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Editorial.

The republicans in this county are not very sanguine of success this year. They are unable to unearth any dissatisfied candidates on the democratic side and just what to stir up is a quandary among them.

PRESIDENT Harrison is a little slow with his letter of acceptance. They say it will be a complete document in itself to prove that tariff taxation is a blessing and that the people are prospering on account of it.

The Phillipsburg Ledger, one of the staunch temperance organs of that town, came out last Saturday in a very strong article endorsing C. A. Faulkner, of that place, for Associate Judge. Mr. Faulkner is highly spoken of in his own town and will get an immense vote from all classes in that section.

It is not necessary for us to spin out a lot of flimsy praise and flattery about the men placed in nomination by the county Democracy at the recent convention. They are mortals, like all of us, with their faults and defections and with plenty of good qualities to overbalance all. As they are known to the party and selected by the party for their leaders, it is the duty of all party men to stand by the same. There is no reason why any favors should be shown the republicans.

An effort is being made by the New York World and other papers to organize a "Western Campaign Fund," the object of which is to gather funds in the eastern states to arouse interest among the farmers of the west who suffer the most from the effect of the present tariff legislation. They want the cost of living reduced and that alone will contribute to their welfare. The democratic party should carry most of the western states this year.

The labor troubles at Pittsburg are gradually subsiding and the men are returning to their places. But following this comes the news of a serious strike at Buffalo among the switchmen, on the Erie & Lehigh railroad. The men seem to have lost their reason and become a riotous mob that began burning thousands of dollars worth of property. Not content with that they assaulted other workmen and imperiled hundreds of innocent human lives by wrecking passenger trains and displacing switches. Little sympathy for such kind of conduct can be extended. We think that special, stringent and extremely severe laws should be enacted and enforced for the regulation and suppression of such demonstrations.

—Get the DEMOCRAT.

CIRCUS COMING.

A GREAT COLLECTION OF CURIOSITIES.

Fiedler and Reeder's Aggregation will exhibit in Bellefonte next Tuesday—Some Rare Attractions—Admission Free.

The Republicans of Centre county are booked to hold a county convention on next Tuesday, August 23rd for the purpose of placing men in nomination for the various county offices this year. That is no easy task for they are raking and scraping in every direction to get men of some note and standing in the county to accept the positions on the ticket.

Since the last two or three democratic avalanches in Centre county, we in majorities of over one thousand were rolled up, the average republican in Centre county realizes that it is nigh unto an impossibility for one of that party to be elected. And it is all the more discouraging this year as there appears to be less chance now than ever. In the first place, it is a presidential year and the democratic vote will be larger than usual.

Then the party is united and there are very few sore heads who want to play smash. For these reasons republicans are loth to enter what they consider a hopeless contest.

Jim Feidler and chairman Reeder have about made up their minds on a few points. They say they will put Prof. D. M. Wolf, of Spring Mills, on the ticket for Associate Judge in order to work the temperance element to the republican side this year. That would be quite a joke, anyhow, to see Feidler pulling with the temperance people.

It is not at all likely that Prof. Wolf will allow his name to be used in this connection as he has no inclination for politics and his tastes are more in educational lines.

In this dilemma they are seriously thinking of endorsing Squire William Thompson, of College township, the regular nominee on the Temperance ticket. They are bound to have some one, even if they must borrow a little from the cold water crowd.

Then for Legislature Al Dale thinks there is some chance since Hastings and Brown are not here to fight him. The Dale's should be recognized but then in politics people don't do what they should, and for that reason Al does considerable studying at nights, often dreaming of the sensation he would create among the fair damsels should he be sent to Harrisburg, and with what manly dignity and grace he could appear in the legislative halls if he were only given a chance. The thing preys on his mind continually and it is often with the greatest effort that he can be induced to refrain from studying parliamentary law and "Rules of the House" at Harrisburg. He believes he can be elected if they only allow him a chance for a fight.

Dr. Shady Harter, of Millheim, the ex-recorder, was in Bellefonte on Monday shying around among the boys, settling 'em up—cigars only—and buzzing about with some of the would-be republican politicians of Centre county. What his mission was we don't know, but rumor has it that he will be placed in nomination for legislature, as he made one good run and is well acquainted. To Shady Harter we would give this advice: Every dog has his day, and as an office seeker you are not liable to get another pull through the help of democratic votes. You had better remain at Millheim and enjoy life to your heart's content, living with your family in that beautiful mansion home on Main street, surrounded by your many relatives and friends. Take our advice, Shady, don't monkey with politics any more, it is exceedingly dangerous.

Dr. Hafer, dentist, of this place, is also frequently spoken of as being anxious to have the prefix "Hon." attached to his name and would enjoy a little sojourn at Harrisburg.

