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## DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY.

Nominations for Ward Officers and Election of Delegates to the City Convention. On Saturday evening the Democrats met at the polling places and held their first primary election for the new city of Johnstown. The following ward tickets were nominated, and delegates selected to represent the various wards in the City Convention which will convene this morning at 10 o'clock in the Johnstown Council Chamber. The city ticket will consist of nominees for Mayor, City Comptroller, Treasurer and three Assessors:

### FIRST WARD.

Select Council, J. W. Seigh; Common Council, Hugh Bradley; Alderman, Joshua Carpenter; School Controller, W. H. Freidericks; Constable, Christ. Goebert; Judge of Elections, Philip Sloan; Inspector, William Kenney; Assessor, John W. Wonders; Committeeman, Martin Hannan; Delegates to City Convention, J. W. Seigh, Martin Hannan, Wm. F. Ott.

### SECOND WARD.

Constable, Wm. Seigh; School Controller, John D. Murphy; Select Council, John Raab, Sr.; Common Council, Neil Sharkey; Alderman, M. A. Stack; Judge of Election, Henry J. Raab; Inspector, John M. Coad; Ward Assessor, David Kerby; City Committee, E. F. Creed; Delegates, David Kirby, Michael Fitzharris, Edward Creed.

### THIRD WARD.

Select Council, B. L. Yeagley; Common Council, Andrew Foster; School Controller, L. D. Woodruff; Constable, John T. Martin; Judge of Elections, William Lambert; Inspector, John V. Shaffer; Assessor, John F. Knuff; Delegates, James J. Milligan, Charles Hofmann, J. B. O'Connor.

### FOURTH WARD.

Select Council, Erhardt Zang; Common Council, George W. Ludwig; School Controller, John Thomas; Delegates, John M. Spenger, Henry Koch, Frederick Frank; City Committee, John Downey.

### FIFTH WARD.

Select Council, Dr. G. E. Conrad; Common Council, Frank C. Hoerle; School Controller, Dr. A. N. Wakefield; Judge of Election, George Shaffer; Inspector, Slater W. Allen; Delegates, George Shaffer, F. C. Hoerle, Dr. Geo. W. Wagoner; City Committee, Geo. W. Wagoner.

### SIXTH WARD.

Alderman, George Rutledge; Select Council, John H. Waters; Common Council, Jacob Schrock; School Controller, Horace R. Rose, Constable, David Marsh; Judge of Elections, Hugh Maloy; Inspector, George Stevenson; Assessor, S. J. Menoher; Delegates, Joseph Kuntz, David Marsh, Hugh Maloy; City Committee, Joseph Kuntz.

### SEVENTH WARD.

Select Council, Adam Huebner; Common Council, Thomas McConnell; School Controller, John Von Alt; Constable, Josiah Waters; Judge of Elections, Jacob C. Horner; Inspector, J. C. Gerhardt; Assessor, S. W. Miller; Delegates, Joseph Freidhoff, R. M. Linton, Johnson Allen, City Committee, T. J. Wolfe.

### EIGHTH WARD.

Select Council, Wm. Hochstein; Common Council, Abram Cullin; School Controller, Joseph Sloan; Constable, Wm. Irwin; Judge of Elections, Joseph Hare; Inspector, John Hochstein; Assessor, John Hochstein, Sr.

### NINTH WARD.

Alderman, John J. Devlin; Select Council, Henry O'Shea; Common Council, John Carroll; School Controller, John Carroll; Constable, Jacob Brindle; Judge of Elections, Christ. Hornick; Inspector, Thomas Hines; Assessor, Alex. Reavel; Delegates, John Schonhardt, Frank Taylor, Wm. J. McMullen; City Committee, Morris Murphy.

### TENTH WARD.

Alderman, Wm. R. Cuthbert; Select Council, Benjamin Kist; Common Council, Frank Sauters; School Controller, Louis Kepper; Constable, Edward Connerly; Judge of Elections, Stephen Seitz; Inspector, Patrick Finley, John Holfeter; Assessor, John Holfeter; Delegates, Benjamin Kist, S. J. Boxler, W. R. Sutibert.

