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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

For Governor,
ROBERT E. PATTISON,
of Philadelphia.

For Lieutenant-Governor,
CHAUNCEY F. BLACK,
of York.

For Secretary of Internal Affairs,
WILLIAM H. BARCLAY,
of Pittsburgh.

FREELAND, PA., AUGUST 7, 1890.

With our present understanding of the matter we dispute the idea that a people can tax itself rich.

The agricultural industry of this country is greater than any other industry. It contributes largely to all industries, but gets nothing itself.

SOME people profess to be reformers and friends of the poor man, but they are not. They are wolves in sheep's clothing rushing about seeking whom they may devour.

ARE you in favor of justice to all and special privileges to none? "What a question," you reply. Then why are you in favor of a protective tariff which "protects" a few millionaires in their wholesale robbery of the people?

The gospel of John Wanamaker, as substantially announced in the recent copyright controversy, appears to be that all things are right if government will put up a declaration to that effect. "And the decision," he asserts, "although possibly erroneous, is binding till changed, both as to law and morals."

Pythagoras uses the letter Y as a symbol of human life. "Remember," says he, "that the paths of virtue and of vice resemble the letter Y, the foot representing infancy, and the forked top the two paths of vice and virtue, one or the other of which people are to enter upon after attaining the age of discretion."

It is sound "business" not to continue a business which is not self-sustaining. Protectionists claim that if it were not for protection many of our manufacturing establishments would have to shut down. If this is true, then these establishments are run at a national loss, and no such establishment should be continued.

For the information of subscribers who may not receive their papers regularly, we have to say that no blame is attached to this office. The papers are promptly sent in the mails, and if not received, the fault is on the part of the mail service, not ours. A little "raking up" of the local postmasters would probably remedy the evil. Meanwhile, we want all those who do not receive their papers regularly to notify us at once and we will investigate the matter.

It is rather amusing these hot days to see the three leading daily Democratic papers of the county engaged in a wordy war over the merits of their respective favorites for the nomination of the various offices to be filled this fall. The better way would be to let the delegates to the convention settle the question of fitness, by their choice, and then let these same papers who are now at war with each other turn in and do all they can to elect them. We want the Tribune in the party this fall. The Tribune has no choice, but believes that there will be wisdom and foresight enough among the delegates to select for our standard bearers men who can go before the public with qualification and character to enable them to fulfill the duties for which they will have been nominated and who can rally to their support the good and true men, not only of the Democratic party but all others who are in favor of a clean administration of the county's business.

Scan the Assessors' Lists.

September the 4th is the last day to be registered in order to vote at the next election. Persons who neglect to have their names placed on the registry list prior to that date may find it a little inconvenient to have their vote received and placed in the box by the election officers when they go to the poll in November next.

The law requires that on the first Monday in August of each year the Assessors' lists should be placed at the regular polling places, where they can be at all times examined, and also, that the Assessors be at the polling place during the last two days of the time for placing them there.

Do not wait until it is too late. Scan the list now and if your name is not placed therein put it there yourself or notify the Assessor to do so.

The lists for Woodsdale poll is at the office of C. A. Johnson, on Centre street, and that for the borough at the council room.

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Workmen in the Campaign.

As the workmen of Pennsylvania have a peculiar interest in the present State contest they could not organize too early for the accomplishment of their political ends. While the toilers—the men in the mines and factories, at the carpenter's bench and the anvil of the blacksmith—seek no special favors of the State, they demand an equal participation in the government, and a thorough reform of inveterate abuses under which a few are enabled to enrich themselves at the expense of the many. In order, therefore, to obtain the due weight to which they are entitled as political factors they will have to organize—not, as heretofore, in party clubs, to be marched against each other by party bosses and drill masters, but as workmen's associations.

For the formation of workmen's clubs, without regard to party, to consider the issues in the contest for Governor, five earnest men in each district would be enough for a nucleus of organization. When once started by public-spirited workers the local clubs would rapidly grow. Out of the smaller clubs, of which meetings should be held at least one evening in a week, county and district organizations would soon be developed, and larger meetings held, to which speakers in full sympathy with the workmen of Pennsylvania and with their political aims could be invited. To people who are more familiar than all others with the means of spontaneous organization for the attainment of any desirable political or social end a hint only on this subject is necessary.

