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Amid all this fuss Dan Hastings is lying low and in the swim at Atlantic city, trying to watch the current.

Cameron is for Blaine, Quay is for Blaine, which means the entire Pennsylvania machine is for Blaine,—now we would like to know who is for Harrison?

We have accounts from all parts of the country of great suffering on account of the heat, damage by heavy rains and lightning, and deaths from sunstroke.

The strongest point in favor of President Harrison is the fact that he never makes a mistake, says a Republican exchange.

Well, that is not quite so blaine to the party leaders.

Judge Orvis' resolutions for a change in the representation of counties in the congressional, senatorial and judicial conferences, adopted by our convention on Tuesday, are sound and just, and withal Democratic. Each county should be represented on the basis of its Democratic vote.

Governor Pattison has demanded of Secretary of the Treasurer Foster that experts be employed to examine the books of the broken Keystone bank in order that the state may be able to recover the money due it through Bardsley's defalcations, if that money can be secured. The governor is right. Secretary Foster has granted the request.

The bill introduced into Kansas City Common Council, which provides that every drinker living within the city limit must purchase a license from the city, to vary in cost from \$20 to \$50, according to the expensiveness of the liquor which the purchaser drinks, is probably the most unique thing in the way of proposed legislation which has yet emanated from the wild and woolly West.

The Watchman speaks in favor of a constitutional convention. Most papers are a little inclined the other way, mainly for the reason, that under the present condition of politics it is feared by the honest press of all parties the bosses might get control of the convention and make that which needs amendment in the present constitution far worse. This is one of the reasons why the REPUBLICAN doubts the wisdom of the move at present.

The Protectionist organs would have us thank Mr. McKinley for the big crops. But Heaven sent the crops; all that McKinley did was to increase the tax on the farmer's plow, hoe, harrow, seeder, reaper, and every other implement, convenience or necessity with which he was obliged to supply himself when he was putting the crop in the ground or harvesting it afterward. Oh, yes! the farmer will thank McKinley; but he will probably put it off till November.

The total wealth of the United States is now said to be more than seventy one thousand millions of dollars or an increase of about forty two per cent. in ten years. This exceeds England's wealth by about twenty-one millions of dollars, and amounts to about twice the wealth of France. Nor are we so highly taxed as the English, who are compelled to pay an average per capita tax of twenty dollars, while we pay but twelve dollars and a half. If these figures are correct, our wealth, if equally divided among our entire population, would give about one thousand dollars to every man, woman, and child in the country. Who wants to divy?

The platform adopted by the People's State convention of Ohio has very few good features, and a number that are radical, nonsensical or revolutionary. A demand is made for the issue of treasury notes to be loaned to the people "on real estate or other ample security" at 2 per cent. This would make the government a banking shop. Another demand is that the government shall conduct the importation, manufacture and sale of liquor at cost. This would make government the greatest saloonkeeper in the world. Then it is demanded the government shall own all means of transportation and communication between the people. Supposing all this done, with the hundreds of thousands of officials and employees necessary, and administration in the enjoyment of the power could never be turned out. The republic would be changed to a despotism and the People's party would be the first to rebel. These propositions are as far away from the American idea of government as it is possible to get.

## Democratic Convention.

The Democratic county convention met in the court house, at Bellefonte, on Tuesday, at 12 o'clock noon. About eighty delegates out of the 105 to which the various precincts of the county are entitled, were present. The convention was called to order by Chairman of the Co. Com., L. A. Schaeffer, and the roll call of delegates made.

The convention organized by electing the following officers: President, John Blanchard, Esq., of Bellefonte, unanimously, and on taking the chair delivered a brief but appropriate address. Secretary, J. C. Noll. Tellers, A. D. Everts, of Worth township, and James Swab, of Harris twp.

The delegates present were as follows:

### LIST OF DELEGATES.

Bellefonte—N. W.—John H. Orvis, John Blanchard, S. P. Gephart, S. W.—Wm. B. Heinle, Frank Waltz, D. F. Fortney, A. S. Garman, W. W.—John L. Dunlap, M. A. Kirk.

Centre Hall—Simon Harper, W. R. Camp, Howard—H. A. Moore.

Milesburg—C. H. Eastington.

Millheim—Wm. A. Tobias, D. L. Zerby, W. K. Alexander.

Phillipsburg 1st W.—N. A. Kemp; 2nd W.—Chas. E. McClintock, F. K. White, John E. Homer; 3rd W.—Frank W. Hess, Wm. Howes.

