

City.

Oyster month has arrived.

Pumpkin pies are in order.

Local politics quite as fairly active.

Maidens, less than four months of leap year remain.

A special meeting of the regents Tuesday, Sept. 14.

Monthly meeting of common council on Monday evening.

House and lot for sale on West Huron St. See advertisement.

Services in the Unitarian church will be resumed one week from Sunday next.

Janitor of the court house, Jeff Davis, will sacrifice himself for the matrimonial altar next Sunday.

Laborers wanted to place ties and timber on the Toledo extension. Cash paid for ties. See advertisement.

Annual meeting of school district No. 1, will be held at the court room on Monday. Pells open from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m.

The eldest son of D. H. Jerome, republican candidate for governor, will enter the University next month as a "fresh."

Remains of Maria Todd, whose death is chronicled in the usual column, were brought from Kalamazoo to this city for interment.

Mrs. Philip Winegar places the Annots office under obligations by the presentation of a bouquet of dahlias raised upon her premises.

Monthly meeting of pomological society to-morrow afternoon. "Birds Injurious to fruit-growers" a subject heretofore discussed will be continued. Other subjects will be presented.

Greenbackers to the number of about twenty-five met in mass conference on Saturday and went through the force of placing in the field candidates for county offices.

The tract known as Lathrop's addition to the city of Jackson, was sold under mortgage, to Mrs. Lucy Morgan, of Ann Arbor, for \$8,000, and it is said to be worth \$25,000.—Citizen.

Considerable inquiry is made for houses to rent by people from abroad who desire to come to this city to live with the view of educating sons and daughters. Real estate dealers are busy.

Ladies, Mr. Israel Hall suggests you ought to be represented on the board of education. The ARBOTS will cheerfully and gratuitously loan the use of its columns to make public announcements of candidates. Who wants to be heard?

To comply with the terms of subscription the cars must be running over the Toledo extension by Jan. 1, 1881. Work is now going on rapidly and prospects indicate that before the new year arrives trains will be running on schedule time.

From a copy of the New Brunswick, N. J., Freeman, it is gleaned that Rev. Dr. R. H. Steele, pastor of the first reformed church of the above city for the past ten years, announced his resignation on Sunday last, preparatory to accepting the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of Ann Arbor.

Col. Dean, business manager of the Ann Arbor Register printing and publishing company, resigned on Friday and is succeeded by Mr. B. J. Conrad. The stock held by the Dean Brothers amounting to \$14,000 has been purchased by Prof. Watson, the possessor now of nearly all the stock. Col. Dean retires from the profession.

Needs of property to the amount of \$9,000, securing the right of way to the Detroit, Butler & St. Louis railroad, in Augusta and York townships, have been filed at the clerk's office during the past week. There are 43 separate deeds, and the largest amount received by any one person for right of way across his premises is that of \$3,250, received by J. Webster Childs, of Augusta. Several others only charged \$1.

Those persons interested in securing the removal of the janitor of the court house are informed that they should turn their efforts toward the board of supervisors in whom power to hire is vested. County officials have nothing to do with engaging him; he is amenable to them only so far as he neglects to perform his duties. Leaders of the "independent party" ought to post themselves before making war on Jeff Davis.

Whitewasher Tisdell will not be in town Nov. 2 to exercise the right of suffrage on account of a ninety days vacation at Tonia. His wife, being dead, his father attended to his property for him. She bore his temperate habits and muscular chastisement until life became unendurable and left to work out. Since that time Tisdell has drank harder than ever. The other night he brought to his home an abandoned woman, who in the morning, arose, and finding \$28 in her purse gone accused Tisdell of stealing it. He was arrested, convicted and removed to Tonia. His son, a bright lad of ten years asked him just before his departure where he should stay during his absence. The depraved father replied: "You must take care of yourself for you may never see me again." It is a pity Justice Winegar was limited by statute to give him ninety days.

The committee consisting of Mr. J. Sawyer and the editor of this paper, chosen by the officers of the county agricultural society to invite speakers to address the people attending the county fair on Thursday, Sept. 30, invited the republican and democratic candidates for governor to be present. Mr. D. H. Jerome has kindly accepted and promises to be present on that day. Mr. Holloway declined by letter on the ground that the Hillsdale county fair will be held on the same week, and being the main pillar on which the society rests believed he could not leave his home for a day. Meeting the gentleman at Manchester last week, he reconsidered his decision so far as to give us much encouragement that he will be present, and with Mr. Jerome talk to the farmers of Washtenaw county. The committee will invite Mr. David Woodman, 24, of Paw Paw, greenback candidate for governor, and Samuel Dickey of Albion, the prohibition candidate.

