

THE COLUMBIAN. ESTABLISHED 1866. THE COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT. ESTABLISHED 1837. CONSOLIDATED 1866. PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY MORNING, At Bloomsburg, the County Seat of Columbia County, Pennsylvania.

Democratic Ticket. NATIONAL. FOR PRESIDENT, WILLIAM J. BRYAN, of Nebraska.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ADLAI E. STEVENSON, of Illinois.

STATE. FOR AUDITOR GENERAL, P. GRAY MEEK, of Centre Co.

FOR CONGRESSMEN-AT-LARGE, N. M. EDWARDS, of Lycoming Co.

HENRY E. GRIMM, of Bucks Co.

FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS-AT-LARGE, A. H. Coffroth, of Somerset.

Francis Shunk Brown, Philadelphia. Andrew Caul, of Elk.

Otto Germer, of Erie.

FOR DISTRICT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

Hugh Moore, James Bell, Henry Fernberger, W. S. Hastings, Matthew Dittman, R. Scott Ammerman, W. Horace Hoskins, Dr. Dallas Barnhart, Adam K. Waleh, Harvey W. Haines, N. M. Ellis, Warren Worth Bailey, Albro H. Knouie, Wesley F. Gaffey, David J. Pearsall, Samuel W. Black, L. W. Reiter, John F. Pauley, Dr. McCormick, J. C. Kelly, Joseph O'Brien, John T. Irwin, Thomas Maloney, J. S. Carmichael, Michael Meiler, J. P. Ritchey, S. P. Kimball.

COUNTY. FOR CONGRESS, RUFUS K. POLK, of Danville.

FOR REPRESENTATIVES, WILLIAM T. CREAMY, (South Side) of Catawissa Twp.

FRED. IKELER, (North Side) of Bloomsburg.

FOR SHERIFF, DANIEL KNORR, of Locust Twp.

FOR CORONER, DR. B. F. SHARPLESS, of Catawissa.

FOR JURY COMMISSIONER, DAVID A. SHULTZ, of Madison Twp.

Committeemen Wanted.

In order to successfully contend against a political adversary, having at its command limitless funds provided by participants in its policies of public plunder, the Democratic National Committee realizes that it must rely upon the energetic, organized efforts of the rank and file of the party.

A plan has been devised, involving the selection of an active, working Democrat, in every voting precinct in the United States, appointed and commissioned as the special representative of the Democratic National Committee in his precinct.

This plan of organization has been in successful operation for several months, and at this time the National Committee has an accredited representative in more than half of the voting precincts of the United States.

Below will be found a list of precincts in this county in which the committee has no representatives. It is earnestly requested that some loyal Democrat in each of these precincts volunteer to act as such representative, and address a letter signifying his willingness to J. G. Johnson, Chairman Democratic National Executive Committee, Chicago, Illinois. In volunteering your services be careful to state explicitly your postoffice address and the official designation of your voting precinct, as well as your county and state.

PRECINCTS WITHOUT REPRESENTATIVES IN COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Beaver Twp., Jackson Twp., Berwick, S. E., Locust Twp., Bloomsburg, Millin Twp., Bloomsburg, 2nd, Mount Twp., Briarcreek Twp., Mt. Pleasant, Centralia, 1st, Mt. Pleasant, Centralia, 2nd, Pine, S., Cleveland Twp., Pine, S., Conyngham Twp., Roaringcreek, Fishingcreek, E., Scott, W., Franklin Twp., Sugarloaf, E., Greenwood, W., Orangeville Boro., Hemlock Twp.

According to this morning's papers the great coal strike which has tied up industries and stagnated business throughout the Keystone State for several weeks, is now ended, the coal operators having agreed to grant the demands of the strikers. The employers have refused to recognize the Mine Workers Union, but nevertheless it is a great and potent factor in the coal production regions, and to it and its leader, President Mitchell, belong the credit for this great victory.

Notwithstanding the nearness of the election, there is very little betting going on. But there has been a steady drop in McKinley stock in the larger cities. Two months ago McKinley was the favorite in a few big wagers in New York, the odds being 5 to 1. Less than four weeks ago the odds were 2 1/2 and 3 to 1 in his favor. Last week the figure was 2 to 1. Now matters are about on a par. Men who some time ago were willing to put up all they possessed on the Republican candidate's chance of success, are afraid now to stake a dollar on his election, and they have reason to be scared.

The Paramount Issue.

The burning issue of imperialism, growing out of the Spanish war, involves the very existence of the Republic and the destruction of our free institutions. We regard it as the paramount issue of the campaign.—From the Democratic Platform.

People the Only Power.

It is easier to lose a reputation than to establish one, and this nation would find it a long and laborious task to regain its proud position among the nations, if, under the stress of temptation, it should repudiate the self-evident truths proclaimed by our heroic ancestors and sacredly treasured during a career unparalleled in the annals of time. When the doctrine that the people are the only source of power is made secure from further attack we can safely proceed to the settlement of the numerous questions which involve the domestic and economic welfare of our citizens.—From Bryan's Letter of Acceptance.

