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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
Hon. CHAUNCEY F. BLACK,
of York County.
Lieutenant Governor,
R. BRUCE RICKETTS,
of Luzerne.
Secretary of Internal Affairs,
J. SIMPSON AFRICA,
of Huntingdon.
Auditor General,
WILLIAM J. BRENNEN,
of Allegheny.
Congressman-at-Large,
MAXWELL STEVENSON,
of Philadelphia.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

For Congress,
A. G. CURTIN,
Subject to the decision of the congressional conferees
For State Senate,
P. GRAY MEEK,
Subject to the decision of the senatorial conferees.
Assembly.
JOHN A. WOODWARD,
LEONARD RHONE.
For Prothonotary,
L. A. SCHAEFFER.
District Attorney,
J. CALVIN MEYER.
County Surveyor,
J. F. REIFSNYDER.

BOAL was nominated by the Republican bosses, because of reported kicking in Potter township, and Mattern was forced to take a nomination he did not want in order to give that party "trading stock."

Mr. John Youngman, formerly of the *Patriot*, but more recently correspondent of the *Philadelphia Times*, is Joe Furey's successor as associate editor of the *Watchman*, and fills the bill. Mr. Youngman is one of the readiest writers in the fraternity and will keep the *Watchman* up to its usual high standard.

"The Republican nominees are marching on to victory with General Beaver at the helm"—*Koupon Gazette*.
The ink slinger of the *Gazette* is a little mixed. An army marches on *terra firma* and of course there is no such a thing as a man "at the helm," but then these "Republican nominees" with "Beaver at the helm" may be "horse marines."

THE Republicans of Randall's district made no nomination against him so that he has a clear track. As Mr. Randall is as much in favor of the tariff as the republicans themselves, what is the use in electing a Republican even if they could? Mr. Randall earned this compliment at the hands of Republicans last winter, by voting with them against a revision of the same tariff which both parties are pledged to revise.

GENERAL BEAVER lost his leg in the same rebellion that the Democratic party lost its character.—*Gazette*.
Yes in that rebellion was McClellan Hancock, Meade, Coulter, Ricketts, and hosts of others who owed allegiance to the Democratic party, and all Pennsylvanians. In the same breath that he slanders the Democratic dead he asks the living to vote for the Republican nominees.

SOME fellows after they get out of office seem to think that their whole duty is to "kick" their party organization to pieces. Such tactics may seem to smack of political independence but it is very ungrateful to the great body of voters who put them in office. When you find a "kicker" hunt up his record, and you will find a man who has been served by his party, or one who has been disappointed. This is the rule, there may be exceptions.

THE Philadelphia *Times* accuses General Beaver of dodging the issues of the present campaign and devoting his time to a discussion of the tariff and the injustice done the colored man. As the republican platform is painfully silent on the questions which concern the people of Pennsylvania it would be expecting too much of Gen. Beaver to offend the party bosses by a discussion of the issues of the campaign. We are sorry to see the General dodging anything but particular questions which should be met manfully and presented to the people as they exist. Some time before the campaign opened the DEMOCRAT predicted that the republicans would dodge everything in which the people had any interest and go off in the old rags of a bloody shirt and tariff discussion, this our fellow townsman seems to have done. It won't win.

THE friends of Franklin B. Gowen are making determined efforts to have him run for Congress in the Schuylkill district. Mr. Gowen is one of the most brilliant men in Pennsylvania, and it would be a great honor to the democratic party to have him in Congress. By all means let Mr. Gowen be the democratic nominee. Mr. Gowen is a democrat and one of the most pressing needs of the democratic party of our state is to have democrats in Congress who will not wear the collar of Mr. Randall, and who can be counted on when democratic measures are before the house.

THE nomination of Gilbert Rafferty in the 20th Congressional district does not seem to meet with approval. Rafferty is a non resident of the district but with very large coal and coke interests in several of the counties. He lives in Allegheny county and the conferees thought the difficulty between the three contestants for congressional honors could be adjusted by giving the nomination to another fellow, but the thing won't work.

DEMOCRATS you are asked to vote for Boal, a wealthy Republican, who owns a fine farm of nearly 200 acres right in the heart of Penns Valley, as against Schaeffer, a poor young Democrat. What good reason can a Democrat assign for voting against Schaeffer.

—THE Congressional and Senatorial conferences met on Tuesday, the former at Lock Haven and the latter at Tyrone. No nominations were made at either place, and the conferences adjourned to meet again Wednesday. All that can be learned as we go to press this (Wednesday) evening, is that 47 ballots had been taken at Lock Haven, with 6 votes for Reed and 3 each for the other candidates.

