

POLITICAL NOTES OF
POPULAR INTERESTThe Prohibitionists Nominate Castle
for Governor

ANOTHER FLEXIBLE MEMORY

Bryan Will Receive a Remarkable Reception—Republican Papers Realize
That He Will be a Formidable Opponent

Despite an overwhelming sentiment among the perhaps 30,000 Prohibition voters in favor of Lewis Emery, Jr., reform candidate for Governor, the Prohibition State Executive Committee, on Tuesday at Harrisburg, rejected a proposition to induct him by a vote of 12 to 4, and selected Homer Castle, of Pittsburg, to take the place of State Treasurer William H. Berry, who was nominated for this office by the recent State convention, but has declined and will support Emery.

Professor H. D. Patton, of Lancaster, was nominated for Lieutenant Governor to take the place of Castle, who had been nominated for second place by the recent State convention, and George Hoffman, an insurance agent of Philadelphia, was named for Secretary of Internal Affairs, to fill the vacancy created by the withdrawal of ex-Representative E. A. Coray, Jr., of Wilkesbarre, who will stump the State for Emery. William T. Creasy, of Columbia county, fusion candidate for Auditor General, will likely stay on the Prohibition ticket, in spite of the refusal of the committee to nominate Emery.

Messrs. Berry and Coray, who were invited before the committee to explain their reasons for withdrawing, made eloquent pleas in favor of the nomination of Emery, and, while their remarks were liberally applauded, they apparently did not influence the majority of the committee, who seemed to be controlled by the wishes of Dr. Silas C. Swallow and other Prohibition leaders who have been fighting Emery's candidacy ever since his nomination and the rejection of Castle by the Democrats.

Mr. Berry, who sent a letter to the committee recently declining the gubernatorial nomination, said that the only way to complete the redemption of the State from the old Republican Machine, begun last fall by the victory in Philadelphia and the State at large, was by the nomination and election of Emery as Governor. Splendid work was begun when the old State Treasury crowd was driven from power last fall, and the job should be completed this year by the election of Emery and his associates on the reform State ticket.

CORAY'S LOGICAL FLEA.

Berry said the logical party should join the fusion movement and nominate Emery, which would assure his election. Mr. Coray said the Prohibitionists ought to lay aside their own opinions on the temperance question for the sake of general reform in Pennsylvania. He eulogized the Lincoln Party, which, he said, was composed of grand men, who could be trusted with anything. He said that the only way to effect the reform to which all parties were pledged in this year's campaign was by a combination of all parties against the regular Republican State ticket. As for himself, he was a Lincoln Party man, had taken part in its recent State convention, and was bound by it.

At the conclusion of Mr. Coray's speech Elisha Kent Kane, of McKean county, offered a resolution that the committee leave the head of the ticket vacant. Mr. Kane said in support of his resolution that he did not believe the Prohibition party ought put itself on record against the reform movement by nominating a candidate against Emery. He did not believe Emery should be nominated for Governor by the Prohibitionists, because he was not an avowed Prohibitionist; but the party could not afford to make a nomination against him.

The fact that Emery is not a pronounced Prohibitionist induced the followers of Swallow to nominate Castle, the man who is fighting Emery now, because he was not nominated formerly with Emery. Castle's position now is none other than that of a disappointed politician who is seeking revenge, and will be so regarded by conservative people.

BRYAN'S RECEPTION.

The return of William Jennings Bryan, from his extended tour around the world, will be the occasion for a monster demonstration in New York City. It is the outgrowth of a remarkable political sentiment, and indicates his sure nomination for the Presidency. The following is from the New York World:

More people will be in New York City between Aug. 27 and Sept. 3rd next than have been here since the centennial cele-

bration. Ten thousand people will come on special trains from the State of Missouri alone, headed by Gov. Folk and every living ex-Governor of the State. Congressman Sulzer said labor unions had asked him for 3,000 tickets. Nebraska has asked for 500, the Governor of Maryland for 100, the Governor of North Carolina for 100, and the Governors of Alabama and Tennessee 75 each. There will be room for 15,000 persons in the Garden by close packing. There will be an overflow meeting in Madison Square Park, at which Mr. Bryan will speak, either before or after his speech in the Garden.

