

BUTLER CITIZEN

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REPUBLICAN Primary election, Saturday next June 4th. Let there be a full turnout and a fair vote.

BOTH branches of the Legislature have agreed to adjourn on Thursday week, June 9. This final act, adjourning, will be received with perhaps more favor than any act of the session.

THE Republicans of Lancaster county, this State, strongly sustained President Garfield in nominating their county ticket, 24 out of 30 of the county officers nominated being anti-boss Republicans.

WE regret to hear that our friend Mr. George M. Gibson, of Clinton township, was severely injured last week by being thrown down and gored by a bull he was leading. Mr. Gibson is rather an aged man but we are glad to learn he is recovering from the injuries he received.

DR. HIGBEE, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, lectured in the Court House, before the Teachers' Association of this county, on Friday evening last. Although not coming up to the general expectation as a speaker, yet his remarks were practical and forcible as regards the business of teachers, and if followed would place public school teaching on a higher plane than at present exists.

By general consent ex-President Grant has made the great mistake of his life, in writing the letter he did from Mexico, taking sides with Conkling in his war upon the Administration of President Garfield. It only establishes the truth of the charges made, at the time it was sought by Conkling and a few other designing politicians to renominate Grant for the Presidency, that they might use him in their selfish interests.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE QUESTION.

Up to this writing, Tuesday, there is no certainty that the Judiciary bill will be passed and approved. It has to receive another reading in the House, and then goes back to the Senate for concurrence in some amendments made in the House. The Republicans of this county will therefore, in all probability, have to vote for a candidate for Associate Judge of this county at their primaries on Saturday next. If the bill is passed and approved in its present shape before or by Monday next, the day for the meeting of the County Convention of return Judges, to cast up the votes, then that fact can be made known at that time. As the matter stands there is no other way than to go on and vote for a candidate at the primary on Saturday. By the way we might repeat that we have seldom known more indignation to exist than does among our people at the way in which this Judicial bill matter was introduced and put through the Senate at Harrisburg.

COL. DANKS' LECTURE.

With the past few years there have been many interesting addresses delivered in our Court House here. They have been upon the various subjects of science, education and religion. Col. John A. Danks on Monday last gave us a new theme, "Gettysburg" was his subject, in which he reviewed the stirring scenes and events of that great and decisive conflict between the Union and the Rebel hosts in which he participated. He graphically described the grounds of that great battle field, and the different engagements during those eventful days, of July 1, 2 and 3, 1863. His words were full of patriotism and eloquence. Col. Danks is an impressive speaker, and his full, clear voice, with his fine personal appearance and energetic action, held his audience in the closest attention. Previous to entering upon his lecture he gratified his hearers by singing a patriotic song—as he did also at the close. The Col. is justly renowned for his powers in the song line, for a more melodious, powerful and well trained voice few men could possess. His lecture gave great satisfaction to his many Butler friends and indeed was a great success. We had not met the Col. for a number of years and was pleased to greet him again, and hope he may find his way back here on no very distant day.

CONKLING AT ALBANY.

What little respect any Republican may have had left for Conkling all vanished when he went to Albany, where the Legislature of New York is in session, and where he went to importune members for their votes for his reelection to the U. S. Senate. He resigned his seat confident his own great State would immediately endorse his action by sending him back. But he finds even at his home enough manhood to withstand his blandishments or his threats. All the news from there indicate he will be censured for his vindictive spirit and childish folly. He is already humiliated and punished in failing to obtain a majority favorable to his return, and to this time it is evident he can only be elected by the aid of Democratic votes. These it is said he will not refuse. Another fear of his success may be the use of money. But with all these, and the presence at Albany of Vice President Arthur to assist him, we doubt if he can be returned in this matter is, by the way, another of the disgraced scenes occurring paying this wholly disgraceful piece of business. The idea of the Vice Pres-

ident of the United States, elected on the same ticket with the President, taking part in such a contest, belittles the office. But it demonstrates fully what was thought by many at the time, that the nomination of Arthur was one that should not have been made. He had no reputation as a Statesman, and he is now proving himself what he only is, a New York city politician. President Garfield will survive all this. He is honest and pure and seeks the good of the whole party and the country as well. The people are with him and will stand by his Administration against all such men as Conkling in their efforts to embarrass him in his high office.

