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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
Judge Robert Von Moschzisker, of Philadelphia.

AUDITOR GENERAL,
A. E. Sisson, of Erie.

STATE TREASURER,
Jeremiah A. Stober, of Lancaster.

JURY COMMISSIONER,
W. H. Bullock.

ECHOES FROM STATE CONVENTION.

Among the hundreds of congratulatory letters and telegrams received by Judge Robert Von Moschzisker, Republican nominee for Supreme court justice, were a telegram from Judge Charles E. Rice, of Wilkes-Barre, his only competitor in the balloting, and a personal note from Justice Ralston, who withdrew from the field.

THE SIGEL CASE.

The further the police delve into the case of murdered Elsie Sigel the more they unearth to prove that the game of Americanizing the Chinese in this country by the process of assigning to each one a young American girl as a teacher is about the limit of absurdity.

To begin with, it would be unthought of to work at the education of our own men in this way. Imagine establishing any school where grown men were to be taught individually by each having a young, oft-times pretty and always inexperienced girl assigned to him. To state the proposition is to show its impracticability.

But, what no one would think of doing with our men is exactly what is being done all over this country with Chinamen. It is being done in New York as well as in other cities.

In the case of the Chinese there are additional reasons why this thing should not be done. The Chinese are not savages. They come down from a civilization which is the oldest extant. They have a philosophy and a religion which are very old. They do not desert these lightly neither do they embrace a new philosophy or a new religion at the behest of prattling young girls.

Still further the Chinese have their own ideas regarding women and their place in the social relation. Naturally they are amazed at the freedom allowed to young American women and to the indiscriminate way in which they associate with men. If it were not for the mission schools and such places the Chinese would never have an opportunity to meet on terms of social intimacy and close personal contact young American girls of respectable characters. It is small wonder that they embrace so vigorously the opportunities offered them by these missions and that they "play the missionary game" with such earnestness.

There have been enough instances of how this thing works out presented to all Americans and there is no excuse for any parent or guardian not being well informed regarding it. Those who go into this work or who allow their young women to do so know what risks they are taking. It is about time that some precautions were taken by law to restrain those who have no sense enough to restrain themselves in this connection.

In the sad case now engaging the attention of the whole country the saddest feature is the fact that the mother of the girl murdered, herself introduced the victim to the mission work among the Chinese. It must forever remain as something to haunt and disturb her that she did this and that the responsibility for the way Elsie Sigel went must be on her head.

PLUNDERING MIDDLEMEN.

Regarding the marketing of farm produce, facts are stubborn things. I shipped ten sacks of green corn to market via Long Island express. The corn netted me about the value of the bags, viz.: 25 cents a hundred ears. I shipped eight barrels of pumpkins, and they brought me in debt to the commission house 67 cents. Last year I let at least fifty barrels of fine apples rot on the ground, within 200 miles of New York, because there was no chance of their being marketed at a profit, and I now have a stack of rye rotting in the field because the straw will not net enough to pay for threshing, baling, and transporting it to a market. Last fall potatoes were sold by farmers at stations up the State at from 39 to 49 cents a bushel. Consumers in the city know the retail price per quart. Butter is netting the small farmer 19 cents a pound, milk 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 cents a quart. Thousands of dollars' worth of produce is being

thrown away or being used to the poorest possible advantage by small farmers because it cannot be marketed at a profit. The spirit of Pharaoh will dream another dream, which being interpreted will mean seven years of famine if there is not a closer connection made between the producer and consumer in our large cities at once. Farms everywhere in the East are being abandoned by the only people who are competent to manage them as fast as they can be sold, and the owners get away to the city.

A. B.

The above is a true explanation of the poor deal the farmer gets in our large cities. The time is coming when the farmers of different localities will unite and sell their produce in the cities through regular representatives. A depot in New York City for the sale of the products of Wayne county would support a good representative and give returns to the farmer that would be highly satisfactory.

THE SIGEL MURDER.

Miss Elsie Sigel, whose murder is now engaging the attention of the public, was a missionary worker among the Chinese in New York City. Her murderer was one of her pupils, who choked her to death and then placed her body in a trunk. It has developed that she was in love with the man who did the deed, and evidence has been unearthed that proves that there is a sickly sentimentalism pervading this class of workers which is the outgrowth of a religious belief that the heathen who flock to our shores in search of the filthy lucre, should be singled out and be made objects of special effort to convert to Christianity. Miss Helen Clark, who is well known, and who for years has been an active worker in mission work and made it a study, sums up this matter in one sentence: "There are more women missionaries degraded by Chinese men, than there are Chinese converts."