In the organizations of workmen thus formed the records of the two candidates for Governor of Pennsylvania could be most thoroughly canvassed, without regard to any side-issue; and upon these records the workmen could make up their decisions at the ballot-box. In the four-year administration by Robert E. Pattison of the office of Governor there is nothing which needs defense, apology or explanation. The record speaks for itself. The supporters of George W. Delamater should be willing to submit the record of his public service to the same rigid test. If during his term in the Pennsylvania Senate his votes have been in the interest of honest labor, this should be put down to his credit. If, on the other hand, it shall be seen that, so far from serving the cause of labor, he was the willing and active legislative servant of a powerful monopoly controlling the supply of one of Pennsylvania's great staples, he should be sternly held to the record. If it should be shown at the same time, on the highest Republican testimony, that his nomination was the shameful product of an insolent and selfish Boss Rule, controlling Federal spoils in his favor, the verdict of every Workmen's Club in which the name of the Commonwealth is held in respect should be launched against him.

Besides fully promoting the educational purposes of the State campaign, Workmen's Clubs would prove effective agencies for exposing and defeating the partisan intrigues set on foot for weeding the unwary out of their votes. Self-styled friends of labor, sweating with sympathy for the poor workman, and with the "boodle" of Monopoly in their pockets, will roam up and down the State under the orders of Chairman Quay. Already a spawn of so-called labor organs is springing into existence under the same auspices, with the mission of dividing workmen by persuading them to put a State ticket in the field. In this way it is hoped to draw off from Governor Pattison a large portion of the army of labor that is now mustering to his support.

But if the workmen of Pennsylvania shall thoroughly organize for the campaign, secure a full discussion of its real issues, and prepare to throw their solid strength upon the ballot-box, all the intrigues of machine managers, backed by corrupt power, can not prevail against them. In this contest Robert E. Pattison is the workmen's candidate. He has earned his position by his manly, courageous and steadfast defense of their rights and interests.—*Phila. Record.*

Not Exactly a Mascot.

Without claiming to be any wiser than the majority of our generation, we believe that we have prognosticated the course that will be pursued by the members of organized labor in this State during the campaign and as early as any of our contemporaries.

For months past we have called attention to the necessity of Ballot Reform, and in an article, under the head of Discipline, which appeared on the 24th ult., we clearly pointed out the way to attain that end. That we were not alone in the fight is easily seen by the action taken by the Labor Union of the 12th Congressional District, composed of delegates representing different trades unions, in convention at Wilkes-Barre Saturday last, at which resolutions were passed declaring in favor of the Australian system of voting; of the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people; of the control of the railroads of the country by the people's representatives; of taxing land up to its full value for use, and declaring against voting for any man who will not announce his determination to support these measures, and, at the same time, pledge himself to refuse to enter a caucus on any of these propositions.

The laboring men of this State need not hesitate a moment as to which party comes nearest to their ideas. The Democratic party is pledged to Ballot Reform, while the Republican platform straddles the question. Spread the light, let the blind see.

—THE TRIBUNE has now on hand and for sale all kinds of legal blanks used by Justices of the Peace, such as warrants, summons, capias, executions, agreements, leases, landlord warrants, notices to quit, receipts, etc., all done up in neat style and in an improved form. Call and see them.

The Infamous Election Bill.

General Master-Workman T. V. Powderly in the course of his letter last week to the *Journal of the Knights of Labor* on the Lodge Federal Election bill demonstrates that measure and the duty of the laboring men of the country towards it in this manner:

A more dishonest piece of legislation does not exist than that. It does not record the will of the majority, it does not aim at justice, and it certainly does not express the sense of those who voted in earnest. Where a number of ballots in excess of the number of voters are found in a box it shows that illegal voting has been done, but, instead of making honest effort to find out and punish those who did the illegal voting, a second wrong is perpetrated in drawing, at random, a number of votes without questioning whether they are the illegal ones.

That law passed the House of Representatives without the advice or consent of the people of the United States. It was hastily passed and without due consideration. It should be reconsidered and published to the world, so that those who are to be governed by it may know what it is in time to express their opinion on it before its passage into law.

According to rule, there is no probability that that will be done, and the next best thing is for the people to send in their protests to the Senate against its passage by that body. Our members should act at once and ask the Senators from the various States to voice their sentiments on this measure when it comes up for consideration.

The name of every Congressman who voted for the law should be published to the world, and the citizens who are opposed to such high-handed work should scratch them on next election day.

Neighbors Editors in the Quaker City.

