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HARRISBURG LETTER.

Quay Gone to the Pine Woods—Penrose Remains to Commune Unto Himself and Watch the Growing List of Candidates for U. S. Senate.

Quay has gone to the pine woods in the wilds of Maine, and nearly all his prominent lieutenants are taking a rest after their arduous labors of working the dear people and one another. Penrose is about the only one who remains at his post and he is hanging on the ragged edge of the political precipice by his eyebrows. He is afraid to allow his Senatorial boom to get out of his sight, and the next few months are likely to be among the most interesting as well as the most disappointing of his life. He is spending a good deal of time trying to reach a conclusion as to whether Quay will stand by him in his hour of need or whether he will desert him at the eleventh hour as he did Elkin, and declare that the safety of the gang demands his withdrawal from the senatorial race. In fact he is not certain that his seat has not already been hypothesized.

QUAY'S WORD DOUBTFUL.

In speaking of Pennypacker's sickening eulogy declaring that Quay keeps his every word an exponent of Congress, a Republican from Western Pennsylvania said a few days ago, "There may have been a time when Quay was true to his friends and tried to make his word good but for several years, since I have been more or less familiar with him and his methods, he has never hesitated to pledge anything in sight to help himself out of a tight place regardless of his ability to fulfill his promises. In many cases within recent years he has openly betrayed some of his most faithful followers, and it is for this more than anything else that revolt among his lieutenants became so strong this year—a revolt that would have ended his leadership but for Durham who turned traitor to those who had determined to end the Old Man's leadership."

With this record of Quay's dishonored pledges before him Penrose is already beginning to be haunted with a suspicion that he will get the harpoon under the short ribs just as Elkin did, as soon as Quay finds that another scape-goat is needed upon which he may load the political sins of his own devising. He has succeeded in a measure in drawing the wool over the public eye so as to make it appear that Stone and Elkin are the bad men who concocted all the corrupt schemes of the last Legislature and that he, the dear good old soul that he is known to be, did his level best to make the boys behave, but failed. Now, if the people keep their senses and rebuke the machine this fall, Quay will try to make it appear that Penrose is the remaining Jonah, that his unpopularity caused the defeat and that it is time to dump him overboard to save the political ship. Quay has always shown himself willing to make great sacrifices. Like Artemas Ward, who was willing to sacrifice all his wife's relations, Quay would not hesitate to sacrifice his whole political crew to save his own bacon.

A FEW CANDIDATES.

With Jim Mitchell, Senator Snyder and Congressman Connell, already in the race for Penrose's seat with a half dozen more who will announce later the prospect for the Philadelphian, is not encouraging, and he no doubt regrets that he was a party to the deal that caused "Is" Durham to prove traitor to those who were in revolt against the Old Man.

Before Quay left for the woods he had it announced that he had posted \$20,000 in a Pittsburg bank to bet on Pennypacker's election. Instead of this being considered a good campaign card, sensible men consider it a sure indication that Quay is apprehensive of the result this fall. It is like whistling to keep one's courage up. Betting is the logic of the barroom, the argument of the gambler and has been considered in every civilized country as contrary to good order, and in many states is punishable by law. A judge in this state a year ago declared that a man who had wagered money on the result of an election had disfranchised himself thereby from voting at that election. If it was Judge Pennypacker he would doubtless now take occasion to reverse himself, because Quay seems to be his ideal of the true the beautiful and the good, and if the Old Man should decide to revise the ten commandments Pennypacker would, no doubt, at once adopt the revised edition.

THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER.

The Philadelphia Inquirer which condemned the bribery that defeated Elkin as the rankest outrage ever perpetrated in Pennsylvania politics, is now trying to do works meet for repentance. It eats a small piece of crow once or twice a week in order to become accustomed to the unsavory dish as a steady diet when the campaign opens. It criticizes one of our recent letters which contained some strictures on Pennypacker's nomination, and declares that Pennypacker was not nominated to please us. If the Inquirer's scathing editorials from day to day before the convention were not made in a merely Pickwickian sense, Pennypacker's nomination was not made to please the Inquirer any more than to please us, and hence we are equal on that score. The difference is we are still free to condemn the rank bribery by which the Inquirer declared forty-one of Elkin's delegates were made to desert him, while the Inquirer is too cowardly to say a word now against what was consummated as it admitted by the rankest sort of bribery. The Inquirer's course is simply another proof that a party organ's partisanship is sufficient to insure its support of the party no matter how unworthy its candidates nor how criminal the means employed to nominate them.

