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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

For Judges of the Superior Court:
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E. N. WILLARD, of Lackawanna.
For State Treasurer:
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GEORGE B. ORLAND, of Huntington.
For State Senator:
BENJAMIN J. HAYWOOD, of Mercer.

Elect. day, Nov. 5.
Mr. Scranton's withdrawal from the national delegateship race simplifies the situation. The Republican party will doubtless be duly grateful for this freeing of the field from the prospect of needless strife.

Reforms that Reform.

The cry for "reforms" is always popular in this country. The condition of the people is never so favorable that they do not hope for an improvement. Political parties live and thrive on their promises to reform existing conditions. Political leaders rise to the surface and win the applause of the masses by their loud professions in behalf of reforms. There is a vast amount of humbug in the "reform" business in politics. It is a fact worth noting that the really great men who have been powerful as leaders in politics in the United States were not "reform" shriekers. Men like Daniel Webster, Henry Clay, Charles Sumner, Abraham Lincoln, James G. Blaine and others that might be named, never were noisy champions of "reforms." They formulated great policies in the affairs of government, created measures and principles for the guidance of the political parties to which they adhered, and championed policies for the development, prosperity and happiness of the nation.

The political leader who chatters noisily about "reform" is in almost every instance simply a demagogue. In a majority of cases, too, the reform shrieker requires closer watching than any other class of men active in politics. There is scarcely ever a time in any city or state in this country when the people have not more or less cause to demand reforms, but they never have and never will secure them through the efforts of the professional reform shrieker in partisan politics. Real reforms are usually secured when the people set aside the professional reformers and elect to office honest men who do not seek office but accept them as a matter of public duty. When the people do that they get reforms that reform.

It is significant of the sincerity of Pennsylvania's Republicanism that within a fortnight following the most hotly contested fight in the annals of the party, the entire commonwealth is at peace.

In Defence of the Trolley.

Now that the trolley as an implement of progress seems about to be discarded, in the large cities at least, in favor of the storage battery or the underground conduit, some one has deemed it not too late to point out the fact that the trolley has been greatly misrepresented in the press. Apart from its helplessness to sanitary purposes, in enabling the overcrowded poor of our stuffy cities to get out into country air and sunshine at small cost, the trolley, according to this defender, whose article is seen in the Chicago Record, is not half so dangerous to life and limb as it has been credited with being. We append the reasons:

"When the trolley traffic is compared with the death rate on the great steam roads, the proportion is astonishingly in favor of the widely denounced trolley. This is the more notable as the steam roads have their tracks guarded from the intrusion of pedestrians to a great extent. Yet, in spite of the elevation of the crossings at the more dangerous points, the adoption of the block signal system and other elaborate and ingenious precautions for the protection of life, the New York Central railroad reports one death for every 60,000 passengers which it carries; the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western, one death to every 67,000; the New York, Lake Erie and Western, one death to every 110,000. If the trolleys of any city made a death rate like that there would be a riot in the city until the cars were removed from the streets. In Brooklyn, where the trolley death rate is relatively high, the proportion is only one in every 3,125,000 persons carried. Yet no one hears anything about the 'Central juggernaut' or the 'Luzerne juggernaut.' There is good traditional warrant for giving the prince of darkness his due, and these figures may be borne in mind when unlimited denunciation of the trolley is in progress."

"Yet after all, this proves nothing, inasmuch as practical test has demonstrated that even after results in rapid transit can be obtained by the use of less primitive methods of propulsion. The great trouble with the trolley is its

inevitable overhead wire, with its unsightly pole and cross-bar concomitants. The objection to it is rather on this score than on the plea of fatality. A certain amount of bloodshed seems to be civilization's expected price for comforts and improved facilities. So long as the comfort of rapid transit spares the majority of its participants, society will doubtless tolerate and even applaud the street car. But society has a right to expect that this intermittent killing of its unfortunate small fraction will be accomplished as gracefully as possible, and with some artistic pretense of regret.

By and by it will dawn on our British friends that money spent on bucking the Yankee yacht-designer is simply money wasted.

The Defender's Victory.

