

Bradford Reporter

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Republican County Convention.

By a resolution of the Republican County Convention of the County of Bradford, held at the Court House, on the 27th day of APRIL, 1882, the following resolutions were adopted...

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The Lancaster Intelligencer gives a code of seven articles to govern the Democracy in the coming campaign...

The Democratic party of to-day turns back in its history to the time of Jefferson and says: "See what a nice baby I was; and then tries to build up a present reputation by showing that in its infancy it was orderly and well-behaved..."

War in Europe seems probable and the five great nations who are expected to take part are industriously preparing for the struggle...

Mr. Henry Watterson informed the Democracy at the recent celebration of the birthday of Andrew Jackson, that they must realize that "there has been a deluge; and that the party must come into power, if at all as the party of to-day, not of yesterday..."

After slavery had been condemned by the enlightened spirit of American citizens, and its extension had been prohibited by the sentiment of a large majority of the people of the nation, the institution was steadily sustained and its extension into the territories insisted upon by the Democratic party...

Twenty-five years ago there was no Republican party as we know it to-day. The elements existed, but they lacked organized form and, therefore, force...

There is a great flourish of trumpets over the fact that Samuel J. Tilden has contributed to the Garfield movement. Is it then so very remarkable? The Corsair had a single virtue and a railroad wrecker ought to be no worse, especially with a large presidential aspiration in his mind...

GEN. BUTLER will not be a candidate for Governor against Pierce; but will be against Hayes; at least so says one of his friends. It is gratifying to know that there are conditions which will prevent Butler's candidacy; for it is generally believed that his desire to be Governor of Massachusetts and his groundless belief in the possibility of such an event were a mania of which nothing could cure.

The Wilnot district have contributed little to its volume, and its verdict at the polls have done little to swell its tides. In all times of factional quarrel the verdict of the Republicans of this district has been waited for with great interest, and it has seldom been disappointing...

It is natural, therefore, that at this time, when the spirit of faction is altogether, that Republicans should turn their eyes toward the district where the party was cradled, and where the faith has been preserved in its purity...

On Friday last, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, America's poet laureate, died at his residence in Cambridge, Mass., after a short illness. Among the literary men whom this country has produced Longfellow stands first in fame and ability...

The Republican party has now an opportunity to exercise that higher wisdom which alone can perpetuate party life. It is no longer a question of personal ambitions or of ulterior aims; it is a question of party unity; and as party unity is the secret of party life, it is a fundamental question...

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The Emperor William's birthday is celebrated with great parade in Berlin; and yet it doesn't appear that he ever cut down any fruit trees or was convicted of absolute truthfulness. One by one the moral pictures of boyhood are torn and discolored by the wicked realities which we discover.

Lucius Robinson, of Elmira, is talked of for the Democratic nomination for Governor. We believe there is a tradition that on a former occasion Mr. Robinson was a candidate, and that after election his political scalp was carried by the Tammany scoundrel to the great hall of his tribe where a boisterous dance was held over the trophy...

Among the recently patented devices for interpreting the hearts of young ladies is the sugar device. If your best girl always remembers the amount of sugar you like in your coffee, and forgets the wishes of other young men upon the same important subject, then you are justified in asking the momentous question at least, so says the Press. Now for the efficacy of this test might be impaired by circumstances not stated; but where one young man has given the lady a thousand opportunities to consult his taste on the coffee question; and another has given her but one, it would hardly be prudent for the thousands to place entire confidence in this test...

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City Committee and proceed at once to the banquet of reform. We demand tariff reform, and we set our face in the direction of free trade. We would not give a pipel of tobacco for a Democratic party which should go back upon the revenue record of the party. The Democrat who is not a free trader should go elsewhere. He should join the Republicans. No true Democrat can be a true protectionist. The fiddle-faddle about the growing popularity of protection in the South should mislead no one. The Democratic party will make a free trade another in 1888. Democrats who can't go it had better pack up and get out. The conflict between free trade and protection is irrepressible and must be fought out to the bitter end. We split upon compromise, and propose to neither ask nor give quarter. We have but one political life, and had just as soon lay it down on this issue as any other.

Small pox is subsiding at South Bethlehem. There were five executions in Pennsylvania last Friday. Philadelphia's famous Committee of One Hundred has adjourned until fall. It will take no part in the nomination of State officers, but will continue its labors for the selection of members of the Legislature and municipal officers of that city. Its receipts since November, 1881, have been \$21,150, and the disbursements were \$17,621.02.