Ex-Representative, Jas. A. Sweeney, of Hazleton, is in the city. He is now connected with the *Hazleton Plain Speaker*. Sweeney is one of the best wits in the State, while he has frequently furnished a case of Montebello alone at one sitting.—*Phila. Sunday Item.*

E. H. Rauch, editor of the *Manch Chunk Democrat*, who is a candidate for Assembly, spent Sunday in the city. He wants to get Governor Pattison, Lieutenant Governor Black, Candidate Barclay and Chairman Kerr to attend the county convention at Carbon County.—*Phila. Evening Herald.*

The Place to Get Your Clothing.

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The Pennsylvania, Lehigh & Eastern.

The stockholders of the Penn'a, Lehigh and Eastern Railroad held a meeting at Wilkes-Barre on Tuesday for the purpose of electing officers. Jas. Poole, of New York City was elected Pres. and D. P. Wolvorty, J. V. Darling, R. J. Flick and E. Lowenstein, of Wilkes-Barre, are among the directors. It is the intention of this company to do a general coal carrying business to the New England States and shorten the route as much as possible. The erection of the road will be commenced at Tomhicken and run via Hazleton and Drifton thus taking in all the coaleries of this section. It is believed the issue of construction will be commenced in a short time. The company will also do a general passenger traffic and thus afford much better facilities to the people of Freeland and vicinity.

From Grave to Gay.

An anecdote of a startling character is related by Mrs. Collis in her book, "A Woman's History of the Cavalry." It is intended to illustrate the recklessness which took possession of the men when every day brought them face to face with death. It was at a ball given during the winter at headquarters. "Well do I remember," writes Mrs. Collis, "expressing my sympathy to a distinguished cavalry General for the loss of his only son, to which the gallant brave responded: 'Yes, madam, very sad very sad! He was the last of his race. Do you waltz?' And away he went to the exhilarating music of a dashing galop, leaving all melancholy far behind him."

Natural Ink.

There is a plant in New Granada known as the "ink plant," the juice of which serves, without any preparation, as ink. The writing at first appears red, but in a few hours assumes a deep black hue. Several sheets of manuscript written with the natural ink, became soaked with sea water on the journey to Europe, but when dried the writing was found to be still perfectly clear.

The Chinese Minister's Ring.

The Chinese minister wears an enormous diamond ring on his thumb. This stone is of immense value and very brilliant. The setting, instead of being gold, is of dark wood. The wood from which the ring was made is very old—said to be 1,000 years—and its rarity makes it more costly than gold.

Uncle Seth's Preference.

'T'd hate to be a President—by gum, I wouldn't. The President's cake is always dough, 'thout no chance to bake it. The President shall him names—a miscreant an' villain. A man whose moral capital ain't eck'd to a shilling.

The Emperor of Germany is allus in hot water. An' never seems to do a thing that Bismarck thinks he oughter. The King of Austria's wife broke up, the Queen has clean gone crazy. She yells and cries from morn till night, an' travels all over the place.

An' they say the Czar of Russia doesn't dance to pleasant music. For he wears sheet-iron vestikes an' cast-iron trousers. His jacket must be made of tin before he'll dare to trust it. His beaver is an iron pot, so tough a bomb can't bust it. His bedroom is an iron safe, a cannon-ball can't crack it. In which he crawls before he dares to jest take off his jacket. His bedstead's made of tempered steel, as hard as his jacket. His best quilt's made of hammered zinc, his pillow's made of granite.

An' so ain't no candidate for President, King, or Kaiser, I'll stay to hum an' feed my pigs, an' live 'till Ann Eliza. An' we don't want no crowns an' things to plague an' aggravate us; We'll don't our clothes an' send the shotes, an' hoe our corn an' taters. —S. W. Foss in the Yankee Blade.

Correspondence From the Capitol.

WASHINGTON, August 5, '90.

The Congressional Campaign Committees will necessarily be slow this year in inaugurating and pushing the work they have in hand. It will not be possible for them to proceed with anything like system or intelligence until the precise issue upon which the contest is to be made is determined, and that cannot be done while Congress is still hesitating about so important a matter as the National Election Law. Of course there is the general charge by the Democrats that the Republicans have been wasteful of the public money and the general justification offered by the Republicans that while the appropriations are large the money will go into channels like pensions and public improvements from which the country will get liberal returns. But, as a rule, a National Congressional Campaign is conducted on something more specific than that, and, at present, with two great questions still awaiting settlement at the hands of the majority—the tariff and the control of national elections—there is much concern felt as to which, or whether, either of these enactments of law mark the dividing line between the two great parties when they square for action next fall. The original intention was to fight the battle on important issues alone. It seemed, indeed, as if at last there were to go no further with their plans until the full significance of the new move made by their antagonists was plainly revealed. It might be necessary for them to face this new direction, and if so all arrangements about a battle on the tariff and national campaign would have to be abandoned. And so it is that on activity is observed on the part of either committee. The Republicans have yet to decide just what part the Elections bill shall play in the campaign—whether as a law to be applied or as a measure they simply approve of, and until that decision is reached the Democrats can do little.