I can furnish first-class Cuthbert Pashberry plants from my grounds warranted pure, for transplanting in the fall, at \$1 per 100 or \$25 per 1,000.

BRASS, DAY.

Many an unhappy sufferer from nervous debility has wished himself anywhere but on the beautiful earth. No one need now have any such feelings, all that they require to do is to go and purchase one box of Gray's Specific and they will realize a change as if by magic. Sold by all druggists.

The County Convention and Nominations.

In noticeable contrast to the republican county convention which was lightly attended about 75 delegates met on Thursday last. The democratic convention of last week Thursday was a gathering too large for accommodation in the court room. Every seat was occupied, there was no available standing room but what was utilized, and many desiring to witness the proceedings were unable to obtain admittance.

Contrary to the hope of republicans gathered from the city and county who had hoped that, from the sharp contest anticipated upon the part of candidates for position upon the ticket, there would arise a feeling, if not open, suppressed, that would endanger success in November, the entire proceeding characterized by a degree of friendly rivalry and harmony that could not fail to win admiration from friend and foe. Considering the number of candidates presented for nearly every one of the nine positions on the ticket, and the earnestness with which they were supported by their respective friends, and especially over the sharp and closely contested nomination for sheriff, which was labored for with almost unwearied diligence, the democracy of the convention and of the county are to be congratulated over the auspicious and harmonious results obtained.

Much of the smooth and pleasant manner in which the business of the convention was conducted, is due to Mr. Albert Crane of Ypsilanti, who presided as if he had been brought up with a gavel in his hand. Few men are in their proper place when in the chair, and Mr. Crane proved to be among that number.

Speakers were promptly recognized, rapped down when they failed to talk to the question. Business was dispatched with celerity and no time was permitted to be wasted. The secretaries whose labors were made onerous by frequent calling of the roll, proved to be the right men in the right place.

The convention seemed to have been wiser than it knew. By the distribution of candidates over the county, the liability of endangering the success of the ticket nominated through the selection of a too large number, residents of Ann Arbor, is happily removed. Jealousy of county seat is too prevalent as well as unreasonable. While it does not matter to the general public where a man lodges and partakes of meals, locality always has, and will, probably enter into the canvass for choice of candidates. It is made available in the interest of certain persons and often proves to be a winning card. There can be in this respect no charge laid to the county seat monopolizing the nominations.

We congratulate the democracy of Washtenaw upon the excellent ticket presented. Composed as it is from senators to corner men of pure character whose associations are of the best, there is no reason therefore why it should not meet with the cordial approval as we do not doubt it will, of not only every democrat, but of many hundreds of republicans who would to favor it with their suffrages. With such candidates we can enter the contest feeling confident that the victory which awaits us will place in position men that will honor themselves and the people who lend them their confidence.

David G. Rose, the next senator from Washtenaw county, is supervisor of Sharon and truly a representative of the farming interest, being the owner of about 800 acres of land. In his case the office sought the man, no effort whatever having been made by him to secure the nomination. Mr. Rose is a native of Sharon, Litchfield Co., Conn., where he was born in 1825 and is therefore 55 years of age. At the age of 8 he came to Michigan in company of his parents who located in the township whose chief official he now is, and where with the exception of a few years he has resided. Mr. Rose has observed a wonderful transformation in the appearance of his township, inhabited principally by wild animals when he came, now dotted by modern-built farm residences the occupants being nearly all well-to-do. In addition to the meagre facilities afforded by common schools, Mr. R. attended the Grange Lake Academy, then under control of the Presbyterians. With the education thus acquired he aspired to become a pedagogue and wielded the rod in the winters of 1846-7 in Lyndon, Grass Lake and Norvell. The first official responsibility placed upon him was director and inspector of schools in Sharon. Moving to Manchester village in 1869, he was elected a member of union school board. Displeased with village life he returned to and purchased a farm in Sharon in 1875 upon which he now resides. Averse to holding office his township elected him justice, but he refused to qualify until considerable time had elapsed. He is serving a second term as supervisor. Mr. Rose bears a life poor and by industry and economy has arisen to a position of influence by an unswerving course in all the walks of life. In politics he has always been consistent bowing not to the frenzy of an hour. In finance, it is enough to say that his word is as good as his note.

