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THE SAFER PARTY.

Party lines are loosely drawn and independent voting is getting more and more the rule. Men vote their consciences; vote for what they deem best for the state and nation and their own consciences; they cast their votes in that way which they believe will best conduce to the peace, prosperity and happiness of themselves and their families.

A review of past history ought to show that, and show how it was a republican administration that kept the Union intact, that brought the nation through a terrible civil war and kept the credit good and made its obligations as a nation in the money market of the world.

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communicate with the Chinese government. Until those representatives are set free and put in position to freely transmit communications, until their rights as ambassadors are respected, there can be no negotiation of any nature.

The allies are probably close to the walls of Peking. They have passed the worst of obstructions and demoralized the Chinese army. The difficulties in the way pointed out by military experts have been delayed in execution until now, when they are made public, are stories of what might have been and not what has or will happen.

The proposed landing of British troops at Shanghai is the most important matter of the day's news. Should the Chinese force open fire on their transports ugly complications may follow, both in the effect it may have on the fate of the ministers in Peking, and other powers, who all watch each other, fearing that some one power may take an advantage.

The experiment of abandoning the lock-step by marching prisoners in Sing Sing prison promises to be a successful reform. The regular military step is used instead. The lock-step degrades and it should be the object of every prison to reform. It would be well if the striped uniforms were also abandoned, and everything else that tends to debase that self-respect which saves a man if there is any salvation for him, and even a particle of self-respect left may be the agency of reform.

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Next week Tuesday, Aug. 21, the taxpayers of the city are asked to vote on the question of purchasing a new steam fire engine and repairing one old one and the sum of \$5,500 is required. It seems a necessary expenditure.

On Friday, Aug. 17, the state railroad commission give a hearing in the matter of the overhead crossing at Arsenal street. It is hoped they will grant the petition.

John J. Ingalls, who is dying, has been one of the most distinguished orators America has produced. His command of language and his hold on an audience were unsurpassed.

OGDENSBURG

A Brekoon Knocked From a Car in the Malone Depot. The Governor's Baseball Team Drops Out of the League - A Case of "Straw Ball."

Ogdensburg, Aug. 14.—David Sova, of this city, a stevedore on the C. & L. C. railway, had a narrow escape from death last night. While his train was passing through Malone under the covered depot his head struck a beam and he was knocked from the car on which he was standing. He remained unconscious, but was finally found and placed on board the late train and brought to Ogdensburg. An examination showed that no bones were broken.

L. E. Quinn and Judge T. H. Swift, of Potsdam, are in town.

The United carried a large excursion from this city to Kingston today. Mrs. E. C. Anthony and Miss Gardner, of Gouverneur, and Miss Lovett, of Kingston, were in town yesterday. Alex. Meyers was sentenced to serve six months in Canton jail by Recorder Aulin today for public intoxication. Oliver Laroek goes for four months for the same offense.

City coroner Newman has called the attention of the county judge to the fact that straw ball was given in a recent proceeding had been, and an investigation by the grand jury will probably result.

Miss Margaret Prosser, of Cardinal, is visiting friends here.

Wedg-Bailey. Antwerp, Aug. 12.—Yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. E. Bailey at Antwerp, occurred the marriage of her daughter, Katherine Eleanor, to William Francis Hedge, of Syracuse.

The day was ideal in temperature and sunshine, and guests in the number of about 50 assembled to witness the ceremony. The room had been decorated with a profusion of green festoons and pink and white flowers. Promptly at 1:30 Charles C. Johnson's orchestra began the introductory notes of Mendelssohn's wedding march and the bridal party entered the dining room led by Charles C. Johnson, of Syracuse, and Miss Lovett, of Kingston, and Miss Helen Dorothy Bailey, of Antwerp, and Miss Helen Dorothy Bailey, of Antwerp, and Miss Helen Dorothy Bailey, of Antwerp.

