

The Somerset Herald.

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WEDNESDAY, February 21, 1900.

The "compare notes meeting" season will open earlier this year than usual.
The British are having their feelings now, and the outlook for the Boers is rather discouraging.

The contest over the Governorship of Kentucky will not be ended until it is fought to a finish in the courts of last resort.

The Democratic State Convention will meet in Harrisburg on April 5th—just twenty days before the Republican State Convention.

There has never been a moment when the Republicans of Kentucky were not ready to agree to elections absolutely fair to all parties.

When Bryan looks at the Senate vote of 40 to 23 in favor of the gold standard he can gauge the growth of sound money sentiment since 1896.

With the approach of Spring and the arrival of the "compare notes meeting" season, the McKinley League, which has lain dormant for the past eight months, is expected to show signs of life.

Alaska begins to knock at the territorial door with considerable earnestness. It has been American soil thirty-three years, and feels that it ought to have a delegate in Congress to set forth its resources.

Under the financial law passed by the Senate a town with less than 4,000 population may establish a National Bank with a capital of not less than \$25,000. The "money power" will be distributed anywhere a popular demand exists for it.

And now rumor has it that Assemblyman Kendall has seen a new light, and will not tempt fate by seeking re-nomination this year. If such things are true, Assemblyman Kendall has recently had his ear to the ground to good purpose. The indications all are that this will be a healthy year for insurgents to ask for a vindication of their course at Harrisburg last winter.

STATE SENATOR J. C. STINEBAUGH, of the Cambria-River district, has announced his candidacy for re-election, and will vote for the Republican primaries in both counties. Mr. Stinebaugh has been a most useful and efficient member of the Senate, and so acceptably he has served his constituents that his re-nomination is not likely to meet with serious opposition in either county of his district.

MR. H. C. FRICK has brought his threatened suit to determine his interest in the Carnegie Steel Company. The papers in the suit were filed in the Pittsburg courts last week. Frick values his holdings at \$40,225,000, while Carnegie places them at \$2,000,000. The net profits of the company last year were \$20,000,000, and this year it is estimated they will reach \$40,000,000.

AT THE coming Republican primary election candidates for the following offices will be voted for: One person for member of Congress; two persons for members of the State Legislature; one person for Director of the Poor; one person for Jury Commissioner; three persons for delegates to the State Convention and to the District Conference; and two delegates to the National Convention. While the date for the primary has not yet been publicly announced by the County Chairman, aspirants for the various positions are already on the wing, and will shortly commence an active canvass of the county.

IT IS A significant fact that nobody thought it worth while to mention that the gold reserve in the treasury in the past few weeks was going downward, but that it had dropped more than \$20,000,000 below its previous high-water mark. It is now on the increase again, but the circumstance attracts no attention. The reserve was so much higher, even when at its recent lowest, than it was until the past year or two, and the certainty is so strong that the gold standard bill will pass and the Republican party remain in control of the country that nobody thought himself to glance at treasury statements. All the gold which will be needed to meet the Government's requirements will be in the treasury so long as the Republican party remains in charge of the Government, and, happily, Republican control of power for a long time in the future seems certain.

THE Cambria county Republican primaries have been called for March 17th, while the Blair county latrovia will have their annual mix-up on the 24th of the same month. In the former county Alvin Evans, Esq., has announced his candidacy for congressional honors, and in the latter Dr. George Prior, of Altoona, has decided to take a try for the same position. It is not likely that Mr. Evans will have any opposition in Cambria county, but it is generally understood that several additional aspirants among them one Joseph B. Hicks, will enter the lists in Blair before the last day for announcing candidates has gone by. The date for the Bedford county primaries has not yet been announced, but a vigorous campaign for the congressional offices from that county has already been inaugurated on the part of John M. Reynolds and Joseph H. Thrupp. Somerset county will be heard from in due time.

THE majority by which the gold standard bill passed the Senate was considerably larger, in proportion to the number of members in that body, than was the one that passed in the House. The House passed the bill on December 18 by a vote of 160 to 123, or by a majority of 40. The vote by which the Senate substituted for the House bill has just passed the Senate was 56 to 29, or by a majority of 17. In each case the bill received some Democratic votes.

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Kimberley's Gallant Defense.

LONDON, February 18.—The siege of Kimberley, raised yesterday by General Buller, had lasted for 122 days, the Boers having completely cut off the town from the outside world, four days after war was declared.

