## THE ISSUE RESTS WITH THE PEOPLE

The Question of the Introduction of Expensive Voting Machines in Pennsylvania.

## FIRST BLOOD FOR THE CONTRACTORS

They Will Now Work to Carry Out Their Scheme, the Initial Cost of Which Would Be Nearly Two Mil-Dollars to Experiment With Their Special Apparatus.

(Special Correspondence.) Harrisburg, June 5.-A decision by the supreme court which will oblige the secretary of the commonwealth to advertise the proposed amendments to the constitution is regarded as a great victory for the contractors who are seeking to introduce the voting machines into Pennsylvania.

Governor Stone vetoed the action of the last legislature in this matter upon the ground of public economy and that there was no popular demand for the proposed innovation of voting machines in this state. The matter was taken to the supreme court at the instance of the promoters of the voting machines, and several members of reform associations joined in this issue and as well as that of the proposed amendment to the constitution which would abolish the provision requiring uniform legislation upon the ballot issue throughout the state. Under cover of the agitation over the election frauds in Philadelphia and Allegheny, the lawyers for the voting machine interests pushed their cases, and have at last succeeded in getting a decision which nullifies the action of Governor Stone, who sought to block the voting machine game with his veto. LEAVE IT TO THE PEOPLE.

The leaders of the Republican organ-

ization of the state have not taken any positive stand upon this issue of having the proposed amendments go to a vote of the people. Before the suggested amendments can come up to be voted upon at the general election they must be again voted upon by the state legislature. Meanwhile the secretary of the commonwealth must advertise the proposed amendments in every county of the state at a cost of probably \$40,000. The nominees of the Republican party for the legislature will use their own judgment as to what attitude to assume on the issue of the voting machines and the matter of wiping out the constitutional provision requiring uniformity of legislation affecting the method of voting. They must learn the sentiment of their constituents. In this latter contention an effort is being made to require personal registration of voters in certain sections of the commonwealth. The great issue, however, will be upon the proposed introduction of the voting machines. Samples of these machines were shown here during the last session of the legislature, when the promoters of the scheme had a strong lobby on "the Hill," working in their interest among the members of both houses, It was then estimated that the cost of each machine would be about \$235, and that as there are about 7,000 voting precincts in Pennsylvania the total cost for the mere introduction of the machines would be over a million and a half dollars. This would not be counting the cost of repairs and maintenance and storage between elections. The machines are very intricate pieces of mechanism and would require first class machinists to keep them in order. Should one of them get out of order on election day the whole scheme of election in that precinct would fail.

NO MACHINE HONESTY.

Another argument against the use of voting machines is that it is conceded that no machine can make men honest who are otherwise dispused. The arrangement of the machine for which this light is being made requires the voter to touch buttons which record the names of the candidates for whom the citizen desires to vote. It is pointed out thus there would be nothing to prevent dishonest men to permit impersonation of voters in this "push the button" scheme any more than there is to allow men to impersonate others in the casting of the ballots under the present system. It is quite probable that the people will carefully weigh the arguments pro and oon on this matter of the introduction of the machines before they unimately decide to advocate the expenditure of a million and a half dollars upon an experimental proposition. Should these proposed amendments be approved by the next legislature they would then be submitted to a popular vote at the election to be held in November, 1901.

STALWARTS NOMINATED. The nomination of Senator Jacob C. Stineman in succeed himself was consummaked last week when the adherents of his district met at the American House, Hollidaysburg, and unanimously placed him in the field-us the Republican nomines. There were three conferrees from each county in the district, George T. Swank and Harry W. Slick, of Johnstown, and S. W. Davis, of Ebensburg, representing Cambria county, and J. H. Craig, of Altoona, and J. L. Hartman and J. Lee Plumher, of Hollidaysburg, were the Blair county conferrees. Resolutions were adopted cordially commending Smator Stineman to the people for re-election. He is a stalwart Republican, whose renomination was demanded by a poular vote, to the great discomfiture of the into the Republican cancus on the United States senatorship at the last session of the legislature and consistently

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voted for Colonel Quay for United States senator until the end of the ses-This action was made an issue before the Republicans of his district and he won by an overwhelming vote CHESTER COUNTY SOLID.