GEN. BEAVER spoke at Pittsburgh, but read his speech from manuscript. He made some awkward blunders as a fellow will often do when reading before the public. He swears—no—he says he "won't do it again."

J. C. MEYER, the next district attorney, will lose no votes through the insinuations and innuendos of the Republican papers. He will Lichtenhaller all to thunder.

SENATOR WALLACE will be heard on the democratic stump this fall and he will go right to the root of all the questions before the people. There will be no dodging of vital issues.

REPRESENTATIVE Woodward has been sick for some time, but is able to be about again. Both Woodward and Rhone will be heard from the political stump.

JOHN H. REIFSNYDER is just the man for County Surveyor, as he has had great experience in this line and is familiar with the old lines of the county.

Happy Business Men.

THE Philadelphia *Times* says: "To any man who keeps his eyes open and can draw conclusions the fact must have been patent for some time past that business in the city is in a flourishing condition and is daily improving. In Market street and the extreme eastern part of Chestnut street, where the large wholesale houses are mostly located, pedestrians are confronted at every step with huge piles of packing cases, bales and barrels; along the curbs stand long rows of wagons and drays, and upon every hand are busy men, continually lifting, hauling and marking merchandise of all kinds. In the upper part of the business portion of these great thoroughfares and in the cross streets, where the retail shops are, the signs of a rush business are quite as apparent. Women out 'shopping' crowd the sidewalks and fill the stores, and nearly every one of them carries one or more bundles. The merchants all wear smiles, and when night comes the clerks are more tired than for a long time past.

"The proof that all these signs of business activity are not mere surface indications lacking a solid foundation of steady prosperity is shown in the interviews given below. Representative business men of this city, representing all branches of trade have given their views of the outlook. They are wonderfully uniform in their prognostications for continued fair weather in the world of business. They are uniformly of the opinion that an era of prosperity has dawned, and they, without exception, look with confidence to its continuance. They say that there is no "boom," but that on the other hand business is better than for years, and is improving every day. The great dry goods houses are overrun with orders; it is the same with the wholesale grocers and the dealers in all kinds of staple merchandise. Manufactures are running night and day, and cannot turn out the goods fast enough to supply the calls made upon them. Some have had to stop taking orders. In the iron trade there is a brighter outlook than for months past, business having increased in some cases fifty per cent. The demand for coal both for domestic consumption and for manufacturing, is enormous. Like the manufacturers, the coal dealers have in some cases more orders than they can fill, owing to a lack of transporting facilities. Following the universal law of supply and demand where the latter is in excess, the price of coal has been up. The prosperity now apparent is expected will continue for some years. The great labor troubles have made capitalists cautious and there is no fear of over-production of manufactured goods for a long time. This is the same all over the country and the local trade is but a reflex of the prosperity of the land, North, East, West and South alike.

ONE of the effects of Wiggins' predictions of a great earthquake on Wednesday has been to throw many minds into a state of alarm, and in some of the Southern cities to bring the superstitious portion of the population to the verge of a panic. Wiggins, with great kindness of heart, has therefore modified his forecast by locating the earthquake outside of the United States. Whether this will relieve the terror of the fools who have been frightened is a matter of doubt. They had the idea in their minds that the 29th of September would be a fateful day, and that something awful might turn up, and they will not get over this feeling until they wake up to-day and find that things are going along about the same as usual.

LOGAN slaughtered the English language to the intense disgust of the republicans of Pittsburgh.

Found at Last.

CHICAGO, September 24.—Detectives from the Desplains street station made a capture, Wednesday evening of Sam Thomas, alias "the Greek," an expert counterfeiter, who has operated extensively in New York, Philadelphia and this city. For some time past bogus fifty cent pieces and dollars have been in circulation here, and for the last three weeks officers have been searching for Thomas and his two partners, but Thomas had changed his abode so often that he outwitted his pursuers. Wednesday night, however, he was traced and captured. The police and secret service men say that the gang have circulated no less than \$1,500 worth of the spurious coins during the last three weeks.

Thomas, who is a Greek, is about 25 years of age, five feet eight inches in height, with regular, good-looking features and a well cultivated black mustache. He dressed handsomely and looks more like a merchant than a counterfeiter. It is alleged that he is wanted in New Orleans for murder. It is said he killed a man in 1876 and was arrested for the crime, but escaped from the officer and fled north.

