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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE.

GEN. W. H. H. DAVIS.
OF BUCKS COUNTY.

THE ELECTORAL TICKET.

ELECTORS AT LARGE.
Richard Vaux, H. B. Pflieger, B. J. McGowan.
DISTRICT ELECTORS.
1. John Slavin, 18. George S. Parry,
2. John P. J. Sensenbrenner, 19. P. K. Ashley,
3. John W. Lee, 20. John P. Levan,
4. Herbert J. Horn, 21. E. D. Parker,
5. Richard L. Wright, 22. E. D. Matsum,
6. John H. Britton, 23. A. H. Hill,
7. Wm. Stahler, 24. Franklin P. James,
8. Charles F. Rentschler, 25. J. K. P. Duff,
9. H. M. North, 26. John Swan,
10. Harry G. Stiles, 27. A. B. Whitcraft,
11. A. J. Broadhead, Jr., 28. John H. Hill,
12. F. V. Rockafellow, 29. Wm. A. Parquet,
13. Richard Bahr, 30. A. J. Greenfield.

CONGRESS is working hard on the Appropriation bills, and hopes to be able to adjourn about the 3rd of July.

EX-SENATOR POMEROY, of Kansas, otherwise "Old Tom," has been nominated by the Prohibition and Anti-Masonic Convention at Chicago for President. He is a healthy candidate of a healthy combination.

It is said Blaine has already two brothers, a son, three nephews, two cousins, and nine of his wife's relatives on the federal pay roll. If elected, of course the balance of the connection, including the sisters and aunts, will be provided for from the Federal treasury.

MAHONE says he "likes Blaine." Shouldn't wonder! He liked Arthur, too, as long as his liking could be compensated by patronage and plunder. The autumn frosts however, may cool the temperament of the great Repudiator and relieve him of the unnatural sentiment now oppressing him as the result of Blaine's magnetism.

At a meeting of the Norfolk Club at Boston, last week, an attempt was made to commit this Republican organization to Blaine and Logan, but of the first eight speakers, three, including the Secretary of the club, declared their intention to bolt the ticket. The latter offered to resign, but the club thought it might as well let matters stand as they were, and it was so ordered.

Of the letters received by the *Sedalia* (Missouri) *Democrat* from seventy-five leading Democratic editors of that State, stating their preference for the Presidency, nearly three-fourths favor the nomination of Cleveland, ten want Bayard, while the others are scattering in their choice. For Vice-President, one-half for McDonald, while Hoadly, Palmer, Cleveland, Morrison, Slocum, Butler, and Rosecran, are mentioned favorably.

The members of the Fenian Brotherhood at Chicago put no faith in the alleged circular of James Stephens, recommending an armed invasion of England, with aerial accompaniments in the shape of dynamite balloons. The policy proposed is directly contrary to the views which Mr. Stephens has all along been known to entertain and the startling embellishments of his circular are supposed to be the work of some "Milesian Munchausen" at the other end of the cable.

A MAJORITY of the committee on Election in the House, reporting in favor of the seating of Chalmers from the second district of Mississippi, is a document somewhat remarkable, but truthful, if not complimentary, to file in the archives of Congress. It declares that Chalmers "is hypocritical in his politics, deceptive in his manners, and unworthy of a seat in Congress, but that he was elected and the committee are only judges of that and not responsible for the action of his constituents, upon whom the blame must rest for selecting such a man." Chalmers is a Republican member, and his report was voted for by the Republican members of the committee.

SINCE the declination of Mr. Tilden and the meeting of the New York State Convention, public opinion seems to be settling down in favor of the nomination of Senator Bayard or Gov. Cleveland, and it is probable now that the main struggle at the National Convention on the 8th of July will be centred upon these distinguished rivals for the Presidency. Either will do. Indeed so unexceptionally good are all the distinguished men named for the Democratic nominations that it is difficult to have a preference. The magnificent ability, the unimpaired public record and great experience and pure life of the Delaware Senator, cannot be discounted by any one, and if the choice fall upon him, we can invite comparison with the Republican candidate with pride.

GEN. WILLIAM McCANDLES, well known to many of the people of this county, whom he has frequently addressed, died in Philadelphia last week. He was one of the bravest soldiers of the late war, serving in the Pennsylvania Reserves in which he attained high honor only by his courage and efficiency. His death was the immediate result of wounds received in the service. After the war he was a member of the State Senate, and subsequently elected Secretary of Internal Affairs and served with distinguished ability in that department from 1875 to 1879. He was a lawyer of fine ability, and as a brave warm hearted man, of high integrity, he drew around him a very large circle of warm and ardent friends who will continue to cherish recollections of "Buck McCandles," as he was familiarly called in bright memory.