"There is only one answer to all this," said Miss Clark, "white women must leave the lives of Chinese men alone.

"For seventeen years I have urged the folly of white women endeavoring to Christianize Chinese men. All about me I have seen the ruin and wrecked homes. I have believed from the very beginning that it was impossible for white women to properly influence Chinese men.

"It is the attraction of sex that predominates in both cases, not that of religion. Despite all that is in the papers the public does not see the other side—the Chinese side. The pictures that I have seen are of young, vain, frivolous white women deliberately flirting with and leading on their Chinese pupil.

"But consider what a puzzle such a woman must be to the Chinese men of a race totally unaccustomed to any freedom for women. Is it strange that they misjudge behavior that even an American man would question?

"As to what subtle attraction causes the downfall of the white woman missionary I do not know. The Chinaman is a mystic, but not romantic—not in the sense that would appeal to women.

"The only light I can see is in what might be called gallantry of the Chinese, their kindness and gentleness to women.

"Does any one realize that more than half of the women of the under world who come to Chinatown make their homes there because Chinamen are more kind to them than white men? I have seen it. Seen Chinamen, practically married to these women, the slaves of opium, treating them with patience and consideration.

"But there is one big truth that I was sure of when I first took up the work, and of which years have made me positive beyond argument—the white woman can never Christianize the Chinese man. If she tries it, it will be the West that is converted to the East, not the East converted to the West."

"Elsie never made love to me except in letters and I never made love to her at all," said Chu Gain, proprietor of the Port Arthur restaurant, when before Coroner Harburger on Monday as a witness in the inquest on the case of Elsie Sigel, the murdered missionary girl. Chu was held under \$1,000 bonds to ensure his further appearance.

The Chinaman said that he was on close terms of friendship with Mrs. Sigel and Elsie and calmly made the statement that she wrote him love letters. He apparently thought this was nothing extraordinary.

"She always called me Chu Gain in speaking to me," he said. "But in letters she addressed me as 'My Dear Friend.' The girl and her mother came frequently to my restaurant and I became well acquainted with them. Since February they had come to my restaurant not less than once a week. I have visited them at their home. I have known them for two years."

TREES ON THE FARM.

Many poor soils, now waste spots on the farm, would become profitable if planted with the right kind of forest trees, and cared for in the right way. Trees will often grow where grain and grass will not. Swamps, stony ridges, exhausted fields and washed hillsides need not be abandoned. There is money in most of them if they are set to work producing woodlots and forests. But knowledge and judgment are necessary, and a bad guess may be costly.

Many trees do well in those soils—one-bearing trees in particular. The farmer is fortunate whose land has no poor spots. Few land-owners are so well off. Fertile acres are usually fairly profitable, but the gravel bars, rocky, knolls, marshy swales and exhausted and eroded slopes are not. Scarcely one of them need remain unproductive. They will grow timber—pine, locust, poplar, osage orange, oak, chestnut or some other kind. But the soil must be studied, and the species selected to suit it. Failure might follow the planting of walnut on soil suited to white pine or vice versa. The farm's waste and neglected corners may be turned into woodlots where the farmer may grow his own posts, poles, fences and sawlogs.

It is decidedly worth while to keep all the farm at work. The owner pays taxes on all his land and is out of pocket for whatever is not earning him something. Further, by growing a tree crop on land which is too poor to plow, the quality of the land itself is improved. Forests add humus to the soil, bettering its character; and it has lately been discovered that the decaying leaf litter has also the power of gathering from the air a certain amount of nitrogen. In this respect the forest does for the soil what leguminous crops, like clover and alfalfa do. Wood growing on worn-out land thus becomes doubly profitable. The land is made useful and improved at the same time.—Country Gentleman.

ADMITS POISONING HER HUSBAND

Widow of Joshua Tracey Said to Have Implicated Her Admirer.

York, Pa., June 22.—Joshua Tracey, who died here on Monday last in such terrible convulsions that he tore the flesh from his breast, was poisoned, his wife, Minnie, having, Chief of Police White asserts, confessed to the deed. The woman implicates William Brown, a brother-in-law, whose wife died eighteen months ago and with whom she is madly infatuated, declaring that he planned the murder and procured for her the strychnine with which it was accomplished. Tracey's death was so indicative of poison that his wife and Brown, whose relations were common gossip, were arrested on Saturday.

