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THURSDAY, MAY 30, 1901.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF COLUMBIA COUNTY.

Notice is hereby given that the Primary Election for the purpose of voting to place in nomination one person for Associate Judge, one person for county Surveyor and five delegates to the state convention, will be held at the regular polling places in the various election districts of Columbia county, (or if such places cannot be obtained then at a place in said district convenient to the regular polling place, which shall be determined by the member of the Standing Committee and the election boards of such districts where the regular polling places cannot be obtained) on Saturday June 8th, 1901, between the hours of 3 and 7 o'clock p. m. and the County Convention will be held in the Opera House in Bloomsburg Tuesday June 11th, 1901, at 11 o'clock a. m. this call is issued in accordance with Art. III, Sec. 10 of The Democratic Rules, of Columbia County.

CHRISTIAN A. SMALL, County Chairman. J. K. BITTENBENDER, R. G. F. KSHINKA, Secretaries. Catawissa, Pa., May 7th, 1901.

A bill introduced in the Legislature prohibits the marriage of first cousins after January 1, 1902.

N. B. Crary, of Shickshinny, made \$43,000 in the recent flurry in Northern Pacific stock. He bought in 1879 and had held it ever since.

Miss Marie Kshinka, of Berwick, stood fifth in the teacher's contest for a trip to the Buffalo Exposition last week, and Jackson Harman, of the same place, was fourth. Readers of the Times should send them their votes.

Secretary Wilson of the Agricultural Department will inaugurate a plan to distribute young trees. Experiments will be made in Washington to determine the varieties which are best adapted to the different soils and climates. The method of distribution will not be dissimilar to that now in practice with seed, authorized by Congress.

Under the commutation of sentence law, just passed by the Pennsylvania legislature, the terms of imprisonment of Ellery P. Iringham and Harvey K. Newell will be considerably shortened. Under the old law their terms would not expire until May, 1902, but under the new law they will be at liberty next December. The Philadelphia Inquirer, of last Friday, says that both will immediately begin the practice of law in Philadelphia, and endeavor to regain the place they lost.

The day previous to the adjournment of congress a law was passed and signed by the president which will be of great benefit to the many widows who were formerly pensioners. There were thousands and thousands of widows who were pensioners, but they remarried and have become widows the second time. This new law provides that a widow who was drawing a pension and forfeited the same by remarrying and has become divorced from her second husband, and is without sufficient property to support herself, can have her former pension restored to her.

COLUMBIA COUNTY DEMOCRATS.

C. A. Small, Esq., the Democratic Chairman of Columbia County is in town, the guest of the State Chairman, William T. Creasy.

Columbia County in the last campaign gave Mr. Bryan about 2,200 majority and in 1895 about 1,500. This increased majority has been attributed largely to chairman Small's work and organization. Old Columbia has a thorough Democratic organization, such as should exist in every county of the state, and which would make it possible to elect the next governor.

Mr. Small has been County Chairman for two years, and each succeeding year has shown a more perfect organization. With such men at the head of every county organization in this state, the rights of the people can be protected against the machine that is to-day dictating every law that is passed. —Harrisburg Star-Independent.

Why Men Don't go to Church.

The question why men do not go to church is older than the present generation. It troubled the fathers and grandfathers of those now filling the pulpits and it will probably trouble their sons and grandsons. But the fact was never so evident as it is to-day and the search after the cause was never so diligent. A look over the congregation in any Protestant church on a Sunday morning will confirm the impression that men do not go to church in nearly as large numbers as women, and if any one has the means of comparison he will find that the proportion of men to women is even less now than it was a generation ago.

Why is it so? There will be a good many answers to the question by both the lay and the clergy, but probably the gist of the largest number of answers will be that men do not think it worth while to go to church because they do not get there what they want. This reply will be given not only by the laity but by the clergy also. In his annual address in Cleveland last week Tuesday before the Episcopal diocese of Ohio Bishop Leonard declared that people are not getting what they want from the pulpit on Sunday and therefore they stay away from church. He said: "The world of busy toilers, the tired-out men and women of six days' labor in the marts of merchandise, want, on the Lord's Day, some instruction, guidance and inspiration on the subject of sin fighting and sin-killing. Our people tell me that they do not desire politics, civic questions, social themes, ethical theories, doled out to them on Sundays by gentlemen who know but little of what they are talking. Earnest men inform me that they want religion and not rubbish on Sundays. They want the doctrine of the soul, the helpful instruction of the perfect man, Jesus Christ, for their spiritual uplifting. What we need to-day is Christ and the church of life."

