The Highland News.

HILLSBOROUGH, OHIO.

Thursday, - - May 25, 1871.

Attention, Republicans!

The Primary Election System of Nominating Candidates.

There is a wide-spread and growing dissatisfaction in both parties in this State, as well as others, with the practice of making nominations for county offices by means of Delegate Conventions. The conviction is gaining ground among thinking men, that the nominations made by such bodies are usually controlled by a few adroit and active politicians at the county seat, who so manage affairs as to put forward themselves or their particular friends for all the best offices, to the exclusion of "out-siders" who are not in the "ring." In consequence of this feeling, what is called the primary election system of nominating candidates has already been adopted in a number of counties, by both parties, and has been found to work satisfactorily wherever it has been fairly tried. In our neighboring county of Clinton this plan has been followed by the Republicans for some years past, and we are informed that the "rank and file" of the party are so well pleased with it, that they could not now be induced to return to the Convention system. Almost the only objections to the primary election plan come from a few disappointed politicians and office-seekers, who find that it prevents them from carrying out their cherished designs of getting into fat offices, and enriching themselves at the expense of the "dear people."

The evils of the Convention system are especially felt in those counties where one of the two parties is largely in the majority, so that a nomination by the Convention of the dominant party is almost equivalent to an election. Under such circumstances, of course, the efforts of office-seekers to secure the nominations are most persevering and active, and if they are only adroit enough to pull the wires so as to get a majority of the delegates, they are rewarded for all their trouble by the possession of the coveted prizes, after the election.

It needs no argument to prove that it is very easy for a "ring," composed of only a small number of active and cunning wire-workers, who are generally located at the county-seat, to manage matters so that the delegates to the Convention, when they assemble from all parts of the county to form a ticket, shall have such influences brought to bear upon them that they will be unconsciously led to make the very nominations which have been accommodatingly "cut and dried" for them for months beforehand, by the "ring" aforesaid. We say it needs no argument to prove that this *can* be done, for every one who has paid any attention to the doings of party Conventions, knows that it *has been* done, time and again, and that through such skillful wire-working by selfish and corrupt "rings," candidates have often been forced upon the party, and the party compelled to support them, who never could have been nominated by a fair expression of the popular will of the party. Hence it so often happens that when a ticket is made by a Convention, the defeated candidates for the various offices go home feeling they were cheated out of the nomination, because they were not in the "ring," and for this reason either fail to work heartily for the success of the ticket, or privately work against it. The party is thus weakened and divided, and its defeat endangered, by want of zeal and harmony in the ranks.

If it be true that this state of things really does exist,—and we think no honest and reflecting man will dispute the fact—it is certainly proper that the evil should be remedied if possible, and a system of nominations adopted which will *give all candidates a fair and equal chance*—whether they happen to be favorites of the "ring" or not. By the primary election plan, any member of the party, however humble, has the right to offer himself as a candidate if he chooses, and if he can honorably secure a majority of the party in his favor, he has a right to be declared the choice of the party for the office he desires. Is not this plan fair, honest, impartial, democratic and republican—in the broadest sense of the terms?

An important election is approaching, when several lucrative and responsible offices are to be filled in this county, and we desire to see such a ticket made as will command the hearty and zealous support of the whole Republican party. We want no secret "Ring" to select our candidates beforehand, only to be ratified and approved by a Convention. We want a fair, open and honorable competition between the various aspirants, so that when the ticket is made every candidate will feel that he has been fairly dealt with, whether successful or not, and will have no secret heartburnings or suspicions of foul play, to sour him against the ticket and the party, and weaken or alienate his support in the canvass. It is necessary that the Republicans of Highland shall put forth the strongest possible ticket, if they wish to succeed, and to this end, they must have a ticket fairly and honestly made, and approved by the majority of the party.

We submit these views to the candid consideration of our Republican readers throughout the county, and if approved by them we suggest that at the County Meeting to be held in this place on Saturday, June 10th, to appoint delegates to the State Convention, the various townships send full delegations of their leading Republicans, who shall be authorized to express the will of the party in their respective townships in regard to the expediency of nominating our County Ticket this year by the primary election system instead of by a Convention, as heretofore. If this suggestion be properly carried out and every township fully represented, an authoritative expression of the party would be given, which would be respected by the Central Committee to be chosen for the next year at the same meeting, and at the proper time the Committee, if so instructed, would announce the necessary arrangements for the primary election.

