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STATE TICKET.
FOR AUDITOR GENERAL,
Capt. ROBERT TAGGART,
of Warren County.
FOR STATE TREASURER,
Hon. JOSEPH POWELL,
of Bradford County.
COUNTY TICKET.
FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE
Dr. J. R. SMITH,
of Ferguson Township.
FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY,
W. C. HEINLE,
of Bellefonte.
FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR
ELLIS L. ORVIS,
of Bellefonte.

FRANK HATTON, the first assistant postmaster general, recently expressed his opinion that the "civil service reform is a fraud." It looks so, while such frauds as Hatton are kept in responsible positions to gable his defiance of the civil service law.

THE Ohio Republicans are dazed and cannot make out what did it. Deacon Smith charges the defeat to the wool growers; Marshall Halstead to the wine growers; Senator Sherman to Calico Foster, while Foster is so dumbfounded that he cannot think at all. It is simply reaffirming a decree registered a year ago that the Republican party must go!

THE election news in Iowa improves as the smoke of the campaign clears. The Democrats have elected Judge Cook to congress in place of Cutts, deceased Republican. The Republican majority for Governor will be small, and the chances even for the legislature. This result from a majority of 80,000, is not a Republican victory to be proud of.

THE Democracy of Ohio have done nobly. It is now the turn of the Democracy of Pennsylvania, and the honest men of all affiliations, to strike for good government and honest representation. The revolutionists and ultimatists of the senate who have usurped control and degraded the "g. o. p." of Lincoln and Sumner, must go! Tom Cooper's incapacity to lead an honest party is becoming more apparent every day.

THE Hon. Edgar A. Marble, the commissioner of patents, has resigned although repeatedly requested by the secretary to remain. Mr. Marble is an able man and administered the affairs of that great bureau in the interior department with signal ability. He is to be succeeded by Mr. Butterworth, of Ohio, who will bring to the discharge of the duties a vigorous mind and great legal attainments and experience.

THE result in Ohio left some mourners among those who went to that state to aid the triumph of the "g. o. p." Of these Senator Plumb, of Kansas, and Register of the Treasury, Ex-Senator Bruce, of Mississippi, seems to need consolation. A correspondent says: "The first is quite crushed. He speaks of the disaster as a perfect cyclone. 'Now, in Kansas,' he said, 'we only got hit just a little bit, and on the next round we will have recovered our wind, and we can floor our enemy. But you in Ohio have been knocked down, and the Democrats are on the top with both knees on your stomach and their claws on your wind-pipe. And what is more, it looks to me as if they'll stay there. Massachusetts will be the next to go.' Ex-Senator Bruce is almost dead, and says he will take the first train for Washington. His com-patriot, Walter S. Thomas, the colored orator and a clerk in the last senate, tried to cheer him with quoting some lines beginning with 'Truth crushed to earth will rise again,' but the Mississippian evidently did not view it in that light."

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Our Rail Roads.

On Tuesday the 9th instant, there was a meeting of the directors of the Bald Eagle Valley R. R. Co., held at the office of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., in Philadelphia. At this meeting the directors who are in the Pennsylvania Co submitted a proposition, that the Bald Eagle Valley Co. should endorse or guarantee the Bonds of the new company organized to build the rail road from Bellefonte to Lemont. This was opposed by the county directors to wit: Messrs. Curtin, Irwin, Blanchard, Gamble and Duffey, unless the Pennsylvania Company would agree to finish the Pennsylvania R. R. from Spring Mills to Lemont; so there would be a rail road connection for the new road at its Southwestern terminus. Mr. Mackey, the President of the B. E. V. R. R., took no decided stand, but oscillated. Finally Geo. B. Roberts, President of the P. R. R., was called in and he admitted at once, that the conditions required by Gov. Curtin and his fellows were reasonable and altogether proper. Whereupon the committee previously appointed, consisting of Messrs. Keass, Green and Curtin, was continued, and enlarged by the addition of Mr. Roberts, and the powers of the Committee extended so as to include the right to select the most feasible routes. This latter is by some supposed to look towards the possible purchase of the Bellefonte and Buffalo Run Rail Road. Since the meeting instructions have been received by Mr. Mackey, to proceed at once to secure the right of way along the Logan Branch route. This would indicate that the Pennsylvania R. R. people do not expect to get the Bellefonte and Buffalo Run roads.

