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EDITORIAL.

AMENDMENT NEEDED.

During the past week rumors were current on our streets that an effort was being made, in a manner that was not in accord with the usages and customs of the party, to defeat a candidate for renomination at the coming democratic primaries, Bushwacking, buccaneering, guerilla warfare, are political devices not endorsed by good citizens who believe in an open field, and a fair contest.

For that reason, when it was discoverthat some one, who did not have the moral courage to openly approve his sentiments, but very adroitly concealed his identity under an assumed name, had issued the following circular and sent it into all parts of the county accompanied by a lot of tickets bearing a name for County Commissioner, democrats generally became indignant and denounced such methods as unwarranted, as it is intended to strike down Daniel Heckman for re-nomination. The following is a copy of the circular :

My DEAR SIR :- The accompanying tickets are not sent out by Mr. Griest, nor does he know of their circulation. They are forwarded at the suggestion of democrats from almost every part of the county, who are anxious for the nomination of candidates known to be fitted for the place, and whose names upon the ticket will be a guarantee of an economical and business-like management of county affairs.

It is hoped that you will approve of this movement and lend your efforts toward making it a success, both for your own and the welfare of others. TAX PAYERS.

Feeling was aroused and as a result some twenty or more prominent democrats assembled in the office of Fortney & Walker to discuss the matter, and among whom were recognized leaders] of the party and four ex-county chairmen. Definite action was taken by electing Senator W. C. Heinle chairman and Robt. F. Hunter and Chas. R. Kurtz secretaries.

The following motion was then presented

Resolved: That a committee be appointed to prepare an amendment to the rules of the Democracy of Centre co., to be presented at the coming county convention, providing for the registry, etc, of all candidates seeking nominations at the party primaties.

It was suggested that the amendment

The plea is put forth that President McKinley's civil service smashing order was induced by President Cleveland's wholesale classification on the merit system. The New York "Tribune" says;

It is now more than three years since the proposition was presented to President McKinley that his predecessor had wrought a grievous wrong by extending the protection of the classified service over thousands of his partisan appointees. It so happens that every extension of the classified service ordered by President Cleveland was effected before the meeting of the convention that nominated President McKinley. That convention knew all about these extensions when it said in its platform :

The civil service law was placed on the statute book by the republican party, which has always sustained it, and we renew our repeated declarations that it shall be thoroughly and honestly enforced and extended wherever practicable. Mr. McKinley knew all about the ex-

tensions when he indorsed the platform, declared that the reform was "here and here to stay," and pledged himself that in the event of his election there should be "no step backward."

In his inaugural address he especially deprecated any step backward in civil service reform "prompted by a zeal on behalf of any party simply because it happens to be in power." Yet what other motive than party zeal prompted his recent order ? What object could he have had except the ousting of over 5,-000 officials to make way for a similar number of administration republicans? There is no law or rule to protect in office incompetent public servants, nor was there ever such law or rule. Any appointing officer may at any time discharge an inefficient subordinate. But what McKinley aimed at, influenced by the Hannas, the Platts and the Quays, was that in appointments in place of removals the merit test should not apply, hence he has abolished competitive examinations in 5,000 places and restored them to the spoils brigade. The hoodlums of politics are thus given entrance to important Federal positions and the doors closed to worthy and deserving young men and women who have fitted themselves for the public service and

TIME FOR REFLECTION.

passed competitive examinations.

Ex-Senator Gorman thinks that the war expenditures have produced a temporary but great prosperity; that the people are too busy now to listen to discussious of public questions, and that therefore the trusts and the militarists are being lulled into a false security. However-

When this fickle and uncertain prosperity has passed away; when business conditions again settle down to their normal state, as they most certainly will do very soon; when the prosperity bubble has been pricked, then the American people will begin to look about and give serious thought to the grave questions of to-day. It may be several months, it may be several years, before the American people awaken to a realization of the burdens which have been loaded upon them. But the time will come as certain as fate when the men who are now being idolized as the creators of prosperity will be caught in the full sweep of an angry public wrath .--All that Mr. Gorman says will have double weight-the intrinsic weight of calm, cool reasoning plus the weight of his reputation for never expressing an opinion for publication until his acute and careful mind has assured him that the event will justify it.

