



THE PRIMARIES.

Sweeping Victory for Slated Local Option Candidates—Liquor Sellers' Organization Given a Scathing Rebuke.

Shameful Debauchery Disgusted People and Swelled the Temperance Vote—Many Drinkers of Free Whisky Voted for Local Option Candidates.

No General Factional Fight, but Several Combinations Figured in the Battle—Some Surprises.

Last Saturday's primary elections will go down into history as a series of the best natured political fights ever pulled off in Somerset county.

Some months ago the saloon-keepers of this county effected a powerful organization for the purpose of controlling the Legislative nominations, and they openly boasted of their ability to win out by means of booze and bootleg.

That the booze and bootleg business was overdone to such an extent during the last week of the campaign as to disgust all people with a spark of conscience left, and caused them to vote for Local Option candidates, there is little doubt.

It is indeed no wonder that Frank M. Forney and Charley Rishberger, the two slated candidates of the saloon-keepers, were ashamed to come out openly and tell where they stood.

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Option movement, and we intend to run again for Assembly, two years hence, on the same issues we made our last campaign on.

Some of the anti-Penrose fanatics claim that the victory of Knepper and Floto is due to the fact that they are both anti-Penrose men, but that is far from the truth.

For the county offices, the old defunct Scull machine made a desperate effort to land Daniel Keller for Recorder, A. J. Weimer for Treasurer, J. B. Gerhard for Prothonotary and John E. Weaver for Register of Wills, but succeeded only in landing Gerhard.

J. A. Berkey, the recognized Republican leader of Somerset county, is still in control of the Congressional patronage of Somerset county, and he will continue to be as big a man at Harrisburg and in the politics of Somerset county as ever.

At the time of going to press, the official vote by districts was not available, but enough is known to tell who the winners are.

DEATH WAS ON HIS HEELS. Jesse P. Morris, of Skippers, Va., had a close call in the spring of 1906.

Faulty Replies. A New York paper asked a number of prominent persons what they considered the most important thing for a boy to possess.

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WHOOPIING COUGH. I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family in cases of whooping cough, and want to tell you that it is the best medicine I have ever used.

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BOSTON boasts of a lobster three feet long. Well, there are others!

BEEF Trust prices go up 30 per cent. Some day the beef trust will go all the way up.

CARNEGIE says he does not smoke because he cannot afford to do so. Andy will have the sympathy of the oysterless Rockefeller family.

SOMEbody has discovered that the earth is tilting; and probably it will keep on tilting as long as Secretary Taft keeps moving around the way he does.

MR. TAFT recently attended five luncheons and four dinners in a single day. We hardly believe the President himself could exceed that for true strenuousity.

THE Populists have nominated Mr. Thomas E. Watson again for the Presidency; whether designedly or through force of habit, however, we cannot say with certainty.

A KANSAS editor says ignorance and soiled whiskers are the parents of anarchy. Which, to say the least, is an impolitic way to refer to Emma Goldman and her husband.

BECAUSE they cannot do anything themselves, the Democrats in Congress may think they have a right to prevent the Republicans from doing anything. That's where they are wrong again.

MR. OTIS SKINNER says Mr. Lawrence Barrett was very fond of his own voice, and often stood for hours talking aloud to himself. It is somewhat strange that Mr. Barrett managed to keep out of Congress during his lifetime.

"THERE is one man in Congress who is so careful to avoid the appearance of evil that he will not accept even an apology," says the Detroit News. We suppose, however, there is no doubt of his willingness to accept a renomination.

THE Bryan (Tex.) Eagle wants us to imagine how happy the next generation will be, with mosquitoes, flies, rats, knockers and mosbacks exterminated.

"WHERE the railroads make their most serious blunder is in irritating the public unnecessarily," says the Norfolk Landmark. And, conversely, where the public makes its most serious blunder is in unnecessarily irritating the railroads.

"A cow got into the fire engine house, Sunday night, and chewed up most of the hose and ate off the bellows, while three hogs were found in the Baptist church, Monday afternoon.

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GRANT MOON IS DEAD.

