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The Reform Platform.

The result of our prize contest for reform platform and plans to have them carried into effect is soon told. Not one platform was submitted, though there were several prepared, but when it came down to tell how the requirements of these platforms were to be carried out, they were fast. Here is where our difficulty was met and it gave rise to our offer of a handsome prize to the person who would help us out of our dilemma. No one came to our rescue. We could write all the platforms needed, but we could not be sure that a member of the Legislature when once elected would heed them. It now resolves itself to this that instead of relying on platforms we must seek the man who will carry out the proper principles. It is not for a republican newspaper to rise up and say who that man is but it is the sphere of a republican paper to say that every voter should be sure that his candidate is pledged not to vote for fictitious bills of expense, to vote against Bill Andrews' \$60,000 fake investigation bill and to refuse to accept any money except that expressly stated in the constitution. Demand this of every candidate. You are entitled to it. No one has arisen to help us out with a new plan, therefore, the people must guard themselves against a repetition of the past.

Bill Andrews is trying to make Col. Stone Governor. Col. Stone would make a good governor, if he could be nominated and elected without a lot of political heelers. Bill Andrews has a \$60,000 bill for fake Lexow expenses and he wants the State to pay it. That is why Bill Andrews wants Col. Stone for Governor. Do you think Stone as Governor would veto Bill Andrews' \$60,000 fake bill?

Candidates for the Legislature should say whether they intend to vote for or against Senator Quay for re-election. If they intend to vote as the people desire on this question, the candidate should say so and the choice for U. S. Senator should be left to a vote of the Republicans. The people have a right to know whether you intend to be for Quay or against him or whether you will later favor to submit the matter to a popular vote. Say something.

Congressman Mahon seems to have a little opposition in his own county for the nomination to his old position. We do not pretend to know anything about the comparative strength of Mr. Gehr against Congressman Mahon but we do know that if the people of Franklin county expect the district conference to give the nomination to a second man in Franklin county without giving the other counties a chance, they are very much mistaken. Our congressman has voted right on all questions affecting the public welfare. Some distrust and differences have arisen about him not being able to give every one a post office. We were among the disappointed ones, but he never promised us and then went back on it as other politicians did. His record is clean and it is our duty to say so.

The peach growing belt of Snyder county is being rapidly taken up by buyers who have learned the value of the land that has iron ore deposits for growing the fruit. John F. Boyer has purchased the farm of Jonathan Bickhart and will buy more of the same kind of land for that purpose. He expects to have several hundred thousand trees in bearing in a few years. The Snyder county peaches seem to stand shipping better than any others.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Ex-Secretary John G. Carlisle, in practicing law in New York, will devote himself to pleading cases in court instead of confining himself to office work.

Count Nicholas Esterhazy, who died recently at Totia, in Hungary, was well known on the turf in England, France and Austria. He gave orders that he should be buried in a red hunting-coat, with all the honors of the chase.

Congressman Walker, of Massachusetts, is the president's almost daily companion, when in Washington, between four and five o'clock in the afternoon. The tie between the two men is their mutual fondness for horseback riding.

Col. R. G. Shaw, in whose memory Boston has unveiled a statue, was rather a poor student while at Harvard and excelled in athletics more than in study. He was extremely popular and believed in having a "good time."

Among the new recipients of honorary degrees from the University of Oxford are Wilfrid Laurier, premier of the Dominion of Canada; Sir William V. Whiteway, premier of Newfoundland, and E. L. Godkin, editor of the New York Evening Post.

Richard E. Gallienne seems anxious their mutual fondness for horseback to take the place formerly held in London society by Oscar Wilde. He appeared recently on a bicycle in a black silk costume trimmed with cream-colored lace, according to the London Figaro, which also asserts that his father is a respectable brewer.

JUST ABOUT PEOPLE.

Miguel A. Otero, who has been appointed by the president governor of New Mexico, is a leading citizen of Las Vegas. He has held many offices and important positions.

President H. H. Vreeland, of the Metropolitan Traction company of New York city, was once a brakeman on a Long Island road, and his rapid rise is often commented on by his old associates, who find in him to-day the same friend of past years.

