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Democratic State Ticket.

STATE TREASURER,
DANIEL O. BARR, Allegheny county.

Democratic County Ticket.

JURY COMMISSIONER,
JOHN SHANNON, of Potter.
CORONER,
Dr. JOSEPH ADAMS, of Milesburg.

A FRAUD.

A forged and fraudulent letter, purporting to come from Mr. Barr's friends, and mailed in a package from Huntingdon, appealing for support on religious grounds, is being published in the Republican papers. It is hardly worth while to deny the charge—to sensible people, but lest some may imagine there is a grain of truth in it—Mr. D. O. Barr authorizes its prompt denial. He is running as a Democrat, as a citizen who feels competent to discharge the duties of the office of State Treasurer. No appeal has gone from him, or by his knowledge or consent, to any one on account of their particular belief in anything except the Democratic party.

THE Greenback party is still in full life. Its candidate for Mayor of the city of Baltimore had 93 votes. In Ohio, it changed its name to "Scattering," and will probably do so in Pennsylvania, but the vote in Baltimore redeems the party, and maintains its glory.

THE Democratic State and County tickets to be voted in Centre county, on next Tuesday, contain the names of only three persons: DANIEL O. BARR, for State Treasurer, JOHN SHANNON, for Jury Commissioner, and Dr. JOSEPH ADAMS, for Coroner. Go to the polls, fellow Democrats, and vote for them. They are eminently worthy of support.

MR. HAYES has tendered the British Mission to Secretary Evarts. He should have allowed the Secretary sufficient time to digest the nauseous food forced upon him by Conkling in New York, before thrusting him upon respectable European society.

THE blue and the grey—the Union and ex-Confederate soldiers mingled in a pleasant re-union and barbecue at Salisbury, North Carolina, on the 23d inst. A thousand United States flags were unfurled throughout the city, and patriotic Union speeches made by distinguished Union and ex-Confederate officers, with a grand display of fire works at night. Thus it should be, and will be in spite of the demagogues' eternal shout of Rebel Brigadiers.

BUTLER is the mere tool of the corrupt old Treasury ring. Under him the State money will be manipulated for the benefit of a ring of politicians without regard to honesty or the public interests. Think of this when you vote on next Tuesday.

CONKLING, having forced Evarts and Sherman to fall in and stuff themselves by advocating the election of a man for Governor of the great State of New York whom both declared unfit for a subordinate position in the Custom House, is now in position to complete the measure of his revenge. He has now only to lay his lash upon the man who stole the Presidency and paid the associate thieves out of the public Treasury. The appearance of the *de facto* President in the New York canvas would compensate the shot-gun hero for all the indignity he suffered from these worthies in the last session of Congress, and he could again be happy in his assumed greatness.

A VOTE for DAN O. BARR is a vote for the honest management of the State Treasury, uncontrolled by a ring of public plunderers. Keep the organization solid for 1880.

The Democratic Ticket.

Two tickets will be voted for at the election, on next Tuesday. The one headed "STATE" will contain the name of our nominee, Daniel O. Barr, for State Treasurer; the other headed "COUNTY" the names of John Shannon, for Jury Commissioner, and Joseph Adams, for Coroner. This ticket is printed as follows:

STATE.
For State Treasurer,
DANIEL O. BARR.
COUNTY.
For Jury Commissioner,
JOHN SHANNON.
For Coroner,
JOSEPH ADAMS.

This ticket must be cut in two pieces and folded so that the words "State" and "County" only appear when it is voted. An election board has no right to receive an open ticket from a voter. See that your tickets are all right before voting.

DEMOCRATS OF CENTRE COUNTY! Turn out, one and all, on next Tuesday, and do your duty to your candidates, your party and your country. You have a great cause to uphold. The ballot is your weapon! Do not fail to use it!

THE colored gentleman, George W. Williams, elected to the Legislature from the Cincinnati district, is indignant. He volunteered his services for the New York canvass, and was assigned to a hotel on reaching the scene of his labor for the radical cause. He is disgusted by being placed in a room immediately under the roof, and required to have his meals sent to him, instead of admission to the associations of the dining room. This was scaly treatment for a statesman, but not so mean as the conduct of the 2,265 radical voters of his party who scratched him at the election because his complexion was more clouded than suited their refined tastes of manly beauty.

DEMOCRATS, do not forget that JOHN SHANNON, that exemplary and intelligent citizen of Potter township, is your candidate for Jury Commissioner. A vote for him will be a vote for a most worthy man, and will insure good juries in your courts.

