

BUTLER CITIZEN.

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GONE—1881—write now—1882.

HON. S. H. MILLER, member in Congress for this district, has been appointed by Speaker Keifer on the important committees of Territories and Elections.

PROF. R. M. McNEAL, now of Wisconsin, Dauphin county, but formerly of Huntingdon county, this State, was one of the able instructors at our Teachers' Institute last week.

CYRUS CLARK, of New Castle, late banker and president of the New Castle and Franklin Railroad Company, has been arrested for perjury, on information of Walter S. Crawford, of New Castle.

QUITEAU announced at the adjournment of the court on Saturday last, that he would receive visitors on New Year's day, and invited all to call on him in prison. His latest idea is that he can "laugh the case out of court."

The Republican State Central Committee has been called to meet in Philadelphia on January 11th, this day a week, for the purpose, as stated, of fixing a time and place for holding the Republican State Convention. This early call for a meeting of the Committee would seem to indicate a call for an early Convention. But we cannot believe it possible that another snap judgment is contemplated on the people, such as that of this time two years ago. Should it be so, it will prove a death blow to the bosses, inflicted by themselves. The masses of the Republican party will not be taken advantage of again, and have given fair notice to that effect. There cannot be a single reason given for the State Convention being held earlier than May or June, and we will await with considerable interest to see what may be the result of this Committee meeting.

HOW TO OVERTHROW IT.

The Executive Committee of Independent Republicans, of which Senator Stewart, of Franklin, is Chairman, has issued an address to the Republican voters of Pennsylvania, in which it is shown how the machine bosses may be overthrown and deprived of their power. The address will be found in another place in this paper and concludes as follows: "Without making any personal warfare, we are enlisted in a campaign against the arbitrary and debasing methods that have divided and weakened a party which should be united and harmonious. And now the occasion is at hand for you to redeem your party or increase its perils. A State Convention will soon be called to place in nomination candidates for high and important offices. Shall that convention be composed of men who can and will, despite the solicitation and influence of centralized power, reflect your wishes and be true to the best interests of the party, or shall it be composed of those whose sense of political duty is obedience to personal rule, and peaceful submission to its extravagant exactions? It is for you to say, and as you determine in your primary meetings and county conventions so it must be."

NEW COUNTY OFFICERS.

The commissions of the new county officers have been received by them and they appeared on Monday to qualify and assume the duties of their respective offices.

The commission of the Hon. A. D. Weir, Associate Judge elect, was presented to the Court on Monday, read and the oath of office administered to him by his Honor Judge Bredin, when Judge Weir took his seat on the bench.

For the vacancy in the office of County Commissioner, made so by the death of Mr. Thomas I. Wilson, petitions were presented to the Court in behalf of James Collins, James D. Lytle, George W. Wilson and Robert Gillespie, Esq., for the appointment to fill said vacancy. Judge Bredin very promptly stated that he considered Mr. Collins was of right entitled to the appointment and therefore the Court appointed him. The office was conceded to belong to the Democrats, and as Mr. Collins was the candidate of that party, although unsuccessful, had been voted for by the people at the polls, these considerations, with others mentioned, the Court thought should rule the case.

The other two Commissioners, Capt. Hays and Chas. Cochran, Esq., filed their bonds and were duly installed in office. Mr. Collins, we learn, will do so in a few days. We have not learned whom the new board have chosen as their clerk. There are several applicants.

Thomas Donaghy, Sheriff elect; M. N. Greer, Prothonotary; W. B. Dodds, Clerk of Courts; H. W. Christie, Register & Recorder; J. Harvey Miller, Treasurer; J. H. Shannon, G. W. Crow and J. M. Louden, Auditors, and William Kennedy, Coroner, all have been qualified to act and have entered upon the discharge of the duties of their respective offices. They are all competent for the public places they are to fill and capable of giving satisfaction to the people of the county, which we have no doubt they will endeavor to do.

REPUBLICAN REFORM.

EFFORTS TO RESTORE HARMONY AND UNITY IN THE PARTY.—ADDRESS OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee of the independent Republicans of the State have issued the following address:

To the Republicans of Pennsylvania: We address you in the interest of that political organization, to which we are alike attached, and whose continued supremacy in both State and Nation we alike desire.

We share with you just pride in our party's past achievements, and believe with you that, signal and honorable as those have been, its mission is not yet complete. The present has political issues of magnitude and importance, and the near future will unfold others which must challenge equal, if not greater, attention and care. Through more than twenty years, the onward march of our party, the onward march of the country has been the history of the Republican party, and by its unvarying devotion to human liberty and equal rights, by its character and its inspirations, this party is best qualified to settle and adjust these questions as they arise, and to give to the country continued safe repose. So you believe, and so do we.

