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### Democratic State Ticket.

STATE TREASURER,  
HON. ORANGE NOBLE, of Erie county.

### Democratic County Ticket.

ASSOCIATE JUDGES,  
JOHN G. LARIMER, of Spring,  
JOHN K. RUNKLE, of Potter.  
PROTHONOTARY,  
J. CALVIN HARPER, of Bellefonte.  
SHERIFF,  
THOMAS J. DUNKLE, of Rush.  
REGISTER,  
JAMES A. McCLAIN, of Boggs.  
RECORDER,  
FRANK E. BIBLE, of Spring.  
TREASURER,  
DANIEL C. KELLER, of Potter.  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,  
A. J. GREIST, of Unionville,  
JOHN WOLF, of Miles.  
COUNTY AUDITORS,  
JOHN S. PROUDFOOT, of Milesburg,  
F. P. MUSSER, of Millheim.

### The Democratic County Ticket.

The Democracy of Centre county have an imperative and weighty duty to perform on Tuesday, the 8th day of November, which they must not regard too lightly nor in any way neglect. That duty is simply to go to the election polls on the day named and give to the entire local ticket placed in nomination by the representatives of the party, who met in convention last August, a united, earnest and faithful support.

This ticket embraces nearly all the offices of importance and responsibility in the county, and it is gratifying to realize and to be able to say to the public, in all truth and without the slightest exaggeration, that it is a ticket composed of gentlemen who have stood the test of the most searching inquiry, and have grown stronger and stronger with the voters of the county each day since they were nominated, just as their characters, qualifications and merits became better known and appreciated.

Two Associate Judges are to be elected, and to fill these positions the party should esteem it a great pleasure to vote for two such excellent and upright citizens as J. GIBSON LARIMER and JOHN K. RUNKLE. They are just and honest men, will do high honor to the bench, and deserve a full vote.

For the office of Sheriff the party should give a splendid vote to THOMAS J. DUNKLE. He has always been an active and influential Democrat in the locality in which he has lived for many years, belongs to the class of workmen, and is thoroughly well qualified for the important duties of the place for which he is a candidate. He has worked his way upward in life from an humble beginning and deserves encouragement and success for his energy and perseverance. We cannot doubt that a fitting reward to his efforts in the past will be a strong and emphatic response from the ballot-box and that he will go into the Sheriff's office with a sweeping majority.

The honor of a renomination for the office of Prothonotary was conferred upon J. CALVIN HARPER with little or no opposition. This was a compliment he well deserved. He has been one of the most efficient and popular officials the county has ever had; is such a complete master of all the intricate and important duties that pertain to the position, and is, withal, so affable and courteous to every one who visits the office on business that it seems almost like folly for the opposition to seriously attempt to contest the election with him. He deserves a splendid endorsement from the party, and that fact should be considered by Democratic voters on election day.

DANIEL C. KELLER is the nominee for the office of County Treasurer. In the estimation of the people amongst whom he lives no man stands higher than Mr. KELLER. His character is

without stain or blemish; he has good business qualities and will make a competent and faithful custodian of the county money. Democrats, remember your candidate for County Treasurer!

For Register and Clerk of the Orphans' Court a better candidate could not have been selected than JAMES A. McCLAIN. It is impossible to point out a single qualification required in the office of Register that he does not in a very high degree possess. His character challenges the unqualified respect and confidence of every person who knows him. He is active and intelligent; an unusually skillful and accurate clerk and accountant; diligent and conscientious to the demands of every trust committed to his keeping (as twelve years of arduous and responsible service with the Pennsylvania railroad amply testify), and he will fill every requirement of the position for which he is a candidate with care and fidelity. JAMES A. McCLAIN must not be forgotten at the polls.

Next we have FRANK P. BIBLE for Recorder, who should receive the active and zealous support of the entire party. He is a worthy and deserving young man who has heretofore followed the profession of teaching. He is a fine clerk and penman and will make an exceedingly competent officer. Be sure to work for FRANK BIBLE.

A full board of Commissioners will be elected, and the Democrats of the county never placed in nomination two better men for the office than A. J. GREIST and JOHN WOLF. It is a matter of vast concern to have County Commissioners of honesty, intelligence, superior business capacity and sound judgment, and in these respects two fitter men could not have been named. Both are honest and capable, energetic and successful in the management of their own affairs, and under their direction the business of the county will undoubtedly be transacted with ability, prudence, economy and a just regard to the interests of the taxpayers of the county. Democrats should vote for both, without scratching or trading.

Both are equally worthy and equally entitled to Democratic support.

For Auditors we have that old veteran of the cause, JOHN S. PROUDFOOT, and F. PIERCE MUSSER. They are good and competent men, well fitted for the duties that will devolve upon them, and will perform all with accuracy and fidelity.

