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POLITICS AND PARTIES.

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Since the introduction of two-cent letters postage there has been an unexpected reduction in the number of postal cards issued. For five years the average annual increase in the issue has been 14 per cent. Since July 1st there has been an increase of 18 per cent. in the number of adhesive stamps, and 25 per cent. in the number of stamped envelopes issued.

HARRISBURG the capital of Pennsylvania, would be supposed to be in favor of protection of the highest kind, but it seems that it is not. On Saturday last a primary was held in that city to send delegates to the District Democratic convention which will send delegates to the National convention.

The location of the two National Conventions in one city in the year 1884 has developed some interesting facts in regard to locations of Conventions. It is thirty-two years since both nominating Conventions of one year were held in the same city.

Extraordinary Showing for the Past Two Months in Mining and Manufactures. The Manufacturers Record publishes a statement of two months' progress in manufactures in the South, showing the amount of capital invested in the Southern manufacturing and mining enterprises during January and February.

EVENTS OF THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION PERIOD. A dispatch from Washington, of February 24th, says: At a dinner party given during the last week, Senator-elect Blackburn, of Kentucky, told the following interesting story, which he says was told him by Gen. Garfield.

Those who believe in local self-government, of the people by the people and for the people, can expect to see this doctrine upheld only by the Democratic party. No matter what other issues there may be, no matter what differences may exist upon other questions they still must insist upon the great underlying principle, the great ground work of the Democratic party is self-government as opposed to centralization.

Now suppose any portion of the Democracy should be opposed to the platform put forth by the majority, is it not much better that they should yield and continue to support the party knowing however they may differ on some things they are all one in the main? Or is it better that they should, in order to gratify a temporary disappointment, turn their backs upon hopes and desires entertained and striven for by them and their ancestors for generations?

There can be but one decision. Let us all work together for the Democracy and self-government, hoping that if there is anything which we disapprove we will rectify it inside the party and not leave it to thus forever put it out of our power to remedy the evil contained of it.

Mr. JOHN S. WISE before the Danville investigation Committee is reported to have said that when colored politicians came to see him they went to the kitchen. This raised indignation among the colored people some of whom have roundly denounced the whole thing. Mr. Wise sought to calm them by publishing a card telling what he had said. But it is claimed that the original notes of his examination have been changed. He has also gotten himself into hot water with Page McCarthy, abusing that gentleman, at the same time stating that he would not fight a duel. McCarthy writes an article denouncing Wise and saying he is no gentleman but an ass and Mahone's trick male in the Danville investigation circus.

A Washington dispatch to the Richmond State says that two prominent colored citizens of Virginia will be witnesses for the "defense" when the Danville committee resumes the hearing. They will testify that the Readjusters were the first to draw the color line, and persistently kept the race issue before the colored people. It promises to make itself quite plain to those who took hold of it in 1876.

The Republicans were dazed. Jerry Bush, then a member of Congress from Wisconsin, afterwards the Governor of his State, said: "When Ben Hill voted no I always voted yes. I am puzzled, I never found myself voting with rebels before." Levy, of Louisiana, made a speech which opened the eyes of the House. Leading Republicans, men with national reputations for truth and honesty, had assailed the Louisiana delegation that Louisiana should go from under the yoke, and Gen. M. C. Butler, of South Carolina, who was here watching events for Governor Hampton, telegraphed the same thing to his friends in Columbia.

Mr. Tolson became alarmed. His case had already been lost by Mr. Hewitt's "mass" paper at any price speech, but Tolson did not seem to know it. He sent his agents all over the South, and all at once from every quarter there came letters and telegrams to the devoted thirty-eight, asking them what they meant by thus betraying the party. In some of the more rabid newspapers they were denounced as traitors, compared to whom Judas Iscariot was a saint and Benedict Arnold a patriot. But they never swerved, and in face of the abuse, the entreaties—jeers in many cases—of their opponents, in spite of all this they voted as they believed their duty called on them to do, until the count was ended. At that time the country did not know, but now the people see with clearer eyes, and in the light of past events, the men who stood in the breach against such a storm as that seldom comes, are justified by their friends and their country.