No one can be indifferent to such considerations as these, and it is, therefore, with deep concern for the future usefulness of our party that we assume to address you at this time. What we have more directly and immediately in view is to keep, if possible, our party united and steadfast in her allegiance. The importance of Pennsylvania as a factor in national politics is manifest. In the present condition of things Republican ascendancy in the general Government can only be maintained by her continued support, and the question which presents itself to your consideration is—how can this be secured?

That a great majority of the voters of Pennsylvania are thoroughly and earnestly Republican in their views and sympathies we do not doubt. The political record of twenty years attests their approval and acceptance of the doctrines and principles of the party. But while this is true, it is equally manifest that their party allegiance has been weakened, and that discontent and dissatisfaction prevail.

We need no other evidence of this than the fact that at the last general election over 40,000 Republicans declared their support to the party's candidate, and gave it to an individual, without asserting their devotion to Republican principles and their earnest desire for the party's ascendancy. Experience shows that men are not easily shaken in their party allegiance, and when dissatisfaction finds expression in such emphatic tone it may safely be assumed that evils exist in the party that need to be corrected. This protest was not against repugnant methods of party management. It was an earnest demand, pregnant with warning, that the Republican party should henceforth be true to itself; that its convictions and preferences should find free and honest expression, and that its representatives convey to the people the true and correct will of the party rather than the decrees of a political junta.

The truth is not to be disguised, nor, indeed, can it be. Repeated instances of our State Conventions violently disregarding the popular preference in candidates, and assuming powers which did not rightfully belong to them, at the dictation of a few, are fresh in your recollection. This subservience, it is true, was followed by your just indignation; but only to be repeated by succeeding conventions. The result is before you in the last general election. Whether the existing grievances and abuses justified such action, or whether such action is the best method to correct them, it is no part of our purpose to inquire. It was the protest of the men who made it, and they alone are responsible for it. Others, equally sincere in their condemnation, preferred other remedies. It is not our business to approve or censure. We desire to see the party restored to harmony, a united party and better methods. These can be secured in no other way than by the removal of all just cause of complaint. The party needs, and if it is to succeed in the future, must have a sure and speedy deliverance from the tyranny of personal dictation, the policy of proscription, and the punishment for those who dare to oppose the rule of an oligarchy must be abandoned; the popular will must be consulted and respected, and the power of the party be used for higher purposes than the bestowal of offices upon unworthy favorites and dependents.

That so many can be accomplished by proper effort, without resorting to revolutionary methods, we do not doubt. Political control becomes centered in the hands of the few only by the neglect and indifference of the many. The source of political power is in the primaries. These give expression and character to your large conventions. If they are to be managed by the management and control of men whose interest in politics rises no higher than the hope of office or patronage for themselves, no reform can be expected. But they need not be, and should not be. It is only because we most interested in the cause of good government fail to participate in these important assemblies that they are ever prevented and made to work such great evils. If by any effort the masses of the Republican party can be incited to active participation in these primary contests the work of reformation will not only have begun, but will be completed. The selfish will be compelled to give way to the many whose party fealty is not dependent upon patronage nor sustained by plunder.

The occasion is at hand for you to redeem your party, or increase its peril. A State Convention will soon be called, to place in nomination candidates for high and important offices. Shall that convention be composed of men who can and will, despite the solicitation and influence of centralized power, reflect your wishes and be true to the best interests of the party; or shall it be composed of those whose sense of political duty is obedience to personal rule, and peaceful submission to its extravagant exactions? It is for you to say, and as you determine in your primary meetings, and County Conventions, so it must be.

Our only purpose in this address is to call your attention to the magnitude of the evils which exist; the extreme danger in which they have placed us as a party, and to urge you to exert yourselves in the only way which promises relief or safety. We have no interest in the matter, except that which we share in common with all who desire the success of the party for the common good. In that cause we enjoin upon you the importance of making the next State Convention a thoroughly representative body of the Republicans of the Commonwealth. The just sense of the party demands, and has a right to demand, that the delegates shall come from the people through their legitimate local representative conventions, and that the State Convention shall be held at a time which will permit the fair, full and deliberate expression of the party will. Without making any personal warfare, we are enlisted in a campaign against the arbitrary and debasing methods that have divided and weakened a party which should be united and harmonious. In this undertaking we appeal to you for your earnest and active cooperation.

