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## SIBLEY IN CAMERON.

The Johnston Letter a Boom Among His Opponents.

From Walter J. Christy, Staff Correspondent Pittsburg Commercial.

EMPORIUM, Pa., Sept. 20.—Republicans are harmonious in Cameron. The one real difference here was the assembly contest. That has been settled to the satisfaction of all factions of the party. The result will be the disappearance of the Emery sentiment and a consequent handsome majority for Joseph C. Sibley, the Republican candidate for Congress in the Twenty-seventh district.

Even the chairman of the Democratic county committee is doubtful about the ability of Lewis Emery Jr., to win in Cameron. He might have a majority of 200 and then Mr. Sibley may have this lead, is the way Chairman Hockley puts it. He is lacking in confidence at this early day. This uncertainty, too, is expressed by the gentleman in face of the fact that for the past month work has been done for the Bradford man while the Republicans rest. It is easy to figure that Mr. Hockley has grounds for his fears. He knows what a powerful campaigner Mr. Sibley has proved himself to be in the past. The blow dealt the "Boxers" at Bradford is felt with great force in this county.

### MR. SIBLEY'S BOMB.

Mr. Sibley dropped a shell into the enemy's camp in Cameron county when he declared at the Bradford meeting the reasons for the Driftwood Gazette's support of Emery. Cameron is the smallest in the State in point of population. There are about 1,600 voters. The Driftwood paper circulated among a good portion of them. The news of Sibley's declaration spread like a forest fire. In every portion of the county it is now felt that all the nice things the Driftwood Gazette has been saying about Mr. Emery went in at so much a line, though to the reader they had the appearance of coming straight from the heart of Editor Johnston.

The Johnston letter is the talk of the county and the writer happened on to another end of the story. L. Taggart, once honored by the Republicans of the county with a seat in the legislature, is the man who arranged for the two columns of Emery matter in the Driftwood Gazette. He was not the happiest man in the county when he read the Johnston letter in the Commercial Gazette. The Sibleyites have been having fun with him ever since.

Mr. Taggart tells an interesting story, although it may be that he omits some details which might add to the interest. When Johnston was looking around for a chance to use his paper to a financial advantage in this congressional contest, he wrote a letter to Mr. Sibley and said he would send a similar one to Mr. Emery. Rates were quoted at which certain space might be "rented." Now for Mr. Taggart's story.

### ADMITS THE DEAL.

"I made the deal with Johnston," said Mr. Taggart, an Emporium merchant, and one of the few men claiming allegiance to the Republican party who is supporting Emery. "I received a letter from Mr. Emery some time ago in which he stated that he was willing to pay all necessary expenses of the campaign," continued Mr. Taggart. "Afterward I contracted for two columns each week until the November election in the Driftwood Gazette. The matter to fill the space was to be furnished by me and was to be run unless the editor considered it objectionable. There was no understanding about the control of the editorial expressions. Of course I calculated that there would be nothing unfriendly to Emery, inasmuch as I was paying a good rate for space."

Chairman Hockley of the Democratic committee is satisfied that the publicity given the Johnston letter ruins the influence of the Driftwood Gazette in this campaign. He said it had a fair circulation, and might have done Emery some good.

The Republicans held their county convention here Tuesday. A resolution indorsing Sibley and condemning Emery was adopted unanimously. Thad. F. Moore, of Emporium, was named for assemblyman. He was placed in nomination by Harry H. Mullin, who had been a prominent candidate, and stepped aside for the sake of harmony. The resolution committee was presided over by Josiah Howard, who was the leader of the faction opposed to Mullin. Thus was the entire Republican family in Cameron



## ALL THAT REMAINS

Is the "Supreme selfishness" plank. The others, his own weight has broken and the voters will demolish this one on election day.

brought together and united for victory in November.

### THE CHAIRMAN'S ETTIMATE

B. W. Green is the Republican county chairman. He has been indorsed by his party for the appointment of supreme court justice to succeed the late Judge Henry Green. Cameron county wants to see him honored, but realizes that the Republicans must do their duty this fall if they hope to secure this recognition.