LEGISLATIVE—THE JUDICIAL BILL.

During last week the Judiciary bill at Harrisburg got through second reading in the House, but not without amendments. It has yet to pass a third reading in the House, and then, if passed in that branch, goes back to the Senate for concurrence in the amendments made. This may all be done before the time fixed for adjournment, June 9; but we have some doubt of it, and still hope the bill will not get through in its present shape.

The mandamus bill, arising out of the trouble as to the amount of pay of the members, has been passed and signed by the Governor.

The Governor has vetoed the bill giving pensions to veteran soldiers in the war with Mexico, on the ground of lack of funds in the treasury.

The bill fixing all the sessions of the Supreme Court permanently at Philadelphia was killed, very properly.

The House passed finally the bill allowing defendants to testify in criminal cases.

The bill to compel railroads to fence their lines was killed, as was the bill making owners of horses and cattle responsible for damage done when running at large.

In the Senate an amendment was placed on the bill providing for a constitutional prohibition of the manufacture and sale of liquor in this State, to the effect that no liquor should be brought into the State. The amendment was offered by an enemy of the constitutional amendment bill proper, and was designed to kill the same by improper amendments, it being well known that the State has not the power to interfere with the commerce of other States. Among the Senators voting for this unconstitutional incumbrance to what the people desire, was Mr. Greer of this district. This vote in the Senate may be regarded as fatal to the constitutional reform sought.

We predicted its fate in the Senate some weeks ago as well as the action and vote of Mr. Greer on the same.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES.

The following are the rules adopted by the County Committee, at its last meeting, for the government of the primary elections: 1st. The primary election shall be held at the regular voting place in each election district. 2nd. The election board shall consist of one judge and two clerks, to be chosen by the Republican electors present at the opening of the polls, and said board shall keep a list of all persons voting in each election district, and the list of each vote is polled, numbering the names of the voters as the same is cast and placed in the ballot box. 3rd. Said several boards are instructed not to receive any votes from the Republicans and legally qualified to vote, and no person shall be allowed to vote at any other than his regular voting place. 4th. The Return Judges elected shall meet at the Court House, in Butler, on the day fixed by the County Committee, bringing with them the tally sheet and a certificate of the election board of the number of votes cast for each candidate, and the vote of any district failing to return a list of voters, a tally sheet and certificate of the election officers as aforesaid shall not be counted until the same are produced. 5th. In case of a tie vote between the candidates, the party having the most votes shall be declared the nominee.

Representative Hubbs's New Bill.

Representative Samuel Hubbs, of Philadelphia, read in place in the House a new bill designed to raise revenue for the State by taxation. The provisions of the bill are as follows: For kissing a pretty girl, one dollar. For kissing a homely one, two dollars. The tax is levied in order to break up the custom altogether, it being regarded as a piece of inexcusable absurdity.

For every flirtation, ten cents. For every young man who has more than one girl, five dollars. Counting in the back parlor, twenty-five cents. Counting in romantic places, five dollars, and fifty cents for each time thereafter.

For a girl giving a young man the mitten, five dollars and cost of suit. Seeing a young lady home from church, twenty cents. Failing to see her home, five dollars and cost.—E. E.

Ice in the North Atlantic.

New York, May 28.—At St. Johns, N. F., special says that the season of marine disasters through collision with ice floes in the North Atlantic has already commenced. The large English iron steamship Karzani has just had a narrow escape from total destruction through collision with a floe forty miles east of Gull Island, off Cape John. Her bow was stove in and the forward compartment filled with water. Had she struck abaft the forward compartment all on board must have gone down almost instantaneously. She had a full cargo of copper ore. Through the strenuous exertions of the officers and crew the ship got safely into Bets Cove. The ice pack is now travelling southward, one of the heaviest that ever passed the shores of Newfoundland, and from the average of its southern drift it must within a few days intercept the track of all ocean steamers running between Great Britain and several ports of the United States. There are countless icebergs or unwieldy slabs. During the past few days several of these tremendous Arctic monsters passed within sight of the highlands of St. Johns, one of which was not less than 3,000 feet in length and 500 feet high.

A CARD.

