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**REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.**  
 For Supreme Court Justice.  
 JOHN P. ELKIN, of Indiana County.  
 For Presidential Electors.  
 Electors at Large—Robert Pitcairn,  
 Allegheny; Levi G. McCalley, Chester.

**REPUBLICAN COUNTY TICKET.**  
 For President Judge.  
 HON. E. M. DUNHAM, of Laporte.  
 For Member of Assembly.  
 DR. M. E. HERMANN,  
 For Sheriff.  
 FRANK W. BUCK.  
 For Congress.  
 E. W. SAMUELS.

**FREE TRADE CABAL.**  
 HOW IT HAS HOODWINKED MASSACHUSETTS BUSINESS MEN.

New England Manufacturers Can Ill Afford to Dissolve Partnership With American Farmers For Doubtful Dickers With Canada.

In a state like Massachusetts, where the intellectual average is high and where the Republican average is higher still, as it is invariably found to be in all communities, it is surprising that so considerable a number of people should be apparently unable to perceive a perfectly obvious thing. It seems strange that among the 35,000 or the 50,000 or the 100,000 or whatever may be the real number of Massachusetts business men who have attached their names to the Canadian reciprocity petition at least one-half of the signers—the Republican half—cannot see that they are being used by designing politicians to promote a free trade scheme and to weaken the Republican party. We say among the 35,000 or 50,000 or 100,000 signers. As a matter of fact, it is unlikely that so many as 35,000 have signed the Whitney-Foss petition. Probably less than half that number of business men have signed. It is easy to exaggerate in such cases.

But, be the number what it may—even supposing that 1,000 or 5,000 Republican business men have actually signed the Whitney-Foss petition—the wonder still remains that so many intelligent men should have failed to see that they were lending themselves to a plot hatched and promoted by free traders. Mr. Whitney is a free trader in politics. Moreover, he owns coal mines in Nova Scotia and stands to reap much profit if free trade in coal can be brought about. Mr. Foss, though claiming to be a protectionist, has over and over again declared himself to be a rabid revisionist and a strenuous advocate of such reciprocity as will enable him to buy cheaper the raw materials used in his manufacturing business. But he has not, we believe, ever expressed a desire for lower tariff duties on the articles which come into competition with his own manufactured products.

It ought to be by this time perfectly clear that the Republican signers of the Whitney-Foss petition are on the wrong track. Not only are they being used as tools by a free trade cabal, but they are giving their moral support to a project that, if successful, will inevitably work to their injury. They ought to stand pat. They are already enjoying the benefits of a system of reciprocity of far more value to them than Canadian reciprocity can ever be. They now have a system of reciprocity with the 10,000,000 farmers in the United States. Canada's entire population is but little more than 5,000,000. From these 10,000,000 American farmers New England buys its foodstuffs, and to them it sells its manufactured products. Is not that reciprocity? Yes, and far better reciprocity than can be had with Canada. Canada wants to sell her cheaper food products and her cheaper raw materials to New England, but she is not going to buy of New England a dollar's worth more of manufactures on that account. That much is settled.

Improvement of Roads Adds to the Value of Real Estate.

Whether a city or town should increase the taxes or issue bonds to provide for good roads and paved streets is, of course, a matter that depends very much upon special conditions and localities, says Good Roads Magazine. But be this as it may, it may be broadly stated that the individual citizen gets a far greater return for his expenditure for taxes, provided such outlay be made wisely and economically, than for any other purpose.

The taxpayer has not only the personal advantage of the use of good roads and smooth streets, but these likewise add greatly to the value of his real estate. In this sense he ought to cheerfully bear his share for such improvements, although, of course, in a potential sense a bond issue may easily be justified.

As a matter of fact, the real estate owner may well bear an increase of \$100 annually in his taxes provided this increase be pro rata with that of others, while he wisely hesitates at an expense of a quarter of that sum on his own personal estate. All this, of course, goes without saying, and yet the taxpayer often forgets it.

