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2'HURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1808.

CANDIDATES.

FOR STATE SENATOR, W. H. RHAWN of Catawissa.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE. C. I. SCHLICHER of Beaver township.

SUSPENSE

In Washington. Officials Await the Court's Report.

The excitement during the past week in Congress and outside, attend-ing the Maine disaster in the harbor at Havana, has almost equaled that occasioned by the assassination of Presidents Lincoln and Garfield. The excitement, however has somewhat subsided, and is now passing away. There is a condition of painful suspense, and the public now patiently awaits to learn only the cause of the disaster.

The course of President McKinley and his Cabinet associates, in suspending judgment until the cause of the truction of the Maine is ascertain ed, is generally approved in and out of

ongress.
The prompt refusal of Captain Sigsbee and Consul-General Lee, and the approval of their course by the au-thorities at Washington, of not allowing the Spanish authorities at Havana to join in the exploration and inquiry into the disaster, is commended on all

what the authorities here and what the authorities here and added to the general election fund, to be used as directed in the party rules.

The motion carried.

A motion that the Chairman of the

gence they can safely rely.

It is well understood that the Spanish Government in Havana and at Madrid are as anxious, and almost as deeply interested, as the authorities at Washington, in solving the mystery

of the tremendous disaster.

The United States officers, who have charge of the matter, are regard-ed as authority for the American people. The investigation is in competent hands, and the country is quite ready to believe the official statement of the Naval Board now charged with the purpose of prosecuting the in-

President McKinley Will Demand Inde-pendence for Guoa, With \$100,000,-OOO Indemnity.

Robert P. Porter, whose close friendship with President McKinley is well known, says that Mr. McKun-ley will shortly send to the Spanish government an ultimatum, demanding that complete freedom and independence be granted to the insurgent Cubans. Spain is to be indemnified to the extent of \$100,000,000. Bonds are to be issued to that amount and, if necessary, the United States will take charge of the Cuban customs

and pay the interest on the bonds.

The Court of Inquiry appointed to investigate the Maine disaster left held at Key West before a report is made. The officers composing the board are: Captain W. T. Sampson, of the Iowa; Captain French E. Chadwick, of the New York; Lieutenant commander Potter of the New York; and Lieutenant Coath Marix, Judge Advocate of the Court.

Divers have been at work on the

refusal to accept this settlement will be on Spain. The President of the be on Spain. has in my opinion fully weighed the consequence to us. He knows full well that a mere declaration of war may cost our government a hundred, nay five hundred millions of dollars, but he also knows that at his back will be a united people of 75,000,000 freeman who have chafed and grown reckless at each successive and pipe are weaker, and structural until the most conservative be- orders seasonably slow. lieve the time has come for decided

monstrate to the country that President McKinley not only said what he meant in his message, but meant what

That the De Lome letter made something clear to the President and the State Department there can be no doubt, while the terrible accident to the Maine has forcibly illustrated the danger of further delay. Another reason for immediate action should the ultimatum likely to be submitted to Spain he accepted, is that if peace could be at once restored to Cuba, the starving population may yet save half of the year's crops. To delay until March will make it necessary for the people of the United States to continue to feed these people who are anxious to rebuild a country which has been so devastated and depopula ted that more than a generation must pass into the grave before the sunshine of prosperity again brings cheer to this sorrowing and desolated land.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

BLOOMSBURG, Pa., Feb. 19, 1898. In pursuance of the call of the Democratic County Chairman, John G. McHenry, the Executive commitmet in jury room No. 2, at ter o'clock a. m.

Upon the roll being called, John G. McHenry, Fred Ikeler, W. H. Rhawn, G. E. Clemens and R. G. F. Kshinka were found to be present, being the full committee.

The rules to govern the primary elections and county conventions of the Democratic party of Columbia county, as adopted at the county con-vention, assembled August 10, 1897, were ordered to be read.

Upon motion of Mr. Rhawn, the

committee ordered that the rules as read be published in phamphlet form.
Upon motion of Mr. Ikeler, the

committee empowered the chairman of the county committee to cause the publication of a sufficient number of copies of the rules to meet the requirements of the party.

Upon motion it was ordered that a sum sufficient to meet the cost of pub-

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lishing said rules be taken from the money paid in for registration fees.

Moved by Mr. Ikeler and seconded by Mr. Clemens that money received for registration fees be used for all necessary expenses up to the time of the meeting of the county convention and the balance, if any remains, be added to the general election fund, to

County Committee act as Treasurer and that he receive all moneys paid as Registration fees and all other con-tributions for election expenses, was

decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Ikeler moved and Mr. Rhawn seconded the motion that the Executive Committee fix and apportion the amounts to be paid by the several candidates as Registration fees, the respective sums as agreed upon, as set forth and hereunto attached, in pursuance of Section 2, of Article 4, of the Rules of the party as adopted at the Convention assembled August 10th, 1897. Motion carried.

The Committee upon motion adjourned sine disc

The Commute journed sine, die.