Another county went on record last Saturday on this same issue. The entire delegation from Chester county to the next legislature came up before the Republicans of that county at the primary election on that day. At the head of the ticket was State Senator W. P. Snyder, who is president pro tem. of the state senate, and who acted and voted with the stalwart Republicans on the United States senatorship throughout the entire Session of the legislature. Senator Snyder had been threatened with opposition for renomination unless he deserted the caucus nominee for United States senator last winter, but when the time came to spring this opposition the insurgents weakened. They found that the sentiment of the Republicans of Chester county was against them and in favor of majority rule. No effort was made to oppose Dr. Snyder's renomination when the time for registration of candidates came around, and he had a walkover at the primary election. His election by a large majority is assured. The candidates nominated for the assembly are all stalwart Republicans. They are: Northern district, W. P. Coryell, North Coventry; Eastern dis-Thomas Lack, West-Chester; Southern district, Fred H. Cope, Lincoln, and Western district, James G. Fox, Cain. They are all popular in the respective districts, and there can be no doubt about the election of the entire ticket. This will mean a gain of four votes for the regular state Republican organization from this county alone, as the county was represented in the last house by two Democrats and

# THE TICKETS ARE AT A PREMIUM

two insurgents, who co-operated with

the Democrats during the entire ses

sion, under the leadership of Flinn, of

Allegheny, and Martin, of Philadelphia.

Quay and Reeder Pressed Hard by Pennsylvanians For Convention Cards.

HAVE VERY FEW TO GIVE.

Republicans of the Keystone State Are Taking a Lively Interest in the Arrangements For the Renomination of President McKinley in the

(Special Correspondence.) Philadelphia, June 5.-While every day shows an increasing interest

among Pennsylvanians in the arrangements for the Republican national convention to be held here on the 19th inst., the prospects of getting tickets of admission to the hall are not a bit brighter today than they were three weeks ago, when the original plan for the distribution of these coveted cards was announced. It begins to look as though there will be but a small contingent of the Republicans of the Keystone state who come here during convention week get into the auditorium during the sessions of the convention Colonel Quay, member of the national committee from Pennsylvania, and General Reeder, chairman of the Republican state committee, were both here within the last few days upon a still hunt for convention tickets in order to comply with at least a few requests that have come to them from Republicans from every county of the state. Men who ordinarily take very little interest in matters political are cropping up in every quarter of the commonwealth with anxious eyes upon the seats in national convention hall. They want to see President McKinley renominated and listen to the speeches from the representative party men who will be assembled here from every state in the Union. They have read of the splendid hall in which the convention is to be held and of the many features of convention week which

promise to be so attractive to the vis-QUAY AND REEDER ACTIVE.

It was to satisfy at least a small proportion of these anxious Republicans that Colonel Quay and General Reeder came here to confer with Colonel Wiswell, the sergeant-at-arms of the national convention, and Mayor Ashbridge, who is the chairman of the citizens' committee of arrangements for the convention. They soon learned that the demand for tickets is quite universal and that every member of the national committee and every member of the local committee has on file a big list of applicants for tickets. General Reeder made a special plea to Mayor Ashbridge, but he was informed that the four thousand tickets which will go to the citizens' committee of this city are to be distributed among the subscribers to the national convention \$100,000 fund, and that as there are about 1,500 subscribers to this fund there will be but a small allotment to go to each subscriber. Colonel Quay remarked before he left town that he had not found much encouragement and that the applicants for tickets had better see the national delegates from their respective congressional districts at once before they shall have promised their extra tickets. Each member of the national committee is to receive 25 tickets, each delegate to the convention will get, besides the ticket which will admit him to the delegates' section, two tickets of general admission to the hall.