The contracts for frescoing the walls and ceilings of the hall of the House of Representatives and the connecting rooms was awarded to C. Day Judd, of Harrisburg, at \$1,450. The walls are to be decorated with designs emblematic of the industries of Pennsylvania, the work to be finished in three months. The Postmaster of Philadelphia has invented a new style of letter-box which is testing at the corner of North and Chestnut streets, in that city. On the face of the box, at the bottom is a notice of the time (twelve a day in this case) when collections are made at this box by the carrier. Above this notice are the words: "Collections from this box reach the Post Office about..." the blank being filled by the figures of a revolving dial, which changes each time the carrier shuts the lid, without any effort on his part. The dial is made to note on it any number of collections, and when the last carrier of the day, who leaves the Post Office at midnight, visits the box, he opens and shuts the door and he hears the dial set for the morning collection. The Postmaster thinks that there will be no expense in attaching this apparatus to all the boxes now in use, and that it will be a great satisfaction to the public to have them thus fixed. At the same time he says it would be a check upon the carrier, as any inaccuracy between the reading of the dial and the time reported at once to him, showing that the carrier had neglected to visit the box at the proper time or had moved the dial forward two points with a view of omitting the next collection.

LONGFELLOW DEAD. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, the poet, Friday yielded up his life peacefully and calmly in the midst of his family in Cambridge. His gentle heart had scarcely ceased its pulsation when the angel of death had been made known to the denizens of Cambridge by seventy-five strokes upon the telegraph arm, that number being the sum of his earthly years. For many months his failing health had been the cause of his withdrawal from society, and during that period he has remained at his historic home, declining all invitations, his thoughts centering upon his own immediate friends and neighbors. His last apparition to the public was on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the settlement of Cambridge, in December, 1880, when, at the morning exercises at the Sanders Theatre, he made his last public appearance to the children of the public schools, who, at the conclusion of the programme, gathered about him eager to grasp his honored hand.

His FATAL ILLNESS. His first severe illness began last Saturday. On that day he spent some time in walking and sitting upon the piazza, and upon his return to his room he was attacked with chilliness accompanied by vomiting. All day Sunday he complained of severe stomach pains, and opiates were administered to allay the trouble and induce repose. The illness seemed somewhat improved until Monday, when dangerous symptoms became manifest and the family were seriously alarmed. Tuesday morning the symptoms assumed an aggravated form, and it became evident to the household that his death was near. Wednesday and Thursday there was a slight improvement, there being a disposition to sleep almost constantly. During the afternoon of Friday morning he talked a good deal about various topics, and seemed to recover a large portion of his usual bright and cheerful disposition. Later in the night he became gradually unconscious and seemed restless and uneasy.

THE CLOSING SCENE. Friday morning he revived, though his talk was of a rambling nature and somewhat incoherent. This condition continued until about an hour before his death, when he again became unconscious, and so continued until the last, suffering but little pain apparently. The immediate cause of his death was peritonitis. The family were present, consisting of his daughters Edith (Mrs. R. D. Dana), Alice and Anna; his sons Ernest and Charles; his nephew, William P. and Wadsworth Longfellow, of Portland; his brother, Alexander, of Portland; his sister, Mrs. James Greenleaf, of Cambridge; and Mrs. Pierce, of Portland; his brother-in-law, Thomas Appleton, of Boston; and Nathan Appleton, of Boston. Mrs. Ernest Longfellow. He had been in bad health for one or two years and it is believed that during his last illness suffered but little pain. There is a universal feeling of sorrow throughout New England at the loss experienced by his death.

The position of Longfellow in England is shown by the following extracts from the Telegraph and Star: "Longfellow commands a wider audience among our people than any other poet of his age, save, perhaps, Tennyson."

Political Cleanings. Philadelphia Press: There isn't a Democrat in Congress who has withdrawn from office taking issue with the country, yet the party is soon to try its hand at another Presidential election. It is very difficult to make political bricks without political straw.

Cincinnati Enquirer (Dem): There is a Jackson revival. We note with a great deal of pleasure the disposition of public men of the Democratic party to sound the praises of the hero of the battle of New Orleans. It is a very difficult to make political bricks without political straw.

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The tactics observed by the Democracy in this case have been followed ever since. All through the war the progressive measures such as issuing paper currency and levying drafts were vigorously opposed; and afterward the enfranchisement of the negroes, and other legislative acts demanded by the ever changing necessities of the present, were in their turn subjected to disapproval.

They now generally acknowledge the injustice of slavery; the propriety of the suspension of specie payments during the war; and the prosperous result of resumption which was so strongly opposed by them. Year after year they advance and occupy the old positions of the Republicans, sometimes one year behind, and sometimes ten, but always behind. There has been no time when they have taken a progressive step on any important question, unless the step had previously been taken by their opponents. They have followed along in a slipshod way on an old path, sometimes changing a course, but never reaching any different point than the one which their progressive antagonist occupied years before. They make no new camps, but grumblingly occupy old ones which have become useless to the Republicans because of age.

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