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The Banner.

L. HARPER, Editor and Proprietor.

MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

FRIDAY MORNING, SEPT. 2, 1881

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

[Election, Tuesday, October 11th.]

Governor.....JOHN W. BOOKWALTER

Lieut. Governor.....EDGAR M. JOHNSON

Supreme Judge.....EDWARD F. BINGHAM

Attorney General.....FRANK C. DAUGHTERY

Treasurer of State.....A. D. WINSLOW

Board of Public Works.....JOHN CROW

District Nominations.

State Senator.....BENJAMIN EASON

Judge of the Court of Common Pleas.....JOHN ADAMS, SAM'L M. HUNTER

Democratic County Ticket.

Representative.....WILLIAM DUNBAR

Probate Judge.....ROBERT MILLER

Clerk of Court.....WILLIAM A. SILCOCK

Commissioner.....THOMAS J. WOLFE

Infantry Director.....LEONARD BRITTON

Surgeon.....EMMET W. COTTON

Men: I am a Democrat. Many of you are Republicans. I shall vote for Hancock. You can vote for whom you please. This establishment will not close, no matter who is elected. -JOHN W. BOOKWALTER.

The President on the Road to Recovery.

Since the BANNER was issued, the President has passed through a most critical crisis. On Friday and Saturday last his symptoms became very alarming, his pulse went up to 140 at one time, and it was reported upon the streets of Washington and telegraphed over the country, that he was dying. Since Sunday, when the change for the better became apparent, and his symptoms are pronounced to be very encouraging. On Wednesday, his pulse went down to 95 - lower than it has been for several weeks - while his temperature and respiration were normal.

The question of his removal from the Executive Mansion is again being seriously considered. The President himself wishes to go to Mentor, but although he will doubtless be taken there eventually, the first removal will be to a shorter distance. It will take place at the earliest possible moment.

The Foster boom is not discoverable to the naked eye.

The Kansas City Times would like to see Guitau turned over to the Apaches for trial.

The Cleveland Herald announces that it still supports Charles Foster. But it is a very sickly support.

The peach crop in Delaware this year is estimated at 100,000 baskets, as against 4,000 in other years.

The majority for Tate, the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer in Kentucky, is estimated at 110,000.

Charles Foster stops over in Columbus just long enough, once in a while, to keep the pardon mill in motion.

The Akron Commercial, heretofore independent, with Republican proclivities, has become the organ of the Prohibitionists.

Foster has already subscribed \$50,000 to the Republican campaign fund, and it is said he will give \$200,000 rather than be beaten.

Charleston, S. C., was visited by a terrific gale on Saturday last, which killed four persons, and destroyed nearly \$150,000 worth of property.

The sugar crop of Louisiana last year was one hundred and forty thousand hogsheads. It will not exceed one-half that amount this year.

Judges Adams and Hunter will be re-elected by an old-fashioned Democratic majority. They have made good Judges, and the people will stand by them.

The union of the two Prohibition tickets has excited the wrath and indignation of the dejected followers of Charles Foster. They see the handwriting on the wall.

The Mrs. Garfield fund has reached \$157,500, and \$125,000 of it has been invested in four cents for her benefit. It cost \$145,281.25 to buy that amount of bonds.

General Hancock has expressed an opinion of General Arthur, that he is "an able, high-minded, patriotic gentleman." This is more than the Republicans will say of him.

The notorious Loren B. Sessions, one of the most conspicuous of the corrupt Half-Breed crew in the last New York Senate, has been defeated for a re-nomination after fifty ballots.

Ex-Governor Bishop, while in New York, a few days ago, expressed the belief that John W. Bookwater will be elected Governor by a good round majority, say from 8,000 to 10,000.

It now seems to be settled that Guitau's attack upon the jail was a mere "stage trick," to create the impression that he is insane. He will have to try something better than that.

The Courier-Journal says: The Republican organs in Ohio are waging a vigorous warfare against prohibition. If there is anything a Republican detests it is to be deprived of his whisky.

The Columbus Times says, George K. Nash rested over Sunday from his arduous labors. In the meantime the Janitor of the State House continues to discharge the duties of Attorney General.

The National View, is the name of a bogus Greenback paper published at Washington, which is filled with abuse of John W. Bookwater. The Republicans are circulating it by the cart-load all over Ohio.