It has been reported in certain parts of this county that I had or would withdraw as a candidate for the office of Register & Recorder. I beg leave to say that the report is untrue; I have not, neither do I intend to withdraw under any circumstances, but humbly submit my case to the Republican voters of the county. J. L. HENRY.

A CARD.

CLINTON TWP., May 20th, 1881. To the Republicans of Butler County: I am unable to canvass the county for the reason of being thrown out of my buggy on the 16th, and getting badly hurt, which unable me to see any of my friends; but hoping you will consider me with the other candidates for the same office, and any favor I may receive will be highly appreciated. Truly yours, WM. HARVEY, Clinton township.

The item in the Millerstown Herald, by its Parker correspondent, to the effect that Capt Storey was canvassing Allegheny township in company with Eli Robinson, of the Eagle, is contradicted by the friends of Mr. Storey. He was in company with Mr. W. C. Adams, Jr., his brother-in-law.

Mr. Wm. McGrew, a candidate for County Auditor, of Franklin township, requests us to state that owing to the long continued and serious illness of his wife he has been unable to call upon many of his Republican friends throughout the county. He hopes that through the kindness of Mr. McGrew, generally will give him a favorable consideration on the day of nomination.

Decorations Day.

Butler was again lively and full of people on Monday last, May 30, in memory of the fallen soldiers during the late Rebellion. The Court House was crowded at the organizing meeting. Gen. John N. Purviance acted as chairman. The following are his remarks on taking the oath: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—I thank you for the distinction of calling me to assist in the proceedings of this large assemblage of my fellow citizens and friends, and the more do I thank you because of the memorable events associated with the occasion, events that cannot pass so long as love of home and country, civil and religious liberty inspire the American heart.

The present is an occasion that impresses grand and solemn emotions of the American people. We have met to pay the annual honors to the memory of the fallen heroes who died in defence of unity of the globe, the unity of our countrymen, and assure the respect and admiration of the civilized world.

Plagues and calamities have arisen throughout the Nation as having elements of the illustrious achievements of the soldiers of the Union Army, exercising powerful influences to inspire generations. And whilst we strew flowers over the graves of the honored dead we are not to be unmindful that they are mingled with the sighs and tears of the living relatives and friends of the deceased soldier. It is an act of sympathy for the grief of the living and patriotic devotion to the memory of the dead, whose agony and whose blood contributed so largely to make our country united, happy and prosperous.

Whilst thousands of our countrymen sleep in unmarked graves, no more to greet their lagging resting place; yet they have a monument more enduring than stone or marble: the American Union is their monument, and the flag of our country with its full number of stars, proclaiming liberty, union, fraternity throughout the land, assuring the honor, safety and welfare of the Republic. The memory of their noble lives and their heroic deaths shall ever live; their great achievements in amelioration of the condition of humanity cannot die. And when we strew flowers upon the graves of the dead let this thought inspire and animate us:— "Here shall the warrior catch his rest, Whose conquering death hath captive bound his feet, With all his marshaled hosts around him."

PROGRAMME: Song, Col. J. A. Danks. Prayer, Rev. T. Wylie. Song, Philharmonic Society. Anthem, M. M. Country. Hymn, "G. A. R. and audience." Gratton, Charles McCandless. Song, "Marching Through Georgia," Col. J. A. Danks and G. A. R. Music, Philharmonic Society. Song, "Should Auld Acquaintance be Forgotten," G. A. R. Closing prayer and benediction, Rev. J. Q. Waters.

After the above the surviving soldiers, with many citizens, all bearing flags, proceeded by the Aaron Sullivan Guards, of this place, and a band of music, proceeded to the different cemeteries of the town and again strewed flowers upon the graves of the soldiers therein buried. After which the people quietly dispersed to their homes. Col. Danks lectured in the Court House in the evening. An account of his remarks will be seen in another place.

Beaver County Nominations.