On the previous day Cecil Rhodes, who was at that place, declared that he was as safe there as he would be in his home in Piccadilly.

It seems that the Boers have desired the capture of the man more than the possession of the city. They destroyed the railroad south of the town, and announced that when the town was taken they would carry Rhodes in a cage to Bloemfontein and Pretoria.

Rhodes organized a troop of rough-riders, and the Boers erected forts and began shelling the town.

The bombardment of the town has been almost incessant, and several skirmishes have occurred, but the Boers have never slackened. On October 26 the garrison made a brilliant night sortie, routing about 700 Boers and capturing two guns. After this the besieging force was largely reorganized, and the Boers erected forts and began shelling the town.

Meanwhile Cecil Rhodes kept organizing his forces, and a gun which was named "Long Cecil" was constructed by the Boers' workmen, and three shells into the Boer camp.

On November 25 the garrison made a sortie, but was compelled to return.

Liquor Man's Queer Suit.

CHARLESTON, Pa., February 17.—Charles F. Stork, of the Hollingsworth Hotel, has brought suit for \$15,000 damages against S. N. Moyer, D. H. Hofner, Geo. Otto, T. K. Keller, John Tanager and James Yeung.

The case is the outcome of a re-nomination against the granting of a liquor license to the plaintiff at the last Session Court. The defendants were on the list of re-nominators. As a result of the opposition to the license Judge Bidler refused Mr. Stork claims that the re-nominators composed of false, scandalous, malicious, defamatory and libelous matter.

Shot out His Companion's Eyes.

ELKTON, Md., February 17.—"Look out, I'll shoot you," remarked George Jones, last night, to Harry Dixon, a 14-year-old schoolboy, and before the boy could reply, the former had him by the throat. The shot struck the lad in the face, putting out both eyes, cutting away his front teeth and paralyzing his brain.

Forest Lands for the State.

LOCK HAVEN, Pa., February 18.—Tracts of land aggregating 50,000 acres in this county will be purchased by the State Forestry Commission for reservation purposes. The lands lie along and in close proximity to the west branch of the Susquehanna River, from a point eight miles west of Keating to a point six miles eastward, in Clinton county.

The land is covered with a fine growth of young timber, and is considered the best yet obtained for forestry reservation.

Bryan to Be Named First.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 18.—The Democratic National Convention will be held the last week in May or the first week in June, in accordance with Mr. Bryan's desire to have it before the Republican National Convention, Senator Jones, of Arkansas, Chairman of the Democratic National Convention, has been in communication with a majority of his correspondents here to express themselves in favor of an early date.

Senator Jones himself believes that the convention should be delayed until after the Republican Convention, but in view of the attitude of his associates on the committee he is willing to withhold expression of that belief and yield to the majority.

NO MAKESHIFT.

In This Case the Work was Properly Done.

Any reader who has had backache and found relief by rubbing the back with liniments and lotions, understands that the relief obtained was a makeshift, and that the ache will not come back, so long as the work was properly done.

The Rev. David Ely, of 495 East Washington street, Chambersburg, Pa., says:—"For a number of years at intervals I had colic aching in the small of my back, and slight urinary irregularities. My physician diagnosed my case, called it bladder trouble, and at the time suggested mesonephritis, but not personally. In addition to kidney complaint, I had stomach trouble, the symptoms being that of dyspepsia. Doan's Kidney Pills removed the pain in my back, corrected the kidney secretions, and in a measure helped my stomach trouble. There is one fact about Doan's Kidney Pills worth pointing out. They act directly on the kidneys and the auxiliary organs. I have every confidence in them or I would not have recommended them to others who suffered from inactive or overexcited kidneys. It is a pleasure to me to endorse a preparation which will do what it represents."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers; price 50 cents a box. Mailed on receipt of price by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

NEWS ITEMS.

It's a mistake to imagine that itching piles can't be cured; a mistake to suffer a day longer than you can help. Doan's Ointment brings instant relief and permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

Justice of the Peace Simpson, at San Francisco, Cal., says that Mr. Nathan Croven offered him \$10,000 to testify that he was married before to the late Senator Fair, who left an estate of \$100,000.

Secretary Root has determined to continue the policy begun by General Leonard Wood, of reducing the force of United States troops in Cuba, and during the coming spring, it is expected, there will be heavy reduction of the existing garrisons.

The directors of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad have declared a semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent. on its preferred stock, the first since the reorganization of the company.

