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THE COLUMBIAN is for the Democratic ticket—national, state and county. The names of all candidates will be hoisted in due time.

The man that recently invented noiseless powder ought to be arrested for treason, on the ground that his invention has a tendency toward the destruction of our Fourth of July celebration.

Several of the leading newspapers are keeping up their record as deceivers of enterprise and truth by illustrating the Boxer uprising in China with the same old cuts that did business in the beginning of the war in the Philippines.

There has not been an increase of more than \$1 per month in the salary of a township school teacher in Berks county for the past twenty five years. The salaries run from \$25 to \$40 per month.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The Superior Court Knocks Out Another Labor Law by Declaring It Unconstitutional.

The Act of Assembly of June 4, 1897, providing for the punishment of employers who attempt to coerce their workmen because they belong to labor organizations, was declared unconstitutional last week by the Superior Court.

The defendant was indicted under the section of the act making it a misdemeanor for an employer to coerce, or attempting to coerce, an employee by discharging, or threatening to discharge him from employment, because of his connection with a lawful labor organization.

The Man Without a Country.

In the opinion of one of our exchanges, nature has been very unkind to William Waldorf Astor. If she had but endowed him with a little bit of common sense the man of millions would have been spared the abasement of pride, which he had to suffer by reason of his being kicked out of English society.

To Burn Ballots.

The Lyon-Dunn contest court judges have handed down an order directing the burning of the contents of the ballot boxes opened during the progress of that famous case.

DEEDS AND MORTGAGES.

They Must be Recorded to Hold Good in Law.—Of Importance to the Public.

The lesson of the following summary of the law on the question of deeds and mortgages and recording the same is plain, and that is that all purchasers of real estate should have their deeds put on record, not only the deed from the grantor but also the deeds or conveyances which may comprise the title of the purchaser.

The parties must be competent to contract, that is the grantor must have title and capacity to convey, and the grantee capacity to take and hold.

The names of the parties should be correctly spelled and residence of each party given. A mistake in name, however, will not avoid a deed; it is sufficient if the description of a party designates the grantor or grantee with certainty.

A deed shall have a sufficient consideration of which there are two kinds—valuable and good. The first is money or anything which possesses a known value; the second is one that has no known value, such as the natural love and affection which a man bears for his near relatives.

A deed or mortgage is good, if actually signed, no matter how bad the signature may be, and it is a sufficient signing if the party receive the assistance or another in making the signature.

In our State all deeds and mortgages must be acknowledged. The office of the acknowledgement is to render them capable of being recorded.

One of the most important requisites of a deed or mortgage is that it shall be recorded.

The act of May 19, 1893, requires the recording of deeds within ninety days after the execution of such deeds, and all deeds not so recorded shall be adjudged fraudulent and void as against any subsequent purchaser or mortgage for a valuable consideration.

By the act of March 28, 1890, mortgages are required to be recorded immediately. They have no lien until actually left and entered in the office for record, but they are good between the parties to them.

A deed is recorded in contemplation of law when left and marked for record in the Recorder's office, and its effect, as constructive notice to a subsequent purchaser, is not invalidated by the fact that it is recorded in the wrong book, and omitted from the deed and mortgage indices.

Where a grantor makes two conveyances to different persons, neither of which is recorded within six months, that which is first recorded has priority.

When neither of two deeds to different purchasers is recorded within six months, a prior recording of the first is constructive notice to purchasers under the second, though possession has been taken and improvements made by the second party.

The law provides that all fees for services to be performed in relation to the recording of deeds or mortgages or other papers, shall be paid in advance by the party requiring the services performed, and the Recorder need not accept any instruments until paid for as provided by law.

Forced to Refund the Money.

Before Justice Lenahan, at Mt. Carmel, on Friday, it was learned during the progress of a suit for the recovery of a small amount of money, that a father had deliberately sold his handsome young daughter to Anthony Muscavich.

Six months ago he became acquainted with Muscavich, a young miner, of Mt. Carmel. He proposed that Muscavich buy his daughter and agreed to sell her for \$150. Muscavich paid \$10 on instalment, but when the young woman arrived, changed his mind, and asked that his \$10 be returned.

Leases and notices to quit, for sale at this office.

WASHINGTON.

Washington, Aug. 6, 1900. From our Regular Correspondent.

Mr. McKinley has come to Washington again, not to do anything in connection with the desperate situation of Americans in China—our Minister was alive at last accounts, but he and other Americans were in the greatest danger, and a number of Americans were known to have been butchered—but rather to see that nothing is done that might bring the situation to a climax before the election.

Chairman Jones of the Democratic National Committee, stopped in Washington on his way from New York to Chicago to hold a conference with chairman Richardson, of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee. He is very confident and believes that the tendency of public opinion is strongly turned towards Democracy.

The Anti-Imperial League, of Washington, sent a rather warm open letter to Senator Hoar, from which the following is taken: "In your public utterances you have most solemnly declared that this policy of the President, if pursued will be the abandonment of principles upon which our government is founded; that it will change our Republic into an empire; that our methods of legislation, of diplomacy of administration must hereafter be those which belong to empires and not those which belong to Republics."

Coated

Look at your tongue. Is it coated? Then you have a bad taste in your mouth every morning. Your appetite is poor, and food distresses you. You have frequent headaches and are often dizzy.



Don't take a cathartic dose and then stop. Better take a laxative dose each night, just enough to cause one good free movement the day following. You feel better the very next day.

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SWEET, ORR'S CELEBRATED Harvest Trousers, OVERALLS, SHIRTS, ETC. FOR SALE AT Townsend's Star Clothing House, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Representative McCulloch, of Ark., gives the following substantial reasons for his belief that Bryan and Stevenson will be elected: "Bryan will carry all the states he carried in 1896, and at least half a dozen that were carried by McKinley. The Democrats have a good fighting chance of carrying New York, but Bryan can be elected without the electoral votes of the Empire State."

OUR AUGUST Linen Sale!

Whatever table linen, napkins and toweling you may need for some time to come, you can buy at least one-fourth less than the usual price. This sale will begin

Aug. 6 and last until Aug. 20.

August is naturally a dull and dreary month, and we don't like our store dull. So we are satisfied to make a very small profit and do business. Another reason: The men that sell these goods like to clean up their stock, so we have bought these goods at less price than we could buy them now.

Ladies' Muslin Underwear Reduced.

If you have ever bought these goods of us you know the kind we keep. We always buy the same make because we know our customers are pleased with it. We will, for the next two weeks, sell our 60c. White Skirt at 49c. 85 and 90c. White Skirts at 75c. 69 and 65c. Ladies' Night Robes at 56c. \$1.25 Ladies' Night Robes at 98c.

Furniture.

If you need porch rockers, bed-room furniture, sideboards, tables of any kind, or any kind of furniture, we will give you a discount of 10 per cent. for the next two weeks.

F. P. PURSEL.

Silk Mill Picnic.

On Saturday, August 18th, the Bloomsburg Silk Mill Employees will run their second annual excursion. Train will leave Philadelphia & Reading Station, Bloomsburg, at 7:30 a. m. for Milton, where the day will be spent at Milton Park, in boating, bathing, dancing, etc.

Returning train will leave Milton at 6:30 p. m. Price of excursion ticket, including trolley fare, to and from Milton Park, 65 cents. Children, 35 cents.

Tickets can be purchased from the committee one week in advance of the excursion, or on morning of excursion.

For Rent.

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