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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.

THE Cameron-Cooper trick mules of the senate are still kicking at the Constitution a few minutes twice a week at \$35 each per day.

THE Chicago News accounts for a recent visit of R. B. Hayes to New York thus: Mr. Tilden was elected a member of a Yacht club, and the Presidential thief was supposed to be anxious to get hold of the certificate.

NEAL DOW, of Maine, the acknowledged head of the Prohibition party, serves notice on the Republican party that the temperance people will run a Presidential ticket of their own next fall, and will not be diverted from their purpose.

JOHN W. HEILEY, one of the Common Pleas Judges elected by the Democrats of Cleveland in the late Ohio election, is a native of Williamsport, in this state. He was an old line Whig, but joined the Democracy before the war.

DON CAMERON'S heavy boots are quite too much for Sub-boss Tom Cooper to carry. He blunders under them at a fearful rate, and it now looks as if he would fall by the wayside from pure exhaustion before the 2d Tuesday of November.

"OKLAHOMA PAYNE," so called, who has made such protracted and determined efforts to colonize and steal the Indian reservations, has been indicted by the United States. The question will probably now be decided whether Payne or the Government governs the country.

THE Supreme Court of Massachusetts has affirmed a decision that a hotel keeper is guilty of keeping a "public bar" because he sold liquor without selling anything to eat at the same time. Hereafter when a hotel keeper sells a drink to his customers he must also sell him a cracker.

THE Democrats celebrated their great victory in Ohio, at Columbus, on Saturday last in royal style. Democrats were there from all parts of the state. Nothing, says a correspondent, like it has been seen there for many years. The victory they celebrated was the first clean sweep they had for a quarter of a century, at least, and they had cause of rejoicing.

LET no Democrat in Centre county fail to attend the election on the first Tuesday of November, and record his vote for the state and county ticket. They are good men and true. If ever there was a time when a Democrat failing to record his vote properly for the state offices was criminal, it is now. The great issue presented and demanding these votes is one of commanding interest and carries fearful responsibility. It is no less than a question of the integrity of the constitution, which is defied by the opposition, and the equal political rights of the citizen placed in jeopardy by a corrupt cabal of Republican senators to whom Boss Cameron has committed the work of preventing a fair and just apportionment, and whose command is held by them as more binding than an oath to their consciences.

The Issue Against the Governor.

The Harrisburg Patriot thus accepts the issue, to which every Democrat will gladly respond. "The enemies of the Democratic party insist that the result of the approaching election in this state shall be taken as the judgment of the people in regard to the acts of Governor Pattison's administration. They choose to make this a prominent issue in the present canvass. The Democracy gladly accept it and return their sincere thanks to their political adversaries for introducing it into the contest.

"It seems then that the people of Pennsylvania are expected by the Republican bosses to condemn the watchfulness and fidelity of Governor Pattison in the exercise of the veto power; that the Republican state ticket is to be supported on the ground that the governor is to be rebuked for cutting off extravagant appropriations and putting an end to legislative jobbery; that the firmness with which the governor refused his signature to unconstitutional enactments and bills of doubtful propriety is to be used as an argument for the election of Niles and Livsey; and that the repeal of odious laws and the abolition of useless and expensive offices which have been conspicuous features of Governor Pattison's policy are to be made odious by the success of the Republican party.

"Welcome be the issues! The integrity of the people as reflected in the faithful and fearless executive who has dared to defend the constitution and protect the interests of the commonwealth is challenged in this rash attempt to disgrace and destroy the first reform administration chosen by the people of Pennsylvania since honest government was overthrown by bossism and machine politics. We shall see whether the intelligent voters who will determine the result of the approaching election are ready to stultify themselves by undoing their work of last year at the bidding of the bosses. Will they say by their ballots that Governor Pattison shall cease to exercise the veto power for the benefit of the taxpayers; that he shall labor no longer for the abolition of useless offices; that he shall no more concern himself for the defeat of rings and lobbies; that in short he shall permit extravagance, lawlessness and corruption to run riot in the government of the state? The ballot box will furnish the answer."

WILLIAM H. VANDERBILT is not easily upset in financial matters or railroad management, but he met his match the other day with fast horses on the track of the gentlemen's driving course. He came in conflict with one of Bonners' trainers at a 230 gait, and was spilled out in the wreck. He was unconscious for a time, but it is believed is not seriously injured.

