleveland had the Dolly Madi- posed to these schemes. We trust son silver spoons in the White House that he is sincere in his opposition, melted up and recast into spoons and and will use his veto if the corrupt in-

forks of lighter weight. The story is clinations of the Legislature should denied because in the first place the induce it to pass a bill that would enhistoric silver of Dolly Madison is still at the White House, and in the second place there were no spoons in the set. Capitol.—Ex.

### PENNSYLVANIA NEWS ITEMS.

-Scranton has organized two new fire companies.

-Sisters of Mercy will erect a \$75,000 hospital at Wilkes-Barre.

-Organized burglars are robbing houses at Ashland, Frackville and Shenandoah.

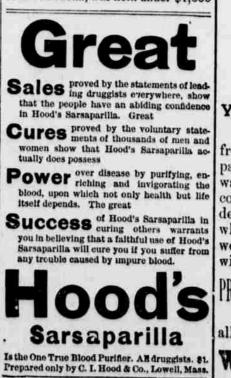
-Westmoreland County has adopted plans for a \$340,000 Court House at Greensburg.

-Young Lorin Nessle was frightfully scalded by falling into a tub of boiling water at Shamokin Monday

-Sixteen horses were killed and a car load of crockery smashed in a " Pennsy" freight wreck near Mount Joy, Monday. -Hydrophobia caused the death of

Philip James, at Pittsburg last week, he having been bitten by a mad dog three weeks ago.

-For alleged fraudulent use of the mails in ordering goods, Max Reese, of Shenandoah, was held under \$1,000



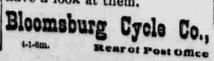
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