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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Governor-S. W. PENNYPACKER. Lieutenant Governor-W. M. BROWN. Secretary of Internal Affairs-ISAAC B. BROWN. County.

Congress-WILLIAM CONNELL.
Judge-A. A. VOSBURG.
Commissioners-JOHN COURIER MORRIS, JOHN PENMAN.

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Defaming the Army.

HE DEMOCRATIC campaign is being opened from Washington in the distribution of literature charging extravagance against General Wood's administration of affairs in Cuba. The record has been searched for every item which can be tortured into an appearance of wastefulness and these are being dressed up, and exhibited with all the ingenuity of which our Democratic friends are capable. Differences in price of articles similar in kind, purchased at different times and places, are construed as proof that our army officers were either negligent or dishonest; and every possible bad interpretation of an apparent discrepancy or overcharge is made with a view to discredit curves." the administration. Where there is a fair chance to give to the Amerispiring spectacle of difficult work done with singular unselfishness but a mass

ment of efficient and conscientious servants. It is a part of the general penalty of public service. No man who amounts to anything can hope to escape reckless criticism, detraction and lennium. aspersion, especially around elections. Many of the army officers against whom the Democratic press bureau is aiming insinuations of dishonesty have time and again taken their lives in their hands and undergone frightful privation and suffering in the service of their country; but that does not count an lota in the game which politicians are waging for place and prominence. They did as they were bid in Cuba; did the best they knew how; did so well that the world of competent and unprejudiced onlookers is ringing with praises of them and their work: but because a congressional campaign is coming on and the Democratic leaders at Washingten are rather hard put to find material to go before the people on, these modest and uncomplaining army officers, who have no votes and no way of defending themselves, politically, are selected as targets of misrepresentation and calumniation, in the hope that if they can be discredited it will somehow discredit the Republican administration under which they were employed, and contribute to Democratic

ends. Politically this hope is fallacious, History shows that attacking the army, whether on the score of cruelty or disbonesty, is barren of returns to the party which engages in it, and usually eneficial to the party in power. But gardiess of the political returns, it is mean practice; and for our part we rule are numbered. re ashamed of it. It is a dirty bird hat would befoul its own nest, says he adage; and the United States army asimuch a Democratic as it is a Resublican army, for it is the army of all he people, and its honor ought to be pointment, held dear by men of all parties, regardezs of the passing exigencies of poiticid controversy.

Although the proposed treaty with colombia for isthmian canal concesions specificially provides that the ights and privileges sought by this ountry "shall not affect the sovereignof the republic of Colombia over the territory within whose boundaries such ights and privileges are to be exer-tred," and further sets forth that "the United States freely acknowledges and ecognizes this sovereignty and disyows any intention to impair it in any whatever or to increase its terricoy at the expense of Colombia or any of the sister republics in Central or South America, but, on the contrary, it desires to strengthen the power of the republics on this continent and to promote, develop and maintain their prosperity and idependence," it appears that the officials of the Colombian government are so suspicious either of their

representative at Washington or of the United States, or both, that they will not permit him to go shead on any detall without first submitting a complete report with every document by mail, a proceeding which consumes six weeks each time. At this rate, it will take until fall for our state department officials to learn whether Colombia is willing to do the right thing. No wonder it requires patience to succeed in diplomacy.

The proposition to allot every striking mine worker \$4 a week while idle means trouble if it is promised and not forthcoming.

The Commissioner of Pensions.

THE NEW commissioner of pensions has been in office nearly three months, but we have not heard a word of complaint. He has not in any particuar deviated from the policy of his predecessor; he is enforcing the law without the glightest partiality or discrimination, as it is his duty to do, and as General Evans did, but the hue and cry has not been raised against him. We trust that it will not be. Yet it is early to prophesy.

The only information as to how the his first attention to the elimination of political or personal pull in the promotions made in his bureau. When a vacancy occurs in a certain grade he asks the chief of the sub-division to give him the names of the three best damages which he alleges he sustained employes in the grade immediately below. Then he institutes a careful personal examination of the records and worth of these three subordinates and the one that emerges with the brightest credit marks gets the promotion. Commissioner Ware says he has had some trouble in convincing the solicitous congressmen that that is the fairest way to make promotions, but he convinced that the commissioner is imhe usually gives in with good grace.