By the arrest the police unintentionally broke up some well-laid plans of the United States secret service officers. Captain Thomas an inspector in charge of the secret service office, began an investigation and had "spotted" the counterfeiter, but was waiting to find his place of work, which was away from his home. In the premature arrest the secret service men claim the police destroyed all hopes of discovering Samuel's workshop or capturing his kit of tools. The prisoner was brought before Commissioner Hoyne, when the officers testified that they found under his bed \$200 in good money and \$14 in counterfeit silver dollars of the years 1881, 1884, and 1885. In his cook stove was found small bits of metal the composition of the counterfeit dollars, a bottle of alcohol under the bed and a bag of plaster of paris hidden away in the coal bin. A square plate of three quarter inch glass was found discovered on which the reflection of silver dollars was plainly visible. Thomas denied that he had been engaged in counterfeiting. He was held in \$2,000 bond.

Mr. Black's Letter.

THE letter of acceptance of the gubernatorial nomination of the Democratic Convention of Pennsylvania by Lieutenant Governor Black appears to have created an impression beyond the confines of his own State. In the doctrine it enunciates it is likely to become a feature in the policy of the Democratic party in other States.

THE prominence of Judge Black in public affairs at the national capital during the last Democratic administration, and his later presence in Washington as attorney in many important cases before the Supreme Court, made him a conspicuous and important figure in Washington life down to the day of his death. The old friends of the father, irrespective of parties, therefore take much pride in the evident marks of ability in public life shown by the son. His letter of acceptance is pointed to as an exceptionally brilliant declaration of the position of the Democratic party in Pennsylvania. The confinement of State campaigns to purely State issues is applauded, and the latter itself is referred to as a forcible exposition of the progressive and aggressive tendencies of the young Democracy of Pennsylvania and the Union.

Senator Wallace Will Accept.

DU BOIS Pa., September 25.—Senator Wallace will return from the West about the first of October. He will accept the nomination of Congress if made without a fight. This information comes from his son at Clearfield.

Washington Letter.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 27, 1886.
The President has returned from his five weeks' vacation in excellent health and spirits. The party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland, Mrs. Folsom, Col. D. S. Lamont, Mrs. Lamont, two children and a nurse reached the city on Wednesday evening by a special car attached to the Congressional limited train from New York. The President returns with a face bronzed and beautiful in color. Mrs. Cleveland also shares the effect of free exposure to the mountain air, and appears to be in excellent health.

There is much conjecture as to the probable result of the conference which was held at Albany between the President and Secretary Manning, with reference to Mr. Manning's return to the Cabinet at the expiration of his term of absence. As his conclusion has not yet been made public, opinions will, for a few days at least, continue to be divided upon the question.

United States Treasurer Jordan has decided not to begin to issue the new one dollar silver certificates for general circulation until the latter part of next week, in order that arrangements may be perfected by which they shall enter into business circles in various cities simultaneously. Many of the business men throughout the country are under the impression that the distribution of these notes will be made in Washington. This is a mistake. Although small quantities of silver will be received in exchange for the silver notes at the Treasury, the general distribution will be made at the various sub-treasuries throughout the country.

The machinery which is to be used in conducting experiments in the manufacture of silk, is being put in working order in one of the buildings upon the grounds of the Department of Agriculture. The experiment is to be made by having young girls attend the reels which will be used in spinning the silk from the cocoons, with a view to finding out whether this would be the most economical plan.

The collection of relics, which were obtained by General Grant during his journey around the world, which, it will be remembered, were presented to the Government by Mrs. Grant soon after the General's death, will soon be placed upon exhibition in the National Museum. A number of large and very handsome cases are being prepared and placed in position for the reception of this extensive and valuable collection, which will doubtless prove a most attractive addition to the museum.

A great deal of comment has been occasioned by the recent action of the Commissioner of Patents in dismissing from his office a lady who is said to be the great-granddaughter of Robert Morris of Revolutionary fame. The Commissioner says that the removal was made in order to promote the efficiency of the service. He says that it is a very common thing for persons dismissed, to claim that great grandmother or great grandfather was prominent in the revolution, or at some other ancient period. Being a descendant of a revolutionary hero has become a "chestnut" with the Commissioner, and he says that hereafter he proposes, when necessary, to improve the force of his office according to his own ideas.

