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THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1907

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE
CHARLES A. SHAFFER,
of Berwick.

Subject to the decision of the
Democratic voters.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE,
WILLIAM KRICKBAUM,
of Bloomsburg.

Subject to the decision of the
Democratic voters.

FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE,
W. W. BLACK,
of Bloomsburg.

Subject to the decision of the
Democratic voters.

NOTICE PRIMARY ELECTION

Spring Primary Election to Be Held
Saturday June 1st, Between the Hours
of 2 P. M. and 8 P. M., 1907.

Notice Voters of Columbia County:

In accordance with SECTION THREE paragraph FOUR of the UNIFORM PRIMARY ELECTION LAW notice is hereby given that the several political parties in the said county will vote at the various polling places in the said county on Saturday June 1st, 1907, between the hours of 2 P. M. and 8 P. M. to nominate candidates at the Spring Primary election as follows, to wit:—
One person for Associate Judge.
Two persons for County Surveyor.
Two persons for delegates to the Republican State Convention.
Four persons for delegates to the Democratic State Convention.
Six persons for delegates to the Prohibition State Convention.
One person for Republican Committeeman in each election district.
One person for member of the Democratic Standing Committee in each election district.
One person for Chairman of the Prohibition party.
One person for Secretary of the Prohibition party.
One person for Treasurer of the Prohibition party.
One person for committeeman from each election district for the Prohibition party.

JERRY A. HESS } County
C. L. POHE } Commis-
E. RINGROSE } sioners.
Attest A. B. BLACK,
Commissioner's Clerk

RAILROAD SLAUGHTER.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, there were 9,793 persons killed and 86,008 injured. Of the killed 537 were passengers, 1,990 trainmen, 1,371 other employees and 5,718 were neither passengers nor employees. Of the injured 10,457 were passengers. These figures read like the report of the casualties of one of the great battles of the civil war and represent a terrible slaughter of human beings through the carelessness of railroads.

The modern demand for excessive speeding on the railroads may be responsible for many accidents, but if the railroads were to be less recklessly managed and if the men at the throttle were not compelled to work overtime and thus become unfit for duty there would be a less number of accidents with fatal results. Railroad officials appear to be so busy trying to increase their dividends that they fail to see the necessity of reform in the management of the roads.—Ex.

WHERE DID THE MONEY GO?

When the Tweed frauds were first exposed in 1870 they centered on the "New Court House" built by the Tweed ring, through Andy Garvy a contractor.

This building cost \$6,000,000, thrice what it should. When the bills were dragged out and published it was found that the plastering of a small closet had cost \$37,000. There were window cappings which would have cost no more if they had been gold plated. There were floors which would have cost less if they had been laid in silver dollars instead of Georgia pine.

All was regular. A small board of four men, Tweed, Connolly, Sweeney and Hall, the board of audit, had passed the bill under a law giving this authority. The contractor sublet his job or did it for a low price. He turned in a raised bill. The board of audit passed the bill. The money was drawn and the contractor got the money.

When his account in the bank where he deposited was seized, the deposit was found to be divided in a regular percentage. Not all the board of audit got a share. Tweed had his. Other men high in his machine got their share. By a regular arrangement every payment made to the contractor was divided after it got into the bank—not between each member of his organization, who were "on the inside," or who were meeting political expenses, past and present, settling accounts against their dead leader's estate, paying faithful allies in the interior or clearing up all accounts.

The Tweed investigation made no progress in answering the question, "Where did the money go?" until it was found what the contractor did with his city warrants, after he had banked and deposited them. When it was clear what he had done with the money after he deposited it, it was also clear who got the money, and not until then. When his deposit slips and the transfers from his bank account were laid bare it was known who got the money.

In the new court house in New York, as in the new capitol in Harrisburg, it was early clear that the contractor got five and tenfold. The money did not stop with his bank account then. Does any one believe it did in Harrisburg?—Ex.

