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## PLANS OF DEMOCRATS

THEY WILL TRY TO REORGANIZE THE SENATE.

Important Nominations Made by the President—Mr. Cleveland is Against Nepotism, and He Also Modifies a Famous Rule—Other Washington News.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The Democrats of the senate met in caucus to consider the subject of the reorganization of the elective officers of the senate. There was a large attendance, every Democratic senator with the single exception of Senator Walthall of Mississippi being present. As at the preceding conference, Messrs. Peffer, Kyle and Allen, despite the fact that they have been given committee chairmanships by the majority, were not recognized as being Democrats, and were not invited to attend. The caucus adjourned at 4 p. m., having during the four hours of its session come to the determination to nominate the elective officers. The ticket so nominated is composed of William R. Cox of North Carolina, an ex-representative, for secretary of the senate; Richard J. Bright of Indiana, ex-senator-at-large, for sergeant-at-arms; Rev. W. H. Milburn, present chaplain of the house of representatives, the chaplain of the senate.

This result was not reached without a protracted debate, for there was a considerable element of the party that opposed the idea of doing anything that would be a violation of the precedent of the senate and give cause to opposition on the part of the Republicans.

Some Important Nominations. WASHINGTON, March 16.—Among the appointments sent to the senate by the president were those of William McAdoo of New Jersey to be assistant secretary of the navy and Edward B. Whitney of New York to be assistant attorney general.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate:

State—James B. Ennis of Louisiana to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to France; Theodore Runyan of New Jersey to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Germany; E. R. Risley of New York to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Denmark.

Justice—James G. Jenkins of Wisconsin to be United States circuit judge of the second judicial circuit; Walter D. Dabney of Virginia to be solicitor for the department of state; Charles B. Stuart of Texas to be judge of the United States court for the Indian Territory. To be marshals of the United States—David L. Grayton of Mississippi for the northern district of the district of Indiana; Abner Gaines of Arkansas for the eastern district of Arkansas; James Clifford L. Jackson of the Indian Territory for the Indian Territory; Joseph W. House of Arkansas for the eastern district of Arkansas.

Treasury—Ernest F. Caldwell of Maryland to be first auditor of the treasury; Thomas Holcomb of Delaware to be fifth auditor of the treasury.

Interior—Wade Hampton of South Carolina to be commissioner of railroads.

Postmasters—New Jersey, Charles E. Clark, Matawan, and a number of western and southern postoffice nominations.

The Republican Chairmanships. WASHINGTON, March 16.—The Republican caucus finally agreed upon the chairmanships as follows:

Mr. Sherman of Ohio was awarded the conference committee; engrossed bills, Mr. Allison of Iowa; epidemic diseases, Mr. Jones of Nevada; private land claims, Mr. Hale of Maine; committee to investigate the condition of the Potomac river in front of Washington, Mr. Frye of Maine; woman suffrage, Mr. Jones of Massachusetts; additional accommodations for the library of congress, Mr. Morrill of Vermont; five civilized tribes of Indians, Mr. Teller of Colorado; transport and sale of meat products, Mr. Platt of Connecticut; corrections in the District of Columbia, Mr. Aldrich of Rhode Island; revolutionary claims, Mr. Cameron of Pennsylvania; claims of citizens of United States against the government of Nicaragua, Mr. Hawley of Connecticut.

Mr. Cleveland on Nepotism. WASHINGTON, March 22.—The president took occasion to define his position on nepotism. One caller presented the name of a constituent who wanted a government position. He told Mr. Cleveland that the applicant was a good Democrat, a good fellow, and, furthermore, a relative of the president himself.

"That settles it," Mr. Cleveland is reported as saying. "His name cannot be considered." And then the president is said to have read the congressman a lecture on the danger of appointing relatives to office. Among those who saw Mr. Cleveland was ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed, who had a pleasant interview with the president. If he did more than pay his respects, he failed to say so when he came out.

The President Modifies a Rule. WASHINGTON, March 19.—The president has found occasion to change somewhat his rule barring former officeholders from reappointment. He told Congressmen Springer, in answer to a question, that where a whole community is anxious for an official's reappointment he would make an exception to the rule. Mr. Cleveland also said former appointees might file applications for positions other than those previously held by them and get due consideration.

Mr. Blount as an Envoy. WASHINGTON, March 16.—Mr. Blount is now on his way to Hawaii. He will proceed at once to Honolulu. Mr. Blount constitutes the entire commission and no other member will be appointed.

