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THE FARMERS FOR BLACK.

Without regard to past party affiliations, there is a very friendly feeling for Lt.-Gov. Black among the agriculturists of the State. Like his illustrious father, who was a plough-boy in his youth, and tilled the soil to his latest day, Chauncey F. Black has close sympathy with the farming interests of the State; and it is not surprising, though very significant, that an entirely independent agricultural journal, like the Meadville Herald, should speak in such terms of the Democratic nominee for governor.

"The Democrats have nominated a man for Governor who stands out so prominently as the advocate of the things which are so closely identified with the farmers' welfare that we deem it our duty to call their special attention to them. First, the farmers want an honest tax law; one that will place the burdens of taxation more equally upon the property protected by government. The other is a law to enforce the law to enforce the 17th article of the people's constitution. The people are ground to the dust because in violation of the constitution we pay exorbitant freight for what we both sell or buy.

"Governor Black has explained his position on these questions so often that every farmer or mechanic in the State knows where he stands. He will be as he always has been, the friend of the people. No monopoly or corporator can persuade him to desert the people of the State. He is in himself a sufficient platform, and no pledge made by the Convention was necessary.

"No man in Pennsylvania, save perhaps his father, has said and done so much as Chauncey F. Black to induce the people to elect a legislator, when elected, to pass an honest tax bill and an uncompromising railroad bill to enforce the letter of the 16th and 17th articles of the Constitution. No truer or abler friend of the people's constitution can be found in the Commonwealth. He stands on these questions above party, and is a firm friend of and believer in the people."

Chauncey F. Black should be the idol of every honest man.

Some fellows who want an excuse for going back on the Democratic party try to gull voters with the cry that this side was entitled to the Prothonotary. We simply say there is nothing in that, as both the late Prothonotaries were from this side—J. C. Harper belonged over here and so did Mr. Brett; hence if there is such a thing as changing about, the other side had the claim. But, we don't believe in the locality business—the offices belong to the best and most competent men irrespective of locality. According to the "locality" idea the most unfit man should be nominated if the locality offered or had no better. How absurd!

No workingman can consistently vote against Black—he is the advocate of the workingman's interests.

The Clinton county Democracy held their convention on Tuesday of last week. The principal interest being centered in the Senatorial contest, T. C. Hipple was nominated over S. W. Caldwell by a majority of nine delegates. S. R. Peale was endorsed for Congress without opposition. John U. Shaffer, editor of the Renovo Record, was nominated for Assembly and for Associate Judges James W. Crawford and H. L. Duffenback were named. The nomination of F. J. David for County Surveyor completed the ticket.

No farmer can vote against Black without making a thrust at one who is his champion and best friend.

George M. Boal for Prothonotary is the way the Repub's set up one of their pretty good fellows to be knocked out by a much better one, Lew Shaffer. Mr. Boal is from Potter, and is a good sort of a fellow—and we don't want to lie about George, (a thing we never do,) for fear of doing him a little harm, nor is it well for us to tell the truth for fear of doing still greater harm, to one who is going under any way.

There will be an earthquake in Pennsylvania, November next—some will be badly shaken up.

Blaine, in one of his recent campaign speeches, said St. John, the Prohibition leader, is on the Democratic; pay roll. He evidently is whooping it up pretty lively for the Republicans in Maine while the Democrats are lying low to rake in the spoils.

Charley Wolf is nightly addressing large audiences in the western part of the state on prohibition.

MILLIONS OF REPUBLICAN OFFICIAL DEFALCATIONS EXPOSED.

Opening of the Books.—The Democratic party, through its press and by its speakers, has declared for the past ten years publicly that if it could turn the rascals out and get at the books it could demonstrate that the Republican party in its long lease of power, had through its various officers by defalcation in collections and disbursements, stolen millions of the people's money. Mr. Tilden, in 1876, claimed the amount to be over five million dollars. The amount will reach twenty millions of dollars, or more.

Under a resolution of the Democratic House, passed January 28, and which was called up again July 27 by Hon. Benton McMillan, of Tennessee, just previous to the adjournment of the first session of the Forty-ninth Congress, the Acting Secretary of the Treasury transmitted in a letter to the House of Representatives, "Executive Document No. 363 Forty-ninth Congress, First Session," in which it is shown officially that the balances now due the Government on account of defalcations in disbursements and collections since 1861 is \$12,893,476.48. In this document each delinquent is named, and the exact amount due the Government stated. This does not include the overhauling of the accounts of the Postoffice Department, of which the Honorable Sixth Auditor reported to the Secretary of the Treasury in a letter, March 10, as follows: "You are aware that this office adjusts the accounts of over half the officers and the employees of the Government in the civil branches of the service, as shown by volume 2 of the biennial official register, the amount involved—\$185,000,000 last year—requiring accounts with over 65,000 receiving and disbursing officers, who employ or supervise and pay an army of employees.