Judge Sprague, the Democratic nominee for Representative in Delaware, is one of the most popular men in the country, and it is the general belief over there that he will walk away with General Jones.

Lieutenant Commander Edes and Lieutenant Spaulding were instantly killed on Monday afternoon in Newport harbor, R. I., while experimenting with torpedoes. Their bodies were literally blown to atoms. Both were married men.

The Greenbackers of Morrow county, met in Convention on Thursday last, and after listening to a speech from Hon. John Salts, nominated the following county ticket: Representative, Jas. Garner; Probate Judge, Amos Ruhl; Clerk of Court, E. S. Budget; Recorder, Andrew Essig; Commissioner, D. D. Jones; Infantry Director, D. C. Bingham; Surveyor, J. K. Huff.

The President's condition excites the deepest sorrow among all classes in England. The bulletins from Washington are eagerly read and discussed, and profound sympathy and admiration for Mrs. Garfield are expressed everywhere. The public have learned to discredit the reports cabled from New York touching General Arthur's hostility to England.

The Columbus Sunday Herald, in speaking of the re-nomination of Senators Strong and Pond says that the Republicans are bringing their strongest men to the front. Well, what do you think about the defeat of Uncle Peter Hitchcock? He was not only a "strong man," but was honest and incorruptible, and yet your party laid him on the shelf.

The total valuation of the railroads of Ohio for taxation is \$83,764,315.74. In 1871 the total valuation was about \$85,000,000, and though there has been 1,500 miles of road built since then, the total valuation has fallen off about one and a quarter millions. Either the valuation of 1871 was too high or that of 1881 too low. There is no other way about it.

Ex-Senator Dorsey (of Star Route and Indiana election infamy) has been vindicated as follows by the N. Y. Times, leading Republican journal:

Mrs. Dorsey was actively engaged in the Star Route business, and actually showed Wilcox how to get up bogus petitions for increased service, as well as how to get rid of his own "straw-bidders."

The false promises, the double-dealing and treachery of the Republican party on the subject of temperance, are now bearing their fruits. The Republicans have deceived the temperance men over and over again, and it will be impossible to deceive them again. They have their eyes open and will vote understandingly this year.

Uncle Peter Hitchcock, who was one of the ablest and most conscientious members of the last Ohio Senate, on the Republican side, has been defeated for a re-nomination by a man named Wolcott, who will never be able to take Uncle Peter's place. The next Ohio Senate will be composed almost entirely of new members.

We have information from every township in Knox county that the very best feeling prevails in the Democratic ranks, and that the State and County Democratic tickets will receive the undivided and cordial support of every Democrat in the county. There will be no scratching this year - mind that!

The Cleveland Plain Dealer, of August 25th says: No wonder Mr. Foster's face wore a haggard expression when he arrived in Cleveland yesterday. Information that he would have to shell out \$25,000 to save so reliably a Republican county as Cuyahoga, would naturally depress the Governor somewhat.

A real estate operation worth mentioning was the sale in New York last week of 40,000 acres of woodland, situated in the mountains of Georgia, to a party of English capitalists for \$60,000. The buyers of the property are now in New York for the purpose of purchasing \$500,000 more of these lands.

Two of the candidates on the Republican county ticket gave a pledge in their county convention that they "would not leave a stone unscratched" to win success. The Democrats, instead of scratching stones, should see to it that every Democratic voter drops a ticket in the ballot-box.

There seems to be a disposition among the Democracy of New York to shake off the incubus of Tammanyism, and start in a new political career. We hope it may be done. Tammany has lived out its days of usefulness, and it should be sunk into the sea of oblivion.

The wet weather in England still continues, and the outlook for the farmers is gloomy in the extreme. In some districts in Ireland the root crops are under water, and the best wheat districts in England the standing wheat is being destroyed and the cut grain is sprouting.

After Charles Foster gets through attending Republican County Conventions and Methodist camp-meetings in the "rural districts," he will close the campaign in Cincinnati by visiting all the beer gardens "over the Rhine" and on the hill tops.

Mrs. Kate Griggs, wife of Mr. C. R. Griggs, contractor and lessee of the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad, died at Long Branch a few days ago from blood poisoning, caused by using large quantities of an anti-fat medicine to reduce her weight.

The name of the Republican candidate for Sheriff in Franklin county is Rickenbacher, and the name of the Democratic candidate is Heinmiller. "That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet."