One thing however is clear from this action at Philadelphia, or rather from the want of advice, that the P. R. R. people do not intend to do anything during the year 1883. They have spent the whole working season of the year in talking and suggesting and provoking, until winter is now nearly upon us, and are evidently determined to bridge over the few remaining weeks of working weather, and then they will commence promising loudly what they will do as soon as spring comes. During the winter they will study up plausible excuses for doing nothing in the spring.

On Saturday night a meeting of the directors of the Bellefonte and Buffalo Run Rail Road Co., was held in Bellefonte, at which the company adopted the line located from Bellefonte to Milesburg on the East side of Spring Creek, a branch of the B and B. R. Rail Road. This insures them a connection with the Vanderbilt road either by the Nittany Valley or Bald Eagle Valley routes.

A few days ago Judge Mayer filed an opinion in the case of the Susquehanna and Southwestern R. R. Co. vs. Pennsylvania and Western R. R. Co., and granted an injunction to restrain the latter from interfering in any measure with the construction of the Beech Creek Rail Road.

The survey of the route from Bellefonte to Beech Creek, we understand, has been completed. What next?

It has not yet been determined when the new depot for the B. E. V. R. R. at Bellefonte will be commenced, but we are assured by Mr. Roberts, President of the P. R. R. Co., that it will be completed for the tri-centennial of the landing of the Pilgrims which will occur in 1920.

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Why Ohio is a Democratic State.

Because the old issues of the great republican party, which used to roll up its majorities by tens of thousands in Ohio, are dead and gone. Because the republican leaders have proved false to the principles of freedom and equality which captivated the western heart and placed Lincoln in the presidency. Because long power has made them intolerant, avaricious, corrupt. Because they have shown a disposition to hold on to power against the will of the people and in violation of the principle which demands a change of parties as the basis and the bulwark of republican liberty. The verdict of Ohio speaks the doom of this party of dead issues and perverted principles. The victory is indeed a glorious and important one for the democracy, because it shows that the people are not afraid to trust that party with power. Yet it is not alone or altogether a democratic victory. It is far better. It is a victory for honest government, for real reform, for economy in public expenditures, for equal taxation; a victory of the people over corporations, monopolies and privileged wealth. It is a victory shared by men who, having been republicans in principle, are now democrats in principle, and won under a leader who was a sturdy champion of human freedom and a staunch supporter of the Union cause in the dark hours of the nation's peril. Such a victory is truly a triumph of republican government over the power of patronage, of prejudice, and of corporate wealth. It proves that when the people's liberties and rights are threatened their patriotism can manifest itself as effectively through their ballots as through their bayonets.—New York World.

THE fanatical fools who had control of public affairs in the days of reconstruction, immediately after the war, passed in Congress what they called a civil rights bill, which proposed to regulate social customs and sentiments. This law has been pretty essentially a dead letter, made so by the good sense of the colored man whom it was intended to capture for political uses, failing to demand forced admission to societies where unreasonable prejudice debarred him. This law which only intensified this prejudice, has now been declared unconstitutional and void by the Supreme Court of the United States, and it now remains for the colored man to work his way up in the social standing of citizenship, by good conduct and intelligence, which he is rapidly doing.

COOPER, the red-headed chairman, affects to be jubilant over the result in Ohio, as a harbinger of triumph to the "g. o. p." in Pennsylvania in November! No one but the stupid ultimatum leader in the Pennsylvania senate, will see it in that light. The ultimate defiance of the constitution and their disregard of the political rights of the people, may be more potent than the Ohio election, but both together the blow to the Republican party will be crushing in Pennsylvania. The revolutionists are crazed in their folly, and now perhaps can do nothing to avert the doom. But still they might take Ohio's hint and plead for mitigation.

JUDGE HOADLY is the first Democratic governor chosen in Ohio on the eve of a Presidential election, since the Republican party came into existence. This is a significant fact full of hope! Allen and Bishop were elected during the life of the Republican party, but the election of neither of these preceded a presidential election or held their offices during a presidential campaign. The cloud is breaking!

THE malaria which prostrated Judge Hoadly during the canvass in Ohio, is now transferred to his competitor, Judge Foraker, and his friends. An extended residence at the head waters of Salt River may give health, is not contentment and wisdom.

THE Boston Advertiser thinks polygamy should be "torn up by the roots."

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Republicans Must Face the Humes Law.

