

THE COLUMBIAN. BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1907

THE CONTESTED ELECTION.

Hearing in the Proceedings to Oust Judge Krickbaum.

A hearing was held before Judge Evans on Wednesday in the proceedings instituted to contest the election of Associate Judge William Krickbaum at the recent election.

It will be remembered that the latter was declared elected by a majority of 31. Geo. M. Hughes, the defeated Republican candidate, represented by C. C. Yeiter, Esq., claims that owing to irregularities in the vote in Millfin township, Whitney Hess persisting in serving as judge of election in place of the regularly elected officer, the entire vote should be thrown out. This would make sufficient change in the entire vote to give Hughes a majority.

The petition was filed during court and the 18th fixed for a hearing. Judge Krickbaum, represented by Fred Ikeler, Esq., has filed his answer, which is as follows:

KRICKBAUM'S ANSWER. William Krickbaum, respondent in above proceedings, reserving to himself the right to object and except to the many errors in said petition contained, and to the jurisdiction of the said Court to entertain the same, makes answer there-to as follows:

1st That the facts set forth in the first and second paragraphs of said petition are true.

2nd That respondent denies that the said election of the said William Krickbaum to said office was undue and illegal and the return thereof not correct. That the facts alleged in said petition as reasons why said election was illegal, not being set forth in separate paragraphs, consecutively numbered, the respondent cannot make answer according to specific paragraphs, but for general answer to the statements in said petition, he answers as follows:

That in the election district of the township of Millfin, in said county, at the general election held November 5, 1907, William Krickbaum received 107 votes and Geo. M. Hughes received 39 votes for the office of Associate Judge; that the said votes were all cast by legal voters of the said district, without any fraud, mistake, discrimination or improper conduct whatsoever, and that the result of the election in said district of Millfin township, wherein and whereby William Krickbaum received 107 votes and George M. Hughes received 39 votes, for the said office of Associate Judge, was not changed, altered or affected by any act, manner or thing, on the part of the persons who constituted the election board in said district, and your Respondent hereby especially denies that there was any fraud, deceit, mistake or conduct upon the part of said election officers in receiving, counting, returning and certifying the votes cast in said election district, or that said votes were illegally and fraudulently cast, received, counted and returned; and the Respondent further denies that any act of any of the election officers of the district in any way gave him any undue advantage in the election or resulted in his receiving more votes, or the said Hughes less votes, than were in fact received, counted and returned as aforesaid.

3rd. The Respondent further specially denies "That many voters by the fraudulent and illegal conduct of the election board, were prevented from voting and that the actual result of the election in Columbia County for Associate Judge was changed by the false, deceitful and fraudulent conduct of the election board, and especially of said

5th. Your Respondent admits that the petition of one C. E. Whitenight, a copy of which is set forth in the petition of the contestants was presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, on November 9, 1907, and that the Court made an order thereon as set forth in said petition, but denies that these facts, or any of them are material or relevant to the present proceedings."

The answer concludes with a prayer that the petition be dismissed and discharged.

A number of witnesses were called, and after the hearing and argument, the Judge took the papers.

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Whitney Hess who illegally acted as judge thereof," but on the other hand your Respondent avers that the action of said Whitney Hess in acting as judge of the election in no way affected, changed or altered the result of said election, or aided or diminished the number of votes received by the Respondent or Geo. M. Hughes.

4th. For further answer to the statements alleged in the petition your Respondent avers that at the February election, 1907, in said district of Millfin, one A. E. Johnson was duly elected as judge of the election, to serve for the ensuing year, but at the next following election of the district, to wit, the June Primary election, the said A. E. Johnson did not attend, and that thereupon the Inspector who had received the highest number of votes appointed Whitney Hess as the judge of election, in the place of said Johnson, who thereupon took the oath in the manner and form as prescribed by law for that purpose, and acted as judge during said June election. That on the morning of Nov. 7th, 1907, the said Whitney Hess appeared at the polling place in said Millfin township election district, and at the opening of said election continued to act as judge thereof by virtue of his previous appointment; and that afterwards the said A. E. Johnson also appeared at the polling place and demanded to be sworn in as judge of election, which demand was refused by the remaining members of the election board, acting upon the belief that the previous appointment of the said Whitney Hess and his previous action under such appointment constituted him the legal judge of election; that the said Whitney Hess assisted in receiving the votes cast at said polling place and in counting the same, and signed the return thereof, but your Respondent denies that his action in that respect was fraudulent, false, deceitful or in the least degree prejudicial to the rights of George M. Hughes, as a candidate at said election, but on the other hand avers that the action of Whitney Hess as a judge of said election and of the remaining members of the election board in refusing the request of A. E. Johnson to be sworn and act as judge, did not have the effect of changing a single vote cast at the election, or of depriving any elector who desired to vote of his free and untrammelled right so to do, nor did it affect in the least degree the result of the election.