### ELEVENTH WARD.

Select Council, James Marvin; Common Council, Adam Roidle; School Controller, H. H. Updegraff; Constable, George Gillinger; Judge of Elections, James Updegraff; Inspector, James Kane; Assessor, George Gillinger.

### TWELFTH WARD.

Select Council, Edward A. Barry; Common Council, John Neary; School Controller, David Barry; Constable, Max Riffle; Judge of Elections, David Cronin; Inspector, Lackey Kelley; Assessor, David Cronin; Delegates, Lackey Kelley, Patrick O'Toole, James Gallagher; City Committee, John R. Flinn.

### THIRTEENTH WARD.

Select Council, Michael Murray; Common Council, Ralph Herrington; School Controller, Daniel O'Connell; Constable, Austin Neary; Judge of Elections, Thomas Melvine; Inspector, Edward Flaherty; Assessor, John Campbell; Delegates, John Burns, James Donnelly, James Kelley.

### FOURTEENTH WARD.

Select Council, John Honan, Sr.; Com-

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## CITY CONVENTION.

### A Full Attendance and a Strong Ticket Nominated.

### A SESSION LASTING ONE HOUR.

### THE FIRST CITY CONVENTION HARMONIOUSLY DOES IT WORK.

### W. H. Rose, Esq., Heads the Ticket—The Remains of the Ticket Made Up of Good Names—Mr. Rose and the Other Candidates Thank the Convention—An Enthusiastic Meeting—The New Committee.

The Democratic City Convention assembled yesterday forenoon at 10 o'clock in the Johnstown Council Chamber, and was called to order by Dr. Geo. W. Wagoner, Chairman of the Democratic City Committee.

Martin Hannan and Ed. Creed were made temporary Secretaries, after which the credentials of the following delegates were presented:

First ward—John W. Seigh, Martin Hannan, William F. Ott.  
Second ward—David Kirby, Michael Fitzharris, Ed. F. Creed.  
Third ward—James B. O'Connor, Charles Hofmann, James J. Milligan.  
Fourth ward—John M. Spenger, Henry Koch, Frederick Frank.  
Fifth ward—George Shaffer, Frank C. Hoerle, George W. Wagoner.

Sixth ward—David Marsh, John H. Kuntz, Hugh Maloy.  
Seventh ward—Joseph Freidhoff, R. M. Linton, Johnson Allen.  
Eighth ward—Emil Boettcher, Samuel Ferguson, Joseph Sloan.  
Ninth ward—W. H. McMullen, Frank Taylor, John Schonhardt.  
Tenth ward—Benjamin Kist, S. J. Boxler, William R. Cuthbert.  
Eleventh ward—George Gillinger, James Kane, Adam Roidle.  
Twelfth ward—Lackey Kelly, John Burns, James Donnelly.

Fourteenth ward—Dennis Collins, Jos. Minahan, Ed. R. Adams.  
Fifteenth ward—William Clark, Paul Just, Richard Howe.  
Sixteenth ward—Wm. Beaulieu, John Dowling, Joseph McNamara.

After roll call, which showed a full attendance, Chairman Wagoner stated that the Convention was ready for permanent organization. Upon motion the temporary organization was made permanent. Nominations for Mayor were then declared in order.

Joseph Kuntz nominated W. Horace Rose, Esq., and Joseph Freidhoff placed Col. John P. Linton's name before the Convention. James B. O'Connor nominated Herman Baumer. The Chairman stated that he was authorized by Mr. Baumer to say that he could not consent to the use of his name in connection with any city office. Mr. O'Connor then withdrew the nomination.

In response to the inquiry by the Chairman as to the method of voting to be pursued, F. C. Hoerle moved that the voting be done by ballot. Others thought differently, however, and on motion of J. W. Seigh, an amendment to make the method *via voce* was carried.

On the first ballot Mr. Rose had 30 votes, and Col. Linton 16, two delegates—one of them the Chairman—not voting.

Mr. Rose was declared the nominee, and the nomination made unanimous.

The nomination of a candidate for City Controller was then declared in order.

Paul Just nominated Frank P. Martin, Esq., of the Fifteenth ward; John W. Seigh named Mr. James King, of the Third ward; James Kelly named Mr. Ed. E. O'Neill, of the Fifteenth ward, at present Burgess of Cambria; James B. O'Connor named Mr. Ed. F. Creed.