With regard to the enforcement of the pension laws, Mr. Ware says that when he entered upon the discharge of he did was to instruct his lieutenants pumped from the creek to wash the that the law was to be enforced absolutely without deviation and in the spirit of protection of the public as opposed to the private interest. He says somewhat, but he has lived up to it, and the other day, when he addressed a meeting of veteran soldiers out in Kansas and told it what he had done and how he proposed to continue, the boys cheered him to the echo. As for the pension attorneys, and especially the sharks looking for prey, Mr. Ware has the advantage of having been a lawyer himself and is "onto their

This makes interesting and encouraging reading, and confirms our opinion can army officer who represented that the troubles of General Evans were his country in Cuba the benefit of largely manufactured by intriguers who the doubt the compiler of this kind could not use him. But as we said beof literature proceeds to pillory him be- fore, it is early to make predictions by clamor. But that he can escape without misrepresentation of motive and malicious persecution disguised behind apparently solicitous regard for the welfare of the old soldier, his widow or his orphaned children, is too much to expect. It would presage the mil-

> It is pleasing news that General Chaffee, after his return from Manila, is to be billeted as commander of the department of the East, preparatory to succeeding General Miles as commanding general. Our army is full of good men, any one of whom would command it with credit; but Chaffee has showed qualities of exceptional fitness. He does not fuss, squirm or fret. He does things. He is a soldier from crown to toe. Good luck to him!

The opinion of Senator Dubois that the president will not be able to line up his party against trust abuses is a case of the wish being father to the thought. owned by the Handley estate. On Aug-The Republican party is not fond of ust 4, 1900, the bank building was de

England's new premier is a great admirer of the United States, and his admiration is not only politic but genuine. Americans certainly have no reason to regret the change.

Of the proposed appointment of Sen ator McLaurin to the bench of the court of claims it may with propriety be said that the United States judiciary de- in the case were filed by Attorney John serves a better fate.

Lord Salisbury evidently believes that an exit by resignation is infinitely preferable to one by compulsion. He gerton creek, which flows through the doubtless foresaw that the days of Tory

Sir Thomas Lipton says he is willing to let any other Englishman have the honor of competing for the America's cup. Likewise the expense and disap-

Personal registration and a uniform primary are reforms that the people demand. Our advice to the Republican organization is to concede before it is compelled.

It seems to be the idea of Canadian minister of justice Fitzpatrick that Shellev. public office is a law firm snap.

Jules Verne says vivid newspaper reporting is eclipsing the novel. It is frequent quite as fictional.

"Me heart is full of song," says Hennissy, "but I've lost me voice." There are many such.

It is a good thing that Lord Kitch ener is not talkative. His hale may last What a pity the critics of General

Summer seems at last to be drawing

Wood did not have his chance.

BEERS EQUITY CASE HEARD

CONTEST OVER CULM IN JEF-FERSON TOWNSHIP.

Clarence E. Woodruff, Edward Foster and Emory Woodruff Are Removing What Peter Beers Thought Was His Property, and for Which They Produce a Deed-Number of Suits for Damages Brought Which Are the Outgrowth of Last Spring's Floods-Wills Probated.

There was a hearing before Judge John P. Kelly in the Superior court room yesterday in the equity case of Peter C. Beers, a Jefferson township farmer, against Clarence E. Woodruff, Edward Foster and Emory Woodruff, Attorneys C. Comegys and John F. Scragg appeared for the plaintiff, and Attorney Everett Warren for the defendants.

In 1847 the Pennsylvania Coal company laid out its gravity road across the farm now owned by Beers, Two new commissioner is getting along big fills had to be made in making a comes from himself. He talked to a roadbed across the land and culm was Washington Post reporter quite freely used for the purpose. The screening of he other day. He said he was giving coal was crudely done at that time and this culm is rich in coal. After the Pennsylvania Coal company abandoned its gravity road. Beers alleges that he was given the right of way of the company across his farm and the culm it contained, in compensation for certain at the hands of the company. The

agreement was verbal. Not long ago the defendants purchased the land and culm in question, receiving a deed for it, and proceeded to wash and remove the culm. The injunction was asked for to restrain them from trespassing on the land of Beers in removing the culm and from polluting a stream which flows across the plaintiff's land.

For the plaintiff, yesterday, Peter adds that when the member becomes Beers, Charles and Alfred Beers, his sons, Lee Smith, George Moore, Jerepartial and unvarying in his attitude, miah Sherer, Nirum Compton and John B. Moore were examined. For the defense the three defendants and Andrew Snook were sworn.

The defendants agreed that they would cease to trespass on the land of nis new duties he found a general ex- Beers and denied that they are pollutpectation that he would in some man- ing the stream, alleging that the lay of ner let down the bars. The first thing the ground is such that the water coal flows away from it.

