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THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1899.
QUAY STILL IS SHORT.

The latest from Harrisburg says that the Beaver Boss is further away from the United States Senatorship than he has been at any time since the contest began. The machine has tried all sorts of tricks to capture votes for Quay, but has failed in every instance. The Democrats are making a noble stand and their ranks remain unbroken. In an interview on the subject Wednesday evening Mr. Wanamaker said, "The Legislature is not in the vest pocket of Quay—Andrews set as the last one was. The Democrats are magnificent in their steady purpose to hold together and determined not to be made responsible for hitching up the State for six years more to the Quay crowd."

It is very evident that nothing but crookedness can pull him through.

A Bit of Gall.
The Executive Committee of the Republican State Committee is composed entirely of Quay adherents. Last week they issued an appeal to the anti-Quay members of the Legislature urging them to come back under the yoke and support Quay. The concluding words of this document are somewhat remarkable, and exhibit an unusual amount of gall, even for the Republican party. They are as follows:

"In this connection we cannot refrain from protesting against the course pursued by certain persons who, though claiming to be Republicans, have devoted their best endeavors toward disrupting the party and defeating its candidates. We refer particularly to John Wanamaker, who, during the late campaign, not only refused to aid or contribute to the Republican State Committee, but traversed the State from one end to the other seeking to defeat our gallant standard bearer, Colonel William A. Stone. Though unsuccessful in his endeavor, he has the assurance to invade the capital of the State and seek to control the action of the Republican Legislature."

"We denounce his presumption, as well as that of his attorney, James Gay Gordon, who, having been repudiated by the Democratic party as an aspirant for the Governorship, now visits Harrisburg and in conjunction with his chief seeks to dictate the course of procedure of the two great parties. We call upon the Republican members of the two houses to repudiate this officious interference with their prerogatives, and urge them to stand by and sustain the action of their party's representatives in caucus assembled in accordance with party laws and usages."

"On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Republican State Committee."

The arrogance of the machine is here exhibited to its fullest extent. It is a fair example of the way the lash is applied to all Republicans who have the courage to kick over the traces, and oppose the corrupt workings of the machine. If John Wanamaker wants reform in the state government, why has he not the right to "traverse the state" and say so? Is there no political liberty in Pennsylvania?

But Wanamaker even has the "assurance to invade the capital of the state, and seek to control the action of the Republican legislature." It is a crime in the eyes of this committee for Wanamaker to do exactly what they are trying to do. The Republican party has run and controlled Pennsylvania so long that they think they own it, and that no one else has any right to put an obstacle in the way of their continued plunder.

And Judge Gordon too, comes in for a share of their vituperation. He has the audacity to visit Harrisburg without their permission, and to "seek to dictate the course of procedure of the two great parties." It is a good sign for the future when the "Executive Committee of the Republican State Committee" is forced to resort to such efforts to bolster up the chances of their boss. Meanwhile it is probable that John Wanamaker and Judge Gordon will go to Harrisburg whenever it suits their pleasure, and to use every effort in their power to defeat Quay, without asking the permission of this Executive Committee.

February is the shortest month this year in more ways than one. It has three holidays, four half holidays, and four Sundays. The Government, bank and Court House clerks will have ample time for recreation.

THE UPPER END.

Considerable interest is manifested in the contest for U. S. Senator. It begins to look as though Quay is a back number.

Benton, the metropolis of the up-creek country, is as neat an enterprising town as can be found out doors of any locality. As evidence of this we cite to the great activity manifest every day, when throngs of people crowd the streets and thoroughfares and places of business. The merchants and other business men are constantly kept busy waiting on them.

The drug store and *Argus* office are also well patronized by the public. Last, but not least, the public schools are also in a prosperous and progressive condition, while as handsome and fine a lot of ladies greet the passerby, as can be found in any town in the State, or elsewhere.

Winter has set in, in earnest. Quite a body of snow covers the ground, while a hard crust renders it rather difficult to break new roads. Winter grain thus far has not suffered any damage by reason of freezing and thawing. Many assert that the ravages of the wheat fly will render that crop a partial failure the coming harvest.

Much indisposition by reason of grip and other ailments is the cause of almost a general confinement of many families of this, and adjoining counties.

Although the weather has not been extremely severe, with the exception of a day or two, it has thus far required an immense amount of fuel by reason of so much windy weather.