Bishop Leonard at the same time that he delivered this charge to the clergy of Ohio called attention to an investigation made in Chicago as to the subjects of sermons preached in that city's pulpits on a recent Sunday. The Times Herald gives these eleven subjects as specimens: "Prof. Hermon's Teachings," "Mrs. Humphry Ward's 'Eleanor,'" "The Almighty Dollar," "Tragedy of Human Greatness," "Doctrine of Spiritualism," "The Religious Situation," "The Churches and Bigotry," "Three-fourths or Four-fifths of a Man," "Review of the Trial of Dr. Thomas for Heresy," "The Southern Negro." An examination of the topics announced for pulpit discourses in almost any city would probably show many of the same class of subjects. These are not the subjects which will draw men to church, and the discussion which the publication of this list of subjects has called out in Chicago justifies Bishop Leonard's attitude and argument.

But the sermon is not the only part of the service which keeps men away from church. The singing is not guiltless in this respect, if the Rev. Dr. Cadman, pastor of the largest Congregational Church in Brooklyn, is to be believed. In an address last week on how to bring men into the church he said: "Another reason why men do not go to church is the femininity of her hymnology. Why, in the Protestant Church you find very few hymns that are strong, virile and manly. We sing about dying and going to heaven and about sitting on a marble slab, etc. Let us sing about life and living. If you live right, you will die right. The strength of Methodism is in the hymnology of John and Charles Wesley. There is too much tweedle-dum, tweedle-dum in our hymns. Men were won to God and Christ by the great hymns of our fathers. There is a hymn, 'O, to Be Nothing' If we want to be nothing, our prayer will be answered. We should get rid of the silly, wishy-washy tunes we sing to-day. There are many splendid hymns. They are found in every book and excluded from none."

Here are two reasons why men do not go to church. One is what Bishop Leonard calls the rubbish and sensationalism preached in the pulpit, and the other is Dr. Cadman's opinion that there is too much femininity in the hymns sung by the choir. These may not be the only reasons for the scarcity of men in church, but they are doubtless two of the reasons, and they may point out to some preachers the way to restore the balance in their congregations. But the same way to reach men was pointed out 2000 years ago by the apostle when he said: "We preach Christ and Him crucified; to the Jews a stumbling block; to the Greeks foolishness; but to them that are called of God the power of God and the wisdom of God." The lack of the same kind

of preaching now is the chief reason why men do not go to church now. —Philadelphia Press.

Governor Signs Bills.

The following bills have been signed by Governor Stone:—

Authorizing banks and banking companies to improve any real estate they may hold for the accommodation and transaction of their business by the erection, renewal or replacing of buildings thereon and to derive rent therefrom.

Providing for uniform practice and procedure in courts of Common Pleas in counties containing more than one court.

Defining the offense of disorderly conduct by persons on railroad and railway cars, public or private parks and picnic grounds.

The juvenile court bill. Providing that vinegar made wholly from grapes, apples and other fruit shall not be required to contain an acidity of 4 per cent.

Allowing County Commissioners to contribute to regularly organized county historical societies.

Allowing cities of the second and third class to appropriate \$500 annually for the support of each company of the National Guard using and occupying an armory building within such cities.

Conferring upon Orphans' Courts power to order and direct a mortgage or a public or a private sale for the payments of debts or for other purposes of any lands lying partly in two or more counties divided by county lines.

Authorizing trustees of State Normal schools to refund their bonded indebtedness at a lower rate of interest and to include in the reissue of bonds a limited amount of additional indebtedness contracted prior to this act for the erection of buildings and making other improvements.

Providing for the election of Records of Deeds and Registers of Wills in counties having a population of over 150,000.

Relating to the payment of arrears of bounties on charters and upon the authorized increase of the capital stock of corporations and declaring a forfeiture of charter upon non-payment of bounties within one year.

Authorizing County Commissioners to construct any public road leading to either end of a county bridge across a river.

Giving game protectors the same powers as constables.

Authorizing County Treasurers to refund to aliens the tax of 3 cents a day paid under the act of 1897, which was declared unconstitutional.