The Philadelphia Record remarks: "Mr. Secretary Stenger, who is ex officio a member of the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners, made a speech in Pittsburgh on Saturday night, which will require some attention from his political opponents. He charged that his associates in the Board, State Treasurer Baily and Auditor General Lemon, are not carrying into effect the Humes law in accordance with its letter and spirit. This law provides that the unexpended balance in the Sinking Fund shall hereafter be invested in state loans, if practicable, and, if not, in United States bonds. The average balance in the Sinking Fund is about two million dollars. Instead of investing this, or anything like this amount, Mr. Stenger charges that the majority of the board have inaugurated a policy of investing only two hundred thousand dollars a month, and that thus far only four hundred thousand dollars have been invested under the law. State Treasurer Baily, when asked why he has not executed the law, declares that it is "impracticable," and the Secretary of the Commonwealth, as a member of the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners, contends that it is not impracticable. Mr. Stenger asserts that if Joseph Rowell, the Democratic candidate, becomes State Treasurer he will execute the law in its true spirit, and that Mr. Livsey, if elected, will follow the example of his predecessor.

In this is at least one issue joined in state politics, and it will have to be met. Mr. Stenger charges that State Treasurer Baily, Cashier Livsey and Chairman Cooper were all actively opposed to the law when before the legislature, and that Mr. Niles, the Republican candidate for Auditor General, "stole away from his seat and dodged the vote." From this Mr. Stenger concludes that in the election of Livsey and Niles this important law would be left to the tender mercies of its enemies. If the law can be evaded now, the Secretary fears that some device will be adopted, under the plea that the law is impracticable, to prevent any further investments of the balance in the Sinking Fund. He therefore urges the election of a State Treasurer and Auditor General in Powell and Taggart who will cordially unite with the Secretary of the Commonwealth in ordering the entire sum in the Sinking Fund, together with what is in the general Treasury in excess of five hundred thousand dollars to be invested in bonds of the United States without any delay.

THE seventeenth anniversary of the establishment of the Grand Army of the Republic in this state, will be celebrated in Philadelphia on the 24th inst., by a grand parade to take place at one o'clock. Posts from all parts of the state, as well as from the departments of New York, New Jersey, Maryland and Delaware, are expected to be present. The commander in chief and staff will be in attendance, and in the evening there will be a general camp fire at Industrial Art Hall.

THE New York Tribune takes a philosophical view at least, when it says that "the Republican who build any hopes on Democratic disunion is almost invariably a disappointed man on the morning after the election." This fact was pretty clearly illustrated in Ohio last week.

"HOW IS THAT FOR HIGH?" The Democrats last week elected a Democratic governor and both branches of the Ohio legislature. This affords food for reflection to the ultimatum revolutionists at Harrisburg. They will do well to heed the warning.

GOV BUTLER, of Massachusetts, has opened his campaign for re-election with three speeches a day only. But he will be able to increase the number to a dozen as he becomes interested in the canvass.

Evidence of Republican Statesmanship.

Secretary Folger tells the newspapers that the balances in the treasury are now upwards of \$155,000,000, and revenues continue to pour in to the amount of about \$1,000,000 a day.

"We continue to have an overflowing treasury and more money than we know what to do with," says the secretary.

This money comes out of the pockets of the people. Every man who buys a pound of sugar, a suit of clothes, a pair of boots, a gallon of whisky or a paper of tobacco, contributes towards this overflowing treasury and adds to the government puzzle of what to do with the money.

Every man who feels the pressure of heavy rent knows that he pays more than he ought to pay because of the taxes which are imposed to swell this enormous and embarrassing surplus revenue.

What will the government do with it? Rush the payment of a debt already too greatly reduced at the expense of the taxpayers of to-day? Lavish it on extravagant and corrupt appropriations? Squander it in visionary and impractical schemes? Steal it?

It will be disposed of in some such way, and for this the people are loaded down with taxation, industries are paralyzed and the progress of the country is retarded. This is republican statesmanship.—New York World.

HON. JOHN H. ORVIS, of Bellefonte, President Judge of the Forty-ninth Judicial district, has declared his intention of resigning and of resuming the practice of law. It is intimated that he will become the law partner of Senator William A. Wallace.

We clip the above paragraph from the Pittsburgh Post. Not having consulted Judge Orvis on the subject, we cannot vouch for the truth or fiction of the rumor floating about and now given by the Post. We can only say that if true, the 29th judicial district will lose one of the brightest judges in the state, while the profession will gain a legal mind in practice equal to the best, one capable of grasping all the intricacies of the law with a master hand. We do not credit the story of the partnership, however, as neither of these distinguished lawyers would be likely to pool their issues in practice.