R. G. F. KSHINKA,

Secretary

"Maine" Disaster Has No Effect on Business

Iron Production Exceeds Consumption and Strikes Interfere With Cotton Trade.

R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade says:

The dreadful disaster to

"Maine," much as it has affected all hearts, has not much affected business. Only in the stock market, where there was selling Wednesday by speculators on thin margin, but in no other speculative market, was an affect felt, not in general business.

The iron output February 1, with reports of stocks on hand not held by the great steel companies, indicates They are waiting for divers' lamps and as soon as they get them search will be made in the ward room and other parts of the vessel. So far the search has been confined to the Captain's cabin. They are waiting for divers lamps week greater in January than the previous maximum attained in November, 1895. The production is at least 3,000 tons per

Some weakness in pig would natur ally result, but while grey forge has declined at Pittsburg to \$8.90, with southern iron offered at Chicago at concessions, no changes appear in products.

In building of steel cars, in black sheets for tinning, in rods, wire and wire nails, increased demand and heavy business appear, though

lieve the time has come for decided action. That the situation is critical is fully realized, and the coming week may bring about a crisis that will denote the may bring about a crisis that will denote the may be seasonably slow.

In the cotton manufacture production is restricted by strikes, and some grades are a shade dearer. The recent opening of higher grade THE COLUMBIAN office.

woolens at advanced prices meets less demand than was expected with less activity in lower grades and unexpectedly numerous cancellations in light weights, indicating larger buying than

ronsumption has yet warranted.

Failures for the week have been 295 in the United States against 303 last year and thirty-five in Canada against fifty-six last year.

If some inhabitant of a foreign nation who was unacquainted with the real nature of American political differences should happen to drop into this country at a time when some partisan dispute was at its extreme height he would gain the impression that the men at the head of our Government were about the worst that we could find, because he would notice that the partisan papers were all free in the matter of open denunciation of the opposing officers or candidates. The De Lome case shows that Democrats, Republicans, Populists and all the smaller faction are still ready to stand by the chief executive when he is confronted with executive when he is confronted with the insolent attitude of some foreign dignitary, and that the people of the United States, regardless of politics and religion, are a unit when it comes to the necessity for the assertion of true patriotic principles. We may fight about tariff, financial problems and other matters among ourselves, and call the representative men of the different home parties hard names. the different home parties hard names, but when some deputy of a foreign power insults the head of the Govern ment we will stand together as one, and we all unite to hoist the stars and stripes in the face of the enemy.-Ex.

The Democrats of Somerset county are urging the name of Hon. A. H. Coffroth of that county as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor this year. His public record is excellent, and he would make a strong run if nominated.

Railroad Man

Receives Good Advice from Fellow Workmen

The Whole Story Told by His Wife-

it May Help You. of "When my little boy was six years old he had an attack of the measles, and after he had an attack of the measles, and after recovering he was restless at night, had no appetite, and was cross and fretful. Later on, large blotches and sores broke out on his face and limbs. We were told they would heal in a few days; but those few days grew into months. One day my husband, who is a well-known railroad man, was advised by some of his fellow workment to give the boy Hood's Sarsapariila. We concluded to do so, and after he had taken the first bottle we noticed some improvement. We kept on giving him this medicine until he had taken three bottles, when he was completely cured, and he has been well ever since. Mass. E. J. Miller, Bennett, Pa.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Sold by all druggists. \$1; six for \$5.

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GEO. W. HESS.

He was born in Columbia Co., some thirty two years ago. At nineteen years of age left home to serve an ap prenticeship as a watchmaker and jeweler at Hazleton, then went to Mifflinville, then to Watsontown, and and in 1892 started in business at his present location.

Dr. Hess always had a desire to be-

come proficient in optics, and in 1894 came to Philadelphia to receive in-structions from a manufacturing op-tician, and also matriculated in our college and received our Master Op-tician's Diploma. And now, after three years of successful practice and unremitting study he receives our highest degree, that of Doctor of Re-fraction. fraction.

Dr. Hess is not only a

merchant, standing in the front of the business men of Bloomsburg, but he is also a zealous student of optics, and has proven himself a competent and scientific optician. He is withal a pleasant gentleman to meet, and his patients are a.l friends, and his friends all patients.—From the Keystone, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Hess is a member of the firm of Hess Brothers, Jewelers and Opti-cians, Bloomsburg, Pa, and all desir-ing glasses will do well to consult him before purchasing elsewhere.

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IN MERCHANT TAILORING,

FOR 10 DAYS.

\$16.00 SUITS NOW \$13.00,

Made to your measure at

TOWNSEND'S, MERCHANT TAILOR.

The suspender factory at Williams-port has tumbled into the hands of the Sheriff on executions aggregating \$4,-

The employees of the South Williamsport nail works have been notified that when they return to work from their present enforced idleness of weeks their wages will be rethree This is bad news for the lumber city.

Cail and see samples of our new lithographing printing for all kinds of commercial work. It is new and very pretty, and costs no more than other THE COLUMBIAN office. tf

\$50,000 Watch Us. THE

And Still They Go Down.