The Boy who was Shot by a Companion at Kantner Died in a Johnstown Hospital.

Grant Moon, aged sixteen years, who was shot on the 24th day of March, at Kantner, by one of his companions, LeRoy Berkebile, died on Monday at a hospital in Johnstown, where he was taken for treatment immediately after his injury.

An autopsy developed the fact that the bullet, which struck young Moon between the eyes, had passed through the skull and lodged at the base of the brain. The body was brought to the home of the unfortunate boy's parents for interment.

Grant Moon was the son of Mrs. William Suder, who married a second time. Young Berkebile, whose age is seventeen years, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Berkebile. It is said that the boys were boon companions, and the shooting was reported as purely accidental.

HE GOT WHAT HE NEEDED. "Nine years ago it looked as if my time had come," says Mr. C. Farthing, of Mill Creek, Ind. Ter. "I was so run down that life hung on a very slender thread.

THE PRESIDENTIAL OUTLOOK. Washington, April 15. (Special)—The importance of the control of the Republican National committee in the Presidential canvass becomes more apparent as the fight for the nomination proceeds.

At least 200 delegates will be represented in these contests. If the Taft people control the committee, it is safe to assume that Taft delegates will be seated in all cases where there are contests.

PLENTY OF TROUBLE is caused by stagnation of the liver and bowels. To get rid of it and headache and biliousness, take Dr. King's New Life Pills, the reliable purifiers that do the work without grinding or gripping.

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TREES AS CROPS.

"It is as sure that forest land can be made to grow successive crops of trees under proper methods as that plow land can be made to grow successive crops of wheat," says the Secretary of Agriculture in the part of his annual report wherein he speaks of the National Forests.

This country which once could boast of forest resources richer than any other nation in the world, has been cutting three times as much timber for a number of years as there is grown, and the consideration of timber as a crop to be carefully harvested has come at a time when many of the virgin forests are already depleted.

Just as American farming has had to develop and is still developing methods adapted to the conditions of each region to make the best use of the agricultural lands, so must the forester learn by scientific study and practical trial to make the best use of our timber land.

The Forest Service now has administration over more than 164,000,000 acres of land. This is slightly more than one-fifth of the country's total forested area; the remainder is in the hands of private owners.

It is likely that no lumbering operation of recent years more strongly illustrates the pinch in the timber supply in all parts of the world. In the news of the concession, told in an American lumber journal, is the suggestion of the difficulty that all countries may have to encounter in getting the wood which they need in the future.

IN taking out the Siberian timber, the Melbourne lumbermen will have to ship the entire year's cut in July, August, September and October, for during the remainder of the year there is no open water at the point of shipment.

THESE Siberian operations differ from the lumbering methods in the United States, in that in this country it is possible and customary to have new mills conveniently near the place of production, though, with the continually decreasing supply, the larger mills often find it profitable to haul their timber by trams and railroads many miles away from their saws.

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FEW KNOW.

Simple Home-Made Treatment Said To Overcome Rheumatism.

When an eminent authority announced in the Scranton (Pa.) Times that he had found a new way to treat that dread American disease, Rheumatism, with just common, every-day drugs found in any drug store, the physicians were slow indeed to attach much importance to his claims.

Rheumatism, as every one knows, is a symptom of deranged kidneys. It is a condition produced by the failure of the kidneys to properly filter or strain from the blood the uric acid and other matter which, if not eradicated, either in the urine or through the skin pores, remains in the blood, decomposes and forms about the joints and muscles, causing the untold suffering and deformity of rheumatism.

This prescription is said to be a splendid healing, cleansing and invigorating tonic to the kidneys, and gives almost immediate relief in all forms of bladder and urinary troubles and backache. He also warns people in a leading New York paper against the discriminate use of many patent medicines.

Ship Siberian Timber Eight Thousand Miles.

An Australian corporation has just received a concession from the Russian Government to take out thirty million feet of timber a year from a forest in Siberia, nine hundred miles from Vladivostok, to be delivered in Melbourne, Australia, approximately eight thousand miles away, and nearly three times the distance from New York to San Francisco.

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