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THE REPUBLICAN TICKET. State.

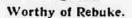
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Election Nov. 5.

"When the Democracy went out of power it our state it left to the Republican party a ler-bry of almost \$40,000,000 of debt. This debt, by vise administration under Republican rule, mas been almost entirely paid. We have increased the appropriations to the common schools until, we stand at the head of the American states in support of popular education. Under Republican administration there has been paid each year for educational purposes more than was appropriated by the Domocratic party in their quarter of a contury of misrule. We have increased our appropriations to charitable and cleemon mary insti-tutions until we can make the boast that no state between the two occans supports these institu-tions as well as does our own. Our 7,000,000 of recepte nei industrieus, housest, law-abiding and happy. Yet, surrounded as we are on every side with prosperous business conditions, with people happy, employed and contented, and with every avenue of business and trade fully occupied, and with the prospect of the future brightening and growing more hopeful, the old historic party of obstruction and negation sets up a hysterical cry of false pretense, hypocrisy and insincerity for the purpose of misleading the people and regaincratic judges in one year? lost power."-From the Republican State Platform.

The mule ticket organ has revived the tissue-ballot cry, that had not been sounded in a quarter of a century. Our mossback contemporary is fast getting ready for next Wednesday's crop of explanations.



MONG Republicans the argument that Newcomb should Under Republican management of the be elected because he is a state treasury, in spite of the fuss and

Democrat or that votes buncombe of those wishing to put the should be cast for Hitchcock because in this campaign he has chosen to be a Prohibitionist would hardly go far: dollar has ever been lost, misplaced or yet they would be as little entitled to stolen. State Treasurer Barnett thus Republican consideration as is the at- effectually disposes of the false pretempt of Newcomb's friends to excite tenees of the Coray movement:

omplete. This is only a small point, flections upon the morals of men from to be sure, but in overlooking it Col- whose political views he differed, never onel Boles shows how professional re- took the trouble either to go in person to the state treasury or to send at formers often trip and fall. The colonei's labored att-mpt agent for the purpose of investigating prove the unconstitutionality of the its condition or its books; he evidently Crawford county primary system, preferred to await the time of his nomiwhich many of the gentlemen now asnation for a state office and to utilize sociated with him in Colonel Hitch- the freedom of that relationship for the

ock's stump movement once so devoutlaunching of aspersions that he canno ly praised as embodying the essence justify and of accusations which he cannot prove. of political reform, is really ludlerous in view of the fact that the courts have It is no more than fair that the up held that direct primaries are "concalley district should be represented in ventions" within the meaning of the

small assessment, but not his share of

the costs, knows better. Mr. Sturges

constitutional oath.

they will not succeed.

The State Treasury.

WENTY years ago the state

the court house and Jones, for conact of 1874; and, therefore, the necestroller, is the man. stry expenses of these primaries are 'expressly authorized by law," thus From now on the promoters of the coming within the constitutional oath. Pan-American will be interested in the From his arguments on this grave con-

condition of the cush register only. stitutional issue it is evident that Colonel Boies has taken his law from A good, clean, capable judge is Judge Newcomb and the Times. Colonel Carpenter. He deserves to be and he Hitchcock, who was willing to pay a

will be elected. THAT ASSESSMENT.

a member of the bar, paid his share of a similar assessment last year and had Eduor of The Tribuno Sic: Will you kindly permit a brief raply to be article entitled "That Hitchcock Assessno scruple in subsequently taking the ment," in a recent issue of The Tribune? In the first place, the sum of \$2,501, given as the total cost of the Republican primaries is in-As to whether, if the most rigorous conomy had been employed, the esti-

mate of expenses upon which the pri-For a sum a little less than 500. But I beg mary assessments were apportioned could have been cut down a few pennies here and and a few neuroes there to state that your ligares are incorrect. The amount assessed against the candidates, as at the expense of the party workers

who are expected to keep the party machinery going when Colonel Roles f \$2,59). It was made up as follows, as stated Colonel Hitchcock, Mr. Sturges and Chairman Davis: pay for election officers for each election arbitografic gontlemen of their kind en-foy elegant leisure or more congenial

pursuits, that, like most of the profes-sional reforming proposed in this world. Rental of election booths: is based principally on conjecture. If Advertising and contingent expenses 499 memipulation and management of them. Colonel Hitchcock had paid up, like a