Unionville—R. E. Cambridge.

Bowser—Henry N. Hoy, H. H. Renner.

Boysy W. P.—Simon Nighart, Louis Aikey, T. F. Adams; E. P.—H. L. Barnhart.

College E. P.—W. M. Mottle; W. P.—Wm. Foster.

Ferguson E. P.—Wm. A. Tanyer, Wm. Smith, Jerry Mowery.

Gregg, S. P.—C. W. Fisher, Wm. Pealer, John Grove, Geo. B. Crawford, N. P.—John S. Hoy, Chas. A. Bachman.

Haines W. P.—Adam Barigas, Geo. W. Keister.

Half Moon—A. C. Thompson.

Harris—James W. Swabb, T. F. Riley, Geo. Ishler.

Howard twp.—Geo. B. Lucas, John Leathers.

Hutton—W. U. Irvin.

Liberty—Jas. I. Delong, W. W. Spangler.

Marion—J. J. Hoy, John Hoy Jr.

Palmer—E. H. Marshall, Ephraim Glenn.

Penn.—Elias E. Smith, Wm. F. Smith, John Bowersox, John H. Storer.

Potter N. P.—Wm. M. Grove, Joshua T. Potter, S. P.—W. G. Runkle, J. B. Fortney, G. L. Goodhart.

Rush S. P.—Wm. Hutton, Jacob M. Clark.

Stone Shoe W. P.—J. H. Holt.

Spring S. P.—Jas. C. Noll, Samuel S. Hazel; N. P.—J. W. Hepburn.

Taylor—J. T. Merryman.

Union—C. H. Egan, J. H. Stover, Jas. Ammerman.

Walker—Henry Bartholomy, Jacob Dunkle, A. G. Kreamer, Samuel Martin.

Worth—O. D. Everts.

The committee appointed to draft resolutions were, W. C. Heinle, J. H. Orvis, John Grove, Dr. White and Jacob Dunkle.

The next thing in order was the nomination of one candidate for Jury Commissioner. The following nominations were made: Perry Condo, G. H. Lyman, George Bower. The roll was called and the first ballot resulted as follows:

Bower	32
Condo	29
Lyman	17

Total number of votes cast, 79; necessary for choice, 40. As the required number of votes for a choice were not cast on first ballot, a second was necessary. Mr. Lyman's name was withdrawn and the second ballot resulted as follows:

Bower	47
Condo	31

The result of the ballot being the nomination of Mr. George Bower, of Haines, the present Jury Commissioner.

Nominations of delegates to the Constitutional Convention: D. F. Fortney nominated E. L. Orvis, and Michael Grove nominated Col. James F. Weaver. The roll call of vote resulted as follows:

Orvis	58
Weaver	18

The nomination of Mr. Orvis was then made unanimous.

For delegates to the State Convention in 1892, nominations and vote were as follows:

C. R. Kurtz	56
John Noll	58
Wm. Pealer	44
W. A. Tobias	44
Pat. McDonnell	44
Dr. White	44
R. McKnight	44
A. Lukenback	44
G. Megaffy	40
T. F. Riley	40

Nominations were made unanimous, viz, Noll, Kurtz, Pealer, McDonnell, and Riley. The other candidates receiving less than forty votes.

Hons. John A. Woodward, W. K. Alexander and J. H. Holt were elected conferees to Constitutional Convention conference.

George Megaffy was elected delegate by acclamation to the Democratic State Convention, 1891.

L. A. Schaeffer on motion of Judge Orvis, was elected chairman of the county committee for 1892.

Mr. Heinle, of the resolution committee read the resolutions, denouncing the corruption of the Republican party, and especially the wholesale robbery as practiced in Philadelphia. Also endorsing the honest and economical administration of Gov. Pattison.

Judge Orvis offered a resolution which proposes a change in the representation of congressional, senatorial and judicial conferences of this district, demanding a representation based upon the votes of the respective counties—one conferee for each 500 Democratic votes cast at the preceding presidential election.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted after an explanation by Mr. Orvis, of the evils arising from the present system, which has caused dead locks and

## party dissatisfaction.

All business of the convention having been transacted a motion of adjournment was made and passed.