At first it was thought that three commissioners would be appointed, but the cabinet decided to send only one representative, and that a special envoy instead of a commission would serve the purpose better than a commission.

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## ECKLEY CLIPPINGS.

Old Eckley is here and is still as lively as ever it was. The ball of St. Mary's T. A. B. Society on St. Patrick's night was one of the greatest held here for some years past. Many of our town-people are still complaining of being tired and it seems as if they were never going to get over it. The building was crowded to the door and all enjoyed themselves greatly. The grand march was led by Chas. Harvey and Miss Annie Trimble. Eighty-six couples participated.

Hugh Gallagher, of Oneida, spent Sunday in town.

Miss Fannie Gallagher, of Freeland, was here visiting on Monday.

Miss Rose Kelley, of Bristol, Bucks county, who had been visiting friends here for the past month, left for her home on Tuesday.

Michael McHugh was slightly injured about the head by a fall of coal at No. 10 slope last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Denney, of Nelson City, were among the visitors in town on St. Patrick's Day.

Miss Mary Murrin, of Freeland, spent Saturday at the home of her parents.

Thomas Shearon, of Oneida, spent St. Patrick's Day with his family.

An effort will be made to celebrate Easter Monday with a social hop.

James Reed, employed as a company man at No. 1 slope, was injured on Monday.

Miss Mary McHugh, of Freeland, visited the home of her parents on Sunday.

Mrs. James Ryan has placed a handsome organ in her parlor.

James Haggerty, of Silver Brook, was in town on Saturday.

Mrs. Michael Sweeney and her son Frank, of Alden, attended the funeral of the late Frank Sweeney here on Saturday.

John Craig and Hugh McGill took in Freeland sights on Monday evening.

Miss Rose McGeehan, of Drifton, spent Sunday with her friend Miss Mary A. Harvey.

Rev. Father Brehony went to Manungu on Monday to see his brother, Rev. James Brehony, who was slightly injured by being thrown from a carriage at that place on Thursday.

The next attraction will be the ball of Division 20, A. O. H., of this place, at Freeland opera house on April 21.

Miss Mary Ann McGill, one of our estimable young ladies, is lying seriously ill. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

The fair at St. Mary's church closed on Saturday evening. The contest for the ring between Miss Mary Kennedy, of Silver Brook, and Miss Rose Campbell, of this place, was won by Miss Campbell. The doll contest between Miss Jennie Trimble and Miss Maria Campbell also came off and was won by Miss Campbell. The flag contest between St. Mary's T. A. B. Society and Division 20, A. O. H., has been postponed until some time in the near future on account of the books not being all in yet.

MARY ANN.

HIGHLAND DOTS.

A Polish christening was the attraction here on Sunday. A large number of people were in attendance and all appeared to have a jolly time.

Harry Williams has taken up his abode in Schuylkill county, and will remove his family there.

Several of our young men attended "McCarthy's Mishaps" at Hazleton opera house on Tuesday evening.

Christ Rhotneck, of Silver Brook, was here visiting last week.

Charles Krumm left for the far West last week.

Mrs. Ann Duffy, of Sandy Run, was here last week among friends.

Some of our Eckley friends appeared very weary while passing here on their way home one evening last week.

Potatoes were selling here on Tuesday at ninety cents a bushel. They are coming down slowly but surely.

Mrs. James Dugan was on the sick list last week.

Hugh McGill and wife, of Mt. Carmel, were here visiting his parents on Friday.

Pay day is gone for the first time in several months without any person being robbed on the highway between here and Freeland.

Patrick Bradley was laid up a few days last week with a severe cold.

A large number of people of this place attended the funeral of Mrs. John H. O'Donnell at Drifton on Sunday.

Miss Annie Maloney returned to her home at Eckley on Monday.

It is said one of our residents is paving the way to enter the saloon business in the near future. It's all very well to try it, but what about the reckoning.

Joseph McGeady, of Oneida, made a short visit to the old home last week.

Charles Grossman, of Hazleton, was here among friends on Sunday.

Mrs. Simon Pollock is recovering from a severe illness.

John Bonner, of Oneida, called on friends here last week.

It is whispered around town that the fall in the price of coal will bring wages down to where they were a year ago under this company. At the time wages were advanced we said the railroad companies done it to bluff the public and at the same time rob it. We say so yet.

In the senate on Tuesday Senator Kline amended his salary bill in accordance with the action of the members from Schuylkill and Luzerne counties. It fixes the salary of the clerk of the courts at \$6,000, recorder of deeds \$4,000, county treasurer \$5,000, coroner \$2,000, controller \$3,000 and county detective \$1,000.