Union township will also come forward with a candidate. The party in that section are insisting that O. J. Spotts should be placed on the ticket. He is a man of great oratorical powers, whose eloquence has held many an audience spell bound at the different debating societies throughout the Bald Eagle Valley, and claims that he could serve in the capacity of a legislator with honor to himself and great distinction to his constituents.

The only man who seems to be sure of the legislative nomination on the republican ticket is that well known and distinguished citizen of Dogstwp., we now refer to none other than Mr. E. I. Walker. The members of his

party are clamoring for his nomination, and Walker says he could beat any "gold-larned" democrat in the field. If he is not disappointed, he will do some tall hustling this fall.

From Stormstown comes the cry for John H. Lever, they claim he could be elected.

For District Attorney there appears to be no aspirant. Will Gray, Esq., bucked the tiger last time and got his "satisfy." Ed. Chambers would like it but then he holds one public position that is worth more money. Then there is John Kline, Esq. but as he has a natural aversion for the ladies and don't like to be about where babies squall annoyingly, he would not want the position at any price. It may be likely that no nomination will be made on this part of their ticket.

Cyrus Goss, the ex-treasurer, has the Prothonotary bee a-buzzing in his hat. The chance at one good office leaves a taste for more, and he has a natural hankering to loaf about the old court house again. Go in Cyrus, like some other fellows we know of who went into politics, you will get an eye-opener before you know what has happened. The democrats voted for you once and that is enough. To you, this advice also: Don't monkey with the democratic buzz saw!

That is about the situation as last heard of. Postmaster Fiedler is now making a tour of the county examining post offices, when not fit to attend to his own, and is drumming up his henchmen in every section to help him manipulate things and set up a ticket that will be strictly his and pledged to stand by his sheet.

These are some of the preparations being made for the republican circus that will arrive in Bellefonte next Tuesday morning.

Tardy, Yet Right.

The U. S. government has made up its mind to go out of the printing business. The House of Representatives has agreed that no more printing of the names of business firms on envelopes will be done by the government. The government has no more right to go into that line of business than it had to open a grocery store in Washington to peddle out sugar, &c., to people throughout the United States at a lower rate than local merchants could furnish the same. The next thing the government should do would be to stop the brazen practice of bookbinding at the government printing office. An employe of the government—and that includes Presidents, Senators, Congressmen and Janitors—all employed by the people, can have bookbinding done at the government binding at cost, much to the injury of individual binders. The time will come when the government will not meddle with lines of trade, or else it will control them all.

Sen. Sawyer's Big Contribution.

Senator Philletus Sawyer, of Wisconsin, one of the richest men in the North-west, has the credit of being the prize contributor up to date to the republican campaign fund. Mr. Sawyer is slated for a position on the Advisory or Finance committee. He has already given the Wisconsin republicans two checks for \$10,000 each, and is believed to have left a similar check with Treasurer Bliss, of the National committee. This would make Mr. Sawyer's donation to the Harrison campaign fund \$30,000, and the campaign has barely opened yet.

The above is taken from a republican paper, which seems to exult over the fact that the republican campaign will be run this year upon boodle principles and "blocks of five." It is Senator Sawyer's interest to buy up Wisconsin this year if money will accomplish that end, for re-election of President Harrison who would then, as heretofore, openly attribute his political success to the Lord.

Boodle is the mighty lever in American politics, and the republicans will not hesitate to use it.

New Bridge.

For some time the Pennsylvania railroad company has had a body of workmen engaged in putting in new piers and preparing to remove the old wooden trestle across the Bald Eagle creek at Milesburg. The span is about 120 feet. On Saturday the old bridge was removed and the new iron bridge was slid into place. This was done in eight minutes and in less than one hour it was ready for travel. This required considerable ingenuity to accomplish but it was successfully done.

—The Patriotic Order Sons of America has 650 camps in this State with a membership of 50,000.

DUTY OF CONG. DELEGATES.

The democratic congressional conferees in this district will meet at Ridgway next Tuesday, August 23d, to select a candidate. Each county in the district has a candidate. Clarion names G. F. Kribbs; Forest, Dr. J. B. Siggins; Elk, W. A. Horton; Clearfield, G. M. Brisbin and Centre, Aaron Williams. The democrats of Centre and Clearfield have adopted rules, based on the democratic vote, which would give the following representation in the conference: Centre, ten; Clarion, eight; Clearfield, thirteen; Elk, four; Forest, two. The counties of Clarion, Elk and Forest have taken no action as yet toward an endorsement of this system.

