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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

- For Governor: DANIEL H. HASTINGS, OF CENTRA. For Lieutenant Governor: WALTER LYON, OF ALLEGHENY. For Auditor General: AMOS H. MYLIN, OF LANCASTER. For Secretary of Internal Affairs: JAMES W. LATTI, OF PHILADELPHIA. For Congressmen-at-Large: GALUSHA A. GROW, OF SCRANTON. GEORGE F. HUFF, OF WESTMORELAND. Election Time, Nov. 6.

OUR LIVELY LAZIERNE contemporary, the Wilkes-Barre Times, has been imposed upon by a smart young man who deliberately gave one of its reporters false news. The smart young man is under arrest; and the Times is receiving commendation for its energy in protecting its readers. The fall is a good place or such smart young men.

Today's Convention.

While it is not the mission of honest party journalism to discourage Republican enthusiasm, it is well to bear in mind that the common political enemy is shrewd, keen and unscrupulous. Lackawanna county can and must be made safe for protection to Lackawanna's diversified industries; but the achievement of this result can be made easy or difficult according as today's convention does its work well or ill. It is simply the plain and unbiased truth to say, without reference to personalities or factions, that the welfare of the party as a whole is superior to the ambitions of any man in it; and by this rule, with thought of the morrow as well as thought of today, should the convention be guided.

In a gathering where many candidates and many interests strive for supremacy, some must inevitably be disappointed. The test of party loyalty will come to successful and defeated ones alike; to the former in moderation of undue exulting and to the latter in ready acceptance of the wishes of the majority which lies at the fountain head of government and by the people. Until we are forced to believe to the contrary we shall assume that this test will be welcomed by each of the interests represented in today's convention; and that when that convention shall have completed its work, the entire membership of it will be prepared to give assurance of unanimity and of renewed party zeal.

In expressing this wish and this conviction we are not unmindful of the need of concerted and harmonious party struggle. The interests at stake ought certainly, during the long months of Democratic depression, to have given ample evidence of their gravity and their weight. The citizen who will consult his pocketbook and his ledger will have little need of further urging to induce him to appreciate the need of sweeping and decisive Republican victory. It is a mistake to assume that the business interests of the country; that even the interests of our own industrial community, are yet safe beyond the danger line. With Democracy constituted as it is, nothing is safe while that party is within scent of pelf and power. It must be whipped, scourged and humiliated, not simply in congressional districts, not simply on state legislative districts, but in county and municipal and township and borough arenas as well; whipped, flayed and beaten all along the line.

The convention of today will not fill the measure of its clear duty if by its work it makes this task more difficult.

FEW INLAND daily newspapers are brighter or more progressive than the Allentown Leader, which has just completed its first year. It is cheerful and clean; and it deserves all the kind words that its friends are saying about it.

Just Plain Common Sense.

A correspondent of the Indianapolis Journal, thinking to score a point against Governor Claude Matthews because he is a Democrat, charges that the following extract from one of his recent speeches is a revival of known nothingism: "Is it not time to stop and ask ourselves the question if we have not thrown our doors too wide open, received too indiscriminately the unworthy immigrant and too hastily clothed him with the rights and privileges of citizenship? By far too many of them have been received of the pauper, criminal and Anarchistic class, who remain ignorant of our language, laws and institutions, whose only idea of liberty is lawlessness and license and hostility to all government, recognizing none save that of force, who can never become assimilated or Americanized. I believe the best interests of labor alone demand that this class of immigrants be excluded from our shores, and he who attempts to bring them here should be held guilty of a high criminal offense." Fair play for Matthews. This isn't know nothingism.

It is plain common sense. No honest Republican need fear to stand side by side with Indiana's Democratic governor upon such a necessary plank. Let us have done with whangdoodleism on this subject.

THE HAZLETON Plain Speaker seems almost inclined to dispute THE TRIBUNE'S claim touching the bravery of Lackawanna's soldiery in the civil war by resort to the circumlocution that Lackawanna was then a part of Luzerne. The moter county apparently cannot quite make up her jealous mind to become entirely reconciled to the overshadowing greatness of her son.

Mr. Moody's Mission.