Despite the unfriendly elements, the happy throng still crowds our place for "plums."

They know-the people do that our strokes are merciless and our cuts are deep. we say "our goods are cheap," we don't mean "cheap goods." There's as much difference between the former and the latter as there is between "an ardent lover," and a "lover of the ardent."

Additional Surprises. SOME

Thin blown whisky glasses, or tooth pick holders, ass'd, sizes 4c. ea. Lamp chimneys, all sizes, 6 for 25c. to in. oval emerald glass bowls 10c. ea Emerald celery stands 10c. ea. Heavy 8½ in.crystal glass nappies 10c.ea 2 quart heavy glass pitchers
4½ in. heavy glass nappies
6 in. oval glass nappies
Decorated hen butter dishes
12c. ea.
3c. ea.
1cc. ea. Heavy bottom blown glass tumblers 4c. Plain blown table tumblers 3c. ea. Gold edge blown table tumblers 5c. ea. Decorated opal salt and pepper shakers, 5c. 6

Buggy whips, Sc., 10c., 16c., 25c. ea Tin tea and coffee pots, 6c., 8c., 9c.,

In tea and toc. ea.

Glass cake stands, celery trays, bowls and a large new line of table glass ware at 10c. each. See them.

SPECIAL.

Large size Turkish bath toilet soap highly perfumed, at 4 cakes for 5c. Butterick Fashions for March now ready.

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On which our shoes are built is merit. They must be good we have them made so. Not content with things as they are we go on making them better. Out of it comes the best foot wear possible.

FULL LINE OF

HOSIERY and

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 1898,

TWO PERCHES

DWELLING HOUSE,

TERMS OF SALE: \$100 on striking down of

Sale of LADIES'

Why the Sale? What Inducement?

and unsalable styles from the stock of the past season—NOT A BIT OF IT! Every garment fresh from OF IT! Every garment fresh from the best manufacturers in the land. No sweatshop rubbish from the dingy lofts of the tenement

just the reverse-

It is the cleanest of Underwear fresh from clean well ventilated factories.

It is the perfection of Underwear, cut by the

best skilled artists of the cutting table. It is the best of Underwear, designed, put together and finished by the hands of healthy rosy-cheeked girls.

Remarkable Values Caused the Purchase for the Big Sale. Plain figure facts of economy is the power-

ful inducement we offer to the throngs of buyers who attend this sale.

25c.Corset Covers, Lansdale cambric, 3 styles, square, round and V neck, dainty trimmings. Quantity limited. Match it.

toe. Drawers, good muslin, no trashy cheese cloth kind, two tucks, full size. 3 pair to a customer. Match it.

of the loom muslin, five \(\frac{1}{3} \) inch tucks. 3 pairs to a customer. Match it.

8c. Corset Covers, good muslin, perfect in make, bound edge. 3 to a customer. Match it. 12c. Corset Covers, cambric nansook edging, pearl buttons. 3 to a customer. Match it. 25c. Corset Covers, Lansdale cambric and seleves, cut very full. Quantity limited.

Match it. 98c. Cambric, fruit of the loom

muslin, variety of new style yokes. Best styles go first. Match it. 85c. Chemises, embroidery edge, low neck, wide ruffle at bot-tom. Think of such a price. Match it.

28c. to \$1.25 Chemises, cambric, nansook and lace edging, all new styles. Quantity limited. Values wonderful.

FLUFFY RUFFLED SKIRTS

That will figure in the enthusiasm of the great under muslin sale, 28c., 49c., 75c., 79c., 98c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.35, \$1.50. We have such confidence in the line that we sell them with

returnable privileges good for one week.

DRESS GOODS.

We have had brought to us, and have gone and looked over the lines of Spring Dress Goods that are shown by the best mills in this country, and the best importing houses that we can find, and have made a selection that we think we can suit you all if

F. P. PURSEL.

CORSER'S East Main NEW SHOE STORE. Street.

BLOOMSBURG.

Brives-In Shoes! Big

500 pair Women's shoes, sizes 1 to 4, at

\$1.00 A PAIR.

Genuine Dongola Kid, with good soles and counters, always have sold at \$200 and \$2.50. They are small sizes, and for that reason go at \$1.00 a pair. They'll not be here long at these prices. If you can't wear them your children can, and they are just as big a bargain for them as for you.

This is weather for gum shoes and gum boots. We have them at lowest prices. Men's gum boots \$2.00.

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PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE

of Lavina Stout, in Briarcreek township, Colum-UNDERWEAR

W. H. Moore.

At 10 o'clock a. m... on the premises, all that certain piece or parcel of land in said township, beginning at a stone in the public road, thence by same south fifty-two and three-fourth degrees, west thirty-eight and four-tenth perches to stone; thence south one and one-fourth degrees, are selghty-four and seven-tenth perches to a stone; thence morth sixty degrees, cast

REAL ESTATE. TWENTY ACRES AND FORTY-