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T. FRANK ADAMS.
For Coroners—DR. H. K. HOY.
For Auditors—H. W. BICKLE,
W. H. ROYER.

Extract from the Resolutions adopted by the Democratic County Convention, August 24, 1893.
"We commend the wise, careful and faithful administration of the affairs of the county by the present board of county commissioners. Coming into office, as they did, when the treasury had been depleted, and an existing indebtedness of \$5,267.63, the taxes due to the several school, poor and road districts from unseated lands inappropriated and commissions thereon unlawfully taken, they paid the indebtedness, returned to the state and the several districts the funds justly and properly belonging to them, and so managed the county finances as to have at the last Annual Settlement a balance of \$6,880.90 on hand over and above all liabilities. We therefore, with confidence commend them to their fellow citizens for re-election."

Editorial.

A BAD RECORD

But a few years ago both iron furnaces at Belleville closed down. The glass factory and nail works were compelled to suspend. The forges at Curtin Works, after many years of successful operation, drew their fires and many laboring men were sent away without their hard earned pay. Almost every other business house in Belleville at that time was closed and the sheriff was called upon generally to dispose of the remains according to the legal rites. At that time about one-half of the store rooms on Allegheny and High streets, in Belleville, were empty. Hundreds of men were out of employment and their families were in hunger and want.

The women of the town organized a relief association and solicited hundreds of dollars which they distributed in many a needy home. At that same time laboring men were compelled to call upon the poor department for relief. There were hundreds of such cases in our very midst. That was only a few years ago, and Benjamin Harrison was president.

Just one year ago the Governor of Pennsylvania was forced to send thousands of soldiers to Homestead to suppress a great uprising of distressed and discontented laboring men, in one of the most favored and highly protected industries of the country. That also occurred while Harrison was President of the United States, while all legislation in force that regulated our finances and commercial relations had been originated, passed and put in effect by republican congressmen, republican senators and republican presidents.

These are a few incidents that any one of our readers can readily recall. In these times of disturbances in business, while the republican papers are shrieking themselves hoarse over the evils they pretend to see arising from the fact of Cleveland being president of the United States, it is well for them to be reminded of what occurred during Harrison's term. Compare the past with the present—the contrast will be decisive.

Intelligent men, honest men, men who are true to themselves and their fellowmen, universally attribute the recent depression in business to the evils of the famous Sherman Silver Act, a republican measure. President Harrison, at the close of his term, realized and admitted that a crisis was on hand on account of the deranged condition of our currency. All other statesmen fully realized the danger ahead. The Democratic National Platform denounced the Sherman Silver Act and predicted these evils several years previous.

It was to right these wrongs that the people arose and called upon a new leader and a new administration. The crash came as the result of this legislation; President Cleveland assembled congress in special session to repeal the obnoxious measure. Yet in the face of all these indisputable facts republican bigots, whose minds are embittered and inflamed by the recent disappointments, have the arrogance to say Cleveland's election caused the recent stringency in our finances and the lack of confidence in trade. Such talk has no foundation; it is only the muttering of the narrow minded, prejudiced, political bigot, or the unscrupulous politician who expects to make a point by gaining the sympathy of such who never read or think for themselves.

THE NEW BALLOT.

A Cross (X) marked in the square at the right of the name of each candidate, inside the line enclosing the column, indicates a vote for each candidate thus marked.
If a Cross (X) be marked within the circle it will be equivalent to a mark opposite every name in the column.
Those who do not desire to vote a straight ticket must not mark a cross within the circle at the head of the column.

FOR A STRAIGHT TICKET
MARK WITHIN THE CIRCLE.
DEMOCRATIC.

STATE TREASURER. [Mark One.]
Mortimer F. Elliot.

JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT. [Mark One.]
Thomas B. Kennedy.

SHERIFF. [Mark One.]
Jno. P. Condo.

COUNTY TREASURER. [Mark One.]
John Q. Miles.

REGISTER. [Mark One.]
Geo. W. Rumberger.

RECORDER. [Mark One.]
W. Gale Morrison.

COMMISSIONERS. [Mark Two.]
Geo. L. Goodhart.
T. Frank Adams.

CORONER. [Mark One.]
Dr. H. K. Hoy.

AUDITORS. [Mark Two.]
H. W. Bickle.
W. H. Royer.

FOR A STRAIGHT TICKET
MARK WITHIN THE CIRCLE.
REPUBLICAN.

STATE TREASURER. [Mark One.]
Benjamin F. Jones.

JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT. [Mark One.]
Wm. Wood.

SHERIFF. [Mark One.]
John F. Harter.

COUNTY TREASURER. [Mark One.]
R. T. Comley.

REGISTER. [Mark One.]
J. E. Rickard.

RECORDER. [Mark One.]
J. L. Holmes.

COMMISSIONERS. [Mark Two.]
James B. Strohm.
M. F. Riddle.

CORONER. [Mark One.]
Dr. Tobin.

AUDITORS. [Mark Two.]
John D. Wagner.
Dr. E. S. Dorworth.

The voter may insert in the column below, the name of any person whose name is not printed on this ballot for whom he desires to vote.

STATE TREASURER. [Insert One.]

JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT. [Insert One.]

SHERIFF. [Insert One.]

COUNTY TREASURER. [Insert One.]

REGISTER. [Insert One.]

RECORDER. [Insert One.]

COMMISSIONERS. [Insert Two.]

CORONER. [Insert One.]

AUDITORS. [Insert Two.]

NOTE.—The above is a reduced size of the form of ballot that will be used at the November election, this year. The Prohibition ticket will also be printed in full, but was omitted on this form on account of lack of space. The names for State Treasurer and Judge of Supreme Court were put in to fill out. The regular party nominees have not yet been made for those two offices.

THE REMODELED BALLOT.

The last legislature passed a number of amendments to the recent Baker election act. The election of 1892 demonstrated clearly that a number of improvements could be made and they have been embodied in the amendments. Last Friday the county commissioners received samples and instructions from Secretary Harritt for holding the elections under the revised act. Among the most striking changes is the form of ballot. Above we give a reduced size of the ballot that will be used in Centre county this year in which the prohibition ticket, which has not yet been nominated, is omitted, but will appear on the regular form. Among the changes is the circle at the top where you make a cross for the entire ticket, and the doing away of the confusing groups.

OTHER CHANGES.

The ballot is decreased to one-half the size required under the original law. Only one set of official and sample ballots are required to be printed and distributed instead of duplicates, as before. The time allowed for printing the ballots is extended. The percentage of party nominations is reduced from 3 to 2 per cent of the vote cast at the previous election. The printing and distributing of the ballots for spring election is to be done under the supervision of the county commissioners, instead of the township auditors. One mark in a circle at the top of a column of candidates shall count as a vote for every candidate in that column. Where the mark is not placed in a circle, a mark opposite the name of every candidate voted for is required. A screen or door is to be placed in front of each booth to better secure privacy to the voter. When an elector votes for more candidates than he is entitled to vote for, the ballot shall not be entirely thrown out, but that portion which is properly marked shall be counted. It will be noticed that a circle is to be printed at the head of the column of candidates instead of a square at the right of the party name. This is to avoid confusion in the mind of the voter, by designation the difference in marking to vote for an entire ticket and voting for candidates individually, or, in other words, independent voting, or "scratching." The elector who desires to vote his full party ticket will mark in the circle, and he who wants to vote only a part of it will mark in the square to the right of the name of each candidate voted for. An amendment that will obviate the

throwing out of so large a number of ballots as heretofore provides that, "If a voter marks more names than he is entitled to vote for for office, or if for any reason it is impossible to determine the voter's choice for any office to be filled his ballot shall not be counted for such office, but shall be counted for all other offices for which the names of candidates have been properly marked."

THE calamity scare, instituted by the republican press, will not furnish much campaign thunder as business is beginning to pick up in all sections. The usual dull summer months will soon be over, the evils caused by a republican measure in creating a stringency in our currency will be over when the Sherman Silver bill is repealed, and by election time everything will be booming. The country is not going to the dogs, not just yet. There are entirely too many patriotic men in charge of affairs at Washington.

Get Registered.

Under the new registry law the assessor must be at the regular voting place during the two secular days preceding the sixty-first day before the election. The two "secular days" then will be the fifty-ninth and sixtieth days before the election.

This year the election falls on November 7. Sixty days before November 7 will fall on September 8. The assessor will therefore be at the regular polling places this year on September 7 and 8 to complete the registry.

THE corn crop will be short this year on account of the dry weather. The republicans will hardly accuse Cleveland for this misfortune.

BUSINESS is improving again in all sections of the country. That is another misfortune for the republican papers—they will soon be robbed of all their calamity, campaign thunder.

It is encouraging to note the general satisfaction expressed by the party for the county ticket recently nominated. There is harmony all around and the principal work will be to get the full party vote to the polls. As it is what is known as an "off year" many will not bother about going to the election.