Sleighting at present is in prime condition, but the snow preceding this was called hence in a hurry, and went as fast as it came.

In the country districts, business is as dead as a "door nail," McKinleyism froze up all country booms. Even the sugar is sacked in one, five and ten pound sacks, and the country merchant is even relieved from weighing out the sugar. Verily, the next we may expect the snow to come sacked.

Many farmers along the B. & S. line, haul their coal directly from the breaker, at, or near Shickshinny. Last Wednesday morning, Jan. 11, the thermometer again dropped to 10 degrees below zero. It was a sneaking, stinging cold morning.

Some school districts have dropped on the wage scale of teachers' salaries. This I think is a mistake. While it may be as much as teachers can earn under present depressing conditions; the state may also drop on state appropriations in consequence. Since the state deals liberally with the people in this respect, the people should also deal liberally with teachers.

Already the candidates loom up for vacating positions in the various departments of political preferment. The fountain of the stream of aspiration never dries up, no one need be pushed into the race, for all crowd therein, and stumble over one another in the scramble for office.

It seems that the tiger blood never leaves the veins of the boss—M. S. Quay. He is a believer in the all sufficiency of honor, and is bound to have it, though he has to steal it. Well, honor is honor, though it be stolen honor.

The Tubbs—Nathan, Peter and Tim, are engaged at Elk Grove, in the erection of abutments of two bridges; one at Elk Grove and the other at Central, on the new road from the latter place to the former.

J. C. WENNER.

Strong, steady nerves
Are needed for success
Everywhere. Nerves
Depend simply, solely,
Upon the blood.
Pure, rich, nourishing
Blood feeds the nerves
And makes them strong.
The great nerve tonic is
Hood's Sarsaparilla,
Because it makes
The blood rich and
Pure, giving it power
To feed the nerves.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Cures nervousness,
Dyspepsia, rheumatism,
Catarrh, scrofula,
And all forms of
Impure blood.

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, Pennsylvania, on the 13th day of February next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, under an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto, by H. C. Steward, Charles Greasy, C. E. Lowery, Thomas Cain, Sr., G. E. Cain and T. D. Robbins, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called "The Patriotic Order Sons of America Hall Association, of Lime Ridge, Pa." The charter and object of which is to promote a spirit of patriotism and love of country among its members and others, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy, all the rights, benefits and privileges, conferred by the Act of Assembly aforesaid and its supplements.

E. J. Brown has disposed of his coal yard, near Oak Grove, to George Hartman.

POLITICAL CARDS.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER,
JOHN N. GORDON,
of Montour.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
A. N. YOST,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
J. C. RUTTER, JR.,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
DR. T. C. HARTER,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,
W. F. STOHNER,
of Bloomsburg.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
C. A. SMALL,
of Catawissa.

The above announcements are all subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention, to be held Tuesday, June 13th, 1899. Primary election, Saturday, June 10, 3 to 7 p. m.

**ADMINISTRATRIX'S SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
REAL ESTATE
AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.**

Pursuant to an order of the Orphan's Court of Columbia County, the undersigned, administratrix of John Barber, late of Fishingcreek Twp., in said county, deceased, will expose to public sale, on the premises, on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, '99,
at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the following described real estate: All that certain lot of ground, situated in Stillwater, Fishingcreek township, county and state aforesaid, bounded on the north by land of Moses McHenry, on the east by land of William Smith, on the south by public road, and on the west by land of Moses McHenry, being about forty feet front on public road and sixteen feet deep, on which is erected a two-story

FRAME WAGON SHOP.

At the same time and place the administratrix will sell a two-story frame building, twenty by thirty-six feet, used as a paint shop, standing on ground of Moses McHenry. Said administratrix will also sell, at the same time and place, the following described personal property: One boiler and engine, one chopper, one turning lathe and bits, shafting and bolts, meat room contents, one gig saw, one-half interest in a wheelbarrow, one bed and bedding, one table, vinegar and barrel.

TERMS OF SALE—For Real Estate:—Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid at the striking down of the property, the balance to be paid within six months. Possession given April first next, providing one-fourth of the purchase money be paid at that time. Deed at the expense of the purchaser. All personal property on the premises reserved.

TERMS OF SALE—For Personal Property:—All purchases under \$5.00, cash; for all over \$5.00, a note with approved security will be required, payable within six months.