WILL SHARE TICKETS. These tickets will be in coupon form, so that if there shall be three sessions a day each ticket can be employed to give three different persons admission Senator Stineman went, to the hall for one session each. It is possible, although not probable, that the convention will last three days. There is not much doubt about there

A Card of Thanks.

Last fall I sprained my left hip while handling some heavy boxes. The doctor I called on said at first it was a slight strain and would soon be well, but it grew worse and the doctor then said I had rheumatism. It continued to grow worse and I could hardly get around to work. I went to a drug store and the druggist recommend me to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I tried it and one-half of a 50-cent bottle cured me entirely. half of a 50-cent bottle cured me entirely. I now recommend it to all my friends.— F. A. Babcock, Erie, Pa. It is for sale by all druggists.

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being but one session on the opening CHAUTAUQUA'S WORK. egates will as a rule arrange among their constituents to make the best possible use of their small allotment of but one ticket, which will admit him

to his own seat. While this question of tickets of a mission to the hall will be a source of Republican organization in this state, on acount of so many desiring to witness the proceedings of a national convention, there will be other attractions in this city which will be found quite enjoyable by many of the visitors from the interior of the state. Arrangements have been made to have cards issued to visitors entitling them to visit the various public institutions, the Girard college and other places of interest, through the allied Republican clubs of this city.

CLUB MEN ALL WELCOME. J. Hampton Moore, who is president of the State League of Republican clubs of Pennsylvania, has just issued a letter of information to all the Republican clubs of this state outlining the program for convention week. This letter will be especially interesting to members of Republican clubs in the interior of the state who contemplate visiting this city. Even should they be unable to procure tickets of admission to the convention hall they will find other courtesies extended to them by their fellow Republicans of this city. President Moore, in his letter,

'The national convention of the Republican party to nominate candidates for president and vice president of the United States will open in Philadelphia June 19

"Under the auspices of the Pennsylvania State League, the Republican clubs of Philadelphia have successfully organized for cordial and enthusiastic reception and entertainment of visitors from all parts of the United States. In this they have had the cooperation of Republican clubs in Pennsylvania and the neighboring states of

"All that has been done has met with the hearty approval of the Republican national committee and is in thorough accord with the work of the local citizens' committee, headed by the mayor of Philadelphia.

"As president of the Pennsylvania State League, therefore, it gives me pleasure not only to congratulate you upon the energy and enthusiasm of your Pennsylvania brethren, but to advise you briefly of the program of the allied Republican clubs of Philadelphia and vicinity.

"First. The headquarters, No. 221 South Broad street. Here at the club rooms of the famous Union Republican club all Republican club men from Pennsylvania affiliated with the State League should register. Visiting delegations, sending word in advance, will be met at stations and escorted to their lodgings. Accredited Republican clubs men will be furnished with 'Visitors' Cards,' entitling them to a variety of

"Second. The parade. On Monday night, June 18, there will be a great parade of Republican clubs, in which visiting clubs will be furnished with escorts. In addition to Pennsylvania clubs, New Jersey, Delaware, New York, Ohio, District of Columbia, Illinois, Massachusetts and many other states will be represented. Pennsylvania clubs not yet reported are especially invited to turn out. The time is short, and applications for position in line must be forwarded to General Louis Wagner, grand marshal, Third National bank, Philadelphia, at once. The parade will be reviewed by leading men of the nation from the allied Republican clubs' headquarters.

"Third. Mass meeting. The national convention opens Tuesday, June 19. On the evening of this day the allied Republican clubs will fire the opening gun at a great mass meeting at the Academy of Music. The speakers will all be men of national prominence.

"Fourth, River excursion, On Wednesday, June 20, a flotilla will convey guests of the allied Republican clubs to points of interest along the harbor of Philadelphia, including the great shipyards and the Philadelphia navy vard, the great fresh water harbor where many of the famous battleships of the American navy are now lying.