It is pointed out by the Democrats that in the coming contest they will have the advantage in the way they will be able to distribute their best speakers. Fortunately for them, they claim, their Congressional leaders are all assured in advance of their return here, and hence can go to the relief of their friends in the country who may be pressed closely.

The strongest of the Republican speakers in the house will, on the other hand, be kept busy at home looking each after his own individual fortunes. But, however the issue may finally be made up, the campaign must now be a short one. It will not last over six weeks, beginning the middle of September, but it promises to be an exciting one from start to finish.

The question of a new apportionment, which comes up in the House, will be an interesting one. After every census the apportionment has been changed to meet the requirements of the increase of population and the popular branch of Congress has increased in membership accordingly. Now the House has 352 members, counting those from the new States, though 325 was the number given by its last apportionment. This was based on the apportionment of one Representative to every 151,000 people. The last apportionment of the country at the last census was 90,187,223, and this year it is estimated that it will approach 65,000,000. This large increase will make it necessary either to increase the basis of representation or increase the membership of the House or both. The question has almost as many sides as the House has members. Some, who think the present body too large and unwieldy, hold that under no circumstances should the size of it be increased. Other favor cutting down the membership and allowing the membership to run as high as it could, pointing out that the British House of Commons has about 700 members, and yet manages to do the work required of a popular body. Between these extremes there are advocates of many other plans. One of the most talked of is to increase the basis of representation to 180,000 or 185,000, which would probably give the House a membership of 350 or 360. If this is done, the increase would scarcely be sufficient to cut any State out of a Representative.

Strange sensations must come over Mr. Blaine these days when he notes the quarters from which he is winning applause as he scores point after point against the McKinley Tariff bill and its framers. Mr. Blaine shows his momentum in endeavoring to get in line with the Tariff Reform sentiment which has grown strong even in his own party. The policy which he advocates will work out the result for which Democratic tariff reformers have struggled so long, and although it will do it under a different name, the same end will eventually be attained.

Knights of the Golden Eagle.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 2.—The semi-annual report of Grand Master of Records, J. D. Barnes, of Pennsylvania, for the 6 months ending June 30, 1890, contains many interesting facts as to the prosperity of the Knights of the Golden Eagle. (Last report was received Aug. 2).

The aggregate number of initiations, admissions by card, dismissal certificates reinstatements was 3935, an average of 11 per Castle.

Number of members December 31, '89, 33,443; initiated during the past six months, 3,739; admitted by certificate, 69; reinstated, 127; withdrawn by card, 202; deceased, 154; expelled, 16; resigned, 14; rejected, 150.

Membership June 30, 1890, 34,908, an increase of 1,465.

The membership is divided as follows: Past Supreme Chiefs, 4; Past Grand Chiefs, 19; Past Chiefs, 5,341; Crusaders, 29,034; Knights, 103; Pilgrims, 407.

Number of Castles December 31, 1889, 341; instituted during the past 6 months, 21; number of Castles June 30, 1890, 362.

The receipts of Subordinate Castles were \$141,804.34. Disbursements, including investments, \$143,464.90. Amount on hand and invested, \$384,892.13, an increase of \$26,188.19.

Amount paid for relief of Sir Knights and widowed families, burial of the dead and donations, was \$65,087.82. The number of brothers receiving weekly benefits was 2998, and 57 widowed families received relief.

123 Castles initiated over 100 candidates; 2 Castles initiated over 100 candidates; 16 over 50; 21 over 25, and 86 over 10.

125 Castles have a membership ranging from 100 to 367.

103 Castles have over 100 members; 19 over 200; 3 over 300.

The average membership per Castle in the State is 97.

The aggregate membership of the 21 Castles instituted since January 1, 1890, is 1,312, an average of 62.

123 Castles have funds ranging from \$1,000 to \$8,000.

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Since June 30, 1890, 13 Castles have been instituted, a total of 375 Castles, and an aggregate membership of 35,714.

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