HARRIET BARBER,
Adm'x. of John Barber, dec'd.
GRANT HERRING, ATTY.

At the same time and place will sell her individual property, as follows: One horse, wagon and harness, one pair of new bob-sleds and rims, three circular saws and bench, about two or three thousand feet of prime, dry wood, for wagon making purposes; a lot of worked wood of the same character, one cart, a boring machine, two work benches and vise, one grindstone and bench, and a variety of tools and patterns suitable for a wheelwright shop.

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W. H. MAGILL, Solicitor.

INSOLVENT NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of the undersigned, and to all persons to whom it may concern, that he will apply to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County for the benefit of the insolvent laws of this Commonwealth, on Monday, February 6, 1899, at three o'clock p. m., of said day, at which time any person having any objection to his final discharge as an insolvent debtor can appear and make the same known. THOS. E. ATEN.

FEELER & KELLEN, ATTS. 1-18-99.

W. H. Moore's.

School shoes
—FOR—
Sunshine
or **Storm.**

School Shoes must be made specially strong to stand the hard service required of them. My School Shoes have been carefully selected to stand the hard service.

Cash buying gives me the best made and enables me to sell them at right prices. Don't fail to see them before buying.

COR. SECOND AND IRON STS.
BloomSBurg, Pa.

Star Clothing House

During the Month of January, will offer
Special Reductions in All Winter Goods
Must be sold to make room for Spring Goods.

WE WILL OFFER BIG BARGAINS IN
STORM COATS AND ULSTERS,
FOR MEN AND BOYS.

Come and see the
Big Bargains in Winter Caps
At Townsend's Star Clothing House.

OUR SECOND OFFER

To Lower our Stock During January.
SALE OF MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

That the women of this town appreciate worthy fabrics, generous sizes, conscientious needlework and elegant trimmings, allied to economical prices, is proven by the unprecedented patronage the year's sale of muslin underwear has commanded. And notwithstanding the great selling of the past two weeks, assortments of it are intact.

Drawers worth 65c. and 75c., we will sell until Feb. 1, at 49c. Night robes worth \$1.10, \$1.25, \$1.35, go for 87c.

DRESS GOODS.

We put on sale to-day a lot of Black Serges, worth 50c., 43 in. wide, that we will sell at 39c. We have picked out another lot of dress goods that we have sold for 50c. and 56c. the yd., possibly better value than the first lot, that we will sell at 28c. Another lot worth 60 to 65c., we will sell at 44c. A lot of all wool cloths, 34 in. wide, at 19c., worth 28c.

SHEETS AND PILLOW CASES

As cheap, and some at less price than you can buy the muslin. Ready to go on the bed, 81 x 90, good muslin, nicely hemmed, 43c. each. 90 x 90 made of same muslin at 49c. Sheets made of Utica muslin, 81 x 90, best we can buy at 49c. each. 90 x 90 Utica sheets, hemmed as nice as you would do it yourself, 59c. each. Hemstitched made of Utica sheeting, 81 x 90 at 65c. 90 x 90 hemstitched at 75c. Hemstitched pillow cases, 42x36 at 10c. 45x36 at 12½c each. Goods worth 15 and 20c.

WE WILL CONTINUE THE SALE OF MUSLIN UNTIL FEB. 1, '99.

10 yds. of fine unbleached muslin, 34c. 10 yds. the best fine unbleached muslin at 49c. 10 yds. of heavy unbleached muslin, as good as Appleton A. at 49c. 10 yds. Hill muslin at 49c. Best 9-4 unbleached sheeting at 15c. the yd.

25 ladies' coats that cost us from \$8.00 to \$10.00, we will sell for \$3.49. We have gone through our coat stock. We have not counted cost, but what price will close them out. They must be sold.

We are making special offers in our bed room furniture until Feb. 1. If you look at our stock and get our prices, we are sure of making the sale.

Our offer on shoes will last until Feb. 1.

We will sell one of the best blended flours at \$3.60 the barrel, or 90c. for 50 lbs. until Feb. 1. Every sack guaranteed. If it is not good we will take it back.

7 papers of pure corn starch for 25c.

3 lbs. of best prunes for 25c.

2 cans of the best tomatoes that are canned for 25c.

F. P. PURSEL.