## UNION COMPANY WINS.

JUDGE WOODWARD GIVES IT THE RIGHT OF WAY.

The Controversy Over the Foster Township Roads is Decided in Favor of the Local Company—The North Side Still Trying to Get to Freeland.

On Monday afternoon Judge Woodward gave his decision in the injunction case of the Union Street Railway Company against the Hazleton and North Side Electric Railway Company. The contest originated through both companies claiming the right of way in Foster township, and was brought to a point where legal proceedings became necessary when laying its track on Centre street, in the Points. The Union Company then obtained an injunction, and the case was argued last Wednesday before Judge Woodward, who, in giving his decision, says:

"The case presents a single question: Which of the two companies claiming the right of way over the road in Foster township has complied with the requirements of the act of May 14, 1889, (P. L. 211)? This section provides that no street passenger railway shall be constructed under this act within the limits of any city, borough or township without the consent of the local authorities thereof, etc.

"The plaintiffs allege that on February 13, 1893, they applied to the supervisors of the township for the right of way in question, and presented to the court a copy of the minutes of the supervisors' meeting, granting them the right of way over the roads in Foster township.

"The defendants produce an affidavit of Matthew Long, which states that as the agent of the Hazleton and North Side Electric Railway he called upon the supervisors and procured from them the agreement for the right of way dated January 5, 1893.

"Assuming that the agreement obtained by the defendant from the supervisors on January 5, 1893, is not invalid because of any fraud or misrepresentation, and also that the meeting of the supervisors on February 13, 1893, was properly held, it then remains to inquire as to the legal force and effect of a contract entered into by township supervisors, separately and without a meeting at which all are present for conference and consultation, in which way the contract presented by the defendants was granted.

"The doctrine of the common law is that when a power authority or duty is confided by law to a number of persons, or whenever a number of persons as officers are authorized or required by law to perform any act, such act may be done and such power may be exercised and performed by a majority of such persons or officers on a meeting of all the persons or officers so interested or empowered unless special provision is otherwise made.

A number of opinions are then quoted and the judge continues: "In view of the rule thus established it would seem to follow that the contract entered into between the supervisors of Foster township and the Hazleton and North Side Electric Railway on January 5 was invalid and without force. It was not the joint act of the two supervisors in their personal and individual capacities and at different times. It is only valid and lawful grant of the right of way over the road in question was that conferred upon the Union Street Railway Company by the resolution adopted at the meeting of the supervisors on February 13, 1893. And for this reason the motion to continue the injunction must be granted."

Union Company Meeting.

H. E. Sweeney, of Drifton, president of the Union Company, and C. W. Weightman, W. H. Jessup, Jr., and F. W. Bieckley, of Scranton, directors, met at Freeland yesterday and drove over the route of the road in the borough and township. Some very important business was transacted at the meeting, and work will be pushed rapidly as soon as the weather permits. It is not yet decided in what part of the town the plant will be located, but it will likely be erected at some point where water and railroad facilities are convenient.

From persons who are in a position to know it is learned that the Union is preparing to give Freeland one of the most complete electric systems in the state. A noticeable feature of the Union's movements is that they are not accompanied by a large amount of unnecessary talk and bluffing, but they are hard at work nevertheless, and the few persons of town who are lamenting because Judge Woodward decided against the Hazleton people might do well to keep quiet until they are better acquainted with the plans of the two companies.

North Side Company.

It is rumored that the North Side Company will not be deterred from reaching this place by the decision of the court on Monday. It is stated the present supervisors, Messrs McLaughlin, of the Points, and Wilson, of South Heberton, met a representative of the company in a store in the upper part of the borough last week and held a meeting.

They decided, it is alleged, to grant the Hazleton parties the right of way over the township road that extends from above Luzerne street toward St. Ann's church.

With this road the North Side can come here over the following route: Through Hazle township to Drifton, then along the road that extends from the latter place in the direction of Butler valley, branching off it to the "church road," which is also in Hazle, and then entering Foster by the road over which Foster's supervisors are said to have granted the right of way.

This would make a very circuitous route, and it is doubtful if the company will go to the expense of constructing its

line over the roads named above. Besides, there are a number of obstacles that can be placed in their way so as to completely shut them out if any person so desires.

WANT MORE MONEY.

Reading's Receivers Ask the Court to Let Them Borrow \$5,500,000.