THE STATE PRESS. Five millions of voters cannot be rushed to the polls by strategy. They must come by the impulse of the popular heart. Hereafter let the watchword be, the nominee of the party must be a popular favorite, well known to the people because of his record, as a Democrat and worthy of their support because of his high character.

THE true Reformer—the man who has no axe to grind and who has honest and decided convictions—will not refuse to fight under the banner of his party because he cannot get all he desires, but hoping for wiser and juster and more statesmanlike views he will do what he can to drive from power the party that has been tested through two decades and a third, and that has proved so incompetent, so treacherous and so corrupt.—Wilmington Journal.

NOTICE. The undersigned, having this day qualified as Administrator of the estate of Mrs. M. L. Moseley deceased, hereby notifies all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same to him within one year from the date of this notice, or the same will be placed in bar thereof. And all persons indebted to said estate are requested to come forward and settle. This 20th Feb. 1884. DANIEL, Executor.

GENERAL NEWS. Mary Anderson has now been on the stage eight years. Children only ten years old are working in Ohio coal mines. The first State election of the year will be that of Oregon, June 2.

Only three executions for murder took place in France during 1883. There are about 2,700 birds and about 1,700 ducks per week in London. A woman has been elected president of the Indiana Bee-keepers' association. There are 36,000 cattle suffering from foot and mouth disease in Great Britain.

Texas has shipped and sold out of the State 4,767,876 head of stock since 1866. Two Chicago boys who had been bitten by mad dogs died in dreadful agony of hydrophobia. There are three women in New York dying maniacs whose combined weight is 1,365 pounds.

There is more telegraph business done in the city of Chicago than in the entire Dominion of Canada. During February the national debt was decreased \$2,582,587, leaving the total debt at \$1,486,083,719.86. It is stated that the receipts of the Irving season in America will reach the enormous sum of four hundred thousand dollars.

It is reported that Mrs. Langtry will permanently retire from the stage after the present season and go into business in London. The brew of malt liquors in this country last year amounted to 17,350,000 barrels, requiring about 20,000,000 pounds of hops. J. O. Beach, of Ridgeway, Minn., shot and killed his wife, from whom he had been divorced, and then put an end to his own existence.

An enterprising Connecticut man is said to be engaged in making a paper case out of paper, which shall be entirely proof against moisture and heat. A mortgage for \$12,000,000, given by a Western railroad company to a New York trust company was recorded a few days ago at Urbana, Ohio. Prentiss Tiller, a clerk of the Pacific Express company at St. Louis, filled a valise with money packages containing nearly \$75,000, and left for parts unknown. Philadelphia is equipping to the front as a dog racing town. Races take place daily. The distance is from 100 to 500 yards, and the winners, it is said, enjoy great interest in the competition. Four boys, from ten to seventeen years old, while out hunting near Ocala, Neb., caused an explosion in a powder house containing six tons of powder. All four were blown to atoms. Thomas Crittenden, son of ex-United States Marshal Crittenden, and grandson of John J. Crittenden, a noted Kentucky statesman, has been sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for killing a negro boy, who had testified against him in a case at Anchoorage, Ky. There is no mistaking the drift of the Democratic preparatory action for the campaign. It is to dodge the tariff issue, or to compromise with the protectionists. "Anything to win"—this has never yet won.—Raleigh Chronicle.

POLITICAL.

A correspondent of the Morganton Mountain Express proposes Col. S. McD. Tate for Lieutenant Governor.

An "Eastern Democrat" nominated Dr. Kemp P. Battle for Governor. He thinks he is the man above all others.

The Hamilton Press endorses Maj. Chas. M. Stedman, for Lieutenant Governor, and refers to him in terms of highest praise.

A correspondent of the Raleigh Chronicle favors Hon. Walter L. Steele for Governor.

The Elizabeth City Economist seconds the nomination of Maj. Hughes for Lieut. Governor, and truly says that no man in the State would bring to the office more dignity and courtesy, or more intelligence.—Newbern Journal.

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