DEMOCRATS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY

There have been some complaints of apathy among Democrats in this county in the present political campaign. This probably arises from the fact that there have been no torch-light parades and brass bands. Such demonstrations are expensive and the bills usually have to be paid by a few persons. When one side indulges in such displays the other side does the same, so that one balances the other and no practical benefit is gained by either.

It ought not to require torch lights and brass bands to arouse the enthusiasm of voters. Every American citizen ought to be sufficiently interested in the welfare of his country to go to the polls and exercise the right of suffrage, without such displays. There is no more apparent apathy on our side than on that of the Republicans. The election of Bryan is not a mere possibility, and it will surely happen if Democrats do their duty on election day. The Republicans are alarmed, and this is apparent from the fact that they are sending letters to business men all over the country, asking for contributions to the campaign fund. They admit that if the Democrats retain the present number of Congressmen and gain seven more, that we will control the House. The election of Hon. Rufus K. Polk from this district is almost a certainty, but strange things happen in politics and it might be possible for the stay-at-homes to cause his defeat. We cannot hope to carry the state, but we can help to retain the present number of Congressmen from this state, and thus aid in having a Congress that will stand by Col. Bryan in case of his election. The Democrat who fails to vote on November 6th is not worthy of the name, for by his negligence he is assisting the enemy.

The Same Old Scare-Crow.

Bluffing and bullying don't make votes. When these have to be resorted to it only shows the desperation of the cause they are expected to assist.

It is to this extreme that the advocates of imperialism and the supporters of trusts have gotten. They have quit arguing. They have ceased boasting, and now impudently and brutishly threaten the business of the country with dire disasters if the people see proper to elect Mr. Bryan to the Presidency. The first effort at this political bulldozing came from a Baltimore Trust company. Its president gave out, a few days ago, that a business enterprise, amounting to \$11,000,000, and which his company had agreed to finance, would be abandoned if Bryan is successful.

This threat fell flat, for the reason that the public understood why it had been made. It was also understood that the trust concern that made it was on the verge of financial failure, and that this pretense of handling millions of dollars was to leave people, who had business with it, under the impression that it controlled unlimited means.

Following this attempt to frighten the public, a Republican syndicate in New Jersey was announced as having contracted to build a num-

"It is an Ill Wind That Blows Nobody Good."

That small ache or pain or weakness is the "ill wind" that directs your attention to the necessity of purifying your blood by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. Then your whole body receives good, for the purified blood goes tingling to every organ. It is the great remedy for all ages and both sexes.

Dyspepsia — "Complicated with liver and kidney trouble, I suffered for years from dyspepsia, with severe pains. Hood's Sarsaparilla made me strong and hearty." J. B. Emerson, Auburn, Me.

Hood's Sarsaparilla Never Disappoints

Hood's Pills cure liver ill; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

ber of miles of railroad, but that the persons for whom it was to be completed had made a proviso that in case of McKinley's defeat the contract should be void. A few days later another case was given the public of a party of capitalists in northern New York who had bargained for the erection of a large paper mill, with the understanding that the enterprise was to be abandoned if Bryan was elected.

Such is the fool stuff that Mr. Hanna and his gang of business cut throats have been forced to resort to. It is not a new idea—the same scare-crow has been flogged in the face of the people many times before.

In this county it was used four years ago in connection with the Valentine iron works. It was then said that if Bryan was elected the works would close down at once, but if McKinley was successful they would be run to their full capacity all the time. Notwithstanding the fact that McKinley was successful they were closed down shortly after the election and have remained closed most of the time since. They are as silent to-day as a grave-yard.

Idioti may be influenced by this kind of stuff—but to sensible people it only shows the desperation and hopelessness of the party that resorts to it.—Bellefonte Watchman.

Depew Reverses Himself.

How His Views Have Changed in the Last Two Years.

Senator Chauncey M. Depew has always been the humorist of any movement with which he has been in the least concerned, and he is not spoiling his record in this campaign. As soon as he landed from Europe he said: "The American eagle has no shell. The American people will not stand for our withdrawal from our rightful position in the East."

Mr. Depew was interviewed by the Chicago Times-Herald in May, 1898 and talked to the extent of about a column. The interviewer was George Grantham Bain. Among other things Mr. Depew said:

"If we should keep the Philippine Islands we would reverse the traditions of this government from its foundation. We would open up a new line of policy. \* \* \* It would mean the establishment of a military government over possibly 10,000,000 of people 6,000 miles away from us."

He also said: "With the increase of our expenditures by 100 per cent. the taxes to support the government would be felt in our homes and in our offices. We would feel them in both the necessities and luxuries of life."