No voter at the primary election shall be permitted to receive any assistance in marking his ballot, unless he shall first make an affidavit that he cannot read the names on the ballot, or that by reason of physical disability he is unable to mark his ballot. Primary Election Law.

For the Children

To succeed these days you must have plenty of grit, courage, strength. How is it with the children? Are they thin, pale, delicate? Do not forget Ayer's Sarsaparilla. You know it makes the blood pure and rich, and builds up the general health in every way.

The children cannot possibly have good health unless the bowels are in proper condition. Cure any constipation by giving small laxative doses of Ayer's Pills. All vegetable, sugar-coated.

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PRIMARY ELECTION.

Penalties for Unlawful Voting.

The Act of 1906 providing for primary elections contains the following clause relating to penalties for unlawful voting at such elections:

"Any person who votes or attempts to vote at a primary, knowing that he does not possess the qualifications of a voter at such primary, as indicated by this act, or who shall vote or attempt to vote more than once at a primary, or who shall have unlawfully in his possession an official ballot, outside the polling place, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or to undergo an imprisonment not exceeding two years, or both, in the discretion of the court."

Section 10 of the same act reads: "The qualifications of electors entitled to vote at a primary shall be the same as the qualifications of electors entitled to vote at elections, within the district where the primary is held. Each elector shall prove his qualifications and his identity in the same manner in which electors in the election district in which he offers to vote are, or hereafter may be, required by law to prove their qualifications or identity on election day."

Each elector shall have the right to receive the ballot of the party for which he asks: Provided, that if he is challenged, he shall be required to make oath or affirmation that, at the next preceding general election at which he voted, he voted for a majority of the candidates of the party for whose ballot he asks."

If the voter should not be challenged, and it could be shown afterward that he had not voted at the last general election for the candidates of the party for whose ballot he asks, he could be prosecuted, and the penalties above named imposed.

Should he make oath as above, and it could be shown that the oath was false, he could be prosecuted not only for false voting, but for perjury also.

VOTING AT THE PRIMARY.

Mr. Editor,

Will you please answer the following question:

Suppose 500 Republicans should write in the name of one of the Democratic candidates for Associate Judge on the Republican primary election ballot. Would those votes be added to the votes given that candidate on the Democratic ballots?

Yours &c.

INQUIRER.

They would not. Separate tally sheets are provided for each party, and the Republican ballots are counted by themselves, as each of the other parties are. The number of votes given to each candidate on the Republican ballot will be kept separate, and the one receiving the highest number of Republican votes will be declared the nominee of that party. The votes given to a person whose name appears only on another party ticket cannot be carried over from the Republican ballot to help make a Democratic nomination. This rule holds good both ways, and a Republican whose name is written on the Democratic ballots could not get the benefit of those votes on the Republican count.

TO THE PUBLIC.

In this issue I announce myself as a candidate for the office of Associate Judge of Columbia county. I have always been a Democrat, and I assure you if nominated and elected to the office which I now aspire to fill, I will be guided wholly by my best judgment, and endeavor to do my duty as I see it, and as I have done it in the past. I promise, if elected, so far as within my power, a fair, honest and impartial administration, with equal and exact justice to all men and special privileges to none.

I will endeavor to see all the Democratic voters in the county before the Primaries in June next, and I will be content to abide their decision at that time. Based upon my pledges as herein stated I will ask the voters to stand by me.

Sincerely yours,
W. W. BLACK.

A bill just passed in the legislature will probably drive all the Gypsies out of the state. The new law makes it necessary for them to procure a license from the treasurer in each county in which they wish to camp, and to pay \$50 for the same.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Beware the Signature of
Dr. H. H. Plummer

For Associate Judge



CHARLES A. SHAFFER,
of Berwick.

THE CAPITOL INQUIRY.

Little consideration need be given the stories from Harrisburg of proposals to "settle" the Capitol investigation, for the obvious reason that any such settlement at the present stage is impossible. The first purpose of the inquiry is to ascertain the entire truth concerning the building, decoration and furnishing of the Capitol, and the commission cannot stop at any point short of a complete and detailed report. It has only covered a part of the ground thus far, and it is clear that there can be no "settlement" until it has gone into every feature of the business from beginning to end.