"These are the main points of the program, but not all. Club smokers, open club houses, out-of-door entertainments and ageneral interchange of tainments and a general interchange of prebensive scale

"The indications are that the Republican club men of Philadelphia and vicinity will demonstrate on this occasion that their organizations are as chivalrous and hospitable as they are enthusiastic and untiring in political

"You are requested to read this communication to your club immedately after its reception, in order that your members may be advised and guide themselves accordingly."

FOR M'KINLEY'S CHOICE, The matter of the nominee for vice president is still in doubt. When Colonel Quay was here this week he said the Pennsylvania delegation would undoubtedly favor the candidate who would be regarded as President Me-Kinley's choice. He declared that the desire of Republicans generally was to support the choice of the administration for second place with the view of strengthening the ticket. The Republican party, he predicted, will enter he campaign with a determination to make an aggressive canvass and with bsolute confidence in a successful contest at the polls. All talk about the Pennsylvania delegations being in a combination in favor of any candidate for vice president, he insisted, was absurd, as there has been no conference on the subject. Colonel Quay has accepted an invitation to make the residence of Senator John C. Grady, on North Nineteenth street, his home during his visit to this city for the meeting of the national committee and the national convention. He will have headquarters at the Hotel -Walton, where General Reeder has engaged 40 rooms for I ennsylvania delegates from this state to the national convention. The headquarters of the Pennsylvania delegation will be at the rooms of the Republican committee, 1417 Locust

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> The Chautauqua assembly has much good work in progress, and the coming summer is expected to bring results unequalled by any previous efforts. This year's many unusual happenings in religious, political and social life give an added opportunity to the untiring, zealous workers of the assembly, and those visiting the picturesque Chautauqua this year will hear much that will be instructive in oratory, litereture and music. The spot is now in its grandest attire, bedecked in nature's adornments, and one feels a thrill of delight in being among the workers on the ground and drinking in the flow of richness that makes up the program. Many subjects of interest are booked for the season, and the entertainment to be derived therefrom will be most pleasing. The beautiful resort is expected to be a very popular one this year.

this year. Each summer Chautauqua' charms of scenery seem to show mre pronounced, and this year is expected to outdo all others in delighting the thousands that will take part in the assembly doings. Every preparation is beng made for a successful season.

Bishop Joseph C. Hartsell, who has recently returned from South Africa, is a believer in British supremacy. He is announced for a lecture at Chautauqua next summer. The public will listen with interest to his presentation of the South African situation.

The recent literature dealing with the life of the Jews in the great cities of the world has attracted wide attention. The work of Zangwill has been most notable in this field. A volume entitled "An Imported Bridegroom" and other stories by Abraham Cahan has appeared within the last year. These stories deal in a charming and dramatic way with the life of New York Jews. Mr. Cahan is not only an effective writ er but a very delightful speaker. We note that he is announced for a series of readings from his own stories at Chautauqua next summer.

S. Parks Cadman of the Forward Movement in New York caused some excitement in the Methodist General conference the other ray by boldly taking Governor Shaw of Iowa to task for some slighting allusion to "fool reformers." Dr. Cadman paid his respects to the political machine with great vigor and incisiveness. He is a most effective speaker and those who have heard him do not wonder that he appears at frequent intervals upon the hautaugua platform. He is announced

for the coming summer. Dr. Graham Taylor of Chicago com nons is making a heroic effort to settle the great strike between the contractors and the union men. It is significant that he has been able to secur the appointment of a committee of business men and union laborers. It is to be hoped that he will be able to bring about a reconciliation which has seemed almost impossible. Dr. Taylor represents a most important type of citizen of whom there is great need at the present time. He has sympathy restrained by intelligence, and he commands the respect of capitalists and laborers alike. If he succeeds in this the greatest undertaking of his life, he will be sure of an unusually warm welcome at Chautauqua next summer where he is to deliver a course of lect

That will be an interesting day on the Chautauqua platform for next summer when Mr. Francis Wilson in the afternoon lectures on Eugene Field and in the evening a prominent dramatic read-er will present "Cyrano de Bergerac."