A SERIOUS CHARGE.

Since the Republican Congressional Conference, which nominated Captain Barclay at DuBois recently, there have been mutterings of discontent over the district. Last week we published an article that charged Congressman Dresser with dishonorable political work. There also have been frequent intimations in various papers that Centre county "sold out," and gave Clearfield people a "dirty deal." The most sensational article of all appeared last Wednesday in the leading republican paper of DuBois, which makes the charge direct that Centre county got \$3,000 out of the deal, and by that statement reflects upon the conduct of the candidate from Centre and his three conferees, as follows:

CENTRE COUNTY MUST GIVE IN.

The DuBois Journal (Republican) of Aug. 1 says:

"The politicians of Centre county cannot expect that Clearfield will forget the usage she got during the late congressional conference that was held in this city a few weeks ago. Centre county went over to Barclay for a pot of gold and it is said that one man alone received \$3,000 from the Barclay forces, for his influence to get Centre county in line on the tenth ballot. It is also charged that McKean county men went home with coin in their pocket.

"Centre county has got their nerve with them to come to the Senatorial conference and demand that we nominate their man. Let them produce the bag of gold they received for the congressional nomination and turn it over to the Clearfield conferees for the Senatorial nomination.

"It is amusing to hear the Centre county delegation tell just how it happened, but several people in this county know how it happened and they tell an entirely different story.

No paper has a right to make any such an inference or allusion, that affects the integrity of prominent people of this or any other community, unless they give more than mere words and allegations.

The public has a right to know upon what authority the "Journal" makes such a statement. Mr. "Journal" who got the \$3,000 for influence?

Is this truth, or are you an irresponsible libeler?

According to the Keystone Gazette (see another article in this issue) you published a "blackguard article" and are an "offended newspaper." Are you that, or can you prove that John G. Love or his conferees got \$3,000 for influence?

Are you a "blackguard?"

A FLEXIBLE MEMORY.

The following is the Gazette's reply to the Dresser article in this paper last week, that has been the topic of amusement among local politicians:

The Centre Democrat publishes a blackguard article from an offended newspaper reflecting on the integrity of Solomon R. Dresser, and then comments on it by saying that the editor of the GAZETTE has "found Mr. Dresser the same kind of a man." In reply we want to say that Mr. Dresser has never violated a single pledge he made to us, but on the contrary has been exceptionally fair and frank in his dealings with his constituents in this district. We cannot be induced to believe Mr. Dresser guilty of wilfully violating a single pledge in the congressional conference referred to.

People in Bellefonte who have some knowledge of recent skirmishes for the Bellefonte postoffice, had to smile at the above complete flop. It is amazing how political aspirations affect some people. We wonder if Bro. Harter, after writing the above, can sleep well at nights.

Campmeeting.

The annual campmeeting of the Free Methodists will be held at Reservoir park, Tyrone, commencing Wednesday, August 15, and continuing until Sunday, August 26. There will be no gate fee at any time. There will be good ministerial help. Rev. Jacob J. Zahniser, district elder; Rev. A. D. Zahniser, of Pittsburg; Rev. J. T. Logan, of Chicago, and all the ministers of the district. The boarding tent will be in charge of Rev. J. K. Mumau, of Runville, Pa. The price of boarding and lodging will be \$6 for the entire time.

The Power of Money.

If the Standard Oil crowd were to collect their incomes for six months in cash and lock the same up in a vault it would cause a money panic in the United States.—Nebraska Independent

SEVERE STORMS
DESTROY PROPERTYMany Large Barns Struck by Lightning
and Burned

CROPS ARE BADLY DAMAGED

Fields are Washed and Roads Torn Up
--Some Heavy Losses During the
Past Week--Heavy Storms Come
Daily.

