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THURSDAY, Oct. 7, 1886.

DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

For Lieutenant-Governor, JOHN C. NELSON, of Cass.

For Judge Supreme Court (Third District), JOHN R. COFFROTH, of Tippecanoe.

For Secretary of State, ROBERT W. MILES, of Monroe.

For Auditor of State, CHARLES A. MUNSON, of Allen.

For Treasurer of State, THOMAS B. BYRNE, of Vanderburgh.

For Clerk of Supreme Court, MARTIN J. KREUGER, of Laporte.

For Attorney General, RUGH D. MCLELLAN, of Dearborn.

For Superintendent of Public Instruction, ANDREW M. SWEENEY, of Dubois.

For Congress, First District, JAMES E. McCULLOUGH, of Gibson County.

For Senator, Knox and Pike, WILLIAM B. BERRY, of Knox County.

For Prosecuting Attorney, 11th Judicial District, JOHN L. BRETT, of Dubois County.

For Representative, LEVI THOMPSON.

For Clerk, JOHN W. McCARTY.

For Auditor, ALBERT E. EDWARDS.

For Sheriff, WILLIAM J. SHRODE.

For Treasurer, FREDRICK H. POETKER.

For Surveyor, JOSIAH L. MORTON.

For Coroner, JOSEPH L. BOWMAN.

For Commissioner, First District, SAMUEL AMOS.

For Commissioner, Third District, GERALD H. OVERBECK.

Democratic County Central Committee.

Townships: Committee-men.

Jefferson-Ottewell prec. Lafayette Arnold.

—Algiers prec. Richard Arnold.

Washington-Petersburg prec. Dan. C. Ashby.

—Alford prec. John C. Ashby.

Hawkins' prec. Josiah Morton.

Madison: Joseph L. Harrison.

Clay: John J. Robling.

Patoka: Arthur prec. H. W. Wiggs.

—Fleming prec. W. W. Wiggs.

Moore-Pleasantville prec. Louis Fleene.

—Arcada prec. Joseph Ross.

Logan: Peter R. Miller.

Lockhart-Pikeville prec. Daniel Davis.

—Stendal prec. John Duckworth.

Marion: L. J. Surrant.

Chairman H. J. Wiggs: p. o. address, Arthur.

Secretary C. W. Young: Winslow.

A KNOWNOTHING.

A Foreigner should be required to live in the United States twenty-one years before the right of suffrage should be given him.—Alvin P. Hoy.

POOR MEN READ.

No man should be permitted to vote for National, State or County of office who is not worth three hundred dollars over and above his indebtedness, says Alvin P. Hoy, Republican candidate for Congress.

The fusion is not a fusion.

READ "Tax-Payer" on Auditor Bethell.

Josiah L. Morton will make a competent Surveyor.

The Democratic party is the friend of the laboring man.

Vote the Democratic ticket from Nelson down to Overbeck.

AMOS and Overbeck, as commissioners, will give the people an economical administration.

Gen. HOVEY is a monopolist. Laboring men are down on monopolists, and will down Gen. Hovey.

The workingmen of Indiana can find nothing but broken promises in the record of the Republican party.

Vote the Democratic ticket, and you vote fixed principles. It is not a passing fancy; a thing of the hour.

The cold wave is coming. The "Big Four" will feel it next November. Their toes are getting cold already.

RE-ELECT honest and competent officials. Shrode is the man for sheriff; and Poetker, for Treasurer, is invincible.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has signed more pension certificates in eighteen months than General Grant did in eight years.

BRUCE CARE, agent of the school book sharks is on the Republican ticket for Auditor of State. Don't let him get another whack at you.

EVERY vote cast by a National for John Stubblefield is a vote for Ben Harrison (for the United States Senate) who has denounced the Nationals as idiots.

The Prohibitionists are firing hot shot into the demoralized Republican ranks, and the Liquor League is also waging war. The liquor plank cuts both ways, indeed!

The people can not afford to elect a man to office just to enable him to pay his debts. It would be a bad precedent. The country would be over-run with candidates!

HOW WAS IT A COALITION?

A few words about the coalition in this county.

The Press says, in its issue of June, 3d, that "the Republicans and Nationalists met at Winslow and nominated a fusion ticket."

The Nationals met on Saturday, May 29th, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Press, June 3d said: "The convention then proceeded with the selection of candidates for the offices which by previous arrangement they were to have."

"By previous arrangement," the Press says. Was that "previous arrangement" a mass convention, in which every Republican and National could take part?

No, it was not.

Did not a few make the "previous arrangement" the Press refers to?

What do the Nationals and Republicans think of this "previous arrangement"?

Nationals say they did not sacrifice their principles by the coalition. Republicans say the Nationals did "sacrifice their principles in order to get in with the Republicans." This is the language of a member of the Petersburg ring.

Is it the way Republicans regard the National voters of this county?

Do the Nationals think the Republicans sacrificed their principles in order to get in with the Nationals?

