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THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 1901

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.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an epitome of the new fish law. The statute is well framed, and if enforced will have a good effect. The only way to do this is to appoint fish wardens who will see to it that illegal fishing is suppressed. There is scarcely any need of limiting the number that may be caught with rod and line. It is by other methods that streams are depleted. Fish societies may and do stock streams with trout, but they are captured by means of nets and other contrivances before they grow to any length. If it were forbidden by law to take a trout from the streams for a few years, and thus encourage their growth, we might have more real sport in fishing, and besides, get some good fish worth having.

The Democratic primaries throughout Montour county were held Saturday afternoon. The principal contests were for the Associate Judgeship and the office of County Treasurer. Dr. J. G. Barber is the choice of the voters for Associate Judge and H. J. Stenman was rewarded for his party leany by being nominated for Treasurer. The convention was held Monday. The county was pretty thoroughly canvassed and the result showed an increased vote.

Thomas Vincent had no opposition for Prothonotary and he was unanimously nominated. Before adjourning the convention adopted the following resolutions:

- Resolved, That we endorse and approve of the course of our present congressman, Hon. Rufus K. Polk.
Resolved, That we approve of the grand effort of our Senator Hon. J. Henry Cochran, in his stand for good sound Democratic principles.
Resolved, That we condemn the actions of our present Legislators.

ABOLISHING ASSOCIATE JUDGES.

A bill abolishing the office of Associate Judges, not learned in the law, and repealing the act whereby the office was created, has been introduced in the Senate. The counties affected, each of which has two Associate Judges, not learned in the law are: Adams, Bedford, Cameron, Carbon, Clinton, Columbia, Elk, Forest, Fulton, Greene, Huntingdon, Juniata, Mifflin, Monroe, Montour, Perry, Pike, Potter, Snyder, Somerset, Sullivan, Union, Warren, Wayne and Wyoming.

This bill ought to pass. If there is a useless sinecure in the state it is the office of Associate Judge. It is an absurd inconsistency in the present law that counties having 70,000 inhabitants have a Judge learned in the law, but no associates, while little counties like Sullivan, with one fourth that number, must have two Associate Judges and pay them from \$500 to \$1000 a year each, for doing nothing most of the time, and the little they have to do could just as well or better be done by the law Judge. Associate Judges are out-of-date ornaments, and the office ought to be abolished. Let the law be passed.

Bury the Dead Issues.

Democracy to Succeed Must Face to the Front—Must Progress, Not Go Backward.

New York Journal Outlines a Plan of Action For the Party to Pursue Public Ownership of Public Utilities—Destruction of Trusts—Graduated Income Tax.

The New York Journal in a recent issue gave its idea of what the future policy of the Democratic party should be as follows:

The Democratic party is the party of progress. It will succeed as Tilden said, when it has the courage to be Democratic.

The recent municipal elections in the west have driven that lesson home for the hundredth time. After eight years of wandering among blind trails of retrogression, each leading to staggering defeat, the Democracy turns to the front and finds victory.

The men who led the triumphant Democracy in Cleveland, in Chicago, in Toledo and in a dozen other cities were alive themselves and made their campaigns on live issues. Such things as the public ownership of public utilities and the preservation of municipal water fronts from corporate raids won the favor of the voters, as they always do whenever they are fairly presented.

It is evident that the silver mummy has been finally sealed in its sarcophagus. In the old stronghold of free coinage the party has lost ground. In the cities whose people refuse to tolerate attacks on the monetary standard it has gained men and their opponents thus recognize the extinction of the issue.

It is evident, too, that there is no life in what is inaccurately described as "anti-imperialism." Real anti-imperialism of course is imperishable and irresistible. Opposition to the policy of acquiring "subjects" and governing them through military proconsuls who suppress newspapers and deport critics will never subside. But the programme of abandoning the Philippines to an oriental despotism instead of endowing them with American freedom cannot be made popular by calling it anti-imperialism.

Free silver is a cumbersome financial system that was useful in its day, but has been outgrown. To go back to it now would be retrogression, not progress. So would be the abandonment of the Philippines. The Democracy can never prosper as a retrogressive party. Whenever it has flourished, it has been as a party of action—one that has embodied American energy and courage—one that has needed only to know that it has been right and then has gone ahead.