JOHN STEWART, J. M. W. GEIST, WM. McMICHAEL, WILLIAM T. DAVIS, THOMAS W. PHILLIPS, HUGH S. FLEMING, J. W. LEE.

TO OUR PATRONS.

Mark! the glad, grand New Year bells! How merrily they ring upon the air, Sending thrills of mirth everywhere; What hopes, what memories, their chiming tell.

Good patrons all, a kind good morn, The old year's dead—the newer born; And I again am on my feet, As weekly, I have been before, Bearing, this time, the annual song, As our New Year for ages long.

I can't now of foreign lands, Or of our own far-off strand; Of deeds of valor, things long past, Of sunny days or skies o'ercast; Of the more or less of our life, We see and know but not in dream.

Our town, which once was but a vill, Is now a city, growing still, And when the locomotives scream, They'll scare the ancient, howling owls, And sweet peace reign among the fowls.

The old cleft rock across from still, Where oft times sat in moonlight still, To gleams in sunset's soft glow, And boys in many a summer day, Cutting their names deep on its face, That time thereafter might them trace.

Where May Harbison once slept, And where the old mill stood; The wedge and sledge has leveled down: Gone, this old landmark of the town— No more the river runs of old, And that old thing shall no longer stand.

And Bald Ridge, too, demands a verse, The story's short, 'twill bear retelling; Out from its rocks, by ardent will, And over, forth rivers run of oil; And from its bosom to the sea, The pipe line bears the argosy.

But passing, I must drop a tear On David Lough's lonely bier; Philosopher! and three men's age; He's gone forever from life's stage— Long as "Dough" and "Lough" are seen, His memory will ever green.

When but a youth, he sought the wild Untrodden western paths—a child Of Nature, he roamed Nature sought; To gleams that shone in sunset's glow, The ways, the manners of mankind, And strength of body, grasp of mind.

Of politics, I take no note, But leave this time to those who vote; And when the boys are taught the road to fame, And all will other foes be slain, And all will other foes be slain, And all will other foes be slain.

Our public schools a noble claim, Where boys are taught the road to fame; And girls, when grown, in after lives, To make, for husbands, goodly wives, And ever, for their sakes, be true, To love with simple, ardent love.

Great Garfield, I cannot forget, Elected, murdered! not even yet, His name shall be a national glory; On him who laid the patriot low, But soon—as sure as rolls the wave, Comes will fill his vacant throne.

Dear Garfield! while the country lives, Thy name shall be a national glory; Historians, will to future age, Tell all thy deeds on history's page; And when the boys are taught the road to fame, Thy name to friends will never yet; For heart that's true will never forget.

For Uncle Sam or Canada's sake, My song is ended, I go my way, God bless you all, my simple prayer; To every one, life's blessings, a share, And, I'll call to see you another day.

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A Reading of Speculative Insurance Policies.

READING, Dec. 30.—The dupes of the death-rate insurance companies who met a month ago and agreed to burn their policies, assembled at Heydt's farm, in District township, Berks county, on Sunday, and carried out the program outlined at the former meeting.

Thomas Heydt, who had policies amounting to \$35,000 on aged people and who had been swindled out of several thousand dollars in assessments, was the leader of the movement. The people commenced to assemble early in the day, and by three o'clock a large party had congregated to take part in the ceremony.

The policy-holders formed in line, and headed by a band, proceeded to the vicinity of the tavern, where preparations for the cremation were going on. The meeting was organized by selecting Mr. Heydt as president; Jefferson Ranch, Jacob Dieroff, Joseph Kemp, Conrad, Daniel Haag, Charles Boyer, Jacob Frohman, Abraham Benfield, John Heydt, Jerome Reichert, W. H. Handis, Samuel Schaefer, Samuel Herbst, and James Reppert, vice presidents; and Peter Dotere, Adam Mensch and N. Heydt, secretaries.

Short speeches were made by several of the victims who related their experiences, and denounced the speculative system of insurance in strong terms. The policies were then strung together and fastened to a pole erected in the center of the crowd. A little girl, a niece of Mr. Heydt, applied the torch which set fire to the mass of paper, and soon nothing was left of the policies but ashes.

During the burning, which lasted about ten minutes, the band played a lively tune, while the more prominent participants formed hands and danced around the pole. When the party had tried of this fun the policy holders went to the tavern and partook of a collation. The evening was spent in dancing and other festivities. It is thought that this action at Heydt's will be followed by similar proceedings in other parts of the county, and the policy cremation sport bids fair to take the place of the old fashioned battalion day celebration, for which this section has become famous.