ATTORNEY GENERAL DEVEN, in an argument the other day before the Supreme Court, made the point that a colored criminal had the right to demand a jury of colored men to try him. He was asked from the bench the pertinent question whether an indicted Irishman had the right to demand a jury of Irishman to try him or a Chinaman a jury of Chinese. The question was a stunner, and Devens, scarcely equal to the occasion, preferred the negro question unadulterated to the issues raised from the bench.

DR. JOSEPH ADAMS, of Milesburg, should receive the vote of every Democrat in Centre county for the office of Coroner. He is an excellent citizen, a consistent Democrat, and has superior qualifications for the position. Vote for him, one and all.

THERE was a grand civic and military display on the historic grounds of Yorktown, Va., on the 23d inst., at which Gov. Holliday, of Virginia, and staff; Gen. Latta, of Pennsylvania; Hon. W. S. Lincoln, of Massachusetts, and Gen. Cameron, of Connecticut, were present and made speeches. The occasion was the celebration of the 98th anniversary of the surrender of the British army under Cornwallis, on the ground upon which it occurred. There were five companies of artillery from Fortress Monroe, and a large number of military companies from various parts of Virginia in attendance, with many distinguished persons, civil and military, who took part in the ceremonies. The celebration seems to have been one of great spirit, and was preparatory to the grand centennial anniversary to come off in 1881.

The Lone Fisherman Speaks.

The fraudulent Vice President, Wheeler, ate his dish of crow last week at Ogdensburg, New York. He said he opposed in convention the nomination of Cornell, but he "bowed always" to the principle which underlies our form of Government, and cheerfully accepted the decision of the majority.

Not always? He did not accept the principle when he allowed himself by fraud to occupy the position to which Thomas A. Hendricks was elected by a majority of half a million of the honest votes of the people. The only difference is, Wheeler wanted Hendricks's office, and as fraud was at hand to aid his aspiration, he took it, in violation of "the principle which underlies our form of government." Such declarations from the fraudulent Vice President, prove his mendacity, if not his down-right hypocrisy. In an article on this false claim the Washington Post forcibly remarks that "When Mr. Evarts provoked the loud and derisive laughter of the marine cavalry by prating about the 'righteousness' of the Republican party, he did not tax public tolerance more severely than does Wm. A. Wheeler when he refers to the underlying principle of our Government, the right of the majority to rule, and claims that he and his party accept that as their guide. Mr. Wheeler is a living illustration of the falsity and absurdity of this declaration. He owes his prominence as *de facto* Vice-President of the United States to the criminal suppression of the voice of the majority. When he speaks of 'bowing always to the principle which underlies our form of government,' he calls loudly for castigation. It would be enough to ask of the outraged majority to let the incumbents of stolen offices enjoy the fruits of crime in peace on condition that they bear themselves decently. But they must not expect, after nullifying the votes of the majority, and putting the minority on top, that they can go up and down the country, unquestioned, ranting and roaring about their devotion to the fundamental principles of republican government. One might possibly be disposed to let a modest, well-behaving thief keep stolen goods, but if, with the goods in his possession, he were to set up as a preacher, proclaiming 'thou shalt not steal,' and asserting his devotion to honesty, he would be a most tempting target for brick-bat practice.

Not only does Mr. Wheeler know, but he is aware that his audience and every man and woman in the United States knows, that he was not elected to the office which he holds, but that a majority of the voters and a majority of the electoral votes were cast for his opponent. And when he talks of "bowing always" to the will of the majority, he insults that majority in a manner that demands very positive and emphatic rebuke.

Every citizen who still believes in a modicum of honesty and fair dealing in politics will say that this abject creature not only deserves a "very positive and emphatic rebuke," but that the party that endorses such meanness and self-stultification has ended its days of usefulness. It is no longer worthy of countenance and support. Citizens, reflect over this when you go to the polls on next Tuesday.

Go to the polls, fellow Democrats, on next Tuesday, and vote for DANIEL O. BARR for State Treasurer. The public funds will be safe in his hands. He is an honest, incorruptible man.

WE direct the attention of the reader to our seventh page, on which will be found a selection from the lately published letters of the late Secretary Stanton to Ex-President Buchanan after both had retired from office in 1861. It was one of the widely circulated and extensively believed slanders of that period of excitement and passion that Stanton regarded the Ex-President as little better than a com-

mon traitor. These letters throw an entirely different light upon the relation that existed between the two men, and prove conclusively that the contempt of the future imperious War Minister at that time lay in another direction. The letters are interesting reading.

KEEP the old, corrupt ring out of the State Treasury. A vote for DANIEL O. BARR, on next Tuesday, will help to do it.

What of New York?