At the democratic county convention of 1891 resolutions were adopted by the convention demanding that a change be made in the conferee system in this congressional district. That instead of each of the five different counties in the district, regardless of the democratic vote regularly polled by each, being represented by three conferees, they hereafter be represented according to their respective party strength, for each 500 democratic votes polled to entitle the county to a delegate in the congressional convention. In pursuance of these resolutions the party at the recent delegate election selected the following ten gentlemen to attend the convention at Ridgway next Tuesday: Henry Meyer, J. C. Smith, Leonard Rhone, P. F. Bottorf, John Q. Miles, A. J. Graham, B. Weber, Michael Shaeffer and Wm. C. Heinle.

As the counties of Clarion, Elk and Forest have not as yet agreed to such a basis of representation, but will likely insist upon the old method of three delegates for each county, the congressional meeting at Ridgway will attract considerable attention and the result may be predicted. There may be a division and the matter will then likely be referred to the Dem. State Central committee for adjustment.

The duty of the ten delegates from Centre and the thirteen from Clearfield county is clearly embodied in the "Whereas" and the 1st resolution adopted, which says:

"Whereas, All nominations of candidates for public office to be voted for by the people, should be made by the people themselves, or by the representatives chosen in such a manner as to give every qualified voter an equal voice in making such nomination; and whereas the method of making district nominations in the Democratic party in the central part of Pennsylvania by district conferences in which every county has the same representation, regardless of its population or democratic vote, is manifestly unjust, and is at variance with the general plan of organization of the democratic party, therefore be it

Resolved 1st. That hereafter the democratic party of Centre county will insist that the representatives in all district conferences or nominating conventions, from each county, shall be in proportion to the democratic vote of such county.

That means simply that they are to represent no conference or no district in any conference that is not based upon the same representation as adopted in Centre and Clearfield counties. When they attempt anything else they overreach the power delegated to them by the party and such a course would not be valid or even legitimate. We would further enjoin upon the candidates as well as the delegates from Centre and Clearfield counties that their duty is to insist upon the wishes of the people who nominated them and endorsed these resolutions being carried out, and that they demand their adoption in the district.

The obligations which the delegates of Centre and Clearfield counties sustain to the democratic party are of greater and of far more importance to the people than the success of any of its candidates, and the party expects them to do their full duty.

An Interesting Decision.

In the case of an agent seeking to recover goods unpaid for, and which were sold under leases by the installment plan, a decision was rendered this week by Judge Dean, of Blair county, in regard to the validity of leases under which household goods, pianos, organs, etc., are disposed of. The Judge decreed that with these leases, in case the payment on the goods was not made the seller could proceed to the house where the article in question was and have it removed. He could not, however, in case his ingress was barred, make a forcible entry, but in that instance his redress lay in securing writs of trover and conversion or a writ of replevin.

Negotiating for a Cave.

We notice the following item going the rounds of some of our exchanges: "A party of eastern capitalists are said to be negotiating for the purchase of the Penn cave, about twelve miles from Bellefonte, intending to make it a great summer resort. The price asked for the cave is \$100,000." We think the Long Bros. would accept considerable less. By taking one cipher off it would be nearer the amount.

A NATION'S TRIBUTE.

Boatswain's Mate Riggins Buried with Military Honors.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 15.—From 9 o'clock Saturday morning until 6 in the evening, and again from 9 o'clock yesterday until noon, the remains of Charles W. Riggins, the American seaman who was murdered by a Chilean mob, lay in state directly beneath the Liberty bell in Independence hall. During all those hours a steady stream of



CHARLES W. RIGGINS.

humanity filed through the venerable structures.

Shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon the procession escorting the body to the cemetery passed through densely crowded streets to Woodland cemetery. There were 8,000 men in the line, composed of civic societies, posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, representatives of the national guard of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and sailors and marines of the United States navy. The services began with a prayer by Rev. Samuel H. Boyer, after which Captain W. W. Ker delivered the oration of the day.

Then Rev. Dr. Duncan Macgregor followed after the band had played a dirge. Dr. Macgregor delivered an impassioned and beautiful sermon, after which the firing party of marines from League Island was drawn up, the customary volleys fired, and the various organizations disbanded.

HUNDREDS HOMELESS.

Delmar, Del. Nearly Wiped Out by a Conflagration.

WILMINGTON, Del., Aug. 17.—News reached here from Delmar, Del., ninety-seven miles south of here, to the effect that fire yesterday afternoon almost wiped out that town, and entailed a loss of about \$300,000. Aid arrived from Salisbury, Md., but the firemen could do little else than watch the town go to ashes. As the water supply was limited, the two feeble streams that were played upon the burning mass of frames buildings were converted into steam before the water fell upon the fire. The burned area comprises about three acres and includes all the leading stores, two churches, the railroad station and repair shops of the Delaware Railroad company, the postoffice, Delmar hotel and over a hundred dwellings.

