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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 1889.

Announcements.

RATES.—Associate Judge, $10; County Treasurer, $8; County Surveyor, $3; Coroner, $2. Bear in mind that no announcement will appear unless accompanied by the *cash*.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE.

We are authorized to announce E. L. JONES, of Harmony township, as a candidate for Associate Judge, subject to Republican usages.

We are authorized to announce JOHN H. WHITE, of Barnett township, as a candidate for Associate Judge, subject to Republican usages.

We are authorized to announce JOHN THOMSON, of Harmony township, as a candidate for Associate Judge, subject to Republican usages.

COUNTY TREASURER.

We are authorized to announce A. M. DOUTT, of Tionesta Borough, as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to Republican usages.

We are authorized to announce WM. LAWRENCE, of Tionesta township, as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to Republican usages.

LAST week Secretary of the Commonwealth Stone gave orders for the printing of 7,000,000 tickets to be used at the election on the 18th of June. He will also shortly issue a letter of instructions to county commissioners regarding the manner of distributing the tickets.

THE Constitution adopted so recently as 1873 provides, *inter alia*, that "no law shall extend the term of any public officer, or INCREASE or DIMINISH his salary or emoluments, after his election or appointment." Therefore, no judge now upon the bench will receive any benefit from the passage of the new salary bill, if it should pass the House and be approved by Governor Beaver, unless he should at some future time be re-elected. The effect of the passage of the bill, therefore, will not be felt very much until some years hence. Of course, it is to be assumed that persons who are daily imposing penalties upon others for violations of the law, as the judges are, will not violate the law themselves by taking the increased salary. And even if some should be disposed to take the money, they will doubtless be constrained to refrain by two considerations: The effect it would have upon their reputations and their chances of re-election; and the fear that some enemy might allege the taking as a reason for their impeachment. Thus the present Supreme Court judges and very many of the older Common Pleas judges will never receive any advantage from this proposed increase. We do not believe that the projectors of the new salary bill had this provision of the Constitution in mind when they devised that generous distribution of State cash.—*Harrisburg Telegraph.*

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, April 5, 1889.

The President is at last getting a little breathing time, now that the Senate has adjourned and the office seekers have been notified that he proposes to take his own time in making the rest of the appointments. The total number of appointments to date is slightly in advance of the number made by Cleveland during the same time. A large number of important positions remain to be filled, and they will be, just as soon as the President can get an opportunity to decide upon the right men for them. Among these places may be mentioned that of Minister to China, the Public Printer, Commissioner of the General Land Office, Commissioner of Indian affairs and Superintendent of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, for each of which there are a number of prominent candidates.

I have it on excellent authority that the rejection of the nomination of Murat Halstead to be Minister to Germany by the Senate will not prevent that gentleman's being sent there. The President, according to my informant, believes that by next December those Republican Senators who for personal reasons voted against the confirmation of Mr. Halstead's nomination, will have seen the mistake they made and be prepared to confirm him. At any rate it is thought they are to be given an opportunity of doing so and that Mr. Halstead will shortly receive his appointment as Minister to Germany, the duties of which position he will perform from the date of his arrival at Berlin until the Senate shall reject him again, which the President does not believe it will do. All this however is merely the opinion of some who think they know, while there are others who say Mr. Halstead would never accept the appointment under such circumstances.

Before adjourning the Senate confirmed nearly all the nominations made by the President. Among the few unacted upon were those of E. I. Kursheedt to be U. S. Marshal for the Eastern District of Louisiana, and W. H. Whiteman to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of New Mexico.

The first State reception of the present administration took place on Tuesday evening. It was held in honor of the Prince and Princess Takehito, of Japan, who are making a tour of America. The following was the receiving party: The President and Mrs. Harrison, Secretary Proctor and Mrs. Blaine, Secretary Blaine and Mrs. Windom, Secretary Tracy and Mrs. Wilmerding, Secretary and Mrs. Rusk, Dr. Scott and Mrs. Scott-Lord, father and sister of Mrs. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. McKee, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harrison, Miss Margaret Blaine and Miss Mason, Secretary Halford and Miss Lina McKee.

A delegation of Brooklyn, N. Y., G. A. R. men called on the President this week and presented him with a resolution of thanks adopted by all the Posts of that city, for the appointment of Corporal Tanner as Commissioner of Pensions.

Considerable comment was caused here by the action of the Senate on the day of its adjournment in regard to a resolution of Senator Stewart's expressing the sorrow of the Senate at the death of the illustrious English Statesman, John Bright. Everybody thought the resolution would be passed unanimously, as this country was under deep and lasting obligations to Mr. Bright for the fearless manner in which he stood by the Union during the rebellion. Great, therefore was the surprise when it was decided to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign affairs, on the ground that its adoption might establish a precedent which would possibly make trouble in the future. There is not likely to be another John Bright soon, and therefore most people think the fears of the Senate were groundless.

Before the Senate's adjournment Senator Teller offered a resolution which he stated he would not call up for action until the regular session. It was to the effect that hereafter all executive nominations should be considered in open session of the Senate. In a few remarks on the subject he said: "I believe the time has come when public sentiment will not tolerate the closing of our doors on mere matters of confirmation. I believe that the practice is one of the agencies that is calculated to bring the American Senate into disrepute and into contempt; for the people will believe (under the charges that are made day by day, that we are afraid to express our views in public) that there is some truth in them."

Mr. Wm. Bradley, of Kentucky, who was nominated for the Corean mission, has declined the position. Then there are some men who do not want office.

