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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

- For Governor: DANIEL H. HASTINGS, OF CENTER. For Lieutenant Governor: WALTER LYON, OF ALLEGHENY. For Auditor General: AMOS H. MYLIN, OF LANCASTER. For Secretary of Internal Affairs: JAMES W. LATTIA, OF PHILADELPHIA. For Congressmen-at-Large: GALUSHA A. GROW, OF SCRANTON; GEORGE F. HUFFE, OF WILKESBARRE. Election Time, Nov. 6.

THE SPECIAL dispatch from Stroudsburg to THE TRIBUNE which intimates that the candidate of Carbon county, Major Klotz, is ready to make a stronger bid for the Eighth district congressional nomination than any of his competitors may be inaccurate; but it coincides with a general impression as to the influences which are being brought to bear in this quadrangular fight. The situation, to all appearances, has resolved itself into a case of make your offer and take your nomination; and in such a contingency we advise all interested to keep an eye on Howard Mutchler.

Scranton's Premier Marksmen.

After having settled itself down to the real necessities of the situation, the Thirteenth regiment's rifle team at Mt. Gretna yesterday won the hotly-contested regimental match, defeating the crack marksmen of the competitive Sixteenth by the handsome score of 367 to 362, the best score ever recorded on the range. The average score of the team was 91, or 3 1/2 better than the Sixteenth's average. In the individual match W. W. Youngs, of THE TRIBUNE, who also led the work of the regimental team, duplicated his marvelous practice score of last Tuesday, thus establishing another new record for this celebrated range. Out of a possible 105 he registered 98; and will thus, it is believed, clinch his claim to the rank of premier marksman in the entire state guard, and win, for the fourth time, the champion-shot badge of Pennsylvania.

Coming so closely after the Thirteenth team's memorable victory at Creedmoor, where it defeated with ease the practiced sharpshooters of the banner regiment of New York, this performance at Mt. Gretna clearly dispels any possible suspicion of chance or luck and confirms the claim of Scranton to the most skilled militia marksmen in the United States. The state at large is to be congratulated upon this victory of yesterday, since it assures the presence at Seagirt next Tuesday at the forthcoming national contest for the Hilton and Interstate trophies, of a rifle team better equipped than any other to uphold Pennsylvania's supremacy with the firearm, and keep it upon a level with the Pennsylvania guard's well-known supremacy in the evolutions of parade, and in the hard service of actual camp.

The Sixteenth regiment has made a gallant effort to thwart the Thirteenth's ambition with the rifle. The two times that it succeeded it exhibited a degree of proficiency which fairly entitles it to honorable mention. Its failure yesterday involves defeat but not dishonor. Its score was a notably creditable one; and nothing short of the magnificent aim and steady nerve of the marksmen from Scranton could have relegated it to a secondary place. If at Saturday's contest for the brigade cup the Thirteenth should win, it also, will doubtless be due to the clear eyesight and accurate calculation of the quintette of Electric city sharpshooters, who have once more illustrated the "get-there" possibilities of Pennsylvania's fourth city.

THE PEOPLE of Gotham will doubtless breathe more easily now that New York harbor is to be provided with dynamic coast defense guns capable of blowing the biggest ship that floats higher than Gullideroy's kite. We do not, in this country, expect either war or burglars; but it is well to be prepared for both.

The Saturday Tribunes.

September, as the initial month of autumn, is famous among the twelve months of the year for the summer tourists that it brings back from the seashore and mountains; for the quickened trade that it sends coursing through the channels of business and for the resumed joys of domesticity which had been interrupted by the calorific dog days. August is the month of the merchant's despair; September, the month of his redemption.