While the people in the northern section are suffering from a drouth, in this part of Pennsylvania we are almost at flood-tide. During the past week there have been heavy storms daily, most of them accompanied by violent and severe lightning.

About a week ago the upper end of Bald Eagle valley was badly washed. In some townships roads are almost destroyed, all small bridges are washed out and the soil from fields was swept down streams.

The continual daily rains have done great damage to the oats crop, as very little has been harvested and put in the barns and farmers fear that it has been ruined and will rot in the fields.

What is said to be the hardest storm since the cloudburst on May 31st, 1889, passed over Nittany valley Monday afternoon and let ruin and desolation in its path. The rainfall was alarming and fields and roads were badly washed.

The worst havoc was wrought by the lightning and two big barns are now a mass of blackened ashes.

The big barn on Dr. J. M. Demm's farm near Mackeyville was struck and burned to the ground. About 400 bushels of wheat, 20 tons of hay and farming implements were destroyed with the barn. There were \$600 insurance on the building and only \$50 on the grain. The net loss over the insurance is about \$1,000. John Allen was the farmer and his loss is heavy.

The fine new barn on Knecht Bros. farm at Nittany was also struck and burned. The barn was built in 1900 and was a modern structure 45x75 feet. About 600 bushels of wheat or tons of hay and 50 tons of old straw, all the farming implements and harness belonging to the farmer, H. J. Baker, were destroyed, but all the stock was saved. The barn was worth about \$2,000 and there was about \$1,200 insurance.

At Clintondale there was a considerable fall of hail and at Lamar the storm seems to have been general over this section of the county, for the rainfall here was very heavy and it extended up the river to Renovo.

A peculiar coincidence occurred at North Bend and Hyner. The flag poles at the school houses at both places were struck by lightning and shattered.

The house of John Martin at Lamar was struck by lightning, but did very little damage. The electric current descended the pipe to the sitting room stove, tearing the oilcloth and carpet about the stove and stunning the persons in the room. Fortunately no one was hurt and all have recovered from the shock.

The fine large barn on the farm of Uriah Gates, two miles west of Warriors-mark, was struck by lightning at 12:50 o'clock Friday afternoon and was burned to the ground. The structure was 100 feet long and 50 feet wide and Mr. Gates had placed a new roof upon it, at a cost of \$400, only two weeks ago. All his crops were stored in the building, including forty-two loads of hay, a big crop of wheat and a large quantity of old grain. There were also a number of farming implements in the barn. The building, with crops, implements and other contents, was completely consumed. Only the stock was saved, and the animals escaped narrowly enough. Mr. Gates estimates his loss at \$5,000, and his insurance is small.

Sunday afternoon shortly after 2 o'clock during a fierce electric storm lightning struck the large handsome barn on the H. A. Gripp farm, recently purchased from A. G. Morris, and together with its contents was totally destroyed by the fire that ensued. The barn alone cost over \$10,000 to build. There is an insurance of \$8,000 on the barn and its contents in the W. F. Hiller agency.

Charley Ross Again.

Gray head and bent with age, Joseph Likens, of Mount Holly, N. J., a carpenter, employed by Tomlinson Bros., of West Washington street, now makes the statement that he is positive he had found Charley Ross, kidnapped in Philadelphia in 1875, and in support of this belief he gives a detailed account of the crime and of his alleged discovery. The man who he believes is Ross is William von Hodge, connected with the Union Pacific railway, and now living in Galveston, Tex.

DALE RE-UNION.

The Dale connection celebrated the 116th anniversary of the settlement of their ancestors in this county, by holding a re-union at Oak Hall on Saturday last. Over one hundred of the connection were present. The exercises were held in the pretty grange hall opposite the residence of Austin Dale, in accordance with a program previously made out. At 10:30 the meeting was called to order by the chairman, George Dale. The choir then sang two pretty pieces, the one being, "My Country 'tis of Thee." Prayer by Rev. Dale, of Cleveland, Ohio.