THE republicans did not call very loudly for either Lytle or Stevens for commissioner. The reason of that is very simple: they knew Strohm would be nominated and want him re-elected, so they put Matt. S. Riddle on with him for trading stock. Mark this prediction. Riddle will make a big effort, while at the same time the wool will be drawn over his eyes.

A REMINDER.

When Col. Austin Curtin was selected to preside over the republican convention on Tuesday he made a few introductory remarks that deserve some attention. He spoke of what he considered the brilliant record of the republican party, that from the time it came into power the country was always prosperous and everything flourished under it. That no sooner had they handed over the reins of government, the people were made to suffer by depression in business, etc., in which he referred to the present time.

Col. Curtin is an uncompromising republican, of biased views, who can see no merit in anything that does not meet with his ideas. When he made these statements he evidently forgot the panic of 1872 which paralyzed almost every form of business, and that it occurred in the midst of a long period of republican rule.

Mr. Curtin lives near Roland, Pa., where the famous Curtin's Iron Works are located, which had been in operation for many years past and about which he had once been employed as a manager. It was under Harrison's administration that these very works were closed down on account of there being no market for the product. The republican high tariff duties gave an unnatural stimulus to the iron trade which brought an overproduction—then stagnation. Dwelling within the very shadow of these works, where he spent the greater portion of his life, he has failed to learn these plain truths, or is too biased to admit facts. Had the writer not been in danger of being grabbed by the seat of his pants and fired out bodily from the convention he would have, then and there, refreshed the Col's. mind in regard to the above points. But then a man's memory is liable to fail him upon such critical points when addressing a republican convention.

It is an easy thing to make assertions but the undisputable facts of recent years cannot be brushed aside. The Col. owes that audience an apology for making such reckless assertions and trespassing upon their intelligence.

THE new ballot is a great improvement over that of last year. It is simpler and will not confuse the average voter. The amended Baker Ballot is one of the very few good things accomplished by the last legislature.

FROM the report of daily attendance at the World's Fair the people have plenty of money. Everybody must be storing away a bundle for a trip to the Windy City, and that in a measure contributes to the scarcity of the circulating medium.

CHINA'S ULTIMATUM.

Li Hung Chang's Message to President Cleveland.

THE GEARY LAW MUST BE REPEALED

The Viceroy Will Wait Until the Next Session of Congress, When Should No Relief be Afforded, the Chinese Government Will Vigorously Retaliate.
CLEVELAND, Aug. 23.—A gentleman in this city has just received from a friend in Tien Tsin, China, a letter stating that United States Consul William Bowman, who left that city a short time ago for the United States, carried with him a message from Viceroy Li Hung Chang to President Cleveland. The gentleman who sends the information does not tell how he obtained a copy of the message, but vouches for its authenticity. The message is as follows: First. That Viceroy Li appreciates the good intentions of the president and secretary of state, and thanks them for their



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efforts to secure kind and just treatment for the Chinese residents in the United States.
Second. That Viceroy Li feels keenly the unfriendly nature and injustice of the Geary law.
Third. That China will take no action thereon until the next session of the United States congress in the hope that the Geary law will be modified or repealed.
Fourth. That if the next congress decides to enforce the law China will at once retaliate, friendly relations between the two countries will be broken off, and laws will be enacted looking toward the expulsion of all Americans from China.

Fifth. That meantime instructions have been issued to all Chinese officials to take special care to protect all American citizens living in China from violence.
The Valkyrie's Opponent.
NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 23.—Only the Vigilant and Pilgrim started in the race off Brenton's Reef yesterday. The course was a triangular one of thirty miles. At the first mark the Vigilant led by twelve minutes, at the second mark she was eighteen minutes ahead, and crossed the line a victor by twenty-four minutes and thirty seconds, covering the thirty miles in four hours and five minutes. She showed marvellous speed on the home stretch, and dashed over the line nearly three miles ahead of the Pilgrim. This victory indicates that she will be selected to represent American yachtsmen in the races for the American cup.

The New House Committee.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Speaker Crisp yesterday announced the new house committee. Mr. Springer is succeeded as chairman of the ways and means committee by William L. Wilson, of West Virginia; Sayers succeeds Mr. Holman as the head of the appropriations committee; Springer succeeds Bacon as chairman of the banking and currency committee; Cummings succeeds Herbert on the naval affairs committee, and McCreary succeeds Blount as head of the committee on foreign affairs. The south gets thirty-two chairmanships and the north twenty-three.

