

Republican Ticket.

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MEETING OF THE REPUBLICAN COUNTY COMMITTEE.

The members of the Republican County Committee of Forest County are hereby notified to meet at the Sheriff's Office, Tionesta, Pa., Monday evening, Sept. 25, 1899, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating a candidate to fill the vacancy in the Republican County Ticket caused by the death of the Republican nominee for Jury Commissioner, George W. Dunkle. And for the transaction of such other business as may come before them in connection with the present campaign. A full attendance is earnestly requested.

F. P. WALKER, Chairman. J. T. DALE, Secretary.

MEN of both parties have sent to President McKinley messages commending his Pittsburg speech. True patriotism knows no party.

YEARS bring no loss of enthusiasm in the annual reunions of the Grand Army. The men learned how to close up ranks in a thorough school.

SEVERAL relief ships are distributing food in Porto Rico and others will follow. The island has another reason to be glad that a new era has arrived.

MCLAN says he wants to fight the Ohio battle on state issues, and no wonder when he reviews what his crazy quill platform says on national affairs.

A NEW YORK non-expansionist paper declares that the Dewey reception is a political job. Descent is easy with those who begin to abuse their country.

GOEBEL, the Democratic nominee for Governor of Kentucky, denies that he intends to withdraw, which is one of many indications that he is losing ground and squirming.

GERMANY'S demand for Am ricans applies this year is expected to reach 100,000 barrels. The increasing foreign popularity of this fruit adds sensibly to the value of American orchards.

A RECORD BREAKING corn crop is a good thing with which to round out a bountiful year. The 2,500,000,000 bushels of corn in 1899 reminds the world again that this is a country of billions.

It may be a little embarrassing for those Democratic investigators of trusts when they get their claws hooked on the corporations controlled by the Ohio Democratic candidate for governor.

BRYAN promises to make forty speeches in twenty days in Kentucky. His performance in behalf of the Goebel election law marks the progress of a degenerate. Bryan once believed in fair play at the polls.

ALEXANDER DUMAS once remarked that if he were accused of stealing the towers of Notre Dame he would bolt and not undertake to defend himself in a French court. It seems, for one thing, to be a life occupation.

A COUNTRY that has reached an annual mineral output of \$7,000,000, and doubled it in seventeen years, has business possibilities for which history gives no parallel. And as yet in the United States the surface has only been scratched.

COMRADE MCKINLEY stands for our people, for our flag; he stands before all the world and desires to be sustained by our people. As an old soldier, as an old American, as an old Democrat dyed-in-the-wool, I say that Comrade McKinley will be sustained by our people everywhere.—General Daniel E. Sickles at Philadelphia, Sept. 5, 1899.

"We are once more and forever one people. One in faith, one in purpose, one in willingness to sacrifice for the country and the glory of our flag. The blue and the grey march under one flag and we have but one flag; the same our grandfathers gave us and the same our fathers bore. And that flag which you kept stainless and made triumphant will be kept stainless and made triumphant."—President McKinley to the Grand Army, Sept. 5, 1899.

THE Democratic party, says the New York World, has now for the first time in its history only two United States Senators from all the North, East and West. It has lost control of the Senate for six years to come. It has no governors left in all the North. Four of the states carried by the fusion for Mr. Bryan have been reclaimed and are firmly held by the Republicans. And Kentucky, the only state regained by the Democrats since 1896, bids fair to be lost in November.

WHAT wonder that respectable Democrats hang their heads with shame at the utterance of men professing to be leaders in their party who say, as John J. Lentz did at Cooper Union, New York, the other day, "There is no man to compare with Jefferson in this generation except Altgeld. God in his wonderful chemistry sees fit to raise up one in a generation a man fit to be favored. He raised up Washington, thirty years later he produced Jefferson, in an other generation, Jackson, after thirty years more Lincoln and now in the closing days of the century we have Altgeld, who is the martyr of this decade."