PEABODY, Mass., September, 23.—

The labor war in this town broke out fresh and in earnest last evening, when the striking tanners resumed rioting and for a time the affair looked serious. At 6 o'clock four officers went to Tremont street to escort John Osburn a non-union workman, from Proctor's establishment to the Salem line, where the Salem officers were to take him in charge. On the way a crowd of perhaps 400 men gathered and began throwing stones at Osburn and his escort. One stone struck Chief Peasley. Officer Goodwin said that Jack Welch threw the stone, and arrested him. The crowd followed the officer the entire length of English street, pelting him with stones, one of which struck the prisoner Welch in the back. The officers drew their revolvers and fired into the crowd. They received a volley of stones in return and answered with two more shots. This looked like business, and the mob fell back out of range, while the officers carried Welch to the station. Other shots were fired, but whether by strikers or non union men cannot be learned. A child was hit in the shoulder by a spent ball, and this is the only casualty so far as reported.

STICK to the ticket instead of kicking at it.

CONDENSED NEWS.

The Adelaide Silk Mill, of Allentown, gives employment to 800 persons. The entries for the Potter County Fair are larger than ever before known.

Three million feet of logs were rafted into the boom at Williamsport on Friday. Twenty coal cars were utterly ruined in a wreck on the Reading Railroad at Stony Creek Saturday.

Mathias Lewis, of Irish Valley, is the oldest citizen of Northumberland county, at the advanced age of 93 years.

Mrs. Mary Hisner, of Penn township, Cumberland county, has reached her 93d year and is in remarkably good health.

John K. Myers, of Greensburg, recently took a dose of carbolic acid in mistake for whisky, and had his mouth painfully burned.

A picnic of Grand Army Veterans held at Birdsboro Saturday, was well attended. The proceeds will be given to the widows and orphans soldiers living in Birdsboro.

Miss Ella Welsh died at Chester recently of grief caused by the drowning of her sister at Cape May last summer. She witnessed the drowning and never recovered from the shock.

At Drake's point, on the Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad, on Thursday two girls, one aged three years and the other 16 months, children of workmen living near that point, strayed away from home and were run over by cars, receiving injuries which resulted in death.

Rev. Abel Barker died at his country residence in Wyoming on Saturday, aged 76 years. For the past ten years he had been employed as special overseer of the train service on the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg division of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

J. H. McCreery, a contractor of Pittsburgh, has filed a bill in Court in that city to recover \$47,000 for work done on the Creston, Clearfield County and New York Short Route Railroad. He asks, also to have a mortgage made by the defendant road for \$750,000 to the American Loan and Trust Company of New York declared null and void.

Hannah Gerhart, aged 22 years, arrived at Stroudsburg a few days ago foot-sore and weary, having walked all the way from Philadelphia with a baby in her arms. She could not get work in that city, and trudged her way back to Stroudsburg where she charged that the father of the child and the author of her ruin lived. She has been sent to the Monroe County Almshouse.

James Russell Lowell was a passenger on the steamer Pannonia, which arrived at Boston Friday from Liverpool.

Chicago detectives have arrested Sam Thomas, alias "The Greek," an expert counterfeiter, who has operated extensively in the East.

In the United States Court at Fort Smith, Ark., on Thursday, Patrick McCarthy was convicted of the murder of John and Thomas Mahoney, brothers on February 18 in the Indian Territory.

Reports from Calcasieu, St. Bernard, St. Mary, Cameron, Lafourche and other parishes in Louisiana in which oranges are principally grown indicate that the crop is a complete failure this year.

Mrs. C. H. Rudolph, aged 23 years only married a few weeks ago, committed suicide, at her home, near Baltimore. Before death she stated she was led by an irresistible impulse to shoot herself.

Bookkeeper Cowles, on trial at New York for the murder of Hackman Flanagan with an ink eraser, was found guilty in the second degree with a recommendation to mercy.

A railroad man named Wallace was arrested at St. Louis on Thursday night charged with murdering Mr. and Mrs. Mat. Logan, and four children at Cuba, Missouri, early on Wednesday morning. Wallace is 26 years old and unmarried.

Early on Thursday evening A. D. Owens a merchant of Crawell, N. C. while sleeping upstairs in his store, heard some one breaking in. He came down and saw two men, when he was fired upon, and forty buckshot took effect in his stomach. He died in about an hour.

A colony has been formed at Lancaster, Wis., known as Pacific Colony which will emigrate to Topolobampo, Mexico, October 1 on a grant of 15,000 acres of land from the Mexican Government. It will number about 2000, a large portion of whom are from the vicinity of Bloomington, and will be co-operative in every respect.

At the Jaysville (N. Y.) iron mines on Thursday a charge of dynamite had been fired, and the form William Apple and two workmen, Felix Basse and Frank Blackburn, descended to observe the result. They had scarcely entered, however, when a mass of rock fell, instantly killing Basse and Blackburn. A depression in the rock saved the life of Apple, but he was badly injured.