One fireman, James Venn, of Salisbury, was instantly killed by a falling chimney, and several persons are missing, some of whom are believed to have been burned alive, and many are suffering serious injuries and burns.

Three or four hundred people are homeless, having lost all their earthly belongings. The fire raged for three hours and finally burned itself out.

Great Britain's New Cabinet.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—Mr. Gladstone's cabinet is as follows: Secretary of state for foreign affairs, Earl Rosebery; lord chancellor, Baron Herschell; chancellor of the exchequer, Sir William Vernon Harcourt; home secretary, Herbert Henry Asquith; secretary of state for India, Earl of Kimberley; secretary of state for the colonies, Marquis of Ripon; secretary of state for war, Right Hon. H. Campbell Bannerman; first lord of the admiralty, Earl Spencer; chief secretary of state for Ireland, Right Hon. John Morley; secretary of state for Scotland, Right Hon. Sir George Otto Trevelyan; president of the board of trade, Right Hon. A. J. Mundella; president of the local government board, Right Hon. H. H. Fowler; postmaster general, Arnold Morley; president of the council, Earl of Kimberley; vice president of the council of education, Arthur Herbert Dyke Acland. Lord Houghton is viceroy for Ireland and Mr. Gladstone prime minister and first lord of treasury.

Fears of Lynching.

LAUREL, Del., Aug. 16.—It is feared that when William Evans, the suspected poisoner of the Rosser family, of Oak Grove, and others, shall be brought here to Georgetown jail from Philadelphia he will be lynched. The feeling is strong against him and several hundred persons are said to have organized at Federalburg, Md., for the purpose of lynching Evans. No more deaths have occurred. Joseph Williams, colored, who has been rendered insane by drinking the poisoned water, escaped into a wood yesterday and was rescued with difficulty.

Strangled by Her Son.

BERLIN, Aug. 17.—Mrs. Alice Crocker, of Chicago, was strangled by her son, 23 years old, in her apartments in the Koenig Villa, in Carlsbad. Young Crocker is in an asylum. Mrs. Crocker and her son came to Carlsbad some time ago at the end of a tour through western Europe. There is no known cause for the tragedy, and the physicians say the young man's insanity came suddenly, and that he was not responsible.

Miss Borden Held for Murder.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Aug. 13.—Miss Lizzie Borden was given a hearing before Judge Blaisdell yesterday morning. The prosecution forced her to plead not guilty personally, which she did in a distinct voice, placing emphasis on the word "not." She was then remanded to prison without bail.

ALL SHOULD REMEMBER.

1. That all nominations of candidates to be voted on the general or local tickets in November next must be certified to the State Department at Harrisburg on or before the 13th of September. All nominations not thus certified can't be printed on the uniform ticket to be voted by all at the election.

2. That every otherwise qualified voter, excepting those who will vote on age—because between 21 and 22 years of age on election day—must be assessed on or before the 8th of September, unless they were assessed last year.

3. That all who have not paid a State or county tax within two years must pay such tax on an assessment made within two years, on or before the 8th of October.

4. That failure to file nominations in time practically defeats the candidates whose names are not filed; that failure to be assessed forfeits the right to vote, and that failure to pay a state or county tax within two years also disfranchises the citizen.

All should remember these dates. Every party should see that its nominations are filed within the time specified by the new law, and every citizen who respects his manhood should look to his own assessment personally, and personally pay his own taxes. The man who expects his party committee to pay his poll tax in this country simply sells his vote for 25 cents a year.—Times.

Costly for the Workmen.

The strike at Homestead and the sympathetic strikes ordered in support thereof have cost the workmen concerned at least \$500,000.

The strike in the building trades in New York cost the workmen concerned at least \$1,000,000. The granite cutters' strike in New England, which has been on for a longer time, has cost the workmen concerned \$2,500,000.

Here is \$4,500,000 lost by workmen this summer in three strikes. It ought to be "three strikes and out." Such strikes are so costly. The loss is one that can never be entirely made up.

Chilly Snake Story.

We have heard and read a good many snake stories, but none more remarkable than one related by Robert Hannah, the ice-man. Mr. Hannah handles the Conneaut Lake ice in this city. It is shipped in cakes from nine to fourteen inches thick, and weighing about 200 pounds. While handling one of these large cakes a couple of days ago Mr. Hannah was surprised to observe directly in the centre of the cake a large water snake, artistically coiled and apparently frozen solid.

The cake of ice was split open and the snake removed, a work which required careful management as the reptile was frozen fast to the ice. After inspecting the snake to their satisfaction, it was thrown out on a pile of sawdust in the sun, and in less than an hour it began to show signs of life, finally uncoiling itself and crawling away. The cake of ice in which the snake was discovered was cut last January, hence the reptile was frozen solid for a period of about seven months.—Meadville Tribune.

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