WHERE IT GOES.

The taxpayers naturally want to know why their school appropriation was reduced \$1,000,000 dollars this year. They have a right to know and should know. Gov. Stone says revenues have fallen short and expenses must be cut down. The revenues are short because the beer brewers were saved from a special tax by the Quay party, which has been explained heretofore. Then there are a lot of useless offices created with extravagant salaries for political favorites. For instance Edward Chambers, Esq., of Bellefonte, now has a position for which he gets as much as the postmaster of Bellefonte, \$2100 per year, for doing something, hard to find out what it is. That is Quayism. How do you like it?

THE price of rubber goods has just been advanced ten to fifteen per cent. This affects men's, women's and children's rubber shoes. Consumers will pay this tribute to the rubber trust, which controls about ninety per cent. of the factories. The plea that prices are shoved up because of wage advances is flimsy, for the reason that the combines cut down the number of workmen and do not raise wages in anything like the proportion of the raise in prices of products. For example, while the wire trust is exploiting the fact of an advance of fifteen per cent. in wages, nothing is said about the increase of nearly 100 per cent. in the cost of the goods to the consumers.

THERE is no sensible democrat but who will admit that there is a material improvement in all lines of business. Just as to how these things came about may not be so certain, or as to who is entitled to all the credit. Of course the republicans will close their eyes to all consideration and ascribe all the power and glory -amen-to McKinley. But when we consider that all other civilized nations of the earth are enjoying the same prosperous era, they can't well blame all that on McKinley too. From that it is safe to conclude that had McKinley never lived about the same conditions would prevail.

IT was just about a year ago that young Mr. Leiter, in a desperate play to gather up the wealth of other people at the expense of the workers and bread eaters, forced the price of wheat to \$1.85. At that time the republicans were calling on the farmers to ascribe the credit to Mc-Kinley and the Dingley tariff. Why have they allowed the price to slump back more than one dollar since then ? McKinley is evidently too busy just now looking after his renomination and the interests of the trusts and war manipulators to resume his role of the farmers' friend.

Gov. STONE cares nothing for constitution, as his administration thus far has shown, but ultimately he may be called

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED.

Thursday, June 1.

The upsetting of a rowboat at Toledo drowned three women and two men. In a recent fire at Yamagata, Japan, 600 houses and 11 shrines and temples were destroyed. A number of lives were lost.

Colonel Randall, who is distributing our government's \$3,000,000 gratuity to Cuban soldiers, says the payrolls have been padded.

J. Neale Plumb, who recently murdered Millionaire Alexander Masterson in New York, died at Bellevue hospital of facial erysipelas.

The Duke of Westminster's Flying Fox won the English Derby. Holocauste, ridden by Tod Sloan, broke mis leg in the race and was killed.

Friday, June 2. A \$100,000 monument to Admiral Dewey is to be erected in Lincoln park, Chicago.

Governor Jones, of Arkansas, announces himself a candidate for United States senator. The bimetallic convention at Louis-

ville endorsed the Chicago platform and William J. Bryan. The German government has not

lodged a protest against the sending of the cruiser Newark to Samoa to take the place of the Philadelphia.

In his last will and testament Sam T. Jack, the dead theatrical manager, willed his wife to his brother, James C. Jack, urging that they become husband and wife.

Saturday, June 3.

The bill to tax Michigan mines seems sure of passage in the legislature. Spain has ceded to Germany the Caroline islands, the Mariannes and

Palaos. Ohio Republicans nominated G. K. Nash, the choice of Senator Hanna, for

governor. Forged bonds of the state of Arkansas have been discovered. The forgeries may reach millions.

W. H. Ellerbe governor of South Carolina, died of consumption at his plantation near Dillon, S. C., aged 37. Suit has been brought in Washington to prevent the payment of congressional appropriations to sectarian institutions.

Major Comte Esterhazy confessed in London that he forged, "by order of Sandherr," the bordereau that convicted Dreyfus.