WASHINGTON, December 27.—District Attorney Corkhill said to-night that the Government had expected to submit the Giteau case to the jury this week, but the defence having concluded to bring in additional "expert" witnesses, he could predict no limit for the trial. The prosecutor said, however, that more expert witnesses, and would put them on the stand to strengthen the case more fully. These witnesses, Colonel Corkhill said, will testify positively that they consider Giteau perfectly sane, and that he is acting the part of a maniac. When the time comes for delivering the closing argument, Corkhill thinks the government can present their case in one day, but thinks the defence will require several days time.

MARRIED. KELLEY—CONWAY.—By Rev. George W. Bean, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29, 1881, at the residence of Rev. Samuel Kerr, Mr. G. L. Kelley and Miss Mary E. Conway, of Venango county, Pa.

WINNER—TEETS.—In Allegheny City, Pa. on Dec. 22, 1881, by Rev. E. Swift, at No. 283, North Ave., Mr. John S. Winner, formerly of Penn township, this county, and Miss Alice M. Teets, both of Allegheny City, Pa.

MATES—MCKINNEY.—On Dec. 28th, 1881, at the residence of Rev. Samuel Kerr, Mr. J. W. McKinney, of Penn township, this county, and Miss Jennie F. McKinney, of Allegheny City, Pa.

BREKIN—BREMEN.—At Leechburg, Armstrong county, Dec. 29, 1881, by Rev. H. D. Sloan, Mr. J. S. Brekin, brother of S. F. Brekin, Esq., of this place, and Miss Susie S. Bremen, of Leechburg.

MILLER—JAMISON.—By Rev. J. R. Coulter, assisted by Rev. John C. McCreedy, Dec. 28, 1881, Mr. John F. Miller and Miss Carrie E. Jamison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Jamison, of Venango township, this county.

SLOAN—DAVIDSON.—On Dec. 29, 1881, at Farmington, Butler Co., Pa., to Miss Ella Davidson, of Scrubgrass twp., Venango Co., Pa.

DEATHS. EAKIN.—In Connoquessing township, this county, Dec. 26, 1881, Mr. John J. Eakin, aged 82 years.

BRIGHTON.—On Saturday, Dec. 17, 1881, at the home of J. C. Beigle, John Adam son of Peter and Susanna Mulheisen Beigle, born in Connoquessing township, Feb. 26, 1810, baptised by Rev. Stephen B. May, Dec. 18, 1818. He was buried at the Stone Church, Dec. 18.

CLARK.—Of dropsical dyspepsia, on the 19th of December, 1881, Mrs. Margaret Scott Clark, wife of Rev. James A. Clark, Prospect, Butler county, Pa.

MOYER.—In this place, on Thursday, Dec. 22, 1881, John Moyer, aged 73 years. His remains were taken to Harmony for interment.

MARTINCOCK.—In Prospect, this county, on Sunday, Dec. 25, 1881, John Martincock, Esq., in the 76th year of his age.

Mr. Martincock was one of the most intelligent and best citizens of our county. He was a man of fine business qualifications and of the greatest integrity. His death is deeply regretted by all who knew him. He leaves a widow and several children to mourn his loss.

Subscribe for the CITIZEN.

Notice in Partition.

In the Orphan's Court of Butler county, Pa., No. 6, Dec. Term, 1881. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Butler county, ss: WHEREAS, on the 8th day of December, A. D. 1881, Margaret Lemmon, intermarried with J. M. H. Mellon; Harriet, intermarried with L. O. Frazer; Elizabeth, intermarried with John Kiseick and Sarah E., and Nancy Lemmon, daughters of John Lemmon, late of township, Allegheny county, deceased, and grand-daughters of Thomas Lemmon, late of their township (formerly Connoquessing), Butler county, deceased, presented their petition to said Court, setting forth inter alia that the said Thomas Lemmon died on or about the 1st day of

