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THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1899.

Democratic State Ticket.

FOR JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT,
SAMUEL L. MESTREZAT,
 of Fayette County.

FOR JUDGE OF SUPERIOR COURT,
CHARLES J. REILLY,
 of Lycoming County.

FOR STATE TREASURER,
WILLIAM T. CREASY,
 of Columbia County.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
W. H. FISHER,
 from the South Side.
WILLIAM KRICKBAUM,
 of Bloomsburg.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER,
JEREMIAH SNYDER,
 of Locust Twp.

FOR PROTHONOTARY AND CLERK OF
 THE COURTS,
WILLIAM H. HENRIE,
 of Bloomsburg.

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

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
JOHN G. HARMAN,
 of Bloomsburg.

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS,
WM. BOGERT,
 of Scott Twp.
G. H. SHARPLESS,
 of Catawissa.

Democratic Committee Call.

In accordance with the amended rule, adopted by the last Democratic convention, providing for the election of a County Chairman, by the newly elected committee of each year, the members of the standing committee will therefore meet at the Court House, in Bloomsburg, on Saturday, July 29, 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing their chairman.

I beg leave to state in this connection that it will be impossible for me to accept of a re-election, as I have new and increased business interests that will require my whole time and attention during the next few months. In thus tendering my resignation, I desire to thank the committee, my friends and every Democratic voter for the loyal and united support they have given me during my term as chairman, and in the future, as in the past, as chairman, or in the rank and file of workers, the Democracy of Columbia county can, at all times, and under all circumstances, rely on my assistance, in whatever capacity it may be required.

Very truly yours,
JOHN G. McHENRY,
 Chairman.

Lieut. R. K. Polk of Danville, congressman from this district has been appointed an Aide-de-Camp, with the rank of captain on Brigadier General J. P. S. Gobin's staff.

A recent volcanic eruption in the Philippines, is claimed by the Spanish papers to have been sent by God to show divine displeasure at American wickedness. The floods and cyclones which have lately swept over Spain were of course not sent by God. They simply got off their beat.

The harvest is about over, the crops are being gathered in and now comes the time for the annual harvest sermons in the country church in accordance with good old time custom. Discourses appropriate to the occasion are preached, the churches are frequently decorated with flowers and evergreens intertwined with the products of the fields, and the ceremonies, having special reference to the season of the year, are solemn and impressive.

The architect of the Phila. city hall, says the *Sullivan Review*, estimates that it will take at least \$5,000,000 yet to complete the building. What a bottomless receptacle for money that building commission is! When the building was planned 30 years ago, the projectors estimated its cost at \$8,000,000. Something like 20,000,000 has already been expended upon it, and now the commission wants \$5,000,000 more "at least." Nobody knows how much they will demand at most.

MR. McHENRY RETIRES.

The decision of John G. McHenry not to accept a re-election as chairman of the Democratic County Committee, will be received throughout the county with regret. He is a gentleman of ability and affability, and he has informed his onerous duties as chairman with satisfaction to everybody concerned. Last fall, all through the heated campaign, he gave the party the benefit of his good judgment and much of his valuable time, and we believe he was compelled to go down in his own pocket to pay some of the expenses of the campaign. The fact that no fault has been found with him, even by those who are accustomed to kick at everything in sight, speak very well for his good management. He will retire with the satisfaction of knowing that he is considered one of the most active and efficient chairmen the Democrats of Columbia county have ever had, and we trust that at some time in the future he will again find himself so situated so as to be able to give the party the benefit of his valuable services.

Figures for Farmers.

Statistician Holmes, of the Agricultural Department, has just recently given out some facts regarding farmers. He said the agricultural element is the largest in our population, 8,500,000 persons being employed in 1890 in gainful agricultural occupations out of 22,750,000 persons employed in all gainful occupations; 5,500,000 were farmers, constituting the proprietor class not only as owners, but proprietor tenants, and 3,000,000 were agricultural laborers working for wages. He had collected statistics of wages from 1866 to 1895 and showed that in the latter year the agricultural laborer received an average of \$17.69 a month, without board, a decline of \$1.49 from 1893. In the eastern states, in 1895, the averages without board, was \$29; in the middle states, \$23.80; in the southern states, \$12.71; in the mountain states, \$30.04, and in the Pacific states, \$31.68. In the year 1895 the average allowance for board was \$5.67 per month. Said Prof. Holmes:

"Here are \$3,000,000 workers, having we do not know how many dependents upon them in their families, but very likely 8,000,000 to 10,000,000, who are receiving but \$17.69 per month, without board, and then only when actually employed, and I could hardly use figures or other statements better to show how low is and must be the social and economic conditions of this large population group."