William D. Harriman, candidate for judge of probate, was born in 1834 in Peacham, Vermont, where his parents now reside. He was educated at Peacham academy, at this time one of the oldest and most popular institutions of the kind in northern New England. He was brought up on a farm teaching school winters, working on the farm summers and attending the academy fall and spring. He studied law in Peacham and after a thorough examination was admitted to the bar by Judge Foland of Credit Mobilier fame, he being at the time one of the judges of the supreme court of Vermont. The same year of his admission to the bar he was nominated for prosecuting attorney of his native county upon a local issue. After spending some time at Chicago in the law office of Mettocks & Barron he went in 1860 to California. In 1860 he was nominated by the republicans of Placer county as a candidate for the assembly, being unable to ride on horseback and there being no carriage roads he made a thorough canvass of the county on foot, making speeches in saloons, churches, on the street, or wherever he could get a chance, and was the only candidate on the republican ticket elected to office and the first republican ever elected to office in that county. Although Placer county was largely settled by southern men and was democratic, Mr. Harriman's course in the assembly was so popular

with all parties that on the expiration of his term in the assembly he was nominated by the republicans for the senate and served two terms in that body. Upon the expiration of his senatorial service he was nominated by the republican party for clerk of the supreme court, beating in the state convention one of the most popular men in California, Col. Geo. S. Evans, who had returned from the army to secure the nomination. Judge Harriman was elected clerk of the supreme court of California by over 60,000 majority, receiving the largest majority of any person on the ticket with one exception. Intending to retire from business and politics in 1868 he settled in Ann Arbor, drawn here by the fame of our great University, and satisfied after looking the country over that southern Michigan was the "Paradise of God" and Washtenaw county the best part of southern Michigan. Soon after locating in Ann Arbor, being a stranger "he was taken in" and had the office of mayor "thrust upon him," beating Fred, Schmidt, one of the most popular men in the city, over one hundred and fifty votes. In 1872 Judge Harriman supported Greeley and since that time has been an active member of the democratic party. In 1876 he was nominated by the democracy for judge of probate, beating Judge Cheever, who then held the office, nearly 300 votes. How Judge Harriman performed the duties of the office of judge of probate is known to the people of the county. His administration of the office has been popular with all persons who have had business there, republicans and democrats alike. He has rearranged the records and completely changed the system of keeping the files and papers in the office so that papers filed in estates fifty years ago can be found as certainly and as quickly as papers filed yesterday. Strangers visiting the office and examining the system pronounce our probate office the best arranged and the best managed in the state.

Judge Harriman is a man of literary habits and tastes. He has been a great reader and is thoroughly informed upon many subjects. He has always taken a great interest in educational matters, was elected superintendent of schools of his native town when still a minor, was a director of schools in California, and for the past four years has filled the responsible position of member of the school board of Ann Arbor and for the past two years has been its president. Judge Harriman besides being judge of probate and president of the Ann Arbor school board is also trustee of the Unitarian church of Ann Arbor, director of the Ann Arbor Savings Bank, and president of the Keck Manufacturing Company, a company which employs twenty-six and seventy hands employed in the manufacture of furniture. Judge Harriman will be re-elected by a large majority.

Mr. Wallace received the nomination for sheriff after a long and earnestly-contested race, by a slender majority. It was won fairly, and no combinations were formed to secure it. Mr. Wallace was born in Conestoga, Cattaraugus Co., N. Y., in 1830, and with his parents came to Michigan when he was only six months of age, settling in Saline township three miles west of the village on the Chicago turnpike, in the wilderness his father taking up 160 acres of government land at the current price, ten shillings per acre. Having killed the redskins and secured a sheriff under Sheriff's use acceptably to the public the past two years, he is better fitted to be sheriff than his opponent. He is now supervisor of Saline township for the second term, and besides holding the position of deputy sheriff for 23 years, his several townships have elected him to several local offices. His nomination materially strengthens the ticket, not only because it goes to the country, but his friends will labor to prevent the republican nominee for clerk, Mr. Clark, from receiving any majority whatever, at his home in November, whereas two years ago he received over 100 majority.

