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ADMIRAL DEWEY'S CANDIDACY.

The announcement by Admiral Dewey of his candidacy for the presidency is pathetic. It is sad that he cannot see that he is not wanted, and that he has allowed some misguided persons to unduly influence him. The trouble with the Admiral is that he has never been among crowds, he has seen nothing of the people, and therefore falls into the error of supposing that because there may have been some persons in New York when he reached there from Manila and that he has seen other throngs at other points in passing, the persons composing these crowds were for him for the presidency. In this he is more at sea than when on the distant ocean's furtherest wave. He might fill the office well, he might make an admirable president, but then he never will. The demand for him has lessened since he made the fatal mistake of signing that deed; that was his political death warrant, and no pardon, no amnesty granted from any source will ever restore him to his ancient and honorable estate. He, of course, would be compelled to run as a Democrat, this he could not do since he has never been one. We have watched the awkwardness of the new convert, especially of him who changes sides for mercenary purposes, as almost all who have changed within our knowledge have done. If young they twist, and squirm, and wobble, in their attempt to fit themselves to their new conditions, and sometimes become presentable after the fashion of the country lad who thinks he has all the agony on when he bedecks himself in his first ten dollar suit of ready made clothes. If he is old, just about Admiral Dewey's age, he blunders about like a blind horse, and before he knows what has happened tumbles into the mire which is sure to beset his footsteps. He also loses his self respect. He neither trusts himself nor is he trusted, and he ends his life disgusted that he lived, with his friends apologizing for his conduct and character. The only personage of note who has bailed the sound of the Admiral's guns is the Hon. Grover Cleveland. He is reported as delighted, and no doubt is. That gentleman must be hungry for some political pleasure. He has not been overwhelmned with such of late, and this is his opportunity. It will not be calculated, however, to strengthen the Admiral with the masses of the Democratic party to let this news get abroad, in fact we know of no one single occurrence which would so effectually sink him to the bottom of the political sea as this, if generally known. He would be strong, since Mr. Cleveland's endorsement, with that branch of the people who once called themselves Democrats, but when things did not go just their way, branched off into a higher sphere of party life, and either voted for McKinley or Palmer and Buckner. The only resemblance borne just now to these by the Admiral is that he is willing to run with any set of hounds which can overtake the hare. Outside of these any prophet can foresee he will have no following, and that he will hardly get his craft launched before it will be shivered on the political rocks.

THE BOERS FRIEND.

The Boers have a new friend in the Hon. Webster Davis, who has resigned from a high official position to plead their cause in the United States, because McKinley would not permit him to hold office and speak in their behalf. These poor people whose little Republics are the only bright spot on "Darkest Africa," can have no hope of help from the crowned heads of Europe. These can see them slaughtered and grow glad, because if their form of government be right, then the thrones on which those monarchs sit, must crumble to decay. What care they for the lives of a few thousand plain people when their crowns are at stake on the very issue these plain people shed their blood to maintain? Neither can these Burghers look now for help to what was, only a little while ago, the greatest republic of the world. That, too, has been transformed, it is no longer what its projectors intended, it has dropped from its high estate, and imperialism runs rampant over its domain. The plain poeple are with the Burghers in their heroic strife, but the kingly people, those in high places, the rich, the stately, the lords of this realm are their enemies, they hail British triumphs, they rejoice in the death of the oppressed, they have fattened on spoils themselves and they have no sympathy with the downtrodden. We hope Mr. Davis may to some extent change this disgraceful sentiment in the nation.

Gen. Wood says that Cuba is all right for men who go there with money, but it is no place for poor men. In this respect Cuba does not differ from this or most other countries of the world. Poor men have few countries of their own in these days of Centralization, Imperialism, Monopolies and Millionaires.

The Senate has agreed to vote on the Quay case on April 24th.

NATIONAL INFAMY.

The crowning infamy of the twentieth century has been enacted. It came early and is in the shape of a tariff tax laid upon Porto Rico. It is a surrender to trusts for a campaign fund which could not be collected had the crime not been committed. It is sugar coated without and filled with poisonous nicotine within, it is base and dastardly and will do more toward driving from power the sordid party now holding the reins of government than any other one thing, the bubonic war plague of the Philippines not excepted. How humiliating it all is.

