

THE REPUBLICAN.

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Write it 1893.

The rabbit season closed on the 1st of the New Year.

Mrs. R. M. Stormont is confined to her room with illness.

Thomas Sheehan of Jamison City, spent Christmas with friends at LaPorte.

Christmas was a wintery day in every respect. It snowed, blowed and froze.

James McMarlane Esq., of LaPorte, spent Christmas with his family in New Jersey.

There is one lucky thing about spoiled children—we never have them in our own family.

Ambrose Farrell of Lopez and Miss Hannah Gilligan of Cherry, were married on Tuesday.

Judging from the business our landlords are doing—they will soon be able to wear diamonds.

Richmond Reynolds of South Montrose, was visiting friends at LaPorte and the 'Mere, last week.

Geo. W. Simmons of Sonestown, called and renewed his subscription to the REPUBLICAN, on Monday.

Our walks and road beds were covered with ice on Monday and pedestrians had a hard time to move about.

On Sunday, the first day of the New Year, it rained very hard in this section. At intervals it came down in torrents.

The wheels of the legislative mill at Harrisburg are now in motion, and the grist promises to be large and important.

Judge Yonkin, while in attendance at special court, Monday, called and renewed his subscription to the REPUBLICAN.

During the past three weeks there has been eleven accidents to employees on the railroad. Two of which have proved fatal.

Sheriff Mahaffey moved to the county seat on Tuesday the 27th of Dec. and is now looking after the guests of the county jail.

Jury commissioners—Geo. W. Simmons and C. Caseman, were busy filling the jury wheel for 1893, on Monday and Tuesday.

W. T. Watrous of Johnsonburg, formerly of LaPorte and Miss Minnie Decker, of Johnsonburg, were married on Thursday Dec. 22.

As a rule, a man who has a mustache he can twist, or whiskers he can stroke, is three times as long making up his mind as one who hasn't.

The cold weather has already made ice sufficiently thick for cutting and storing, and parties in town have begun filling their ice houses.

Mr. Spencer of LaPorte has sold his saw mill, on Main St., to James McFarlane & Co. The machinery will be removed to the second ward in early spring.

Improvements about Lake Mokoma will progress in dead earnest next spring. The Land Company contemplate beautifying the surroundings of the lake in the extreme during 1893.

J. W. Ballard the LaPorte blacksmith and his apprentice, Byron Williams shod 40 horses all around on Monday, making a total of 160 shoes put on in one day. Who of our Sullivan county blacksmiths can beat this?

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Chase and daughter Miss Ada, spent Christmas with friends at LaPorte. The Mrs. and daughter remained several days of last week with her people, Mr. Wm. Meyler and family.

Mrs. M. C. Mercur, whose girlhood days were spent in Athens, is getting out a book of poems, entitled "Cosmos," to represent Sullivan county poetically at the World's Fair.—Athens News.

Mrs. Snyder mother-in-law of James Gansel of LaPorte twp., died at the residence of Mr. Gansel on Friday last aged 86 years. Deceased was buried in the Lutheran cemetery at Dushore, on Monday.

Elkland Grange will hold a public installation of the newly elected officers for the ensuing year, at Estella, on Tuesday evening January 10th. D. K. Little was elected master, E. J. Stardevant secretary.

The county commissioners made the following appointments on Monday viz:

For mercantile appraiser, J. J. Low; clerk, R. M. Stormont; council, B. S. Collins; physician, W. B. Hill; janitor Stewart Chase.

Thomas Houlihan, a Pit Boss on the Railroad Blowed Twenty Feet in the Air.

Thos. Houlihan a pit boss on the railroad, met with a fearful accident, on Friday last at about 9:30 A. M. He was engaged in sloping along the grade at the head waters of Lake Mokoma and tamped and set off two blasts a few feet apart. One exploded in due time and the other was slow and Mr. Houlihan walked up feeling assured that the fuse had gone out and when within one step of the hole it exploded. He was thrown twenty or more feet in the air and struck in the pit which is sixteen feet deep, making a fall of thirty-six feet. His right leg and one arm was broken and his face badly bruised. Two or three knuckles on his left hand were knocked out of place and in fact he was a badly bruised up man. He was placed in a cart and taken to the commissary at the lake where he was given attention by Dr. Hill and on Saturday was taken to the Reading Hospital. The doctor expressed his recovery doubtful.

