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SCRANTON, OCTOBER 18, 1895. REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

For Judges of the Superior Court: CHARLES E. RICE, of Luzerne. E. N. WILLIARD, of Lackawanna.

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

REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET. For Coroner: SAMUEL P. LONGSTREET, M. D., of Scranton.

For Surveyor: EDMUND A. BARTL, of Scranton.

Election day, Nov. 5. Are we to understand that the honorable William Burke refuses to play in the government's back yard?

The Supreme Court's Decision. The decision of the Supreme court affirming the constitutionality of the act creating the Superior court, thereby reversing the recent decision of Judge Simonson, ends a contention which, although originally needless, nevertheless threatened to become confusing.

"In the cases specified," says Justice Dean, "the constitution is mandatory; it says to the legislature in enumerating them, 'Thou shalt prescribe the limited voting plan.' In the cases not enumerated, it is discretionary."

The outcome is a natural, rational and happy ending of a lively but in our judgment a wholly gratuitous contention.

In view of Mr. George F. Hadley's good intentions we forgive him for calling Scranton, in a Newark paper, a "little mountain city," but in the name of Scranton's 120,000 population, don't do it again.

A Righteous Ruling. An incident which happened in Washington shortly before the retirement of General Schofield has occasioned widespread comment.

An attempt has been made by the war department authorities to defend General Schofield's hastiness by means of the plea that it was necessary for the proper maintenance of military discipline.

One of the comical features of the political situation is the frantic endeavor of the Democratic organs to explain away the growing treasury deficit in a manner consistent with their theory of Democratic fitness for federal office.

It is a circumstance of noteworthy interest that very few pledges of political reform are being taken, these days, by the Democrats.

Let us hope so. Altoona Tribune: "The day when unreasoning bigotry or interested malice could keep genuinely religious people apart has vanished. Nor will it ever return."

One Sure Impossibility. Chicago Times-Herald: "No matter how many special sessions of the legislature he might call Governor Culbertson will never be able to produce the hip-pocketless Texan."

In That Sign He Conquers. Chicago Times-Herald: "So far as Senator Bruce is concerned, he will continue to pin his faith to the hopeless campaign barrel."

Well, We Should Say So. Altoona Tribune: "There is a general impression that a little more vigorous self-assertion wouldn't hurt our foreign policy."

TOLD BY THE STARS. Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajaxchus, The Tribune Astrologer.

A child born on this day will have to hustle for wealth unless he happens to be on the ground floor of some of the get-rich-quick societies.

Yesterday's supreme court decision on the limited voting clause in the Superior court act will again precipitate the seven-men upon us.

Notwithstanding the investigation is said to have been a farce, the government building has not yet been agitated by the ripple of Mr. Herring's laughter.

Apajachus' Advice. To Mr. Burke—Apply for a writ of error. To Colonel Colquitt—Assume a disguise next time.

To reporters—Don't bother the government. To Billy Craig—Come back.

or the acting secretary of war or the regular secretary of war can apply military despotism to Americans, even unworthy ones, in time of peace, and send out letters de cachet at their discretion to gather personal enemies into prison."

The weight of official dignity which Colonel Colquitt, the revenue department special agent, is forced to sustain by reason of his connection with the government, will doubtless be lightened for a time by the farcical adjournment of the Herring hearing.

Mr. William E. Curtis, one of the ablest and most conservative gentlemen connected with the American press—the whose letters from Japan and China to the Chicago Record have proved so interesting—is now studying the public pulse of New York city, with an eye to its political symptoms.

Senator Gorman is saving Maryland by raising the race issue. If he succeeds in retaining his grip, it will be by the sheer force of the white Democracy's inherent prejudice against the negro.

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