The Democracy of the joint Senatorial district, composed of the counties of Richland, Ashland, Medina and Lorain, have nominated Henry L. McCrory, of Ashland, as a candidate for State Senator in opposition to Mr. Horn.

The Republicans of Summit county, who oppose the election of J. Park Alexander to the Legislature, have started a new paper called the Republican Campaigner. Things are by no means lovely up there in the Republican household.

During the last week when dispatches came from Washington that the President was at the point of death, Governor Foster was haranguing political meetings, leading himself and abusing the Democrats. Foster is a heartless man.

General Frank Pond has been re-nominated by the Republicans of the Washington-Morgan district for State Senator. He was the author of the Pond whisky tax bill, and was looked up to as the Republican leader in the Senate.

Our next Governor, John W. Bookwater, while in Cleveland, last week, visited several of the large manufacturing establishments, and was introduced to his brother workmen. It is needless to say that he made a good impression.

The Physicians who attend the President defied most positively, that there were signs of blood-poisoning in the case, and this denial was kept up until about the middle of last week, until the blood-poisoning was so apparent that further pretavation was useless. On Saturday night, Dr. Boynton said to a newspaper correspondent, that "if the President had vitality enough left to sustain him until this blood-poisoning is cured he will recover; if not, he will die."

And added: "that the blood-poisoning had caused all the trouble with the President; but for that he would be up now." Why did not these physicians tell the truth in the first place? It would have been better for their reputation.

The Delaware Gazette will find itself woefully mistaken when it says that Judge Adams "will run 200 votes behind his ticket" in Knox county. Such stories do well to tell abroad. There is not a word of truth in it. After his nomination all opposition to Judge Adams ceased, and now the utmost harmony and good feeling prevail in the Democratic ranks in Old Knox. Judge Adams will receive his full party vote, and he will also receive the votes of a great many fair-minded Republicans, who believe that he has made an honest and impartial Judge, and therefore wish to give him another term.

The adjourned Convention of the Franklin county Democracy met at Columbus on Saturday last, and completed the work of nominating a ticket. Louis Heinmiller was nominated for Sheriff on the 69th ballot, amid great enthusiasm. Patrick Egan was nominated for Coroner, J. C. Lunn for Commissioner and John Earhart for Infantry Director. The nominations on the previous Saturday were: Wm. Bell, B. L. Reese and J. B. Hall for Representatives, John T. Gale for Probate Judge, Emil Kiewit for Auditor. The ticket is a strong one and will be elected.

Hon. S. S. Cox is writing graphic letters to the New York Sun from the North of Lapland, where the sun never sets. When editor of the Ohio Statesman, in 1854, Mr. Cox acquired a wide-spread reputation by reason of a little effusion he wrote for that paper about a "grand old sunset" in Columbus, and since then the sobriquet of "Sunset" has been attached to his name. His description of the Lapland sun and its "trailing clouds of glory," is very fine, but it scarcely equals his Columbus performance twenty-seven years ago.

The Democracy of Muskingum county have nominated the following ticket: Representative, Edward C. Wortman; Probate Judge, John K. Stonewall; County Treasurer, John H. Boon; Pros. Attorney, Benjamin F. Power; Commissioner, Edward Bethel; Infantry Director, John Christie; Coroner, Peter Krier. Brother Irvine, of the Signal, says: Take it all in all, the ticket, in persons, qualification and location, is one of the best that could be formed, and merits election by the people of the county.

Guitau will not be removed from the District jail at Washington. No attack upon the jail is anticipated in case of the President's death, and if one were made the guard is quite strong enough to protect the prisoner. Numbers of letters directed to Guitau and opened by the District Attorney contain threats and rude drawings of a man being hanged. The prisoner is said to be preparing his own defense, but in case of the President's death, the Court will, as is usual in such cases, provide him with counsel.

The Republican papers reiterate the assertion that John Wesley Bookwater, the Democratic nominee for Governor, is not a Democrat. If they can make their readers believe that story, Mr. Bookwater will unquestionably receive an immense Republican vote. But here comes the affidavit of the Republican Postmaster at Springfield, who swears that Mr. Bookwater has been a Democrat for fifteen years.

