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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

State. Justice of the Supreme Court—J. HAY BROWN, of Lancaster. Judge of the Superior Court—JOHN I. MITCHELL, of Tioga.

County. Commissioners—JOHN COURIER MORRIS, of Scranton; JOHN PENMAN, of Olyphant.

Auditors—WILLIAM E. JOHNS and ABA E. KEFER, both of Scranton.

Election day, Nov. 7.

A good many residents of this town are beginning to see the defamers of "Connellism" in their true light, as men without conscience or scruple, ready to resort to any dirty trick to gain a personal end or blackguard an opponent.

For Superior Court Judge.

IN THE SELECTION of ex-Senator John I. Mitchell, of Tioga county, to fill the place on the state ticket vacated by Josiah H. Adams' resignation, the Republican state committee have chosen Judge Mitchell's name.

Judge Mitchell is a native of Tioga county, where he was born in 1835. He received a common school education and attended Bucknell university for two years.

Popular subscriptions are being received in New York for a loving cup to be presented to Sir Thomas Lipton. No doubt it will be a tea cup.

Schurz and the Philippines.

IN THE RANKS of the opponents of our government's Philippine policy no man stands higher for intellectual power than Carl Schurz.

A Problem in Pathology.

TAKEN IN connection with the furious rhetoric which has flourished in certain quarters during the past few years against the imaginary thing or condition called "Connellism," to which has been imputed about every crime in the catalogue short of wilful murder, what are we to infer from the exhibition made in court on Saturday if not that too much "Connellism" hath dethroned its critics' reason?

The Standard dictionary defines insanity to be "a persistent morbid condition of mind due to some form of disease of the brain or nervous system, usually characterized by deficiency or loss of volitional and rational control, by excessive activity of the fantasy, and by derangement or perverted action of one or more of the mental faculties."

Does not this readiness to believe false testimony suggest "excessive activity of the fantasy" and "derangement or perverted action of one or more of the mental faculties"? If it does, the question may properly be asked, To what limits may this de-

range be indulged without forgetting the requirements of justice? The recent public statement credited to Assistant Postmaster General Heath that an army commission was offered Aguinaldo is denied at the war department. According to Secretary Root and Adjutant General Corbin "the records of the War department and the State department, as far as they relate to the conduct of the war, fail to show anything indicating that a commission in the United States army had been offered to Aguinaldo."

Uniform Divorce Laws.

A COMMITTEE of citizens working to bring about uniformity of state legislation governing divorce has drafted a general bill which, after prescribing a period of residence in a state requisite to obtain a title for divorce, provides that divorce shall be granted for the following causes arising after marriage: Adultery, extreme cruelty, habitual drunkenness or the confirmed habit of intoxication, whether arising from the use of alcoholic drinks or drugs; conviction of felony, with sentence of imprisonment to state prison or penitentiary and continuous detention for at least one year, the blank to be filled in as the consensus of opinion shall direct.

The probability of reaching uniform state legislation on this subject is remote and there are obstacles to federal regulation of either marriage or divorce. But if uniformity could be had by the concurrent action of the various states a better basis of legislation could hardly be obtained than that just outlined. It will be perceived that it does not include among the causes incompatibility of temper, a phrase which has been much used to afford easy release from the marriage bond. The putting forward of this phrase usually covers motives which will not bear too close investigation; and its elimination from the statutory causes for divorce would in many instances work real hardship while in few instances it would protect children from unfairness and tend to invest with greater solemnity the original choice of life partnerships.

The contemporary agitation for a canonical law prohibiting absolutely re-marriage after divorce does not enter into the consideration of the civil aspects of this problem. There can be no question of the right of each church denomination to establish such laws as it deems proper for the regulation of its conduct toward the social relations of its membership; and these laws will bind none save those who choose to accept them. We are speaking here of the civil law, which is mandatory upon the religious and the irreligious alike.

The Mobile Register suggests that the historic sayings of American national heroes will have to be revised if the sentiments advocated by Edward Atkinson and his followers prevail. It indicates the following amendments:

"Give up the ship."—Lawrence. "Be sure you are right, then apologize for it."—Davy Crockett. "We have met the enemy and ours are theirs."—Oliver Hazard Perry. "Wait until you see the whites of their eyes, boys; then run."—Andrew Jackson. "Don't hold the fort; I am running."—W. T. Sherman. "D—n the torpedoes; take a sneak."—David Glasgow Farragut. "I propose to get out of this line if it takes all summer."—U. S. Grant. "There stands Jackson like a stone-wall, but he is a fool to do it."—General Lee. "When you are ready, Gridley, you may skedaddle."—Dewey.

The congressional library at Washington is about to inaugurate a feature which will be appreciated by the public. It proposes to open a reading room where 500 daily and weekly newspapers representing every city in the United States will be kept on file. Under the efficient direction of Mr. Allan B. Stauton, this department of the library has attained formidable proportions and more room is an imperative necessity.

Senator Hoar remains grieved over the Philippine situation yet believes that McKinley will be re-elected and concedes that he ought to be. The senator is coming around.

JUVENILE WIT.

"Papa," said little Harry, "when two people marry are they made one?" "Yes, my son," was the reply. "Which one, papa?" asked Harry.

Teach a boy to be saving after the following fashion and he may grow up and become a much-sought-after bank cashier. "Yes," said the father to a visitor, as he stroked his little son's head, "Johnny has started a bank for his odd pennies and nickels. How much have you saved up, Johnny?" "Seven cents," replied the youthful banker, "besides the \$3.00 you owe it."—Chicago News.

CURRENT VERSE.

My Poor Neighbor. My neighbor hath a lordly pile— A palace reared of polished stone, In which he lives in lavish style. Alone.

Gluskap's Hound. They slew a god in a valley That faces the wooded west; They held him down in their anger, With a mountain across his breast, And all night through, and all night long, His hound will take no rest.

Another stick on the campfire. For the shadows are leaning near, And something runs in the thicket That the spruces bend to hear! The white stars wonder why he runs, With his little of a thousand year.

The Parson's Limit. He'd been preaching and shouting For a score of years or so In a portion of the vineyard Where the harvesting was slow; Where the temporal inducement For his ceaseless diligence Was a promise of four hundred For his yearly recompense.

Light. The night has a thousand eyes And the day but one, Yet the light of the bright world dies With the dying sun. The mind has a thousand eyes, And the heart but one; When love is done, —Francis William Bourdillon.

NUBS OF KNOWLEDGE.

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MAN. Well, R-I-P-A-N-S is a word created in a similar way. It is composed of the initials letters of six substances much used in medicine, Kibalarh, Ipecah, Peppermint, Ales, Nuxvomica and Soda, and your mother says that for profound depression and exhaustion and for that disagreeable sensation a Ripans Tablet is a specific. Ripans Tablets are a remedy for stomach troubles and stomach troubles are the basis of nearly all sickness. One gives relief. Boy. Oh!



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