The Chairman then delivered an appropriate address of welcome, which was interesting in its allusions to the changes that have taken place in the days of this generation of the Dales, which received the deepest attention for the interest conveyed by his remarks, closing with warm words of welcome to all. The response to the address of welcome was delivered by Frederick Kurtz, giving a concise history of the Dale connection, their high moral standing, and the service rendered their country in the Revolutionary war and the war for the preservation of the Union. Clement Dale, Esq., was then announced as the next speaker. His remarks consisted of a full and complete biographical history of the Dale ancestry, from the earliest days, down to the present generation, which contained accurate data in this regard and constitutes a valuable history of its large and much esteemed connection, embracing the best of Centre county families.

Adjournment was then had for dinner. A large table had been provided in a nearby orchard, with a seating capacity for over a hundred, which was loaded down by the best of the land—equal to any, and superior to many first class hotel tables. The variety was large, most excellently prepared, and enough left of all the good things served to satisfy another hundred and have "twelve baskets full left." The ladies deserve credit for the excellence of the banquet provided.

At two o'clock the meeting again convened in the hall, and after-dinner speeches of pleasantness indulged in. The old officers were re-elected, Geo. Dale as president, and J. A. Dale, Esq., as chairman of the Executive Committee. The re-union was a complete success in every respect, being the first—and the next Re-union will have a still larger attendance.

The meeting was reconvened in the hall at 2 o'clock when addresses were made by A. A. Dale, Esq., Rev. W. H. Dale, Willard Dale, John Dale, S. F. Dale and William Dale. These exercises were interspersed with most excellent music. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

George Dale, president;
David E. Dale, vice president;
Dr. J. V. Dale, secretary;
John S. Dale, assistant secretary;
Wm. J. Dale, treasurer;
Clement Dale, historian;
Rev. W. H. Dale, chaplain;
Executive committee: A. A. Dale, Philip S. Dale, A. W. Dale, Dr. James A. Dale, Edmund Dale.

The meeting then adjourned after deciding to hold the next reunion on Saturday, August 3, 1907.

WOMAN FRIGHTFULLY BURNED.

Mrs. Nellie Parsons, of Lock Haven, lies at the Lock Haven hospital severely burned, as a result of being struck by lightning Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock, at the boarding house of Charles Bittings, near Hyner, where Mrs. Parsons had gone a few weeks ago to act temporarily as a cook. She was rendered unconscious and when those about the boarding house reached her side, her clothing was in flames, which were extinguished, after her waist and apron had been almost burned off. Her right arm and shoulder suffered the worst, as the flesh on the surface is burned to a crisp in places. The burns also extend under her right arm, across her chest, and up the left side of her face. Her eyebrows on the left side and a portion of her hair was burned off. Although her burns are of a serious nature and she suffers much at times, the physicians and nurses think she will recover.—Lock Haven Democrat.

Hubbard Bridge.

There is no longer any doubt about a bridge being built across the Beech Creek at Hubbards crossing. On Monday A. L. Merrill, W. A. Hanna and Alex. Flanagan, the commissioners of Clinton county, by appointment met the commissioners of Centre county, John L. Dunlap, C. A. Weaver and John G. Bailey and were driven to the site of the proposed bridge. The abutments were located by H. W. Hudson, the surveyor and engineer, of Lock Haven, who will also make the specifications. The bridge will be an iron structure, with one span 120 feet in length and 14 in width. Liberty township will fill the approach on the west side of the creek and Beech Creek township on the east. It will be built at the former location.

SIGHT RESTORED BY
PECULIAR ACCIDENTThe Recoil of a Gun Strikes Woman in
the Face

REPLACED LENSE IN EYE

Strange Experience of Mrs. Geo. E.
Maneval, at Milesburg--Case At-
tracts Attention of Professional
People.

Mrs. George L. Maneval, of South Williamsport, who has been blind in her right eye for 13 years, regained her sight in a strange way a few days ago.

Mrs. Maneval was visiting at Milesburg and her nephew, a 14-year-old boy, was visiting at the same place. The boy got a gun and announced that he was going to blow up a hornets' nest near the house.