Thus have we sketched our local ticket. In our estimation, taken as a whole, we doubt whether the party ever presented a better one for the suffrages of the citizens of Centre county. It comprises character, intelligence and capacity. It was honestly made by an honest convention, and may justly be regarded as a ticket of the people.

The election is near at hand, and it behooves the party to see that every man on the ticket receives a triumphant majority. Of the result in the county there can be no doubt; but, Democrats, make the majority as large as possible. Throw off the apathy and indifference which to a certain extent are apt to prevail in an off year, and come to the polls in your full strength. By doing so you will achieve a victory for your local nominees that will enable you to "rejoice with exceeding great joy!"

SENATOR SHERMAN's resolution calling for the suppressed report investigating the Treasury Department, ordered by Mr. Windom soon after his advent into office, has been adopted in the Senate, but by a strict party vote, President Davis voting with the Republicans. They refused to allow the evidence upon which the report is based to see the light. Sherman fought valiantly to prevent the production of the testimony, and succeeded only by the vote of the President pro tem. of the Senate. Whitewash is now in order.

JOHN CESSNA is a candidate for President Judge in the Bedford and Somerset district and is conducting his campaign in the style peculiar to him—that of a hypocritical and unblushing demagogue. He announces through his chairman that he is a member of a Christian church, a fact difficult of belief, only that John affects to drag it into the political arena, claiming by the title of brotherhood that the members of that church should vote for him in preference to his honorable, high-toned and distinguished opponent, Mr. Baer, of Somerset. It is doubtful whether the Reformed Church of the Bedford district will consider itself complimented in being thus used by a notoriously dishonest demagogue to advance his selfish purposes. It is certain, if the membership of that highly respectable denomination of Christians in Bedford maintain the same honorable Christian standard they do elsewhere, it will repel this attempt to drag them into the dirty pools of the questionable political methods of which John Cessna is the ideal representative.

THE only change in the Cabinet of President Arthur thus far announced is the appointment of ex-Governor Edwin D. Morgan to be Secretary of the Treasury in place of Windom, of the Garfield Cabinet. Mr. Morgan's name was sent to the Senate last Monday and his nomination was promptly confirmed; but it is now reported that he hesitates to accept the proffered honor on account of his age and feeble health. Should his declination be absolute it is probable that Judge Folger, also of New York, will be appointed. One thing is certain: Arthur will have a new Cabinet before many days, and then—well, good-by to the reforms in administration proposed by Garfield.

THE objections of the Bellefonte Republican to the election of James A. McClain to the office of Register are about as foolish as those which the same journal has urged against other candidates upon the Democratic ticket. The Republican admits that Mr. McClain is "fully capable of filling the position," and that in all respects he stands upon an equality with the Republican candidate for the same office. This is enough for Democrats to know, and we do not doubt that to a man they will vote for James A. McClain.

SECRETARY KIRKWOOD, says the New York Sun, "will not contest for the United States Senatorship from Iowa, and the election of James F. Wilson is believed to be assured. The monopolies are getting deep root in the Senate. Of the new men Camden represents the Standard Oil Company; Miller, of California, the Fur Seal Company; Miller, of New York, wood pulp. Wilson is attorney for the Union Pacific railroad and will serve that interest faithfully."

THE New Jersey faster, Terence Connolly, treated himself to a good dinner on the 20th inst. It is said he commenced to fast on the 4th of July for the benefit of his health, being consumptive, and continued it without indulging in any solid food for one hundred and seven days. He thinks his health is improved by the long abstinence.

MR. JAMES, the Postmaster General, has seriously damaged his reputation as a reformer of the civil service by the immense patronage of his department placed in the hands of Mahone to carry repudiation in Virginia. It is not to be supposed that he is ignorant of the extent to which the Postoffice Department is used in the interest of the repudiation robbers.

ONE hundred and twenty-five thousand German emigrants have arrived in this country since the 1st of January last. The whole number from all countries up to the present month is about three hundred and sixty-eight thousand.

AGAINST the election of Daniel C. Keller to the office of County Treasurer we have noticed two objections urged in the columns of the Bellefonte Republican, both of which, however, are so insignificant and puerile that it would probably be better to treat them with contempt and derision rather than with serious comment.

First, it is urged that Mr. Keller is a member of a particular religious denomination and that he might, should he be elected, help the congregation of the church to which he belongs by a contribution when he comes to Bellefonte. How silly an inanity of that kind must appear to sensible and intelligent people!