While to landsmen the clean victory of the American cup-defender on Saturday, over the British yacht, Valkyrie, is significant mainly in a sentimental sense, as indicative of the general superiority of Brother Jonathan's democratic institutions over the effete traditions of the old world, it is by no means without practical value. The yacht is to aquatic sports what the trained race horse is to land sports; and the nation which surpasses in either is not likely to lag behind in the more prosaic competitions of business or diplomacy.

Saturday's victory does not assure American ownership of the cup; for there are four more races to be run. But in view of the fact that the Defender's triumph was won in Valkyrie weather, there does not seem to be much reason to doubt the final outcome. When the battle shall have ended, it will be in order to move for a needed modification of present yacht models, which are needlessly gigantic in their dimensions.

One cheerful fact in connection with the presidential outlook is that of all the Republican candidates, not one is unfit.

Women and the Church.

Another Methodist conference—the Central German, of Ohio—has decided, by a large majority, not to elect women as delegates to the general conference. We are not informed as to the reasons advanced for this action. If, indeed, reasons were there. But the incident in no wise disturbs our faith that woman will yet acquire the same showing of equal justice in the church that she is rapidly securing in the secular professions and vocations long monopolized by man.

When we consider the overwhelming debt that organized Christianity today owes to womanhood, and remember that there is scarcely a phase of religious endeavor which could survive for a day the sudden subtraction of feminine energy, patience and tact, our wonder grows that opposition should anywhere arise to the sending of women as delegates to the supreme tribunals of ecclesiastical authority. Who is it that today sustains the Protestant churches? Who devises the ways and means whereby the financial requirements are met? Who, in fine weather and in storm, never fails to attend the prayer-meeting, the Sunday evening service, the church auxiliary functions, the foreign and home mission meetings? Who superintends the myriad details of religious and philanthropic work? Man? Not a bit of it. Woman, devoted woman. And yet, the masculine beneficiaries of her unselfishness seem in many instances to have combined to deprive her of participation in the conspicuous rewards.

These are days of rapid progress, in religion not less than in business, politics and art. The spirit of unrest is abroad, knocking down old abuses and setting up new standards. Conscientious opponents of woman suffrage in the councils of the church will one day admit their mistake, when they shall have seen the actual demonstration of the good that will follow woman's ecclesiastical liberation.

As the case stands now, Senator Quay's presidential preference obviously lies between Reed and McKinley, with the accent strong on Reed.

Take It Short, Sharp and Decisive.

The Pittsburgh Commercial-Gazette suggests as a reason why the Republican national convention should be held at least five months prior to next year's presidential election that this interval will be needed in order to enable the party to make an adjustment of the frictions and disappointments of the convention. This argument might hold good if the present candidates for the Republican nomination were embittered against each other, after the fashion of earlier campaigns. But they are not. We do not know of a single candidate who, after a fair defeat in open convention, would go to his tent and sulk. A candidate who would do that could not, as politics goes today, command a following.

The need of a late convention is apparent to business men, who dread presidential elections with an earnestness born of prolonged experience with their disturbing effects upon general commerce. If the convention be not held until September, the ensuing campaign cannot be otherwise than brief and brisk. If it be held in May or June, it will be practically impossible to hold the campaigns in check until early autumn. The Republican party, as the party of business prosperity, could not adopt a more appropriate or politic policy than to defer to the widespread sentiment in favor of late conventions and a short campaign.

Walter Lyon affirms that he does not want to be the governor of Pennsylvania; but until the other 499,999 Republicans of the state are heard from, the place need not go begging in 1896.

Need a Character Qualification.

The cause of woman suffrage has won in the Chicago Times-Herald an influential and ardent champion. It says: "Where the experiment has been tried the presence of women at the polls has not failed to purify the election atmosphere; neither have they suffered any perceptible deterioration in self-respect or womanly dignity by their exposure to masculine political methods. Their conduct during the last state election in Colorado and their deportment while exercising their newly-acquired elective franchise in Illi-

nois indicate that woman is capable of projecting into our political contests an element of dignity and cleanliness without suffering any impairment of the womanly attributes that are the adornment of her sex. Whatever we may think of the proposition to extend universal suffrage to women it must be admitted that their decent and respectable exercise of the meager privileges already grudgingly accorded them do not support the contention that woman is unfit for the ballot or that she will fail to elevate the tone of our political contests." This is a beautiful tribute and as applied to educated women no doubt true. But the truth is that we need a character, rather than a sex qualification for voting.