On the first ballot Mr. Martin had 22 votes, Mr. King 14, Mr. O'Neill 6, Mr. Creed 4. No one had a majority, and Mr. Creed's name was withdrawn. The second ballot stood Martin 25, King 17, and O'Neill 4. Mr. Martin was declared nominated and the nomination made unanimous.

The Convention then proceeded to nominate a candidate for City Treasurer. Only one name was presented—that of Mr. George C. Miller of the Ninth ward. His name was presented by Delegate Ott, and upon motion of Jas. B. O'Connor nominations were closed and the nomination made by acclamation.

For City Assessor John O'Toole, of the Twelfth ward; Gottlieb Bantley, of the Seventh; John J. Devlin, of the Ninth; John Dowling, of the Sixteenth; James King, of the Third; John H. Waters, of the Sixth; Johnson Allen, of the Seventh; Joseph Kuntz, of the Sixth, were named. Messrs. King and Allen were found to be ineligible. Messrs.

Waters, Devlin and Dowling withdrew their names, leaving the names of Bantley, O'Toole, and Kuntz, whose nomination was made by acclamation.

This completed the list of candidates for city officers. Mr. Martin spoke, thanking the Convention for nominating him. A Committee of Delegates Linton, Kuntz and Dowling was appointed by the Chair to notify Mr. Rose, of his nomination. In a few minutes they returned with the gentleman, who, being introduced by Delegate R. M. Linton, spoke substantially as follows:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the City Democratic Convention:

If I ever uttered the truth I do it now, when I say that, while I am profoundly thankful for your confidence in, without effort or solicitation on my part, placing me in nomination at the head of your city ticket, yet I feel that I should in justice to myself decline it. I know the lines before the first Mayor of our city, composed as it is of a number of different municipalities, with many conflicting interests, all of which must be regarded and considered when they come to be administered as one organization. We are a homogeneous people in many respects, but who as the first Mayor of Johnstown, guides and controls into accord and good fellowship the diverse interests of the several boroughs of which it is composed, will find at his hand the requirement of more than ordinary tact, judgment and discretion.

Injured in the flood so severely that labor to me is pain. I feel that, did I consult but a selfish view, I should peremptorily decline the toll and worry of the Mayorship of our city, as it will require all I have of strength and health to provide for myself and family the means of support, and to divert the time necessary to discharge the duties of the office for which you have nominated me, should your actions be ratified by the voters, will compel a sacrifice of my time and a diminution of my professional labors and income, I feel I should not make. I would gladly have seen the nomination go to my friend, Col. Linton, whom I am informed, was a seeming competitor. Neither of us were candidates and so cordial has been our lifetime friendship that had he said to me, "I wish to be Mayor," you could not have forced upon me the nomination, and I know he would say for me what I say for him. We never spoke of this subject, as we both appreciated the labors, duties and worry of the position well.

But I am a Democrat. From my earliest manhood until the present time, I have never fought a fight against the Democracy. I have fought many battles for it, and when, without solicitation, I have conferred upon me the honor of a nomination for the highest office in the gift of the people of our new city, I feel that, as a Democrat, I have no right to decline to discharge the duties which some one must perform.

Now let me say: should your action be ratified at the polls, as the Mayor of Johnstown, I shall endeavor, without fear of the consequences and without favor to persons, try to give you an honest, fearless, just and proper administration of our municipal affairs. In the discharge of sworn official duties I shall not fear any man or set of men. No official has a right to discriminate in a just administration between the weak and the strong. This is pure and unadorned Democracy.

Should your action here to-day meet with the concurrence of a majority of our people, I hope when three years have rolled around, the people will see that the Democracy have given them so fair, impartial and honest an administration of the affairs of the city that there will be no difficulty in electing a Democratic successor to the first Mayor of Johnstown.

One and all I thank you for the confidence you have reposed in me, and the generous tender of a nomination I did not solicit, and which, were I actuated by mere selfishness, would decline, but which in fealty to the party and its interests, I now accept.

Mr. Miller was then introduced and briefly thanked the Convention for his nomination.

Three cheers were then given for the whole ticket, after which the Convention adjourned, having done its work in less than one hour's time.