The other objection to Mr. Keller is that he is a stock dealer. Well, suppose he is. Do the astute writers for the Republican presume to say that the business which this industrious and hard working man follows for a livelihood is not an honest calling in which any one may engage without discredit to his personal integrity? They will scarcely dare to assume a position of that kind. Daniel C. Keller has passed his entire life in Centre county; he is respected by all who know him as a man of integrity and of upright character, and it is an outrage upon decency and propriety to assail him because of the avocation which he has followed to earn a living for himself and family. We ask the Democrats of Centre county to resent these insults to an honest and good citizen when they go the polls on the 8th day of November.

A BITTER fight is under way in the Republican party of Centre county over the office of County Commissioner between the friends of Rankin and the friends of Campbell. Both sides are very anxious to make terms with the Democrats in the hope that either one or the other may be benefited thereby. Our advice to Democrats is to keep aloof from alliances with either side of these Republican factions. The Democratic party has nothing to gain by bargains or trades. The Democratic candidates for County Commissioners are both gentlemen who deserve the united support of the party. They should receive the full Democratic vote of the county, and we hope that the election returns will show that such has been the case. Let the Republicans settle their own differences and elect whichever of their candidates the majority of their party may desire to have in the Commissioners' office. It is no concern of the Democratic party which of the two gentlemen on the Republican ticket named for the office may be elected. Griest and Wolf should be the watchword of every Democratic voter in the county. No trades! No scratching!

FRANK P. BIBLE is a schoolmaster and is able to earn a living for himself and family in that profession, and for that reason, according to the Bellefonte Republican, Mr. Gray should be elected to the office of Recorder. Well, Mr. Gray is connected with the Republican office and no doubt earns a good living as an employee of that establishment. Why, then, should he be elected Recorder? Democrats, Frank Bible is a deserving young man and is fully competent for the office of Recorder; he is an earnest young Democrat, a native of the county, and you should all vote for him in preference to a stranger.

THE Philadelphia Times, after much advertising, has at length found Galusha A. Grow up in New York. It has not yet discovered, however, whether Galusha will sustain his independent lieutenant of last winter or adhere to the boss who forced him to surrender in the Senatorial fight.

THE WOLFE DOOM still goes on. It is estimated that he will receive fifty thousand Republican votes in the State. How are you, Mr. Bailly?

SECRETARY WINDOM again returns to the United States Senate, from which he resigned to accept a portfolio in the Cabinet of President Garfield. He has received the unanimous nomination of the Republican caucus of the Minnesota Legislature. There was an opposition started to the Secretary's return to the Senate, but it broke down.

### ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

—A full stock of red, white and plaid flannels at Lyon & Co.'s.

—The Butts House restaurant will be run on a different plan by Mr. James E. McCartney, who is now in charge of the eating department. Everything in season will be served in the best style.

—We are requested to announce that on and after October 31, Dr. Hoy can be found at his rooms in the Conrad House, at night as well as during the day, by those who desire his professional services.

—Candidate Thomas J. Dunkle paid the DEMOCRAT a visit last week. He speaks in hopeful terms of the result, and does not doubt that he will be the next Sheriff of Centre county. Of course he will.

—Scarlet fever is reported to be very seriously severe among the children of Central City (Milesburg), principally at the northwestern extreme, and it is said that some dozen little children are down with the dreaded scourge of childhood at the present time.

—We had a pleasant call last week from our friend, Mr. J. Calvin Saura, at present a resident of Clearfield county. Mr. Saura is an earnest, enthusiastic Democrat and an excellent gentleman whom we are always glad to meet. Hope he will call again.

—It is a great pleasure to announce that Mr. Jonathan Harper, of the well known firm of Harper Brothers, who has been quite ill for some days past, is again in a fair way to complete restoration to health. He was able yesterday to appear at the store.

—Mr. Newton S. Bailey, who for some weeks past has been acting as foreman of the composing room of our daily and weekly Republican contemporary, assumed the local editorship on Monday. Hayes Schroyer, his predecessor was placed in charge of the intricacies of the mechanical department.

—Among the prominent men of Bellefonte who were in attendance upon the centennial celebration of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown last week were Hon. J. P. Gephart, member of the lower house of the State Legislature, and Hon. Cyrus T. Alexander, member of the Senate of the same branch of the State government.

—Mr. William Krape, a former citizen of Penn township, but for many years a resident of Stephenson county, Illinois, has lately paid a visit to the scenes of his old home. It was our pleasure to meet Mr. Krape yesterday, and the meeting recalled many reminiscences of Penn's valley in past days. Mr. Krape started from Bellefonte on his way to Illinois this morning.

—"Is Sechler dead?" sung out one of our compositors, who was about "distributing" a "business local" of that popular grocery firm, to the foreman. "Sechler is dead," shortly responded the foreman. "Why, when did Sechler die?" queried the office "devil" in tones of regret. This raised a laugh at the expense of the devil, who is very new yet and isn't acquainted with printing office brevities.

