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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

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For State Treasurer: BENJAMIN J. HAYWOOD, of Mercer. Election day, Nov. 5.

This talk of Quay putting Martin and Magce in jail for having differed from him is becoming a trifle wearisome. Even Quay has no snap mortgage on public opinion.

How to Cleanse Our Politics.

The declaration of Wednesday's convention in favor of cleaner politics was general in its terms, thereby leaving ample room for the consideration of particular methods of reform. Very pertinent, consequently, is the interview with Judge Stewart, of Chambersburg, printed in The Tribune one week ago, in which he contended with vigor for the adoption of his simple and yet promising plan to popularize and elevate the primary elections.

This interview has already been the subject of much discussion, notwithstanding the concentration of public attention upon the Harrisburg convention. It is the uniform belief of those who have expressed views concerning the Stewart plan that a popularization of the basic elections would be wholesome and invigorating in its influence upon the body politic. The only point of hesitancy has been as to whether it is yet feasible to limit the suffrage at general elections to those only who

law presents slight, if any, difficulty.

Political reform, to be successful, must begin at the beginning; which is equivalent to saying that it must begin at the primaries.

For the first time in several months, the Scranton Traction company appears to be aware of the fact that it owes something to its patrons. We hope the improvement will continue.

Backward in Education.

Speaking before the Allegheny county teachers' institute this week, State Superintendent Schaeffer made the surprising declaration that Pennsylvania stood eleventh among the states in length of school term and twentyeighth in salaries paid teachers, while in the matter of aid to higher education it stood lower than any state north of Mason and Dixon line. Only the eminence of the man who made this assertion would carry conviction to the Pennsylvanian who had not confirmed it by recourse to the census statistics.

In casting about for an explanation of this uncomplimentary rating the Pitts- things; and it should be improved. burg Times concludes that it may be partly accounted for by the fact that we have such a large foreign population in our borders, which is constantly being added to, brought hither by our great manufacturing and mining industries, and which it takes years to educate up to the full appreciation of the value of our schools and the necessity for their doing the best possible work. But there are other influences which are at work very powerfully also. Among these is the belief too general, especially in remote country districts, that anybody can teach school acceptably, and that no special ability or preparatory training is necessary. This leads naturally to the idea that as the teaching material is so abundant the price to be paid for it should be gauged accordingly.

Another explanation is doubtless to tics has crept into the control of our and good breeding. school system. Few school directors care to admit, what few, at the same time, will hazard to deny, that appointare often governed by considerations entirely alien to the question of fitness and experience. The Republican platform adopted on Wednesday declares specifically and emphatically for the semoval of the public schools from political influences, and it is a demand with which thoughtful citizens will everywhere sympathise.

The Next Senator; Who is the Man? Few will be surprised at the seemngly authentic intelligence that Senator Cameron, largely in whose behalf Mr. Quay's recent battle against the Hastings administration was begun, ecame frightened as the contest drew near to its heated culmination and withheld expected aid. Such ingratitude would be in full keeping with his public career. It would be in strict unison with the senator's repeatedly exhibited indifference to the vital in-

terests of his party and his common We, therefore, are not surprised at the assertions of men who are close to Mr. Quay that the latter, by a swift reconstruction of his original purpose, has decided, in the vernacular, to cut oose from Cameron and permit the latter to shift for himself. Such a policy of rapid divorce would embody political shrewdness as well as poetic justice, and win the cordial approval of the masses of the party-a thing that Mr. Quay needs. But if Cameron is to be cast aside, who will be put forward by the junior senator as his candidate for the succession?

Having lately decided upon a policy of wholesale political regeneration, Senator Quay will, of course, perceive the advisability as well as the justice of permitting the honest opinion of the party masses to shape itself into a definite expression concerning this highly important matter; and will not repeat the mistake of eluding public sentiment in the behalf of an unacceptable aspirant. Inasmuch as the time for the selection of senator-choosing legislators will soon be at hand, the present is none too early a date for the publication of Mr. Quay's prefer-

Now that Quay will name Cameron's successor, who is the mhn?

