



AMERICAN VOLUNTEER.

CARLISLE:

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1899.

OUR FLAG.

"Now our flag is hung to the wild wind tree, Let it float 'er our father land."

FOR PRESIDENT IN 1840.

MARTIN VAN BUREN, AND AN INDEPENDENT TREASURY.

An Independent Treasury, whose officers responsible to the people, instead of privileged corporations, shall guard the people's money.

COUNTY MEETING.

The Democratic-Republicans of Cumberland County are requested to meet at the Court House in the Borough of Carlisle, on Monday the 12th of August next.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Democratic Republican Standing Committee of Cumberland county, are requested to meet at the public house of Geo. Besten, Esq., in the borough of Carlisle, on Monday the 12th day of August next.

The following named gentlemen compose the Committee, viz:—Carlisle, Col. GEORGE McFEELEY, JOSEPH LOBACH, JOHN IRVING, SHIPPENBURG, CAPT. JACOB HECIC, MECHANISBURG, FREDERICK WUNDERLICH, SOUTHAMPTON, JAMES CHESTNUT, NEWTON, JOHN MILLER, DICKINSON, JOHN MOORE, MORAO, CAREY W. ARL, East Pennsborough, DAVID HUME, Esq., Silver Spring, MARTIN DEXLAF, Esq., Hopewell, ABRAHAM SMITH M. KINNEY, Esq., Millin, JOHN HARPER, Jr., New Cumberland, ROBERT R. CHURCH, S. Middleton, JOHN GOODYEAR, Jr., North Middleton, GEORGE WISE, Esq., Allen, DAVID SHEFFER, West Pennsborough, ABRAHAM GOODHEART, Frankford-WILLIAM P. SWAN, NEVILLE, ROBERT STEUBEL.

A punctual attendance is requested. Three of the Committee. July 25, 1899.

The report of the minority of the committee in the case of Gen. Miller will be found on our first page, and is a triumphant defence of that gentleman from the base attempt made by the federal portion of the Senate against his character and standing in that body.

Election Law.—Some of the most important sections of the new election law will be found in today's paper. By an examination thereof, our readers will perceive that there are several alterations and amendments contained in it, which it would be well for every person interested to study.

From the writhings and contortions of some of the most moral and honest among the laqueys of Charles B. Penrose, since the criticisms upon their toasts, by our correspondents, we are led to the conclusion that they have touched an exceedingly tender place. The cap appears to have fit them admirably—hence the sorenness which they feel when they are forced to wear it.

We have a word to say to those miserable menials of Penrose, who have threatened us with prosecution, personal violence, &c.—and that is to attempt to put your threats in execution if you dare. None but blackguards and ruffians would threaten, and even they would not feel so sore under the castigation they have received, had the truth been told about them.

The Drought.—The crops in some parts of Mississippi are said to be nearly ruined by the drought, no rain of consequence having fallen for three months. Here, in this region, we are blessed with a super-abundance of it, as there has been more or less rain nearly every day for three months at least.

THE VILLAINOUS DESIGNS OF THE CONSPIRATORS EXPOSED.

By the testimony of Judge Houston, which is herewith subjoined, (accompanied with the prefatory remarks of the Pennsylvania,) our readers will learn with astonishment that the Conspirators of the Senate and the House, had it in their serious contemplation to usurp the government of the State, and prevent Gen. Porter from taking the oath of office.

Such villainy and wickedness is unparalleled in the history of our Republic, and richly do the projectors and leaders in this abominable outrage merit the ignominious death of the gallows. Men who would be guilty of such acts, ought to be hung up, a spectacle to Heaven and Earth, and atone with their lives for their treasonable conduct.

THE SUCCESSION WAR.—MATERIALS FOR HISTORY. We subjoin from a late number of the Harrisburg Reporter, the testimony of Judge Houston of the Supreme Court, extracted from the Report of the Committee to inquire into the causes of the disturbance in Harrisburg, in December last. It is both curious and important, as it shows that the recommendation emanating from one of the heads of Ritzcrism, "to treat the election as if they had not been defeated," and "to preserve the attitude," was neither a political nor a rhetorical flourish, but the evidence of a "foregone conclusion."

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EXTRACTS From the Election Law, &c.

OF THE ELECTION OF INSPECTORS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION.

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That it shall be the duty of the constable or constables, of each township, ward and district, at least ten days before the day herein after appointed for the election of inspectors, to give public notice, by six or more printed or written advertisements, affixed at as many of the most public places therein, of the time and place of holding such election.

SEC. 2. In case of the neglect, refusal, death or absence from the county, of the constable or constables, of any township, ward or district, the supervisors of the township or district, or the assessors of the ward, as the case may be, shall perform the duties herein before required to be done by such constable or constables, under the like penalty: Provided, That the said supervisors or assessors shall not be required to give more than five days notice of the time and place for holding such election.

SEC. 3. The qualified citizens of the several wards, districts and townships, shall meet in every district, at the time and place of holding the election for constable of such ward, district or township, and then and there elect, as hereinafter provided, two inspectors and one judge of election.

SEC. 4. Each of such qualified citizens shall vote for one person as judge, and also for one person as inspector of elections, and the person having the greatest number of votes for judge shall be publicly declared to be elected judge; and the two persons having the greatest number of votes for inspectors, shall, in like manner, be declared to be elected inspectors of elections.

SEC. 5. The elections, as aforesaid, shall be opened between the hours of eight and ten o'clock, in the forenoon, by a public proclamation thereof, made by the officers appointed to hold the same, and be kept open until seven o'clock, except in the city and county of Philadelphia, where it shall be kept open until eight o'clock, in the afternoon, when the polls shall be closed, the number of votes be forthwith ascertained, and the persons highest in vote, publicly declared to be elected.

SEC. 6. The judges of the elections, within the limits of their respective wards, districts or townships, shall have power, and are hereby required to decide on the qualifications of any person claiming to vote at any election, whenever the inspectors thereof shall disagree upon the right of such person to vote, but not otherwise, and the inspectors thereof shall, upon such decision, forthwith receive or reject the vote of such person, as the case may be.

SEC. 7. Where any township has been, or shall be, divided in forming an election district, the qualified citizens of each part of such divided township, shall severally elect in the manner and at the time and place aforesaid, two inspectors for each of said several election districts, and shall also elect one person to serve as judge of the elections in each district, to perform the duties enjoined by the sixth section of this act.

SEC. 8. It shall be the duty of the inspectors and judges of such election to make out duplicate returns of all the votes given at such election for inspectors and judge, of which shall, with the tally lists and lists of voters, be deposited in one of the ballot boxes,