Amendment to the Home Rule Bill.
LONDON, Aug. 23.—An interesting debate took place in the house of commons on a proposal made by Rt. Hon. John Morley, chief secretary for Ireland. This proposal was offered as an amendment to the home rule bill, and provided that the Irish parliament should be forbidden to impose disabilities or confer privileges on anybody on account of parentage or birthplace. The amendment brought up the question of taxing the absentee landlords of Ireland. Mr. Morley's amendment was agreed to.

Cherokee Strip Opened.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—President Cleveland has issued a proclamation opening to settlement and homestead entry on Saturday, Sept. 16, 1893, at 12 o'clock noon, central standard time, all the lands, except those specifically reserved, recently acquired from the Cherokee Indian nation on the Tonkawa and Pawnee tribes, in the Indian Territory, known as the Cherokee Outlet. The lands now open to settlement are divided into seven counties.

An Immigrant Inspector Dismissed.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Stump, Secretary Carlisle dismissed Immigrant Inspector George G. Wanzer from the service. Wanzer was stationed at New York and his offense consisted in giving the Tudor Prince a certificate that certain steerage passengers had been examined, and were entitled to land, when in fact he had not been aboard the ship.

The Puritan May Participate.
PARLAULIN GROVE, Mass., Aug. 23.—Ex-Commodore J. Malcolm Forbes is fitting out the Puritan, and it is stated will put her in the race with the new cup defenders.

THEY ASK TO BE TAXED

Citizens Anxious to Pay Something for the Public Good.

Hellertown, Pa., is perhaps the only town in Pennsylvania, and perhaps in the United States, where the people pay no taxes for any local purposes whatever; and yet, great a bare as taxes are usually regarded, the people are clamoring to be taxed. A meeting has been called for the purposes of petitioning Council to levy a tax. This town's population is about 900. A month ago the Borough Council decided to levy no tax of any kind and hence the only tax paid is one imposed by the State. It was found that the revenue from the 20 saloons would be sufficient to maintain the schools and keep municipal machinery running. The people have concluded, however, that a town without a tax is likely soon to drift backwards, hence the movement to be taxed.

World's Fair Popular Trips.

The "Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph" has conceived and is executing with characteristic enterprise a great plan for the benefit of people who want to visit the World's Fair in a way that shall combine economy and comfort. It has made arrangements to furnish transportation from Pittsburg to Chicago and back on first-class trains, together with breakfast and lodging at a fine hotel for seven days, for \$22, half price for children. The tickets are good until the Fair closes, and the hotel accommodations can be had as much longer as desired at the rate of \$3 a week. The tickets are good on all B. & O. Chicago trains, but regular excursion trains are sent out personally conducted by representatives of the "Chronicle Telegraph" who will attend to the transfer of baggage and see to the comfort of the party. Any one interested in particulars can get them by writing to the "Chronicle Telegraph."

DR. JOHN F. HARTEI, of Millheim, is more of a success extracting teeth than he will be in pulling democratic votes from Condo.

MATTHEW F. RIDDLE may be a good man but he is too little to attract much attention. Little men are no good in such places. Why he would get lost among the cases and shelves.

Investigation Welcomed.

Neither Secretary Hoke Smith nor Commissioner Lochren are worrying even a little bit over the resolutions introduced into the Senate by Mr. Gallinger, N. H., providing for an investigation of the legality of their actions in suspending pensioners shown by the records not to be entitled to the pensions they have been drawing. In fact an investigation will be welcome, and the more thorough it is made the better it will be liked. Meanwhile the suspensions continue at an average of about 150 a day. At the close of business Saturday the total number of pensioners who had been suspended was 8,254.

For 20 Cents.

Send 20 cents to the CENTRE DEMOCRAT, Belleville, and you will receive the paper until the close of the campaign.

FOR SALE—The undersigned offers for sale, on reasonable terms, a desirable property one-half mile east on Zion along the public road leading to Pleasant Gap, containing eleven and one-half acres, with a good house and barn erected thereon, and is in a state of good cultivation, also contains a good orchard. For particulars address

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- \$3 gives you a genuine hand-sewn button boot—cheap at \$4. Don't miss seeing them.
- \$3 buys a pair of elegant patent leather ballet-style as good as our best.
- \$5.50 buys the best the market affords in patent leather bluchers. We almost feel like guaranteeing them, but 'tis against the rule.

There are people who have a house full of children and it takes a great deal of money each year to keep so many little ones shod. We feel confident we can reduce the expense.

Mingle's Shoe Store.