Chief White learned that Brown obtained the strychnine through his brother, John A. Brown, at Lancaster, writing him that he wanted the poison for rats. John Brown confirmed this fact to-day, saying that he knew nothing further than that he had bought the poison at his brother's request, and would so testify at the trial.

Joshua Tracey surprised Brown and Mrs. Tracey in the woods several days ago, and it is understood she had then met Brown by appointment to receive the strychnine. It is said that the poison was first mixed in coffee and then placed in a glass of whiskey that Tracey drank. The police say that Brown admits having procured the strychnine that she told him she wanted it to use as rat poison.

Several postal cards found at Brown's home from Mrs. Tracey and written in an easily decipherable code were of an endearing nature.

Wash Dresses in English Rep, Linen and Linette, at 456 1/2 MENNER & CO.'S Stores.

MEXICAN COTTON MILLS BURNED.

Mexico City, June 24.—The Atemajac cotton mills, owned by the Compania Industrial de Guadaluajara, have been destroyed by fire. The loss is placed at \$1,000,000. More than 2,000 workmen are thrown out of employment.

NEXT TEN YEARS IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

The American railroad system changes while you wait. You can see it grow. A decade ago the railroads received only a billion and a quarter dollars from the patient people; hardly more than our annual national expenditure. Now they receive—with fewer thanks—two and a half billions. Then the passenger traffic amounted to only 13.3 billions of miles for one passenger; now it amounts to 29.5

billions of miles. In other words, if one passenger were carried each week day from Des Moines, Iowa, to the sun, his journeying would fairly represent the distance daily travelled by passengers on American railroads.

Our freight traffic, too, is bigger. In one year we carried a billion tons of freight an average of two hundred and forty miles each. If each man, woman, and child in this country hauled each day five hundred pounds of freight a distance of thirty-two miles, they would not accomplish in the year the vast amount of carrying that the railroads perform.

The next ten years will show still greater progress. Many railroads will be rebuilt; others will be electrified. New road beds, new tracks, new stations, stronger locomotives, bigger and better cars—all of these are in the estimates of the next decade. And if the people stay awake and demand their rights, the whole vast engine of progress will be equitably and efficiently administered in the interest, not of stock jobbers, but of investors, employees, passengers and shippers.

ADDITIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

PINE MILL.

June 22.—Mrs. Lydia Adams is having erected a large barn on her premises near the South Branch creamery.

Messrs. William and James Cole of Bradford, Pa., are visiting relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward, of Carbondale, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Osborne.

Miss Nettie Dupue, of Cochecon, N. Y., is visiting her mother, Mrs. John Dupue.

Orrin Lester lost a horse recently.

Arrangements are being made to dedicate the new church building on June 29th. It is a neat little structure and will supply a long felt need in our community. We hope to see the entire county represented at the dedication.

SHERMAN.

June 22.—Several cases of measles and mumps in town.

F. Conrad lost one of his team horses last week.

Miss Louise Lynch was in Honesdale last week.

Hilred Hine, of Orson, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lynch.

Mrs. George Hitchcock and daughter, who have been spending the winter in New York, returned home last week. Her sister, Miss Emma Foster, accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith expect to go to Binghamton next Friday to attend the wedding of Miss May Smith to Charles C. Bradley, of Towaunda.

WHITE MILLS.

June 22.—Where are you going on the Fourth? Why stay at home, of course, and go to the picnic to be held by the Ladies' Aid Society at Hertel's Grove, July 5th. There will be refreshments of all kinds, races and fireworks. But the best of all there will be a parade. All children from six years up who wish to be in this parade can get a badge for ten cents and this badge will be good for their dinner. The children are to meet at the school house at 10 o'clock a. m. The band will head this parade. Dinner will be served for twenty-five cents a couple. All are cordially invited.

White Mills Poultry Club is growing fast and the members are becoming enthused over our poultry show this fall.

What is the matter with White Mills now? They played the game last Sunday with Hawley and sent them home with a nest full of goose eggs. Look out, White Mills, maybe those eggs will be hatched out and when you go to Hawley to play you will be fanning feathers in the air and then you will be singing "There is no place like home." All the boys are in good shape and can play a hard game.

Marie Murphy has been engaged by the White Mills school board as the fifth teacher. Seventeen years ago there were two teachers and now there are five.

John Truman and George Kimble have got the contract for the repair work on the school house.

The White Mills baseball team will hold a dance on Saturday evening, June 26th, 1909. All are invited.

Harry DeReamer has returned from Buffalo and his operation has proved successful.

John Granquist and wife are smiling over the arrival of a young son.