Relating to connection of public property with public sewers in boroughs.

Providing for the acknowledgment of deeds and other papers of like character concerning property in Pennsylvania which may hereafter be taken in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines.

Authorizing cities of third class to maintain nonsectarian public library.

Granting to water companies the right to supply water to adjacent territory.

Requiring school teachers to be examined in elements of civil government and algebra.

Empowering borough authorities to lay foot walks, pavements, gutters, culverts and drains over and upon lands abutting on and along the side or sides of public roads entirely within the borough limits and to assess the paving, curbing and guttering on the owners of adjoining lands.

Authorizing United States Commissioners to administer oaths and affirmations, to take affidavits and depositions to be used in any court of this Commonwealth or elsewhere, and to receive acknowledgments and proof of deeds, mortgages, etc., within or without the Commonwealth.

Requiring bonds of indemnity given to the Sheriff of any county having a population of over 150,000 to be approved by the Court.

Authorizing policemen of boroughs to perform the duties of high constables.

Requiring notice to build or repair sidewalks in boroughs to be served upon the owners of property.

Authorizing the Governor to appoint three lawyers to constitute a Board of Commissioners for the promotion of the uniformity of legislation in the United States for a term of four years. The commissioners are to receive no compensation.

Allowing township commissioners to enter into contract with one or more taxpayers of the township for making, mending and repairing the public roads and bridges.

Saturday night's storm must have been more severe in and about Danville, than it was in this immediate vicinity. The News says that hail and pieces of ice as large as hickory nuts covered the ground. The damage to growing crops it is feared will be heavy.

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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, May 27, 1901.

The pooh bah of the army and the idol of pink teas, officially known as Adjutant General Corbin, has scored again. He will go a-junketing to the Philippines, and he will go clothed with authority to make any changes in quarantining or providing for the soldiers that he may see fit without referring them to Washington for approval—authority which properly belongs only to the commander of the army, and which, as a matter of fact, Gen. Miles has never been allowed to exercise. It is announced that Gen. Corbin is to go to the Philippines as a personal representative of President McKinley and Secretary Root; that he is charged by the latter with the duty of arranging a cheap scheme for the maintenance of the army in the Philippines, which can be put in the annual report of the Secretary of War in the shape of a recommendation for Congressional action, and by the former with the task of finding out anything that can be made use of in his annual message to Congress. Wonderful man, that fellow Corbin! If he had not got into the army, society, and politics, he might have made a first-class confidence man. When it comes to persuading somebody over him to give him what he wants he never fails.

It begins to look as though there was truth in the story of the administration having succeeded in having the decision of the United States Supreme Court in the insular cases held back until next fall, because of its being adverse to the McKinley policy. The court will adjourn Monday until October. It may hand down the insular decision that day, but if it does it will surprise men who are usually well posted about such things, and odds have been freely offered without takers, that it will not.

Col. John G. Madison, of Ky., expresses himself very vigorously about Ex-Governor Taylor. For instance, he said: "Kentucky stands in a false position before the nation today. Within the state itself there has been an almost complete revulsion of such public sentiment as was opposed to the efforts to apprehend Taylor and bring him to trial, but outside people know nothing of this, or so little about it that it has not altered the impression that Taylor is the victim of persecution. Many men who even yet hold Taylor blameless for the death of Goebel, now believe that for the good of the State he should surrender himself for trial. The testimony of former Governor Bradley, and others, has tended to dispel the belief that a Goebel suspect cannot get a fair trial in Kentucky, and they concede that if Taylor is innocent he has everything to lose and nothing to gain by being brought to trial. At the time of Goebel's death there was no doubt more or less thirst for revenge and a determination that someone should be made to suffer for his murder, but all that is now passed. Kentuckians are proud of their state and its good name, and to a man they realize that any injustice in the case of Taylor would be quickly taken up and made the pretext of attacks on the commonwealth. If Taylor will surrender himself, he can have as fair a trial in Kentucky as he could in the District of Columbia, and should he be acquitted, he can live in the State in perfect safety and at peace with his neighbors."

The first annual report of Gov. Allen, of Porto Rico, has been made public. Naturally, he says the government of which he is the head is the best that could have been given the island, and incidentally he tosses a few bouquets at Congress for its part of the work.

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