man, and there had been an unexpend-Total ed balance, he would have got back ed would be returned to candidates (*). How old Chairman Davis assess persons before it was his proportion of it. Yet it was equally his privilege to withdraw as he did. determined who were registered as condidates? A dozen might register at the last moment. and enter into the third party or stump movement which aims at the election Suppose we look at these items. Take the two est, pay of election officers and expenses of turn judges, \$1,803. This is both without of Mr. Newcomb. Only, having exercised this option, it ill becomes him to recedent and without warrant of law. When did larger per diem pay for holding the primary play an unfounded sympathy game. Human nature is so contrived that ections-three hours, 4-7 in the evening-than tor holding the general elections from 8 a. m. to 7 p. m., become the rule of the party? Most good men continually go wrong. It is sad to see the gentlemen of the Munithese who have worked in the ranks, in pri-aries and in conventions for the last thirty cipal league working unconsciously to elect the Democratic ticket; but forcears and more, have never dreamed of pay, worked when the county and city tunately our reports convince us that hepelessly Democratic; performed work that made subsequent Republican victories possible, and did it on the basis that every true man Why should Lackawanna county works, viz., for the propagation and success of voters be asked to clect two Demo-

his political principles. This is true American patriorism, true party work, upon the pawity of the spirit of which our institutions depend. The pay of these officers cannot be justified any more than the pay of other party workers. All are members of the party, doing its work for the party's good. Why should party workers inside

of Pennsylvania owed, in the booth be gaid and those outside not paid? But aside from this, the law expressly forbids it, round numbers, \$21,500,000. The Act of April 18, 1874, Sec. 1, is as follows Today she owes only a trifle No person who shall hereafter be a candidate over \$500,000, against which is an unfor the nomination or for election to the senate or the non-mation or for election to the senate r house of representatives or to any ofdee of her judiciary, or to any state, numicipal or camp office in this commonwealth shall pay or outribute, either directly or indirectly, any expended balance of nearly \$5,000,000, Few states in the Union can show either a corresponding reduction in

funded indebtedness or a similar fidelmoney or other valuable thing, or knowingly allow it to be dene by others for him, either for ity in the handling of its finances. he nomination, election or appointment, except scary expenses, as follows, to wit: For printing and traveling expenses. For dissemination of information to the

Republican party out of power in this 3. For political meetings, demonstrations and great Republican commonwealth, not a

And before one can take once, he must take he following oath prescribed by the constitu-ion: "I do solemnly swear * * * that I have not paid or contributed or promised to pay or

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from the county commissioners, and as to the there is no expense for the use of them f primaries by either party. For the other third,-90, a tental of say 82 each would cover all out lay, or \$120, for the bootlas. Difference, \$150. It is difficult to see which a contingent expense of \$400, or the fourth of that amount, could be legitimately used. The Tribune says \$100 i crough. Difference is \$200. So that \$308 is at the noney that could be used for expenses an thorized by law, and this sum corresponds very nearly with the actual expense of the Democrati-

primaries and convention held this fall, thu emonstrating its approximate correctness. Where does the \$2,50? excess assessment go to What is the necessary inference from all this Either that an attempt was made to get this money for corrupt boodle uses, or that it was a

deliberately planned freeze-out on the port, the slate manipulators, Either born of the fermina is unpleasant and unhandsome. It should be said in regard to the amoun teresting reading, when compared with the total assessed for pay of primary election officers, viz, even of helding the Democratic primaries this \$1,800, that a score or more of these officers with an

posit waiting for tiena? The amount assessed against the candidates, as lated to Colonel Hitchcock, was \$3,200, instead tion of candidates in the primaries is to scenar an absolutely free and untranuncled expressi in absorbery free and untrammeded expression of the wishes of the majority of the party. The political "machine," on the contrary, which maintains its power and control by the exploita-tion of the public assets, by the absorption and

distribution of the spoil of the public, enterva-The

It was, of course, stated that any som not corruption. Offices are sought for private profit and not the public good.

It is time to call a halt to this kind of party management, which is not Republican. It is time for the great mass of ionest, patriotic behevers in self-government to throw of t tyrnanical yoke of the machine bosses, and the themselves worthy heirs of the independence and liberties which they have inherited. The only way to do this is to defeat the machina

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jealousy among Republicans of Judge Carpenter's former law partner, Mr. Fleitz.