At ten o'clock last Friday morning the Republican Primary Convention met in the Court House at Beaver. A. M. McCoy was elected temporary Chairman and W. D. Davidson and N. G. Welsh, Secretaries. The counting of the vote was at once proceeded with. Following is the result: For Sheriff, Lyon, 98; Cunningham, 546; Pendleton, 1,888; Welsh, 1,160; Treasurer, Darragh, 554; Alick, 332; Auditor, 329; McGowan, Register and Recorder, Clark, 1,585; Scott, 819; Benham, 415; Clerk of Courts, Griffin, by acclamation. Commissioners, McCaul, 158; Boren 393; Johnson, 969; Reno, 349; Reisinger, 621; McDure, 439; Nelson, 454; Short, 144; Dickey, 325; Spalding, 563; Cleis, 522; Harper, 565; Bracken, 404; Connor, Reed, 951; McVain, 551; Kerr, 255; McPherson, 976. Auditor, Davis, 1,643; Kierpatrick, 1,057; McCuller, 1,158; Barclay, 84; Bright, 760; Reed, 1,188; Cooper, 737. Dr. McKinney, of New Brighton, was elected permanent Chairman, and Jus. Ledlie and H. W. Seelye, Secretaries. Captain C. W. May of Beaver Falls, was selected for Treasurer. A resolution was adopted appointing a committee from Beaver county to confer in regard to the appointment of a delegate to the State Senatorial Convention, was set aside by a motion to adjourn.

Feeble Ladies.

Those languid, tiresome sensations, causing you to feel scarcely able to go on your feet; that constant drain that is taken from your system all its elasticity; driving the bloom from your cheeks; that continual strain upon your vital forces, rendering you irritable and fretful, can easily be removed by the use of that marvelous remedy, Hop Bitters. Irregularities and obstructions of your system are relieved at once, while the special cause of periodical pain is permanently removed. Will you heed this?—Cincinnati Saturday Night.

—Don't judge a man by the umbrella he carries. It may not be his. —Peruna is the greatest and best remedy I ever used. Am well. Jas. Fitzgerald, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Canadian Horror—Over 200 People Drowned in the River.

LONDON, Ont., May 25.—The work of securing the dead from under the wreck of the Victoria is still going actively on. One hundred and seventy bodies have been recovered, and most of them brought to the city. All undertakers' shops are besieged and coffins are going out by the score. The crowds at the river bank and steamer landing have not been diminished. The list of identified is still incomplete. A large number of bodies remain on the ground at Sulphur Springs Baths awaiting claimants. During the day a large number of boats sought the wreck of various excursions leading from the city to the adjoining towns and for others the chief out-door attraction was a series of steamboat excursions on the Thames river. This enjoyment was rendered more attractive from the fact that this was the first day of the season for boats to run regular trips, and this circumstance, in connection with the public holiday, naturally drew large crowds of pleasure seekers to the river. The trips were made down the river, distance about four miles, to Springfield place, a popular resort, where the city water works are located, and three or four local steamboats took down large loads of excursionists at regular intervals throughout the day. About five o'clock in the afternoon, the Victoria, a large steamer from the dock on her fourth and last trip for the day, with a large load of passengers of all ages, variously estimated at from 400 to 600. All went well on the down trip. It is thought that the boat was so heavily loaded that she dipped water in small quantities occasionally when the crowd would appear to surge to the railing side of the boat. When about half way home, a slight commotion on the boat, said by some to have been the playful pranks of a number of youths on the lower deck, and by others ascribed to the boat striking on a snag, caused the crowd of curiosity to step to the one side, and as the side of the boat sank with the additional weight, a column of water fell from the deck into the river, striking on the lower deck, which was crowded with passengers. Instantly the crowd on both decks rushed to the opposite side and their weight, together with the water dipped by the boat, caused a lurch in the opposite direction. Then it was that the disaster occurred. The side of the boat sank in the water to the depth of one or two feet, and the passengers began slipping and falling down into the river, taking with it many passengers who were stunned by the fall of the upper decks. Scores sank in the water without an effort, while many others were precipitated into the river and their heads and limbs were seen floating in the air with their vain appeals for aid. The boat sank in a few moments, and the passengers were struggling to save themselves from slipping down into the river, the station supporting the upper decks suddenly gave way and the whole structure with its load of human beings came down on those who were below, crushing them on the deck and rendering escape out of the question. It is impossible to describe the scene that followed. The boat cuttings, as they slipped down into the river, taking with it many passengers who were stunned by the fall of the upper decks. Scores sank in the water without an effort, while many others were precipitated into the river and their heads and limbs were seen floating in the air with their vain appeals for aid. 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