The machinery of the primary election plan is very simple. All that is necessary is that the Central Committee appoint a day for the election and select good Republicans to act as judges and clerks, and make a sealed return of the result to the Chairman of the Committee by a certain day. The returns are then opened by the Chairman and Secretary, counted, and the result published over their signatures through the columns of the papers. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes for each office, are to be declared the nominees of the party, and entitled to its united support.

The usual practice is to print only one set of tickets, containing the names of all the candidates for each office, (the expense of which is borne equally) and when the ticket is voted, the voter erases all the names but the one he wishes to vote for.

The only objection to the plan is that it requires the voter to take the trouble of going to the polls to vote for his choice of candidates; but the certainty of having his vote *count* in the selection of the candidates, and of having a "fair and square" ticket made, should more than compensate any good Republican for the extra trouble.

The last Legislature passed a law to protect primary elections of all parties, and punish severely any one attempting to interfere in any way with the elections, or vote illegally, or vote more than once, at any such election. This law secures an honest and fair vote, and removes the greatest objection heretofore made to the primary election system.

We hope the subject will receive the careful attention it deserves, from every good Republican, and that they will take measures in every township to give an expression of their wishes in the manner we have suggested.

Marriage of a Buckeye Girl to a German Prince.

Miss May Parsons, daughter of Mr. Geo. M. Parsons, of Columbus, Ohio, was married to the Prince von Lynar, of Berlin, Prussia, in Trinity Episcopal Church, Columbus, on the 16th instant. The marriage of an American lady, to a "real, 'live Prince," is not an every day occurrence, (though for that matter we think any respectable American girl is good enough for one of the "blood royal,") and the wedding naturally produced considerable excitement in social circles at the State capital.

For the special benefit of our lady readers we copy a description of the bride and her wedding costume:

Miss May Parsons (now the Princess von Lynar) is twenty-two years old, and her beauty has been the subject of remark at home as well as in her extended travels abroad. She is of petite figure, and has blue eyes and hair somewhat light; but is neither blonden or brunette. She has acquired a finished education and many accomplishments, and graced the high circles of society in which she moved while abroad, whither she went, in accompany with others of the family, on account of delicate health. Her father's father was an esteemed citizen of Columbus, whose large fortune enriched George M. Parsons, her father. Her maternal grandfather was Judge Gustavus Swan, for a number of years President of the State Bank of Ohio; his large estate was left to two daughters (one being Mrs. Parsons), his son having been lost on the ill-fated vessel Lexington, just as he was starting on a short voyage. The aggregate of all these fortunes, under natural increase in value and intelligent business management, have doubled over and over; so that the Princess has not only beauty, education and accomplishments to recommend her, but stands firmly on a rock of material wealth. Her father's fortune has been variously estimated by cotemporaries in hundreds of thousands and even millions, and Madame Rumor places the marriage portion at amounts varying from $50,000 to $150,000; but as that is none of the public's business, it will be sufficient to say that the dowry is princely.

Miss May Parsons wore a white satin dress, *en train*, with an overskirt of white satin; waist tight to the figure, and with tight sleeves; trimmed with Valenciennes lace and decorated with orange blossoms and buds; hair a la Pompadour; and illusion veil.

The apportionment of Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly of Ohio, which has been officially announced, places the number of Senators at thirty-six, a decrease of one from the present number, and of Representatives at 102, a decrease of seven. The rate is one Senator for 76,146 population, and one Representative for 26,651. The election next fall will be under this new apportionment, which is to continue in force ten years, unless a new Constitution is meanwhile adopted.

Fares between New York and the West have been reduced.

News of the Week.

The Presbyterian General Assembly is in session at Chicago.

It is expected that the treaty of Washington will be ratified by the Senate this week.

Mr. Greeley arrived at Houston, Texas, on the 20th, and was received with great respect by all classes.

The Ku-Klux are at work again in South Carolina.

Vice-President Colfax had a severe attack of paralysis on Monday in the Senate, but partially recovered in a few hours.

The town of Bradford, Canada West, was nearly destroyed by fire on Monday. Loss over half a million.

The Adams Express office in Columbus was entered by burglars on Tuesday night of last week, the watchmen overpowered with chloroform and the safe robbed of $60,000.