Gen. Miles on entering Porto Rico promised those people they should be treated as American citizens. This was a solid compact, but Republican like it was broken.

The President said: "It is our plain duty to give these people free trade." But he weakened and took it all back.

Oxnard for the trusts went before the Ways and Means Committee and told them this part of the President's message was distasteful and must not be supported.

Secretary Root in terms said the same as the President. Other persons in high places had said the same. All have been made to recant under the terrifying and imperialistic threat of the sugar and tobacco trusts, and all have humbly apologized. Congress, which is made up on the Republican side of the creatures of trusts, cringed before their masters, the President cringed before Congress, the Senate cringed before the three, and the reputation of the nation has been smirched, and we are disgraced before the Porto Ricans, and in the eyes of the civilized world. We have always been looked on by other nations as tricky, as being without honor in a bargain, as being cheats and bunco steerers, and we deserve it. Our goods foreigners say are shoddy, our meats, rather our fruits, infected, our measures short, and in general we are unreliable. Now our national honor partakes of the nature of our goods and we stand condemned. We are told that the people do not understand the question. Certainly Mr. McKinley and Mr. Root did understand it when they wrote, but as soon as they found the Trusts were aggrieved they changed their minds. The people do not and cannot understand breaches of faith, and the press which usually does not allow itself to condone a national deception and lie, has never understood it, and never will, if to understand means to befoul their pages with an advocacy of such an infamous and disgraceful act.

COL. HUBARD'S CANDIEACY.

The Republicans have conferred a very empty honor on not too full a vessel when they presented Col. R. T. Hubard with the Congressional nomination in this district. He is a nice old gentleman we understand, from those who have the pleasure of his acquaintance. Not many people in these parts ever heard of him, none save his officeholders seem to know him, but that makes little difference, there are many things of which the people of the Tenth district have not heard, and are not particularly worse off on account thereof. But the Colonel will serve a purpose, he is the boss made candidate, he will carry the banner as they say, he may get a little campaign fund to spend, he will make some new acquaintances, he will pass we hope a pleasant summer, visit Staunton and Augusta, possibly Highland and Bath, learn how hopeless those counties are as fields for Republican missionary work, talk imperialism and expansion, explain the kind of government Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines will have, dispense some of the newly acquired knowledge which candidates now have coming from our new possessions on the subject of yellow fever, small pox, leprosy, bubonic plague and Asiatic cholera, open door with China, shut door with Porto Rico, gold standard, war taxes, national banks, Secretary Gage and his use of the money in the treasuary, trusts and combines, together with all those other beauties of our national life, and Republican loveliness which beckoned him into the sacred precincts of the great and only party, and which should beckon into it every other living being white or black, the blacker the better. Finally we suppose he will look over the returns to find himself "counted out," He will then perhaps, as the nominee, contest the seat of the Democrat who has defeated him, and judging from the success of those who have acted similarly in recent years, will possibly become a Congressman.

These are perquisites which go with the office. Had the party really wanted to elect a Congressman they would have nominated Mr. Yost, who is confessedly the only man who possesses the ghost of a show before the people.

It is doubtful whether by closing our exposition building at Paris on Sunday we will cause anybody to believe that we are an overly religious or God fearing people. It is more likely they will look on us as a lot of hypocrites, who when we pray thank God we are not as other men.

A certain Capt. Judson is to disburse the $2,000,000 taxed out of Porto Rico and now being returned to her. It will be well, or interesting, to note the financial condition of Capt. Judson now, and when his task is ended, a case possibly of "before and after taking."

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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THE GREENBRIER RAILWAY.

This is a railway not yet known to the traveling world, because the first train has yet to pass over it, but it is destined to become an important link in the chain of West Virginia railways. It is being built by the C. & O. and branches from the main line at the western end of the bridge which spans Greenbrier river between Caldwell and Ronceverte stations and extends north along the banks of the Greenbrier for about 100 miles to Travelers' Repose in the northern portion of this, Pocohontas county. Actual work on this line began only on the 27th day of August last in this quarter, some work had been done south of here, but none earlier than that in this section. Yet with a rather severe winter, much sickness, bad roads and a small pox quarantine, very much of the grading is done, and it is said to be the intention of the company to have trains running as far as this point by July 1, a distance of about 55 miles.