THE Blaine editors try to console themselves by asserting that the bolting Republicans in New York, Massachusetts and elsewhere, means little, and can have no serious effect on the result, or endanger the success of Mr. Blaine—that he can be elected without New York or Massachusetts. Such a miracle has never yet been performed in the interest of the Republican party, nor is it likely to be now when sailing under a platform of fraud and false pretense in the lead of a demagogue whom the ablest and most conspicuous men and journals of the party denounce as notoriously unscrupulous, corrupt and unworthy. These editors put too much faith in the craft of their leaders, when they claim even a chance of success without the aid of both these States. This is the year of solid investigation among the people, as it is also the year of reform of governmental abuses.

BURNSIDE, the disbursing agent of the Postoffice Department, recently arrested for embezzlement, it seems was a thief from the commencement of his service in that Department several years ago, and what is remarkable, the immediate successor of two thieves discharged for their peculations. Besides his embezzlement of the public funds, he stole and sold, during his incumbency, carpets and paper belonging to the Department to one single dealer, as appears by the books and checks of the dealer, to the amount of \$21,000. His thieving so far as yet discovered, runs up to \$70,000. That such a state of affairs could exist for a series of years without discovery, shows a shameless lack of police management of the Department. The Navy Department is now making about the same kind of exhibitions, only more so, and goes to prove that a general investigation and renovation is needed in the whole machinery of administration, to which the people of the country should now give their attention in the selection of honest and conscientious agents.

THE religious press, because of their innate prejudice to Democracy, has generally thrown the weight of their influence to the Republican nominees for office. But it appears the nomination of Blaine is a dose not at all pal-

atable, and some of them kick lustily. Among those dissatisfied are the *Independent*, *Boston Congregationalist*, *Christian Leader*, *Baptist Weekly*, and *Christian Union*. It is encouraging to see our moral teachers open their eyes a little to the fact that the "grand old party," and its tattooed leaders are not all the "moral excellence" that custom and prejudice has heretofore shrouded them in the religious press. This is a fair as well as a proper beginning, and may in time lead to the knowledge that a Democrat is not a wild, ravenous animal, preying upon the innocents in church and state, but a man endowed with great principles, having the interest of both at heart, as the highest object to be attained by honest, open, manly and consistent conduct. One that seeks honesty and fairness in the administration of State, as he does truthfulness, sincerity, consistency and piety in the church. That is the standard by which a true Democrat may be measured at all times.

JOHN A. LOGAN is now the Republican candidate for the Vice Presidency on a declaration that "the Republican party has gained its strength by quick and faithful response to the demands of the people for the freedom and equality of all men." Six years after the organization of the Republican party John A. Logan supported in Congress the Slave Code bill, "in terms," says the *St. Louis Republican*, "more sweeping than slave-owners themselves were willing to employ." On January 24, 1850, Hon. John A. Logan said in the National House of Representatives:

"Let me tell you if it passed it would put in the penitentiary such men as you have in your part of the country (Northern Illinois) who band together and conspire for the purpose of stealing fugitive slaves; it will put in the penitentiary such men as you have who call meetings and then adopt measures and pledge themselves to go into sister states for the purpose of inciting servile insurrections; it is for the purpose of reaching such men as encouraged your John Brown, and pressed him on in his treason to the country; it is for the purpose of reaching your irrepressible conflict men who have engaged, if not directly, indirectly, in murder, in everything that is disreputable, dishonorable, disgraceful, and shocking to humanity. I understand, further, that pretended ministers of God have recently preached sermons on the death of John Brown, and have held him up as a martyr in the great cause of freedom."

WHEN Gen. Simon Cameron years ago, says Uncle Jake Zeigler, "kicked" against Democratic nominations, we are old enough to remember that it was said by the "wise men" of the Democratic party, "all these independents will eventually support the ticket." Well, they didn't support the ticket and the party was beaten. In a late interview which the correspondent of the *Philadelphia Times* had with the General, he made the same remark in regard to the Republican kickers against Blaine that was made against himself and his friends thirty years ago, by the Democrats. Strange coincidence! If the Republican kickers do not support the ticket, and the party be beaten, the General can go down to his grave assured of the fact that "history repeats itself." But it may be possible he reasons from what has hitherto been a known fact, that Republicans are much more easily whipped into the traces than old Democrats were. True, very true. The General tried "boss rule" among Democrats and when he could not exercise it with effect he left the party and went over to the opposition because he found in them a party more easily handled and controlled. If, however, he should live long enough to see that the Republican kickers against Blaine are made of the same stern stuff that he was made of when he was a Democratic kicker he will be convinced that he is more of a politician than a prophet.

Justice at Last!