### THE CITY COMMITTEE.

The City Democratic Committee met immediately after the adjournment of the Nominating Convention and organized by electing Dr. G. W. Wagoner Chairman for 1890, and M. E. Hannan Secretary.

The following are the members of the Committee for the year 1890:

First ward—M. E. Hannan.  
Second ward—E. F. Creed.  
Third ward—James King.  
Fourth ward—John Downey.  
Fifth ward—George W. Wagoner.  
Sixth ward—Joseph Kuntz.  
Seventh ward—T. J. Wolfe.  
Eighth ward—Emil Boettcher.  
Ninth ward—Wm. Beaulieu.  
Tenth ward—Michael Murray.  
Eleventh ward—Adam Roidle.  
Twelfth ward—J. R. Flinn.  
Thirteenth ward—N. S. O'Brien.  
Fourteenth ward—Jos. Minahan.  
Fifteenth ward—Wm. Clark.  
Sixteenth ward—Patrick Keating.

The Chairman was empowered to appoint the Executive Committee.

Upon motion, a meeting of the Committee was called for Wednesday evening, February 5, 1890, at 7:30 p. m., in the Johnstown Borough Council Chamber, corner Main and Market streets.

The Committee then adjourned.

### Gospel Meetings at the Evangelical Church.

At the Evangelical Church there have been gospel meetings held for several weeks, conducted by the pastor, Rev. M. L. Weaver. Up to this date there have been sixteen conversions, six of whom were openly professed Tuesday evening. The attendance has been very large all the time. The meetings will continue the remainder of this week, except Saturday evening.

By close shave the Republicans succeeded in seating their man Monday, with a vote that showed a quorum of the year alone. This makes the previous fighting assume the aspect of much ado about nothing.

### HASTINGS' WATERLOO.

Chal Dick Speaks Some Interesting Words as to What Caused it.

Pittsburgh Leader Yesterday.

Chal Dick, the invincible during the Johnstown flood, was a visitor to Pittsburgh to-day. He had many things to talk about, but the topic which most engrossed his mind was the defeat of his friend General Hastings for the gubernatorial delegates in Cambria county, whom Dick hoped would carry everything. He was so certain that there would be no opposition to Hastings that he did not even work for him, but now he claims there were deeds performed that will not stand the light of day. He admitted that the notice of the primaries was published three weeks before the election for delegates was to come off, but during this time there was no talk in any of the wards, except in favor of Hastings, and hence the desire of Dick and his friends to let the people do the work themselves without solicitation. His indignation at the defeat of General Hastings is now unbounded. When the affair was mentioned to him this morning he flew off his guard, waved his fist wildly and threatened the most extreme consequences on the perpetrators of what he calls the "political intrigue in Johnstown." He said: "We were deceived in the fullest meaning of the term. It is well known in the Conemaugh Valley that there are two wings to the Republican party known as the Dick and the Swank Wings. The latter party did not mention or let it be known that they were for Delamater, all the time leaving us under the impression that they were for Hastings. Up until the year before the flood they controlled everything and elected such delegates as they chose. These men were invariably in the interest of the party or men in power in the State. If Cameron was to be the delegates would support his men, and if it was Quay who held the reins the delegates would be for Matthew Stanley. The reason for this is that Cambria being a minority district the only thing the Swank wing could do was to offer on the altar of the boss the delegates for his sacrifice that the lord high-muck-a-muck might do what he could for the people who gave him these men. A concerted move was made to defeat Hastings by the still hunt plan. The statement that there were people in Johnstown working for Hastings is altogether false. This man Barker who played such a prominent part in the Ebensburg convention, and who is reputed to be a lawyer is nothing more than a milkman and no brains enough to be a lawyer. In the city of Johnstown to-day if the Republicans and Democrats were permitted to vote it would be found that there would be three to one for Hastings. Our people are tiring of bossism and the only ones who recognize it now are the ward politicians. If it were known that Beaver and Quay were such close friends the latter's candidate would have been slaughtered by the very men who voted for him. Neither Beaver nor any one who is known to be allied with him could be elected hog constable in Johnstown or any part of the Conemaugh."

### DEATH OF AN AGED LADY.

Mrs. Margaret O'Toole, of Prospect, Passes Away Yesterday.

