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## REPUBLICAN NATIONAL TICKET.

For President,  
WILLIAM H. TAFT,  
Of Ohio.

For Vice President,  
JAMES S. SHERMAN,  
Of New York.

### STATE.

Judge of Superior Court,  
WILLIAM D. PORTER.

### DISTRICT.

Congress, 23rd District,  
ALLEN F. COOPER.

### COUNTY.

Legislature,  
WM. H. FLOTO,  
A. W. KNEPPER.

Sheriff,  
CHARLES H. WEIMER.

Auditor,  
W. H. H. BAKER,  
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Recorder of Deeds,  
NORMAN E. BERKEY.

Clerk of Courts,  
F. A. HARAH.

Register of Wills,  
BERT F. LANDIS.

Treasurer,  
RUSSELL G. WALKER.

Prothonotary,  
JACOB B. GERHARD.

Poor Director,  
JACOB C. DEITZ.

County Commissioner,  
E. S. McMILLEN,  
JOSHIAH SPECHT.

County Surveyor,  
IRENIS S. PYLE.

## OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Below will be found the names of the various county and district officials. Unless otherwise indicated, their addresses are Somerset, Pa.

President Judge—Francis J. Kooser.

Member of Congress—A. F. Cooper, Uniontown, Pa.

State Senator—William C. Miller, Bedford, Pa.

Members of Assembly—J. W. Endsley, Somerset; A. W. Knepper, Somerset; William C. Begley, Somerset.

Prothonotary—Charles C. Shafer, Register—Charles F. Cook, Recorder—John R. Boese, Clerk of Courts—Milton H. Fike, Treasurer—Peter Hoffman, District Attorney—John S. Miller, Coroner—Dr. C. L. Friedline, Stoystown.

Commissioners—Josiah Specht, Kantner; Charles F. Zimmerman, Stoystown, Robert Augustine, Somerset.

Solicitors—Berkey & Shaver.

Jury Commissioners—George J. Schrock, Joseph B. Miller.

Directors of the Poor—J. F. Reiman, William Brant and William W. Baker, Attorney for Directors, H. F. Yost; clerk, C. L. Shaver.

Superintendent of Schools—D. W. Seibert.

Chairmen Political Organizations—Jonas M. Cook, Republican; Alex B. Grof, Democratic; Fred Grof, Berlin, Prohibition.

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How much better it is to take the brambles out of the path of your friend than to add thorns to wound his feet.

ELLA WHEELER WILCOX says that pain is her dearest friend. No one is going to try to rob her of her dearest friend.

THE world's greatest men grew upward from the lower classes, while the world's meanest men grew downward from the upper class.

SOME people marry because it is contagious. Others because they can't work in single harness. But the most marry because they fall in love and can't fall out.

SURFACE indications to the contrary notwithstanding, Zero Snow, who was a delegate to the Chicago convention, is one of the warmest Republicans on the Pacific coast.

NO one has expressed any surprise over Mr. Bryan's criticism of the Republican platform. The men who framed it had a suspicion that he wouldn't like it.

COURAGE and effort alone are required to insure victory to the worthy. In the struggle of life the good is the more powerful. It is only when the giant lolls by the wayside that evil creeps upon him and inflicts its wounds. "Thrice is he arm'd who hath his quarrel just," is not an idle adage.

"THERE is no politics in hades," says the New Orleans Item. We suppose not; Old Nick isn't going to take chances on being ousted by the "reformers" down there.

COLONEL BRYAN strews a few verbal flowers on the bier of Grover Cleveland, and doubtless wishes he could withdraw a lot of the opprobrious names he used to call him.

ON retreating Mr. Bryan is somewhat of an expert. He has a magnificent record of masterly retirements, bi-metallism, anti-imperialism, and the government ownership of railroads.

CHICAGO is said to have bartenders' and saloonkeepers' total abstinence society with a membership of 2,000. By setting their patrons a good example they may succeed in putting themselves out of business.

IN an article in the Delineator, William T. Stead, the London editor, says: "There are some dairymaids I would rather marry than some of the wives of college presidents." He has a plenty of company, too, in that choice.

