

DEMOCRATIC TICKET. NATIONAL. President, Grover Cleveland, New York. Vice President, Adlai E. Stevenson, Illinois. JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT, Christopher Heydrick, Venango County. CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE, George Allen, Erie County. THOMAS P. MERRITT, Berks County. COUNTY. Congressman, William H. Hines, Wilkes-Barre. Senator, J. Ridgeway Wright, Wilkes-Barre. Sheriff, William Walters, Sugarloaf Township. Recorder, Michael C. Russell, Edwinstown. Coroner, H. W. Trimmer, Lake Township. Surveyor, James Crockett, Ross Township.

We denounce protection as a fraud, a robbery of the great majority of the American people for the benefit of the few.—DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

Kline's New County Scheme. C. W. Kline, of Hazleton, says the Wilkes-Barre Leader, is the Republican candidate for senator, simply and solely to divide Luzerne county and set off the lower end of it, together with a part of Schuylkill, as a new county. But for that he would never have thought of being a candidate for the place, and he is now using it to influence Democratic votes in Hazleton, while his party papers hereabouts are straining to hide the ugly fact from their readers.

The citizens of Black Creek, Butler, Foster, Freeland, Conyngham, Salem, Denison, Nescopeck, Sugar Loaf and the other towns and townships who are to be cut off from Luzerne and put into the new county can surely not support such a man. They would be taxed to build a new court house and jail and to support a whole host of Hazleton politicians in fat offices and would not have even the remotest voice in the selection of them.

Hon. J. Ridgeway Wright, the Democratic candidate, is against the new county. He represents the element that is proud of old Luzerne as it is, and do not mean that it shall be sliced up for the benefit of hungry Hazleton politicians and speculators in town lots, if they can help it; who believe that a county with separate orphans' court, with three law judges, with the best financial standing of any county in the state, with comparatively low taxes and fairly smooth-working institutions all round, is good enough county to stick to.

Those in the large cities who bet on elections find it impossible to get even money on Cleveland. Odds must be given or there is no bet. In Philadelphia the pools are running \$100 to \$80 on Grover, while in New York it is hard to place money at \$100 to \$70 on Cleveland or \$100 to \$50 that the Democrats carry New York. These bets, of course, are not going to decide the election, but they are very significant straws as to how the wind is blowing.

STEVENSON'S letter accepting the nomination for vice president is a strong document, and confirms the belief of the party that, should he be called to fill Grover's chair, the country will have a man there, like the head of the ticket, who can be trusted safely with the reins of government. He deals with the issues of the campaign in a style that marks him a coming leader of Democracy.

WHEN the Philadelphia Press and the Inquirer put Republican strongholds like Nebraska and Kansas in the doubtful column you can depend that they have little hope of carrying them. If there was the slightest indication they would go for Harrison, Republicans would be claiming them by majorities of 25,000 or 50,000. But rather than concede them to the People's party they class them as "doubtful."

THE Democratic county ticket is gaining strength daily. The nominees are men who deserve the undivided support of the party, and unless all indications fail they will get it.

CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW had much to say the other night on the pauperizing influence of free trade. In 1842, when the British protective tariff was in full operation, the population of England and Wales was 16,130,326, and the number of paupers on the poor rolls was 1,429,089. In 1891 the population had increased to 29,001,018, and the number of paupers had decreased to 780,457. These figures speak volumes in favor of the change in the economic policy of Great Britain. While the longest hours for work and the lowest wages are to be found in the protectionist countries of Continental Europe, the shortest hours, the highest wages and the cheapest food exist in Free Trade England.—Record.

The reassembling of schools throughout the country brings up anew the perplexing question of the children's luncheon. The writer once read a treatise on the "child's lunch basket," with recipes for preparing food for it. The food was most elaborate confections, which would take time, strength and money to evolve quite beyond the average house mother, and the article was laid down with a sigh that its promising title offered so little practical help. Lunch baskets are not so common these days as they used to be, and it is the luncheon served at home which now creates the dilemma.

As a rule children reach the house after the morning's session at school in a state of starvation; anything that is ready is greedily eaten. It should be therefore an easy matter to serve wholesome food, since the sauce of a good appetite is so sure to be present, although a small daughter of eight did say the other day, "I wish wholesome things were as good as good things." It is the care given to many simple dishes which makes them good as well as wholesome. Boiled rice for example is either very good and much liked by children, or it is an unmeatable, sticky, flavorless mass that nobody welcomes. A teaspoonful of rice, carefully looked over and put on in cold water and allowed to boil until every kernel is separate, but tender, is an excellent luncheon dish for children, served hot with consomme. Salt the rice as the water comes to the boil.