Because the Methodist clergy dare to resent the outrageous insults heaped upon them by Charles Foster, that gentleman proposes to "starve" them into silence by advising all Republican Methodists who think more of their party than their religion, to withdraw their support from every minister who opposes Foster's election. This sort of tyranny and gagging will not make Mr. Foster any friends.

The Akron Commercial, which dies the State Temperance ticket at its head gives the following double-loaded prominence:

"The Republican party in North Carolina, with the aid of Republicans from Ohio and large sums of money from the whisky manufacturers, openly fought the people who favored the prohibitory laws. This is everywhere; yet that party pretends to favor temperance - laugh!"

The Republicans of Knox county have a pretty fair ticket, we admit, but we claim that the Democrats have a stronger and better ticket. Hence, there is no necessity or excuse for a single Democrat in the county voting for a Republican this year. Knox county must be reclaimed, and the way so do it is to get out a full Democratic vote, and for every Democrat to vote an unscratched ticket.

There is a bogus divorce factory at Pittsburgh, which has been exposed in the papers. A great many people abroad who fancied that they had been legally divorced, now discover that they were badly cheated. Everything on the face of the papers looks right, but the seal of the Court, the signatures of the Clerk and Judge, and everything else, are a villainous fraud and swindle.

The New York Star views the Ohio field with a compactness and intelligence rarely found in an Eastern journal:

"Charles Foster now deplores the funny allusions of Republican organs to his rival's pocketbook. He avers that the Ohio Republicans are trying to bleed him financially to death, on the pretext that Bookwater is sparing no expense for organization. But Charles puts them off with pathetic allusions to our wounded President."

The bonded indebtedness of the towns and cities of Ohio having a population of 7,500 and over, is \$40,684,520; in New York it is \$208,530,822; in Pennsylvania \$35,445,234; and in all the towns and cities in the United States, \$682,096,460.

The Republicans of the Ross-Highland district have nominated Geo. S. H. Hurst for State Senator. What did Colonel Entenken do that he should be trusted as a candidate?

John David Jones, Esq., of Newark, has been nominated for State Senator in the 15th-16th districts, in place of Judge Geo. M. Grassie, declined.

Will Guitau be Lynched.

That a secret organization exists at Washington, which is sworn to have vengeance and hang the assassin Guitau, in the event of the President's death, no longer admits of a doubt. Guitau seems to be aware of the existence of such an organization, and has been very uneasy. Every noise he hears, and every strange face he sees, adds to his suspicions and fears. He has begged Warden Crockett to have his cell made more secure against the entrance of a mob. On last Thursday he begged the Warden to furnish him with a piece of muslin rope about ten feet long and one-quarter inch thick, adding at the same time, "You need not think I want to commit suicide, for I have no idea of taking my own life. I merely want to protect myself." This same official says during the past two weeks Guitau has tried very hard to impress his keepers that he is gradually becoming insane. Colonel Corkhill, U. S. District Attorney, says he is fully aware of the secret organization, and alluded to it. He says he has good reasons for the belief that the guards of the jail, who are all of them ex-Union soldiers know of this secret organization, and are in sympathy with it. He says that it has been with the utmost difficulty that the warden of the jail has prevented these guards long ere this from finding some excuse to kill Guitau. Colonel Corkhill further says it will never do to go before the world that in the capital of the nation the offices of the law were unable to enforce the mandates, and were at the mercy of a mob. General Sherman has charge of the outside arrangements, and says he has no idea that any attempt will be made to take Guitau out, but in any case he is prepared. A battery of Gatling guns has been placed in front of the jail, and in moments' notice a thousand well armed and thoroughly drilled U. S. soldiers will be ready to take possession of the premises. A telegraphic communication has been formed between the jail and the Executive Mansion. These precautions will no doubt prevent any uprising of a Washington mob.

Did Stanton Commit Suicide.

Rumors have been widely circulated that Hon. Edwin M. Stanton, formerly Secretary of War, came to his death by suicide, but no well authenticated facts have heretofore been given to the public to verify the statement. "Gath" Townsend, while at Saratoga Springs, last week, interviewed Colonel J. C. Normie, of St. Louis, who was Private Secretary of the late Senator Browning, of Illinois, who was a member of President Johnson's Cabinet. Mr. Normie said: "I have very little doubt myself that the story is true that Stanton either took his own life or attempted to do so. He was overworked in the war when he was the real Commander-in-Chief of the armies, until Grant came on the field, and if he lived I think he would have been an imbecile."