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 To all whom it may concern and especially the relatives of Joseph Gansel. You are hereby notified, that a petition has been presented to the Court of Common Pleas of Sullivan County, praying the said court to appoint a guardian of the person and estate of one Joseph Gansel, and that the said Court has fixed Friday, November 11, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m. for a hearing on the same, at Laporte Pa. at which time and place you may attend if you so desire.  
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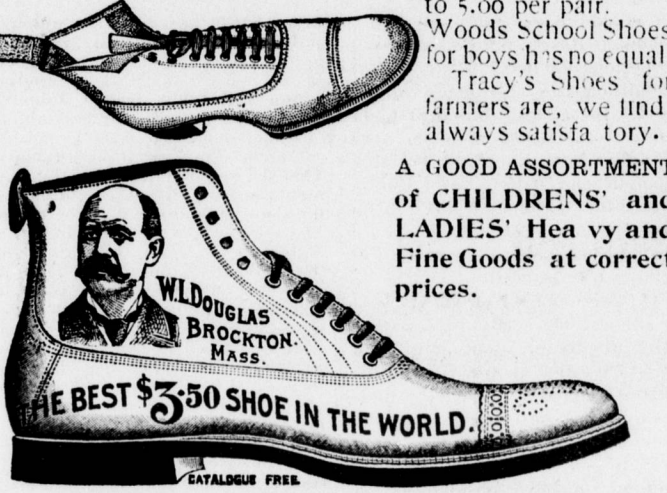
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**ELECTION PROCLAMATION.**

WHEREAS, by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania it shall be the duty of the Sheriff of every county at least ten days before any election to be held therein (except for township and borough officers) to give notice of the same by proclamations posted up in the most public places in every election district and by advertisements in at least two newspapers if there be so many published in the county representing so far as practicable the political parties which at the preceding election cast the largest and next largest number of votes and to enumerate the officers to be elected and give a list of all the nominations except for election officers and assessors to be voted for in said county so far as may be in the form in which they shall appear upon the ballot and to designate the places at which the election is to be held.

Therefore, I, J. G. Cott, High Sheriff of Sullivan county, do hereby make known and proclaim to the qualified electors of Sullivan county that an election will be held in the said county on

Thirty-four persons for Presidential Electors.  
 One person for Judge of the Supreme Court.  
 One person for Representative in Congress.  
 One person for Representative in General Assembly.  
 One person for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.  
 One person for Prothonotary, Register, Recorder and Clerk of the Court  
 One person for Sheriff.

It is further directed that the election polls of the several districts shall be opened at seven o'clock in the forenoon and continue open without interruption or adjournment until seven o'clock in the evening, when the polls shall be closed. Notice is hereby given that every person except Justice of the Peace who shall hold an office or an appointment of profit or trust under the United States of this state or city or corporate district, whether a commissioned officer or otherwise, a subordinate officer or agent, who is or shall be employed under the Legislative, Executive or Judiciary Department of this State or of the United States or of any city or of any incorporated district and also that every Member of Congress and of the State Legislature and of the select or common council of any city or commissioners of any incorporated district, is by law incapable of holding or exercising at the same time the office of appointment of Judge, Inspector or Clerk of an election of this Commonwealth and that no Inspector, Judge or other officer of any such election shall be eligible to be then voted for. The Inspectors and Judge of the election shall meet at the respective places appointed for holding the election in the districts to which they respectively belong, before seven o'clock in the morning and each Inspector shall appoint one Clerk who shall be a qualified voter of such district.

**Tuesday Nov. 8, 1904.**

at the several election districts in the county, to wit:  
 Bernice Precinct, at the Knights of Labor Hall in Bernice.  
 Cherry Township, at the new township house near Dushore.  
 Colley Township, at the Colley House.  
 Davidson Township, at the public house of Harry Baslev, in Sonestown.  
 Dushore Borough, at the town hall in said borough.  
 Eagles Mere Borough, at Hotel Eagles Mere.  
 Elkland Township, at the new election house at Eldredsville.  
 Forks Township, at the election house Forksville Borough, in rooms known as Council Rooms in said borough.  
 Fox Township, at the township house at Shunk.  
 Hillgrove Township, at rooms in house of Mrs. Anna Sullber, beneath the hall of I. O. O. F. in said village.  
 Jamison City Precinct, at Kiles Hotel.  
 Laporte Borough, at the ladies' waiting room in the Court House.  
 Laporte Township, at the House of Henry Kohensparger.  
 Lopez Precinct, at public hall known as Lopez Hall.  
 Mt. Vernon Precinct, at the township house.  
 Ringdale Precinct, at the house of John Walsh.  
 Ricketts Precinct, at the school house near Ricketts.  
 Shrewsbury township, at house of Nelson Bennett.  
 At which time and place the qualified electors will elect by ballot the following State and County officers, to wit:

**J. G. COTT, High Sheriff.**  
 Sheriff's Office, Laporte, Pa., Oct. 25, 1904.  
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