Mrs. Maneval became interested in the shotgun, as she had become quite a skillful shot when a girl. The nephew invited the woman to join in the sport with the hornets, and the latter promptly signified her willingness to aid in the slaughter of the pests. The boy and woman decided to indulge in a little preliminary practice with the gun, as it was known that the trigger was not in good working order.

After a shell had been slipped in the breech the weapon was handed by the boy to Mrs. Maneval. As she raised the weapon towards her shoulder the hammer descended unexpectedly, discharging the weapon. As a result of the recoil, the stock of the gun struck the woman a terrific blow on the right side of the face and on the bridge of the nose. For a few minutes she was stunned. The blow from the gun stock bruised the face and cut a deep gash on the nose. The wound bled profusely for an alarming length of time. After the flow of blood had been staunch, Mrs. Maneval found that the sight had returned to her afflicted eye.

Physicians are mystified as to the cause of the strange phenomenon. A few practitioners think there is a probability that one of the lenses of the eye was displaced and that the blow the gun made, caused the muscles of the eye to properly adjust the misplaced lens. It is quite likely the case will be discussed at a future meeting of the Locomotive County Medical society.

THE BUSINESS MEN'S PICNIC.

The executive committee of the Business Men's Picnic Association of Centre and Clinton counties met at the Brockerhoff House in Bellefonte, Thursday evening of last week. Both counties were fully represented at the gathering which was presided over by the new president, A. C. Mingle, of Bellefonte; secretary J. C. Meyer, called the roll and read the minutes of the previous meeting. The report of the different committees was next called for. Mr. Meyer of the finance committee reported that \$750.00 had been raised for amusements and other picnic expenses.

A base ball game had been arranged, for the afternoon, between Patton and Milton. The grounds will be offered to Lock Haven and Renova for a morning game, they to receive the gate receipts and pay their own expenses, among other amusements will be a game of water base ball on the lake, the usual shooting match and a splendid display of fireworks in the evening. The Germania orchestra, of Lock Haven, and the Coleville band, of Bellefonte, will furnish the music. In order to accommodate people from Penns Valley, who want to attend the picnic, a special train will leave Bellefonte at 9 pm., going as far as Coburn.

Den of Copperhead Snakes.

Albert Bergner, the groceryman of Monument, concluded on Saturday to relieve the monotony of every day life and spend a few hours in the woods in search of blackberries. As a blackberry picker he was not a success but as an exterminator of snakes he was almost equal to good old St. Patrick. Before he had gathered a quart of berries he ran into a den of copperhead snakes. Putting down his bucket he armed himself with a stout club and sailed into them. When the smoke of the conflict had cleared away he found himself the conqueror and thirteen dead copperhead snakes and one large rattler dead at his feet.

Another Wreck.

A bad freight wreck occurred on the Bald Eagle Valley railroad about a mile west of Mill Hall Friday morning. Two freight trains met head-on and both engines and five freight cars were badly wrecked, but no one was hurt. The wreck occurred on the curve near the junction west of Mill Hall and was caused by a misunderstanding of orders.

The women who claim that dancing is better than hugging, have evidently never been hugged.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs--Selected
and Original.

DOES IT!

This fellow put in all his time
Making money.
He slaved amid the city's grime
Making money.
Unto the green fields he'er went he:
He never strolled beside the sea.
Oh, no, he much preferred to be
Making money.

His every thought was fastened on
Making money.
He started in at break of dawn
Making money.
He had no time to give the arts,
No time to play the game of hearts,
For he was busy in the marts
Making money.

Death came at last. He had to stop
Making money.
Another man is in his shop
Making money.
His friends forgot him in a day,
Now, tell me, good folks, does it pay
To grind one's entire life away
Making money.

To write your name on the scroll of fame
Is a pleasant thing to do;
But it doesn't go at the bank, you know,
When your note is overdue.

Those who are fond of harmony have
no use for chin music.

Money don't grow on trees, but much
of it is obtained by graft.