The foregoing statement and the table which is hereafter inserted, does not include shortage, as has been said, in the Sixth Auditor's office, which has charge of the vast expenditures of the Postoffice Department. It was there that Dorsey, Brady and the Star Route thieves figured. Nor does it include the shortage in the Third Auditor's office, which embraces the expenditures of the War Department, where Howgate, Hodges and other kindred spirits had their way, nor does it include the shortage in the Fourth Auditor's office, which has charge of the expenditures in the Navy Department, where the Robeson gang paid more for the repair of old ships than they originally cost, and had no ships left.

The records will show that since the Democratic Administration took hold, as is heretofore shown in the report of the First Comptroller of the Treasury, an earnest effort is being made to collect all of these balances, and with much greater success than could have been anticipated, owing to the long lapse of time.

This is simply a partial peep into the books. The short time that the Democratic Administration has been in power rendered it impossible at this time to give a full exposure of all the delinquencies and defalcations of the Republican officeholders who were not prosecuted for their robbery and plunder, but kept in power by the Republican party.

The branches of the service in which these defalcations occurred are shown by the following table—and the figures are official:

Customs disbursements	\$ 192,194.38
Internal Revenue disbursements	35,969.09
Diplomatic disbursements	724,561.49
Treasury disbursements	5,692,424.05
Judiciary	800,064.52
Interior, civil disbursements	338,080.15
Receipts for customs	375,266.29
Receipts for internal revenue	3,424,571.59
Receipts for sale of public lands	274,503.34
Receipts for internal revenue stamps	321,177.61
Receipts for customs office emoluments	28,806.72
Receipts for miscellaneous sources	158,173.38
Receipts for captured and abandoned property	527,685.76
Total since 1861	\$12,893,476.48

Gen. Beaver as a candidate is a chestnut.

Base-ball and picnics seem to be carrying the day just now. Where there were one and two picnics twenty years ago, there are almost a dozen now and some folks attend them all. We have the Sunday school picnic, the church picnic, the family picnic, the brass-band picnic, the young folks picnic, day-cool picnic, grangers picnic, the free-to-all picnic, the snobs picnic, and other picnics of all sorts of names. There is getting to be too much of the good thing, and there is danger of a neglect of important duties and discommoding of somebody in consequence of all this rage for base-ball and picnics. Still, this is a free country, and it may be better to have a picnic than a funeral, yet some funerals result from an overdose of picnic. We are simply now alluding to an over-doing of this kind of pleasure, for we enjoy a picnic too once in a while.

THE BULGARIAN SITUATION.

Russia and England are in the position of the two bullies at the country inn, each of whom had announced his intention to whip the other on sight.

When there was a chance of their meeting the one who first saw his enemy cried out to the bystanders: "Hold me, or somebody will be hurt." Unfortunately for these powers in this case Bismarck and the other on-lookers seem most perversely to mistake the real belligerents and are pretending to hold Prince Alexander with all their might. Alexander refuses to be held. There is no reason why he should decline a throne to prevent the Russians and the English from fighting each other. The Car can scarcely expect that he should manifest a self-sacrificing spirit in this affair. His abduction, so clearly prompted by Russia, was without excuse. If it was not why should Russia be so desirous that the abductors should escape punishment or so loud in condemning England for prompting Alexander's return to Bulgaria? At the same time England is unwilling to fight Russia as Russia is unwilling to fight England and each seems to be begging Germany to hold the other. In the present condition of affairs war is possible at any moment. An accident may precipitate it, and, indeed, only an accident can avert it. Because there is really nothing to fight about the situation is all the more delicate. While the bluster lasts war will not be declared, but if blood should be drawn, even without a purpose of provoking hostilities, the clash of arms must follow. In that case England can scarcely refuse to back Bulgaria against the power of Russia.

The Elk county Democrats endorsed J. K. P. Hall for congress. Mr. Hall was Elk county's choice two years ago, and had the nomination from a portion of the conference, but was prevailed upon to make way for Curtin.

THE REPUB'S CONVENTION.

The Republican county convention met in Bellefonte on Tuesday afternoon. The crowd was small yet there was much hugging and tugging for empty honors. It's all souper-grapes.

