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#### TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

## CLEVELAND'S LETTER.

An Able Paper, Recognizing the Needs of the Country-He Believes in a Government by the People, and Favors a One term Presidency-Just Pledges to Labor.

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug, 19 .- The following was received to day by Colonel Lamont, secretary to Governor Cleveland nected with the integeity of our instiwho is at Upper Saranac Lake, with in. tutions none of our citizens are more instructions to make it public on its re- terested then they in guarding against ceipt :

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 18, 1824 .- Gen tlemen : I have received your communi- ernment and none should be more cation dated July 28th, 1884, informing | watchful of the artful machinations of me of my nomination to the office of those who allure them to self inflicted president of the United States by the injury. national democratic convention lately in its acceptance I assume.

I have carefully considered the platform adopted by the convention and to the moral sense and self-imposed restatement of democratic faith and the kept in view. Thus laws unnecessarily peals to the suffrages of the people of any of our people which are not offen. needs no supplement or explanation. sive to the moral sentiments of the civil-It should be remembered that the office | zed world and which are consistent of president is essentially executive in with good citizenship and the , ublic its nature. The laws enacted by the welfare, are unwise and vex tiou . legislative branch of the government the chief executive is bound faithfully to enforce, and when the wisdom of the political party which selects one of its members as a nominee for that office has outlined its policy and declared its principles, it seems to me that nothing in the character of the office or the necessities of the case requires more from the candidate accepting such nomination than the suggestion of certain well known truths so absolutely vital to the safety and welfare of the nation that they cannot be too often recalled or too seriously enforced. We proudly call ours a government by the people. It is not such when a class is tolerated which arrogates to itself the management of public affairs should depend upon their assertair seeking to control the people instead of representing them. Parties are the necessary outgrowth of our institutions, but a government is not by the people when one party fastens its control upon the country and perpetuates power by cajoling and betraying the people instead of proved. Public employment will be serving them. A government is not by open to all who can demonstrate their the people when a result which should represent the intelligent will of free and thinking men is or can be determined by the shameless corruption of their suffrages. When an election to office shall be the selection by the voters of one of their number to assume for a time a public trust instead of his dedication to the profession of politics. when the holders of the ballot, quickened by a sense of duty, shall avenge truth betrayed and pledges broken, and when | such that the voters of the land are prethe suffrage shall be altogether free and pared to support the party which gives uncorrupted, the full realization of a the best promise of administering the government by the people will be at government in the honest, simple and hand ; and of the means to this end not plain manner which is consistent with one would, in my judgment, be more effective than an amendment to the constitution disqualifying the president from re-election. When we consider the pstronage of this great office, the allurements of power, the temptation to retain public places once gained, and, the needs of the people as they arise more than all, the availability a party finds in an incumbent whom a horde of office holders, with a zeal born of benefits received and fostered by the hope of favors yet to come, stand ready to aid with money and trained political service, we recognize in the eligibility of the president for re-election a most serious danger to that calm, deliberate the favor and support of the Supreme and intelligent political action which Being, who, I believe, will always bless

A true American sentiment recognizes the dignity of labor and the fact that To Col. William F. Vilas, chairman, honor lies in honest toil. Contenied labor is an element of national prosperity. Ability to work constitutes the capital and the wages of labor the income of a vast number of our population and this interest should be jealous-

ly protected. Our workingmen are not asking unreasonable indulgence, but as intelligent and manly citizens they seek the same consideration which those demand who have other interests at stake. They should receive their full share of the care and attention of those who make and execute the laws, to the end by the Democratic Convention, at Chicthat the wants and needs of the employers and the employed shall alike be ob-Locat Norress 10 cents per line. A liberal discount is made to persons advertising by the quarter, half year, or year, as follows: 1818 both be advanced. As related to this ubject, while we should not discourage he immigration of those who came to cknowledge allegiance to our governnent and add to our citizen population et as a means of protection to our workingmen a different rule should prevail concerning those, if they come or are brought to our land, who do not intend to become American citizens, but will injuriously compete with those justly entitled to our field of labor. In a letter excepting the nomination to the office of governor nearly two years ago I made the following statement, to which I have steadily adhered ;

The laboring classes constitute the main part of our population. They should be protected in their efforts peaceably essert their rights when en. dangered by aggregated capital and all statues on this subject should recognize the care of the state for honest toil and be framed with a view of improving the condition of the workingmen.