September is also a good month for the good newspaper; and THE TRIBUNE will inaugurate it tomorrow with another of its popular twelve-page Saturday issues, filled to the brim with carefully-selected news, stories and special features for the home circle. Prominent among the latter will be an eloquent letter from Archbishop Howell, the noted Welsh clergyman, de-

scribing the growth and development of the national movement in modern Wales. This letter, written exclusively for THE TRIBUNE, will interest every reader of Cymric descent and prove a notable contribution from every standpoint. The religious activities of Scranton and its vicinity will, as usual, be reflected with fidelity and thoroughness; social topics will be presented with characteristic accuracy; the plans and movements of the musicians will have their accustomed space; the departments of cycling gossip and domestic hygiene will sparkle with timely paragraphs; industrial subjects will have their proper share of attention; and with the inauguration of the local theatrical season will come a department devoted to the better side of the American stage.

September, too, as the month of the grand encampment of heroic veterans at Pittsburg, will bring with it the pleasant duty of devoting to the nation's brave defenders a liberal portion of our space. A special article prepared with much care will review the forthcoming national reunion of the Grand Army of the Republic; and, in addition to a page of brightly illustrated special features, the reader will be introduced to the concluding chapter of Fergus Hume's fascinating serial story, "The Lone Inn." Although the Saturday TRIBUNE will be just such a paper as you will want to scan for the news of the world—and then take home for wife, mother and children.

It costs us double money; but it doesn't cost our readers an extra cent. The merchant who advertises in it, by the bye, will make no mistake.

TRADE was bound to grow better, from the very fact that surplus manufactured goods had virtually all been used up during the long shut-down. But Democracy, having fooled the people once, need not expect to fool them twice by the same trick. This generation has learned to have new faith in the Republican party and new distrust in its deceitful old enemy.

"MY BLEEDING country will suffer worse than I" is the patriotic reflection of the honorable Constantine B. Kilgore, of Texas, otherwise known as "Buck" Kilgore, when informed of his defeat for renomination. His "bleeding country" will, at this rate, do some more "bleeding" in various places Nov. 6. The cuckoo in congress will have to go.

The Fundamental Issue.

The Democratic press is already making the most of those indiscreet Republican conventions which, in various parts of the country, have made the mistake of losing the identity of the Republican principle of protection in the identity of a particular tariff bill. They are calling up and putting into use the old arguments against the McKinley bill with as much fervor and zest as if that bill were now the issue before the country, and as if no other bill were possible of formulation by Republican legislation. They seem unable to comprehend how a voter can be a protectionist in principle and yet advocate other and possibly better expressions of his economic faith than that which has lately been displaced by a tariff law of Democratic origin. And the result is that the defects of the McKinley tariff—and it had defects—are doing service today as Democratic campaign arguments after the whole structure, defects and all, had been cast aside.

We wish to make the point that this is distinctly unfair. At a time when it was the "question before the house," the McKinley law had to be defended by Republicans unreservedly. Those of them who honestly believed that its schedules, albeit well intended, were in some instances unnecessarily high had no alternative, unless they wished to weaken protection's entire case, but to accept the bill uncomplainingly and give it their loyal support. Today, the situation is radically different. Republicans are not on the defensive; they are emphatically on the aggressive; the considerations which once moved to silent concession where there was honest difference of opinion no longer exist. The tariff problem today, the tariff problem as it will figure in the next presidential campaign, is not whether the average duty charged on imports shall be 60 per cent, or only 45 per cent; whether it shall be the average of the McKinley bill or the average of the Gorman bill. Such a question would manifestly be an absurd turning point of national partisan contention.

The tariff question as it now stands, the tariff question which must yet receive a definite verdict from the American people, is whether the country will entrust the detailed working out of the American principle of protection for home industries, including necessary tariff modifications, from time to time, to the party by which that principle is admittedly and efficiently championed; or whether it shall again entrust it to a party one wing of which waxes also free trade, another, tariff protection for special interests, and a third some vaguely understood condition of the revenue system whereby prosperity is apparently to be wooed by means of deficit, depression and disaster. The intellect and the character of this country must choose between Republicanism, as expressed in three decades of phenomenally prosperous rule; and Democracy, as signaled in two years of administration that reeks with failure, partisan strife and business depression without past parallel.