The bill for the relief of Gen. Fitz John Porter as amended by the Senate has been concurred in and passed in the House by a vote of 158 to 81, and is now with the President for approval. It authorizes the President to nominate Gen. Porter to his old position as Colonel in the regular army, and that he be placed on the retired list; but to receive no back pay. This is all right as a vindication of a shamelessly wronged and traduced officer of high merit and undoubted bravery, and is, we believe, all that Gen. Porter asked or craved, whatever more he was justly entitled to.

The friends of Gen. Porter, as well as all other fair-minded, candid men throughout the country, will approve the act which as far as can be now, repairs a great wrong done to a gallant soldier and gentleman, and releases his name from an undesired stigma of dishonor imposed through ignorance and malignity.

An Issue that Cannot Die.

The *Utica Observer*, truthfully and forcibly says: "It is a false impression that the withdrawal of Tilden eliminates from our canvass the living issue which the decision of the Electoral Commission created. That issue is and should remain as potent as ever, and will survive Mr. Tilden himself, should the Republican party remain in power until after his death. Every individual, North, South, East and West, who voted for Samuel J. Tilden in 1876 has a personal grievance to satisfy. The God-given right of every voter who supported him in that centennial campaign was deliberately and criminally outraged by the party in power. The instincts of manhood, not to speak of politics at all, command the Democracy to put in its national platform a plank so eloquent that it will force every self-respecting man who stood by Tilden in 1876 to vindicate himself this year by helping to punish the criminal."

It certainly would have been a high gratification to the Democracy to have met this issue under the immediate banner of the venerable philosopher, statesman and patriot, whom they elected to the Presidency in 1876, and who, by the foulest frauds and conspiracies of a party of men representing the Republican party, was not permitted to occupy it. But the failing strength of the aged statesman admonished him that in justice to his party, and the great interest now involved, his duty was imperative to decline the honor so unannouncedly offered. This act of unselfish patriotism, unparalleled in the history of the party, not only endears the grand old man to his countrymen, but instead of illimitating the issue, makes it enduring with the life of the Republican party. The frauds cannot be condoned.

SOME of the Republicans are taking credit to themselves for discovering and incorporating in their national platform the well-grounded popular opposition to large foreign land holdings in this country. To Mr. Hopkins, a Pennsylvania Democratic Congressman, is due the first public alarm sounded on this question, and the first bill introduced to prevent it.—*Lancaster Intelligencer*.

The same may be said of the proposed Bureau of Labor, also claimed by the platform of hypocrisy as evidence of Republican sympathy with the interest of the laboring man, which was introduced by Mr. Hopkins and passed the Democratic House sometime before the meeting of the convention.

A Logan Reminiscence.

From the *Greenburg Argus*.
"To h—l with Blaine," said Gen. Logan, when accosted by a *Leader* reporter at the Union depot, Pittsburg, two years ago, when the latter attempted to interview him as to Blaine's chances for the Presidency.

Well, that is all right; but Logan has concluded to keep the tattooed statesman company on the journey.

If not Cleveland, Whom?

The *Boston Herald*, in an editorial favoring the nomination of Mr. Cleveland for the Presidency, has this to say of the candidacy of the present Governor of New York:

If he is not nominated, it will be for no other reason than that the Democratic party does not want an honest reformer in the White House. And if that is its position, the Independent will not aid it.

Nothing that the Democratic party has done, contemplates doing, or is likely to do, warrants any such statement. The Democratic party want "an honest reformer in the White House," and intends to nominate one for the Presidency, elect him and put him in the White House. If Gov. Cleveland—well and good—if another—just as well and just as good.

If the party prefers somebody else than Gov. Cleveland, as it has a perfect right to do, and will do if it see fit, he will be as honest a reformer as Gov. Cleveland, and the latter will not be rejected because he is an honest reformer.

No Independent newspaper, or, so far as we know, Independent voter, has undertaken to dictate its course of action to the Democratic party. On the contrary, while these elements have been willing to offer advice and generally advice worthy the most careful consideration, there has been a disposition on all sides to avoid anything that looked like dictation on the part of these men who are not Democrats, and who would, under ordinary circumstances, be supporting the Republican nominees. The only exception is the *Herald*.

Grover Cleveland is a good man, and would undoubtedly make a magnificent President. For this reason we may nominate him. But there are other men in the Democratic party fully as good, equally as honest, and just as capable as he to assume the arduous duties and weighty responsibilities of the one great office in the Government.

The National Convention next month will carefully consider the situation, pay close attention to the demands of the occasion, adopt a platform, nominate candidates, and submit its work to the people, confident in their intelligence, patriotism and discriminating justice.—*Washington Post*.