A proper regard for the welfare of the workingmen being inseparably concorrupting influences which seek to pervert the beneficent purposes of our gor-

In a free country the curtailment of assembled at Chicago. I accept the the absolute rights of the individual noon she left her farher's house, which nomination with a grateful appreciation should only be such as is essential to is within a few hundred yards of the of the supreme honor conferred and a the peace and good order of the commusolemn sense of the responsibility which nity. The limit between the proper Railroad, to walk to Yorktown, a stasubjects of governmental control and tion two miles away, she carried with those which can be more fittingly left cordially approve the same. So plain a straint of the citizen should be careful storekeeper, for \$2.55. With this money principles upon which that party ap- interfering with the habits and custom The commerce of a nut on to a great extent determines its supre macy. Cheap and easy transportation should therefore be liberally fostered. Within the limits of the constitution the general government should improve and protect its natural water ways as will enable the producer of the country to reach a profitable murket. The per ple pay the wages of the public emp ores and they are entitled to the fair and honest work which the money thus paid should comman l. It is the duty of those intrusted with the manage ment of public affai . to see that such public service is for theoming. The selection and retention of subordinates in government employment ed fitness and the value of their work and they should neither be expected or allowed to do questionable party service. The interests of the peeple will be better protected. The estimate of public labor and duty will be immensely imfitness to enter it. The unseemly scramble for place under the government with the consequent importunity which embitter official life will cease and the public departments will not be filled with those who conceive it to be their first duty to aid the party to which they owe their places instead of rendering patient an I honest return to the people. I believe that the public temper is its character and purposes. They have learned that mystery and concealment in the management of their affairs cover trickery and betrayal. The statesmanship they require consists in honesty and frugality, a prompt response to and vigilent protection of all their varied interests. If I should be called to the chief magistracy of the nation by the suffrages of my fellow citizens I will assume the duties of that high office with a solemn determination to dedicate every effort to the country's good and with an humble reliance upon

#### entious discharge of public duty. (Signed) GROVER CLEVELAND.

Democratic National Convantion.

Hendricks Accepts.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., August 20 - The rick's letter of acceptance of the Democratic nomination for the Vice Presiden

GENTLEMEN-I have the honor to acknowlege the receipt of your communication notifying me of my nomination ago, as the candidate for the office of Vice President of the United States. May I repeat what I said on another occasion, that it is a nomination which I had neither expected nor desired, and yet I recognize and appreciate the high honor done me by the Convention. The choice of such a bady pronounced with such unusual unanimity and accompanied with so generous an expression of esteem and confidence, ought to outweigh all merely personal desires and preferences of my own. It is with this feeling, and I trust also from a deep sense of public duty, that I now accept the nomination, and shall abide the judgment of my countrymen. I have examined with care the declaration of principles adopted by the Convention, a copy of which you submitted to me. and in their sum and substance I heart ily indorse and approve the same. I am, gentleman, your obedient servant,

T. A. HENDRICKS, To the Hon. W. F. Vilas, Chairman, Nicholis M. Bell, Secretary, and others of the national Democratic Convention.