It is a fortunate circumstance which brings to this city at this time a minister of such straightforward and effective eloquence and large renown as Rev. Dwight L. Moody. It would be superfluous to say so much as a word in introduction of him. Even to those whose name is already a household word wherever the English language is employed in daily speech; and from the youngest to the eldest there is scarcely a rank, age, class or condition in life that his fearless ministrations and candid presentations of Divine truth and duty as these have been revealed to him have not blessed with a larger measure of spiritual grace and comfort. It is not necessary, we repeat, to introduce such a clergyman to the people of Scranton. Nay, rather, it would be presumptuous. But we can at least welcome him and, in behalf of all our citizenship, wish for him the abundant reward deserved by his liberal and charitable teachings and by the purity of his purpose and record.

As we understand Rev. Mr. Moody's present intention, he does not come to preach to Protestants, Catholics, Jews or Gentiles; but rather to fellow men, struggling with greater or less success to solve the destiny of their race and work out, each for himself, the personal problem of salvation. There is need of such evangelization; never a greater need than now. At a period when the recruiting schools of sin and crime are working on double time and with, it would almost seem, a doubled and a tripled force of employes and superintendents, there is need of a ministry which, casting aside whatever there is in the conventionality of pulpit teaching as it is generally known, will get down to the marrow of its mission and demonstrate its usefulness more by deeds than words.

We apprehend that Rev. Mr. Moody will not, while among us, waste much time haggling over the shucks and shells of denominational differences. We shall be surprised if it shall prove to be his purpose to expend much effort or thought, while in Scranton, upon fine theological distinctions between twelfth and twelfth dum. We doubt very much whether he is at all worried over many of these intellectual enigmas that puzzle the brains and engross the sapient attention of many estimable modern doctors of divinity. It is our knowledge of the man that he believes his mission to be vital and living; to deal with men rather than with definitions and to fight a battle against a real and a present and an indefatigable enemy rather than to lock horns with brother clergymen in disputations that achieve little material or other profit. The gospel that he proclaims is rather one vibrant with Divine love and human sympathy; not cold with dissected intellectuality nor stiff with the frost of spiritual congelment.

THE INFORMATION that, when asked about an interview in which somebody had said he would not accept a renomination, General Harrison "only smiled" is one of those stunning and cyclonic pieces of news under which the wires of our country sometimes stagger at a certain pace per word, during the heated term.

Sacrificing the Farmer.

One of the things for which this Democratic administration will surely be held accountable is its abrogation of the reciprocity features of the McKinley tariff, whereby American exports, chiefly of products raised on American farms, were just beginning to gain general admission upon favorable terms to markets from which they had previously been excluded. The new Democratic tariff sacrifices this valuable stimulus to the American export trade without offering anything equivalent in return. A more stupid and uncalled-for piece of legislative bungling has seldom been seen.

On Friday of last week, Spain, by royal decree, brought American reciprocity with Cuba to an end. The effect of this abrogation may be foreseen by study of our past trade relations with the "Queen of the Antilles." The Philadelphia Press pithily summarizes those relations as follows: "In 1870 our exports to Cuba were \$12,201,601. In 1891 they had risen only to \$11,029,005. In September, 1891, Spain, in return for free sugar, granted our products special privileges and our exports began to rise by leaps and bounds. In the fiscal year which closed last June they were \$20,125,321. In the year before they were \$24,157,698. For three years our exports have averaged \$30,447,000. For thirteen years before the passage of the McKinley tariff they had averaged \$10,000,000."

"These advancing and enlarging exports," says the Press, "meant a larger and freer market for our coal, our oil, our wheat, our meat and a host of our manufactures. This market has all been sacrificed to make sugar dear and wages low in this country and no corresponding benefit is given the American consumer." But we shall be much deceived in the common sense of the Northern farmer if he shall not yet demand the restitution of those reciprocity treaties as his fair and proper

share of the benefits of the Protective system, a thing which can be brought about only by the restoration of Republican power.

FOR SOME TIME hence it is probable that long range missionary work will be the most popular in dealing with the heathen Chinese on his own territory. The propensity to join the mob and slaughter white Christians is altogether too strong in the Flowery Kingdom in war times and it is pleasing to note that the majority of people who have taken up the work of converting the yellow pagans have wisely concluded that it is better to be a live missionary than a dead martyr to the cause. The almond-eyed son of China in a mission school in this country is a very different individual from the unconverted heathen in his own home reinforced by hundreds of his class and maddened by the mischievous eloquence of the celestial orators who would have all white people banished from their country. The recent experience of missionaries in China who narrowly escaped being murdered by mobs will undoubtedly have the effect of making missionary work in China unpopular, at least until the war is over.