When the people want a candidate, the politicians have no option but to yield. If the people next year should want General Harrison for president, rest assured that Quay. Platt and the others would not be able to shove the people aside.

Quay as a Reformer.

The motives that prompted Senator Quay to espouse the cause of political reform in the matter of corporate interference with legislation and the compusory work of minor office-holders at primaries and conventions are sufficiently obvious to dispense with the ecessity of a discussion of them. But the reform platform, although written by him in what looks like a spirit of vindictiveness toward factional opponents, is in itself irreproachable; and its adoption by the recent state convention will clear the way to its strict enforcement, regardless of persons, sections or interests.

For the better understanding of this subject we repeat the Quay plank, word for word as the senator wrote it: Resolved. That we decry the growing use of money in politics and the corporate control of legislatures, municipal councils, political primaries and elections, and favor the enactment of legislation and enforcement of laws to correct such abuses. general elections to those only who are recorded as having taken part in the immediately preceding party primary.

Now, why not? If the primary is to be retained in its present influential function of giving character and color to all the later processes of government, what truth can be simpler and plainer than that the primary should be vigilantly safeguarded, not by the uncertain favor of the ward politicians, but under the inevitable mandate of the organic law; and attended, in person, by every citizen desirous of voting at the next ensuing general or local election? This proposition is as clear as crystal. Its enactment into We earnestly insist upon a form of civil service which will prevent the enslavesalaries should be abolished and expenditures and taxation reduced. There should be a uniform basis of valuation of property for public purposes; corporations enjoying public privileges should pay for them, and schools should be divorced from politics and kept absolutely from political influence and control.

That corporations do control legislatures, local and state, and interfere unduly in political activities is a fact of notoriety. That public office-holders are expected by all parties to use their opportunities in furtherance of the dominant party organization is likewise beyond dispute; a condition equally true of the remaining clauses in the platform's sweeping arraignment of growing public evils. It will, of course, be said that Mr. Quay, having for years made conspicuous use of these evils, is in a poor position to plead for their correction. But it can be replied that when the Republican party made Mr. Quay's plank its own, it assumed responsibility for the successful prosecution of the several indicated reforms; and may fairly hold its public servants to the contract, whether they designed to be thus held or not.

The opportunity is ripe for valuable progress toward a cleaner order of

Altgeld's gratification at Quay's success is another justification of Governor

Hastings.

A Defeat with Honor. Satirical newspaper pleasantries at the expense of Charles Emory Smith by no means obscure the fact that Mr. Smith emerges from his participation in the recent battle for fair play with dignity and increased public esteem. The columns of the newspaper he edits were honest and earnest in their denunciation of obnoxious political methods; but at no time abusive or coarse in their allusions to political opponents. No word printed in the Philadelphia Press during the recent controversy violated the proprieties of fair and manly discussion, or went beyond the limits that confine differences be found in the extent to which poll- of opinion among men of judgment

A defeat at the conclusion of such a championship may be momentarily unpleasant, but it is not dishonorable. ments to positions as school teachers To suspect that it can militate against the future prospects of either Mr. Smith or the great newspaper with which he is connected is to disclose a misapprehension of well-established truths. The American people are not likely to punish, in Mr. Smith's case or in any other, honest independence of thought and utterance with reference to questions directly tangent to their welfare. The intimation that the bril-liant and brainy editor of the Press cannot hereafter find room for his toents in the same state with the vic-

torious Quay is insulting, not so much Smith, as to the Republican party.

ing decreased smoking; but that is counterbalanced by the fact that it has largely increased scorching.

Observed from Afar.

