

Additional Local.

Republican Meetings.

HONORABLE CYRUS G. LUCE.
 Bangor, afternoon Oct. 19
 HONORABLE J. J. WOODMAN.
 Gobleville, evening Oct. 15
 JUDGE B. F. HECKERT.
 Grand Junction, evening Oct. 12
 Keeler, evening Oct. 13

Van Buren County Stalwarts.

Eugene A. Wilson, Republican candidate for member of the state board of education, was born at Ridgeway, Lenawee county, Mich., Sept. 21, 1854. William R. Wilson, his father, still works and resides on the farm of two hundred acres at Ridgeway, purchased from the government in the spring of 1861 by Robert Wilson, his grandfather. Eugene A. Wilson was sent to the district school at Ridgeway, and afterwards to the high school at Tecumseh by his parents, where he graduated in 1875. After completing his course in the high school, he was obliged to figure for himself so far as his future education was concerned, although having the very best of a home on the farm when out of school. By teaching district schools during the winter, and by working on the farm during the summer, and by borrowing money he managed to complete the fall classical course at the Michigan State Normal in June, 1879.

The next fall he took charge of the schools at Mount Pleasant, Mich., and has been continuously engaged as superintendent of schools in various parts of the state ever since. During 1890 and 1891 he assumed charge of the schools of Lenawee county, and raised the standard of the schools of that county very much, but was legislated out of office by the "squaabucks" in the spring of 1891. Being offered the superintendency of the Paw Paw schools the same year, he accepted, and in 1892 placed the schools of Paw Paw on the university list of schools, so that graduates are now admitted to all courses of that institution without further examination. The Paw Paw school board, recognizing his ability, contracted with him for the next two years as superintendent of their school. Mr. Wilson's work as an educator and worker at teachers' institutes throughout the state has been eminently successful. If nominated to the position for which nominated, he will bring a ripe scholarship and an extended experience to aid him, and will faithfully fulfill the trust imposed upon him by the Republican party of Michigan.

Perhaps no county officer requires the exercise of better judgment or more sound common sense than does that of sheriff, yet this position has been so satisfactorily filled by Nathan Thomas that, with two other candidates in the field, he received a re-nomination this fall on the first formal ballot.

A brief history of his career begins in 1837 at New Garden, Ohio, in which place he passed his early years as an honest country lad, spending his winters in the district school and his summers in assisting with the work of his father's farm until about twenty years of age, at which time he was sent to a preparatory school at Damascus, Ohio. After a year in this institution, he took Horace Greeley's advice and went to Iowa in the spring of 1861, remaining until fall and in October responding to the second call for volunteers. He enlisted for three years in Co. C of the 10th Kansas infantry, which campaigned through Missouri and Arkansas, making frequent raids into the enemy's country and doing good service in preventing all attempts to advance the boundary line of the Confederacy, though participating in few active engagements. During most of this three years Mr. Thomas served his country faithfully as a private soldier and, though from the very nature of the campaign there was little opportunity for great deeds of prowess, the close of his term of enlistment found a sergeant's stripes on his sleeve.

When his company disbanded, Sergeant Thomas returned to his Ohio home where he remained for four months; but, like the old war-horse, he scented the battle from afar and in the spring of 1865 again enlisted, this time in Co. I of the 191st Ohio infantry, being raised to the rank of 1st Lieut. before starting for the field. Proceeding up the Shenandoah valley for the purpose of re-inforcing Grant's army, the regiment had penetrated a little beyond Winchester, Va., when they received the glorious news of Lee's surrender and their own subsequent recall.

Returning home the young soldier proceeded to take unto himself a wife and settled down as a sturdy tiller of the soil in a neighboring county where he lived two years, removing thence to Winona and carrying on the grocery business for the next year.

Then, in 1870, he came to Michigan and again engaged in farming near Hartford for about six months, when he exchanged his farm for a hardware store in the village. Here he lived for the next four years and, having received the appointment of postmaster, at length disposed of his store. Half a dozen years later, the popular postmaster was elected sheriff of our county and came to Paw Paw in the fall of 1875. After four years of efficient service here, he returned to Hartford, receiving a cordial welcome back both to the village and the postoffice.

Another four years rolled by and Mr. Thomas decided to give his three rollicking boys a taste of that rural life that had helped to gain for himself an exceptionally vigorous physique, so the next two years was spent upon a farm.

In the spring of 1890 he moved back into the village and that fall was again made sheriff of Van Buren County, once more becoming one of Paw Paw's most highly respected citizens.

Thus it will be seen that Mr. Thomas' life has thrown him into contact with many kinds and classes of people and has been well calculated to give just that insight into human nature so helpful in the discharge of a sheriff's duties; and though quiet and unassuming, he is possessed of that sterling integrity which wins and retains a host of friends who will help to make him sheriff for still another term.

farm near Cambridge where he attended the common school until fifteen years of age, going then to Earlham College; but the sullen mutterings of Rebellion penetrated its walls and found him ready to respond to that first call for volunteer soldiers in April, 1861, when he enlisted as a high private in Co. B of the 8th Indiana infantry and like Judge Heckert participated in that first engagement at Phillippi, West Virginia, though these two soldier boys from neighboring states, strangers fighting for a common cause, little dreamed how close together their paths would subsequently lie.