Col. Coburn was elected Chairman of the Convention, with D. S. Keller for Secretary.

John G. Love and G. G. Matern were nominated for Assembly by acclamation.

For Prothonotary the ballot stood G. M. Boal 67, R. T. Williams 21.

For District Attorney G. H. Lichtenhaller was nominated.

For County Surveyor Jesse Cline was nominated.

Col. Jas. P. Coburn, of Aaronsburg, was nominated for Congress, by acclamation.

The ticket won't take, there is "such terrible dissatisfaction and kicking" among the defeated ones, that many think a little earthquake shock is all that is needed to shake the Republican party out of its boots.

In nominating Col. Coburn for Congress the Republicans gave one of its old war horses a deserved compliment. He would look well enough in Curtin's seat, but—if well, yes, you know what we mean.

VOICE RESTORED BY ELECTRICITY.

Huntingdon, Pa., Aug. 30.—Samuel S. Harrison, a leading citizen of Penfield, Huntingdon township, has within the past week recovered his voice, of which he has been deprived for 19 years. He lost his voice by going into the water when his blood was over-heated. About three years ago he sustained a severe injury to his arm, and since then has suffered intense pain in that member. A relief from this pain he found in taking a bath, as he terms it, by placing his hand on a large belt in his mill. The other evening he again resorted to the belt for relief and, experiencing a greater shock than before, he was agreeably astonished to find that his voice had returned. He attributes its recovery solely to the electric shock produced by the revolving belt.

BEAVER AT HOME.

Gen. Beaver got home from his California trip on Tuesday evening, and was given a reception by his friends, and who attended the County convention were held over for the occasion. A meeting was organized and an address of welcome delivered by J. G. Love, to which the General responded. Col. Norris also made a speech.

Powers & Son Bellefonte, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Powers, Sr., will continue to manufacture at the old stand, while Mr. Ed Powers will carry on in the old quarters, and always have first-class stock at prices lower than the lowest in boots and shoes.

LATE NEWS.

Mrs. Eli Sifer died at Lewisburg, on morning of 7.

At noon, on Tuesday, Charleston had a slight shock again.

Earthquake shocks were felt in many southern cities, on Tuesday, 7.

The Democrats made a clean sweep in Arkansas on Tuesday.

When you are in Bellefonte, call at the Logan Machine works and see the Little Giant Fence Machine, price \$10!

A DEMOCRAT SPEAKS.

Ed. Reporter.—It occurred to my mind that the Democrats of the county could give material aid in carrying on the canvass, encouraging the voters, and in firing up their political enthusiasm by writing encouraging articles for the papers and thus, to some extent lift some of the burden off the shoulders of the Editorial fraternity. Being actuated by this impulse, I take the initiatory step in that direction and hope other Democrats throughout the county, who feel interested in the success of our party, will also "rise up and speak."

There never was a campaign, neither a Democratic nor Republican one, that somebody was not dissatisfied with the nominations, not so much because of the disqualifications of the successful candidate, but because of some personal grudge—or because their choice was defeated—and after the defeated candidate himself threatened vengeance to the party on account of his defeat. "Woe! woe! to my party!" he would say, "I will annihilate it, not a vestige of it shall be left; I will tear it up root and branch; I will scatter it to the four winds." Thus he soliloquizes as he homeward plods in the sad hour of his disappointment. But when he rises up the morning after the election and finds the entire ticket elected by an increased majority, he wonders "Who fretted last night."

We know, when a person has announced himself as a candidate for office, he wants it, and when he has received the encouragement of his friends and begins to build "castles in the air" believing that his election is sure, and that he, and not another, should receive that nomination, and then (after the nomination is made he discovers that the other fellow "got there." It is any thing but a pleasant picture for the defeated candidate to contemplate. (We know how it is ourselves, we've been there.) But is that any reason why he should "kick"? It is a general principle that the minority should submit to the majority, and it is one of the Rules that govern our party that the delegates and candidates stand pledged to support the successful nominees whoever they be.