A PROCLAMATION.

Designating April 30 as a Day of Thanksgiving.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The following proclamation was issued late this afternoon:

By the President of the United States of America.

A proclamation.—A hundred years have passed since the Government, which our forefathers founded, was formally organized at noon on the 30th day of April, 1789, in the city of New York, and in the presence of an assemblage of the heroic men whose patriotic devotion had led the colonies to victory and independence, George Washington took the oath of office as Chief Magistrate of the new born Republic. This impressive act was preceded at 9 o'clock in the morning, in all the churches of the city, by prayer for God's blessing on the Government and its first President. The centennial of this illustrious event in our history has been declared a general holiday by act of Congress, to the end that the people of the whole country may join in commemorative exercises appropriate to the day. In order that the joy of the occasion may be associated with a deep thankfulness in the minds of the people for all our blessings in the past, and a devout supplication to God for their gracious continuance in the future, the representatives of the religious creeds, both Christian and Hebrew, have memorialized the Government to designate an hour for prayer and thanksgiving on that day.

Now, therefore, I, Benjamin Harrison, President of the United States of America, in response to this pious and reasonable request, do recommend that on Tuesday, April 30, at the hour of 9 o'clock in the morning, the people of the entire country repair to their respective places of divine worship to implore the favor of God, that the blessings of liberty, prosperity and peace may abide with us as a people, and that His hand may lead us in the paths of righteousness and good deeds.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed. Done in the city of Washington this 4th day of April, in the year of our Lord, 1889, and of the independence of the United States, the 113th.

BENJAMIN HARRISON.

By the President:

JAMES G. BLAINE, Secretary of State.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION proposed to the citizens of this Commonwealth by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for their approval or rejection at a special election to be held June 18, 1889. Published by order of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, in pursuance of Article XVIII of the Constitution.

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution of the commonwealth:

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met* That the following is proposed as an amendment to the constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

AMENDMENT.

Strike out from section one, of article eight, the four qualifications for voters which reads as follows:

"If twenty-two years of age or upwards, he shall have paid, within two years, a state or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months, and paid at least one month before the election," so that the section which reads as follows:

"Every male citizen, twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections:

First. He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month.

Second. He shall have resided in the state one year (or if, having previously been a qualified elector or native born citizen of the state, he shall have removed therefrom and returned, then six months) immediately preceding the election.

Third. He shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to vote at least two months immediately preceding the election.

Fourth. If twenty-two years of age or upwards, he shall have paid, within two years, a state or county tax, which shall have been assessed at least two months and paid at least one month before the election," shall be amended, so as to read as follows:

Every male citizen twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at the polling place of the election district of which he shall at the time be a resident and not elsewhere:

First, He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least thirty days.

Second. He shall have resided in the state one year (or if, having previously been a qualified elector or native born citizen of the state, he shall have removed therefrom and returned, then six months) immediately preceding the election.

Third. He shall have resided in the election district where he shall offer to vote at least thirty days immediately preceding the election. The legislature, at the session thereof next after the adoption of this section, shall, and from time to time thereafter may, enact laws to properly enforce this provision.

Fourth. Every male citizen of the age of twenty-one years, who shall have been a citizen for thirty days and an inhabitant of this state one year next preceding an election, except at municipal elections, and for the last thirty days a resident of the election district in which he may offer his vote, shall be entitled to vote at such election in the election district of which he shall at the time be a resident and not elsewhere for all officers that now are or hereafter may be elected by the people: *Provided*, That in time of war no elector in the actual military service of the State or of the United States, in the army or navy thereof, shall be deprived of his vote by reason of his absence from such election district, and the legislature shall have power to provide the manner in which and the time and place at which such absent electors may vote, and for the return and canvas of their votes in the election district in which they respectively reside.

Fifth. For the purpose of voting, no person shall be deemed to have gained or lost a residence by reason of his presence or absence while employed in the service of the United States or the State, nor while engaged in the navigation of the waters of the State or of the high seas, nor while a student of any college or seminary of learning, nor while kept at any almshouse or public institution, except the inmates of any home for disabled and indigent soldiers and sailors, who, for the purpose of voting, shall be deemed to reside in the election district where said home is located. Laws shall be made for ascertaining, by proper proofs, the citizens who shall be entitled to the right of suffrage hereby established."

A true copy of the joint resolution.

CHARLES W. STONE.
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth:

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment is proposed to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the Eighteenth Article thereof:

AMENDMENT.

There shall be an additional article to said Constitution to be designated as Article XIX, as follows:

ARTICLE XIX.

The manufacture, sale, or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquor, to be used as a beverage, is hereby prohibited, and any violation of this prohibition shall be a misdemeanor, punishable as shall be provided by law.

The manufacture, sale, or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquor for other purposes than as a beverage may be allowed in such manner only as may be prescribed by law. The General Assembly shall, at the first session succeeding the adoption of this article of the Constitution, enact laws with adequate penalties for its enforcement.

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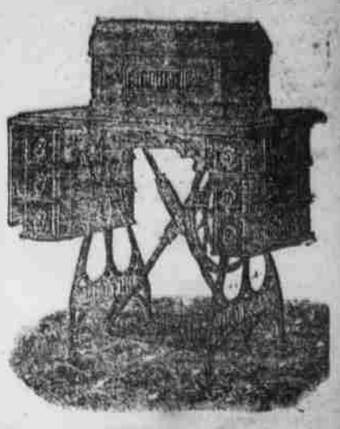

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