And now Jay Gould must get himself ducked from his yacht, or Vanderbilt will have a corner on him.

THE boss leaders of Ohio are still discussing the question "who struck Billy Patterson." Senator Sherman thinks it was Calico Foster, and Deacon Smith believes it was the wool man. They are however both mistaken. It was none other than that honest, sturdy old fellow known as "Sober Second Thought." He commenced last year "getting up his duff" on account of the boss corruptions, and this year he exploded. The result is known.

THE New York Times remarks, and no doubt Cameron and his sub-bosses in Pennsylvania will respond to the sentiment, that 'Mr. Blaine is a politician who has been tried and found wanting. He has not been thrust so far in the background as Mr. Conkling, for he has many and warm friends in several states. But he insists that he is out of politics, and the people of the country are too polite to question the sincerity of that declaration."

LET THE PEOPLE REMEMBER that the Treasury of Pennsylvania is run in the speculative interest of a Treasury ring by deposits of the surplus funds amounting to millions, in pet political banks. That the state derives no interest from this use of the public moneys, but it is given up wholly to enrich the ring. That Treasurer Bailey, with his chief clerk, Livsey, now a candidate for Treasurer, have thus far refused to comply with the Humes' law to invest the money in State or National bonds to accrue interest for the State, instead of for individual and ring bosses, and hope for the election of Niles and Livsey on the Republican ticket for Auditor General and State Treasurer, to evade the law and thus continue the fraudulent use of the public money.

Let the people also remember that the success of the reform of this gigantic fraud upon the state, as provided by the Humes' law, is in strengthening the hands of Secretary Stenger in the board of the Sinking Fund commissioners by the election of Taggart and Powell, the Democratic candidates for Auditor General and State Treasurer. They are in favor of and solemnly pledged to carry out the Humes' law, and thus arrest this dangerous and unlawful speculative use of the public money for the exclusive use and benefit of Chris. Magee, Bill Kimble, and such. If the money of the people is to accumulate interest, let the people have the benefit and not the bosses; the demand of honesty, and to enforce this demand the election of Taggart and Powell is the necessity which should appeal direct to that honesty at the polls.

THE Philadelphia Press makes an ingenious argument, illustrated by a map, to show that the Republican apportionment bills are fair. But argument is thrown away in the effort to demonstrate that it is right to give one-half of the people, representing one political party in the state, two-thirds of the senators and nearly two-thirds of the congressmen, while the other half, representing the other party, are put off with one-third. The Republican programmes and their diagrams have only an appearance of fairness. The Press does itself discredit as a journal of discreet political inclinations to lend its influence to the attempt to throttle a fair expression of political opinion in Pennsylvania. Fair play is not an assured thing in the management of parties, but it is the very life and strength of our representative system.

LET every poor man who is a member of a Building and Loan Association remember that Jerome B. Niles, the Republican candidate, voted to tax the money the laboring men saved by investing it in B. & L. associations. Are you going to help put a man in office who would tax out of existence an institution that enables you to save a few dollars each year? Is the man who would tax your little savings and that of your children your friend? Remember this, and when the sixth of November comes drop your little paper protest into the ballot box. You can't damn Niles with bull rushes, but you can with ballots.

THE bi centennial anniversary of the first German settlement of America was celebrated with great enthusiasm in many places last week. The arrival of these first settlers at Germantown, was the initiatory movement which has contributed to the population of the United States hundreds of thousands of its best and most useful law abiding citizens, who identify themselves with our Republican institutions with all the enthusiasm and affection they could possibly entertain of the Fatherland.

THE Clarion Democrat thus sums up the Harrisburg situation: "The Democratic House would if it could, the Republican Senate could if it would."

At a Three Minute Gait.

The Republican ultimatum senate yesterday made the best time on record for a legislative body.

A Patriot representative held the watch, and the time put out was three minutes for the session.

The stake money is in the state treasury, and the Republican senators expect it to be equally divided, each to receive their thirty-five dollars.

It is at a three minute gait the people's money is being wasted, and it is at a three minute gait they are being denied their right of Equal Representation.