On his eighty-third birthday, which recently occurred, Verdi, the great composer, was seen at five o'clock in the weekly market of the town with some sheep he had brought in from his farm to sell. He also bought a cow and had a right good time with his rural neighbors.

Hezekiah Butterworth is perhaps the best known writer for juveniles; his books for boys and girls have reached a circulation of hundreds of thousands. Mr. Butterworth, for nearly a quarter of a century, the editor of the Youth's Companion, now devotes himself to writing books for young people and traveling.

Gov. Black, of New York, who is a young man in the forties, was a farmer's son and one of a family of 11 children, yet he prepared himself, unaided, to enter college at 18, and graduated from Dartmouth at 22. He is now angular, tall and smooth-shaven and is often called "young Abe Lincoln." His long, narrow head is covered with dark hair and his face is built on square lines.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

The average walking pace of a healthy man or woman is said to be 75 steps a minute.

It is said that the patterns on the finger tips are not only unchangeable through life, but the chance of the finger prints of two persons being alike is less than one chance in sixty-four billions.

Among the animals which surpass man in the ratio of brain weight to body weight are the following: Among the Rodentia squirrels and mice, among the Primates many old and new world monkeys.

The bottom of the Pacific between Hawaii and California is said to be so level that a railway could be laid for 500 miles without altering the grade anywhere. This fact was discovered by the United States surveying vessel engaged in making soundings with the view of laying a cable.

Important papers, maps, charts and good engravings can be successfully preserved by brushing a very thin coating of India rubber solution over their surface. This is perfectly transparent, and if an important document is varnished with it on both sides it will be protected for an indefinite period against the effects of damp, whilst the writing will remain clear and unafaded.

SEVEN THOUGHTS.

More flies are caught with honey than vinegar.

If you would not be known to do a thing, never do it.

It may be said that yesterday suggests, to-morrow promises, but to-day accomplishes.

It is difficult to say who does the most mischief, enemies with the worst intentions or friends with the best.

There is a great struggle between vanity and patience when we have to meet a person who admires us but who bores us.

Beware of prejudices. A man's mind is like a rat trap; prejudices creep in easily, but it is doubtful if they ever get out again.

A good and wise man may at times be angry with the world, and also grieved at it; but no man can ever be long discontented with the world if he does his duty in it.—N. Y. Weekly.

A THOUGHT A DAY.

Never meet trouble half-way; let it do all the walking.

The better one is, the more goodness one sees in other people.

Say as little as possible about that of which you know nothing.

In private watch your thoughts, in family your temper, in company your tongue.

People who live only for themselves are engaged in a very small way of business.—N. Y. Weekly.

A FATHER'S HEINOUS CRIME.

Startling Accusations by the Child Wife of His Sixteen-Year-Old Son. Lebanon, Pa., Jan. 8.—Jacob H. Fox was arrested and given a hearing yesterday afternoon, charged with having committed a criminal assault upon his daughter-in-law, Mrs. H. D. Fox. Mrs. Fox, whose maiden name was Snavely, is but 16 years old, and resided with the Fox family for some time. She testified that about a year ago Jacob H. Fox committed the deed the first time, cowering her into submission with a big bread knife, and from that time on very frequently compelled her to submit to him, each time threatening her with death if she ever revealed the fact. The young girl was soon to become a mother, and Fox, in order to hide his crime, five months ago induced his 16-year-old son to marry her, so as to save the father from punishment. Yesterday the girl, whose baby was born several weeks ago, testified that since her marriage she was compelled to submit to the elder Fox, without her husband's knowledge. Fox was committed to jail. Fox is a man of intelligence and has heretofore borne a good reputation. When the revolting details become known there were threats of lynching.

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—Mr. Dawes, the comptroller of the currency, has written a letter to the creditors of the Chestnut Street National bank, of this city, in which he says: "It is my belief that the adoption of the Slingerly proposition is to the best interests of the creditors of this bank. In view of the large number of assents thus far received, I will allow until Jan. 20 next for the securing of additional assents. If upon that day all depositors have not assented I will appoint a receiver."