This, then, is the fundamental issue. Other questions have merely relative importance. The Republican who wants this schedule or that made higher or lower need not feel that the McKinley bill was a finality, by any means. The McKinley bill is now the past tense of protection. The principle

of it will live; its details are already buried in the debris of moving events. The Republican party, in other words, is again free to take a broad stand for protection in its entirety, without reference to either the shortcomings or the exaggerations of any preceding tariff during its history. The Democratic party, on the other hand, is committed to no one clear principle, for it is composed of elements believing any and all principles; and it is, in addition, tied down to the defence of a particular revenue measure which pleases neither the trusts which paid for it; senators who sold it; the house which set it on foot; the president who let it become a law, because he lacked the moral courage necessary to its indignant rejection.

A LOUISVILLE dispatch, after quoting the letter of Colonel Breckinridge's sister-in-law in which she asks the electors of the Ashland district not simply to bury underneath their ballots that brazen social offender, but also while in the cleansing business, to make sure that his successor is a man who would not bring humiliation upon the state, adds this significant sentence: "The plain truth is that of all the immoral delegations in congress that of Kentucky has the reputation of being the worst." We may expect this assertion to be angrily challenged. But there have been exhibited in the Breckinridge campaign circumstances which make the accusation appear readily credible. If false, it should be disproved; and if true, corrected. Kentucky has enough to answer for as it is, without any new scandals.

The Income Tax Law.

Officials in the internal revenue department do not regard the income tax law with delight. The new measure means any amount of extra work for the department, and the labor of running moonshine whiskey distillers to the earth will be nothing as compared with the work of ferreting out the wealth of people of means who desire to evade the law. The matter of distributing blanks to people qualified to pay income tax will have to be left to the discretion of the revenue collector of each district and it is not difficult to see how the law can become a farce in many localities. In numerous instances it is evident from the start that the liberal and public-spirited man of wealth, who heads charitable subscriptions and is foremost in business enterprises that give employment to the masses and assist in lubricating the wheels of trade and adding to general prosperity, will be bled by the unnatural law, while the miser whose possessions are locked in vaults out of sight; who lives for himself alone, who of all men deserves to be taxed, will escape.

The enforcement of the income tax law will require an amount of knowledge of the community, unbiased judgment, discretion and all round ability that are seldom combined in the patriotic henchmen that do the bidding of their masters in order to enjoy political appointments. When considering the opportunities for abuse and evasion that must accompany the act, as well as the latitude allowed officials in the performance of duty, the unjustness of the measure becomes more and more apparent. There is fun ahead when the income tax law goes into effect.

POLITICAL NOTES.

A dispatch from Harrisburg, in speaking of the prospects of a roving league convention, says it is "expected that the convention will open with at least six hundred delegates present at roll call. The leading Republicans of the capital city are desirous of making this convention a decided success and are making elaborate arrangements for the reception of the delegates. The modeled opera house will be used for the business meetings of the convention and will be prettily decorated for the occasion. The local committee has adopted two new badges. One is a souvenir badge of purple velvet ribbon, four inches in length and one and one-quarter inches wide, which is displayed by a photograph of the capitol building, surrounded with the inscription, 'R. L. of Pa., Harrisburg, September 4, 1894.' The whole ribbon will be fastened to the wearer's coat lapel by a button, in which will be a photograph of United States Senator Cameron. This badge will be presented to each delegate and will be the local committee as a souvenir. The other badge is made of three streamers of red, white and blue ribbon, one-half inch wide and six inches long, and is fastened by a button, on which is a photograph of General Hastings. This badge is to be the distinctive mark for the members of the local committee."