MR. SPRINGER'S committee is likely to insist on Mr. Merrick telling who was the friend of Bosler that came to him and tried to get him to release Bosler from his subpoena so that he need not testify. Merrick it will be remembered, was a letter written by Dorsey to Bosler, telling him how to divide the money. There is no room for doubt that Blaine was the friend, and the Democrats on the committee want to bring this out, not because they suppose Blaine was a party to the Star route frauds, but because they want to show the kind of friends he had. A *Washington special* to the *Chicago Times* says:

It has been understood here for the last three years, by all persons posted in the Star route investigations, that it was Blaine's influence that procured the arrangement whereby the Government did not prosecute the Parker-Salisbury combination of Star-routers, but agreed to submit the case of the Government against them to arbitration, not the first step toward which method of adjustment has yet been taken. Blaine is related to some of the people in that combination, and according to Dorsey himself, Steve Elkins knows all that is worth knowing about these Star route matters.

There is a good deal of amusement here over Kellogg's story as repeated yesterday by both Merrick and Bliss, that the \$20,000 given to him by Price, the mail contractor, was a political contribution. Price is a Missourian, and a son of old Sterling Price, the Confederate General, and is a violent Democrat. Four years ago he sent General Hancock a feather from a Rocky mountain eagle which he shot, with which to write his inaugural address. That he should have contributed \$20,000 to the Republican campaign fund in Louisiana is deemed a fine joke.

Items of Interest.

Scarlet fever prevails in some sections of Bedford county.

The cut worm has appeared among the corn in Delaware county.

Mr. Arthur received the LL. D. degree from Princeton college yesterday.

Francis Murphy will begin a series of temperance lectures in Chicago next week.

John Walk, of Romansville, Chester county, recently captured a milk-white squirrel.

Bartholdi's colossal figure of liberty is the likeness of his mother, rejuvenated and modified.

Mr. Spurgeon's 50th birthday anniversary will be the occasion of a jubilee in London to-day.

Among the new insect arrivals is announced a destructive moth which infests the cranberry patch.

Steps are being taken at Pittsburgh to secure the transfer of the Ft. Wayne railroad to the Pennsylvania company.

Joseph M. Hutchison, of Logan town, ship, Blair county, recently found seven silver watches under a log on his farm.

Grasshoppers are so thick between Folsom and Latrobe, near White Rock, Cal., that the Indians gathered fifty barley sacks full and had a feast.

Riley R. Brink, who has been wanted in Perry county for arson ever since 1874, has at length been arrested and lodged in the New Bloomfield jail.

George Story, a miner at Tunnel colliery, Ashland, was caught in a heavy fall of coal on Friday morning and instantly killed. His body has not been recovered.

Cattlemen in Herkimer and Oneida counties, N. Y., are becoming alarmed over the increased mortality among young cattle. Pleuro-pneumonia is said to be the cause.

Samuel Thomas, who was an inmate of the Chester county almshouse in 1800, having been put there as a waif, was again put in the institution a few days since. He is without means of support.

James Mertz and others of Kutztown, Berks county, who were recently arrested for violating the fish laws by exploding dynamite in the river, have been again arrested for the same offense.

A wagon and harness stolen eighteen years ago from D. B. Keith, of Cherryfield, Maine, have been found by lumbermen under a brush pile. The horse that was stolen at the same time returned home a day or two afterward.

John Good, the negro who eloped from Easton several weeks ago with Pauline Lewis, a pretty Jewess, has been arrested at the instance of Lizzie Hunter, a colored girl, of Easton, who charges him with being the father of her child.

The will of Ann Cavanaugh, of Conshohocken, written on the back of a business card, in which she bequeaths everything she had to two brothers, is in the Courts of Montgomery county. She died before she could affix her name, and the brothers ask that the instrument be recognized.

COLUMBUS, June 20.—The state miners' convention in session here has received information from Buchtel, Hocking valley, to day that the operators have posted a reduction to 60 cents for mining, to take effect June 23. President McBride states that the miners will go out on that date.

Adam Funk, of Lebanon, recently captured a black bass weighing 2 pounds and 15 ounces. William Swayne, of Kennet Square, landed one recently which weighed 4 pounds and measured 21 inches in length and 12 inches around the girth. Samuel Chandler, of West Chester, landed a black bass from the Brandywine which measured 17 inches in length.

The Connelville coke producers' association on Friday decided in view of the unsatisfactory condition of trade to further restrict production by closing down ten per cent. of the ovens. This will reduce production twenty-five per cent., as fifteen per cent. of the ovens have been idle since the formation of the pool. They decided to make no change in the selling price.

A Boston lady is making a presiding officer's gavel of rare wood and stone of historical value. It will contain a fragment from Washington's tomb, marble from Caesar's palace in Rome, and a piece of a torch found in the wolf's den occupied by General Putnam at Pomfret, Conn. The gavel is to be used at the National Democratic Convention, and is to be presented to the successful Presidential candidate.