Monday, June 5. Governor Otero, of New Mexico, ex-

pects congress to make that territory a state next year. Duke d'Arcos, Spain's minister to Washington, was formally received by President McKinley on Saturday.

Johann Strauss, the famous Austrian musical composer, known as the 'waltz king," died in Vienna, aged 74. Congressman Richard P. Bland is seriously ill at Lebanon, Mo., and his friends are considerably alarmed over his condition.

While Great Britain is still the greatest coal producing nation, the United States is a close second, and will soon lead.

Owners of Arkansas Valley coal lands in West Virginia propose to combine on a \$6,000,000 basis and build a

50-mile railroad. The publication of inflammatory ar-

Cuba has forced General Brooke to plain



Comparing the sizes of toilet soaps with Ivory Soap. the Ivory Soap should cost four times as much as the toilet soaps. It is exactly the reverse, and when you /buy Ivory Soap you pay about one-fourth as much for it.

The best people use Ivory Soap for their toilet and bath; because of its purity, the effect upon the skin is beneficial.

A WORD OF WARNING .- There are many white soaps, each represented to be " just as good as the 'Ivory ';" they ARE NOT, but like all counterfeits, lack the peculiar and remarkable qualities of the genuine. Ask for "Ivory" Soap and insist upon getting it. Copyright, 1858, by The Provider & Openhie Co. Charleson

Decision on Side Path Law.

A legal point in connection with the sidepath law has been raised up in Brad- met in the Lutheran church, Centre Hall, ford county. Application was made to June 6 and 7. This district is composed the court for a mandamus to compel the of the counties of Centre, Clinton and county commissioners to levy the tax on Union. bicycles at once, and Judge Dunham granted a rule on the commissioners to show cause why they should not do so. The position taken by the commissioners is that under the law the sidepath commissioners cannot enter upon their duties until the first of January after their appointment (which will be next January) and that they, the county commissoners, cannot levy the tax until the recommendation from the sidepath commissioners has been made to them, and such recommendation, by the sidepath commissioners, cannot be made until they have entered upon the duties of their office. In some of the counties of the state the tax has already been levied and the new law put in full operation, but it is quite possible that they have been a little too fast, for the Bradford county commissioners seem to have the law on their side, al- NOW IS YOUR CHANCE.....

though ifithe wheelmen are willing to ticles in the newspapers of Santiago de pay the tax nobody else ought to comMet at Centre Hall.

Excursions to Hecla Park.

The New York Central has made arrangements to run excursions from Williamsport to Hecla Park during the summer months.

A CONTOR'S NOTICE. In the Orphan's Court of Centre county. In the matter of the estate of JOHN ROLLER, late of Benner Township, deceased. The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the said court "to distribute the balance in the hands of the accountant, as shown by his ac-count filed, to and among those legally entitled to receive the same" will sit for the duties and purposes of his appointment, at the offices of Fortney & Walker, Bellefonte, Pa., on Tuesday, the lith day of July, A. D. 1899 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, when and where all parties in-terested are requested to be present or be thereafter forever debarred from coming in upon said fund. W. HARRISON WALKER, x28 Auditor.

for bargains in

The Central District Luther league

A UDITOR'S NOTICE.

provide that all candidates conform to the following, before they can have access to the primaries :

1ST Register name with county chairman, pledging to observe the party rules and abide by the decision of the county convention.

2ND. Pay a fee to county chairman to assist him in meeting necessary primary election expenses.

3RD. Fix a time before the primaries after which the registry of candidates has expired.

In almost every county of the state such rules are in vogue. And in order to prevent such methods, as the above circular, in the future, it should be adopted. All the ex-county chairmen approved the above motion heartily and it was carried. The chairman appointed the following committee to prepare and submit said amendment : D. F. Fortney, Esq., Hammond Sechler, Hon, James Schofield, T. F. Adams, L. A. Schaeffer, H. S. Taylor, Esq., and Chas. R. Kurtz.

AS OTHERS SEE HIM.