The first Alabama in the American navy, built forty years ago, is still afloat as the practice ship of the New York Naval Reserve. Her name was changed to the New Hampshire during the civil war. The new battle ship Alabama, which has just begun her trial trips, is one of the most powerful and swiftest fighting machines the world has yet seen. Her construction in two years and nine months is comparatively rapid work.

ACCORDING to the Utica Observer, "the anti-imperialists have the welfare of the country very deeply at heart." We should hardly put it that way. They care more for Aguinaldo, the man who rejected all overtures and deliberately made war on the United States, than they do for the flag, and in giving aid and comfort to this conspirator they are guilty of treason. That is about the way we would describe them.—Phila. Inquirer.

"We differ in our political and religious beliefs, but we are united for country. Loyalty to the Government is our national creed. We follow—all of us—one flag. It symbolizes our purposes, our aspirations; it represents what we believe and what we mean to maintain, and wherever it floats it is the flag of the free and the hope of the oppressed, and wherever it is assailed, at any sacrifice it will be carried to a triumphant peace. Rebellion may delay, but it can never defeat its blessed mission of liberty and humanity."—President McKinley at Catholic Summer School Grounds, Champaign, N. Y., Aug. 15.

THE trial of Captain Dreyfus at Rennes, France, was concluded Saturday and, as had been anticipated, he was convicted by the Judges of the court martial, not by the evidence. His sentence was placed at 10 years in prison, five of which he had already served. Of course the conviction was a forgone conclusion. There was nothing else expected of the tribunal by which he was tried, it having been formed for that purpose solely. The question of innocence did not enter into their minds. The army must be vindicated and Dreyfus was made the scapegoat. No doubt a new trial will be granted by the Court of Cassation, but that will hardly change the result. To let Dreyfus go would open up a large field of trouble for the army, and some of its prominent officers might get on the racks. So there seems but one avenue for the persecuted Captain. He must shake the dust of France from his feet at first opportunity. Any decent country would welcome him.

A Noble Defense of the Tobby.

We always like to see a man who has the courage of his convictions and who will stand up and defend a principle in the face of terrible opposition. Now there's Bro. Smith of the Punxy Spirit is just such an one, and because this time it happens to be the despised toby which is involved, he no less comes to the rescue with a noble defense. After all it is the little, apparently trifling, things which really test a man's greatness in such matters. It's no great shakes to stand up for a big, able-bodied truth or principle that everybody recognizes and respects, but the smaller weaklings are the ones which try men's souls, and it is for this reason we recognize and copy the following (so as to give it general circulation) from the pen of Col. Smith:—The New York Sun, in a recent learned editorial on stogies, defines this important article of commerce as "a robust native cigar, the smoking of which tends to cultivate frugality. Not recommended to persons of a queasy stomach."

The Sun then goes on in a merry vein to talk of stogies and their effects. It says:—"To begin with, you must have a good constitution. It is not for weaklings to tamper with stogies, at least, with the dry Pittsburg stogy of New York. In the second place, do not expect flavor. Do many cigars have flavor? The stogy will burn. Be grateful for that, and think how much money you are saving by smoking a stogy instead of a luxurious cigar. In the third place close the windows of your house, for the neighbors are coughing ominously. Let them cough; think of what you are saving. In the fourth place, on the whole, you had better go into the street or the park. You will be driven out of your house. Such is the prejudice against them. But persevere. The stogy is really a branch of a savings bank."

For the Sun, or anyone else living outside the Great American Tobey Belt, to assume to enter the magic circle and speak familiarly of things forbidden to any but the initiated, is a piece of presumption. In the first place the word "stogy" is obsolete. Adepts all use the word "toby," and any man living within a radius of 150 miles of Pittsburg who would not prefer the rankest kind of a toby to the finest Havana cigar, would not be regarded as a good citizen. He is not only "stuck up," but he has exorable taste.

There are a hundred varieties of tobies, of all lengths, thicknesses and qualities. The worst toby on the market is better than the average cheap cigar, and a really good toby, such as are never seen outside of circles in which they are appreciated, is better than anything sold by Delmonico or at the Waldorf-Astoria.