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FOR MIDDLE-AGED WOMEN.

Two Letters from Women Helped Through the "Chloride of Lime" by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM.—When I first wrote to you I was in a very bad condition. I was passing through the change of life, and the doctors said I had bladder and liver trouble. I had suffered for nine years. Doctors failed to do me any good. Since I have taken Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, my health has improved very much. I will gladly recommend your medicine to others and am sure that it will prove as great a blessing to them as it has to me.—Mrs. Geo. H. JENK, 901 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y."

Relief Came Promptly.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM.—I had been under treatment with the doctors for four years, but they failed to do me any good. I thought I would try your medicine. My trouble was change of life, and I must say that I never had anything help me so much as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Relief came almost immediately. I have better health now than I ever had. I feel like a new woman, perfectly strong. I give Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound all the credit, and would not do without her medicine for anything. I have recommended it to several of my friends. There is no need of women suffering so much for Mrs. Pinkham's remedies are a sure cure.—MARIETTA BUTLER, Bridge-water, Ill."

Another Woman Helped.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM.—I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound during change of life and derived great benefit from its use.—MARY E. JAMES, 136 Cuydon St., Bradford, Pa."

Washable Wrappers for Spring.

Very few women these days make their own wrappers. Sensibleness of the highest degree. Ready-made Wrappers can be purchased for what will pay for the cost of the material, and they are better made and in a smarter style than a majority of women can put them together.

Our Spring stock of Wash Wrappers is now ready and the lot is the prettiest we have ever shown. The material is delicate. Beautiful colorings in light and dark grounds, and the designs are stripes, figures and polka dots.

The sizes go from 32 to 46, therefore all you have to do is to measure your size.

At 75c Perale Wrappers with plaited back, ruffle over shoulder, trimmed with narrow braid, stripes and figures, light and dark colors.

At \$1.00 A high grade of perale, same style, same colors.

At \$1.50 Perale Wrappers, with fancy yoke ruffle and ruffles on bottom of sleeves, sailor collar; entire wrapper trimmed with silk braid. Colors and designs same as above.

From \$2 to \$3, perale, fancy yoke and collar, embossed, striped, deep founce, all colors, stripes, figures and polka dots.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, AT SOMERSET, IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, FEB. 15, 1900.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts \$208,987.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 23,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds 10,000.00
Banking-house, furniture, & fixtures 11,000.00
Horticultural 25,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve accounts) 2,851.31
Due from State Banks & bankers 3,250.50
Due from other National Banks 27,000.00
Checks and other cash items 2,649.85
Notes of other National Banks 2,825.00
Fractional paper currency, tickets and coins 39,900.00
Specie 82,700.00
Redeemable notes 27,700.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasury (5 per cent. of circulation) 1,098.50
Total \$575,740.48

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in \$50,000.00
Surplus fund 41,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses & taxes paid 80,779.80
National Bank notes outstanding 5,637.65
Due to other National Banks 2,283.23
Due to other Banks 2,750.00
Dividends unpaid 75.00
Individual deposits subject to order 338,206.16
Demand certificates of deposit, 46,733.43
Total \$575,740.48

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of Feb., 1900. WM. H. WELFLEY, Notary Public.

CORRECT ATTEST: JAMES L. PUGH, GEORGE E. SCULL, FRED. H. JENSEN, Directors.

NOTICE: That the undersigned has made application to the Secretary of Internal Affairs for a warrant for twelve (12) acres of improved land situate in Blair township, Somerset County, Pa., adjoining lands of the State of Pennsylvania, and the said warrant is now on file in the office of the Secretary of Internal Affairs, and the same will be presented for confirmation and sale at the Public Sale of the said lands at Somerset, Pa., on Wednesday, February 22, 1900.

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REPORT OF THE COUNTY AUDITORS FOR 1899.

Receipts and Expenditures of Somerset County, Pa., from the first Monday of January, A. D. 1899, to the first Monday of January, A. D. 1900.

William Winters, Esq., Treasurer of Somerset County, Pa., in account with the County of Somerset.

Taxes received from the Collectors of County, State and Dog taxes for the years 1896, 1897, 1898 and 1899.

Table with columns: COLLECTORS, DISTRICTS, Yr., County, State, Dog. Lists various districts and their respective tax amounts for 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899.

Amount of State tax brought over, 1781.68. Amount of Dog tax brought over, 1250.00. Total, \$3031.68.

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