## Attempt to Rob the Grave of John B. Packer

An attempt was made Monday to rob the grave of John B. Packer, at Sunbury, with the intention probably of demanding a ransom for the return of the body, if the venture proved successful. Fearing such an attempt, the family of the ex-Congressman placed a guard over the grave, but for some reason the watch was removed on the first of the month. George Myers was walking on the railroad track yesterday, just opposite the cemetery, when he thought he heard a noise that sounded as if picks and shovels were being brought in contact with the earth. He entered the cemetery, and as he did so, the noise ceased, and two men were seen to run from the burying ground and disappear in the darkness. Myers gave the alarm and a number of railroaders, who were working in the vicinity, were soon upon the spot.

Going to the Packer burial plot, they discovered that ghouls had been at work but had not taken more than three feet of earth from the grave.

## Old Lawyers Going Out.

The Bellefonte News alludes to the fact that all the old time lawyers there are going out of practice and being succeeded by younger practitioners. The reason is that the older fellows have all got so rich that they don't have to work for a living any more. But this does not show much love for the profession of the law. The News says that ex-Governor Beaver is now only a figure head in his firm, Hastings hardly ever goes into his office; Spangler's principal business seems to be in the coal regions of Cambria county; and Judge Orvis rolls in the big fees in big cases away from home.

## Arrested for Embezzlement.

William B. Hamilton, late teller of the Houtzdale bank, was arrested on oath of the recent owners of the bank charged with the embezzlement of \$15,000. The trouble originated with the sale of the bank to William H. Dill last May.

## \$198,000 Paid into the Treasury.

The Pennsylvania railroad company, paid into the State treasury \$198,000 as its corporation tax. The total annual taxes paid by this company to the State amount to about \$1,300,000.

## The Democratic county convention on Tuesday did its work well and in the best of harmony.

In proposing Ellis Orvis for delegate to the constitutional convention the district would do well to endorse Centre county's choice. The delegation to the state convention is one of the best that could have been chosen, every one being a true Democrat, and in favor of honest men and honest government.

## Festival.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Evangelical church, will hold a festival in Wolf's park, Centre Hall, on Saturday evening, August 29. All are invited to attend. Proceeds for benefit of the church.

## Mike Condo, the butcher, was un-

der the weather a few days this week, but is able to be about again.

—New clothing, new hats, new furnishing goods, everything new for the coming season is now opened and ready for your inspection at the Philad. Branch, Bellefonte.

## No shelf worn stock is thrust upon customers at A. C. Mingle's shoe store, Bellefonte.

His large trade enables him to constantly keep new goods, and always of the latest styles and at very moderate prices, as all customers admit.

## A full line of spring clothing has been received at the Philad. Branch, Bellefonte, and can be purchased at very low prices.

One of the best cutters is in the employ of Lewins and a perfect fit guaranteed.

## The goods of the Lutheran Bazaar will hereafter be on exhibition in one of the rooms of the church.

The goods are for sale all the time. The goods can be seen on Thursday and Saturday of each week.

## Mrs. W. E. Fischer, Treasurer.

—W. T. Bell, while returning from Lewistown to his home in Dry valley had an adventure the other evening which he will remember for some time. He was driving along the pike between Lewistown and Reedsville when two, rough characters ordered him to halt. Instead of doing so he whipped up his horse and escaped, although several shots were fired after him.

## It is announced that Encke's comet is coming. Let it come, if it intends coming that comet.

## Shot Before Her Lover.

The quiet little town of McVeytown, situated along the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad, twelve miles west of Lewistown, was thrown into a fever of excitement Sunday over the tragic ending of Mary Williams, a beautiful young lady. A party of young men were stopping at the house of Mrs. Wilson, a short distance out of the town, and one of their number was the possessor of a revolver. The young man remarked that the weapon was badly in need of cleaning and handled it in a careless way, after which he laid it on a table.

Mrs. Wilson came into the room prepared to get the noon meal, and spying the revolver on the table, remarked in a jocular way that she had a mind to shoot somebody. She first pointed the weapon at one of the men, then at herself, and lastly at the young girl, who was seated on the door-sill. To the horror of those present the weapon was discharged, the ball striking the girl in the eye and lodged in her brain, causing almost instant death.

The young lady's lover was present at the time of the shooting and his grief over the loss of his sweetheart was pitiful in the extreme. Mrs. Wilson is almost distracted over the awful affair and is now under the care of a physician.

## The Company Store Law to be Tested.

The miners in the Punxsutawney district are preparing to move against the company stores. A meeting was held to consider the Saturday half-holiday and the recently passed Farrell store bill. It was unanimously decided to observe the half-holiday even after the time stipulated by law, which is during the summer months. A resolution was also adopted instructing Miners' agent John D. Davis, to notify the Berwind White Coal Mining Company that on and after August 15th, there must be no deductions from pay for store goods. If the company does not heed the notice, a test of the Farrell law will be made.