The Government forces made a fierce assault on the defences of Paris last Friday and Saturday, and on Sunday succeeded in entering the city, and holding possession of it. The Communists retired behind their street barricades, and kept up the fight, but they were evidently growing weaker, and could not hold out long. The city is probably by this time in full possession of the Government.

Hon. Sam Galloway and the Pomeroy Telegraph.

Since the positive declination of Senator Wade and Gen. Garfield, the prospects of Hon. Sam Galloway, as the Republican candidate for Governor, have been steadily improving, and in the opinion of the Columbus Journal the contest now lies between him and Gen. Noyes of Cincinnati. The long and faithful services of Mr. Galloway in the Republican ranks, from the formation of the party to the present time, his acknowledged ability, his pure character, and eminent qualifications in every respect, together with the fact that he has hitherto received from the party no adequate recognition of his claims, are considerations which ought to weigh strongly in his favor in the Convention, and which in our opinion entitle him to receive the nomination. We have no objections to Gen. Noyes, who was a gallant soldier, and lost a limb in his country's defence, but we regard Mr. Galloway as equally worthy and eligible, and as having stronger claims on the party than any of his competitors.

In this connection we have been both surprised and pained to notice the following paragraph in the last issue of the Pomeroy Telegraph. It is the first time we have ever heard anycharge made against the integrity and honor of Mr. Galloway, and we cannot for a moment believe it to be well-founded.

The Telegraph says: "As for Galloway, his nomination would be a great misfortune.

"No man should be even named for the high office of Governor, against whom the probable suspicion rests of having made the national appointments of his district a subject of brokerage, and dividing the profits thereof with such a fellow as Joe Geiger."

The Telegraph owes it to Mr. Galloway and his friends, as an act of justice, to state at once on what grounds it makes this grave charge against him. Let us have the evidence, Brother Chapman, on which you ask the Republicans of Ohio to believe that Mr. Galloway has done anything to forfeit their confidence and respect.

An editor should be careful how he gives currency to such an injurious accusation against the character of a public man, who has always sustained a reputation above reproach. We feel confident that the "probable suspicion" to which the Telegraph refers, will be found on investigation to have no more truth in it than the thousands of lying rumors which have assailed other public men, and which had no foundation except in the malignant imaginations of their political enemies.

Items of Interest.

"The Treaty of Washington," is to be the title by which the Joint High Commission treaty is to be known.

It is estimated that 10,000 hogsheads of sugar have been lost by the crevasses which have occurred in the Mississippi river this season.

Sir Samuel Baker and his wife are on another expedition up the Nile—this time with 59 vessels, 10 cannon, and 1,000 muskets, and fellows to use them.

The caisson for the bridge between New York and Brooklyn, has been successfully launched. It is said to weigh 23,000 tons!

Senator Sumner has been invited to tell what he knows about farming, at the annual fair of the St. Louis Agricultural and Mechanical Association, in October.

"The crazy ex-King, George of Hanover," we are told by a European correspondent, "amuses himself by sleeping in his coffin." This is shocking, though we have known a man addicted to "coughing in his sleep."—[N. O. Times.

A man in Chicago committed suicide by drowning, lately, in six inches of water. He could not have done it alone, but his wife, with that self-sacrificing devotion and helpfulness so characteristic of the sex, sat on his head!

England has learned a great many things from America. Legal codes, monitors, sewing machines, telegraphs, rifles, revolvers, rocking chairs, ploughing, reaping and mowing and washing and cow-milking machines, axe handles and other of our inventions she has freely adopted.

Neighboring Counties.

The Waverly (Pike Co.) M. E. Church is to be finished at an estimated cost of $2000.

The Clermont Courier says the early wheat in that county is badly damaged by frost on low ground.

Hon. David Fisher, ex-M. C. of this District, was in Batavia recently, looking after his pension as a soldier of the war of '12. He still has good health, but his eyesight is failing.

Curtis Wilkin, treasurer of Sterling township, Brown county, was shot, but not dangerously, by burglars one night week before last.—The rascals fled without getting anything, but could not be caught.

Hon. Jonathan D. Morris, ex-M. C., was in Batavia recently. He lives alternately in New York city and Indiana with his children.

The Wilmington Gazette has suspended, after 8 months existence. Democratic papers don't flourish in Clinton.

Wilmington is to have a chain-gang.