### Ella Watson Brained With a Club Resisting an Attempt to Outrage Her.

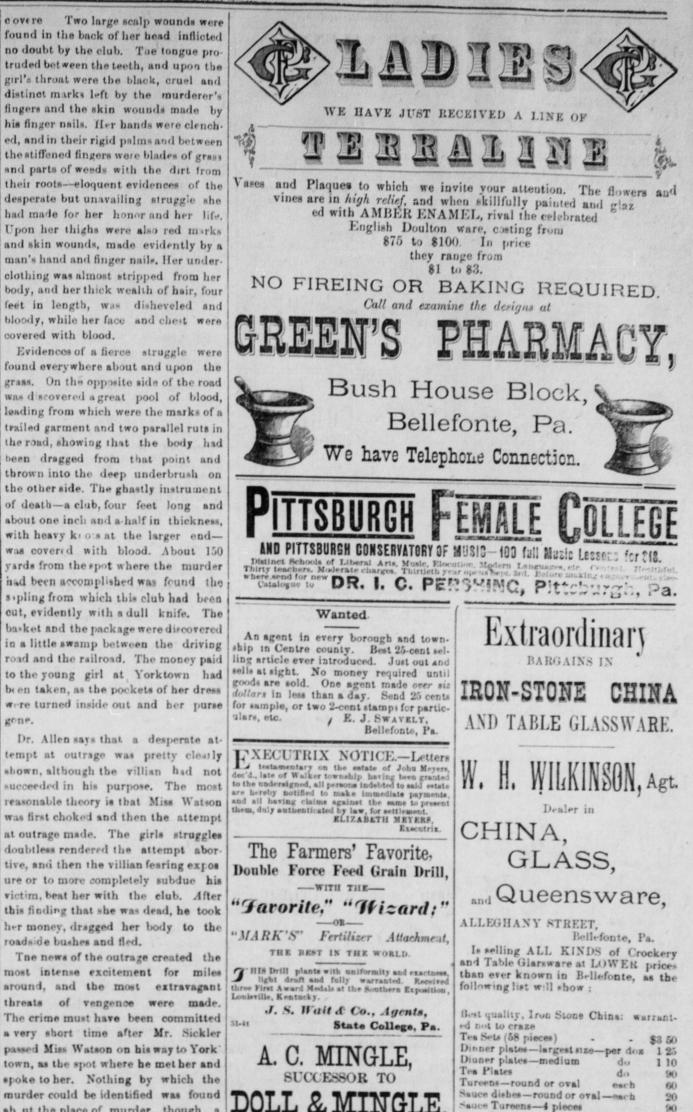
WOODSTOWN, N. J., August 19 .- Ella Watson, a modest and pretty farmer's to the young girl at Yorktown had daughter, just budding into wom snhood was last evening at sundown brutally assaulted, murder and robbed within gone. sight of her fatner's house, while on a visit to a country store at Yorktown, a village three miles from here. Miss Watson was fifteen years old last month and spent her birthday at her sister's home, No. 228 Scott street, Philadelphia. She was a studious, bright girl, and was preparing berself for a position as schoolteacher. Late yesterday afterold Salem branch of the West Jersey her a basket of poultry. The produce was sold to John S. Elwell, a country she purchased a box of crackers, and with the packakage, in her basket and the remainder of the money in her pocket, started for her father's house. The sun had been down perhaps ten town, as the spot where he met her and minutes when she began her return spoke to her. Nothing by which the wilk. According to the testimony of two ab ut the place of murder, though stor-keepers with whom the girl had number of tootprints traced by Sheriff dealt there were no suspicious charac- Coles and others, it was thought, might ters in sight at the time. Except her lead to traces of the murderer. Early murderer, the last persons who saw the this morning two colored men-Will young girl alive were a neighbor, Charles | iam Jones and George Peterson-were Sickles, and two loys in a wagon, who met her on the road three-quarters of and given a hearing before Magistrate appearance is the best a mile from Yorktown: Mr. Sickler Goforth, who held them for further dewas driving in to the station and re- velopments until tomorrow. This even ceived a plea ant smile from the young ing a white man, Thomas Lenney, was girl as she trudged homeward. At 9 taken into custody at the suggestion of o'clock she had not arrived home, and Sheriff Coles. Jones lives near Yorkher mother, b ginning to feel anxious, town and Peterson is on a visit rear walked a short distance down the road that place from Philadelphis, where he n hope of meeting her. After proceed. is a bootblack in Binders, under the ing as far as she deemed it safe the Bingham House. Jones bears a bad mother returned to the house and reputation here. Peterson and he are thoroughly alarmed sent her hust and chums. The white man arrested is halfon horseback along the road to witted, but is said to be a desperate fel-Yorktown and to neighbors where it low when he gets a chance to be bad. Suswas thought shemight have stopped for picion has been directed toward the an evening chat. The father returned two negroes from the fact that the foot at midnight and reported that his daugh. tracks traced to and from the place of tor could nowhere be found. Several murder led to a corn field toward Yorkneighbors were thereupon arouse 1 and town and in the direction of Jones a di mal party with lanterns was soon house. The officers think that the foot se rching the gloomy road between the prints may be identified as having farmhouse and Yorktown. Mr. Sickler been made by the boots of one of the guided the party to the spot where he men in custody. There appears to be had last seen the girl. Leading the no proof that either of these men comparty was Mr. Watson, who suddenly mitted the crime, and both of them halted, with a heart breaking exclama- protest their innocence. Jones, howtion : "Mother ! mother ! there is her ever, fails to satisfactorily account for dress !" The mother trembling in every himself between 6 and 8 o'clock last limb, ran to where the father, with a night, between which hours the murder BOOTS white face, was pointing a hand shaking was committed. Peterson was arrested like an aspen. Some one threw the light more becouse he was intimate with of a lantern upon a body lying among Jones than for any other reason. Lensome bushes several feet from the road ney will probably be released to-day. sile. Mrs Watson gazed, with a cry of and it will be difficult to hold the others. horror, into the ghastly face of her dead Thus this frightful affair is warpped in daughter, which though blackened and the most profound mystery. bloody, could be distinguished at a The young girl had no lovers and did glance. The body was lying partly upnot fancy male society at any time. on the back, and a portion of it was hid-Her father is worth considerable proper den from view by a dense growth of ty. She has three sisters married two underbush. of whom live in Woodstown and one-Mrs. Watson was led away and the Mrs. Charles Searles of No. 828 Scott men dragged the corpse out upon the street-at Philadelphia. She has one roadside. brother. Sheriff Coles said at a late Sheriff Coles, of Salem, was sent for, hour to-night that he did not think and Coroner Goforth was summoned that any of the men under arrest were from Woodstown. The latter arrived implicated in the crime. He thinks, with Dr.L. A. D. Allen, who at once however, that he has the right clew to made an examination of the fearfully the real murderer. mutilated body.