MARK TWAIN SUES.

Seeks to Recover Farm He Gave Secretary as Wedding Present.

Bridgetown, Conn., June 24.—In an effort to recover \$2,000 which he says he loaned her, Mark Twain has attached a cottage and sixteen acres of land belonging to his former social secretary, Mrs. Ralph W. Ashcroft, who was Miss Isabel V. Lyon. The farm adjoins the Italian villa of the author at Redding, and was given to Mrs. Ashcroft by Mark Twain as a wedding gift. The place is rated in the Redding tax list at \$1,200.

Mrs. Ashcroft was married to Mark Twain's financial secretary, and soon after the wedding Miss Clara Clemens returned home. There was a difference of opinion on many subjects between her and the two secretaries, with the result that the services of the latter were dispensed with. The suit followed. Improvements have been made on the place to the extent of \$700. Mr. and Mrs. Ashcroft are now in Europe.

HYMENEAL.

A pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Mary Magdalen's German Catholic Church at 6:45 a. m. on Thursday when Miss Elizabeth Balles of Honesdale became the wife of William Baron of Bloomfield, N. J. The ceremony was performed by Rev. William Dassel. The bridesmaids were Misses Margaret Balles, a sister of the bride, and Mae Baron, a sister of the groom. The groom was attended by William Balles and Theodore Welch. The bride was attired in a gown of white suessine silk trimmed with lace, insertion and ribbon. She carried a prayer book and rosary. The bridesmaids wore gowns of Persian lawn trimmed with lace and insertion and carried carnations. After the ceremony a wedding reception was held at the bride's home. Mr. and Mrs. Baron are well known here and have a large circle of friends. After a short wedding trip to Scranton and other cities they will reside in Bloomfield, where the groom is employed as a machinist.

Pongee, Taffeta, and Ottoman Cloak and Jackets, at 456 1/2 MENNER & CO.'S.

Receiver's Notice.

The undersigned having been duly appointed Receiver to take possession of all the assets of the Armony Association and to make distribution of the same among the parties legally entitled thereto will be at his office in the Borough of Honesdale at ten o'clock a. m. on Saturday, July 10th, at which time and place all claims against the said Association, together with the claims of all those claiming to share in the distribution, must be presented, or recourse to the fund for distribution will be lost. 51-eol-3. R. M. SALMON, Receiver.

ROLL of HONOR

Attention is called to the STRENGTH of the

Wayne County SAVINGS BANK

The FINANCIER of New York City has published a ROLL OF HONOR of the 11,470 State Banks and Trust Companies of United States. In this list the WAYNE COUNTY SAVINGS BANK

Stands 38th in the United States.
Stands 10th in Pennsylvania.
Stands FIRST in Wayne County.

Capital, Surplus, \$455,000.00
Total ASSETS, \$2,733,000.00


Honesdale, Pa., May 29 1908.,
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Are all O. K. Come in and be convinced.

L. A. HELFERICH.

NEW SUMMER SUITS
at MENNER & CO'S Store



PRIEST DROWNS IN SURF.

Brother Ecclesiastic Tries to Save Him, but Becomes Exhausted.

St. Augustine, Fla., June 24.—The Rev. Father Buckley, assistant rector of the cathedral in this city, was drowned at South Beach while in surf bathing.

He ventured too far out and called for help, and the Rev. Mr. Ray of Tampa went to his assistance.

Together they battled with the waves until both became exhausted. Jack Spencer went to Father Ray's assistance, pulling him ashore, but Father Buckley had sunk from view.

A Jewel.

"So you are going to let your new servant go?"

"Yes," answered the housewife.

"But you said she was a jewel."

"She was. Merely ornamental and expensive."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

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This Bank was Organized in December, 1836, and Nationalized in December, 1864.

Since its organization it has paid in Dividends to its Stockholders,

\$1,905,800.00

The Comptroller of the Currency has placed it on the HONOR ROLL, from the fact that its Surplus Fund more than equals its capital stock.

What Class? are YOU in?

The world has always been divided into two classes—those who have saved, those who have spent—the thrifty and the extravagant.

It is the savers who have built the houses, the mills, the bridges, the railroads, the ships and all the other great works which stand for man's advancement and happiness.

The spenders are slaves to the savers. It is the law of nature. We want you to be a saver—to open an account in our Savings Department and be independent.

One Dollar will Start an Account.

This Bank will be pleased to receive all or a portion of YOUR banking business.

THEO. LISKEN, THE WAYNE COUNTY UPHOLSTERER!

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