Mr. Houlihan is a temperance man and was well liked by his associates. He is a member of three societies, one a temperance organization and from these societies he will draw something like \$18. a week benefits.

LATTER:—Houlihan died at the Reading Hospital on Sunday Jan. 1st.

Two Little Children Burned to Death With Home and Household Goods.

The home of George Hess of Muncy Valley, was discovered on fire Friday evening at about 5:30 P. M. and in the sitting room were two little children, one 22 months and the other five months old. All efforts were made to save the children, but of no avail. Mr. Joseph Gansel was the first person to observe the fire and on opening the door the blaze gushed out most terrific and he was forced to retreat. Others made an attempt to rescue the infants, but were likewise forced back. The building and all its contents were consumed in the blaze at a rapid rate. The fire is attributed to the explosion of a lamp which Mrs. Hess had lighted and placed on a table after which, had stepped into a neighbor's house to inquire after her husband whom she was waiting supper on.

The two infants constituted Mr. and Mrs. Hess' family and they are nearly distracted over the sad affair. The charred remains of the little ones were placed at rest in the Sonestown cemetery, on Sunday Jan. 1st, the Rev. Mr. J. F. Gass officiating.

General Farmers' Institute.

The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Board of Agriculture and General Farmers' Institute will be held in the Supreme Court room at Harrisburg on Wednesday and Thursday, January 25 and 26. It is the intention of the board that this meeting shall be strictly in the interest of farmers and for the discussion of topics of interest to them. For the purpose of accomplishing this object it is earnestly requested that all Granges, Alliances, Farm Clubs, Agricultural and Horticultural societies, and other interested organizations will send delegates to represent them in the discussion of such topics as shall come before the meeting. It is the desire of the board that all agricultural organizations will, through their delegates, or in any other manner, furnish the secretary with such questions as they may wish to have discussed, and a question box will be kept on the secretary's desk in which any proper question may be placed and at the close of the session be referred to some one competent to answer.

There were two or three Italians badly hurt in a blow up of dynamite along the railroad in the vicinity of the Summit, on Saturday. It seems a pit boss had, by the use of wages split a large stone at the foot of a quarry and had placed a quantity of dynamite in the crease of the same leaving the wage remain in the crease. During the absence of the boss to make preparations to fire the shot three Italians came along evidently in search of wages and seeing the one mentioned in the rock knocked it out. The weight and jar of the rock coming together exploded the dynamite within and sent the Italians reeling to the ground. One was quite seriously hurt while the other two will, in a few days, be able to answer to their number.

The Presidential electors of this state will meet at Harrisburg next Monday, and go through the formality of casting the vote expressing the will of the majority.

Three Men Injured in a Blow Up of Dynamite Which was Being Warmed at a Camp Fire Along the Line of Railroad.

At about 11 A. M. Friday Dec. 23, while dynamite was being warmed by a camp fire at the McCaffrey pit near Philip Karge's twenty-five sticks of the deadly explosive took fire. Two drivers passed by at the time, one a colored man perhaps 22 years of age named Nathan Jennings and the other Luther Smith a white boy both of Indiana county. The colored man seeing the dynamite burning went to throw that which was on fire away, thus saving the balance. Just as he was in the act of stooping to pick up the stuff, it exploded. He was thrown thirty feet and was cut about the head in a fearful manner. On the forehead over the right eye there is a gash some four or five inches in length and the flesh plowed out leaving a gap of one inch. Back of the right ear is a deep cut which was considered more dangerous than the one on the forehead. He was a sad and sickening sight to behold. Smith the other driver with his horse stood on the graded road some ten feet away. He was struck on the jaw with a stone and felled to the earth. A piece of rock was taken out of his jaw as large as a good sized marble. McCaffrey who was boss of the works was coming out of the pit just as the explosion took place and was hit on the left breast with a stone. Two horses were knocked down and dazed. On regaining, they ran in the opposite direction at a lively gate. The wounded men were taken to W. R. Mahan's camp which is only a short distance from the place of the accident and cared for.

