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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

For ludges of the Superior Court: CHARLES E. RICE, of Luzerne, E. N. WILLARD, of Lackawanna. HOWARD J. REEDER, of Northampton JAMES A. EEAVER, of Center. JOHN J. WICKHAM, of BEAVER. GEORGE E. ORLADY, of Huntingdon.

For State Treasurer: BENJAMIN J. HAYWOOD, of Mercer.

Election day, Nov. 5.

The wish of Charles F. Mattes, when alive, was to avoid ostentation. Respecting that wish now that he is dead, it can be said of him simply that by work and character he helped materially to make Scranton what it is. Yet in this brief sentence is embodied a signal eulogy, the greatness of which will grow as Scranton grows.

"Give the People a Chance."

Space is given elsewhere on this page to an interesting communication suggosting that the Republicans of Pennsylvania, at their nearest coming primaries, directly express their first and second choice for president, for the guidance of the Pennsylvania delegation to the next national convention. The suggestion is in line with the new dispensation of political doctrine in this state, which

teaches the supremacy of the masses over the bosses, and the execution of it would do no harm and might in some instances do good.

The only objection now visible consists of the probability of numerous

lently forget minor recent opponents nel or, if needful, attempt to woo then ver. Such a course of conduct would be the obvious politics of the situation; and Senator Quay is nothing if not a consummate politician. Hence, talk of treachery or lukewarmness with reference to the present ticket is as absurd on its face as it is, in principle, unfair and reprehensible.

This is not a good year for traitors.

The penalty for murder might well be would vent his grudge against a railinnocent passengers

It Will Take Work.

situation. It is a not uninteresting circumstance It is to Mayor Warwick's credit that with reference to the platform of ree does not propose to interfere in the forms lately adopted at Harrisburg threatened factional fight in Philadelthat while there is some question of phia, between the Quay and Martin the sincerity of its author in proposing henchmen. As mayor his duty is to the such an advanced and summary procity, as a whole. gramme, there is no criticism of the platform fiself. When we remember Senator Quay will no doubt yet rethe copious abuse, ridicule and derision mind some of his over anxious Philawhich greeted less awceping declaradelphia adherents that as state chair-

tions by the late George William Curtis ten or fifteen years ago, we marvel not publican party. so much at the luckier fate of Senator Quay as at the completeness of the

public's intervening enlightenment. gun to talk with as much volubility as But while the public mind has of late years rapidly accustomed itself to the if he were not already dead and buried. beauties of civil service reform as a theory, # must not be forgotten that been sued for libel a few more times, much work will yet be required to it will perhaps appreciate the virtue transform that alluring theory into of minding its own business. accomplished fact. The disposition to hold to one thing in the imagination and to quite another whing in every day life is fully as strong today as at of liquor, why should any man be exany preceding time. As D. McG. pected to pay \$500?

Means says, in the September Forum, "We know how to deal with crime on scientific principles, and if we should is of it. apply our knowledge the criminal classes would in a short time be nearly isn't used at home

extirpated. We know how to insure good sanitary conditions, and if we should use what we know, the terrible overcrowding of the poor would be arrested, and only habitations fit for human use would be built. We are not ignorant of what is beautiful in architecture, and might make our public buildings the delight of our eyes. The

children of the common people might receive such education as would fill their lives with sweetness and light. In a thousand ways we might engage n the service of the community the limitless powers of nature and the inexhaustible devotion of man. These

initial provens of induction of man. These exhaustible devotion of man. These ideals can be realized. But they can never be realized. But they can our efficient of the government of our efficient in the future in such hands as have controlled it in the past." In our own state the practical steps necessary to the realization of moderate expectations of improvement in the di-reation indicated in the Republican state platform are, first, the nomination and election of truly representative legislative candidates, and secondly, the taking by each efficient of an active and sists of the probability of numerous changes in popular sentiment with reference to presidential candidates be-tween this time and the day of the con-vention. The indication of preferences at this moment, or, in fact, at any feasible time prior to the convention, would have to be taken not necessarily as mandatory but rather as simply a guide to the delegate's own determina-tion of his proner course to convention. taking by each citizen of an active and to incur animosities and to sacrifice, for a time, that placid tenor of routline indifference behind which the better element almost invariably conceals its talent for performing the duties of citizenship. But if it is worth while to talk about better government, it ought to be worth while to do some little real work for it; and unless real-work is done, better government need not be expected to materialize.

Colone Watres, of Laskawanna, and sundry other gentlemen two numerous to mention. A lively crop of candidates for United States senator has also appeared, but it is not at all likely that

The People Must Help.

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If the non-possession of a \$500 license Best Programme Vet Outlined. is no impediment to the profitable sale If law-enforcement is right, then Roosevelt is right, and that's all there Dont bet on the brand of reform that GIVE THE PEOPLE & CHANCE.