The consomme is easily prepared with beef extract and hot water and adds a reliable flavor. What is left of the rice can be put away while warm in small cups and served the next day on a small platter with stewed prunes poured around the little pyramids, or a teaspoonful of jam on each one and eaten with rich milk. Tomato toast, which is tomatoes sliced down and poured over small squares of toast, is liked by most children. Spaghetti or macaroni boiled twenty minutes in salted water and eaten with gravy, some warmed over clear soup, or the beef extract again is another dish that never goes begging.—Philadelphia Press.

A Girl Who Takes Exercise. There is nothing like healthy exercise to take the jaundice out of a woman's skin and hang out the red streamers of health in her cheeks. Boxing builds a woman up, rounds her arms, shapes up her shoulders and gives her a more graceful carriage. It also makes her more supple, confers on her that lissom grace of which the American rhymesters rave. But a woman who boxes should always be careful to protect her breast with a good thick pad. A woman cannot stand much of a thump in the chest. When women overcome their natural timidity—when they learn that a buff on the nose with a soft glove is not necessarily fatal—they make good boxers. They are very quick, have a great deal of tact and will stand considerable thumping when once warmed to the work.

My wife is quite handy with the mitts and I have a nineteen-year-old daughter that could whip a carload of dudes. She has practiced until she has become an expert striker straight from the shoulder and that with the force of a pile driver. An athletic combination visited our town recently (we live in Cedar Rapids) and I took my daughter to see the show. As we walked home she expressed the opinion that she could knock out the star performer and I resolved to give her an opportunity. I invited him to dinner the next day and took care to have several friends present to enjoy the sport. My daughter discussed boxing with our pugilistic guest—a well known wolverine, whose reputation I will not mar—and he offered to give her a lesson. The gloves were brought out and he proceeded with the lesson.

He did not proceed far, however, until he found it necessary to crawl out from under the piano. In the next bout she broke his guard, got his head in chancery and wound up by sending him crashing through the glass door of a bookcase. No, I don't subsidize a policeman to guard my house while I am out on the road.—Interview in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Marvelous Garments on the Stage. Mrs. Langtry and Miss Marie Linden divide the honors in the new play which the Haymarket opened its doors. Mrs. Langtry, as an irresistible belle dame, wears some marvelous dresses. As three of these are evening costumes, the artist has had great opportunities. A ball gown of buttercup satin has a train of enormous length, edged with soft, fluffy chenille. Upon the front and side widths are worked what look like harps of silver, intertwined about their strings with jeweled blossoms. The diamonds worn with this dress are a diadem which completely encircles the head, and a riviére around the throat, besides stars and brooches galore; and a bird of paradise worn as an epaulet scarcely please the Selborne society.

Another garment scarcely less rich is of pale pink satin, each seam bound with gold. Over this is thrown a pretty little pink cape with a deep collar of blue fox. But the most marvelous gown is reserved for the fourth act, and consists of a tablier and bib of pink china crape thickly set with silver spangles and worn over a petticoat and bodice of ivory satin. The fashioning of this dress is very complicated and hints at a revival of the polonaise style of yore.

A little picknick frock of white silk muslin flounced with violet and trimmed with knots of green velvet is quite as becoming to the actress as the most sumptuous creations and looks girlishly fascinating in a foulard with a Swiss

belt of heliotrope silk and lace and some quaint little shoulder straps which students of dress will remark. Miss Linden's gowns include a becoming dinner costume of sky blue brocade and a white garment for the fourth act, which rather suggests an Opheliasque termination to the heroine's griefs.—Fall Mall Gazette.

Hotel Chaperons. The coming winter is to decide the question of a chaperon—whether such a pleasing acquisition will become general or be confined to one or two large and exclusive hotels? The experiment was tried last winter by a big hotel on Fifth avenue, with more or less pronounced success. The object was to have on hand at all hours a pleasant, obliging woman to give information to women guests and to act as guide when desired. This was doubtless a relief to the desk clerk, for it must be confessed some women are very fond of asking questions—almost as much so as the small boy. It must also be a welcome and agreeable feature to a woman visiting this country alone for the first time, or in company with a daughter or friend equally ignorant of the city, to meet at once on the parlor floor an intelligent person of their own sex ready to assist them to be comfortable in every way possible. The homesick feeling, which was threateningly near, might be thus entirely dispelled.