It is pretty hard to say who was in the fault of the accident. Old railroad men say that dynamite cannot be exploded by fire unless a cap is set off. The latter, they say will explode by heat and of course the jar would set off the dynamite sticks. Now the question arises—were these dynamite caps carelessly left by the fire. We in company with R. M. Stormont and Paddy Quinn visited the place of the mishap a few hours after the explosion and in the charcoal where the fire had been Mr. Quinn picked up a cap which was perfectly good and also a piece of burnt fuse. An explanation which of course was mere supposition, was cited to us like this. That possibly a cap had been placed on this piece of fuse and the same carelessly laid down by the fire, a spark igniting the fuse, hence, the explosion of the cap, followed by the dynamite. There are two theories of how the cap found in the charcoal came there, one, that it might have been placed in the vicinity of where it was found at the time of the arranging of the fuse and the other, it might have fallen out of either of the men's pockets or fallen out of the tool box which was knocked to splinters.

The affair shows carelessness on somebody's part which should not reign where the lives of hundreds of men are endangered.

Dr. Hill was called and dressed the wounds of the injured men. LATTER:—The Doc. informs us that the injured trio are getting along very nicely. The young man Smith and McCaffrey have returned to work. The negro is doing well and will return to his home the latter part of this week. He says he has had railroading enough.

A drive way is being graded around Lewis' Lake, The Eagles-Mere Land Co. are having the work done which is under the charge of E. S. Chase. The clearing of the right of way on the north side is about completed and the work of grading will commence in early spring. Mr. Chase informs us that a good half mile of the road on the north side of the lake will be perfectly level and will afford a fine opportunity of speeding the numerous fast horses that are brought to the 'Mere by sojourners. The road bed will be 40 feet in width and the half mile spoken of will be beautiful and shady.

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TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH ELECTIONS.

How They Must Be Conducted Under the New Law.

[Reporter-Journal.]

Every voter is doubtless aware that the February elections must be held under the provisions of the new ballot law, but what the requirements of that law, as applied to our local elections are, very few have an intelligent idea. So far as the voting itself is concerned the methods of last fall's elections and those of next month are the same, but the manner of nominating the ticket, preparing the ballots, and arranging other preliminaries are radically different. The old ways of conducting our local elections had been so long in vogue and the people had become so familiar with the few and simple regulations that governed them that there is great danger that the necessary preparations for the local elections, under the new law, may be deferred so late as to seriously complicate matters if they do not in some cases prevent a legal election. Heretofore very little form has been observed in the matter of the nomination of candidates for the local offices, but hereafter nominations must be regularly made and properly certified. Official and sample ballots must be printed and distributed prior to the day of election as required by the Baker ballot law. After a careful study of the Act we submit the following for the information of the public:

I. Nominations can be made for the several offices at a primary meeting of electors under the rules of a political party entitled to certify nominations under the Act, or by nomination papers as provided by the Act.

II. Such primary meetings should have a president, and at least one secretary, who are to certify all nominations and be sworn or affirmed thereto, and a certificate of the oath or affirmation is to be attached to the certificate of nomination.

III. Certificates of nominations of candidates for township and borough offices, election officers and school directors are to be filed with the auditors of the respective township or borough at least ten days, and nomination papers at least seven days before the day of election.

IV. Certificates of nomination and nomination papers, being filed as above stated and being in conformity with the said Act, will be deemed valid unless objections are made to them in writing within three days of the last day for filing such certificates. Formal objections are to be filed with the auditors and decided by them. Other objections are to be filed in the Court of Common Pleas of the respective county and thereby heard and decided.

V. In undivided townships and boroughs one primary meeting and one certificate is all that will be required of each political party. But where a township is divided into two or more election districts, more will be required. Take for illustration Davidson township, which is divided into two election districts. A primary meeting must be held by each party in each election district for the nomination of election officers and a registry assessor of such election district, and both districts must jointly nominate, by conference or otherwise, and certify candidates for the township offices to be voted for at large in the township. Three primaries and three certificates in that township will therefore be required by each political party in order to be represented on the official ballot.