The new colored Baptist Church in Washington was dedicated Sunday, the 7th inst.

A Division of Sons of Temperance has been organized in Wilmington.

Judge Popo, of Wilmington, will will preside at the trial of McGehan, the Hamilton murderer, who has had a charge of venue to Warren.—Court begins at Lebanon on the 5th of June.

Clinton Co. S. S. Union meets in Wilmington next Saturday.

Mr. Wheatly, of Green township, Clinton county, hung himself a few days ago.

The Wilmington Post Office robber was arrested in Wheeling on the 11th, and taken to Cincinnati for trial in the U. S. Court. He gave his name as Franklin W. Prince, and some of the stolen stamps were found on his person.

The first Wilmington Stock Sale last week was well attended, and the Sales will be held monthly hereafter.

The surveying corps of the river line to connect the Ch. & Ohio R. R. with Cincinnati, reached Manchester last week, on their way to Cincinnati.

The Pike county Republican reports several large orchards in that county as giving a fine promise of fruit.

Gen. Hurst, of Chillicothe, has some 15,000 peach trees, 6,000 of which are bearing, and none of them were hurt by the late frost.

The re-survey of the West Union line to connect with the Ch. & Ohio, throws the road considerably north of the survey made last summer.—It crosses the Adams county pike about half a mile South of North Liberty, on the Ripley pike, about equal distance between North Liberty and Eckmansville.

Mrs. Elizabeth Beauchamp, who settled in Pike county in 1816, died in the village of California, May 12th, aged over 90 years.

Pike county has no resident dentist. Reason: want of support.

The county seat war continues to rage in Adams county.

James and Chas. McCrea's barn, near New Holland, Fayette county, was struck by lightning on the 15th, and consumed, with two horses and $800 worth of corn and hay.

Peter Shaner, one of the oldest citizens of Ross county, died suddenly at his residence near Lattaville, 6th inst., aged about 90 years. He served in the war of 1812.

One of the members of the school board of Point Pleasant, Fayette county, is a colored fellow-citizen.

The chicken cholera is very destructive on some farms in Pike county.

The Clinton House, Chillicothe, has been purchased by Mr. Jermain, of New York, for $6,383 50.

The Chilicothe Gazette says H. J. Bailey of that vicinity, has 7,000 peach trees and has a fine prospect for a full yield, as also for cherries and pears, most of his orchard being located on hill land.

Miss Maria Pickering, a school teacher near Circleville hung herself on the 19th inst. She was about 25 years old.

Mrs. Clinton Johns recovered $250 damages last week in Ripley from one Springer, for selling liquor to her husband.

Capt. Mischler was fined last week by the Mayor of Ripley, for selling liquor on Sunday.

A horse, buggy and harness were stolen from Jesse Johnson, near Washington, Fayette county, last Thursday night week. The thieves got off with their booty.

District Court was in session at Washington last week.

Rev. J. R. Powell, formerly of Hillsboro, has returned to Washington, after several months' absence. He is in the Life Insurance business.

Rev. Stuart Robinson, of Ky., lectured in Chillicothe last week. He is a brother of Charles Robinson, of that city, formerly of Hillsboro.

A furniture factory is to be started at Waverly.

The Kirk House, Washington C. H., will be sold at public sale on 27th inst.

The Rev. W. Watkin Hicks is traveling over the South delivering a lecture eulogistic of Gen. Robert E. Lee. The citizens of Eufaula were treated to this lecture last week, when the Eufaula News, the Democratic organ in that village, tells us that

"Applause, which could not be repressed, broke forth as the splendid orator showed that Lee's work was not yet done, and that the cause he so boldly championed was not yet lost."

CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILROAD.—Six thousand hands hands are employed along line. The iron will be laid on 100 miles of new track this summer. It looks as if the road would get through to Ohio in 1872.

Marriages.

Marriage Notices inserted free. A responsible name must always accompany Notices sent by mail

HANSALL—DUFF—At the bride's house, near New Lexington, May 18th, by Rev. S. W. Edmiston, Mr. George E. Hansall to Miss Laura A. Duff, both of this county.

LAWSON—HATTER—On the 14th inst., by I. J. Turner, Esq., Mr. David N. Lawson to Miss Louisa Hatter, all of this county.

Deaths.

Notices of Deaths inserted free. Obituary remarks charged for at the rate of 5 cents per line of 8 words.