The Minneapolis Times has just issued a special supplement of 104 pages, devoted to an exposition of the magnificent natural advantages of the great northwest, and comprising a feast of journalistic enterprise equal to any during the year.

A Home Thrust.

Our policy of partiality for Spain in that country's assault upon Cuba is revealing some pretty keen rebukes these days. Very trenchant, we must say, is this portion of a manifesto lately issued by Delegate Palma, who represents in this country the cause of the Cuban revolutionists.

It is sad, very sad, to contemplate the struggle for the freedom of an oppressed American people in the very heart of free America, and see these abandoned to their fate, without a friend to extend to them a helping hand. As for the United States—the soil of freedom, the refuge of the oppressed and the asylum for the disinherited of the world—I consider it a misfortune that if at that time Lafayette and his gallant companions had been chased, captured and imprisoned for the crime of intending to start for Cuba to join those who are fighting there for the same cause the American colonies fought for in the last century—the cause of independence and liberty. It should be remembered that if at that time Lafayette and his gallant companions had been chased, captured and imprisoned for the crime of intending to join the American revolutionists; that if the French government, instead of effectively helping the American colonists, had interfered with the laws of neutrality as the United States government now does, it is likely that the birth of the first republic in the world of Columbus would have taken place much later, if at all.

This is manifestly a home thrust. We do not see how it can be parried. The cause of the revolting Cubans is literally the cause of freedom and justice; yet the chief republic of the world, which itself owes its birth to the helpful offices of Frenchmen who would today be dubbed by our state department "contrabandists" or "filibusters," not only declines to extend aid but actually sets its machinery working to arrest, imprison and punish such of its citizens as have the ardent sympathy which it, as a nation, lacks. The spectacle is a shameful one, which in future years will cause many an American to blush.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS.

Our Petty Tyrannies.
Chicago Times-Herald: "An article called 'The Petty Tyranny of America' in the last North American embodies these remarks: 'The Frenchman honestly believes himself to be the only truly civilized inhabitant of the globe, the Englishman thinks he is the only moral one, and I have no doubt that the American flatters himself that he is the freest.' That this view is utterly mistaken, and that the American is a slave to petty tyrannies which neither a Frenchman nor an Englishman would stand for a moment, our censor goes on to prove. And in many cases he is exactly right. Suffering from exasperating heat, bearing meekly the indignities of the Philadelphia trolley, who of the brass band floats upon the midnight air and Adams avenue dust settles on his whiskers. He will take an interest in streets and bridges, but will never favor a pavement that is too tender to stand washing or a bridge that needs to be approached on ladders. The festive interviewer hereabouts exhibits a tendency to call conversation occasionally in a way that is decidedly misleading, to say the least. It is only the man who is directing a church choir that is expected to please everybody. 'Next year' is a long time to wait for political honors. If you are in politics, now cut briars and repair fences. Rejoice that the presidential candidates do not all reside in Lackawanna county."

Bicycles as Baggage.
Chicago Times-Herald: "Just what rights a man with a wheel may claim for himself on a railway train will probably have to be decided by the courts. On some roads bicycles are carried on passenger trains without objection, but a charge is exacted for their transportation. This, of course, makes the railway company responsible in case of damage to the wheel. Other roads transport bicycles free, but issue tickets to the owners which set forth that the company will not be responsible for injuries to the wheel. A good many of the roads, however, adhere to the original custom of checking wheels the same as other baggage, without extra charge, but without complaint. The plan of our townsmen to get together and agree to check bicycles, free of charge, same as any other baggage, and when a bicycle rustler dares a wheel let the owner be reimbursed for his loss."

Lackawanna Ahead, as Usual.

Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer: "Under the energy and zeal displayed by Mrs. Penman, of Lackawanna county, who was appointed by Governor Hastings one of the lady managers to represent Pennsylvania women at the Atlanta exposition which opens on Sept. 15, fully 20 exhibits from the hands of the women of that county will be displayed when the fair is opened. This is a tribute to Mrs. Penman's zeal and activity that is worthy of all praise. Needle and art exhibit of the women of Lackawanna will not be mentioned. So far as we know the only exhibit of a Luzerne woman that will go from here, and that will be displayed under the auspices of the Woman's Art Club, of Pittsburg, is an elaborate and artistic center piece, the work of one of the bright and talented daughters of Colonel J. D. Lacier. It will be a disappointment to Luzerners who will visit the fair to find us represented, but we must grin and bear it."