"Where did you get any authority, Colonel, for the notion that Stanton cut his throat?"

"Well, the principal authority I have on the subject is Charles Eldridge, of Wisconsin, formerly member of Congress, who said that he charged that Stanton had committed suicide in the presence of Charles Sumner, who was very intimate with Stanton, and that Sumner by his manner seemed to admit the fact. I believe it is also evidence that Stanton was not exposed to the general public any space of time, but that his body was kept upstairs, and when it was brought down a white scarf or handkerchief stood up high on his neck."

The Columbus Sunday Morning News (Rep.), in speaking of the buncombe resolutions passed in the Republican Judicial Convention for this district, says: "It would be a wholesome sign if the people of all parties made it a point to secure pledges covering the foregoing conditions from all candidates for important offices," and then adds:

"We noticed with some surprise that Mr. Koons was the Republican candidate for representative in the legislature from Knox county, and was a delegate to the Judicial Convention above referred to, because a disposition to oppose the anti-slavery resolutions - a disposition which he had been liberally favored with 'passes' during his past two years' membership of the House, and had come to the city most ready and expected to return home on one of them. He made motion to lay the resolution on the table, but quickly perceiving how his candidacy might be injuriously effected by such a step, he promptly withdrew it. Mr. Koons went just far enough to show that he had the inclination but not the courage to fight the resolution - a fact that will not help him in his position before the public."

Charles Foster will have to rely almost exclusively upon his own barrel this year. Two years ago, he could draw upon the National Committee, the Bankers of New York, or the poor Washington clerks for all the money he wanted to meet campaign expenses, and the only argument necessary to advance was, that Ohio must be carried by the Republicans in four years before the Presidential election. But parties who contributed two years ago, don't care a red copper now whether Foster is elected or defeated. We are sure the friends of Conkling as well as the friends of Sherman would shed no tears over his defeat, although the latter, for appearance sake may pretend to support him. Foster must therefore fall back upon his own barrel to meet the calls of his hungry party friends.

While the President's death was hourly expected, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday last, Grant and Conkling were in constant consultation with Arthur in New York. Grant and Conkling will be the "powers behind the throne."

Two or three colored men have been placed upon the police force at Philadelphia, whereupon a meeting of colored people of that city took place, who colored the event in a general blow out, with music and speeches.

The confidence among Democrats in regard to the election of Mr. Bookwater as Governor, is widespread and enthusiastic. This is all very well, but organization and work are of great importance in a political campaign.

The Republican papers insist upon it that Uncle Sam Tilden is in the field as a Democratic candidate for President in 1884. Well, all we have got to say about it is, that if Mr. Tilden is nominated he will be elected.

Hon. Henry Bell has been nominated by the Democracy of Washington county as their candidate for Representative. He was a member during the session of 1878-79.

John David Jones, Esq., of Newark, has been nominated for State Senator in the 15th-16th districts, in place of Judge Geo. M. Grassie, declined.

Mrs. Garfield's Pluck and Devotion.

Captain Henry, Marshal of the District of Columbia, a friend of the President and his family, says that on Friday last, when Mrs. Garfield heard the news that her husband was dying, suppressing her emotion, she arose and spoke as follows to the attending physicians:

"Gentlemen, you shall not give him up. He is not going to die. He is going to live. I feel I know it. Go back to your post, and leave it not until every remedy is exhausted; until death itself has set its seal upon him, for I will not believe that he is dying. Go back and do what you can. You cannot do more, but don't give up. I am his wife, and I say that we will not give up until the end itself is upon us."

Marion County Democratic Convention, which met on Saturday, nominated John M. Hopkins, for Representative; John V. Harrison, Sheriff; John N. Matthews, Probate Judge; Julius Strelitz, Treasurer; John H. Thomas, Clerk; S. A. Court, Prosecuting Attorney; George Retterer, Commissioner; Joseph Mason, Infantry Director; and Samuel Bell, Surveyor. Bookwater and the Democratic platform were endorsed. Resolutions of a suitable character regarding President Garfield's condition were adopted.

Dick Fanning, the Great Disappointed, declines running as a Republican candidate for Probate Judge in Franklin County.