Furthermore, the commission would have no authority to settle or compromise with anybody, even if so disposed. All of the facts it shall gather must be laid before the Governor, and if he and the Attorney General find grounds for the criminal prosecution of any one concerned, it would be a hardy person who proposed to them to "settle" the case.

In civil suits for restitution there may be opportunity for compromise, but that is still a long way ahead, and could have no effect upon any criminal proceedings. The present commission is not concerned in anything but the investigation with which it is charged, and which it cannot stop now if it would. The evidence thus far made public shows such an extraordinary system of piling up the cost that even if the architect and the contractors were to confess the overcharges, the necessity of determining how they secured such opportunities would not be lessened. The investigation was only temporarily interrupted by the adjournment of the Legislature. There is no reason to doubt that when the commission resumes its work it will push it unrelentingly to the end.

—Phila. Ledger.

Why Miners Turn to Gray.

The latest boom for Judge Gray comes from the anthracite coal miners, who remember him as the presiding genius of the arbitration board. They see in the Judge the Moses to lead them to the land flowing with milk and honey, which in political parlance means the post-offices and other Federal places. Until last fall the gates were not lifted so as to allow the United Mine Workers to participate in politics. Then John Mitchell opened the field, pushed his friend Nicholls into Congress and helped the general secretary, William B. Wilson, to slip into Representative Deemer's seat. In addition, there were many places in the State Legislature that fell to the miners. These candidates were all nominated on Democratic and independent tickets, and were repudiated by the Republican Organization. Now the miners see a ray of hope, not only in Pennsylvania, but in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and West Virginia, of again getting into politics and capturing more seats in Congress and the Legislatures if they have a leader such as Judge Gray, Bryan and Hearst mean nothing to the miners or to organized labor throughout the country, according to the statements made by labor leaders. Roosevelt, right or wrong, had a warm place in their hearts until the Moyer and Haywood affair. Now they are divided. They worship at the shrine of Judge Gray.

—Phila. Ledger.

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TOWNSEND'S NEW STORE
Townsend's Corner.

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Lower prices have never been attached to fabrics so desirable and seasonable. And ours is the largest assemblage in this locality for you to choose from.

The items tell of the fabrics of up-to-the-moment fashionableness—plain, fancy and mixed effects, every weave—every color—and at a wide range of prices—All Reduced.

The selling will be fast—some lots will be speedily exhausted—the whole huge sale assortment will not last long under the greatly reduced prices attached to them. For this reason we advise an early visit, if you contemplate purchasing. **SALE ENDS SATURDAY NIGHT.**

Fancy Suitings 36 inches wide. All wool, check and plaids in the spring shades regular 50c the yard. Sale price 39c.

Mohairs 50 inches wide, not all colors, regular 65c the yard. Sale price 49c.

Mohairs 36 and 44 inches wide, Cardinal, Blue and Slate, regular 50c goods. Sale price 39c.

Fancy Mixed Suitings and Panamas 42 in. wide, all wool checks and plaids in the spring shades, regularly \$1.00 the yard. Now on sale at 79c.

Extra Fine French Serges all wool, 56 inches wide in grey check and plaids, regularly \$1.75, now on sale at \$1.15 the yard.

Fine Mohair and Sicilians 44 in. wide in Blue, Tans, Gree and Beige, regular \$1 yard, now on sale at 75c

TWO SPECIAL BARGAINS.

We have culled here and there from fine seasonable dress goods, two different lots for quick selling. Read **LOT NUMBER 1**

Including every wanted color in one weave or another—call them odds and ends if you like, but they are actually worth from 75c to \$1.00 the yard. On sale 59c the yard.

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Worth from \$1 to \$1.40 the yard—including different fabrics in all colors—Great bargains, but come quick if you would share. They are on sale for 79c the yard.

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