If that be true then didn't they both sacrifice their principles?

Then did they form a fusion for once only?

At no time or place does it appear that the Republicans endorsed the National part of the ticket, or that the Nationals endorsed the Republican part of the ticket.

Was the ticket made by "previous arrangement"?

The coalition was made then by "previous arrangement" was it?

As no mass convention was held how could the feeling of the masses of Nationals and Republicans be ascertained?

The masses of the people naturally object to a few controlling the destinies of a party and should be heard in mass convention where they can express their views.

The "Big Four" are not big enough to run the Republicans and National parties in this county.

But as to the question of principle in this fusion. How could there be a coalition of the National and Republican parties if each held to and affirmed their faith in the principles of their parties—the Nationals being faithful to the tenets of the National Greenback Labor party and the Republicans holding to the principles of the grand old party?

Then there would be no fusion.

There must be some method in fusion. To show that there was really no fusion we quote from the platforms adopted by the Nationals and by the Republicans at their county convention:

The National county platform says: "We affirm our faith in the principles advocated by the National Greenback Labor party."

The Republican county platform says: "The Republicans of Pike county reiterate their undoubting faith in the time-honored principles of the party."

Now, how are you going to make a coalition out of this?

The Press of last week insinuates that the DEMOCRAT is to pass into Mount's hand only "nominally," and that the editorial work is to be done by a well-known and very popular law firm of this town. The new proprietor of the DEMOCRAT would inform Mr. Gladish that the DEMOCRAT has passed, in fact, from Wm. P. Knight to J. L. Mount; and that T. A. Bynum is now, and is to continue to be, the sole editor. Our readers will please to excuse us for making any reference to this article in the Press. We would not do so, were it not for the fact that he is in the habit of opening a "mud battery" upon those whom he does not like, and of afterwords accusing his opponent of first "throwing mud" into his jealous eyes.

GOODLET MORGAN asks the people to pay his debts. He says he would devote the clerk's salary to the payment of his debts. The people pay the clerk by taxation. So voters you are asked to pay taxes to be applied on the indebtedness of Goodlet Morgan. How does this proposition strike you?

The Republican press refers to the free trade plank in the Democratic State platform. The tariff plank declares for a revenue tariff. Every man who wants to can understand it. There is no mistaking it; meaning the Indiana Democracy is for a reform in the tariff—a revision. The Republicans are divided on the question.

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EDUCATIONAL.

[This column will be edited by the County Superintendent. He desires communications from every teacher in the county. Address him.]

Let every teacher contribute to this column.

Good work will be done in the schools this year.

A large number of schools will open next Monday.

T. L. Beach, of Lockhart township, teaches in Logan this year.

The new school building at Ottewell will soon be in process of erection.

Monthly examinations cards together with programmes for township institutes are about ready for distribution. Every real teacher will do his best.

Every teacher in Clay township is expecting to study The Indiana Teachers' Reading Circle books. Clay township will certainly improve by this.

The office of County Superintendent will be after be in one of the rooms of the DEMOCRAT. The County Superintendent will be found there.

A letter from W. W. Parsons, President of the State Normal School of Terre Haute, was addressed to the Clay County Teachers' Institute. Our teachers passed a resolution to secure the services of Mr. Parsons for the entire week of the next county institute.

The resolution was a timely one, as Prof. Parsons' service will be valuable.

The Cincinnati Enquirer is publishing some interesting items on education. It also condemns Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co. as being in their extortions, a great swindle and a gigantic monopoly. The present County Superintendent fought Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co. with all his might when he introduced Harvey's grammar into the schools of Pike County. It is a good grammar, but the all the doctors and medicine men is a financial money thief.

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The reduction of the public debt for September was nearly \$11,000,000. The administration is Democratic. Our Republican exchanges will please take notice.

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PENSIONS.

Republican legislation paid 2,000,000 of soldiers who preserved the Union not more than one-half the amount due them—Extract from Senator Voorhees' speech.

This is the way the Republican party has been the soldier's friend. Democratic legislation, during eight months of President Cleveland's administration, granted more pensions than was granted the entire eight years of the administration of U. S. Grant, the soldier President.

We have no criticisms to offer upon Ex-president Grant, as he lies in a sweet sleep, among the dead heroes; but it is proper to say that Republican legislation has not been as beneficial to the soldiers in eight years as Democratic legislation has been in eight months! This is the way the Democratic legislation proves itself a friend to the soldier.

"Choose ye this day whom ye will serve."

Every considerate soldier who is unbiased by party prejudice will vote to send a Democratic congressman, and a Democratic U. S. Senator to Washington City. It is to be hoped that every soldier will be sufficiently interested in his own behalf, and in the behalf of the wives, made widows, and of the children made orphans, by that rebellion to vote for the men who prove themselves the soldier's friends.

Thompson for representative, and McCullough for Congressman, are men who can and will do the soldiers, their widows and orphans everlasting good.

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