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DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

A meeting of the Democratic voters of the town was held in Town Hall on Thursday evening last, to nominate candidates to be voted for at the coming election. The attendance was unusually large and included many representative citizens who were drawn there by a desire to secure the selection of good men for the several places. It is quite evident that the people of this town, while ever ready to rebuke extravagance, are willing to give fair compensation for services properly rendered by competent men. They are not looking after "Cheap Jobs" who will do the public work the cheapest, regardless of qualifications.

The meeting was called to order by F. D. Dentler, and John G. Harman Esq. was unanimously chosen as chairman. J. K. Bittenbender and W. L. Eyerly were elected secretaries.

The names of John R. Townsend and Geo. A. Herring were presented as candidates for President of Council. A vote was taken and Mr. Townsend received 177 votes, and Mr. Herring 35. Mr. Townsend was declared the nominee.

Four persons were named for council. The vote was as follows:

Charles Reimard.....147
Josiah H. Giger.....190
John Cox.....152
Wm. Kashner.....121

Reimard, Giger and Cox were declared the nominees.

For School Director the names of C. A. Kleim, C. L. Cronin and A. C. DeSheppard were presented. The vote was as follows:

C. A. Kleim.....143
C. L. Cronin.....43
A. C. DeSheppard.....53

Kleim was declared the winner. Mr. DeSheppard's name was presented without his knowledge, the fight being between Kleim and Cronin. Kleim got there by more than three to one.

Miles Betz was nominated for constable without opposition.

For Auditor P. H. Freeze, C. R. Housel and Dr. T. C. Harter were named. Freeze received 110 votes, Housel 98 and Harter 60. The first two were declared nominated.

The following persons were nominated for officers of the several election districts:

FIRST DISTRICT—Elmer McBride, Judge of Election; William J. Knorr, Inspector of Election; Clinton C. Furman, Registry Assessor.

SECOND DISTRICT—George Yost, Judge of Election; Harry Giger, Inspector of Election; R. C. Welliver, Registry Assessor.

THIRD DISTRICT—W. F. Stohner, Judge of Election; T. T. Freeze, Inspector of Election; Harry M. Fine, Registry Assessor.

FOURTH DISTRICT—John Fry, Judge of Election; Wellington Kashner, Inspector of Election; J. T. Tracy, Registry Assessor.

The chairman and secretaries were empowered to fill all vacancies that may arise from any cause.

D. R. Coffman and Freeze Quick were appointed tellers on the School Director vote. There was no question raised at the meeting as to the honesty of the count, and no doubt but that a count of heads would have resulted the same. The number of votes cast for President of Council was 212, and for School Director 239, but this is accounted for by the fact that quite a number of people came in after the vote for President, but in time to vote for School director. Everything was fair, and the meeting was a most harmonious one.

LICENSE CASES.

On Saturday the Court disposed of the license cases that had been held under advisement. On a rule to show cause why James Fairman's license at Berwick should not be revoked, the rule was made absolute, and license revoked.

In matter of S. K. Heller and S. H. Williams, Berwick, licenses granted.

Application of C. S. Taylor, for Buckhorn Hotel, and C. F. Crawford, Lightstreet, both refused.

Licenses of W. H. Gilmore and P. B. Heddens, in Bloomsburg, were granted.

Prohibition Convention.

Owing to the storm and high water on January 22d, the day appointed for the Convention of the Prohibition party of Columbia county, said convention was postponed to Saturday, February 1st, 1902, to be held in the hall of the I. O. O. F., in Espy, at two o'clock p. m.

W. J. BRIDLEMAN, Sec'y.

THE

Bloomsburg National Bank

bases all its business with its patrons on the underlying principle of mutual interest, which is carefully conserved in all transactions. This commands respect because it is right, and from this standpoint alone can come that ideal relation that ought to exist between a bank and its customers.

A. Z. SCHOCH, PRESIDENT.

WM. H. HIDLAY, CASHIER.

THE FACTS IN THE CASE.

Just before the opening of the Mock Trial at the Opera House last Friday evening, it was announced that Dr. Aldinger had sent word only a few moments before, that he would not be present to take part in the trial. This of itself would have required no explanation or comment, but for the statement in the *Daily* on Saturday that this announcement was received by the audience with disgust. That there was any disgust shown by the audience is untrue, and the statement was unnecessary even if it had been true. There were many people present who know Dr. Aldinger too well to believe that he would, without cause or reason, abandon his part at the last moment. He has on many occasions shown his willingness to assist in entertainments for charitable or public purposes, and his general character and reputation will bear us out in the statement that he is not a man who is influenced by the whims of a moment, or who would do what might have the appearance of a mean act.