## Photographer's Car.

The Pennsylvania management is about to add to its rolling stock a photographer's car with all necessary appliances. The work to be done by this car will be a photographic survey of the country along the line of road, and while picturesque scenes will principally be taken the work will also be of such a character as to be serviceable to the engineering and road department.

## The Jail is Full.

The tramps have recently learned a thing or two concerning Altoona. They have no fears now in riding into town on the through freights as the jail at Holidaysburg is filled to overflowing, and when they are arrested there is no place to lodge them, and they are permitted to go free.

## Grange Meeting.

The Centre County Pomona Grange will meet in the hall of Bald Eagle Grange, on Tuesday, August 18. Business appertaining to the picnic will be transacted, also of the Insurance Co. A full attendance of all members is desired at the meeting and is important that they should be there on the date above designated.

## Serious Dogbite.

Mr. Wm. Snyder, keeper of the toll-gate near the station, was bitten in the end of the thumb, by a pup which he was chasing for chasing a chicken, a few days ago. The bite has caused a very sore hand, and a swelling and pain of the arm up to the shoulder. A few days may tell whether serious consequences will result.

## Prohibitionists will hold a state convention at Harrisburg on the 26th of August next, to nominate candidates for State Treasurer, Auditor General and eighteen delegates-at-large to the proposed constitutional convention.

## Get Registered.

Democrats, do not fail to get registered in time to vote. Remember you must be registered prior to September 1st, or you have not much time to lose. The lists are now hanging at the voting places. Better attend to the matter at once.

## Mill Burned.

The mill of Brinton, Duncan & Barnes, at Phillipsburg, was damaged by fire on Tuesday morning last, to the extent of \$10,000. No certainty as to how the fire originated.

## Death By Drowning.

Wm. L. Mowery, of near Adamsburg, Snyder county, was drowned on the 29th of July, while bathing in Beaver's mill dam. He was a student in the Snyder county Normal school, at Middleburg, and was 19 years of age.

## Veterans' Day.

The Soldiers' Reunion will be held in Grange Park this year, on Friday of the picnic. They will have their own speakers, a parade and Camp fire in the evening.

## BY THE WAY.

The running of steam engines and threshers through the principal streets of a town is a nuisance for which there is seldom an excuse, save the desire on the part of the manipulator to make a display. Few horses will not frighten at these contrivances and the damage that is often done in this way is very considerable. It seems to me that the people who run the traction engines are immensely pleased with their lot, and use pompously that is displayed cannot fail to excite laughter, if not contempt.

There is no cause for running traction engines on Main street. Hoffer street will do just as well and the people will endeavor, in a true religious manner, to deny themselves of the pleasure of seeing them. Children probably will suffer a little, but the older ones will try to stand the sacrifice. Traction engines and the labor-saving threshers which they drag and propel are modern improvements, a fact which no one will deny, but I believe I speak the sentiment of the town when I say the display has been large enough. Besides, "there's law for such things."

Spanking as a means of punishment for children has more merit than it has ever received. Excessive anger draws the blood to the brain and spanking by producing local irritation and congestion acts as a neutralizer drawing the blood down from the brain, reducing the temperature, cooling the anger and quieting nervous excitement. This diagnosis of spanking is based on scientific principles and ought to be of sufficient weight to give the old-fashioned remedy a renewal of popular favor. Civilization will not be complete until we shall reduce corporal punishment to a profession and create the office of Public Spanker.

No one will dispute that Montana journalism is brimful of backbone and originality. The Striking Water Prospector, at home on the banks of "Striking Water," a well known tributary of the upper Missouri, is the name of a new journal just started in that state. It gives promise to outstrip in reality what the Arizona Kicker is in myth. The brave man who will edit this paper or die in the attempt and who, in his salubrious, greets his readers with the terrific words that follow, is Eli Shelby Dilford. He says: "We recognize but one God and are no man's man, and will not be a lackey for no political crossroad charlatan or inborn statesman in Montana, and we are not built on a trucking or brass-collar hypothesis. If there are any heavy-weight or pudding-headed political scrubs in this State who think they can intimidate or bull-doze us by scurrilous remarks or base fabrications—they are bold, brilliant, blooming, meteoric and picturesque liars in every mark of the road." If he can make the blood-thirsty frontiersmen swallow such words as these he should be sent to Congress. I am much afraid however that before he shall have issued many sheets his earthly usefulness will cease to be appreciated and that he will be laid to rest with the epitaph on his stony tomb, "Too Freeb."