The bride followed escorted by her brother, Clark Ellis Bailey, of Wisconsin, Minn. The groom was accompanied by the best man, his brother, Mr. Charles H. Hedge, of Watertown. The Rev. Dr. D. W. Green of the Congregational church, spoke the impressive words which united their destinies for life. The bride wore an exquisite and becoming reception gown of rose pink crepe de chine with white chiffon and a crown of white flowers. The groom wore a suit of dark blue with a pink shirt and a white tie. The bride wore a crown of white flowers and a crown of white flowers. The groom wore a suit of dark blue with a pink shirt and a white tie.

At 5 o'clock the bride reappeared in a traveling gown of royal blue camel's hair combined with white and gold, and the happy couple departed amid a shower of rose leaves. Mr. Hedge is a young man of whom none other than words of commendation can be said. He is a recent graduate of Harvard university, and graduated about two years ago in the New York state bar, he is now practicing his profession in Syracuse. Both in respect to character and ability he is entitled to success in his chosen career.

The wedding gifts were numerous and choice. Among the guests from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ellis Bailey and children, of Wisconsin, Minn.; Clinton R. Bailey, of Wisconsin, Minn.; Frederick H. Hodges, of Malone, N. Y.; Dr. Arthur H. Hodges, of Watertown; Mrs. Samuel Stevens, of Watertown; Schoolcraft, Lowellville, Dr. and Mrs. Johnson, Miss Martha Johnson, Miss Helen Johnston, Fort Lynden; Mrs. Sawyer, Sandy Hill; Mrs. Clark, Ontario; Mrs. A. Y. Stewart, Mrs. E. O. Wagner, Carthage; Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Clark, Boston Falls; Mrs. J. Myrtle Brown, Morrisville.

For Teachers' State Certificate. The exam nation for state certificates for teachers will be held at the Watertown High school, Aug. 20-24. These certificates entitle the holders to teach in all public schools of the state without further examinations for life.

THERESA

An hour-long Key Talks to the Industrial School.

Theresa, Aug. 15.—W. G. Stone, of Syracuse, N. Y., visited Theresa tonight on Monday and Tuesday evenings. Mr. Stone, with his wife and three little daughters are visiting friends in Oswego county. He was for four years the very capable principal of Theresa Union school. He is now a prosperous druggist in Syracuse.

Ady Montecito, aged 14, son of Mrs. Oliver Montecito, of this village, is again in trouble, and will sojourn in the city industrial school at Rochester, some five years ago he was an incorrigible that he was sent to the Reformatory at transient school, where he remained through the winter and spring. He is, it appears, in the habit of misappropriating money and other things, and does not improve with age and liberty. Officer W. P. Swan accompanied him to Rochester today.

George W. Kelley and family, of Lowville, are visiting friends in town. Mrs. M. P. Chamberlain, of Croton Falls, N. Y., arrived last evening and is a most welcome guest with friends at the Getman home. Mrs. Chamberlain has spent much time in Theresa, and she is very popular here, who are delighted to see her return.

WEATHER OBSERVATIONS.

Thermometer at 10 a. m. 81. At 11 a. m. 81. At 12 m. 81. At 1 p. m. 81. At 2 p. m. 81. At 3 p. m. 81. At 4 p. m. 81. At 5 p. m. 81. At 6 p. m. 81. At 7 p. m. 81. At 8 p. m. 81. At 9 p. m. 81. At 10 p. m. 81. At 11 p. m. 81. At 12 m. 81.

The bureau forecast for Thursday's day along the lake last night took precedence of that of the local observer for fair weather, for there were some thunder-claps here at about 10 o'clock, and they were the same of a violent and heavy thunder-storm between 5 and 9 o'clock. If there were any in other neighboring localities, the local columns will probably give accounts thereof. There were occasional showers here during the night, and the yield at the Times building was 1.5 inch. The August rainfall here is .70 inch.