He maintained that trusts ought to be organized among the farmers and mentioned some instances where they had been attempted with success.

Confidence Has Been Restored.

In a recent issue of the *Pennsylvania Methodist* Dr. Silas C. Swallow says editorially:

"There are usually characterized by the formation of trusts, syndicates and various other combinations for the purpose of securing a corner on labor, on the raw material, and at the same time on the helpless consumer. The formation is the signal for the massing of labor, and for strikes, culminating in bitter feuds between capital and labor, and in great loss to the community at large.

"During three years of the hardest times we heard little of strikes or strikers, but they are in evidence today in nearly every state in the Union.

"The booming times so lavishly canonized by Dun and Bradstreet are largely confined to the trusts and syndicates. The average citizen finds just as much trouble to make ends meet as when the hard times were the hardest.

"It may turn out that there is not so very much difference after all between a Cleveland blizzard and a McKinley boom as some people imagine. "Confidence has been restored." The definition of confidence is "Trust." The charters granted in New Jersey every day show that "confidence" has been restored."

Alger Resigns.

Russel A. Alger has resigned his position as Secretary of War, unconditionally, and President McKinley may now appoint his successor at his own pleasure. The news of Alger's retirement from the Cabinet will be received with joy and satisfaction by all. He has been a total failure. The people didn't want him. They demanded his resignation, and he was forced to obey. And there are more to follow. This is only a beginner. President McKinley has, no doubt, discovered that if he is to retain the sympathy of the American people the incompetents must go.

Prominent among those who are mentioned as possible successors are Roosevelt, H. G. Otis, Corbin, Greene, Meeklejohn and Porter.

"He That is Warm Thinks All So."

Thousands are "cold" in that they do not understand the glow of health. This implies disordered kidneys, liver, bowels, blood or brain. Hood's Sarsaparilla gives all who take it the warmth of perfect health. Get Hood's because



What We Eat.

Dr. Wiley, chief chemist of the United States department of agriculture, in his testimony before the Senatorial Pure Food Investigating committee, recently in session in Chicago, declared that fully ninety per cent of food and drink articles made and used in this country are frauds. This includes all dairy products, nearly all condiments, and food stuffs in widest household use, even coffee in the berry being adulterated. From milk the fats are abstracted, and even what is left is watered, small amounts of preservatives being added to prevent souring. Lard is adulterated by mixing in vegetable fats, and for expensive oils cottonseed oil is substituted. These adulterations, and also others, are often not injurious; a costly article is simply replaced by one less costly, to the business advantage of the dealer. Fully seventy per cent. of the beer used in this country, said the witness, is not made of malt.

CHAUTAQUA.

Last Low-Rate Excursion via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On July 28 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run the last special excursion of the season from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Reading, Altoona, Bellefonte, Lock Haven, Shamokin, Wilkesbarre, Sunbury and Williamsport, and principal intermediate stations to Chautauqua, N. Y. Special train will start from Harrisburg and run on the following schedule:

Station	Special Train Leaves	Excursion Rate
Harrisburg	11:35 a. m.	\$9.40
Sunbury	12:59 p. m.	7.80
Montandon	1:15 p. m.	7.65
Williamsport	2:30 p. m.	6.65
Chautauqua Arrive at	10:30 p. m.

Connecting Trains
 Leave Wilkesbarre (v. Sunbury) 7:30 a. m. \$9.20

Round-trip tickets, good to return on regular trains not later than August 26, will be sold at rates named above, and at proportionate rates from other stations.

For specific rates and time of connecting trains apply to nearest ticket agent. 7-20 21

G. A. R. Reunion at Island Park. Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On account of the G. A. R. Reunion at Island Park (between Sunbury and Northumberland), on Thursday, July 27, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from Renovo, Wilkesbarre, Tomhickon, Glen Iron, Mt. Carmel, Lykens, and intermediate stations, to Sunbury and return, good only on day of issue, at rate of single fare for the round trip; minimum rate, twenty-five cents.

For the accommodation of persons attending this Reunion from points on the Lewisburg and Tyrone Branch, returning, train No. 1, leaving Sunbury at 5:45 p. m., will be run through to Glen Iron.

Tickets will be sold on July 27 only.

Danville is booming, Saturday was pay for many of the industries of that town. The amount distributed at the different works was about \$35,000 for two weeks work.

For Rent.

The Bloomsburg Land Improvement Co. have a house and barn for rent. Inquire of N. U. Funk, Secretary. 4-20-tf

TOWNSEND'S RED TAG SALE!

FOR TEN DAYS.

The Red Tag Sale is something more than a name or place.

