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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.

NATIONAL. President—WILLIAM McKinley. Vice President—GARRET A. HOBART.

STATE. Congressmen—at-Large—GALUSHA A. GROW, SAMUEL A. DAVENPORT.

COUNTY. Congressmen—WILLIAM CONNELL, COMMISSIONERS—S. W. ROBERTS, GILES ROBERTS.

LEGISLATIVE. Senate, 21st District—COL. W. J. SCOTT. Representative, 1st District—JOHN H. FAIRBANKS.

The nomination yesterday by First District Republicans of Representative Farr for a fourth consecutive term brings to an end one of the most animated pre-convention legislative contests in the history of the county.

Business-like County Commissioners. Open competition is good for the soul. Says the Wilkes-Barre Record: "What we need is a little of the spirit and energy that actuates our neighbors in Lackawanna."

The fact touches a moral. It will be remembered that the commissioners of Luzerne county made a great blunder some time ago in the matter of a new county building.

Luzerne county in recent years has paid scant attention to the character of her commissioners and the result is that her administrative affairs exhibit numerous evidences of shiftdoss and careless management.

If Mark Hanna were the bold, bad man they say he is, he would help to pay Tillman's expenses.

Under the Gold Standard. The gold standard has prevailed in this country since 1853 with the exception of the years from 1853 to 1879.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of last week the Des Moines Capital took a poll of the passengers on each railway train leaving that city.

ing man buys has fallen from 119 to 96 and the average purchasing power of wages has increased from 128 to 175. "In 1873, with a population of less than 42,000,000, there was in circulation in the United States \$18.04 per capita.

The Maine victory naturally grows with age. It includes the carrying of every county in the state, the election of every county officer, the carrying of every state senatorial district and the seating of 145 out of 151 members of the state house of representatives.

As to a College Education. An inquiry recently completed by Professor William M. Sloane of the faculty, and James W. Alexander of the board of trustees of Princeton university sheds interesting light on the cost of a college education.

The question naturally suggests itself. Do college educations pay? This no doubt is a hackneyed theme, but experience shows it is never devoid of interest.

The death of young William Egbert, of Old Forge, at Wilkes-Barre Monday night seems to have been due very largely to careless management on the part of the Wilkes-Barre and Wyoming Valley Traction company.

It is to be hoped for the public's sake that an early adjustment will be reached of the Monroe avenue paving difficulty. Had councils accepted the Barber bid it would have spared the city a good deal of needless anxiety and, possibly, expense.

It isn't difficult to guess where public sentiment will locate when Professor McCloskey takes legal measures to collect his salary as a regularly employed member of the high school faculty.

The secret of Billy Sheehan's sudden repugnance to Bryanism doubtless arises more than anything else from the fact that Sheehan says that Bryanism won't win.

There are many of the elements of fiction in the latest dynamite plot. It is a story that reads well, but also one that has to be taken with liberal allowances.

Not the least interesting feature of the Maine returns is the fact that sound money Democrats sensibly declined to shoot their ballots in the air.

Dollars in Trade.

"You may make me take a silver dollar for a debt, but if I have bought my goods at gold prices you cannot make me give as many yards of cloth for a silver dollar as I have been in the habit of giving for a gold one."

Cause of the Split in Pike County

[Written Prior to the Election in Maine.] From the Washington Post. Beaver Dam, Pike Co., Ohio, Sept. 10, 1896. Editor Post—Dear Sir: I like to tell you gossamer news this time.

The trouble originally rix when ole Bill Hardfiste, which, ez I hev previous wrote you, is wuz av the leader in thim county, an' fer whose vote an' voice all parties bez bin wurkin' since the nomination, announced that he 'lowed to vote for Palmer.

The truth av the matter is thit Bill Hardfiste bez bin kerrin' av a munny, He owns sum bank an' ralerode stock, besides the stock on hiz farm.

I wuzn't av mindin' hiz desertin' hiz party an' fallin' down to worship the golden calf—it wuzn't no more'n I expected av.

"What do you mean, sub?" sez the 'Curnel, swellin' up like a turkey gobbler. "Capt. Sewall—I believe he is a Captain, hev'n' built an' run a good many boats."

"That's jest the pint," sez I. "He ez a good deal uv munny, an' he keeps it in a hollow, by the sea; a ralerode king, an' a ship-bilder. We ez fergive him these faults of he wood divide, but w'at's the good uv nomyntin' a millyan-are if he don't shew us fer common expenses?"

"Oh, Sewall's all right, ef he is kinder close," sez the 'Curnel, sorter mollifyin' his tone, as he soon he wuz gittin' the worst us it.

"I know a garden full of roses. Where the soft west wind reposes. And the murmur of the bee. Lulls one to a dreamy sweetness. Full of fancies, vague and free."

MR. POWDERLY'S ATTITUDE.

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to divide among his friends, but there isn't be two vice-presidents, ye know. "No," sez I. "There kain't, an' the best man oughter be the candidate. I say to you it is a mistake. It is the worst mistake you are asked to commit and you will find it out if you commit it this fall."

Wheat in 1890 was ninety-eight cents; times were good and we were able to consume 23,000,000 bushels. In 1884, the farmers were out of joint and we exported forty-one per cent. of our wheat because our people were able to buy and consume only 23,000,000 bushels, showing a loss of power among our people, who were out of employment, to consume 150,000,000 bushels compared with 1880, and that additional amount was forced abroad into cheap labor markets known as "the markets of the world."

From the Connellville Courier. Billy Bryan's speeches drip with unctuous love for "the common people." The common people get the taffy and the millionaire mine owners get the usufruct.

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