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### DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

FOR CONGRESS,  
ANDREW L. FRITZ,  
of Bloomsburg.

Subject to the decision of the Congressional Conference of the 17th District.

FOR STATE SENATOR,  
J. HENRY COCHRAN,  
of Lycoming Co.

Subject to the decision of the Senatorial Conference of the 24th District.

FOR PROTHONOTARY AND CLERK OF THE COURTS,  
C. M. TERWILLIGER,  
of Bloomsburg.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE,  
HON. FRED IKELER,  
of Bloomsburg.  
HON. WILLIAM T. CREASY,  
of Catawissa Township.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE,  
WILLIAM KRICKBAUM,  
of Bloomsburg.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER,  
A. B. CROOP,  
of Briarcreek Twp.

FOR REGISTER AND RECORDER,  
J. C. RUTTER, JR.,  
of Bloomsburg.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,  
C. A. SMALL,  
of Catawissa.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER,  
GEO. W. STERNER,  
of Bloomsburg.  
WILLIAM BOGERT,  
of Scott Twp.

FOR COUNTY AUDITOR,  
GEO. H. SHARPLESS,  
of Catawissa.  
C. F. DERR,

### COUNTY CHAIRMAN.

The Democratic Standing Committee met just after the close of the Convention on Tuesday, and W. B. Allen was elected County Chairman over George Clemens of Berwick by a vote of 24 to 15. Mr. Allen's experience in business and politics fits him well for the position, and his services in the past entitle him to the honor. He is affable, popular and able, and a fighter when occasion demands it. We believe Mr. Allen will make an excellent Chairman.

The recent campaign was an unusually clean one. None of the candidates sought to advance his own interests by besmirching the character of his opponents. Now and then a rumor was started that this or that candidate had withdrawn but that is too old a trick to accomplish much.

Alexander Billmeyer, of Washingtonville, who has been endorsed for the short term in congress by the Democrats of this county, was in town yesterday shaking hands and extending thanks to his friends for the support given him.

Rev. Silas C. Swallow has again been nominated by the Prohibitionists as their candidate for Governor.

### CALL A HALT.

There is danger ahead for the Democracy of Columbia County unless a halt is called on all dishonest and fraudulent practices at our primary elections. Already our old time regular majority of from two thousand to twenty five hundred has been much reduced, and we can no longer count surely on more than a thousand or so. This is partly owing to the factional fights of the party wreckers who want to rule or ruin, and partly to the disgust engendered in the minds of many men who either do not vote at all, or vote for the opposition, because of the boodle practices that seem to have become an important factor in our political system. It has become almost impossible for a poor man to run for office with any hope of success, because of the demands for money that are made upon him.

Year after year we hear of the alleged immense sums of money that are placed in the Centralia and Conyngham districts, each candidate accusing all the others of being the guilty parties. Every successful candidate is charged with having secured his nomination by the purchase of the returns from that section. Is this true, or isn't it? If not true, the honor of the Democracy demands that the falsehood should be proven, and these base charges should be denounced. But if true, the perpetrators of these outrages should be hunted down and punished to the full extent of the law. And not only the receivers of bribes but the givers. The Bloomsburg boodlers who pay the money are ten times worse than the Centralia miners who accept it. There are many good honest people in the lower end of this county, and these are rejoicing because the thugs who run the politics of that end have been rebuked by the convention. They say that many respectable people there never go near the polls because they know their votes will not be counted as cast.

We do not know what evidence was presented to the committee on fraudulent voting, but there was sufficient in the affidavits to show that some very crooked work had been done by the election boards. If the evidence was sufficient to warrant the convention in throwing out the votes of two districts, it ought to be sufficient to warrant the prosecution of the boards that committed the frauds. These corrupt practices will never be stopped by simply throwing out the vote once in five or six years. It can be stopped only by the conviction of the perpetrators, and punishment to the law's limit. There is something more to be considered than the temporary victory of any candidate. The life and the perpetuity of the Democratic party in the county demand that some heroic measures be adopted to preserve its good name, and to drive from its ranks the boodlers and ballot thieves. If pushed to the wall the men down there, the bribed less guilty than the bribers, may tell what induced them to make fraudulent returns. If a trick has been played and they have been falsely accused, no one should demand a trial and vindication sooner than they.

### DICKERMAN WINS IN MONTOUR.

Northumberland County's Candidate for Congress Secures 16 of the 28 Delegates.  
Montour county's Democratic primaries were held on Saturday. The campaign has been a particularly interesting one. The two candidates for congress, Hon. Charles H. Dickerman of Milton and Hon. Andrew L. Fritz of Bloomsburg, put forth their best efforts to secure the endorsement of the county. The contest was a pretty one, both candidates having made a thorough and complete canvass of the county. So close was the vote that the result was in doubt until the convention on Monday when the official returns showed Dickerman to be the victor. He carried the four wards of Danville, Washingtonville, Anthony, Liberty and Limestone township, which gave him sixteen delegates. Mr. Fritz won in Mahoning, Valley, Mayberry, Cooper, Derry and West Hemlock townships, a total of twelve delegates. Mr. Dickerman has the endorsement of Northumberland county and Mr. Fritz was endorsed Saturday by Columbia county.