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In Asylum for Thirty-Five Years.

William Jones, the first patient admitted to the Hospital for the Insane at Danville, who is still at the institution, is dying, says the Danville News. The patient in question has a remarkable record.

Not only was William Jones the first patient admitted to the hospital at Danville, but he spent twenty years in the Hospital for the Insane at Harrisburg before he was incarcerated at the Danville institution. Altogether he has been a charge of Montour county for a period of fifty-five years. He was committed to the Hospital for the Insane at Danville in December, 1872, thirty-five years ago. He has cost Montour county annually \$91.25, or a total of \$5,081.75 for the thirty-five years he was a charge.

In view of the patient's approaching death the hospital authorities instituted an inquiry concerning his antecedents and relatives. In the case of a patient's death it is always customary to notify the relatives when these can be found to the end that they may come forward and claim the body.

During the thirty-five years in which William Jones has been a patient at the hospital he has never caused any trouble. He has always been quiet and easily managed.

Chicago Short Line.

Directors of the New York, Pittsburg & Chicago Railway, the proposed short trunk line through Pennsylvania, projected by J. P. Ramsey, Jr., former president of the Wabash, authorized the sending out of five corps of engineers for a revision of the line between Pittsburg and the summit of the Allegheny mountains. This is preparatory to the beginning of actual work on the project next spring. The directors elected Mr. Ramsey president of the company, and actual operations will be under his direct supervision. According to reports made to the directors, reconnaissance through the mountains shows that the maximum eastbound grade to the summit of the Allegheny mountains, at Sandy Ridge, can be reduced to 16 feet to the mile. This can be accomplished, it is claimed, with a decided improvement in the curvature, and in a distance of 108 miles, compared with 183 miles on the Pennsylvania, at a point directly south of and a little east of Tyrone. Coming west the Ramsey line, it is averred, will have a maximum grade of 70 feet to the mile for eight miles, the remainder being 20 feet to the mile. In the 108 miles to the summit the Ramsey line will have, it is claimed, a less total curvature than on the first 50 miles out of Pittsburg on the Pennsylvania. The total distance on the New York, Pittsburg & Chicago to Sunbury, on the Susquehanna River, is 183 miles, and if the Reading system is used from that point to New York, the total distance from Pittsburg to the metropolis will be 383 miles, compared with 440 miles, the distance on the Pennsylvania.

U. S. Court Sessions May be Held at Sunbury.

Sessions of United States court are to be held in Sunbury in the near future and in connection there with the town is in line for a handsome new government building. These facts were learned from United States District Attorney C. B. Witmer, recently, who mailed a supplement to an act of assembly creating the middle district court of Pennsylvania to United States Senator Penrose, which will provide for sessions of the United States district and circuit courts in Sunbury. At these sessions all business will be transacted with the exception of cases which have to be tried by jury. This means that it will be but a short time until a government building will be located in Sunbury and the United States court will meet there, the same as it meets at Williamsport, Harrisburg and Scranton, and transact all regular court business.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bloomsburg National Bank of Bloomsburg, Pa., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, will be held at their banking room, Tuesday, January 14th, 1908, between the hours of 11 and 12 a. m. WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of The Farmers National Bank of Bloomsburg, Pa., for the election of Directors will take place at their banking room, Tuesday, January 14th, 1908, between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m. M. MILLESEN, Cashier.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarcliff Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at the hall of Centre Grange No. 56 P. of H. on Tuesday, January 14th, 1908 between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. for the election of twelve Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting. H. H. BROWN, Secretary.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Martha P. Hartman, late of Bloomsburg, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Martha P. Hartman, late of Bloomsburg, County of Columbia, Pa., have been granted to A. N. Yost, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay. A. N. YOST, Executor.

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