Dr. J. M. Buckley of New York is as usual a prominent figure in the Methodist General conference. The other day, when the question of admitting women delegates to the Methodist conference was under discussion, and Dr. Buckley was as usual opposing the proposition, an irritated speaker remarked that even in the garden of Eden an ancestor of a constant speaker in the conference was present. Buckley immediately replied that as he understood it this person in the garder used his persuasive powers to get wo man out of her proper sphere. Dr. Buckley's long experience in "Question Boxes" at Chautauqua stands him in good stead when it comes to repartee. His many admirers will welcome him to the Chautauqua platform next

Grand Concerts and Musical Recltals will be held frequently at Chautauqua during the coming Assembly. Among the noted vocalists and foremost musical artists will be the following; Mr. William H. Sherwood, planist; Miss Sybil Sammis, Miss Amy Murray, Mrs. Marie W. Longman, Mrs. Charles H. Trego, Miss Edna Dice Miss Bessie Bonsall, Mr. E. Giles, Mr. Flagler, organist, and Mr. H. B. Vincent, accompanist.

Rogers' Band and Orchestra, with a chorus of 400 voices will be heard in the

amphitheater. The fact is becoming generally recognized that there is a great deal too much school vacation in this country, not for the teachers, but for the pupils. It is not contended that teachers could do effective work for a longer time each year than they do now, but it is admitted that pupils could. The fact is frequently pointed out that children in Germany make more rapid progress than the Americans for the reason that they have more school hours in a year.

Such names appear on the program as Professor Moses Colt Tylor of Cornell University, who will give a course of lectures on American history. G. Stanley Hall, president of Clark untversity, a course on Educational Topics; Dr. Graham Taylor of Chicago, a series of five lectures on "The New So cial Chivalry"; Professor Homer B. Sprague of New York, a course of lectures on Shakespeare, and Dr. J. M. Buckley of New York, editor of New York Christian Advocate, a course on popular themes

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"gentlemen" at cards till 5 in the morn At 11 o'clock the party began to appear one by one for breakfast. The downger and Mrs. L., the hostess, did not come down because, as the young ladies put it, they could not be "made up" so early The girls themselves, who had not taken the trouble to "make up," were in rum-pled nightcaps and their hair "in a brown paste" over their shoulders. The gentle-men "joined with the second tenpot," a very odd way of dividing the meal. Their heads were still "in disorder" from the gin punch of the night.

Breakfast was got through about 1. The weather being rainy, the gentlemen played billiards and cards. The writer would have sought refuge in the library, but found that the books were for show and not for use. A box of things from a London dressmaker having providentially arrived, everybody-men and women to gether-spent the afternoon in discussing

At 5 they dined. At 9 the men joined the ladies, and they sat down to cards. Farthing loo was the favorite game when the young ladies played. On Sunday som of them went to church. The young per ple nodded and laughed all through the service. They sat in a gallery by themselves; they cracked nuts and pelted each other with the shells, while one of them who could draw, made caricatures of the country people down below. The clergyman, however, was a great favorite at the house, because he kept the ladies acquainted with all village scandals; could tell the gentlemen where coveys of par tridges were to be found: was useful in drawing corks. It remains to be stated that one of the guests taught a new way of dressing mushrooms and superintended In person the preparation of the grous soup.-Chicago News.

A Story of Dr. Mitchell, The following anecdote is told of Dr. Weir Mitchell: While on one of his for eign trips he decided to consult a very eminent German specialist regarding nervous disease of his own of long standing. The two men had never met be fore, so he sent up his card as "Mr Mitchell of Philadelphia" and was re ceived by the German under this title. The physician examined him very carefully and then said: "My dear sir, do you say you come from Philadelphia?"

The doctor was forced to admit the in "Well," said the physician, "have you onsulted Dr. S. Weir Mitchell of that

The doctor said that he had. "And he couldn't help you?"

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