An amusing feature in connection with the nomination of Daniel L. Hart for representative is being told, says the Hazleton Pine-Spruce. It is said that Ed. Boyd, of the News-Dealer, put Mr. Hart's card in his paper without the latter's knowledge. When Dan saw the card and Boyd's sign commended it, he noted in the P. C. column of the News-Dealer he made haste to urge Boyd to withdraw the card and to stop trying to "guy" him. Boyd laughed at the request and said that he had let the card stand for a few days and to begin the work of selecting his delegates in the various wards. Later on, Boyd told him, he could come out with a card saying that he was being obliged, by reason of business, to go to California, he found it impossible to be a candidate and, therefore, would withdraw. Unfortunately, however, for Mr. Boyd's well laid plans, Mr. Hart discovered, after a short canvass, that his candidacy was being very favorably received by the local Democracy. So when Mr. Boyd hinted that it was time for Mr. Hart to withdraw, the latter said "may, say." The outcome of Editor Boyd's little joke and scheme is Mr. Hart's nomination.

A special dispatch to THE TRIBUNE from Stroudsburg last evening said: "The adjournment of the Democratic conference at Milford has put the politicians to thinking. That Mutchler forced an adjournment is believed to mean that he was afraid to continue the fight at the present time. Pike's conference in speeches this morning declared that they would not go over to either Carbon or Monroe, which is a very strong impression that Pike is crying a corner. Monroe and Carbon to the support of its candidate, Thomas J. Hart. It was claimed at Milford today that King was willing to give \$500 more for the nomination than any one else. When this was reported to a Northampton man he said: 'I don't believe it. I don't see how it can be bought; at any rate Hart cannot, and of course Northampton can't.' The Hart and Mutchler people are very friendly, and this remark indicates a confidence in the latter in the former. Senator Shell's friends are hopeful, and if Pike county will hold out against Mutchler, Monroe may yet make the nomination."

district conference at Milford twelve ballots were taken, the last standing Hart & Mutchler 5 to 7. No effort was made to cut Northampton's ratio down. Carbon, on the twelfth ballot, voted with Pike for Hart. Mutchler, it is whispered, has some understanding with Shell by which the former will get Monroe's votes if they are really needed. Hart's friends declare he is bound to win, as, in the event of a prolonged fight, he would have three counties to Mutchler's one. But people still doubt Hart's sincerity in this matter, and look for developments which will eventually make Klotz the real opponent of Mutchler.

Republican clubs from this section which agreed to make payment of their registration fees, the dues of the State League of Republican clubs prior to noon Monday will, under the rules, be denied registration at Harrisburg Sept. 5. If any of these clubs intend to send delegates, it will now know that such delegates will not be able to share either the expense or the honor of the convention. All clubs were notified in time to avoid this rule; those which overlooked the matter will, therefore, have no cause for complaint.

OUR STEADY PROGRESS.

Scranton continues to slide gracefully toward the rear end of the last procession with glowing prospects of undermining Allentown when that aggregation succeeds in getting its Eastern league clothes fully on.

FOR DELEGATE ELECTIONS.

Apportionment of Republican Representation Among the Various Districts. Pursuant to a meeting of the Republican County committee held on July 14th, 1894, the County Convention will be held on Tuesday, September 4th, 1894, at 10 o'clock a. m. in the court house at Scranton, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the following named offices, to be voted for at the next general election to be held November 6th, 1894: Congress, Eleventh district; Judge, Forty-fifth judicial district; sheriff, treasurer, clerk of courts, probate judge, district attorney, recorder of deeds, register of wills, and city commissioner.

Vigilance committees will hold delegate elections on Saturday, September 1st, 1894, between the hours of 4 and 7 p. m. They will also serve as vigilance committee for one year, and have their names certified to, on the credentials of delegates to the County Convention.

The representation of delegates to the County Convention is based upon the vote cast last fall for Fell, candidate for judge of supreme court, he being the highest officer voted for at said state election. Under this rule the several election districts are entitled to representation as follows:

Table listing election districts and their representation counts for various offices.

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