CHRIS. MAGEE's man, Livsey, and John Stewart's man, Niles, both agree as to the manner of disposing of the state funds, and are both hostile to the Humes' law, which requires the money to be invested for the benefit of the people in state or national bonds. This large sum in the sinking fund averaging \$2,000,000, has been used heretofore to accumulate interest for the Treasury ring and pet bankers. It is the people's money, and the Democracy favor the law which gives to the people its accumulation to relieve their burdens. The sure way to effect this desirable object, is to let Livsey and Niles severally alone and vote for Capt TAGGART for State Treasurer, and JOSEPH POWELL for Auditor General. They favor the Humes' law, and will carry out its provisions in good faith.

THE g. o. p. have been very emphatically admonished both in Ohio and Iowa, that the tidal wave of last year is still onward. The ultimatumists of Pennsylvania are now in the swell, with breakers ahead that menace absolute destruction.

THE Democracy of Mifflin county have placed a good ticket in nomination. North A. Stone, for prothonotary; T. B. Sherman for register and recorder; M. M. McLaughlin for district attorney; R. M. Taylor for poor director; John Swartzell for county surveyor, and C. T. Waters for coroner. The resolutions adopted endorse the reform administration of Gov. Pattison, and commend his courageous stand for economy and a just apportionment; condemn the obstructive and revolutionary course of the Republican senators; approve the action of the Democratic house, and endorse the course of Governor Curtin in congress.

The Internal Taxes.

Ex-Speaker Randall's speeches in Ohio, wherein he took ground for the extinguishment of the internal revenue system, have attracted much attention in the country, and have not lessened the perplexity of the Republican managers on the subject. What attitude to take has for some time been a trouble, some question. With millions on millions in the Treasury that are not needed, why should not these taxes be wiped out? Were Congress, as it should, before Christmas, to repeal the internal revenue laws, the most potent political agency in the hands of the Republicans would be destroyed. The revenue is not needed, and the machinery is most pernicious. The collection of the tax gives employment to an army of officials, how to manage it with reference to the grand reckoning of the Presidential campaign is troubling Republican leaders not a little.

The New York Sun's Washington correspondent says there is no doubt that the Republican policy will be shaped to favor these taxes. This is no time to dispense with the machinery or turn out the army of officials. Besides the Whisky Ring, between whom and the Administration there is an understanding, are opposed to the removal of the tax. That done, the whisky monopoly would be ended. Viewing the question in this aspect, a high revenue official, according to the correspondent, was emphatic in expressing the belief that the whisky tax would not be touched. This, there is good ground for believing, is to be the Republican Administration policy at the coming session of Congress.—Pittsburgh Post.

For Cooper's Convenience.

The two sessions a week scheme of the Senate was probably arranged for the convenience of Boss Cooper, who is at present giving much more attention to the campaign work for the machine State ticket than the performance of his sworn duty as a member of the Senate. Thus the work imposed upon the Legislature by the Constitution is made to await the pleasure of the Stalwart manager.

Senator Cooper spends four or five days a week at the headquarters of the Republican State Committee in Philadelphia and gives from thirty to sixty minutes weekly to the work which the special session of the Legislature was called to perform. Thus the people of the State are robbed of the time which their representatives should devote to legislation, in order that Senator Cooper may proceed with his electioneering of the Stalwart ticket.

This sort of thing must be very agreeable to the taxpayers who are to foot the bill of expense which the recalcitrant Cooper and his fellow-conspirators against apportionment are piling up. It must be exceedingly edifying, too, to the Independent and reform Republicans whose creed requires that party interest must be subordinated to the popular welfare. Small wonder that the Independent's last year complain of the appointment of Cooper as Chairman of the Republican State Committee.—Harrisburg Patriot.

OUR African fellow-citizens of Ohio smashed the color line in that state considerably this fall. Many of the colored people voted for Hoadly, the Democratic candidate for governor. It was the most sensible act they ever did. The colored voters are beginning to realize the fact that they owe no gratitude to the Republican party—that they are not mere slaves but men and citizens.

THE following and similar resolutions have been passed by the house: "That the senate be earnestly and respectfully requested to appoint a conference committee to act with a similar committee on the part of the house, to adjust the differences existing between the two houses on the subject of senatorial apportionment, to the end that the people be secured their just representation in the legislature."

How is it received by the Republican senate? Cooper and Stewart shouts "ultimatum." All the mules kick and the performance closes. No respect is due to public decency. Trick mule performance a few minutes twice a week, is all that is left now of the respectability of the Pennsylvania senate.