The press of the country has had its observant eye on the factional battle at Harrisburg, and some of the comtrenchant and true. A number of just remarks are, for example, made by the Chicago Times-Herald, which, among other things, says: "Mr. Quay has been supposed heretofore to hold his place in the party and in the senate by courtesy of the Cameron dynasty, which has ruled Pennsylvania for two lifetimes. Now he holds it by right of his own achievements and popularity. He has been supposed to be the servant if not the creature of corporations. They tried to throw him and he made them bite the dust. Heretofore he has been considered the embodiment of the machine idea in politics. This time he detached himself from the machine, openly defled it and appealed to the people for support in an effort for its disestablishment. The reform element in both parties have considered him the spokesman and stoutest champion of the spoils theory in politics. His winning card in this campaign was a warning to the spoilsmen and corruptionists that henceforth he is their implacable foe.

"What does Mr. Quay's success mean? That depends, so far as larger public interests are concerned, upon his fidelity to his campaign pledges. It means, however, first of all, the emancipation of the Republican party in Pennsylvania from corporation and plutocratic influences. It means that, instead of being delivered bound hand and foot by Wanamaker and Smith to Harrison, the Pennsylvania delegation will be allowed to make choice for itself between the popular favorite McKinley and the congressional candidate Reed. It means that while Pennsylvania Republicans continue to have a leader, or a boss, if you please, it is for the first time in more than a quarter of a century a leader or a boss of their

own choosing. "Mr. Quay's courtesy and magnanimity toward a beaten foe in the recent convention inspire the hope that in the hour of victory he will not lose his head, and that in the administration of his'trust he will not be neglectful of the public interests. He stands obligated to begin and carry on a campaign against state profligacy and municipal corruption. He is known as a man of his word. Let us hope that he will not belle that reputation." Our western neighbor is probably wide of the truth in its allusion to General Harrison; for the fight against Quay bore only indirectly on the ex-president. But otherwise its observations are to the point. Quay has, indeed, a splendid opportunity. What will he do with it?

The saving of something every day means thrift and often wealth. The poorest man on earth is the big-salarled man who regularly out-spends his income.

In point of fitness, which Senator Quay has established as the new political test, Hon. Charles Emory Smith would make an ideal United States senator. But as editor he is greater.

The middle name of Pennsylvania's next senator, we are willing to wager, will not be Donald; and his surname will not be Cameron.

The fact that Colonel McClure's paper accurately foretold us so is merely the exception that proves the rule.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS.

How to Restore Party Unity.

Philadelphia Bulletin: "The extraordinary assistation of the past few months over the question of Republican leadership will have the whylesome effect of an electrical storm; it has cleared the political atmosphere, and it has left results which the defeated can accept without dishonor. Governor Hastings has made a manipand straightforward fight, and he has come out of it without sacrifice of his self-respect and with the increased respect of his opponents. If Senator Quay shall confinue to use the fruits of his victory with the same moderation and good judgment that he showed in the convention, there will be no serious obstacle to the restoration of party unity in the state. A broader policy, recognizing the rights of all members of the party, should be the outcome of this struggle. Any attempt to institute a pokcy of revenge or proscription would inevitably renew the conflict. The narrow escape which Mr. Quay has made from being overthrown should convince him of the folly of the vindictiveness to which some of his followers will counsel him."

A Platform Worth Having. How to Restore Party Unity.

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Pittsburg Commercial -Gazette: "The chief plank in the platform is that prepared by Senator Quay himself. It is aimed directly at the growing use of money in politics; the corporate control of legislatures, municipal councils, political primaries and elections," and demands the correction of these abuses by the enactment and enforcement of legislation to that end. A form of civil service is also urged which will prevent the enslavement of public officers and employes, compel policemen and other officers to confine themselves to their duties, insure absolute fairness in bestowing contracts for state, county and city work, and, which will punish any form of favor-kism in granting such contracts. It also demands such legislation as will forbid the grant of exclusive franchises to deal in public necessities, comforts and sanitary requirements; the abolishment of all unnecessary positions and salaries; the reduction of taxation, and the divorcement of schools from politics and political influence and control. Here is a platform which should command the approval of every advocate of better government and better political methods throughout the state. It will take time to carry these reforms through, but they are now clearly within reach." A Platform Worth Having.