RED IS THE SIGN OF SLAUGHTER

and this week we slaughter prices, right and left, for your benefit. It means money in your pocket. Come and see for yourselves, and you will find goods cheaper than you ever saw them before. The reason is

We Must Make Room for Fall Goods.

And remember, if you are not satisfied with your purchase, you can have your money back.

FAIR DEALING IS THE MOTTO AT THE

STAR CLOTHING HOUSE.

The Sugar Industry in Cuba.

All sugar is produced from two sources—the sugar-cane and the sugar-beet. The cane grows in tropical countries almost entirely, the fields in Louisiana, in our own country, being a small and almost inconsiderable part in the vast output. The beets grow in the temperate zone. It has not been proved that raw sugar made from the beet can be produced and landed at the refinery at two cents a pound, and hence one can see what an advantage Cuba has in her great industry. It is for that reason that the question of the ultimate annexation of Cuba to this country may play an important part in our national life. We all remember what a row was caused by the beet-sugar men and the cane-growers of Louisiana over the tariff a few years ago, when it became necessary for the success of the McKinley bill to pay a bounty for sugar produced in this country in competition with free sugar from other countries. The sugar problem always complicated the relation of Hawaii to the United States before annexation. Should Cuba become an integral part of the United States, another tariff row will undoubtedly result. It is for that reason that the probabilities that Cuba will ever become more than a colony of this country are remote. It is only fair, however, to the Cuban sugar-producers to say that while for business reasons they would prefer annexation to this country, they all declared, so far as I was able to get their personal sentiments, that they would be satisfied with an American protectorate or a colonial government. All they wanted, they said, was a settled condition of the politics of Cuba. They declared that under the present tariff conditions they could make money, and that if the time of the mortgages were extended, which has been done, they saw a profitable future ahead of the industry in the island.—Franklin Matthews, in *Harper's Weekly*.

Will Dazzle the World.

The Klondike exhibit at the Paris Exhibition in 1900 will dazzle the world. Virgin gold to be shown will weigh about four tons, and be valued at \$2,000,000. The exhibit will embrace all phases of primitive and latter day mining.

PAIN UNNECESSARY IN CHILDBIRTH.
 Pain is no longer necessary in childbirth. Its causes, being understood, are easily overcome, the labor being made short, easy and free from danger, morning sickness, swelled limbs, and like evils readily cured. Cut this out; it may save your life, suffer not a day longer, but send us 2 cent stamp and receive in sealed envelope full particulars, testimonials, confidential letter, &c. Address, FRANK THOMAS & CO., Baltimore, Md. 3-26 m

SPECIAL FOR THIS WEEK

- We will sell this week our Misses' 15c. Hose at 10c. pair. These are fast black, double knee, seamless, and one that we know will give good service.
- 50 doz. all linen Towels, large size, hooked back, good weight, hemmed ends, at 12 1/2c. each.
- 16c. White Pique at 11c. This is not a lot of seconds, but good clean fresh goods.
- 20c. all Linen—the smooth old fashion kind that is being used so much for skirts, reduced to 16c. The 25c. quality reduced to 18c.
- Crash from 7c. to 17c.

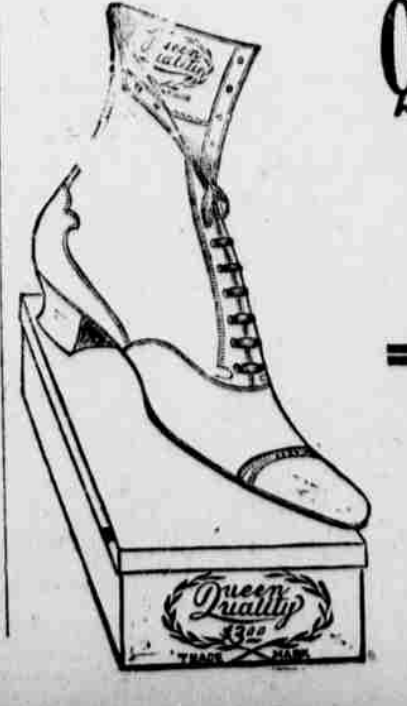
CRASH SKIRTS.

- This is our first year for selling these goods, so you are sure to see new goods at this store. We start them at 39c. But we call attention to our \$2.75 skirt. These you will feel well dressed in, made full trimmed around the bottom, with the same goods and made of medium weight all linen goods.
- 25c. India Linons this week at 20c., and our 12 1/2c. India Linons at 10c.
- 60c. French Nansook at 49c. for this week.

F. P. Pursel.

OUR MID-SUMMER Clearing Sale

Mighty Bargains, Cut Prices,
 Begin with us on Summer Goods from July 11th. Now is your time to save money on
Shirt Waists, Dimities, Organdies,
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