VI. The auditors of each township and borough are to cause all the ballots to be used therein to be printed and distributed, and to certify the expense thereof to the County Commissioners for payment. The ballots are to be printed in the manner and form required by the Act. They are to print and distribute in each election district seventy-five ballots for every fifty and fraction of fifty voters on the assessor's list, and an equal number of specimen ballots, and to obtain from the County Commissioners cards of instruction. They are to deliver the said ballots and cards of instruction to the Judge of Election the day before the day of election.

VII. On election day, the election is to be conducted in precisely the same manner as was the late November election. We have thus briefly outlined the requirements of the law so far as they relate to the preparation of the official ballot to be used at the February elections. We have fifteen election districts in Sullivan county. The ballots used in each district will of course be different. A responsible duty is imposed by the Act upon the township and borough auditors and they should exercise the utmost care in the performance of it, and thereby avoid any possible question as to the validity of the election. In order to give ample time in which to perform the duty imposed upon them by the Act, we would urge the holding of primaries for the nomination of the candidates by all political parties at an early day and the filing of the requisite certificates, or nomination papers, more than the minimum time of ten and seven days respectively before the day of election. Blank certificates will be furnished by the County Commissioners to be used by the officers of the primary meetings in certifying nominations to the township and borough auditors as required by the Act. TOWNSHIP OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED. 1 Judge of Election. 2 Inspectors. 2 School Directors. Justice of the Peace if term has expired. 1 Constable for 3 years. 1 Road Commissioner. 1 Auditor. 1 Treasurer. 1 Town Clerk. 1 Collector of Taxes. In addition to above all vacancies that may have occurred in any office will be filled for the unexpired term of said office. Where a township has been divided into separate election districts the following officers must be elected for each district: 1 Judge of election for each district. 2 Inspectors of Election for each district. 1 Assistant Assessor for each district—to make the registry of voters for the same. BOROUGH OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED. 1 Judge of Election. 2 Inspectors of Election. 2 School Directors. Justice of the Peace if term expires. 1 Constable for 3 years. 1 Burgess if any be elected. Council. 1 Auditor. 1 Treasurer if any to be elected. 1 Collector of Taxes. All vacancies that may have occurred in any office will be filled for the unexpired term of such office. The manner of electing Burgess and Council in the several boroughs differs so much that it is impossible for us to give the number elected in each borough. There has been some controversy in regard to the election of constables and the term of their office. The Act of 1889 is as follows: Sec. 1. That the qualified voters of every borough and township, and when a borough is divided into wards, of every ward in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, shall on the third Tuesday of February next and triennially thereafter vote for and elect a properly qualified person for constable in each of said districts who shall serve for three years. Sec. 2. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. Approved the 14th day of February, A. D. 1889—P. L. 1889, page 6. Township and borough caucuses for the purpose of placing a ticket in the field for this Feb. election should be held at an early date. The vigilance committee of all parties are the proper persons to name the date and advertise the time of holding the same. In the event of a union caucus for the naming of the majority of the ticket, it should not be forgotten that both leading parties should name, separately—Judge and Inspectors of Election. Everything went wrong at the fire in Dushore, on Saturday Dec. 24. Johnny Geary was fallen on by a big map and his arm broken, the engine "busted" the building burnt the household goods thrown out of the window and smashed to pieces with the exceptions of the feather beds—they were carried to a soft spot and quietly and gracefully dropped. We would suggest that the boys, led by their president go on the hill and learn to make steam and water, thus experience for the next conflagration that may visit their town. Nothing like being ready boys and knowing how to handle the nozzle. Your president will no doubt condescend to give you the desired training. A Shut Down in Bethlehem. The rail, Bessemer, covering billet and puddling mills of the Bethlehem Iron Company are shut down for an indefinite period, and 1,200 men have been thrown out of employment. The cause of the stoppage is lack of orders, the steel trade being very dull. The Bethlehem mill is in the same condition as the other mills—all having been forced to shut down. The mill will start up as soon as orders come to hand.

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