It is the hotel chaperon's place to give suggestions concerning stores, directions to objects of interest and interesting facts concerning customs which seem strange to those from other lands. She is known as a professional chaperon, it being understood that she receives no salary from the hotel, but is permitted to fix her own rates with the party who employs her services. If the chaperon speaks French or German her position is all the more assured. She must have a pleasant address, must converse well and should know considerable local history. She must possess health and strength, as her day will often begin as early as 8 o'clock and may not terminate until after the theater, to which she has escorted a party.—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Women's Relief Corps at Washington. During the national G. A. R. encampment the Women's Relief corps met in the New York Avenue church. The report of President Sue Pike Sanders showed that during the year \$84,138 had been turned over to posts; cash for relief, \$61,463; relief other than money, \$28,941; balance in the relief funds of corps, \$77,517; general fund, \$122,535. The assets showed a decrease since the date of the last report of nearly 50 per cent. Miss Clara Barton welcomed the convention to the place prepared by the citizens' committee. A vote of thanks was given Miss Barton for her excellent services during the past year.

A committee from the G. A. R. extended the greeting of the national encampment and its appreciation of the work of the auxiliary corps. The national president presented each comrade with a badge of the order—a red and white rose, the national color of the W. R. C. Mrs. Flo G. Miller, of Illinois, presented the national president with a silver service in behalf of the national aids, a few friends in Illinois and other states. The surface is engraved "Sue, 1892." The national president expressed her thanks for the kind remembrance. The National Association of the Ladies Aid to the Sons of Veterans met Thursday and completed the work left unfinished at its convention held in Helena, Mont., last August. Resolutions of greeting to the Grand Army and to the Daughters of Veterans were agreed to and the association adjourned to meet in Cincinnati during the encampment there of the Sons of Veterans.—Washington Letter.

A Clever Boston Woman. The governor has appointed Miss Katharine E. Conway, of the Boston Pilot, to the prison commission, to succeed Miss Emma F. Cary, who resigns on account of ill health. Miss Conway is somewhat over thirty years old, and began in newspaper work when she was fifteen. In 1883 the late John Boyle O'Reilly engaged her services on the Pilot, and he always valued them highly, on one occasion averring that she had "the heart of a woman and the brain of a man." As a matter of fact we should say Miss Conway's brains are as womanly as her heart; they are certainly very good brains in the lines in which she has heretofore employed them—in editorial writing and verses. She is a great favorite with her fellow workers, both men and women. What may be her qualifications for work on the prison commission we do not know, probably she has not had much experience among the criminal classes, but in capacity she should be well fitted.—Springfield Republican.

Matching the Prayer Book. If a man has any doubts as to the frivolity of fashion among a certain class of women in this country all he has to do to dissipate that doubt is to go into some of the shops where he has a woman acquaintance who will tell him the truth about her sex. Such a man was found, and this is what he had to say: "She" by she he meant the dress-maker who told him—"said that the latest thing was to have the gown, hosiery, corsets, gloves, parasol, etc., match the binding on the prayer book. Fact! She told me the names of a swell set on the South Side (wasn't it the West Side?) who brought their prayer books to the shop and wanted their outfits made of material that would match the binding of the books."

This is not hard to believe when one remembers that there have been women who called for books of a binding to match some particular article in their home.—Chicago Tribune.

Pictorial Needlework. An ambitious piece of needlework designed for the World's fair is a copy of a portion of William Blake's engraving, "When the Morning Stars Sang Together and All the Sons of God Shouted for Joy."

This needle painting, which is executed on a gray linen canvas about 5 by 7 feet, represents the figures of four young boys with faces and arms upraised in praise, standing against a starry background. At their feet there is a scroll of clouds. The winged figures are each about two feet high and are worked in flesh tints. The background, which is of deep blue, is set with golden stars. The figures are so modeled and the light and shade so skillfully managed that the arms and legs give an impression of roundness. The features and tinting of the face and lips make one believe that paints were used in producing them. The picture is the work of the leisure hours of two years.—Exchange.

Women Drummers in Europe. Women drummers have appeared in Europe, and while not very numerous those that are known are conspicuous for their ability and success. A young Swedish woman travels for a Scandinavian firm of machinists. She travels all over Europe, and expects to extend her territory. She recently arrived in London direct from Moscow, and was then expecting to start for Melbourne, all in the line of her business. One London manufacturing firm employs several women commercial travelers, and several makers of dress goods have at least one each. They find a woman's taste of great value in this special line, and it is said would engage more women to travel if they could find them with the necessary business capacity, good appearance, good manners and good physique.—London Letter.