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Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin:
"The election of Senator Quay as state chairman is an assurance of able leadership, an aggressive campaign not alone for the nominees but for those great principles of Republicanism, that have made the party strong from occan to ocean and lake to guif. Chairman Quay is justly recognised as the greatest political general of modern times, a peerless leader, cool and determined, wise and sagacious and fully capable at all times of outwitting and defeating the opposition. The fact that his election Wednesday was harmonious shows that those who opposed him are not grieved. The quarrel was purely a family affair and was not serious. General Hastings, Colonel Gilkeson and Senator Quay will not be at odds in the work that is to come. The stirring up effect of the contest on the Republicans of the state will have a good effect, inasmuch as nearly every (nd.vidual voter has been aroused to action, and will continue in a working mood throughout the campaign. The Republicans of Peensylvania are surely in excellent trim."

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state and local abuses is significant of the future. Platform piedges do not always mean much; but when the piedge is to the principles on which the senator has fought and won this battle, and by which he has consolidated in his support the mass of the party, it is full of meaning. Piedged as the senator is, and finding his support where he does, the outcome is full of promise for good government, economy and legislation in the public interest."

As Viewed from Illinois.

Chicago Journal: "Senator Quay's success in securing control of the Republican state convention at Harrisburg is a victory of the people over a corrupt political combine. In making this statement there is no need to forget or condone any of the political methods in which Senator Quay has shown himself an adept in years past. 'God moves in a mysterious way, his wonders to perform,' but there can be no question that in winning this greatest fight of his life Senator Quay has won a victory for the best elements of the Republican party in Pennsylvania as opposed to the worst." As Viewed from Illinois.

The Greatest of Leaders The Greatest of Leaders.

Carbondale Herald: "Never before has Quay loomed up in the proportions in which he will now be viewed by the whole country. Almost single handed, he fought the most powerful local leaders in the state; and defeated them, backed as they were by the power of the administration. The fight was long, hard and bitter, but the victory will place Quay at the very head of political leaders of the country."



Hello! Is that Major Penman?

It is.

Can I speak with you?

If you will be brief. You know my time I limited now, since I have succeeded Mr. cranton as leader of the Quay 400.

Yes. Can you give me a list of guests to the

Can you give me a list of guests to the trolley party?
Oh. I do not think it would pay. Only a few of us will ride.
Will Wade Finn be in it?
Certainly. He will blow the tin horn. will be invited, of course, and Reese Couldn't do without Wade. Fred Fleitz Brooks.
Yes. Any out-of-town guests?
I think we'll let Sam Wright ride on the steps; and do not know but we will invite Bernard Megargee and Billy Bell, They have been with us inespirit, you know.
How about ex-Mayor Fellows?
Sh! Don't speak of it! He'd want to ran the motor and would smash us up before we had traveled a block. No! no!
Z-z-z-ling! Z-z-z-ling!

Is this The Tribune?
Yes. Who's calling?
I'm a little girl and want some advice.
All right, dear. State your grievance.
I want to be a missionary and convertible heathen. he heathen. Oh, I see. You want to go to China and

get killed. Yes. Don't you think it would be lovely Yes. Bon't you think it would be lovely to die for the poor heathen?
Certainly. But how would you like to go out and visit some of the poor in Scranton? There are many deserving.

What! Go out among the residents of hovels! Mercy no! The nasty things!
Why, I might get the measles or small-pox. Z-z-g-ling!

The advertising manager, please. Who's talking? Mr. Finn, of the North End. What is it, Mr. Finn? I wish to advertise for 500 men. Are you running the Fall of Pompeii? No, sir! I wish them for the civil ser-

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Is the contractor in?

Yes.
Do you want to hire any more men to work for the city?
Under proper conditions we could use a few more.
What are the conditions?
You must be naturalized. No aliens are allowed to work for the city.
Ah! I see. There's no chance for me.
You might get naturalized.
Oh, no! You see I was born in this country. Country.
Ah! yes. I see! Your case is hopeless.
Z-z-z-ling!

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