ANDREW J. PALM.

Fritz Withdraws

From The Congressional Fight, Leaving Dickerman With an Open Field.

There will be no contest for the Democratic nomination for Congress from this district. Hon. Andrew L. Fritz, of Bloomsburg, has withdrawn from the fight leaving Charles H. Dickerman, of Milton, with an open field and he will of course be the unanimous choice of the party. This move was taken by Mr. Fritz on Tuesday after carefully considering the situation, and he immediately notified the Democratic chairman of Sullivan county to omit his name from the ticket.

At the primaries in this county Mr. Fritz was given nearly 4000 votes Dickerman carried Northumberland county by 5500 and he also had a majority in Montour. The fight in Sullivan gave promise of being a very close one, but even had Mr. Fritz allowed his name to go before the people of that county and secured their endorsement, it would have been ex-

tremely hard to overcome Mr. Dickerman's lead. And again, with Mr. Fritz as Sullivan's choice it would have been a tie, and the nomination in all probability have gone to Dickerman on the ground of the popular vote. After a consideration of these facts the wisdom of Mr. Fritz' move is apparent.

Still Deadlocked.

The Republican conferees have made three ineffectual attempts to name a candidate for congress. The last meeting was held at Milton on Tuesday when fifty-seven ballots were taken, on every one of which Evans of Berwick received the votes of Columbia and Montour and Godcharles of Milton those of Northumberland and Sullivan, seven each. The next meeting will be held in Berwick on Tuesday August 5th, when, if no candidate is chosen, another conferee will be appointed, as provided for in such contingencies, who will have the deciding vote.

Thursday's Session of Court.

There was a short session of Court held Thursday last week, with Hon. R. R. Little presiding. Associate J. T. Fox was also on the bench. The following business was transacted.

Estate of Nora A. Yetter. Return of sale confirmed.

In the matter of the road in Catawissa and Main townships. Appeal by R. J. Miller from assessment of damages directed to be filed in court of Common Pleas.

Petition of J. W. Evans for satisfaction of mortgage. Rule granted.

J. A. Conwell & Co. vs. C. O. Riggins. No. 85 May Term 1894. Petition for satisfaction of judgment. Rule granted.

Estate of John Nuss. Petition for citation. Citation granted.

W. E. Summers vs. B. & S. Railroad Company. Motion for a new trial. Argument; Robison for plaintiff and Scarlet for defendant.

Boyd Trescott, Emanuel Lazarus and Henry Kisner appointed viewers to view site for a county bridge over Chillisquaque Run in Madison township, near house of Jacob E. Wintersteen.

Joe Agastine sworn and admitted as a citizen of the United States.

Estate of George Lockard. Petition of Trustee to set aside confirmation of tract No. 4. Petition granted.

Thomas Mooney vs. Lehigh Valley Coal Company. Case stated. Argument. Papers in hands of the Court.

A Billion Dollars in Dispute.

A special from Pottsville says: More than 100 representatives of the 100 heirs to a fortune of \$1,000,000,000 claimed by the descendants of Aneka Jane Webber, and consisting of property in the vicinity of New York City, and also the heirs of Anna Brower and John McClover, met here Saturday and mapped out a plan of legal action which will be at once inaugurated in New York courts.

The land involved in the Webber claim, and upon which the other claims are contingent, comprises less than 100 acres in Harlem and the Trinity Church property in New York City. This claim is based on a land grant by King William of Holland to his grand-daughter, Aneka Jane Webber, shortly after the settlement of New Amsterdam. The chief litigant is Charles Hansom Hull, of Iowa. The heirs are scattered all over the United States.

One Way of Courting.