Fleitz doesn't need any excuses, apologies or other form of defense. He is aboundantly able to take care of himself and is doing it all the time. The blows aimed at Carpenter but landing on him do him no harm and we have been unable to discover that they have harmed Carpenter. It certainly was no crime on Carpenter's part to choose an energetic, young law partner, one capable of pushing his way up from the ranks by brain and merit. Nor was it a crime for Fieltz, among others, to recognize in Carpenter good material for the bench and to work both for his appointment and his election. The fact that a majority of the bar of the county, including Mr. Newcomb, indorsed Carpenter for the appointment, shows that Fleitz was not alone in his opinion of Carpenter's merit, and Carpenter's conduct, since he went on the bench, has satisfied every observing citizen that he is the man for the place.

But just think how small this attack on Fleitz is. He is a young man. He began poor. He has risen without pull or aid. He has worked his way up, step by step, through use of opportunities equally open to all; and simply because he has made more rapid progress and won a higher place than ordinary he is made the target of envy and attack; and over his head blows are aimed at Judge Carpenter, than whom there has not been a cleaner or petter judicial candidate in the history of Lackawanna politics. Though we believe these tactics are utterly futile as concerns their power to defeat the present excellent Republican ticket, and have every assurance of the election of that ticket Tuesday by handsome majorities for every man on it, 27, 1991. yet the contemptible character of these factics, the low estimate which they place upon the fairness and upon the the report of the present state treas-Intelligence of our people, makes it recessary that a stinging rebuke should successor appears, either by election or be administered to their sponsors. Newcomb permits these attacks, if he does not inspire them. Let him, therefore, feel the weight of the pubile's disapproval of them.

The best way to clear the way for ionest reform in politics is to snow inder the fakers who masquerade in he reform garb.

Colonel Boies' Letter.

Boies objecting to The aries.

the recent primary assessment. The without regard to party, trade or proletter is interesting principally for its | fession, are invited to come to the state author's unfamiliarity with political treasury and inspect the workings of Jonditions. This is illustrated where the system under which the moneys of he asks: "How could Chairman Davis the state are received and disbursed. issess persons before it was determined They will get accurate information inwho were registered as candidates? A stead of second-hand mis-statements of lozen might register at the last mo- prejudiced politicians." nent." Now if the colonel was more continuously active in the detail work | ness-like invitation; and the fact that of party politics he would know that it was virtually made a year ago, and he Republican party rules in this coun- is not a more campaign device, gives it 'y fix a day beyond which candidates a good claim upon the confidence of the nay not register and assessments are people. Mr. Coray, who for a number

ney or other valuable thing, to procure n the treasury, and when my term of mination or election (or appointment) excepoffice ends, my successor will find every necessary and proper expenses penny of the state funds, expended or orized by law Now look at the other items of the expenses unexpended, properly accounted for. Ne ersed to: individual, corporation, bank or poli-tician can name any person or per-The Tribune's estimate sons other than myself who control the state funds. There are no robbers in the state treasury. These allegations

'I am the sole custodian of the fund:

are the deliberate falsehoods of those 815. S. The number of number of that builds was able than which would have been on the mity primary hallot this fall. Another reliable CHARLES E. COPE. who are attempting to deceive the pub-

"If the citizens of the commonwealth will come to the treasury they will find that all the moats, drawbridges and battlements, which unscrupulous demagogues have told them will bar their way, are nowhere to be found. They will see employes of the state faithfully working to honestly serve the state to the best of their ability. They will find themselves welcomed and not regarded with either suspicion or fear.

"A favorite cry of the opposition i months I have drawn out of the banks seven and one-half millions of dollars to pay the appropriation for the com mon and orphans' schools, asylums charitable and other institutions, and to the honor and credit of the banks, it must be said that they, without exception, responded promptly and cheerfully to all demands made upon them. "It has been stated by ex-Governor Pattison that certain members of the legislature were favored by advanced payments on their salaries. For his information I will state that Messrs Creasy and Coray were among those so

favored by advances, Mr. Creasy receiving his first advance of \$500 on January 17, 1991, and Mr. Coray receiving his first advance of \$500 on January 15, 1901. The legislature adjourned June "In connection with the general ques-

tion it may be pertinent to quote from urer to the last legislature: "When my my death, five minutes will suffice to put him in charge of the entire business of the office. The department and its affairs are at all times open to the inspection of the members of the legislature and by the citizens of the com-

monwealth." "I have no recoilection that Mr Coray or Mr. Creasy ever suggested that the legislature, the authorized agent of the people, should either inspect or investigate the state treasury, TE GIVE SPACE elsewhere or that elther entered its doors except to a letter from Colonel for the purpose of drawing their sal-

Tribune's explanation of "The citizens of the commonwealth.

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