"I MUST refuse to discuss subjects and issues of which I know nothing," says John Mitchell, the great labor leader. It would help a good deal if some politicians would follow Mr. Mitchell's example in that respect.

THE Lord had the right idea when he made man. He said it was not good for man to be alone, but had he made more than one wife for Adam, there would have been more trouble than there was in the shade of that old apple tree.

SHALL we compensate the saloonkeeper if we shut up his murder shop? Let him first go around with the brewer's big horse and gather the rags off the backs of the wives and children who have been made miserable and starved while he built mansions.

LEWIS NIXON, a former Tammany leader, cables from London that Mr. Taft will grow weaker as a candidate, every day, and that the Democrats will have no difficulty in carrying the country. Mr. Nixon has had dreams of that kind every four years, and it would be a shame to wake him up before November.

THE world is full of women who can amuse the ordinary man. They can sing, dance or recite to him; can paint, write or decorate in a manner most pleasing, but the poor man often goes begging for a woman who can sew on buttons or mend his clothes; who can cook his food with economy and flavor it to his taste.

ADMIRAL EVANS thinks that twenty-four battleships in the Pacific and a like number in the Atlantic would be about the right size for the United States. The Admiral must understand, however, that it is easier to agree on the size of the fleet than it is to agree on the size of the congressional appropriation for naval purposes.

WE are told by friends of "personal liberty" that "nobody compels a man to get drunk;" that "he is a free agent and need not go into a saloon unless he wants to." That is not true. Once the man was an innocent boy, and some one first persuaded him to drink; but he is no longer free. He is now a slave to an appetite that no power on earth can break.

DRUNKENNESS is the prime cause of mob violence. When you license an open bar-room you license lawlessness in all its forms. A bar-room is usually the birthplace of a mob. If there are any latent elements of combustion in a community, the whiskey devil will apply the match. Drunkenness and mobs hold the relation to each other of cause and effect. When you license the one you bargain for the other.

THE money spent for liquor during the past 100 years of our history would build and equip six lines of railroad from the Atlantic to the Pacific, endow a university of \$10,000,000 in every state, erect a \$5,000 school house for every 200 inhabitants; build a \$25,000 church for every 2,000 inhabitants; pay the national debt; and, with the rest of the money at interest, support a teacher for every 100 inhabitants of the country.

OUR idea of a good citizen, and we are glad there are many in this community, is one always ready to give, according to his means, to community enterprises. He takes stock in them all, and doesn't lose his faith in an occasional venture proves bad. He is not afraid to buy real estate and to pay

what it is worth. He talks up his town at home and abroad, thinks it is the healthiest place on earth, believing it to be destined to be the biggest city in its section, and wants to be buried there when he dies. And he's worth a whole regiment of the lukewarm kind.

THE liquor traffic in no way produces anything of value, but prospers by the destruction of wealth produced by other occupations. The wants of men in civilized society are food, clothing, shelter, and educational and religious advantages. These engaged in the manufacture and sale of liquors are constant consumers of these necessities and comforts of life—the products of human labor—yet they in no way aid in their production. They consequently live at the expense of others. Those engaged in other occupations in exchange for what they consume bring into the world's markets that which is useful, and the exchange is an advantage. The dealer in intoxicants has produced nothing of value to offer in exchange. He produces nothing that supplies any need or furnishes any comfort. The expense of his business, and the support of his family, is a tax on productive industry and is taken from the earnings of labor.

### THE REMEDY THAT DOES.

"Dr. King's New Discovery is the remedy that does the healing others promise, but fail to perform," says Mrs. E. R. Rierson, of Auburn Centre, Pa. "It is curing me of throat and lung trouble of long standing, that other treatments relieved only temporarily. New Discovery is doing me so much good that I feel confident its continued use for a reasonable length of time will restore me to perfect health." This renowned cough and cold remedy and throat and lung healer is sold at E. H. Miller's drug store. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. 8-1

### WHY GO TO COLLEGE?

WE are often asked, should a young man or woman go to college? Now-a-days the thing of going to college or not is in the air. We hear it discussed a great deal and hear many arguments, both for and against a college course. As to the propriety of it, let it be said that it all depends on so many circumstances that a direct answer is impossible. That every young man or woman should go to college is just as nonsensical as that no one should go at all. Real genius is independent of all conditions, and hence some of the world's greatest men never entered a college door. Such was the case of Abraham Lincoln. It always seems to us that a college education would have spoiled him and crippled his rare genius. But all such men have a training of some kind, and equal to a college education.