THE nearer the 4th of November approaches the more apparent it becomes that John Kelley has largely mistaken the temper of the New York Democrats. His assumption of supreme authority in the counsels of the party has been met by such a dignified and earnest protest from the rank and file, that it has almost, if not altogether, stranded him on the shore of blasted political hopes. Gov. Robinson has been so steadily and surely winning his way to the hearts of the people, without regard to party, that his election, which was at one time in doubt, is now assured. The shameful and disgraceful *liaison* of Kelley and Cornell has borne the illegitimate fruit which is always the result of such unhallowed political connections. Decent Republicans have already discovered that the fight between Cornell and Kelley on the one side, and Robinson upon the other, has simply resolved itself into a disreputable scramble for the spoils of office upon the part of Kelley and Cornell, and they see likewise that Gov. Robinson is conducting his canvass purely upon the economical and frugal record he has made since he has been in the Executive chair of the State. That record stands out in bold relief against the dark and unsavory administration of the government of the State while under the domination of the Republican party. Altogether the outlook in New York is cheering, and it is almost certain that Tammany's imperious chief will be ground to powder between the upper and nether mill stones of the people's wrath, while Conkling's puppet will go down beneath the withering scorn of an enlightened public sentiment.

JUDGING from the speeches delivered at the Republican meetings in Philadelphia, the war between the North and South is still in active progress. The idea of some people that it was settled some sixteen or seventeen years ago, must be a mistake, or else Philadelphia politicians are fools or knaves. If the war is really over, it is about time the people of that city would discover the fact. It would certainly evince more good sense, taken in a business point of view, to cultivate amity and good will, than to keep up animosity and bitterness, and drive the business of the South to other commercial centres, which will undoubtedly be the result, if the Southern people possess the spirit they are credited with. It might be advantageous to the business of Philadelphia if the business men would retire their demagogues, such as Ben. Harris Brewster, Shapley, Leeds, M'Manes, etc., etc.

THE Bellefonte Republican does not hesitate to publish the miserable slanders concocted by the unscrupulous treasury ring to keep votes from Mr. Barr. The letter published in that journal this week, purporting to have been written when Mr. Barr was a candidate for nomination two years ago, is a bald and impudent FORGERY, and has been repeatedly denounced as such by authority that cannot be controverted. The ringsters are desperate, and ready to resort to any means, however vile and dishonest, to accomplish their purpose of again controlling the money of the people for their private benefit. The Republican may have seen the denials of the slander it repeats, but that is nothing. Doubtless the editor thought a lie circulated in the closing days of the campaign would serve the purpose for which it was intended.

A Last Appeal.

BEFORE another issue of the DEMOCRAT appears the people of Pennsylvania will be called upon to exercise their highest privilege of citizenship, and we make this last appeal to every Democrat in Centre county to come out to the polls on election day to vote! Democrats, consult with each other, and see that no Democratic voter remains at home! Arrange to take in wagons those who are unable or have too far to walk. Your cause is good and your candidates worthy of confidence and support. In DANIEL O. BARR you have a man who will carefully husband and honestly disburse the moneys of the people that shall pass through his hands. On your county ticket you have those excellent and upright citizens, JOHN SHANNON and Dr. JOSEPH ADAMS. They are entitled to your votes. Make their majorities as large as possible! An earnest and determined effort is what is wanted! The Republican party that represents fraud, concentration of power in one great centralized system of government, and encroachments upon the liberties of the people and the reserved rights of the States, deserves condemnation. It is in your power to administer it on next Tuesday. Embrace the opportunity to do so! Heed, we beseech you, this call!

AN exchange pertinently says that we shall have a happy condition of affairs in this country, if the officers of the States are to be arrested, tried, convicted and punished for acts performed in the faithful discharge of their official duties. There can be no more important obligations of a State than that of affording all her voters—the United States has no voters—a fair chance to express their will through the ballot box. For this purpose all the States provide officials who perform their duties under oath. For thus doing they are sought to be punished as criminals, and the Supreme Court, in the Ohio case, now awaiting decision, is invoked to sanction such punishment. If this sanction of the court of last resort should be obtained—a contingency that we can scarcely regard as possible—we may bid a final adieu to the Government that the fathers founded, for it will have been so changed that they would fail to recognize it as their handiwork. If the General Government can step into the State polling places and control elections, the party exercising this power can defy majorities to oust it, and continue its domination indefinitely. The power to send any number of partisan strikers to take charge of the polls, bully the opposition, arrest and lock up voters on a mere allegation of a suspicion, such a power is enough to enable any party to hold on to the Government until ejected by brute force. The Supreme Court has never considered weightier matter than is involved in the Ohio and Maryland election cases.