Do not forget this on the 6th of November.—Harrisburg Patriot of Wednesday.

PLAIN TALK. Congressman Good, of Virginia, a near neighbor, representing the district in which Mahone resides, in a recent speech thus referred to the Ex-Confederate Brigadier whom the administration has placed as a boss over the Republican party of that state, and the dispenser of its patronage:

"Who is this man that thus traduces me in my absence? Professing to be a Democrat, he made a corrupt bargain with Republicans by which he betrayed his constituents and sold for a price the people who had honored him with a representative trust. Pretending to be the champion of the people, he has done more to debauch morals and ruin the good name of the state than any other man who has ever lived upon her soil. Protesting his devotion to the material interests of Virginia, he has bankrupted one of her greatest railroads, taking care, however, to fill his own pockets with enormous sums of money for which he rendered no service whatever.

"Busting of his powers as a Major General in the Confederate army, he gave a vote in the senate by which he attempted to write the word 'traitor' upon the brow of every Confederate living and the grave of every Confederate dead. Claiming to be a believer in the so-called code of honor, he bears upon his forehead to-day the brand of 'liar and coward,' placed there by Gen. Jubal A. Early, in the presence of 10,000 people, at the city of Richmond. Such a man is unworthy of any further notice from me and I dismiss him as beneath contempt."

THE SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN. This admirable weekly journal should be in the possession of every person who desires to keep up practical information in art, science and mechanics. It is handsomely embellished by illustrations of the highest progress in the mechanic arts, and its general reading such as will commend it to the best intelligence upon all subjects it discusses. It is published by Messrs. Munn & Co., in New York, at the low price of \$3.20 per annum, including postage. The editors, with whom we had pleasant acquaintance in a sphere of duty other than that in which we are now engaged, will accept our thanks for the regular receipt of this interesting publication.

THE Philadelphia Inquirer (Rep.) rebukes Cooper and his kicking mules with having committed a very serious blunder "on refusing promptly to confirm the Governor's nomination of Furman Sheppard, Esq., for Inspector of the Eastern Penitentiary. There can be no valid, or even reasonable excuse for failing to confirm it. Mr. Sheppard is conspicuously fitted by character and acquirements for the office for which the Governor selected him. He is a lawyer of distinguished ability, a citizen of enviable reputation, and of such public spirit as to make him an exceptionally desirable Inspector of Prisons.

GEN. JAMES B. STEEDMAN died at his residence in Toledo, Ohio, on Friday last, in the 66th year of his age. Gen. Steedman was a native of Northumberland county, in this state, and acquired great renown and distinction as an officer in the late war, particularly in the battle of Chancellorsville, where his brave and opportune support of Gen. Thomas secured him the commission of Major General, and the title of "old Chancellorsville" which he subsequently bore.

Hon. Jas. R. Smith.

The people of our county without regard to their political biases are interested in the selection of an honorable, just and upright Associate Judge. Without any disparagement to the Republican candidate for that position, we point with confidence and pride to the candidate of the Democratic party, Hon. J. R. Smith, at present one of our Associate Judges, as the man who fills the bill in every particular. Judge Smith is a cultured, intellectual gentleman, a beau ideal of an Associate Judge, a man of undoubted ability, of spotless reputation and unquestioned honesty, whose past life is sufficient guarantee for his future. A life-long Democrat who will carry into the courts over which as associate he assists in presiding, the qualities which have endeared him to his people at home. An old school Democrat, an old school gentleman, whose presence on the bench will add new dignity and lustre to a court that has always commanded the respect of our people, let every man who desires to take no step backward, and who desires to keep up the proud record of Centre county's judiciary, vote for Judge Jas. R. Smith. Democrats, your duty is plain, your candidate should poll every Democratic vote in the county that can get to the polls. In your zeal for your state ticket do not overlook the claims of your local candidates, all are worthy of your heartiest support.

OUR friend John A. Woodward, Esq., of Howard township, in this county, is announced as the editor of the *Farm Journal*, a quarto monthly journal published in Philadelphia. The announcement of this fact by Mr. Atkinson, the publisher, shows such just appreciation of the capabilities of Mr. Woodward, that we give it in his own words: "John is a farmer, a practical, level headed sleeves rolled-up farmer. Besides he is a boss editor. He has the gift of expressing himself clearly in a few words. He is not an essayist. He possesses good, solid, common sense; in other words, gumption. He has been an editor and farmer ever since he was a boy. He is now farming with success and expects to continue at the business."