We have frequently hunted in vain all over New York City for a toby that is even tolerable. They are not seen there. The toby, like anything else, seeks the best market. It will not go where it is not appreciated. It cannot bear to hear the execrations and the wearisome comments of the uncultured and profane. Hence only such tobies as are unmarketable within the Tobey Belt ever penetrate to New York, unless carried there by some fastidious gentleman from the sacred precincts of the genuine toby.

And the Sun's intimation that toby smoking is resorted to as a measure of economy is an insult. The toby smoker has money, as well as tobies, to burn. Offer him a thick cigar, of the variety that produces cancer of the throat and also mines the stomach and liver with nicotine and his good breeding may induce him to accept it, but he will secretly cherish the profoundest contempt for the donor's taste and judgment. The wealthiest iron magnates of Pittsburg will toss away with contempt the finest cigar that money can procure and resort with serene satisfaction to his favorite toby. If he acts differently when away from home, it is because he is a contemptible trimmer, who has not the courage and manhood to stand up for his own tastes and convictions, as well as the great Fraternity of American Tobey Smokers.

Identification of William Kiser's Murderers.

The mystery that has surrounded the brutal torture and butchery of William Kiser, of Shippensville, the bachelor hermit, whose death was caused by three midnight assassins in an attempt to force him to open his safe, after they had robbed him of a belt containing an amount estimated at from \$3,000 to \$10,000, seems to be in a fair way of being cleared up.

In this case two small coins utterly unfamiliar to the people of this part of the State, will probably furnish the long looked for clue, and will take as active a part in disclosing the identity of the murderers as did the wad from the 16-gauge shotgun in fixing the killing of George Carter, of Rynd farm, upon Walter Wheaton and his accomplice, McKay, of this city. And yet there were a dozen or more guns of this calibre in this neighborhood, while in this clue it is believed that there are no other Mexican 5-cent silver pieces in Pennsylvania, outside of private collections, kept in cabinets, except those which were in the possession of William Kiser, tortured, murdered and robbed by three men in a manner atrocious enough to cause shame to bloom in the face of the most blood-thirsty savage.

Urged on by the reward of \$1,000 offered by the relatives of William Kiser there had been a posse of detectives at work even before the murdered man was laid to rest in the cemetery at Shippensville, where he met his death in such a terrible manner. These detectives have covered the ground thoroughly, and their researches have made them visit nearly every farm and town between Buffalo and Pittsburg, and from Shippensville to New Castle. During the past week the coins came to light. They were found in the possession of two little children in Cranberry township, and now the detectives are interested in discovering their travels before they reached these innocent little children, as this money, it now seems almost a certainty, was in the possession of William Kiser before he was killed. They are of silver, denomination five cents, and were coined in Mexico. So far as the detectives have been able to discover there have never been coins of this nature in circulation in this or adjoining counties, and possibly no other man but William Kiser in Pennsylvania ever owned such a coin as these.

Owing to the secrecy that naturally follows the movements and operations of the men employed in collecting evidence and facts that promise to lead to the detection of the men responsible for such an atrocious murder as that of William Kiser, and their absolute refusal to answer any question whatever that might give an idea as to whom they suspect of the crime, nothing further can be published at this time, but from the amount of time, and the large number of men they have engaged in following up this clue of the strange coins, and which is now a topic of general conversation in Cranberry township, where the coins first came to light, and from Shippensville from whence they are believed to have been stolen, there is no doubt but that the detectives attach much importance to their discovery, and that it is not unreasonable to expect that important developments at least, if not several arrests, will follow within a day or two.—Oil City Derrick.

Of course the absence of evidence that Kiser ever possessed a coin such as the Derrick describes would naturally raise considerable doubt in people's minds as to the value of the theory here presented, but a clue is a clue and should be followed to its legitimate end. Very often the smallest or most insignificant thing, apparently, proves the most valuable in the long run. And it may develop that Kiser had at some time possessed such coins.

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