Edward Duffy the democratic candidate for county clerk, was born in Ireland on the 22d of December, 1836, and with his parents arrived in New York City in May, 1849, then in the 13th year of his age. The family came west in that year and located in the township of Webster, where he remained two years, after which he returned to New York City, and with an older brother, now residing there, entered upon mercantile pursuits continuing in business there until the spring of 1867, when he returned to the west to locate permanently. In May, 1868 he commenced business in Ann Arbor, opening a general store, and from that period until the present he has conducted a successful business. In the fall of 1868, Mr. Duffy was appointed one of the superintendents of the poor of this county, a position which he held by repeated appointments until the present, his last appointment being in 1877. During that year the political complexion of the board of supervisors was changed, and although a majority were politically opposed to him, he received re-appointment. This indorsement coming as it did from both political parties, is a valuable testimonial to his fidelity, honesty and fitness, while acting in the capacity of superintendent of the poor. The nomination tendered him last week is an additional mark of their confidence. Mr. Duffy has a large circle of personal and influential friends throughout the county, and his election as clerk of the county is, in our opinion assured.

Our nominee for register of deeds, Michael Seery, is a native of Ireland, his parents were of the late Peter Tufts, before they came to this country. Both became residents of Dexter and upon the election of Mr. Tufts, register of deeds in 1865, he made Mr. Seery his deputy. Mr. Seery has served the past four years under register Manly. He therefore is eminently well fitted to discharge its duties, and from a long experience in, by all odds the man, as between the two nominees, the people should elect. Mr. Manly has been called away one, and sometimes two, weeks at a time, and returning, found the affairs of the office in as good shape as if he himself had been present.

Mr. Jacob Knapp of Freedom, is a native of Philadelphia, Pa., born in the year 1842, and came to this county with his parents when six months of age locating on the farm on which he resides. Mr. Knapp has held the following positions by the votes of his townsmen: drain commissioner, highway commissioner and clerk. He is one of the thrifty German citizens of Freedom, being the possessor of 150 acres of land. His

nomination is a sad blow to the hopes of his opponent, the postmaster of Freedom, who was placed on the ticket by the republicans, expecting to elect him at least, by catching the German democratic vote.

Our nominee for prosecuting attorney is a native of South Bend, Ind., and prepared for the University at Ypsilanti Seminary, entering the former in 1866 at the age of 18 and graduating from the literary department in 1870. He then accepted the principality of Ypsilanti Seminary which he filled during 70-71. Re-entering the University he graduated from the law department in '73, receiving the degree of A. M., and then formed a co-partnership with Chas. E. Joslin, Esq., with whom he remains. Mr. Charles R. Whitman fulfilled the duties of secretary of school board of Ypsilanti from 74 to 77; elected circuit court commissioner in '76 and held the office two years; run for prosecuting attorney in 1878 and was defeated in a triangular contest in which a third candidate polled over 1800 votes. Considering the peculiar situation of that canvass Mr. Whitman made an excellent run. When the (this) judicial district was re-formed Mr. Whitman's name was presented for the nomination of Judge but was beaten by Hon. Gouverneur Morris by three votes. Mr. Whitman takes rank with the best stump orators in Michigan. He devoted six weeks in the campaign of 1876 to addressing audiences each week-day evening and often spoke also in the afternoon. In 1878 he spoke in every township, city and village in the county, and when the campaign opens in earnest he will again be heard from.

Patrick McKernan, one of the nominees for circuit court commissioner, was born in Northfield, this county in 1837, and when old enough labored upon his father's farm attending district school in winter until he was 22 years of age. He spent six months under the tutelage of Prof. Estabrook at normal school, then entering the union school of this city where he studied six months longer, afterward taking a commercial course. Mr. McKernan held the position of school inspector in his native town six years, and for five years beginning with 1890 was honored by his townsmen with the highest position in their gift—superintendent. Mr. McKernan graduated from the law department of the university in 1865. Elected justice of the peace in this city in 1868, and administered the duties of the office acceptably to the public. Since the expiration of his term as justice he has practiced law and followed farming in a small way. Mr. McKernan was beaten for this position in 1878 by Fred A. Hunt by voter vote. Considering his experience and maturity he is by far better fitted for the duties of the office than Mr. Hunt who is a second time his opponent. There is little doubt of Mr. McKernan's election this year.

Howard Stephenson the other nominee for circuit court commissioner, is a native of New York and came to this state at the age of five years, his parents locating near the city of Ypsilanti. Mr. S. became a student in the office of Judge Nide in 1876, and entered the University in 1877, graduating in 1878. Since graduation he has been practicing law having an office with Mr. Nide.—Mr. S. ran for the same office two years ago and was beaten by only 62 votes.

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