Editor of The Tribune. Sir: The newspapers of Pennsylvania are at this time vigorously discussing and speculating upon the probable choice of Senator Quay with reference to the presi-dential nomination next year. Some of them say he is for Reed, others predict that he will favor Cameron, and a few suggest that he will be a candidate him-self. Nearly all of them appear to take for granted that the senator will have absolute control of the Pennsylvania dele-gation and that its sixty-four members will be obedient to his wishes, no matter what they may be. It never seems to occur to these newspapers to ask the ques-tion, "Whom do the Republican masses of Pennsylvania desire as their candidate

TOLD BY THE STARS. Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The

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is the uppermost thought of every parent just at the present time. What shall they wear and where shall we look for it? The natural answer to this query will be, let us go to Goldsmith's Bazaar and see if they have been thinking of the little ones, too. As self praise is no praise, we will say to the reader please come and see for yourselves.

The many new things which we have to offer-our Shelves, Counters and Stock Rooms never were so full, and prices never so low, notwithstanding a steadily advancing market; we took time by the forelock and laid in our supply at old prices.

In Dress Goods Department

We have just opened a handsome line of Changeable Fancies, 38 inches wide, guaranteed not to shrink or cuckle, and when soiled water and soap can be applied without changing the color of the fabric. Just the thing for school dresses.

Just opened a New Department-Cloakings by the yard. You will find these -Boucles, Astrachans, Beavers, Kerseys, Plushes and Velours de Nord.



Colonel Quay has made promises to any one for the seat in the senate. There is no reason why the securities of a railway property managed as carefully as the Lohigh Valley system is at present managed, should not gain remitted in the case of the dastard who in value in company with the very no-

ticeable recent increase in its freight road by wrecking a train and killing and passenger traffic. The attributing of this gain to speculation loses sight of the greatest and best factor in the

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Stone, of Allegheny;

tion of his proper course in convention. With three or four able candidates conspicuous in the field, it would be anything but an easy matter for the party at large to choose between them. It would be a better plan all around to select as delegates men whose judgment is seasoned, whose probity is unquestioned, and who would cast their votes conscientiously and for the best interests of the party and of the country, no matter what the wire-pulling.

So far as Senator Quay is concerned there will doubtless be no disposition on the part of any delegate from Pennsylvania to ignore his experienced judgment, nor will any conscientious dele gate become as putty in the senator's hands. The interests of the whole country will depend upon the deliberations of the next Republican national convention; and these are paramount to purely personal or selfish interests. The best advice to be given to the party In these premises is to choose thoroughly trustworthy delegates. If the people shall do that, they will not have reason to lament as to the platform or the nominee.

An article on Quay by "Gath," publizhed a week ago, mentions Quay twenty-two times and "Gath" 163 times. Fortunately, Quay is not vain.

An Undeserved Accusation.

It is not a good prelude to the fall campaign that certain Republican factions in Allegheny county are inviting when they begin thus early to charge their factional enemies with contemplated treachery to the state ticket. We cannot perceive how any man claiming to be a Republican can consistently withhold his support from that splendid ticket or fall to find in the excellent state platform inspiration to active and earnest battle. Both were selected by a unanimous vote of the state convention; and both deserve the complete and cordial approbation of the party rank and file, regardless of past differences.

The contest between Senator Quay and Colonel Gilkeson was one mainly for the mastery of the party organization, and was decided in favor of the former by a majority large enough to remove all uncertainty as to the convention's wishes. Even if Mr. Quay were disposed to punish those who recently opposed him, he could not safely begin to retallate until after the November election, the result of which will to a large extent reflect his fidelity to the ticket. Hence his bitterest enemy is justified in deferring for at least two months the balancing of factional accounts contracted during the

recent state conflict. But it is by no means certain that Senator Quay, now that he has secured the strategic advantage of the state chairmanship, with its important bearcreates the pain. ing on next year's presidential battle, will at all care to descend to a cam-paign of local retaliation. He is likely to have larger fish to fry; and with the two exceptions of Mar-tin in Philadelphia, and Mague in Allegheny, it is both por-

A retirement from politics is pre dicted by certain prophets to occur not long hence in the vicinity of the revenue collectorship; but prophecies are not all true.

Let the People Rule.

The question of the relative advantages of an appointive over an elective judiciary has again been raised; and the fact has been cited that forty years ago John Stuart Mill pointed out the dangers of the present elective plan and counseled its abolition. All of which is true, but what does it prove? Simply that ideal conditions, viewed through the kindly perspective of the imagination, look more inviting than

real ones, bedaubed as the latter invariably are in consequence of the inevitable wear and tear of life.