THE WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC COMPANY, of Pittsburg, has just received from the Chicago City Railway company, which is the most extensive street railway corporation in the United States, an order for 4,500 horse-power of generators and 800 motors. The value of this order is said to be in the neighborhood of \$180,000; and we mention it here because it illustrates one of Scranton's present industrial deficiencies which the near future must correct. Ten, perhaps five years hence, orders like this will be coming to Scranton, brought there by the inevitable attractions of cheap fuel, abundant labor and superabundant facilities.

THE DEMOCRATIC machine can respite "Bat" Shea, but it is too late to respite either Shea's victim or the machine's doom.

POLITICAL NOTES.

- One guess: For congress, J. A. Scranton. For judge, R. W. Archibald. For sheriff, Frank H. Clemons. For treasurer, Thomas D. Davis. For clerk of the courts, John H. Thomas. For prothonotary, Clarence E. Fryer. For district attorney, George M. Watson or John R. Jones. For recorder, Charles Heister. For register of wills, William H. Hopkins. For jury commissioner, T. J. Matthews.

President Jack Robinson opened State league headquarters in the Lohiel at Harrisburg yesterday and was joined in the afternoon by Major Warren, St. K. Foch, Congressman Charles W. Stone, of Warren; William R. Leeds, of Philadelphia, and Hon. Galusha A. Grow, of great majority fame, will be at Harrisburg on Wednesday, and a suite of rooms has been engaged for General Hastings. When the Avern club, of Philadelphia, arrived at the capital this evening it will be given a reception. Colonel H. H. Taylor, Department Commander Ensign and Colonel James F. Morrison, of the Philadelphia War Veterans post, will be on hand with General James F. Latta, of Philadelphia; Hon. Walter Lyon, Pittsburg; President Thomas L. Hicks, of the Young Republic club, of Philadelphia; Hon. George F. Haff, of Scranton; State Chairman of Philadelphia, District Attorney Schaefer, of Delaware, and Senator-elect C. C. Knuffman, of Lancaster, and Hon. C. L. Magaw, General Hays, who will get a royal reception.

A correspondent of the Philadelphia Press, writing from Wilkes-Barre, makes short work of a dispatch in Candidate Siger's paper last Thursday, the purport of which went to show that the German tariff bill was a blessing in disguise to Pennsylvania industries. The Record writer had said that the Vulcan Iron works of Wilkes-Barre, with a capital of \$1,500,000, had just received an order for 10 per cent. out in wages made last February and that the 1,300 men employed in four of the company's five shops were now working full time. "Here," says the Press correspondent, "are six statements, and of the six there is but one that is true, and that one is that a reduction of 10 per cent. was made last February. The capital stock of the Vulcan works is \$200,000 and not \$1,500,000. The number of men employed is 250 and not 1,300. There has been no restoration of 10 per cent. in wages and the work is fairly busy, but not running, by any means, to their full capacity." Is the Record running a bogus prosperity mill?

To the Philadelphia Press the Lackawanna situation has this appearance: "Congressman Scranton appears to have experienced no great difficulty in securing a renomination in the Lackawanna district, although the opposition was more than he has had to encounter in any previous canvass. Now that the primaries are over, however, all the Republicans in the district may be expected to cordially acquiesce in the result and all will be Scranton men from now until the close of the polls. It has been Mr. Scranton's misfortune heretofore to be beaten in the years between the presidential campaigns, but there can be no danger of anything like that this year. The circumstances are such that Lackawanna ought to be, and no doubt can be, regarded as one of the entirely safe Republican districts of the state. The importance of electing every Republican member of congress possible should be kept in mind, and a defeat in the Eleventh district would be exceedingly difficult to explain."