BUT on the other hand, all other things being equal, a college education is necessarily of great value. Because a few, or even many college graduates are "asses," is no argument against the college. The college cannot change the nature of men or women. If they go into college as impracticables, they will, as a rule, come out the same. A college develops, but does not create. It is an artificial institution, and not a supernatural one. The question of going to college or not can only be solved by knowing the man or woman, the college and the circumstances incident to the case. Here, as in all cases, every tub must stand on its own bottom. Individuality must be consulted. Many persons will not take an education any more than some coarse rough stone will not take a polish. To attempt to educate them is to throw away time and money. It is to encourage false ambitions and to breed disappointments. On the contrary, supposing the possession of a good mind and character, there is nothing that can add to its power and usefulness like a college education. Here the mind is taught to work. The foundation may be laid for all future growth and development. A college education of the right kind, and in the care of the right person, is capital invested, and well invested. It is not simply a money investment, but also a mind and heart investment, and brings pleasure and enjoyment to all the subsequent life. Hence go to college, if at all possible.

### THE FOURTH AT SALISBURY.

FOR the first time in many years, Salisbury had a Fourth of July celebration. It was gotten up on a few days' notice, and was held in what is now known as Wagner's Park, formerly M. J. Besch's sugar grove, which Frank Wagner has leased and equipped with electric light, dancing platform, ball ground, etc.

THE picnic and celebration held therein, last Saturday, was well attended, considering the short time that it was announced, and the attractions were fully up to those of the average 4th of July blowout. The greatest interest centered in the game of baseball between the Salisbury and Frostburg clubs. It was a very nice game throughout, Salisbury carrying off the honors by a score of 8 to 3.

### A REVELATION.

IT is a revelation to people, the severe cases of lung trouble that have been cured by Foley's Honey and Tar. It not only stops the cough, but heals and strengthens the lungs. L. M. Ruggles, Reasnor, Iowa, writes: "The doctors said I had consumption, and I got no better until I took Foley's Honey and Tar. It stopped the hemorrhages and pain in my lungs and they are now as sound as a bullet." Elk Lick Pharmacy, E. H. Miller, proprietor. 8-1

### WAR AGAINST CONSUMPTION.

ALL nations are endeavoring to check the ravages of consumption, the "white plague" that claims so many victims each year. Foley's Honey and Tar cures coughs and colds perfectly, and you are in no danger of consumption. Do not risk your health by taking some unknown preparation when Foley's Honey and Tar is safe and certain in results. Elk Lick Pharmacy, E. H. Miller, proprietor. 8-1

## \$2,000,000 COAL DEAL.

### Merchants Coal Company Sells to United Coal Company.

FOR some time rumors have been current to the effect that the Merchants Coal Company had or was about to dispose of its holdings in Somerset county and West Virginia to the United Coal Company, a Pittsburg concern now operating at Jerome, this county, and elsewhere. These rumors are now confirmed.

THE deal includes possession of the extensive operations of the Merchants company at Boswell, and at Salisbury. These operations employ in the neighborhood of 1,000 men.

IT is alleged that the Merchants Coal Company relinquished possession of its holdings on Friday evening, and that changes in officialdom resulting from the consummation of the deal took place Monday morning.

WILLIAM H. MORRIS, the retiring Superintendent at Boswell, who will be succeeded by a Mr. Logan, of Pittsburg, when questioned about his future plans, said: "For a short time I am going to take a needed rest. After Mr. Logan arrives here and I turn matters over to him and give him all the advice that might seem appropriate, I propose to return to Johnstown, then I will look after my private affairs while also engaged in the organization of another coal company whose principal stockholders will be eastern capitalists. They have secured possession of several large tracts on which coal can be mined on a highly profitable basis. I am not able to give particulars at this time, as the publicity of our plans might interfere with their ultimate consummation."