—F. C. Richards, the popular jeweler on High street, recently took a business trip to the city of New York where he purchased an elegant stock of jewelry, gold and silver watches, &c., which he is now offering to his many customers at remarkably low prices. Mr. Richards is a fair and honorable dealer and any one in want of any thing in his line can always rely upon his representations.

—The temperance society of Milesburg is in an apparently flourishing condition and regular meetings are held twice in a month at the different churches. Interesting addresses are made by the various pastors and by the society's members, and a vocal selection treating of temperance is sung by a lady member. Of course the exercises commence with prayer, and quite a profitable is thus spent.

—Upon the second page of the DEMOCRAT will be found a very interesting paper, from the pen of Hon. John B. Linn, upon the services of the "Pennsylvania Line," under the command of Gen. Wayne, in the campaign of the revolution which ended in the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. It is a valuable contribution to revolutionary history and should be read by every Pennsylvanian who takes pride in the heroic deeds of Pennsylvania's soldiers.

—Mr. J. N. Van Ormer, one of Bellefonte's well known citizens, is contemplating removing to Philipsburg with the intention of embarking in the business of wholesale butchering.

—The Lewisburg Journal came to us last week in an enlarged form and otherwise greatly improved in appearance. We are pleased to note this evidence of prosperity, and extend to Brother Whitman our sincere congratulations.

—Howard Spangler on Monday started on his annual excursion over the county for the purpose of eradicating the unlawful fishbasket from the various water courses. Lieutenant Dooley, it seems, did not accompany Howard on the present trip, and it is not known who his vigorous assistant is.

—Mr. J. M. Kepler, editor of the Forest county National Democrat, was in Bellefonte last week. Mr. Kepler is "native and to the manor born" and always receives a hearty greeting from old friends in Centre. He reports the National Democrat to be in a flourishing condition. It is a good local newspaper and deserves a liberal support.

—Mr. William Mollahan, of Charleston, W. Va., was in town early in the week and stayed at the Brockerhoff House. The gentleman occupies a prominent position at the bar of Charleston and is an able and eloquent speaker. He was here on professional business of some importance, the character of which it was thought best to keep from the public ear.

—Track has been laid on an extension of the Lewisburg and Tyrone branch from Pennsylvania Furnace east by north to Fairbrook, five and a half miles, and on a branch from Fairbrook, five and a half miles, to Scotia Mines. The new extension is eleven miles in all and makes the branch twenty-eight miles long from Tyrone to Scotia Mines.

—Mr. A. M. Runkle, of Centre Hall, wishes to inform his many friends in Penns Valley that he has connected himself with the firm of Lyon & Co., Bellefonte, and he hopes that his friends will give him a call when coming to town. He will treat them right and sell them goods cheaper than they can buy them anywhere else.

—On last Thursday a week a little son of Benjamin Stover, residing at Pine Creek, Haines township, while hunting for fish worms in company with his brother, met with a serious accident. Forest was just lifting the pick to dig into the ground when Clarence bent forward to take up a worm. The sharp point of the pick went straight into his right eye, completely emptying the optic cavity. The Drs. Deslier are the attending physicians, and they report the child doing as well as could be expected.

—Captain W. J. George and T. S. Hargest, of Harrisburg—the former a prominent business man and the latter a leading member of the Dauphin county bar—arrived in town yesterday on their way to the hunting grounds of the Allegheny mountains and tarried briefly among their friends here. Simeon Haupt and James Alexander, two of the "boss" hunters of this region, took charge of the Harrisburg sportsmen here and chaperoned them to the mountains, where the entire party will remain for a week.

—Some little excitement was kicked up about the Brockerhoff House one night last, occasioned by the performance of a young man who had an "antic disposition on," caused by liberal potations of bibulous refreshment. He wanted to fight, and on addressing some grossly insulting words to the stalwart junior member of a prominent mercantile firm he was accommodated, the s. j. m. incontinently grabbing the youngster and coolly knocking his brainless head three or four times in succession against the brick walls at the hotel entrance. This prompt action practically settled the anticipated trouble, and it is asserted that the defeated pugilist was next day heard singing in subdued tones "Think of Your Head in the Morning."

—Rev. Mr. Morris, pastor of the Baptist Church at Milesburg, will, it is reliably understood, in the course of a couple of weeks take unto himself a wife in the person of a highly esteemed and accomplished Baltimore lady, whose name our "snooper" did not, however, succeed in learning. Mr. Morris is a very popular minister with his congregation and the people of Milesburg generally, and the sober, staid pillars of the church are ready and waiting to congratulate him and think he is doing wisely; but the marriageable young ladies of Milesburg town express considerable doubt as to the advisability of the reverend gentleman's contemplated proceeding. Mr. Morris is a good Democrat, and hence we congratulate him upon his approaching happiness.