1851, intestate and seized in his demise as of fee, of and in a message and tract of land situate in said township of Butler (formerly Connoquessing), county of Butler, bounded laterally on the east by Peter Graver and John Heydt; on the west by Ferdinand Reiber, Esq., and Duffell's heirs; on the south by William Short, and on the north by John Hinson and John Alshouse heirs, and containing one hundred and twenty-five (125) acres, and one hundred and twenty-five (125) perches, more or less, with the appurtenances; that they are children of the said John Lemmon, deceased, and that they are the legal representatives of the said John Lemmon, deceased, who was a son of the said Thomas Lemmon, deceased, and that to each of them the said petitioners it belongs to have the equal and just share of the said one-seventh part of said real estate in fee; setting forth the names and residences of Lewis Patton, Jacksonport, and the said Thomas Lemmon, deceased, so far as known; that no partition of the said real estate had been made, and praying the court to award an inquest to make partition of the same to and amongst the parties entitled thereto, according to law, and that the said inquest should be held at Butler in said county, and that the said partition should be made according to the said petition; and that the said petitioners were duly verified by the affidavit of the said petitioners; whereupon the Court, on the 20th day of December, 1881, ordered a rule to show cause on the parties named and interested therein, to be served personally on all parties within the County, and that the said rule should be published according to the rules of court, to appear at the next term of court and show cause why they should not have the premises should not be awarded and made as prayed for in said petition—returnable to next term.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the said order of court notice is hereby given to the heirs and legal representatives of Hugh Lemmon, deceased, the heirs and legal representatives of Thomas Lemmon, Jr., deceased, the heirs and legal representatives of David Lemmon, deceased, the heirs and legal representatives of Jane Lemmon, deceased, intermarried with Wilson Rebecca Lemmon, intermarried with Halstead, and the heirs and legal representatives of John Lemmon, deceased, heirs and legal representatives of the said Thomas Lemmon, deceased, as named in said petition, and all others interested therein of the said proceedings in partition; and to this end we command you and each of you that laying aside all business and excuses whatsoever, you and each of you be and appear in your proper persons before the Court, on Monday the 6th day of March, A. D. 1882, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, at the Court House at Butler, in said county, to show cause if any you have why an inquest to make partition or valuation of the real estate of the said Thomas Lemmon, deceased, should not be awarded as prayed for in said petition, and herein fail.

Witness the Honorable E. McKinley, this 23rd day of December, A. D. 1881, Sheriff.

H. H. GOUGHNER, Attorney for Petitioners.

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NOTICE IN DIVORCE.

Samuel L. Strain vs. Harriet Strain. In the Court of Common Pleas, Butler county, Pa., A. D. No. 2, 1881. 1881. In Divorce.

And now, to wit: December 30th, 1881, as motion of A. T. Black, attorney for Harriet, in open Court, and it appearing by the Sheriff's return to subpoena and also subpoena in the above entitled cause, that respondent cannot be found in this county, publication is awarded according to law, returnable to next term. BY THE COURT.

THE RESPONDENT, HARRIET STRAIN, is hereby notified that she should appear in your proper person before our judges at Butler, at the Court on Monday, the 14th day of January, 1882, to show cause why she should not be held on the 5th day of March, A. D. 1882, next, to answer the petition of the said Samuel L. Strain, and to show cause why she should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in this behalf made. W. H. JOHNSON, Clerk of the Court.

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A. TROUTMAN, BUTLER, PA.

Aug. 24.

Jury Lists for January and February Special Terms, '82.

List for week commencing third Monday of January, 1882, being the 16th day.

Joseph Hanlan, Donnell farmer. D J Cochran, Mercer, farmer. J O Shanon, Connoquessing N. farmer. W E Byers, Helderberg, carpenter. E V Rigney, Karns City, butcher. B N Kelsy, Fairview, west. James Miller, Jacksonport, farmer. Nicholas Root, Clearfield, farmer. Joseph Frier, Connoquessing S. farmer. James S. McCreedy, Clearfield, farmer. H E Wick, Slipperyrock, lumber dealer. James S. McCreedy, Clearfield, farmer. Sylvanus Cooper, Slipperyrock, farmer. John Bickel, Butler borough, merchant. Valentine Reiger, Clearfield. Wm. C. H. Helderberg, laborer. Wm. Cleland, Madsyrevoc. James F. Miller, Butler borough. H W Waasen, Washington. H W Knoke, Pottsville. Albert Shuman, Jefferson. D K Shakley, Fairview west. William Allen, Allegheny. Wm. West, Fairview west. Josiah Kelly, Parker. James L. Chambers, Venango. David Stewart, Venango. John Gable, Washington. John Levin, Marston. George E. Helderberg, Clearfield. Lewis Brown, Clearfield. Michael Hecker, Buffalo. James Bartlett, Fairview. B. A. Helderberg, Venango. J G Mather, Mercer. Lewis Patton, Jacksonport. John Young, Butler township. Wm. McKisson, Mercer. J. H. L. Leno, Clearfield. J M Deere, Fairview east. W P Miller, Washington. George E. Helderberg, Clearfield. Albert Crankshaw, Winfield. George Trimbauer, Summit.

List of Jurors for week commencing 5th Monday of January, 1882, being the 30th day.