The road took shape last Spring. When the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co. began to prospect for a location for a plant at some point other than on the Potomac, and at a point so remote that some citizens of the city of Cumberland might have surcease from their bitter persecution of them. The Pulp company visited the railway authorities and an agreement was entered into for its building on certain conditions. This promise led the Pulp Co. to buy large tracts of timber land on which was pulp wood, also to the building of their plant at Covington, and of course the building of the road.

This section is possibly the finest undeveloped timber country in the United States. The distance from a railway heretofore left all timber standing except such as could be rafted to Ronceverte and white pine which could be floated. There have, since the pine lumber began to be floated, say 20 years ago, been taken from this county not less than 200,000,000 feet of that timber, and there is much more of the same character yet uncut. The oak and other hard woods have not been touched. The tan bark alone in this county is something enormous.

As soon as the railway is completed great activity will be manifested in the lumber trade, in fact saw mills are now coming in daily, and the sawed product is being stacked ready for shipment. The location of the road as it is along the river renders the entire county in touch with it, putting the lands of nearly every man in the county within 12 miles of it. The timber industry is by no means the only industry likely to spring up here. The most massive marble find in this country seems to be right on the line of this road, the principle marbles being black and red. These have not yet been fully opened, but will be as soon as the road is in running order. There are also immense deposits of iron ore with limestone in a stone's thrown. Eighteen miles west, on the head of Gauley river, are vast deposits of the New River coking coal, thus placing iron, coal and limestone nearer together than at any other point in West Virginia. This must invite the manufacture of iron at some point near here, or at this place. There is fine water power in the county, at a gorge in the mountain one of the largest streams can easily be damed and a wonderful power obtained.

At present the West Virginia Central and Pittsburg are at work on a line which crosses Cheat mountain from Elkins to connect with the Greenbrier railway. Their line will be about 40 miles in length, and when completed will open this section to the West and Northwest, and also enable coal to be shipped from the Roaring Creek mines to Newport News. It is rumored that the C. & O. will shorten this route by building from a point on the Hot Springs branch to a point on this line, thus making the distance 40 miles shorter from this point to Newport News than it would be by following the present line. The road has not as yet indicated any policy with reference to freight rates, and the doubt on that score is somewhat retarding development, and keeping out investors. The Hot Springs branch by which this county received and sent away all produce and goods has been so outrageously burdensome and extravagant in its charges, as to cause apprehension that such a policy might be adopted here. This uncertainty renders values unknown and deters buyers. It is therefore to be hoped that some policy may be outlined or some indication vouchsafed these people. The sharp advance in freight rates in other quarters is not very reassuring. Should the road be able to do work by September from this point, it will carry away many hundreds of cattle and thousands of sheep which in some instances have been driven to the W. Va. Central and the B. & O. Of course it will begin the shipment of lumber at once and in a few years more lumber will likely reach it from this quarter than from the entire line east of the Ohio river. The character of the work is good. The location is high above water, the culverts and masonry are first class, the road will be laid with heavy steel we have been informed and thoroughly ballasted. Never did a road enjoy easier grades, the maximum grade between this point and Ronceverte nowhere exceeds ten feet per mile. There are two small tunnels on the line, agreed upon to cut off sharp bends in the river, these are well under way. The masonry here and over Greenbrier below this point where the road crosses that stream is more than half completed and track laying has been done to the extent of about seven miles at the lower end. At noon and in the evening the roar of blasting is heard for miles, and the streams of wagons coming and going with supplies for the commissaries, dynamite, powder, cement and such other things as railroad building requires, tell that the work is being pushed, and the statement that trains are to run to this point by July may be verified. In another letter we shall speak of the development of the county more in detail.

R. S. TURK.

Marlinton, W. Va., April 9.

Killed in Jail.

Joseph Fletcher, a negro, a recently re-enlisted United States soldier, of Troop F. 9th regular cavalry, was shot in jail here Friday by Deputy Sheriff Thos. A. Dawson, and died instantly. The deceased was drunk the night before when he boarded the west bound C. & O. train at Washington, for Fort Huachua, Arizona. As he became dangerously unruly and drew a knife, four trainmen overpowered him, roping him hand and foot, and telegraphed here for the officers to arrest him. On the arrival of the train here Fletcher was turned over to the police. He resisted officers Opie, Cline, Gregory and Dawson at the cell door after the ropes were removed from him, and Mr. Dawson, who was no match for the negro in strength drew his pistol and fired, killing Fletcher instantly. After a lengthy examination of all the witnesses the Coroner's jury returned a verdict that the killing was done by Deputy Sheriff Dawson in "discharge of his duty." The dead man was 26 years old and a powerful athlete, and had served three years in Troop F, previously to his reenlistment. His family resides in Washington.