## THE WAY THEY DRESS.

"'Twas dark upon the beach that night,  
We'd never met before;  
She sat down promptly by my side,  
And asked me for the score;  
She wore a lovely percale shirt,  
A collar and cravat,  
And on her dainty little head  
There perched a sailor hat.  
We talked of tennis and baseball,  
Till things got very slow,  
And when a cloud obscured the moon,  
I said, 'We'd better go.'

## —Tom Mason in Clock Review.

—Do you want to secure genuine bargains in clothing and gent's furnishing goods? Lewins, at the Philad. Branch, Bellefonte, can save you considerable money.

## —Mr. John Shaffer, of Madisonburg, and Mr. Jesse Wert, of Aaronsburg, dropped in to see the REPUBLICAN Tuesday.

They were on their way to the county seat and stopped off at Centre Hall for dinner.

## —Good shoes, at very low prices can be found at A. C. Mingle's shoe store, Bellefonte, and a very large assortment to select from. He handles no shoddy goods and full return guaranteed.

—To give our readers an idea how plenty and cheap berries are in our section, we note that last week we bought one bushel of black berries at 3 cents per quart. Huckleberries are 4 and 5 cents per quart. Apples can be had by some for the fetching.

## —A traveling band, composed of an entire family discoursed music on our streets last week. They were "busted" and wanted only a few dollars to enable them to arrive at their home. From the quality of music it wonders us not a little that the thudness was thus.

## —Street commissioner Dauberman has appointed D. K. Geiss as assistant.

Mr. Dauberman had sent in his resignation to the council but was not accepted by that body, and he was authorized to appoint an assistant.

## When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.

When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.  
When she became a Miss, she clung to Castoria.  
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## Centre Hall? We have church debts in this borough, (whose chief industries were once said to be that of building churches and laying water pipes) larger probably than good horse sense and sound judgment would have dictated and while I emphatically disown any hope of reward from any insurance company, I propose that England's plan be embraced.

## LOUNGER.

The First Step,

Perhaps you are run down, can't eat, can't sleep, can't think can't do anything to your satisfaction, and you wonder what ails you. You should heed the warning, you are taking the first step into Nervous Prostration. You need a Nerve Tonic and in Electric Bitters you will find the exact remedy for restoring your nervous system to its normal, healthy condition. Surprising results follow the use of this great Nerve Tonic and Alterative. Your appetite returns, good digestion is restored, and the Liver and Kidneys resume healthy action. Try a bottle. Price 50c. at J. D. Murray's Drug Store.

## Subscribe for the Reporter.

—Miss Kate Reesman is housed up with an affection of the lungs.  
—W. W. Royer, one of Centre Hill's most worthy citizens gave us a call.  
—Wit McCormick, of Tyrone, arrived in town on Tuesday evening.  
—The Methodists realized about \$35 with their festival on Saturday evening.  
—Charles Mensch, "devil" of the Middleburg Post, spent Monday in Centre Hall.  
—Chas. Noll, of Bellefonte, spent Monday in town adjusting the various 'phones.

## —Mrs. Wm. Ettinger, of Milton, Pa., is visiting her brother, the editor of the REPORTER.

—Any one wanting those fine \$3.00 cabinets for \$1.00 had better come at once.—Lewins, Centre Hall.  
—Our young friend, Prof. C. R. Neff, has been engaged as teacher of the Millheim grammar school.  
—Aaronsburg has two rival bands—No. 1 and band No. 2. Both claim to be No. 1 on a blow.

## —New Top buggy, never in use, will be sold cheap. Apply to, or address, S. W. Smith, Centre Hall, Pa.

—Will Rankle just received a fine lot of sweet potatoes, at his meat market and is selling them very cheap.  
—Cabinet photo's at Lewins's gallery, Centre Hall, only \$1.00. Remember you may not get another chance.

## —Dr. Funk, of Harrisburg, joined his family Saturday, who were visiting at the residence of Mr. Wm. Wolf.

—Mr. VanPelt, of Ithica, N. Y., father of Garey VanPelt, arrived in town on Wednesday for a visit with his son.  
—Bellefonte is agitated over a stand-pipe for their water works. Well, compromise the matter by taking a "horn."

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