The expected application of the receivers of the Reading Railroad to the courts for permission to issue certificates was made at Philadelphia on Tuesday, when Thomas Hart, Jr., counsel for the receivers, appeared before Judge Dallas in the United States circuit court and presented the formal application. Judge Dallas, after carefully examining the application, made an order referring the petition to George L. Crawford, master in the case, who is to report to the court upon the advisability of authorizing the issue.

"The 'combine' newspapers have been telling their readers all along that the Reading was all right and the receivers would straighten everything out in a few months, but this application puts at rest all reports of the condition of the company. It is bankrupt, and all the columns of 'press bureau' articles that McLeod's free puff editors can publish will not prevent the public from believing it bankrupt.

In their petition the receivers acknowledge they have been unable to make any very substantial reduction in the indebtedness that was due February 20, when the company passed into their hands, and they state that the indebtedness at the present time is \$7,053,000.

The receivers go on to say that they believe if they are authorized to issue certificates to the amount of \$5,500,000, they will be able with the current receipts to meet the current liabilities of the company, as the same will accrue during the year ending the 1st day of March, 1894, including all interest charges, rentals and guarantees, including the outlays required to be made for equipments, notes and car trust installments maturing during the year on contracts made prior to January 1, 1893."

They only "believe" they can do all this, and make no guarantee that it will be done. It is expected, however, that the application to borrow the money will be granted without any opposition, as nobody but the public must suffer the consequences of that is too small a factor to consider when the interests of the P. & R. financiers are at stake.

Dividing the License Money.

County Treasurer McGroarty has issued his annual statement regarding the disposition of the liquor license money. It shows that Freeland borough has 25 retail licenses at \$150 each, 5 bottlers at \$200 each and 1 wholesale dealer at \$200. The \$1,000 paid by the bottlers goes to the state, also the \$200 wholesale fee, and of the retail license money the county gets \$690 and the borough \$2,690.20.

County Treasurer John S. McGroarty and wife, of Wilkes-Barre, spent a few days here this week. They will leave in a short time on a visit to California.

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PLEASURE CALENDAR.

April 3—Ball of St. Patrick's cornet band, at Freeland opera house. Admission, 50 cents.

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## BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS.

PARAGRAPHS GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE REGION.

Little Ones of Interest About People You Know and Things You Wish to Hear About—What the Folks of This and Other Towns Are Doing.

The auditors of the borough will meet tomorrow evening.

The railroads of this state killed 1439 persons during the year of 1892.

Rev. E. M. Chilcoat returned yesterday from the M. E. conference at Bellefonte.

F. P. Malloy has purchased a handsome pair of grays for his delivery wagon.

Foster auditors are still at work upon the accounts of last year's township officers.

The Young Men's Slavonian band enlivened the town with their music last evening.

The Bloomsburg normal school pupils arrived home on their Easter vacation last evening.

Rev. Father Farrell, of Friendsville, Susquehanna county, visited friends in town this week.

If you want fresh candies go to Fackler's confectionery for them. "We make our own."

William McDonald, of Wilkes-Barre, called upon the boot and shoe men of town last evening.

DePiero Bros. and Mrs. Jane DeFoy have placed a new style of grip machines in their bar-rooms.

G. B. Markle & Co. have reduced the price of Highland coal to \$3.75 per load, a reduction of 35 cents.

"Orange Blossom," the common-sense female remedy, is sold and recommended by all druggists.

B. F. Davis sells the renowned Washburne brand of flour. It excels everything in the market. Try it.

Next Sunday, which is Palm Sunday, will be observed with special services in several of the churches of town.

The foundation for a large warehouse to be built for A. Brunsengen is being prepared at Walnut and Birkbeck streets.

The new county bill passed second reading in the senate on Tuesday. It has a long and rocky road to travel before it will become a law.

The annual Easter Monday ball of the St. Patrick's cornet band will be a large affair. The band boys know how to show the public a good time.

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## Great Closing Out Sale of Winter Goods.

Overcoats at Half Price.

Men's Chinchilla Ulsters, \$3.90; former price, \$8.00.

Men's good strong pantaloons, 79 cts; former price, \$1.50.

A few men's suits left at 3.90; former price, \$6.00.

Good heavy merino shirts and drawers, 31 cents each; former price, 50 cents.

Red flannel shirts and drawers, 79 cents each; former price, \$1.00.

Fine camel hair shirts, 69 cents; former price, \$1.00.

All-wool overshirts, 49 cts; former price, 75 cents.

Canton flannel shirts and drawers, 24 cents; former price, 50 cents.

Boys' woolen mits, 21 cents per pair; former price 35 cents.

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