Chairman Green says that the county will be carried by Sibley and the entire Republican ticket. The majority will be good. He says that with the perfect harmony that now exists in the county success is assured. It is simply now a question of the amount of lead the Republicans will have. The chairman finds considerable dissatisfaction among the Democrats. They do not trust Emery. There is plenty of reason for their fears. Mr. Taggart says he has it from Emery that he will vote for McKinley and Roosevelt, regardless of the fact that his candidacy was made possible by the Democracy. Mr. Taggart says, however, that any Republican who may vote for Emery will not cut the candidate for assemblyman.

Josiah Howard has large timber interests in the county. He thinks that Cameron would make a great mistake if she failed to assist in returning Mr. Sibley to Congress. He has no fears that she will err. The majority for the Republican candidate is figured at 250 by him. He thinks the balance of the ticket will keep pace with the congressional nominee.

### Notes and News.

Of course you will attend the fair next week.

The agriculture exhibit at the fair will be unusually fine.

See the Perry pictures at the fair. The display will include some choice bits of art.

The ladies of the Chamber of Commerce will meet in City Hall, Friday the 28th. Mrs. I. K. HOCKLEY, Sec'y.

Mr. Emery is the Democratic candidate for Congress in this county, but the Boxers would not trust the old Democratic organ, the Independent, whose editor has given thousands of dollars worth of labor and material for the cause, but squandered \$300 or \$400 for a private organ. Reformers! God save the Queen, close up the churches, and burn the school houses.

The Boxers, composed of a few political soreheads, one or two honest but misguided Republicans and a half score of Democrats who imagine they hold a mortgage on the county of Cameron, and carry the voters in their vest pockets, will realize, when they get the rats out of their bellies, that the voters of this county are fully competent to do their own thinking and voting and propose being on deck when the whistles blows on Nov. 6th.

### Thanks.

We take this method of thanking our neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the sickness and death of our dear baby.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN PIPER.

## Emporium Independent Editor's High Regard for Mr. Sibley.

"No man of standing will sustain a small fry politician very long. Mr. Sibley's record in congress stands out above almost any other member of that body as the champion of the people's rights. He supported by speech and vote every measure that he knew was the demand of the common people. He is the especial representative of our old soldiers in fighting for every measure that permitted more liberality at the hands of the government. He may be said to be constantly paying pensions out of his own pockets, not as an annuity, but as temporary relief, and when our late soldier boys went to the front, Mr. Sibley, out of his great generosity and sympathy, went down into his pocket and contributed to the comfort of the boys even while in camp. When in congress he donated every cent of his congressional salary to the advancement of Agriculture in his district and to the labor organizations."

### "Stand by the Boy."

"Father, if you knew the effect the action of your party has on the situation here, I am sure you would never vote to haul down the flag."

That appeal was contained in a letter which an old man, a life-long Democrat, living in an Illinois town, received from his son who is a soldier in the Philippines. On his way home from the postoffice he met a neighbor, a Republican. The letter, which naturally he had opened at once, was still in his hand. He read to the neighbor, what his son had written. Then he said:

"For forty years I have voted a Democratic ticket, but I'll stand by the boy this year. You can place my name on your McKinley club roll."

There is a motto for loyal Americans! "Stand by the boy"—the boy who is fighting under the country's flag in our distant new possessions, whether he be your boy or your neighbor's boy, or simply one of the multitude of patriotic American boys who are personally unknown to you, but whom you know is ever ready to uphold the nation's honor and her flag. Let Bryan and Altgeld, and Atkinson, and Tillman, and Croker, and others of the heterogeneous horde of demagogues, cranks and hungry seekers after personal advantage stand by Aguinaldo and his band of outlaws, but do you "stand by the boy."—Albany Journal.

### Great Attraction.

Remember that Dr. Lincoln Hully, will be present at Teachers' Institute Monday evening, Oct. 15th. Be sure you hear this popular gentleman.

## Where the Money Goes.

Money is used in elections. Voters are bought, but the cases are comparatively few in which a voter is paid money to support the nominee of his own party. This is only done in cases in which money is used to coax voters from their party. Then it may be that money is used to hold voters who have no honor to hold them.