State Senator Donahoe has withdrawn from the contest for the Congressional nomination in the eighth district thereby leaving Mr. Rixey, the present representative, a clear field.

Newport News' export record for the year ended March 31st broke all records, the total value being $33,773,055. This record eclipses export values for any twelve months in the port's history, by $10,501,000.

Virginia News.

Representative Hay introduced a bill in the House providing for the erection of a public building at Charlottesville to cost $100,000.

George G. Rosser, a veteran of the Confederacy, and custodian for some years past of the State library building at Richmond, died suddenly on Saturday.

Capt. Page McCarthy, at one time one of the most prominent editors in Virginia, is critically ill at his home in Richmond. But little hope of his recovery is entertained.

Col. Abe Fulkerson, of Pulaski, who in the late years of Readjusterism was know as one of the "Big Four" in the Senate of Virginia, was paralyzed recently at his home, and there is small hope of his recovery.

Mayor R. T. Barton, of Winchester, a leading member of the Virginia bar, has been appointed one of the delegates from the United States to the international congress of comparative law, which will meet in Paris in August.

It is said that the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company which is just completing a large plant at Covington, will shortly erect another at Parsons, W. Va. They have taken options on large tracts of timber land in that region.

On Friday a shooting scrape took place at Huntington; W. Va., in which one man was killed and four others wounded. The affray was the outgrowth the recent municipal election, and occurred on one of the busiest thoroughfares. It was thought at one time that more trouble would occur.

General Nsws.

It is said that a carefully prepared letter has been sent out by Senator Hanna to trusts calling upon them to contribute $6,200,000 to help re elect Mr. McKinley.

The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections have decided unanimously in favor of declaring vacant the seat of Senator Clark, of Montana. This form of procedure will require only a majority vote in the Senate.

A meeting was held in Philadelphia Monday night to express sympathy for the Boers. A message was sent to President Kruger by a sixteen-year-old telegraph messenger, who at once started on his errand.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to rob the First National Bank in Charlestown, W. Va., early Monday morning. An entrance to the building was effected and the combination lock on the outer door of the vault was broken with a sledge. The robbers were discovered before they could go farther, and forced to leave without any of the bank's fund.

Our Next Governor.

The following extracts from papers in the southwest show the feeling of the people of that section toward Hon. Edward Echols:

Lebanon News: "The Valley and the Southwest have always been good friends and neighbors, and in the approaching canvass for the Governorship of the State we sincerely trust the Southwest will unite with the great Valley and promote Ned Echols from the position he has so well filled to the honored office of Chief Magistrate of our beloved Commonwealth."

Clinch Valley News: "Other candidates, one from the lower valley and one from the city of Norfolk, are mentioned and others may come in before the start is made, but the man who seems to us from the present point of view is the Hon. Edward Echols, of Staunton. None has a better right to the loyal support of his party. None of his competitors can claim a purer record or a higher degree of executive ability and none would bring to the Executive office a clearer view of duty or a sterner sense of responsibility."

The Tenth Going Dry.

The Tenth Congressional district is composed of twelve counties and two cities. In recent years a war has been waged on whiskey selling throughout the district with the result that no whiskey is sold, or will be sold by license after May 1st, in the following: Appomattox, Rockbridge, Augusta, Highland, part of Amherst, part of Botetourt, and city of Buena Vista. Local option may also apply to other counties that we cannot at this time recall. At any rate the temperance sentiment is growing in the Tenth and at a speed no one ever dreamed.

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Notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of April, A. D. 1900, the said Annie Reuter was duly adjudicated Bankrupt; and that the first meeting of her creditors will be held at No. 1, Law Building in Staunton, Virginia, on the 24th day of April, A. D. 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the Bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

R. E. R. NELSON, Referee in Bankruptcy.
Staunton, Va., April 5th, 1900.

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OF VALUABLE
RESIDENCE PROPERTY,
IN THE CITY OF STAUNTON.