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The State at a Glance.

—The Standard Steel Car Company has awarded the contract for 500 houses to be built in the vicinity of their new works at Butler.

—Mrs. Charlotte Reesemiller died at the Miners' Hospital at Ashland on Monday. She trod on a rusty nail at her home in Gordon several days ago, causing a slight injury, to which little attention was given. Tetanus developed and death followed soon after.

—Relatives of Private James Gillespie, of Shamokin, who fought in the Spanish-American war with the Twenty-first Regiment, and later with the Ninth Infantry against the Chinese Boxers, and in the Philippines, received word Monday that he died in a Manila hospital last May of cholera.

—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Neff, in Sellersville, on Sunday, the decomposed body of their son George was found in a hay mow. It is supposed he died of heart disease on Thursday, July 17, as he had been missing since then.

—Amos Smal, of Sharon, attacked his brother-in-law, David Bailey, a cripple, with a hatchet Monday, the latter says, and as a result the latter is in a critical condition and may not recover. Part of Bailey's nose was severed and he sustained a number of bad gashes on the head. After the cutting Smal made his escape and the police have not apprehended him.

—George Berkheimer, of Milton, one of the young men injured at Cowen, Union county on July 4th, by the explosion of a small cannon, which was being used to celebrate the nation's birthday, died from lock-jaw on Monday afternoon.

—Milton Good, aged 17 years died on Tuesday at his home at Leaman Place from the effects of being hit on the head with a base ball during a game on Monday evening. Good was batting at the time. He did not appear to be seriously hurt, and after the game walked to his home, when he became unconscious.

—The peach season is opening up but the indications are that the crop will be small. Peaches have been falling for a month or more and no person seemed to know the cause. It is now discovered that the curculio, a special enemy of the plum, is attacking the peach and apple.

—The Lancaster and York Furnace Street Railway Company has been chartered with a capital of \$225,000 to build a trolley line from Millerville to York furnace on the Susquehanna. The new road will form a connecting link in a chain of trolley roads that will in the near future connect the cities of York and Lancaster.

—The river at Wilkes Barre has risen twelve feet in thirty-six hours, and is still rising. Truck farmers living along the banks are storing truck in places of safety, fearing it will be washed away. The danger of a flood is growing every hour, as the rains continue.

—The plant of the dye works of the silk mills of John Stern & Sons, in Petersburg, Va., is being removed to Williamsport, Pa., where the firm is to have very large silk mills. J. H. Werrers, superintendent of the dye works at Petersburg is in Williamsport superintending the erecting of the plant.

The Largest Poultry Farm in America.

The Meadow Brook Poultry farm, at Dallas, near Wilkes Barre, the largest in America, has been formed into a stock company, and money raised for extensive additions and improvement. The demand for chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese for the market, and fancy eggs for hatching, has grown so in the past several years that the capacity of the farm has been taxed and it is found necessary to keep up with the market.

The plant is complete in every detail, and occupies some thirty-five acres of carefully laid out ground in numerous divisions and pens. The floor area of the buildings now in use is 112,000 square feet. The incubator room alone has a capacity of 20,000 eggs in incubation at once.

The chief market is in New York city and Philadelphia, the summer hotels and the large restaurants, and shipments are made daily. The company will proceed with the work of enlarging the plant during the summer, and its capacity will within a year, it is expected, be increased one-third.

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We have 20 left, some of them are Heywood carts and some the Wakefield carts, the two best makes we can get. We have reduced the price to close them out. If you can use one it will pay you to buy it now.

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We sell Muslins this week at the following prices:

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The best Factories have raised their prices on all kinds of Furniture. Our prices have not been raised, and we will give a ten per cent. discount on Furniture until August 1st.

F. P. Pursel.

Pennsylvania has always been a state of great importance in the lumber industry. In 1850 it was exceeded in product only by New York, and in 1860 it took first place. In 1870 and 1880 it was exceeded by Michigan only. In 1890 Michigan and Wisconsin produced more, and in 1900 the third of the lake states. Minnesota, also took rank above it, making it the fourth state in the country and the first in the east.

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