On reactionary issues the Democracy was bound to be defeated, as the Journal foretold time and again. The minds that tend toward reaction are naturally attracted toward the Republican party. Most of the votes of that kind of people will inevitably go in that direction. It is no use for the Democracy to try to get them away. But when the Democratic candidates in any section represent progressive policies and live issues, as Carter Harrison did in Chicago and Tom L. Johnson in Cleveland, the Democracy wins.

Municipal ownership has been the winning card in these city elections. There are issues of a similar order that would be equally popular in local, state and national contest. The Journal some time ago offered a programme of this kind, and it feels encouraged by recent events to call attention to it again. Here is what we suggested as a twentieth century internal policy:

- First.—Election of senators by the people. The senate, now becoming the private property of corporations and bosses, to be made truly representative and the state legislatures to be redeemed from scandals.
Second.—Destruction of criminal trusts. No monopolization of the national resources by lawless private combination more powerful than the peoples government.
Third.—No protection for oppressive trusts. Organizations powerful enough to oppress the people are no longer "infant industries."
Fourth.—Public ownership of public franchises. The value created by the community should belong to the community.
Fifth.—A graduated income tax. Every citizen to contribute to the support of the government according to his means and not according to his necessities.
Sixth.—Currency reform. All the nation's money to be issued by the nation's government and its supply to be regulated by the people and not by the banks.
Seventh.—National, state and municipal improvement of the public school system. As the duties of citizenship are both general and local every government, general and local, should do its share toward fitting every individual to perform them.
The Journal again urges that platform upon the Democratic party. Here are live issues, founded upon Democratic principles. Here are policies that look toward progress and represent the truest Americanism. On a line of battle like this

the Democracy can and will win popularity and victory.

A NEW LAKE.

Although we have abundant waters in Columbia county, springs, rivulets, streams and creeks, we have no body of water either natural or artificial, that can be designated as a pond or lake, consequently there is no summer resort for our people, no place where we can spend a week or a month among the cool breezes of the mountains, and recuperate the overworked physical system, and rest the jaded brain. If we desire such an outing, and very many do, we must make a long and wearisome journey into some adjoining county, where the hotels are often crowded, and the habitues are strangers and sometimes not easily approachable, and in a social atmosphere not restful nor congenial. Likewise the sea breezes along the Jersey Coast are not within our reach and the fashions and expenditures are beyond our means. At Pottsville a beautiful place has been made by the appropriation of Tumbling Run, reached by a few minutes ride on the trolley line. At Laporte by the gathering together of several streams an artificial lake has formed with a formidable Indian name. But we have no spot either for sport, recreation or absolute rest, either natural or artificial, to whose shades and waters we can betake ourselves.

But there is a place in Columbia county which a little money and enterprise would make equal to any pond or lake within our knowledge or reach. In beauty of scenery and for absolute purity of water and air it is not surpassed in Pennsylvania.

The place is the terminus of the Bloomsburg & Sullivan Railroad, accessible by rail from any part of Columbia and Montour counties, above and beyond the contamination of civilization, it would be an ideal resort, not only for the persons mentioned and considered, but for hundreds of others who would seek its sparkling waters and pure air and mountain scenery, or rock and ravine or sun and shadow, and breathe deeply the fresh breezes bearing the aroma of the pines and the hemlocks. Not only these, but to the sportsman the game fish would be an irresistible attraction and a source of never tiring amusement.

All this is not only possible but certain. It is only to ascertain the proper point above Jamison City, and by throwing a dam across from one mountain to the other, a few hundred yards would gather a body of water whose dimensions and extent I will not even attempt to guess. The bright and clean mountain stream of the Fishingcreek corralled for the purpose, not a drop of water wasted, but all, as now, flowing to the Susquehanna; would give life to the immediate locality—build up hotels and cottages and give us a summer resort unsurpassed by any.

Why not at once organize a company to take the matter in hand—prospect the place—make surveys—ascertain the proper location for the dam—get the levels, calculate the area of the lake and give to Columbia county water resort a local habitation and a name; and it will pay in health, in pleasure, in restfulness, what only the free air of heaven and the pure water of the mountain can give to suffering humanity.

SIGMA.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Court convened at 9:30 a. m. Monday, Hon. R. Little and Associate Judges Fox and Kurtz, on the bench. Heirs of Daniel Barlow vs. B. R. Yetter. In equity. Opinion and order of Court upon demurrer filed. Demurrer is overruled and defendant, Yetter, is permitted to make answer. Estate of N. L. Campbell. Petition for private sale. Order granted. Ida Welliver vs. Penna. Canal Co. Motion for new trial. Opinion and order of Court filed. Motion overruled.