Nine-tenths of the corrupt use of money in elections is for the purpose of getting men away from their party allegiance by the opposition, or by an independent rascal who poses in the character of a reformer or purifier. A better illustration could not be had than that of Sibley and Emery. No reason is needed to induce a Republican to vote for Sibley. That is the natural and honest thing to do, for the reason that he is the nominee of the Republican party. There is no need to hire a Democrat to vote for Sibley, for at least one half of them ought to do so, even if Emery were as good a man for the place, because the Democrats have no one of their own party to vote for and would naturally vote for Sibley, who is an avowed Republican, rather than for Emery, who never is neither a Republican nor a Democrat. Sibley has always been at least on one side, and the public knew what that side was. Emery has never been on any side, but has sat astride of the top rider of the fence all his life, politically, despised by both sides. When men are bought it is always to do a mean thing. Not one of the eleven disciples ever got a farthing for following Christ to the bitter end. The only money which greased the palm of one of them was that which paid Judas for his betrayal. Whether the thirty pieces which put the Saviour on the cross were given by Herod alone, or subscribed by the scribes, Pharisees and hypocrites, or sent in response to begging circulars with blank receipts sent out to Gallilee, Jericho and Genesee, is immaterial. That they were to corrupt a man from his duty to his God is just as evident as that the money now pouring into the Emery jack pot is to be used to buy men to do that which they would not do without being bought. Now, as in the old times, money used to influence public action is nearly always the price of the betrayal of a trust. From the nature of things it cannot be otherwise.—Warren Mirror.

### Wedded.

Mr. Omer R. McCool, of Driftwood, and Miss Flora A. Swartz, of Sinnamahoning, came to Emporium last week, Monday and were made one. The happy couple returned to Sinnamahoning on 3:20 train same day, where the groom is engaged in business. The Press wishes the young couple much happiness.

## Fusion Hopeless.

Senator Emery's Bradford Record, April 9, 1900.

The result of Saturday's Republican primaries emphasizes the futility of the insurgent movement in McKean county. The returns give no hope of future power to the men who sought to disrupt the party organization. It is well. There is no doubt in the mind of anyone now as to the position of the Republican party in McKean county.

## OUR COUNTY TICKET.

The political battle is now in Cameron county; both of the great political parties have nominated their ticket and adopted a platform of principles upon which each candidate must stand. One sustains our noble good President who has met and mastered the greatest questions that have confronted any President since the days of the immortal Lincoln; the other espouses the cause of the party that would tear down the flag; one favors a continuance of prosperity; the other would foist upon the people a depreciated currency and clog the wheels of the factory and work shop and again install in their place the smokeless factory and the soup houses. The candidates elected must represent one or the other. Which will ye choose?

The Republicans present for member of Assembly Mr. Thaddeus F. Moore, an industrious, hard working lumberman. Mr. Moore is a native of this county and the first gentleman ever nominated for this exalted position by either party who belongs to Cameron county. Left at an early age to take the place of father over a large family of boys and girls he accepted the duty without a murmur and diligently set to work, where his soldier father, diseased from the hardships endured during the rebellion had passed away and left undone. By his energy and perseverance he has seen the large family grow up to usefulness, while he has become one of the most reliable jobbers in this state. He is well fitted by coming in contact with the business world to represent the whole people and when elected will represent with dignity the laborer, manufacturer, farmer and business man. Mr. Moore has served in many important positions, always receiving a flattering support from the people. For several years he served with credit as collector of taxes and is now serving as one of the school directors of Emporium borough. We bespeak for him the united support of every Republican—just as loyally as you will support William McKinley, whose principles he stands for. He has a right to expect it and all conscientious Republicans who believe in the principles of their party have no moral right to deny it. See that T. F. Moore is elected.

Mr. C. Jay Goodnough who has been nominated for the responsible position of Prothonotary, &c., for the third term, has so acceptably met the wishes of the people that he will have no opposition—the democratic convention having endorsed his nomination, which no doubt is pleasing to Mr. Goodnough.

Dr. Albra W. Baker, for Coroner, who is one of our prominent physicians, will be elected without doubt. David S. Logue for Jury Commissioner, who of course will be elected, has served one term very acceptably. Jas. P. McNarney for District Attorney, will have no opposition. Mr. McNarney has served in that position several terms in the past with credit. He is a careful lawyer and will guard well the interests of the Commonwealth.

Vote the entire Republican ticket.

## A GOOD SCARE.

CLOSE CALL FOR C. B. HOWARD & CO.'S MILL.