Lightning flashes were frequent here for hours before midnight, indicating of thunder-storms in various directions outside the city. Thunder was heard at 11:30 p. m., and the night, falling well up in the clouds throughout. The barometer has been on the rise since last evening, and is now near "Ordinary Fair," while the hygrometer shows humidity at this writing only about 75 per cent.

The children of the city of Watertown are today, as they were the night part of last night, and temperature at midday high in the evening, making the day summertime once again. The low-temperature was yesterday central over Lake Superior, extending as an elongated wedge to New York. The high area envelope the entire north-west.

Temperature changes have been slight. Local scattering showers are reported over Lake Superior, Ontario, southern Huron, and western Erie, Tennessee valley, middle Atlantic states, west Gulf and Iowa.

The local indications fair weather tonight and tomorrow with tomorrow still warmer than today. BUREAU FORECAST. Watertown, Aug. 15.—Forecast till 8 p. m. Thursday: For Western New York—Local rain in the northern and fair in the southern portions tonight; Thursday, fair, with light to fresh south winds.

For Western New York—Generally fair weather tonight and Thursday, except local rain and thunder storms along the lakes, with fresh southwest winds. The Toronto Bureau forecasts for today—Some local thunder showers, but mainly fair and warmer weather.

Home-Brown Colery. Received daily at Baber & Fraser's.

Campbell & Moulton.

Shirt Waists. Cheaper Than Ever. A special sale is on. Every waist in stock at from a half to a third the regular price. See prices in window display.

Gloves. Worthy Sorts Only. Centimeter, the most perfect fitting glove, in all colors. Alexandra, a nobby pique street glove, in shades of fawn and gray, for \$1.39. A real kid glove for \$1.

Ribbons. A Most Complete Stock. If there's a ribbon want which you cannot fill from this stock we would like you to tell us of it. Prices down to the lowest notch for reliable goods.

Corset Talk. About Good Kinds. We pay particular attention to our corset department. We carry only the brands which, in our opinion, are the best.

Wines and Lagers. Ales and Lagers. W. W., L. & Cigar Store, 5 Taggart Block.

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Special Election.

Notice is hereby given that a special election of the tax assessors of the city of Watertown, N. Y., will be held on the 21st day of August, 1900, at the city hall, at 10 o'clock a. m., and that the polls will be kept open from 8 o'clock a. m. to 6 o'clock p. m. on that day.

By reference to the following resolution adopted at a meeting of the board of assessors held on the 21st day of July, 1900, by the unanimous vote of all the members thereof:

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Britton's Shoes Wear. These are the qualities on which we have built a reputation for having good shoes. Come confident of getting good shoes that are worth the good money you pay. They are sold with the same guarantee as though you paid what they're worth.

Here's Just a Hint. 50 pairs Ladies' hand turn, cloth top tan shoes, latest style, our best \$3.50 shoes, \$1.98. 60 pairs Ladies' McKay turn sole, handsome styles, best \$2.50 quality, \$1.48. 150 pairs Ladies' fine hand turn Oxfords, worth \$3.50 to \$5.00, \$2.10. 100 pairs Misses' cloth or kid top shoes, finest make, worth \$2.25. C to E, 11 to 2, \$1.50. 75 pairs Child's cloth or kid top shoes, \$1.00 to 11, C, D, E, worth \$1.90, 98c. 50 pairs Child's cloth top ten shoes, best make, \$1 to 11, D and E, worth \$1.50, 91c. 25 pairs Ladies' tan shoes, D and E, a \$2 shoe at most stores, \$1.40.

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NEW YORK Dental Parlors, 15 Taggart Block, Watertown, N. Y. All Water Open Till 10 o'clock.

Receiver's Sale. Notice is hereby given that the receiver of the estate of the late John B. Muzzey, deceased, has for the purpose of settling the estate of the said John B. Muzzey, deceased, sold the following real estate to the receiver of the said estate, to-wit:

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