Parties are going through some of the neighboring nations, buying horses, and giving in payment bogus checks and drafts on distant Banks. As these swindlers may come into Knox county, we warn our farmers to keep a look out for them.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Eliza J. SCARBOROUGH, consort of Mr. T. J. Scarborough, was taken from her home, husband and children, Aug. 15th, 1881, being a little past thirty-three years of age. Suffering in her case was made perfect in weakness. A little more than a year ago she visited a hospital for the cure of cancer, in Rome, N. J., where she endured the pain from the removal of cancer. In a few weeks more a second visit was made and two others removed. Under such afflictions her delicate frame gave way; and after a few months of tedious sickness she slept the last sleep of earth. At the age of eighteen she united with the Presbyterian church, and her husband was a member of the same church. After her marriage she united with her husband, with the M. E. Church of Hedges Chapel.

While her earthly tabernacle was so slowly being taken down, the Lord gave her grace to be reconciled. It cost her a painful struggle to give up her husband and children, yet victory came. She was a noble woman. The church has lost a consistent member, the husband a devoted wife, the children a loving mother; but one more has joined the blood-washed throng. Her maiden name was Dalemeyer, her father and sister preceded her to the land of life. The family burial lot is in the cemetery of Green Valley. Before depositing her remains the minister of Gospel of the Son of God assured all the bereaved that "there shall be no night there."

Mt. Vernon Produce Market.

Corrected every Wednesday evening, by Messrs. ARMSTRONG & MILLER, Grocers, corner Main and Gambier streets:

Butter.....106

Eggs.....106

Potatoes.....106

Wheat.....106

Barley.....106

Oats.....106

Corn.....106

Flour.....106

Meal.....106

Beans.....106

Peas.....106

Lard.....106

Tallow.....106

Grease.....106

Oil.....106

Sugar.....106

Honey.....106

Maple Syrup.....106

Apples.....106

Pears.....106

Oranges.....106

Lemons.....106

Strawberries.....106

Raspberries.....106

Blackberries.....106

Cherries.....106

Peaches.....106

Plums.....106

Apricots.....106

Almonds.....106

Chestnuts.....106

Walnuts.....106

Pistachios.....106

Macadamia.....106

Cashews.....106

Coconuts.....106

Peanuts.....106

Soybeans.....106

Linseed.....106

Flaxseed.....106

Mustard.....106

Pepper.....106

Salt.....106

Vinegar.....106

Wine.....106

Beer.....106

Whisky.....106

Brandy.....106

Rum.....106

Gin.....106

Tea.....106

Coffee.....106

Spices.....106

Herbs.....106

Fruits.....106

Vegetables.....106

Flowers.....106

Grains.....106

Legumes.....106

Seeds.....106

Roots.....106

Barks.....106

Gums.....106

Resins.....106

Oils.....106

Essences.....106

Perfumes.....106

Soaps.....106

Candles.....106

Matches.....106

Buttons.....106

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Largest Circulation in the County.

MOUNT VERNON, SEPT. 2, 1881

THE BANNER.
Can be found for sale every week, after-
noon, at the following places: The
book-stores of H. O. Taft & Co., and A. A.
Cassell, and the news-stand of Joe N.
Barker and F. J. Hart.

LOCAL AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

Get your stock in order for the Fair.
A new moon has put in an appear-
ance.

Oysters are now supposed to be ripe
enough to pull.

Lay in your winter's supply of coal
while the roads are good.

The evenings are getting cool—not
too cool, but just cool enough.

The days are shortening at the rate
of about sixteen minutes per week.

Corn crop in Northern Ohio will be
poor. Drought has done great injury.

Never just in affairs of business—
There is no money in even a capital joke.

Keep your mind on the day and date
of the Fair—September 27, 28, 29 and 30.

Why don't the authorities break up
this habit of boys jumping on to moving
cars?

The summer is slipping away. It
will soon be passed and autumn will be
here.

The 4 o'clock service at the Y. M.
C. A. rooms, will be resumed on next Sab-
bath.

It is said that some of our fishermen
take a flask of whiskey along for suke
bites.

Gentlemen's clerks are sometimes
more to a merchant than stacks of new
goods.

Regular meeting of Mt. Zion Lodge,
F. & A. M., Friday night. Work in M.
M. degree.

Water is so low in the river at Zane-
sville that the flouring mills have had to
shut down.

There is every indication that we
will have a large and successful County
Fair this year.