SUPERINTENDENT R. S. GARRETT, who presides over the Merchants Coal Company's mines in this locality, is not at home, hence THE STAR can give no report of a late interview with him. However, it is a certainty that a great change has taken place in the said company's affairs. Of course, no one outside of the company can give full details of the new deal at this time. One report has it that President Boswell will continue to hold the controlling interest in the holdings of the Merchants Coal Company, while another report has it that James S. and Wm. S. Kuhn, prominent Pittsburg bankers, have secured the controlling interest.

UNDER what name the new concern will do business, remains to be seen; but it seems to be a certainty that the company's headquarters will be Pittsburg instead of Baltimore. Whatever the new deal may bring about, we trust that the change will benefit the various communities in which the company will operate. The old Merchants company always had a good standing where it operated, and we trust that the same may prove true of its successor.

### IT CAN'T BE BEAT.

THE best of all teachers is experience. C. M. Harden, of Silver City, North Carolina, says: "I find Electric Bitters does all that's claimed for it. For Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles it can't be beat. I have tried it and find it a most excellent medicine." Mr. Harden is right; it's the best of all medicines also for weakness, lame back, and all run down conditions. Best too for chills and malaria. Sold under guarantee at E. H. Miller's drug store. 50c. 8-1

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

THE following list contains the more important deeds entered of record since our last report: Angelo Lucenti to Gessippi Poliman, \$455, in Jenner; dated June 29, 1908. Cyrus M. Hostetler and wife to Rachel B. Clapper, \$330, in Summit; dated Feb. 1908. John M. Topper et ux. to Nancy Kelley, \$500, in New Baltimore; dated May 8, 1908. Cyrus W. Truxall et ux. to Elbridge C. Kyle, \$925, in Meyersdale; dated June 10, 1908. John Sarver et ux. to Wm. H. and Harry Sarver, \$2600, in Allegheny; dated June 4, 1908. E. O. Kooser to Herman G. Stambaugh, \$70, in Somerset twp.; dated June 11, 1908.

### CARBON PAPER for sale at THE STAR office.

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## More Sentiment in Favor of Old-Home Week.

SINCE the Old-Home Week idea was first mentioned in THE STAR, some weeks ago, the sentiment in favor of such an event for Salisbury and Elk Lick has been rapidly spreading. The many sons and daughters of our county who emigrated from this town and vicinity to the West and elsewhere, are enthusiastically in favor of the proposed event, and one after another they are writing to their friends here, expressing the hope that the Old-Home Week celebration will become a reality, and declaring their intentions of participating in the great event if it materializes.

MR. John J. Keim recently received a letter from his daughter, Mrs. Richard Beachy, of Kansas, who writes as follows concerning an Old-Home Week for Salisbury:

"Well, I notice in THE STAR that old Salisbury is thinking of celebrating an Old-Home week. Good for her! I don't know of anything that could take place in the old town that would be more thoroughly enjoyed by the people than an Old-Home week, especially by those who have been away from the dear old place so many years. We are in hopes that it will be a go, and that they won't have it any later than the last of August or first of September. I am pretty sure we will be among the number."

THE STAR is sorry to state that up to this time nothing but newspaper agitation and considerable favorable talk has been done in aid of the proposed celebration. That is all right so far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. All seem to be in favor of Old-Home week, but there is where the matter rests with many of them. Some say times are too hard now, others declare that the affair could not be arranged for on a sufficiently large scale before some time next year, and some have one excuse and some another.