A Rainy Day Dress. There is one new fashion that every girl, whether she be rich or poor, should adopt, and that is a rainy day dress. The short skirt is faced with light india rubber cloth, and is to be worn with knickerbockers and leggings. The petticoat and skirt itself may both be sewed to the same band, or, as some wear them now, the upper skirt is lined, and the lining is left loose at the bottom and laced. This affords the appearance and protection of two skirts, when there is really only one, but it is considered quite permissible now, especially for "bad going" in the country, to wear the one skirt with gaiters and knickerbockers.—New York Tribune.

Wyoming Women. In answer to the query, "What are the Wyoming women like anyway?" Senator Carey paid the following compliment to the women of his state: "Observe the best, the most progressive, intelligent women of the east, and you will see just such women as our state is filled with. They have lost none of their womanliness by having the right to express their opinion by the ballot. I cannot understand why men will intrude the care of their homes and the training of their children to a woman, and yet say she would not know how to use the ballot, and would not use it if she had the legal right."

What Woman Suffrage Means. Let no man or woman be mistaken as to what this movement for woman's suffrage really means. We none of us want to turn the world upside down, or to convert women into men. We want women, on the contrary, above all things to continue womanly—womanly in the highest and best sense—and to bring their true womanly influence to bear of whatsoever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely and of good report to bear upon conduct of public affairs.—Mrs. Millicent Garrett Fawcett.

Women's Boots. Among new boots the smartest is the heavy calf Blucher, laced, which will be worn by every fashionably minded woman with her tailor gown when she walks. These boots must be blacked like a man's, so the day of French dressing is over. For rainy days, oddly enough, russet leather shoes are considered the proper choice. They have pointed toes and common sense flat heels.—Exchange.

Felt bonnets will have an unprecedented reign. Next in favor will be those of velvet. A favorite model for the latter is shaped like a half handkerchief, usually lined with a contrasting color, the point resting on the hair in front, the corners turned up and fastened on top of the crown with a pom-pom, a bow or a bird.

Miss Lillian C. Rogers, who has been for seven years an attaché of the office in which two of her sisters are also employed, has been offered the place of deputy clerk of the United States circuit court for New England, to which a salary of \$2,000 attaches, but she declines on the ground that she may not be capable of filling it.

Says a woman: "Last winter when I went to Bermuda I found a few yards of challie which I had in my trunk as an intended wrapper a perfect boon on the voyage. It was dreadfully seisek all the way, but this hastily improvised portiere gave me air and privacy and really made the trip tolerable."

A pretty and useful gift to a mother is a linen lap pad, for use when bathing the baby. It is made of a piece of linen, not too fine, twenty-four inches square, lined with white eider down flannel or fine drilling with a light outer lining of cotton tacked to it.

The Empress Frederick is hard at work collecting matter for writing a memoir of her husband, a labor of love in which she is assisted by her son, the emperor, her sister-in-law, the Duchess of Baden, and Queen Victoria. The Zoological society of England has long admitted women as fellows. It accepts their papers and grants to them all the privileges of this extremely scientific society. Mrs. Wilson, daughter of the late President Grevy, having had bequeathed to her all his papers and correspondence, will publish a memoir of her father.—Chicago News-Record.

THE KEYSTONE STATE ITEMS WHICH ARE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO PENNSYLVANIANS.

Brief Mention of Matters Which Everybody Should Know About—A Week's Accidents and Crimes Accurately and Concisely Chronicled.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 1.—At the trial of ex-Private W. L. Iams against Colonel Street et al., Major General George R. Snowden appeared in the courtroom for the first time since the opening. Ex-Private Iams was put on the stand again.

The Drought in Pennsylvania. ALLENTOWN, Nov. 1.—On the mountains north of this city fires are visible, and unless rain comes soon to extinguish them serious results may follow. The Lehigh river is lower than it has been in a long time. The drought is being seriously felt here by the different manufacturing establishments.

The Time Extended. HARRISBURG, Oct. 31.—Colonel Herman Osthaus, general inspector of rifle practice, national guard of Pennsylvania, has sent out the following special order: "Owing to the loss of time for rifle practice occasioned by the Homestead strike, it is found advisable to continue the season two weeks longer, to Nov. 14. Qualification scores made within that time will therefore be received."