Tuesday forenoon Mrs. Margaret O'Toole died at her residence in Prospect, at the advanced age of eighty-eight years.

The deceased was born in County Mayo, Ireland, and came to this country in November, 1864. For three years she resided near Mahanoy City, Schuylkill county, when she removed to Johnstown, where she has resided ever since. She was the mother of five children, two of whom were buried in Ireland. The other three, Timothy, John, and Austin, have died since coming to Johnstown, and are buried here.

The funeral will take place to-morrow morning from the residence to St. John's Church at 9 o'clock, after which the remains will be interred in Lower Yoder Cemetery.

### ARMAGH ITEMS.

A gripe is subsiding.

Mrs. Daniel Tinkcom is convalescing from a serious lung trouble.

R. M. Drips is properly equipped to do all kinds of barbering.

The protracted meeting in the M. E. Church is in progress.

The White Caps are tearing all the old houses down.

J. J. Tinkcom sold a valuable fox hound to J. C. Kissell. Now the foxes will have a rest.

The ancient burg will undergo considerable repairing in the spring.

The streets are being improved through the efficient management of Drips, McCormick & Company, contractors.

### Died of His Injuries.

Altoona Mirror, Feb. 29.

Mr. William H. Harpster, a resident of Lloydsville, on the Bell's Gap Railroad, while out hunting rabbits, yesterday, at the request of a sick lady, his gun slipped from his grasp, and the heavy load was discharged in his arm below the elbow, nearly severing that member from the body. The injured man was assisted to his home by his companions, and Dr. Leavengood, of Bellwood, summoned, who removed the band from the arm. The injured man was then removed to the hospital in this city, where it was found necessary to amputate the arm at the shoulder. The deceased was employed by the Bell's Gap Railroad Company as a laborer, and is aged about twenty-five. The loss of blood sustained by Mr. Harpster before coming to the hospital, and the operation performed, were too great a tax on his strength and he died at 3 o'clock this morning. He leaves a wife and three children, who reside at Lloydsville.

### The Most Popular Teacher.

The Pittsburgh Times, the enterprising one-cent paper of Pittsburgh, has among its votes for the most popular teacher in Pittsburgh, Allegheny, and Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio, votes for the following well-known teachers of this city: Misses Martha Bender, Maggie Barry, Agnes Cox, Katie Glock, Mary Jenkins, and Messrs. R. E. Keedy and A. R. Robinson.

Over 3,000 teachers have been voted for, 1,500 being during the past week. Two of the prizes will go to teachers in Pittsburgh or Allegheny, and one will go to a teacher in Western Pennsylvania or Eastern Ohio. It is not improbable that a Johnstown teacher will carry off the other prize. Let us send in our votes and let the people know that the flood did not take away all of our good teachers.

### The Challenge Accepted.

At the meeting of the Young Men's Republican Club, held Saturday night, they decided to accept the challenge of the Henry George Club to a debate on Free Trade and Tariff. The club decided to accept the challenge, the debate to take place as soon as the club is organized.

The officers of the club are as follows: President, John M. Rose; Vice President, Clifford J. Ellis; Secretary, S. H. Bell; Treasurer, Daniel Stackhouse; Executive Committee, S. H. Bell, J. L. White, W. J. Cooke, A. N. Hart, and H. W. Slick. A committee was appointed to secure suitable rooms.

### Money Get Your Gun.

New York Sun.

A farmer in Clark county, Illinois, joices in a pig that weighs 935 pounds, and the Clark county people are already boasting that Gen. Harrison's next hunting trip will take him out their way. Such noble game is not found everywhere. Gil Wooten's murdered pig already begins to melt away in indistinguishable grease, while the Clark county target looms up, immense, attractive, an irresistible lure to a sportsman with a taste for suicide.

### A Rare Operation.

Dr. W. E. Matthews, assisted by Dr. H. F. Tomb, performed a difficult and rare operation on the little daughter of A. Gerber, of Conemaugh borough. The child was playing with a button-hook and in some manner got the instrument fastened in its eye and tore the whole lower eye-lid of the right eye, mutilating the flesh badly. Drs. Matthews and Tomb performed an operation on the eye and have hopes of saving the sight of the child. They say that they never performed such an operation before, the case being a rare one.

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