A year ago a certain citizen of our county, prominent in educational work and a conspicuous worker in religious paigns rendered good service at the headlines, and the fortunate holder of a public position at Harrisburg, frequently ex. Columbia, is favored by many; G. R. pressed among his friends, in decided Dixon, of Elk county, is also suggested. terms, his contempt for the corrupt methods employed by Senator Quay and for supreme judge, and among them is his followers to retain their political supremacy in this state. By all outward name is prominently mentioned. Almost appearance he was a man of rare piety and deep-seated, conscientious convictions-unselfish, pure, patriotic. That is the convention to solve. what most people in this county thought of John Hamilton-but

When it became certain that the Quay element would triumph and the opportunity came for selfish interests to be advanced, by a promotion, what happened? Brother Hamilton forsook all, became a shameless apologist for political crime and corruption, for all which he was rewarded later.

The following from the Philadelphia Record indicates how others look upon Brother John Hamilton :

The farmers of Penusylvania are long enduring and slow to wrath ; but the re-moval of Mr. Thomas J. Edge, the former excellent, painstaking and popular Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, m order to make room for a Quay spouter seems to have proved one straw too many. The farmers resent the injury done to their friend as an injury to themselves.

democrats will go to Harrisburg next port is true of his change of masters, he Wednesday to attend the Democratic evidently is looking out for Fleming, and State Convention and help the boom wants Fleming to hold his job. El Tu, along for C. M. Bower for supreme judge. Fleming

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The official call for the Democratic State convention names the Opera House at Harrisburg at noon on Wednesday, June 14, as the time and place of meeting. The convention will easily get through its business in one day. Among the names prominently mentioned for state treasurer are Col. J. L. Spangler, of this place, who has devoted much attention to state politics and in recent camquarters. Representative Creasy, of There is a multiplicity of candidates Calvin M. Bower, of this county, whose every county in the state has a favorite so that this will be an uncertainty for Chairman Rilling appears to be sizing

up nicely for the position of Chairman and the various discordant elements in the party are dropping their factional differences for a united effort this year.

A DENIAL.

To the Democracy of Centre County: The rumor, now over the county, to the effect that I have withdrawn from the contest for Recorder I hereby pronounce untrue. Instead, I never entertained such an idea, have no occasion for so doing, and will be in the contest to the end, and trust that this, and similar late political rumors concerning my canvass, will be discountenanced.

BOVD A. MUSSER.

AND the latest to flop into the Quay camp is W. I. Fleming, for years one of Hastings' close political friends. Fleming was another chap who got a fat ap-A LARGE delegation of Centre county pointment from Hastings. If the re-

to account in the courts. He is exactly the kind of man Quay needed as Gov.

DON'T forget the democratic primaries on Saturday and the county convention the following Tuesday.

GOAT ATE THE SCENERY.

Wholesale Destruction Wrought by a New Member of Patti's Opera Troupe.

"Speaking of billy gosts and their wonderful gastronimic achievements." said an old theatrical man, "reminds me of an experience I had with one of them in Chicago in 1889, while I was assistant property man with the Abbey & Grau Italian Opera company, that opened the Auditorium. One night we put on 'Dianorah,' with Patti in the title role. Dianorah, you know, is a half-witted girl who wanders through the mountains, here sole companion being a goat. There is a bridge in the mountain, and the two, in making their entrance, pass over it.

"I was sent out the day of the performance to find a goat. I located a truck farmer on the West side who said he would accommodate me if I gave him a pass. I wrote an order on the house, and in the afternoon the goat was brought to the stage door with a recommendation as to its gentility. The animal was brought early to the theater because William Pary, the stage manager, wanted one of his lieutenants to rehearse with it-that is, lead it through the mountain scene and over the bridge a few times, so that it would become used to its strange surroundings.

"Bill was a sad-oyed beast, but the moment it reached us it cheered up and A fast cylinder press, typesetting maseemed pleased at the prospect of sup- chines and the necessary material to get porting the divine Patti. It did nobly at rehearsal, going through its part like a veteran actor. I was pleased, and fully expected to be complimented by the stage manager for finding such rare talent.

the property-room, and everybody went | cents per copy. to supper, leaving the stage dark. I intended to feed it just before the performance, but when we returned it was not necessary. When we turned on the lights that confounded beast was licking its chops with the greatest satisfaction, while ruin was on all sides of it. It had eaten the side out of a kitchen scene, chewed up two set rocks and devoured the water wheel belonging to the mill in the very scene in which it

on It."- Chicago Inter Ocean.