When Mr. Bain asked Mr. Depew if it was not possible to derive from these proposed colonies a revenue greater than the additional expenditures which their possession would involve, his reply was:

"How? By taxation? Every time you attempt to collect a tax from these people they would rise and you would have to call on your military force to suppress them. And suppress them for what? For doing what John Hancock did? They might quote against us our immortal declaration 'that taxation without representation is tyranny.'"—Philadelphia Times.

Democratic Meetings.

The County Chairman has arranged the following Democratic meetings:

Oct. 20—Jerseytown.

Oct. 22—Mainville and Mordansville.

Oct. 23—Hetlerville.

Oct. 24—Millinville and Orangeville.

Oct. 25—Newlin.

Oct. 26—Espy.

Oct. 27—Eyersgrove.

Oct. 29—Janison City.

Oct. 30—Orangeville.

Oct. 31—Canby and Millville.

Nov. 2—Jonestown and Centralia

WHEN YOU COME TO TOWN Be sure and stop at the Star Clothing House FOR YOUR FALL OVERCOAT The latest styles in Fall and Winter Goods, For men, boys and children. Hats, Caps, Shirts, &c., of the latest style, can always be found at Townsend's Star Clothing House, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

You can secure the Ladies' Home Journal, or Success, for 90 cents a year of J. Wesley Moyer. 9-6tf.

Imperialism, Militarism, and Trusts.

At Nashville, Michigan, William Jennings Bryan devoted his five minutes' speech to asking questions. He suggested that Republicans be asked the following:

If the trust is a good thing, why did the Republican platform denounce trusts?

If the trust is a bad thing, why did the Republican administration allow more trusts to be organized than during all the previous history of the country?

If some trusts are good and some are bad, can you tell the difference between a good one and a bad one?

Do you know of any good monopoly in private hands?

Do you know of any man good enough to stand at the head of a monopoly and determine the price of that which others are to use?

Do you know of any good reason why the army should be made 100,000?

Would you be willing to make the army 200,000 if the Republican leaders said so, or half million if they wanted it?

What is your title to the Filipino? Did you buy him or did you get him by force?

Do you think you can buy the right to govern people?

What are you going to do with the Filipino when you get him? Are you going to kill him?

Well, you cannot do that, because you then would lose your trade argument. You have got to let him live if you trade with him. Dead men don't buy things. If he lives, is he to be a citizen or a subject?

Are you going to have Congressmen from the Philippines, and Senators and electors? If not, are you going to have subjects?

When did you decide that it was wise for us to have half an empire and half republic?

When did you decide that a colonial policy was good?

Shall we force upon the Porto Ricans, because we have the power, that which we would not bear ourselves?

What are you going to do with the Philippine question?

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cures made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century; discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble.

When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Birmingham, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and one dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

Keep Them at School.

The country schools have all opened for the winter. They are in charge of competent teachers, and what is now most needed to insure a liberal and thorough education to children is for parents to comply with the compulsory school law, and see that they attend punctually, and not detain them at home half the time, and then censure the teachers on the plea that they are not making any progress. The means are ample, and every opportunity is offered to all who wish to partake at the fount of public knowledge—gratis—for nothing.

Photographs Cheap.

The undersigned is prepared to fill orders for photographic views of houses, street views, etc., in Bloomsburg at low rates. Pictures 4x5 at \$1.50 a dozen.

G. EDWARD ELWELL, Market Street, Bloomsburg.

Filled With Promises.

Our advertising space is filled with promises, not a promise among them but what we are prepared to fulfill. Promises concerning the qualities, the styles, the prices of fresh autumn and winter goods, promises that you should carefully read, and then as carefully prove. To the constant proving of these advertised promises by our public, that is steadily adding to this store's patronage that is steadily pushing this business into a larger usefulness.

Furniture Promise.

We know that we can sell you bed-room furniture at less price than any other store in town. If you don't think so, come and let us prove it to you. These goods will be displayed at the Fair.

The Dress Goods Promise.

We're ready for selling. Yes, more completely than ever before, and that is saying much, for we show the biggest assortment of Dress Goods in this county.

Ladies' and Misses' Capes and Jackets of all Kinds.

We promise to sell you the best style Coat, and for as little money as you can find anywhere. We have a big assortment of these goods.

Tailor-Made Suits.

The new suits this season are very attractive. They're made of popular cloth weaves. The prices are very reasonable, not bargains, but fair. We don't handle jobby suits at any price. Look at the one we sell at \$10.00.

F. P. PURSEL.

The grand jury, at Danville, on Monday, returned a true bill against Boyd Wintersteen for the murder of Martin L. Fisher. With a firm step he walked into the Court room beside Sheriff Maiers. He faced the scene in a bold manner, and in a clear, distinct voice, answered every question asked. Forsaken by relatives and friends, and without any funds himself, he was unable to procure counsel to defend him. In compliance with the law, the Court named the following well known legal gentlemen to defend him: Ex-Judge H. M. Hinkleley, E. S. Gearheart and C. P. Gearheart. Upon request of counsel, the case was continued 'till the January term of Court.

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day.