This (Friday) evening at 6:30 the gas fire alarm, as well as all the whistles in town, aroused our citizens as they were never aroused before. A spark from the smoke stack at C. B. Howard & Company's mill ignited the dry dust on the outside of the water tower and in less than a minute the flames shot up the stand-pipe and wooden tower like a flash. The flames could be seen from all sections of the town. Realizing that a serious conflagration was imminent everybody rushed to the scene to assist the fire companies. It seems that never did our fire companies get to a blaze with such speed; in fact, they fairly flew. The flames had spread to the planing mill, but were soon extinguished. Five streams of water, including the mill steam pump, soon got the fire under control and saved the valuable plant and mill yard from destruction. Had the fire started later at night there would now be no such important industry in Emporium, for there appeared to be no water pressure to speak of, and had it not been for the steam pump, provided by Mr. Auchu, it is questionable whether the fire could have been controlled in time to save the mill. When the danger was over our citizens, one and all, took a good, long breath. It was a fortunate escape for Emporium, for, had the mill been destroyed, it is doubtful if it would have been rebuilt at this place, but at the mouth of Cook's Run, near the timber lands.

### ANOTHER BLAZE.

At 11:30 p. m., following the above fire, another alarm was sounded which soon drew out a large crowd and the entire fire department. This time it was the ice house of M. A. Rockwell, having caught from the burning of waste paper nearby and, is thought, smoldered for a day or so before breaking out. The loss is slight beyond the cost of erecting a new ice house. Had a wind been blowing, with the present scarcity of water, the entire block of buildings would have been wiped out, and possibly the whole business portion of Emporium. This is a timely warning to refuse burners.

### APOLOGY.

It is with regret that the PRESS appears two days late. Our paper supply, shipped last Friday, went astray and no amount of telegraphing by Mr. Gallagher, the obliging freight agent at this place, could locate the invoice. It is very annoying and appears to be pure carelessness. The idea that it should require seven or eight days to come 200 miles. We have not been in prayer meeting condition for two days and hardly expect to be for several days, with work piled up and still coming. We have fixed the difficulty and hope it will not occur in the future.

### Big Gas Well.

A big gas well was struck near DuBois on Saturday last, at a depth of 3000 feet. It is estimated by experts as good for 3,000,000 feet every 24 hours.

### More Test Wells.

Pardee & Company have decided to test their lands, located in Lumber township, for oil or gas. Machinery has been ordered and within a few days operations will commence on Sterling Run, near the old "sawdust pile."

### NOTICE!

On and after this 27th day of Sept. 1900, I will conduct my shoe business on a strictly cash basis and will sell for cash only, at greatly reduced prices. Being myself a practical shoemaker of over 25 years experience I will give the public the benefit of the same, and invite everyone in need of footwear to call and examine my goods and prices. Thanking all for past favors I will endeavor to merit a continuance of the same.

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JOS. LECHNER.

### That's How the Boys Talk Now.

The Pittsburg Commercial correspondent interviewed County Treasurer Chas. M. Thomas and sends this to that sterling Republican journal:

"There has been a growing sentiment here within the last week in favor of Sibley," said Mr. Thomas. "I have not made up my mind exactly how I will vote, but I suppose I will be regular. I have always found that when a Republican gets into the booth he nine times out of ten puts a cross at the head of the column, although he might have been determined to do a little slashing when he stood at the rail. There are perhaps dozens of Republicans who will do just as I have indicated. We have nothing against Sibley, save that he fought us two years ago. When he stood up in congress and announced his conversion to Republicanism we applauded. Now that he is our candidate it takes a little time for some of us to forget the past, but as the campaign livens changes may come."

### The Coming Fair.

Beginning Wednesday, Oct. 3d, and continuing for three days, a fair will be conducted under the auspices of the ladies of the First M. E. Church, in the Opera House. The several departments of art, fancy work, house furnishings and agriculture will be replete with articles of interest and value to the purchasers. Contributions from home and abroad have been made and an array of articles useful and beautiful will be seen that will excite admiration and be a source of real pleasure to the visitor. Ice cream will be for sale each day. A quick lunch can be had at any time for 10 cents. Thursday evening a substantial supper will be served for 25 cents. Music in attendance. Come all, come often, but come next week—Fair Week.

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