Harrisburg, Jan. 10.—The annual report of John Hamilton, deputy secretary of agriculture and director of farmers' institutes, has just been submitted to Secretary Thomas J. Edge. The cost of holding farmers' institutes in Pennsylvania during the past two years was \$15,000, exclusive of the director's salary and traveling expenses. During 1896 and 1897 there were 572 days of institutes, of which 380 were held last year, at a daily expense of \$26. Mr. Hamilton makes several recommendations for the improvement of the service.

Pittsburg, Jan. 10.—Further death and loss of property are being caused by the explosion of the boilers of the tugboat Percy Kelcey on Saturday. The number of known dead reached six yesterday, when Daniel Gamble, the boat's second cook, died at the Mercy hospital. The list of dead now is: Daniel Gamble, cook; Milton L. Wood, pilot; Thomas Flynn, second engineer; Lee Weinstein, fireman; John Smith, deckhand, and Lee Beechtold, fireman. The eight men who were injured in the explosion will all recover with the exception of Harry Hammers and William Alexander, whose wounds will probably result fatally.

Tyrene, Pa., Jan. 10.—George Heverly, a teamster, after attempting unsuccessfully to murder his sister, Mrs. Kate Hull, and nephew, Bert Hull, yesterday committed suicide by shooting himself. Heverly was at times abusive toward his wife. He was berating her in the house of his sister, next door to his own home, when Mrs. Hull and her son interfered. This so enraged Heverly that he drew a revolver and fired at them, but his aim was faulty, and his sister escaped, while the nephew was shot in the hand. The abused wife in the meantime fled out of range, and Heverly returned to his own home, where he blew his brains out.

Candidate Cards.

The Republican Primary Election will be held Saturday, January 23rd, 1898, between the hours of 1 and 7 p. m. Candidates can make their wishes and policies known in this column:

FOR CONGRESS. TO THE REPUBLICANS OF SNYDER COUNTY: I desire to say to the Republicans of Snyder county that I am a candidate for the nomination of Congressman of the 15th district, and I will give the people of Snyder county a chance to vote for me direct. I challenge the closest scrutiny of my record in Congress. I believe the Republicans of Snyder county ought to have the chance to vote direct on the congressional question and hence I submit my candidacy to you, with the hope that I may be honored with your support. THAD M. MAHON, Chambersburg, Pa.

DELEGATE. Ed. Post: Please announce my name as a candidate for Delegates to the State Convention subject to the rules of the Republican Primary Election. J. F. STETLER.

Ed. Post: Please announce my name as a candidate for Delegate to the Republican State Convention to be held at Harrisburg June 2nd, 1898. GEO. M. WITMER, Pennwtp.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE. Ed. Post: Please announce my name for the office of Associate Judge, subject to the decision of the Republican primary. JOHN B. KNEPP.

TO THE REPUBLICANS VOTERS OF SNYDER COUNTY. No doubt many of you have already learned from an indirect source that I have concluded to enter the contest at our next primary election or the nomination of Associate Judge; but I deem it advisable to thus inform all of my friends. After being urged by many of my old, tried and true friends, I have finally consented to enter the contest. I submit my candidacy to the Republican voters of Snyder County on my record of the treatment I accorded to all our people while I held a former county office, and earnestly hope that my kindness wherever it was possible for me to extend it, will be remembered at the coming primary. I am profoundly grateful to the people of our county for their sympathy in the past and shall have the same kind regard for them in the future. I submit my case to the sound judgment of the Republicans of Snyder county, in the fullest hope that our political relations may continue. Very truly, D. BOLENDER.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE. Ed. Post: Please announce my name as a candidate for Associate Judge, subject to the decision of the Republican primary. W. W. WITENMYER.

Ed. Post: Please announce my name as a candidate for Assembly, subject to the rules and regulations of the party. Respy yours, A. M. SMITH.

Ed. Post: Please announce my name as a candidate for the nomination of Member of the Legislature from Snyder county, subject to the rules governing the primary election. West Beaver twp. W. F. HOWELL.

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