covere Two large scalp wounds were found in the back of her head inflicted no doubt by the club. The tongue pro-D. P. Bester and others, Members of truded between the teeth, and upon the the Notification Committee of the girl's throat were the black, cruel and distinct marks left by the murderer's fingers and the skin wounds made by his finger nails. Her hands were clenched, and in their rigid palms and between following is a copy of ex-governor Hend. the stiffened fingers were blades of grass and parts of weeds with the dirt from their roots-eloquent evidences of the desperate but unavailing struggle she had made for her honor and her life. Upon her thighs were also red marks and skin wounds, made evidently by a man's hand and finger nails. Her underclothing was almost stripped from her body, and her thick wealth of hair, four feet in length, was disheveled and bloody, while her face and chest were covered with blood.

Evidences of a fierce struggle were found everywhere about and upon the grass. On the opposite side of the road was discovered a great pool of blood, leading from which were the marks of a trailed garment and two parallel ruts in the road, showing that the body had been dragged from that point and thrown into the deep underbrush on the other side. The ghastly instrument of death-a club, four feet long and about one inch and a half in thickness, with heavy knots at the larger endwas covered with blood. About 150 yards from the spot where the murder had been accomplished was found the sopling from which this club had been cut, evidently with a dull knife. The basket and the package were discovered in a little swamp between the driving been taken, as the pockets of her dress

Dr. Allen says that a desperate attempt at outrage was pretty clearly shown, although the villian had not succeeded in his purpose. The most reasonable theory is that Miss Watson was first choked and then the attempt at outrage made. The girls struggles doubtless rendered the attempt abortive, and then the villian fearing expos ure or to more completely subdue his victim, beat her with the club. After this finding that she was dead, he took her money, dragged her body to the roadside bushes and fled.

The news of the outrage created the most intense excitement for miles around, and the most extravagant threats of vengence were made. The crime must have been committed a very short time after Mr. Sickler passed Miss Watson on his way to York murder could be identified was found arrested at Yorktown upon suspicion



Since the above has been written an The unfortunate girl's right temple inquest was held, but failed to discover was found to have been crushed in with any new features, and there not being a heavy chestnut club which was found sufficient evidence to hold Peterson must characterize a government by the honest human endeavor in the consci- near the spot where the body was dis- and Hantey they were released.

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AT A MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BAR of Centre county the following order was made: And now, July 25, 1884, the ma-having continued the entire civit i And now, July 20, 1985, the memory of the set having continued the entire civil het of causes for the second week of August Term, it is ordered that the second week of anid term be dispensed with, and that there be holder but one week of the several courts of, in and for the county of Centre at August term east. It is further ordered that the Proticenotary publish this order in the several papers of the county, and that the Sheriff of Centre county will summon no more jurors for said second week, and that he notify them already summoned not to appear. ADAM HOY, P. 3,

ADAM HOY, P. J. Certified from the Record th [SRAL,] 30-31. J. C. HARFER, Prothonotary EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.-Estate of Henry Beck, of Walker township, Cer

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