Sam Hudson, who on Sept. 17, will assume editorial control of the Scranton Times, circulated among local Democratic magnates yesterday under the expert pilotage of Senator M. E. McDonald, Jr. partner, W. B. Bell, will arrive next week and put the Times' business affairs in shape for the grand opening a fortnight hence. It is the intention of the paper's new controllers to publish an aggressive, non-factional Democratic organ, with a complete telegraphic news report and other features new to the present Times. The staff will be increased, and it is in the words of the Lackawanna Democrat to read as they should, Bell and Hudson aver that they will achieve the result. Both gentlemen come highly recommended and will doubtless be made as welcome as Democrats can be made in Republican Lackawanna.

As it looks now, only three names will be presented for district attorney: George M. Watson, John R. Jones and A. J. Colborn, Jr. Mr. W. Lowry decided yesterday afternoon not to let his name go before the convention. Mr. Lowry had many earnest profers of support and could undoubtedly have developed considerable strength had he chosen to remain in the field. His retirement leaves the situation crystallized down to Watson and Jones, with Colborn remaining in it in the hope of being selected in the event of a compromise. Mr. Jones is developing strength rapidly, and is believed to be nearly, if not quite, as strong as his chief competitor, Mr. Watson. The fight for district attorneyship promises, in fact, to be the real struggle of the convention.

THE BURDEN THAT HURTS.

How, W. D. Owen, of Peru, Ind. Goods will shortly come in from abroad, and for every \$4 worth of goods that comes from abroad some American laborer must lie idle one day. In compensation for this kindness the Democratic party proposes to give him cheap goods. The 3,000,000 idle men do not ask for cheap goods; they are pleading for work. The 100 workmen from Philadelphia who knocked vainly at the door of the ways and means committee room were not asking for tariff reduction; they were not asking for cheap goods, but for employment and for their homes and their families. They were not even asking for cheap clothes and cheap food. They were asking for man's natural privilege—employment. The country can gain no advantage through cheap goods that can at all compare in its contribution of good to the community which comes from the universal employment of the people. There is no burden levied at the custom house, whether it is 100 per cent. or 500 per cent., that can compare at all with the burden of 8,000,000 of willing workers without anything for their hands to do.

COMPLIMENTING MR. YOUNGS.

Scranton News. The Thirteenth regiment's rifle team maintained its previous character at Mount Gretna and won the coveted regimental prize, defeating the crack marksmen of the Sixteenth by the handsome score of 367 to 262. Mr. Youngs, of the Scranton Tribune, maintained his previous record for excellence, scoring 95 out of a possible 105. He has thus again demonstrated his undisputed title to be the best marksman in the entire state guard, and was for the fourth time the champion shot badge of the state of Pennsylvania. We extend to Mr. Youngs, our hearty congratulations. The latter named gentleman is a person of such extreme worth, character, efficiency, and vitality is so urban, modest, retiring and unassuming as to make his achievements a source of pride to his regiment, his county, his city and his state.

WHAT CLEVELANDISM COST.

Indianapolis Journal. The annual report of the Massachusetts labor bureau shows that the total amount of wages paid by the manufacturing industries of the state was \$157,268,397 in 1893, against \$137,972,501 in 1892, a total of \$19,295,896 in the earnings of the working people of the state. The report also shows a decrease of 38 per cent. in the number of persons employed in manufacturing establishments in 1893 as compared with 1892. It will be a long time before these losses will be regained under the new tariff law.

ARE APING BUCHANAN.

How, W. D. Owen, of Peru, Ind. The leaders of Democracy appear unconsciously of what has been going on in this country for thirty-two years, since they have been out of power, and are proceeding to run the government on the principles used in Buchanan's administration. They have wrecked the gold surplus and they have borrowed \$50,000,000. They have created a national deficit of \$74,000,000. It is the first time since the war that the regular income of the government has not been equal to current expenses.

THEY WILL REGRET IT.

Schleigerville Republic. We believe in laws which enable our mechanics and laborers to earn enough to support their families and lay by sufficient to buy a home and protect them from want when the time comes when they are unable to labor as hard as they did in the prime of life. This the McKinley law did, and we believe that the repeal was wrong, and that the day will come when those who favored it will regret it.

IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

Louisville Commercial. It is refreshing to see papers that were continually denouncing the McKinley tariff for its impropriety of speaking disrespectfully of the chief magistrate of the nation.

Where is the Uneasiness?

Scranton News. THE TRIBUNE states that there is great apathy existing in the local Democratic camp. That ought to be gratifying for our contemporary, strangely, however, it seems to be a source of uneasiness.

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