Every dog has his day; but, unfortunately,
we are not all dogs.

The game laws do not provide a closed
season for the office hunters.

One doesn't need creditors to make
it hot for them this time of the year.

It often happens that the people who
never heard of germs and microbes have
never been sick a day in their lives.

Milwaukee naturally feels proud of the
cruiser named after her, but will not lose
interest in the schooners that have made
her famous.

A Glen Campbell lady, who had tried
most all kinds of patent medicines with-
out avail, until she tried a local drug-
gist's tonic, when she wrote him as fol-
lows: "Dear Sir: Before taking your
medicine I was too weak to spank the
baby, but now I can lick my husband.
Heaven bless you."

Old Donald Mackintosh was ill. The
minister was with him. He listened with
patience to the latter's exhortations, but
at length put a question: "Will there be
whisky in heaven?" "Certainly not," the
minister replied. "I am surprised that
you should ask such a question." "Well,
sir, it's no that I care for 't mysel', but it
looks weel on the table!"

As a ship was leaving the harbor of
Athens a passenger approached the cap-
tain and, pointing to the distant hills
covered with snow, asked: "What is that
white stuff on the hills, captain?" "It is
snow, madam," answered the captain.
"Is it really?" remarked the woman. "I
thought so; but a gentleman has just
told me that it was Greece!"

A college professor, who last year
spent his vacation on a farm, wrote this
season to the owner, saying: "There are
several little matters that I desire changed
should I decide to pass my holidays
at your house. We don't like the maid,
Mary; moreover, we do not think a pigpen
so near the house is sanitary." The
farmer replied: "Mary is went and we
haven't had no hogs since you went away
last August."

Recently a church organization in a
little Kansas town built a church. To
pay for it they were obliged to call on
the merchants of the community for do-
nations. The merchants responded lib-
erally and \$3,000 was raised from this
source. The last man to subscribe was
John Smith, a jeweler. "I will sub-
scribe \$5 if you will let me add some-
thing to the list," he said. The permis-
sion was accorded him and he wrote at
the foot of the list: J. Smith, \$5; Sears,
Roebuck & Co., \$0; Montgomery, Ward
& Co., \$0. The church people saw the
point when the minister read from the
list of donors to the building fund and
since the dedication of the church there
have been no mail orders sent out from
that Kansas town.

The Wellsboro Gazette vouches for the
truth of the following narrative which it
received from the mouth of the automob-
ilist living in Wellsboro: "He was
driving his machine on one of the near-
by country roads when he came in sight
of a gray horse and a buggy alongside
the roadway, with an aged gentleman
standing at the head of the animal,
which did not appear the least fright-
ened by the approach of the auto. The
old gentleman's partner, a venerable looking
lady, well along in years, had jumped
from the buggy when the horseless car-
riage hove in sight. The auto man in-
quired if the horse was afraid, when the
old gentleman replied in a vexed and
disgusted manner: "No, dang it, no!
The old horse is all right, not a bit
skereed; but, stranger, if you will kindly
lead the old lady by the machine I
will be obliged to you."

The Johnstown Tribune tells this story
of how one man got his wife to cut short
a visit which she insisted upon prolong-
ing. The woman had already been
away plenty long enough, thought her
husband, and he had more than hinted
that it was time for her to come home,
but she had paid no attention. The
man had been accustomed to wrap up
the Tribune and send it to her every
evening as soon as he had finished read-
ing it, and when she was disposed to
stretch her visit unduly he hit upon a
scheme. That evening, before mailing
her the Tribune he carefully cut out of
the first page one of the longest articles.
As soon as it could come there arrived a
letter from Wifey wanting to know
what it was that he had cut from the
paper, whether it was something about
himself, ect. Hubby said nothing about
it but sent another paper similarly clipped.
That brought another letter. Still no
sign from hubby, except a third paper
with another item clipped, much smaller
indicating that whatever was the sub-
ject under discussion, public interest in
it was evidently dying out. There were
no more letters, but Wifey came home on
the next train.