Tuesday, June 6. A dispatch from Samoa announces

establish a press censorship.

that both native factions are disarming. George Ray, aged 102 years, is suing

lumbus, Mo. The British house of commons voted

General Lord Kitchener a grant of £39,351 for his victories in the Soudan. The naval section of the armament committee of the peace conference at The Hague has unanimously rejected the Russian proposals.

At Vienna, Ga., John Hannaway, who last Saturday attempted to assault a 6-year-old child, was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment.

New York's congressional delegation voted to support D. B. Henderson, of Iowa, for speaker. This insures his almost unanimous election. Wednesday, June 7.

Seven hundred Italian laborers near Paterson, N. J., went on strike, and forced 300 more to quit work. Ex-Consul to Havana Ramon O. Williams, just returned from Cuba, notes the wonderful improvement in Havana.

Governor Tanner, of Illinois, will ask the legislature for an appropriation of \$50,000 for the extermination of tuberculous cattle. Every man in Princeton, Ky., was fined one cent for contempt of court,

because the grand jury failed to indict

Going to the Klondike.

insurance companies.

Harry G. Steel, editor of the Shamokin Daily Herald, will assume charge of a daily newspaper to be established at Dawson City. He will leave for that place within a few days. So far there is not a daily newspaper in the Klondike. out a paper will be sent up the Yukon river. The cost of conveying the press, etc, will amount to between \$7,000 and \$10,000. Enough blank paper will be taken to last one year. The subscription "In the evening we tied the gost near price of the new daily will likely be 50

Died at Salona.

James T. Taylor, a popularly known resident of Salona, died at his home last Thursday, of paralysis. During the last few years of his life he had been stricken several times with the disease.

Pain Unnecessary in Childberth.

was to make its debut. "I was in disgrace, and to this day I have not succeeded in making peace with Stage Manager Pary. We had to improvise some old scenery to use in-stead of that on which the goat had dined, and while the animal was not on the stage lat night we kept a muzzle op it."- Chicago Inter Ocean.

Quick Work.

W. R. Shope, of Bellefonte, is operating a lumber job on the Nixon farm near Lamar and furnishes the Central railhis wife, aged 37, for divorce at Co- road with lumber used in the construction of their extension to the Collins furnace at Bellefonte. On Saturday a derrick about forty feet long was telegraphed for. Three and a half hours after the order was received, the stick was on board the car at Lamar station. In this length of time the tree had been felled, sawed the proper dimensions, hauled two miles to the station and loaded on

Cure for Gape in Young Chickens.

the car.

Young chickens are not troubled with the gapes until about four weeks old. In the evening before the hen and her brood enter the coop, pour about a gill of crude petroleum over the floor of the coop. During the night the fumes from the oil will kill the worms and afterwards be found on the floor of the coop. This is no theory, but has been tried, and the result was as stated above. The chickens were cured of gapes, and grew nicely without further trouble from gapes.

Mr. P. Ketcham of Pike City, Cal., says: "During my brother's late sickness from sciatic rheumatism, Chamberlain's Pain Balm was the only remedy that gave him any relief." Many others have testified to the prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords. For sale by F. POTTS GREEN, Druggist, Bellefonte, Pa.

A Decrease.

Centre county's military enrollment has decreased. One year ago the enrollment showed 6,217, this year, by the enrollment just completed, it is only 5,613.

Church Dedication.

The Marsh Creek Baptist Mission Chapel will be dedicated June 18th. Dr. Fergeans, of Huntingdon, is expected and others. Services at 11 a. m.

Headache

Is often a warning that the liver is torpid or inactive. More serious troubles may follow. For a prompt, efficient cure of Headache and all liver troubles, take

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While they rouse the liver, restore full, regular action of the bowels, they do not gripe or pain, do not irritate or inflame the internal organs. but have a positive tonic effect. 25c. at all druggists or by mail of C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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