Dr. Aldinger has asked for no vindication. He did not feel that he had done anything that required him to make a defense to this charge, even though he had declined to stand as the defendant in the rooster case. Feeling that an injustice had been done Dr. Aldinger we asked him for his statement of the facts and he informs us that he never agreed to take part in the mock trial, but had positively stated a month ago that he would not do so. On Friday, the night of the show, he was called by telephone to the Opera House at 6 p. m., after the rehearsal had taken place, and he then informed Col. Newton that he had an engagement for the evening and could not be present there unless he could change his arrangements. Finding this impossible he sent word by messenger that he would not be there, and Col. Newton replied that if he "didn't come an announcement would be made to the audience: that wouldn't do him (Aldinger) any good." Mr. Ikeler, not knowing of the conversation between Dr. Aldinger and Col. Newton, was given to understand that the former had promised to be there, and then failed to appear, and with this understanding he made the announcement, very naturally feeling somewhat annoyed.

It is unfortunate that anything should have occurred to mar the pleasure of the occasion, and we feel sure that this presentation of Dr. Aldinger's side of the case is all that is necessary to show the public that he deserved no censure for his action in the matter.

CANNING FACTORIES.

Last year and for several years past, a number of canning factories were organized. The one which was started here in the match factory property, is advertised at Sheriff's sale. It never got started, but 'died a-bornin'.' It is not the only one, however, that did not succeed. The following is taken from the *Tunkhannock Democrat*.

"Our canning factory here is likely to 'go to the wall' because of the debts hanging over the concern. There was too heavy an investment in cans—\$10,000 worth—which will last for many years, and the business last year was light because of the shortness of the canning crops. But if it can weather the storm for a few years it would probably come out all right. Here are encouraging words from an exchange on this industry: The canning factories started so extensively throughout Pennsylvania and adjoining states have not, as a rule, proven successful enterprises. People do not understand that it costs a great deal of money to establish a business of any kind. Concerns that start under the most favoring circumstances rarely ever make any money until they have been in existence two or more years."

REV. J. J. MUNRO'S LECTURE.

Dr. Welsh was not to blame. He took the word of the Lecture Bureau for it, and got faked. The bureau that manages Munro ought to go out of the business. If it manages Munro a little while, it probably will go out of business. A more fatigued audience probably never sat in the Auditorium. Up to Monday night Ernest Seton Thompson held the belt for being the poorest lecturer ever heard here. Now it is different. Munro has been here. His so-called lecture was a very poor sermon, poorly delivered. He didn't know it, and could scarcely read it from his manuscript, though the stage was rather dark, as a lecturer and not a reader, was expected. As we said before, don't blame the management. Mr. Munro was highly recommended by what was believed to be a reliable authority, and he cost the course just as much as a real lecturer could have been procured for. No one regrets the mistake more than the managers of the Student's Lecture Course.

[READ MY AD ON 5TH PAGE.]

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and
Forks and
RS'
and Tea Spoons

which I will sell at prices very low in order to reduce stock before I move.

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J. Lee Martin,
Jeweler.

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OF THE

Lockard Building,

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Our Goods at Cost
THAN MOVE THEM.

BEN GIDDING,
THE CLOTHIER.

Come in and see us, we'll treat you right.

MISS ELIZABETH BARKLEY.

After an illness of several months Miss Lizzie Barkley died last Saturday morning at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Hester Barton, where she and her mother had resided for some years past. Her aged mother still survives. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon by Rev. D. N. Kirkby of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, of which Miss Barkley had been for many years a consistent and earnest member. She was a daughter of Iddings Barkley, and had been for a long time engaged in the millinery business. Her age was sixty years.

VISITING CARDS.

The latest styles in type for visiting cards can be seen at this office. By a change in the arrangement of our show case, ladies can order cards in the front office without going back into the work shop. Call and see samples. tf.

Removal!

J. G. WELLS will remove his hardware store to room now occupied by Ben Gidding, about

March 9, 1902.

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GENERAL HARDWARE.

The Leader Dep't Store.

5 Per Cent. 5 Per Cent.

We have been telling you we want double the business for 1902 that you gave us in 1901.

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Trade with us and we furnish you with a deposit book of the Leader Bank. Every purchase you make is entered to your credit in your book. At the end of the month we give you

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