The primaries in Sullivan county have not yet been held but from the present state it is quite likely that the conferees will vote for Mr. Fritz.

At the convention on Monday Alexander Billmeyer was endorsed for the unexpired term of Hon. Rufus K. Polk. State Senator J. Henry Cochran of Williamsport was unanimously endorsed for re-nomination. R. S. Ammerman was nominated for assembly. For District Attorney Charles V. Ammerman was chosen by acclamation. There were six candidates in the field for commissioner. The successful ones are Henry Cooper and Geo. M. Leighow. Messrs Dickerman, Billmeyer and Cochran were empowered to select their own conferees.

J. T. Rothrock, state commissioner of forestry, in a letter to county commissioners stated that the act of March 3, 1897, making constables of townships ex-officio fire wardens is constitutional and a decision of Lycoming county court is cited in support of the assertion.

### DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION.

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members this day nominated, to the continuation of the fight for honest and just ballot laws, personal registration in cities of the first, second and third class, and reform in the primary election law.

III. That we endorse the course and deeply lament the death of our late Congressman Rufus K. Polk as removing from our party one of the noblest, brightest, grandest and truest men that ever represented the people of this district.

IV. That we endorse the course of our senator J. Henry Cochran and our members Ikeler and Creasy in their stand against the wrongs perpetrated upon the Commonwealth in the last session of the Legislature.

WHEREAS: Hon. Andrew L. Fritz, of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, having received the nomination for Congress in this county for the long term, and Alexander Billmeyer, Esq., of Montour county, having received the nomination in this county for the short term therefore be it:

Resolved: That the proper number of conferees from this county be selected by Hon. Andrew L. Fritz, to meet similar conferees of this Congressional district with instruction to use all honorable means to secure the nomination of the said Andrew L. Fritz for the long term.

Resolved: That the proper number of conferees from this county be selected by Alexander Billmeyer, Esq., to meet similar conferees of this Congressional district, with instructions to use all honorable means to secure the nomination of the said Alexander Billmeyer for the short term.

The convention then adjourned.

### COUNCIL GRANTS RIGHT OF WAY

To The Bloomsburg and Millville Electric Railway.

The Bloomsburg Town Council at a meeting held Thursday evening, removed the obstacle which has retarded the progress of the Bloomsburg & Millville Electric Railway Company, by granting them the right of way through the streets, and they will now have clear sailing so far as this town is concerned. The matter has been held over for some time, because the council on account of the volume of other business, was unable to give it the time that was required to pass upon it. The vote Thursday evening was unanimous, and the only condition in the right of way is that the Electric Railway Company maintain and keep in good repair all culverts with which they come in contact in the construction of their road.

Another ordinance which met with general favor and which was passed was that of the Irondale Electric Light Heat and Power Company. Grant Herring was present on behalf of the Company and speaking in regard to the clause in the ordinance which requires that work on the proposed enterprise should be completed in one year, said that it was the purpose and intention of the promoters to have the plant finished and ready for operation by the coming fall.

Council made provision that in case the new company secures the contract for lighting the streets of the town, that light for the Town Hall, the Market Square fountain and the several fire company buildings are to be furnished gratis.

The Centennial Committee was granted the power to control the streets during the Centennial celebration.

An extension of thirty days time was granted to the property owners on Seventh street in which to lay pavements, after which time if the matter is not attended to the work will be done by Street Commissioner Neyhard subject to the usual penalty.

### The State at a Glance.

—L. G. Thomas has received notice of his appointment as postmaster of Danton, Pa. He is but 26 years of age, probably the youngest third-class postmaster in the country.

—The Milton car works have been closed down owing to differences with striking employes.

—The people of Delta are excited over the discovery of a rich vein of lead which assays gold to the amount of \$80 to the ton. The ore was found on a 150 acre tract, the mineral right of which was purchased for a trifling sum of Geo. W. Bear, who is employed as bar clerk at the Hotel Delta.

—The Pottsville postmaster solves the problem of expectorating at the door of the postoffice by having cuspidors placed at convenient intervals throughout the building and as a sanitary precaution they are flooded out every morning.

—Edward A. Niven, one of the best known journalists of Northwestern Pennsylvania, died at his home in Wilkes Barre on Saturday of pneumonia, aged 61. He was one of the founders of the Wilkes Barre Daily Leader, and in early life was employed on newspapers in New York, Chicago and San Francisco.

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The Girton Family will hold their annual reunion in Sylvan park, Iola Pa., on June 18 1902. All Girtons and their friends are requested to be present. A very interesting program, has been gotten up for the occasion. If it should be stormy on that date then the day following.

FOR RENT.—Cheap house—7 rooms, heated with steam, on reservoir hill. WM. CHRISMAN.

### TAILOR-MADE SUITS.

N. S. Tingley has accepted the agency for Reinach, Ullman & Co. of Chicago, merchant tailors, and is ready to supply made-to-measure clothing at prices lower than can be obtained elsewhere. He has a large line of samples to select from. His place of business is the third floor of the COLUMBIAN building.

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