SHEPHERD—Dr. Wm. A. Shepherd, died at New Vienna, Ohio, May 12th, in the 57th year of his age. He was a native of Philadelphia, but came to Highland county, Ohio, when he was a boy, and his life was spent mainly in Highland and Clinton counties. He graduated at the Cincinnati Medical College and commenced the practice of medicine about 30 years ago. In 1836 he married Miss Frances Rogers, and for 37 years they shared together the joys and sorrows of life. Three sons and one daughter, with their widowed mother and many relatives and friends, mourn his death. Two of these sons are widely known and esteemed for their professional skill in medicine and law.

Dr. Shepherd was devoted to his life work among the sick. His skill and attention were appreciated, and he found but little time to rest until worn down with unceasing toil, he gave up to die. He suffered much for many weeks, but with patient submission he yielded to the Divine will.

His funeral was the largest ever known in Vienna. The Masonic Fraternity, of which he was an honored member, gave every attention in their power during his sickness, and the Lodges of Vienna, Hillsboro, Wilmington, Leesburg and Martinsville, were well represented in the long procession that followed him to the grave. The solemn ritual of the Order was performed, and an appropriate funeral discourse was delivered. The assembled multitude manifested deep interest in their old friend and physician, as they looked for the last time on his noble form cold in death.

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Attorneys having Legal Notices advertised, will be held responsible for the advertising fees, unless paid in advance by the parties interested; and said fees will in all cases be considered as due when the publication is finished.

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Business Notices, in Local Columns, to transient advertisers 15 cents per line for the first insertion, half price for each additional insertion. To regular advertisers 10 cents a line for the first, and 5 cents for each additional insertion. No Notice inserted for less than 50 cents.

Yearly advertisers are entitled to quarterly changes without extra charge. All additional changes charged for at the rate of 25 cents per square.

The privileges of yearly advertisers extend only to their own regular business.

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Resolutions of Respect half regular rates.

Announcements of candidates for Township and Corporation offices $7.00, for County offices $2.00; for Congress and Judiciary $3.00.

Internal Revenue!

DEPUTY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE, HILLSBORO, OHIO.

AS required under Section 23 of an Act to provide Internal Revenue to support the Government and to pay interest on the Public Debt, approved March 2, 1867, I hereby give public notice to all persons interested, that the Assessor's Annual List for the 2d Division (Highland Co.) of the 6th District of Ohio, for 1871, including Special Tax Receipts (License) from the 1st of May, 1871, to the 1st of May, 1872, and taxes on Income of 1870, is now in my hands, and said taxes are now due and payable at my office in Hillsboro, Ohio

If not paid on or before June 10th, demand will be made on all delinquents personally, or by mail, and a fee of 20 cents, and 4 cents for each mile traveled in serving tax notice will be charged. If not paid within ten days after this demand, the law provides for the collection thereof with a penalty of 5 per centum on the amount of the tax, and interest at the rate of 1 per cent. per month additional, by distraint and sale. F. F. KIBLER,
Deputy Collector 2d Division.
May 20, 1871. my25w2

Estate of Joel Wright, dec'd.

THE undersigned has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of Joel Wright, deceased, late of New Lexington, Highland county, Ohio. All persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment; and those having claims against the same will present them, duly authenticated, to the undersigned for allowance. THOMAS J. TERRY.
May 8, 1871. my11w3

Attachment Notice.

Philip Kramer, Plaintiff, } Before Geo. B. Gardner,
against } J. P. of Liberty Tp.,
Burt Brodbelt, Defendant, } Highland County, Ohio.

ON the first day of May, A. D. 1871, said Justice issued an order of attachment in the above action, for the sum of thirty seven dollars. Said case is set for hearing on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1871, at 10 o'clock A. M. PHILIP KRAMER.
Hillsboro, Ohio, May 17, 1871. my18w3

Estate of Seth Gage, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, to all who are indebted to the estate of Seth Gage, deceased, that they are requested to call and settle immediately, and those having claims against the same, will present them duly authenticated. M. E. GAGE,
my11w3 Executrix.

Estate of Isaac Woodmansee, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber has been duly appointed and qualified as Executor of the last will and testament of Isaac Woodmansee, late of Highland county, Ohio, deceased. Dated May 11, 1871. JAMES WOODMANSEE.
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