WE will admit that there is much preliminary work to do in order to make the affair a success, and that under the most favorable circumstances all the necessary arrangements could not be completed before October. Perhaps all necessary arrangements could not be completed even that soon. But no matter whether the celebration is to be held this year or next year, it is time to be up and doing, and the people who should take the lead in this matter are the local officers of the P. & M. Street Railway Company. This for the reason that the P. & M. would be greatly benefited by carrying people to and from the town. Now, we suggest that the local officers go ahead and call a town meeting, decide on the time for the celebration to be held, appoint committees and get down to business. Gentlemen, will you do it? If so, THE STAR and its editor hereby pledge themselves to help you in every way possible, and we know that others will also fall into line and go to work with a determination to make the affair a sure thing and a gigantic success. It's up to you, local officers of the P. & M., to show the other people of your company and of your community what you are made of in the matter of doing something towards having a big time in the old town, and at the same time creating business for your railway. The town has given you a liberal franchise to use the streets of this borough, and it is now up to you to take the leading part in a proposed celebration that will do the town honor and credit. We believe you will do it, and who knows how much good may come out of it? We have a most beautiful and desirable country town to live in, and an Old-Home week will bring many people here who have been absent from Salisbury for many years, and some of them may invest in country homes here or be the means of helping our town along in other ways not now thought of.

### Local Industry to Double Its Capital Stock.

ON Tuesday the stock-holders of The Improved Traction Engine Company had a meeting at which it was decided to increase the capital stock of the company from \$25,000 to \$50,000. This means that the company will soon be doing business on a larger scale, which will be a corresponding benefit to our community.

AT present the company is having the finishing touches put onto two large 50-horse power traction engines and some specially designed heavy ore wagons to be used by a firm in Mexico for transporting ore from their mines to railway.

THE contract for the engines was given to The Improved Traction Engine Company after the mining company's representative had examined many of the leading makes of traction engines manufactured by other firms. The contract going to our local engine factory is a high testimonial of its product. We hope in time to see our local engine works employ several hundred workmen.

### Notable Group of Octogenarians.

BERLIN, Pa., July 8.—Of the ten Berlin octogenarians photographed a few weeks ago, not more than two of the number appear to be more than 60 years of age. The aggregate ages of the ten men are 827 years, and Levi Shoemaker, the oldest man in the group, has passed his 97th birthday. He cast his first vote in 1832, voting for Andrew Jackson for President of the United States. With one exception, all voted at the Presidential election in 1848, but not all the same way.

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## Frank DeLozier Heard From.

BISBEE, ARIZONA, June 28, 1908. EDITOR STAR:—Enclosed find \$5.00, which you will please credit to my account.

I am still high and dry in the town of Bisbee, 5,300 feet above sea level. We have had no rain here worth mentioning for about ten weeks, but the inner man need not go dry on that account. The bar rooms (and there are many of them) are never closed here, except on election days.

I have been in this territory for about eleven months now, and have good work and wages.

Sister Ada, and George Schrock, of Kingwood, Somerset county, Pa., were married here on Sunday, June 28th. The ceremony was witnessed by two strangers, Charles Romesburg and myself.

I suppose you are now on the water wagon, but I would appreciate it to at least have a drink of good old Somerset county buttermilk with you.

Time only can tell of our return to the old home. I wish all the people of your community a glorious Fourth.

Yours Respectfully,  
F. H. DeLozier.

THE STAR is very thankful to its friend DeLozier for his new letter, and doubly thankful for his remittance of \$5.00. In all our dealings with Frank DeLozier, we have found him honest and manly. Would that we could say as much for some others who make much greater religious pretensions, but who seem to be continually on the bum, seeking whom they may defraud.

WE would greatly relish taking a drink of good buttermilk with Frank DeLozier or any other man, for there isn't a better or more wholesome beverage to be had. We always have a warm spot in our heart for those who occasionally treat us to a pitcherful of buttermilk, for it's the best medicine on earth.

TO the newly married couple mentioned in Mr. DeLozier's letter, THE STAR sends its best wishes and most hearty congratulations. We don't know anything about the groom, but the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard DeLozier, of this place, where she is well and favorably known.

### BEAT THE WORLD AFFORDS.

"IT gives me unbounded pleasure to recommend Bucklen's Arnica Salve," says J. W. Jenkins, of Chapel Hill, N. C. "I am convinced it's the best salve the world affords. It cured a felon on my thumb, and it never fails to heal every sore, burn or wound to which it is applied. 25c. at E. H. Miller's drug store. 8-1

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