Mr. Woodward, we understand, will not change his residence, but continue as heretofore one of the active and intelligent citizens of Howard.

IT is labor lost on the part of Republicans to report dissensions or disaffections among Democrats in any quarter. At no time, perhaps, since the formation of the Democratic party, near a century ago, have they been more united and determined in pursuit of good government, and the rights of the people to control and direct public affairs than at the present moment. At no time, perhaps, were bosses and corruptionists less needed, or their methods more heartily condemned. This will be made apparent at the coming election and "don't you forget it!"

WASHINGTON city, or at least the legal fraternity belonging to the National capitol, last week entertained Lord Coleridge, the Chief Justice of England, and it is said they did it handsomely. It was certainly worth a trip by the Lord Chief Justice to the new world, for the pleasure of leaning upon the arm of the American *Dude* who graces the office of Attorney General of the United States.

IT appears the cyclones did not go into winter quarters after the Ohio election. A Texas freight train on Saturday last was lifted from the track and literally torn to pieces.

"THE Republicans fail to hit the real reason for their disaster in Ohio," says the New York Sun. "They were beaten because the Republican party must go."

THE New York Sun says: "Some sanguine politicians are insisting that Judge Hoody ought to be nominated for the Presidency in 1884, because he has been elected Governor of Ohio. According to this rule why not give a chance to all the Democratic governors now in office or who will be elected this fall in the old free states, the portion of the Union from which the candidate is certain to come from, and New England can present Butler and Waller. Shoulder to shoulder with them will stand Cleveland and Abett and we might include Pattison, of Pennsylvania, if he were a little older. Across the Alleghenies Judge Hoody will find plenty of competitors. There is Begole of Michigan, Glick of Kansas, Grant of Colorado, Adams of Nevada, and Stoneman of California. In addition to these, Stockley of Delaware, McLane of Maryland, who will be elected in November, and Jackson, of West Virginia, may insist that they are not so far south as to fall outside of the Ohio rule. This, rather a long list, affords pleasing variety, but we fancy the governors will not have the field all to themselves."

Now, if Gov. Proctor Knott feels slighted by the Sun, let him speak up like a little man.

MR. T. F. FORTUNE, editor of the colored people's organ of New York, the *Globe*, takes the following sensible view of the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, declaring the "civil rights law" unconstitutional. He says: "My opinion is that the civil rights act, as an outgrowth of the war and of the modified opinion growing out of the war, is correct; but if we are to regard it in the light of public opinion and the constitution as they obtained before the war the decision is correct. Every body knows that the constitution as modified by the war, is not so strict as to be interpreted in the interests of the states as before. I do not think that any citizen of the United States of any nationality needs any law other than that which guarantees citizenship, to entitle him to all the rights of such citizenship. I think that at this time the decision will inflame the minds of narrow minded men, especially in the south, to acts of violence and lawlessness, but in time, every right will be accorded to us to which we are entitled in common with every other citizen, without any such class legislation as the civil rights law."

THE report of the Commissioner of Pensions for the year ending the 30th of June last, shows a list of pensioners on the rolls of 303,658 at that date. During the year 38,162 new pensioners and 793 who had been dropped, making 38,955 were added to the roll during the year, an excess of 10,645 over the preceding year. The aggregate value of all pensions was \$32,245,192, an increase of \$2,904,090.46. The amount paid for pensions was \$60,064,009. The excess of payments over the annual value was on account of arrears of pensions covering a period previous to the allowance of claims.

THE New York Sun, in an able article on the subject, urges the return of Judge Thurman to the United States senate by the Democracy of Ohio. Judge Thurman while in the senate occupied a commanding position as the Democratic leader in the days of reconstruction, resisting the fanaticism and unconstitutional measures of a crazed majority in subjecting the south to carpet-bag rule and a military despotism. His return now would be a subject of national rejoicing.

WE place a beautifully written and merited eulogy of that eminent and beloved Pennsylvania statesman who recently passed to his reward, Jeremiah S. Black, upon our sixth page. It is taken from the *Mifflintown Register*.