When the Democratic party came into power, the cry of the Republicans was, "Hard times! hard times! Prostration of business! Our country is going to the dogs, &c., &c." But in the face of all this there never was a time, at least in the recollection of the writer, that the prospect for good times was any brighter than at present. Take our own county as a criterion; furnaces are going up, railroads are being built, all the ore lands in the county are gobbled up, thousands of miners are at work putting in full time and making good wages, nobody need be idle that desires to work. It has been discovered that the sun rises and sets the same under a Democratic as under a Republican administration. The confidence in our purely Jeffersonian Democratic principles is being more firmly rooted every day, hence this great stir in the business world. And now let me ask, why do you want to change back to the Republican rule? There is no surer way to do this in Centre county than to oppose our own ticket and thereby encourage the Republicans. They are a wily, cunning, crafty set of fellows and will do every thing in their power to sow discord in our ranks, thereby hoping to carry off the prizes. Especially is this the case at the present time. They never were more hopeful, more confident that they will carry off at least a few of the prizes this fall, than at present—in fact they boast of it, boldly asserting that such will be the case. Already methinks I can see Feidler's big, red Shanghai rooster with open mouth mutely crowing, victory! victory! No, no, fellow Democrats, none of this in ours. It will never do to let the Republicans get away with us in our county. Remember, that it was under Democratic and not under Republican rule that our county debt of nearly one hundred thousand dollars has been entirely wiped out and that in the short space of about four years. No, no, there never was a better opportunity for the Democrats of our county to forever dispel from the minds of the Republicans the hope of success. Fellow Democrats let us "sit down" on them; let us roll them out as flat as a pancake. Let us make them think the car of Juggernaut rolled over them, so that in the morning after the election, when the defeated Republican candidates meet they will inquire of each other, "Did the lightning strike you too?"

Now, fellow Democrats, we can do it, if we but do our duty we can crush them so badly, that they will not again rally with as much assurance as they now have, for the next twenty years.

Let us "whoop 'er up" boys. Patrick Henry said in his memorable speech before the continental congress, "The battle is not to the strong alone, but to the right man, the active, the brave." Then let us be vigilant and active. We have a ticket in the field that no true Democrat need be ashamed to give it his most hearty support, and if we but do our duty our efforts will be crowned with success. We need not get out the vote and we are good for one thousand majority. No "French furloughs" please; no true and tried Democrat should for a moment harbor such an idea. Set aside personal grievances. No one person is greater than his party; let us avoid factional controversy. It will certainly prove fatal to our party if we persist in it. But good Lordy I have made this article longer than I intended to, so will leave the floor for the

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Unionville, Sept. 3, 86.

COAL DISCOVERED IN LYCOMING COUNTY.

Williamsport, September 5.—J. C. Holmes, while digging a well on his place about two miles from this city, struck a vein of coal about three feet in thickness. Appearances indicate that it is the extreme outcropping of a large vein.

THIEVES MAKE A HAUL.

Milton, Sept. 5.—Yesterday morning burglars gained admittance to the residence of P. L. Hackenberg, of this place. They entered the sleeping apartment, chloroformed Mr. Hackenberg and his wife, stole a \$500 watch, \$100, safe keys, and other valuables. Mr. Hackenberg regained consciousness just as one of the burglars was retreating through the window and fired, but missed him.

THE VERDICT UNANIMOUS.

W. D. Sult, druggist, Bippus, Ind. testifies: "I can recommend Electric Bitters as the very best remedy. Every bottle sold has given relief in every case. One man took six bottles, and was cured of Rheumatism of 10 years standing." Abraham Hare, druggist, Belleville, Ohio, affirms: "The best selling medicine I have ever handled in my 29 years experience, is Electric Bitters." Thousands of others have added their testimony, so that the verdict is unanimous that Electric Bitters cure all diseases of Liver, Kidneys or Blood. Only half a dollar a bottle at all drug stores.

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To clear stock for this season, I will sell my stock of Canaries, Red birds and Goldfinches at almost cost. This is a good opportunity to secure a fine singer at a small cost. J. D. MURRAY.

Nicholas Zelders, of Ploutz Valley, Perry county, while walking in his bare feet recently, was bitten three times by a copperhead snake and is in a critical condition.

The secret of successful advertising is to tell the truth. When we say that Drey-doppel's Borax Soap is the best and cheapest soap you can use for all purposes, it is a plain statement of fact, and the best way for you to satisfy yourself is to try a pound.

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We have been shown an herb by Mr. Nicholas Hertzler, of Allentown, known to many under the name of "Queen of Meadows," which he claims contains valuable properties as a preventative for hog cholera. His manner of using it is to make a strong decoction or tea of its leaves and stems, and feed the same to the sows, in the proportion of a glassful to five hogs some half dozen times a month. Mr. Hertzler is positive in his assertions as to its good qualities, and points to our farmer friends who have been afflicted with this malady might do well to try this simple remedy.—Huntingdon Local News.

It would be well for some of our Ferguson township readers to give this a trial.

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