All of the testimony was put in yesterday, and Major Warren urged Judge Kelly not to continue the injunction restraining the defendants the statement seemed to surprise them from carrying on their operations, as it had not been shown, even under the plaintiff's own showing, that he would suffer irreparable injury. Judge Kelly took the matter under advisement.

Result of the Flood.

Three actions in trespass were begun vesterday to recover damages for injuries caused by the floods of last spring. The Delaware and Hudson company is defendant in two of the actions and the plaintiffs are Valentine Bliss and J. G. Hufnagle, who are represented by Attorneys O'Brien & Mar-

Bliss owns a silk mill at Priceburg, which was flooded and badly damaged. and Hufnagle owns a plot of ground on which are many houses. The plot was fore the public as a crook. In Dem- concerning General Evans' successor, submerged by the flood. The plaintiffs ocratic eyes the whole picture of Ameri- He is unquestionably an honest and a alleged that their properties were damcan intervention in Cuba is not an in- determined man. He will do his duty aged because of certain obstructions placed in the channel of the Lacka- Kentucky Avenue. First Hotel from Beach, Atwanna river by the Delaware and Hudson company, which diverted the water from the natural bed of the river onto the properties of the plaintiffs.

Attorney A. A. Chase began suit for Charles F. Greenburg against the Scranton Steel company. Greenburg owns a property at Elm street and the Lackawanna river, which was damaged last spring, when all that part of South Scranton was under water. It is alleged that the encroachments of the Scranton Steel company on the bed of the river below Elm street was the cause of the flood.

Reminder of the Explosion.

Marie A. Frear, Johanna M. Lobeck, Martha Lobeck and Adolph C. Lobeck esterday began an action to recover damages from the executors of the es tate of the late Judge John Handley, Colonel L. A. Watres, Hon. H. W. Palmer and John T. Richards.

The plaintiffs were the owners of a building on Lackawanna avenue which adjoined on the west the old Merchants' and Mechanics' bank building, stroyed by an explosion of gas, which also caused the destruction of the Lobeck building. Attorneys James E. Frear, of Tunkhannock, and Ballentine & Howell, of this city, represent the

Temple Iron Company Sued.

The borough of Mayfield is plaintiff in an action in trespass to recover damages, brought yesterday against the Temple Iron company. The papers R. Jones, and damages in the sum of \$2,500 are asked.

It is alleged that large quantities of culm from the Edgerton colliery of the defendant company is dumped into Edcenter of Mayfield. This culm, it is charged, has filled the bed of the creek and at times of high water the creek overflows its banks and tears up the

streets of the borough. Many residents of the borough, whose properties have been damaged by the overflowing of the creek from time to time, also threaten to bring suits against the company.

In Register's Office.

The will of Harvey S. Cooper, deceased, late of the township of Newton, was admitted to probate yesterday and letters testamentary granted to Ann Augusta Cooper and Sarah M

The will of Johanna Davis, deceased late of the city of Scranton, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary issued to John B. Davis. The will of Bridget Flynn, deceased late of the city of Scranton, was also admitted to probate.

Yesterday's Marriage Licenses.

Michael Cserbauich Smithville
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The special rewards will be given to the person securing the largest num-ber of points. Points will be credited to contest-ants securing new subscribers to The Scranton Tribune as follows:

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secure a Special Reward or not.

choice of the remaining rewards, and so on through the list.

The contestant who secures the highest number of points during any calendar months of the contest will receive a special honor reward, this reward being entirely independent of the ultimate disposition of the scholarships.

Each contestant falling to secure a special reward will be given 10 per cent. of all money he or she turns in. All subscriptions must be paid in ad-Only new subscribers will be counted. Renewals by persons whose names

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are already on our subscription list will not be credited. The Tribune will investigate each subscription and if found irregular in any way reserves the right to reject it.

No transfers can be made after credit has once been given.

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NOTICE that according to the above rules, EVERY CONTESTANT WILL BE PAID, whether they Those wishing to enter the contest should send in their names at once. All questions concerning the plan

will be cheerfully answered. Address all communications to CONTEST EDITOR, Scranton Tribune, Scranton, Pa.

Special Honor Prizes for July

To be given to the two contestants scoring the largest number of points during the month of July: FIRST PRIZE-A BIRD'S-EYE MAPLE WRITING DESK, Value \$12.00. SECOND PRIZE-A GOLD FOUNTAIN PEN.

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