By virtue of decrees of the Court of Hustings for the city of Staunton entered at the February and March terms, 1900, of said court, in the chancery cause of Landes, Receiver, vs Sheffey's heirs, &c., the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction in front of the county court house of Augusta county, in the city of Staunton, on

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9th, 1900,

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Commissioners' Sale
OF A
Valuable Tract of Land
IN AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.

By virtue of a decree of the circuit court of Augusta county, Virginia, entered on the 23rd of November, 1896, in the cause of J. E. Whitmer vs. J. B. & E. A. Weaver, the undersigned commissioners will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the city of Staunton, Virginia, at public auction to the highest bidder, on

THURSDAY, MAY 10th, 1900,

at 12 o'clock M., of that day, that certain tract or parcel of land in Riverheads District, in Augusta county, Virginia, about 13 miles S. W. from Staunton, on which the said J. B & E. A. Weaver now reside, containing thirty-four (34) acres, three (3) roods and twenty and one-half (20½) poles.

TERMS OF SALE—One-fourth of the purchase money cash and the balance on a credit of 6, 12 and 18 months, the purchaser executing bonds for the deferred installments with approved personal security, and the title to the land to be reserved as ultimate security, said bonds to bear interest from date and waiving the homestead exemption.

W. H. LANDES, JAMES BUMGARDNER, Jr., Commissioners.

Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Augusta County, to-wit:

I, Jos. B. Woodward, Clerk of the Court aforesaid do certify that W. H. Landes has executed the bond required by decree of sale in the chancery cause of J. E. Whitmer vs. J. B. Weaver, et als., now pending in said court.

Given under my hand this 30th day of March, 1900.

JOS. B. WOODWARD, Clerk.
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Commissioners' Sale.
—OF—
VALUABLE REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Augusta, rendered on the 14th day of December, 1899, in the cause of H. L. Hamrick vs J. C. Hulvey et als, we will, as commissioners appointed for the purpose, proceed on

Thursday, the 10th day of May, 1900,

at 12 o'clock M., in front of the courthouse in the city of Staunton, to sell at public auction, that certain lot or parcel of land containing twenty-one and one-half acres, situated in Augusta county on Middle River near Hulvey's Mill, being the tract purchased by John A. Michael from John C. Hulvey, and which was conveyed by John A. Michael to Alice Michael by deed bearing date on the 14th day of March, 1895; upon the following

TERMS:—To-wit: Cash in hand to pay costs of suit and sale, the remainder in three equal instalments, due six, twelve, and eighteen months from the day of sale, with interest from the date of sale, said deferred instalments of purchase-money to be evidenced by the bonds of the purchaser with approved personal security, waiving the homestead exemption, and the title to be retained as ultimate security.

RUDOLPH BUMGARDNER, W. H. LANDES, Commissioners.

Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Augusta county, to-wit:

I, Jos. B. Woodward, Clerk of the Court aforesaid do certify that Rudolph Bumgardner has executed the bond required by decree of sale in the chancery cause of H. L. Hamrick vs. J. C. Hulvey &c., now pending in said Court.

Given under my hand this 30th day of March, 1900.

JOS. B. WOODWARD, Clerk.
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TRUSTEE'S SALE
—OF—
Valuable Real Estate
IN AUGUSTA COUNTY.

As substituted trustee in the deed of trust executed by Ann W. Frazer to secure the Atlanta National Building & Loan Association's bond in the penal sum of $3,000, which deed is of record in the clerk's office of the county court of Augusta county in D. B. 11?, p. 59, I will sell at public auction in front of the court house in Staunton, on

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18th, 1900,

that very valuable and desirable lot of ground with improvements thereon, situated on the North side of the Parkersburg Turnpike, about two and one-half miles from Staunton. The property has on it a comfortable home with a good orchard of apples, pears and peaches and small fruit.

TERMS:—Cash to pay the costs of executing the trust, any unpaid taxes on the property and the amount due on the debt secured in the deed namely, $1,718 54 with interest from the first day of September, 1899, subject to a credit of $809 51 as of February the 24th, 1900, and the residue on a credit of six and twelve months from day of sale

WM. PATRICK, Substituted Trustee.
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