Estate of Rebecca Smith. Exceptions to auditor's report. Opinion and order of Court filed. Report of auditor referred back for him to find his conclusions of law, etc.

Charles Hughes vs. Lloyd Rider. Motion for new trial. Rule granted. Estate of Mary A. Brittain. Alex. C. Jackson appointed trustee for H. F. Brittain. Bond approved.

Estate of Mary A. Brittain. Petition for discharge of estate of C. E. Jackson, late trustee of H. F. Brittain. Granted.

Petition of Adam Clayberger, guardian of Elva B. and Ada P. Clayberger, to invest money at 5 per cent. Granted.

Catharine Zellner vs. Daniel S. Zellner. Petition for subpoena in divorce. Subpoena in divorce awarded upon rule of Court as to payment of costs being complied with.

Estate of N. L. Campbell. Order of private sale granted.

Joseph Kramer, lunacy. W. W. Black, Dr. J. J. Brown and A. N. Yost appointed commissioners to inquire, etc.

Estate of John Snell. Petition for partition. Inquest awarded. George Davis appointed guardian

Spring Cleaning

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of C. Leonard and Percy J. Snell, minor children of Percival Snell.

Petition of J. D. Henrie for satisfaction of ancient mortgage, filed. Sheriff to serve notice, etc.

Estate of Susan Romick. Order of sale granted.

Ocey Thomas vs. John Thomas. Libel in divorce. Subpoena awarded.

Estate of Hester A. Moore. Exceptions to auditor's report. Exceptions dismissed and report confirmed absolute.

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL.

Light Contract Renewed With the American Electric Light Company for a Period of Five Years.

The matter of street illumination, which has been pending since the expiration of the old five-year contract with the American Electric Light Company last week, was decided at a special meeting of Council Monday evening.

A letter from Mr. F. M. D. Scanlan, contractor of the electric railway, was read. The epistle was as follows: BLOOMSBURG, PA., May 29, 1901.

To the Honorable President and Members of the Town Council of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa.

Gentlemen:—As I stated at your meeting last Monday night, I was not present for the purpose of seeking a light contract, but made my statement in answer to a question of a member, "Is there any chance to get other bids?" I have since communicated with the Columbia and Montour Electric Railway Company, who advise me that they are not in shape to sell light, as their corporate franchise will not permit.

Mr. Webb at once moved that the five-year contract, presented by the American Electric Light Company, at the last meeting, be accepted. The motion was seconded and carried.

In the matter of the arch on South Market street, Street Commissioner Neyhard stated that he had interviewed W. B. Ferguson in regard to driving over his land to avoid the break, and the latter said that he did not think the arch necessary just now. It was thereupon moved and seconded that temporary repairs be made at once.

Mr. Hartman notified Council of two pavements that need attention. One in front of Dr. McKelvy's property, on Main street, and the other, in front of W. D. Beckley's property, on Iron street. No action taken.

Mr. Scanlan appeared and urged action in regard to an ordinance for the electric railway.

It was moved and seconded that a special meeting be held Wednesday evening to consider the matter.

LIGHT STREET.

On Monday last the board of directors let the schools 1st grade to R. M. Creasy, 2nd. grade to Miss Nettie Hagenbuch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kline of Wellersville spent a short time in town Sunday at Mr. Young's.

Mr. Michael Getty came home from the lumber camp above Lock Haven last week to prepare to move above Williamsport where he is in charge of a lumber yard.

Isaac Muffy is here again visiting his brothers William and Chas.

Robert Pugh and daughter Ellen, were circulating among friends, on Decoration day.

Scott Twp. School Directors

The following teachers have been elected for Scott Twp. school directors:

Espy—Principal, Charles Nagle; second grade, Bell Ruckle; primary, Evelyn Creveling.

Lightstreet—Principal, Rush Creasy; primary, Nettie Hagenbuch.

Cross Roads—Grace McKamey. Almedia—Samuel Cressler, Bessie Creveling.

E. W. Grove

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There has never been such a chance to buy all Silk Ribbon in Bloomsburg as we offer now. No. 40 Ribbon at 25c a yard.

Women's Jersey Ribbed Vests.

These are summer weights. Prices are next to nothing on the cheaper sorts. The better grades won't bankrupt you, either, if you buy now.

- Ladies' and children's vests at 5c.
Ladies' Vests at 10c.
Men's Shirts and Drawers at 25c.
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