Reform the Primaries.

Chambersburg Public Opinion: "In another column will be found an interview with Judge Stewart by the editor of the Scranton Tribune. The plan of our townsmen for reforming the party primaries, as unfolded by the editor of The Tribune, following so closely upon the recent struggle in the state, has revived interest in this important subject. It was first advanced by the editor of The Tribune and it will be seen he is more than ever convinced of the necessity for this or some similar scheme for the reformation of our primary elections. Since the appearance of the interview the state convention has been called for the purpose of considering the enforcement of laws to correct abuses of political primaries and caucuses. This was prepared and urged by Senator Quay and is a step in the right direction."

An Ideal Epitaph.

Buffalo News: "Here is really an ideal epitaph published by the Scranton Tribune. It is a beautiful tribute and as applied to educated women no doubt true. But the truth is that we need a character, rather than a sex qualification for voting."

une, which all true men will admire: '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 greatest of which will grow as Scranton grows.' No comment is necessary."

Indeed, He Will.
Philadelphia Inquirer: "If Senator Quay can succeed in routing out socialism, can enforce by legislation the strictest civil service reform that has ever yet been hinted at, can remove department clerk from politics, can turn over all nominations and the conduct of affairs to the people, he will have accomplished a work that professional reformers have been striving for years unavailingly."

POLITICAL POINTS.

Senator Quay is no longer the great and good man, in the estimation of Democratic papers of Pennsylvania, that they pictured him a few weeks ago. They will think less of him as the campaign progresses.

Congressman "Jack" Robinson, it is now said, is Chairman Quay's latest choice for governor. If "Jack" should ever fill the gubernatorial chair, he would go down in a bunch next November.

The six Democratic candidates for Superior court judges will not be nominated "in a bunch" as the Republican nominees were. But one of the Democrats will go down in a bunch next November.

The Republicans of Carbon county have been overhauling their party rules, but will continue to elect their delegates to the state convention a full year in advance, which is all wrong.

Some of the best people of Philadelphia would like to know who has sprouted the wheels of that Lexow committee. They haven't evolved since the state convention.

The Democrats of Ohio appear to have only one man to run for governor and his name is Campbell. All the other fellows are willing Campbell should be defeated, year after year.

It is understood that Judge Peter P. Smith, of Lackawanna, can have a place on the Democratic ticket for Superior court judge if he will take it. He is said to be ready.

Ex-Governor Pattison would accept the Democratic nomination for president next year and he would, if nominated, come as near an election as any Democrat in the country.

Ex-Chairman Cooper, the one-time red-headed member of the Democratic caucus, is one of Senator Cameron's admirers.

President Cleveland will not admit that he would accept another nomination. He is in the hands of his friends, and that does not include one David B. Hill.

Senator Elkins, who has authority for the statement that West Virginia will remain a Republican state, Delaware will lapse as the result of Republican folly.

An attempt will be made to "turn out" some of the Philadelphia members of Congress. The delegation from that city could easily be strengthened.

The Wilkes-Barre Record has named ex-Archbishop General Palmer as one of the delegates to the Republican national convention. Well, why not?

If Pennsylvania expects to give the country a president within the next dozen years she ought to begin to grow some presidential timber.

Governor Hastings stands just as high in the estimation of the people of Pennsylvania as he would if he had defeated Quay in the convention.

Mr. Rohrbach, of Northumberland, has already been slated for state treasurer in 1897. He ought to take the best of care of that state.

Those who expect to see Chairman Quay running a campaign without the use of money will doubtless be disappointed.

Ex-Lieutenant Governor Black has abandoned the hope of Democratic success in Pennsylvania this year.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Alcechus, The Tribune Astrologer.
Astrological cast: 2:08 a. m., for Monday, Sept. 9, 1895.

A child born this day will be fond of riding with trolley parties while most of the brass band floats upon the midnight air and Adams avenue dust settles on his whiskers.

He will take an interest in streets and bridges, but will never favor a pavement that is too tender to stand washing or a bridge that needs to be approached on ladders.

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