A Demented Man Found in a Field. LOYALTON, Oct. 31.—Frank Auchtenbach, a well known resident of Porter township, aged thirty years, who disappeared mysteriously from his home last Tuesday, was found in a corn field near here by a party of searchers. When discovered he presented a pitiable appearance, being almost nude, shivering and half famished. It was at once apparent that the man was demented. A short distance away a portion of his clothing, with nearly \$400 in money and two loaded revolvers.

Beaver Falls Mills Start Up. BEAVER FALLS, Oct. 31.—Sheriff Martin, of Beaver county, has been notified by the state authorities that the Beaver Falls mills will resume work, and that he shall be prepared to swear in deputies to preserve order.

Rival Singers in Church. POTTSVILLE, Oct. 31.—St. Stephen's Reformed church was guarded by policemen to prevent ex-Organist Koch and his choir from interfering in the services. They were escorted to the body of the church and endeavored to drown their rivals' voices in the singing.

Killed by a Beer Keg. MAHANAY CITY, Oct. 31.—Stephen Martinsky, a Hungarian, was killed by being struck with a beer keg.

Struck by a Train. LEHIGH, Oct. 31.—Edward C. Sotar and Ella Cole, while walking on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western track, were run down by an engine and killed.

A Big Blaze in Huntingdon. HUNTINGDON, Oct. 31.—Several large buildings in the east end of the town were destroyed by fire. The fire started in Swivel's barber shop and communicated to the Lester House, Union bank, Lewis' restaurant and Denny & Co.'s store. N. B. Corbin's store, the Morrison House and several other buildings.

A Fire Swept Village. PITTSBURG, Oct. 31.—Callery Junction, twenty miles from here on the Pittsburgh and Western railroad, was almost entirely destroyed by fire. Callery's hotel, Hunt's block and hotel, the Pittsburgh and Western railroad station and half a score of dwellings being burned.

The Iams Case in Court. PITTSBURG, Oct. 31.—In the trial of the prosecution by ex-Private Iams against the officers of the Tenth regiment for his imprisonment at Swissvale the defense made many dilatory efforts, but the prosecutor finally reached the stand, told his story, and court then adjourned until Monday.

His Bride Was Waiting for Him. BEATTY, Oct. 29.—J. S. Hoagy, whose parents live at Lancaster, blew his brains out on a train when it arrived here. His bride was awaiting him.

Wants a Lawyer Arrested. ALLEGANY, Oct. 29.—R. B. Petty, attorney for Sheriff McCleary, asked that D. R. Jones, a Homestead attorney, be summoned for making an incendiary speech to strikers.

Philadelphia's Elevated Road. PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 28.—The work of building the Market street elevated railroad is now under way. Eight piers have already been built on Elm avenue, between Girard avenue and Thompson street.

Alarmed Over Forest Fires. TOWER CITY, Oct. 27.—The mountain fires in this vicinity are becoming serious and the residents in the west end of Schuylkill are alarmed. The destruction of young timber is enormous, and the flames, which are being fanned by high winds, cover an immense territory. It is the most destructive fire ever known in this section.

Two Men Killed. CANTON, Oct. 27.—Ellsworth Congdon and William Streeter, of East Troy, Pa., were killed by a train at a railroad station here.

Eleven Firemen Overcome. PITTSBURG, Oct. 27.—During the progress of a fire in the beer supply store of D. Chestnut & Co. eleven firemen were overcome with fumes of burning oil and waste. Two were taken out dead and the others removed to the Homeopathic hospital, some of them in a serious condition.

Cars of Grain in Flames. OXFORD, Oct. 26.—The extensive planing mills, sawmill, feed and grain mill, lumber yard and warehouse belonging to D. W. Chandler were entirely destroyed by fire, together with eight cars loaded with grain.

Liberated from Liberty's Head. NEW YORK, Nov. 1.—A flock of nearly 100 homing pigeons were liberated at precisely 2:12 p. m. Sunday from the head of the statue of Liberty, and started off on a race to their home in Scranton, Pa.

Mr. Challi (to one of his clerks)—So you missed the train yesterday morning, did you? Mr. Crash—Yes, sir. Mr. Challi—Then I wish you would explain to me how I happened to receive your telegram announcing that fact the night before.—Harper's Bazar.

Not Observing Enough. An intercepted letter: MR. BARRY—Your declaration of affection of the 17th has been received and would have met a more favorable reply but for the accompanying poem, beginning, "Thine eyes so blue and tender." My eyes are brown. Inclosed find your letters and presents thus far received. Respectfully, MARIA MORLEY.—Chicago News-Record.

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