Then, after Laurel Hill and Huttonville came the expiration of the three months' term, and "Tom" immediately re-enlisted in Co. D of the 9th Indiana infantry for three years, or during the war, being still content with the large share of labor and small portion of honor that falls to the private soldier's lot. In the spring of 1863, however, his regiment was veteranized and his merit rewarded by a promotion to the rank of 1st Lieut. The newly organized regiment proceeded to Chattanooga and took part in the advance upon Atlanta, returning from there to Nashville and participating in the battles at that place, at Spring Hill, and at Franklin, and then entering the Texas campaign. Indeed, so many severe battles were engaged in by his company that the close of the war saw 37 of his valiant comrades lying in a soldier's grave.

After being mustered out at Indianapolis, Mr. Tyner returned to his Indiana home in June, 1865, and at once commenced house-keeping with "the girl he left behind him," living, a sturdy tiller of the soil, in Marshall county until 1880 when he came to Michigan and settled on a farm in Lawrence township, remaining there for eleven years. Being made Justice of the Peace at Lawrence in 1885, he displayed such good business ability that in 1886 he was chosen supervisor for that township and, with one year's exception, acted as such continuously until he was elected Register of Deeds for Van Buren county, in 1890, being at that time chairman of the board.

Honest in all his dealings, conservative in his opinions, practical and efficient in his business methods, Thomas C. Tyner fully merits the confidence that was shown him by the unanimous rising vote with which he was this fall re-nominated for his present position, and it requires no prophetic vision to foretell for him a re-election by an overwhelming majority.

The Board of Supervisors.

The Board of Supervisors for Van Buren county convened at the court house in this village on Monday, Oct. 10, at 11 a. m.

Chairman H. P. Waters called the board to order and Clerk A. T. Anderson called the roll. Every supervisor answered to his name except Supervisor Gray of Columbia, who was represented by Mr. N. H. Adams, appointed by the township board.

Chairman Waters announced the following standing committee: Fencing Rolls—Gray, Danneffel, Phillips, Tolles, Barnes, Gunsaul. Comparing Rolls—French, Chase, Cox, Spaulding, McFellen, Marshall. Finance—Barnes, Dillman, Johnson, Chase, Marshall. Equalization—VanHise, McFellen, Marshall, French, Robertson, Johnson. Apportionment—Killefer, Chase, McFellen, Barnes, Spaulding. Claims—Robertson, Killefer, Johnson, French, Barnes.

Rejected and Charged Back Taxes—Dillman, Cox, Gray, Tolles, Gunsaul. Agriculture—Cox, Marshall, Danneffel, VanHise.

Settlement with County Treasurer—McFellen, Dillman, Johnson, Spaulding, Robertson.

Highways and Bridges—Chase, Danneffel, Spaulding, Phillips, Gray. County Buildings—Gunsaul, Phillips, Gray, Tolles, Killefer.

Printing—Johnson, Spaulding, Killefer, Barnes. County Poor—Marshall, French, Dillman, Van Hise, Robertson.

Drains—Killefer, Marshall, VanHise, Phillips, Cox. H. J. Slonaker of Pine Grove was elected member of the board of school examiners.

A special committee was appointed to visit the county farm for the purpose of settling with the Michigan Hedge Company.

Marriage Licenses.

No. 1365—John S. Harris, 56, and Mary A. Jaques, 44, both of Decatur. No. 1366—Leeds Healey, 26, of Pine Grove, and Etta M. Cheney, 19, of Bloomingdale.

No. 1367—Henry Marsh, 40, of Alma and Mary Hickson, 30, of Tuscola, Ill. No. 1368—Chas. G. Meldrum, 21, and Cora Gearing, 16, both of Covert.

No. 1369—Andrew Black, 39, of Geneva and Tillie Minard, 30, of Grand Junction. No. 1370—Rollin Merrifield, 26, of Bloomingdale and Cora Baringer, 22, of Boyne Falls.

New Suits.

Roscoe W. Broughton vs. Thos. Welch; attachment. The People vs. Monroe Parker et al; robbery.

Geo. H. Rix vs. Lester A. Tabor; appeal from justice court. The People vs. Geo. Wackerman; burglary.

Frank Healey vs. Bula Healy; divorce. Emma Pulver vs. Jared C. Pulver; divorce.

Jennie May Hiler vs. John T. Hiler; divorce.



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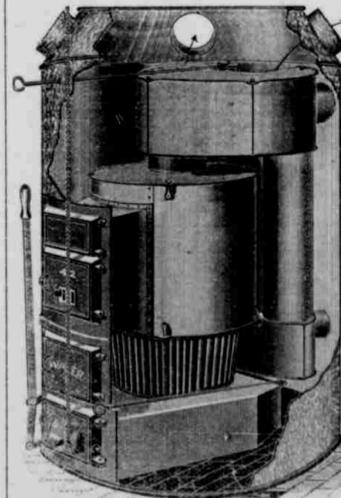
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