MRS. HARRIET LANE JOHNSON, of Baltimore, has been on a visit to Mercersburg, Franklin county, in this State, with a view of purchasing a piece of ground at Cove Gap, near that town, which is known as the birth-place of her uncle, the late ex-President Buchanan. Her object in the purchase is to erect a monument to the memory of the ex-President on the spot of his nativity. Mrs. Johnson is to be commended for this most graceful act, both as to the object and place selected for its accomplishment. No man ever lived who possessed greater reverence for the place of his nativity than the great statesman, and no doubt Mrs. Johnson, his favorite niece, so closely identified with him in his great life, has her inspiration in the selection of this spot to commemorate and perpetuate his memory, in a knowledge of that fact. But whether she has or not, the act is a commendable one, and the place appropriate, and could not be given to the memory of a better man, or one more deserving of respect in life, or more worthy of reverence in death.

FELLOW CITIZENS! You are about to elect an officer to manage the financial business of the State during the coming two years. Daniel O. Barr, the Democratic candidate, a competent and incorruptible man, stands upon a platform which declares,

"That the recent attempts under the personal direction of ruling Republican leaders to debauch the legislature by wholesale bribery and corruption and take from the commonwealth four millions of dollars for which its liability had never been ascertained, is a fresh and alarming evidence of the aggressiveness of corporate power in collusion with political rings, and should receive the signal condemnation of the people at the polls." And "that the present condition of the State treasury, a bankrupt general fund and even schools and charities unable to get the money long since appropriated to their support, is a sufficient illustration of the reckless financial mismanagement of the Republican party."

SAMUEL BUTLER the Republican candidate is the creature of a ring convention, that refused to pass the following resolution:

Resolved, That in view of the developments of corrupt practices in connection with the riot bill in the last House, we emphatically reaffirm that part of the platform adopted by the Republican State Convention at Lancaster, in 1875, and which was re-adopted at the Republican State Convention at Harrisburg in 1876, which demands "honest men in office, men with brains enough to know dishonesty when they see it, and courage enough to fight it wherever they find it."

The issue here joined is purely a State matter, and between these two men and the principles they represent the people of Pennsylvania must choose. Will you hesitate? On the one side you have an "honest man, with brains enough to know dishonesty when he sees it, and courage enough to fight it wherever he finds it;" who will be governed by the public interests in the management of the State finances, without regard to the profits to be divided among party favorites. On the other side you have the representative of a corrupt combination of politicians who plundered you for years, and are anxious for an opportunity to repeat their offences. Elect Barr and you can rely upon honest methods. Elect Butler and the old system of spoliation will be renewed.

GENERAL NEWS.

Yellow fever is disappearing from Memphis.

The present cold snap prevails all over the country.

The Monroe Female College, at Forsyth, Georgia, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss, \$20,000.

Stephen Goodale, aged 118 years, has just died at Portsmouth, N. H. He has been in the poor house forty-two years.

During a gale in Cleveland, Ohio, on Thursday, a man was lifted and carried by the wind forty feet. A case of involuntary aerial navigation.

A tigress escaped from Forepaugh's menagerie last week in the suburbs of Philadelphia, and in the efforts to capture her she was shot dead.

Henry S. New, assistant postmaster at Pittsfield, Mass., is charged with tearing fresh stamps from letters and replacing them with canceled ones.

Five hundred and fifty men are now employed upon the New York approaches to the East river bridge. On an average 90,000 bricks are laid daily.

The one-hundred-and-thirteenth anniversary of the John Street M. E. church, the oldest Methodist church in New York city, was commemorated in the old church building on Sunday.

A farmer residing near Elvira, Iowa, cut a crop of barley from a piece of land in the summer, being unable from lack of help to cut the crop until after it had become so mature that the grain dropped off the stalks in handling it. A second crop sprang up on the stubble and is now almost ready to harvest, promising a better yield than the first crop. This is a singular fact.

A few days since the ladies of Fredericktown, Ohio, at the ringing of a bell, marched to Ed. Randall's saloon, broke open the door and windows, cracked his demijohns, spilling the liquors, and completely gutted the place. They afterward visited the saloon in Connor's Hotel and attempted the same performance, but the proprietor saved his liquors by agreeing to remove them from the town. Several drug stores were then visited, the proprietors of which closed and barred their doors against the assailants.

A body was found Friday on the shore of Lake Michigan, near Miller's station. It has since been identified, from the description given of it in dispatches by Wm. E. Burr, as the remains of his brother, George Burr, who ascended with Professor Wise in the balloon Pathfinder three weeks ago last Sunday. Mr. Burr has telegraphed to have the body properly cared for, and friends left this morning for Miller's station to bring it home.