There exists today no insuperable obstacle between the people and a judicial system as well-nigh ideal as is possible of attainment while men remain fallible. The machinery of our elections is such as to permit the election of as good and true men to the bench as could, under any proposed system, be appointed. If the men who are elected fall below the desired standard, the power of remedy lies with the electorate itself, and may be applied whenever the people shall see fit. If in any quarter the bench is spotted with the mud of party strife, it is because the opposing partisans are willing to admit judges as targets for their fusillade; and this willingness would not disappear were the source of judicial authority to revert, under an appointve system, to an intermediary agent. It is well to have all branches of the public service directly and fairly reflect the character, temper and ideals of the people behind that service. When this is the fact, we have a demoeracy. When it is otherwise, we have a government equivalent in principle, if not in name, to a tyranny. If the people want partisan judges, let them elect such men to the bench. If they want fair, learned and impartial judges, let them be put to the trouble to see that such men are nominated and elected. There is no artifice of manipulation which can absolve the electors in a democracy from their duty as sovereigns; and if they shirk that duty and suffer in consequence, let them endure the pain until they are

inspired by it to remedy the evil which Since Senator Quay schleved his vic-

tory in the state convention there has been a great isunching of gubernatorial booms. The senator himself has been boomed by some of his admirers, and it is said he has inspired booms for "Jack" Robinson, of Chester; Colo-

tion with the presidential nomination. Why not give them the opportunity to ex-press that preference? Surely it is not too much to ask that the more than half a million of earnest citizens who compose the Republican party of Pennsylvania be permitted to indicate their choice for a presidential candidate. County and state conventions are not reliable exponents of popular sentment. There is only one way by which to accurately ascertain the wishes of the masses of a political party with reference to the nomination of can-didates, and that is by giving them the opportunity to express their individual choice on the ballots they cast at the pri-mary elections. mary elections.

mary elections. How easily this can be done may be seen by a little illustration: A week from next Saturday the Republicans of Lackawanna will elect delegates to a county conven-tion. The delegates then elected will meet the following Tuesday to select two men to represent this congressional dis-trict in the next Republican national convention. It may be admitted in ad-vance that in the selection of these two national delegates the county convention will be controlled exclusively by consid-erations other than a personal preference for the presidential nomination. Whether McKinley, Reed, Harrison, Allison, Cam-eron or Quay shall be the candidate will receive no consideration in the county convention. It follows that when the two national delegates have been chosen no-body will have any idea for whom their votes will be cast in the national con-vention. The delegates themselves will have no authentic guide as to the actual preference of the constituency they rep-resent. esent.

resent. It is expected that in the election of the delegates to the county convention a week from next Saturday a very full Re-publican vote will be polled. It would be a very easy matter to asceriain how the Republicans of Lackawama county stand with reference to the presidential nomi-mation. All that would be necessary is to have a space on the tickets for the voter to write the name of his first and second choice for president. If this were done throughout the state there is not the least doubt that the preference of Pennsyl-vania Republicans would be indicated. This would not necessarily deprive the delegates of independence of action in the national convention. Lackawanna Repub-licans might express a decided preference for McKinley and so long as there is a chance for his nomination the delegates from this district would be expected to respect the wishes of their constituents; after that they would be free to exercises their own judgment or even their own preference.

Senator Quay is the recognized leader of the Republican party of Pennsylvania and will be an important and influential factor in the national convention. That convention will be exceedingly fortunate. It is also important that the Pennsyl-vania delegation, whether wholly con-trolled by Senator Quay or not, shall not do violence to the sentiment and wishes of the Republican masses in this great Republican common wealth. It is a mat-ter of interest to know where Senator Quay stands with reference to the presi-dency, but it is of infinitely more impor-tance to ascertain whom the more than half a million Republicans of Pennsyl-vania desire nominated. That can be as-certained by submitting the question to the individual volers at the primaries, the only place where the volers can ex-press their preference. Give the people a chance! Very truly, J. D. Laciar. Wilkes-Barre Sent -:11:-

THAT REFORM PLANK.

Worth Accepting at Face Value

Worth Accopting at Face Value. Chicaso Inter-Ocean: "It is significant of the irresistible force of the current of mentiment that Senator Quay pronounces himself emphatically in favor of civil ser-vice faw for Pennsylvania. A contempo-rary doubts the earnestness of his profes-sion. The senator is 'loo much a machine politician.' says the journal in question, to favor reform. Our contemporary has not studied, or having studied, has failed to discern, the forces by which civil service reform has been made victorious. firstly in Great Britain, secondly in the United States. Sentimental forces, undoubtedly, were at work in both countries, but the reform was carried to a successful issue mainly by two classes of men; to the one class beloug the business men, who balaves that civil servants should be pocalists.

It will be apparent to a child born on this day that Lackawanna Democracy without Charley Robinson and his bar'l will be like the play of "Hamlet" with-out the melancholy prince. Should ex-District Attorney Kelly at-tempt to diffect the destinies of local De-mocracy by picking up the reins dropped by Charley Robinson, he will learn to his sorrow that for the amount of service per-formed the old Democratic mule requires a vast quantity of eats.

If our Democratic contemporaries should fall some morning to announce that Mr. Harrison is not a candidate, it is possible that the man from Indiana might be tempted to again enter the field.

Little Ben Pride's stovepipe hat may now be observed in the procession of the fellows who "did it." Ben is certainly en-titled to a seat in the band wagon near the bass drum.

Ajacchus' Advice.

Do not attempt to nominate a president this week. Wait until the dark horses are turned out to gambol on the green sward.