The mosquito always succeeds in get-
ting a speech from the person it honors
with a serenade.

After you have emptied your shallow
brain of its gossip and scandal, how much
better off are you?

The "kiddie" around town are pros-
trating the hickory and chestnut trees
they propose to whip.

There is one good thing about a boy
when a show is in town. You know ex-
actly where to find him.

Policeman Henry Cooper has been
confined to his house during the past ten
days by an attack of malarial fever.

Irish Ewart, of Martinsburg, sold last
week to James Kerr of Bucyrus, eighteen
ram lambs of high grade merinoes.

Joseph Peretta, infant son of Wm.
Hunt, died on Wednesday morning of
cholera infantum, aged 21 months.

Large numbers of Mt. Vernon and
Knox county people are attending the
State Fair at Columbus, this week.

The C. M. V. & C. Railroad has
carried 50,000 passengers on excursions to
Cuyahoga Falls this season.

Several of the mills throughout the
county have been compelled to stop run-
ning on account of the scarcity of water.

The teachers and scholars of St. Paul's
Episcopal Sunday School, held a most de-
lightful picnic at Ball's Grove, Tuesday.

The report filed by Receiver Jones of
the C. M. V. & C. Railroad, in the Pro-
bate Court of Akron, will be found on our
first page.

Some one reports, it isn't because a
woman is exactly afraid of a cow that she
runs away and screams. It is because
good dresses are not fashionable.

Now begin to look out for the person
who goes through the trains and canvases
the voters for Governor. Travelers are
permitted to carry concealed weapons.

Some miscreant set fire to a lot of
barrels and railroad ties near Israel's oil
mill on Saturday last, which caused a fire
alarm and the engines to be brought out.

The long and continued drought gives
rise to the fear among farmers that corn
and other fall crops will be seriously
damaged—and the yield correspondingly
small.

A heavy, soaking rain is badly need-
ed in this part of the country, as corn and
pasture are suffering for want of moisture.
The corn crop is nearly passed saving, on
the uplands especially.

Cochocton also had a \$20,000 fire—
destroying the planing mill building, of
Williams & Weissner. The Knox and Egle
companies of this city, both had risks
on the property destroyed.

W. W. Medary has withdrawn his
resignation as Local Agent of the Pan-
Handle Roads centering in Columbus.

It is understood that a raise in salary as-
sisted him in his deliberations.

Mansfield Shield and Banner: Judge
Geddes has recently undergone a surgical
operation performed by Dr. Firestone of
Wooster, assisted by Dr. McCullough and
Mitchell of this city, but is now rapidly
recovering.

The B. & O. road will sell round
trip tickets to parties wishing to attend the
Soldiers Reunion at Bloomington, Ill.,
Sept. 6, 7, 8 and 9. For further particu-
lars inquire of J. C. Patterson, station
agent at this point.

Hon. L. R. Wolfe has been renomina-
ted for Representative by the Democracy
of Johnson county, Iowa. Mr. W. is a
native of Knox county, and is son of our
old Democratic friend, Christopher Wolfe,
Eq., of Liberty township.

Petty depredations are becoming en-
tirely too frequent in the suburbs. Pears,
grapes, melons, chickens, etc., seem to be
considered common property. A dose of
No. 8 shot would probably convince these
petty thieves to the contrary.

H. M. Carper, Esq., of Delaware, no-
minated by the Republican Judicial
Convention, as one of the Judges for this
district, has sent a letter to Col. Cooper,
declining the nomination. No steps have
as yet been taken to fill the vacancy.

Martin Bricker, while at work thresh-
ing on the farm of George Carey, this
township, on Tuesday, had his foot run
over by the wheels of a farm engine, caus-
ing a compound fracture of the member.

The wound was dressed by Dr. Larimore.

The West end of the trestle over the
C. M. V. & C. R. R., near Galena, caught
fire from a passing engine on Monday, and
before it was discovered did considerable
damage, which delayed the several after-
noon trains. It was promptly repaired,
and trains were running regularly Tues-
day morning.

Daniel Pealer, who was injured last
week near Amity by a farm engine falling
upon and crushing him, as mentioned in
last week's BANNER, died on Tuesday, of
this week, from the effects of the injuries.
A terrible fire occurred at Eliot
Ridge, Licking county, one day last week,
between two young men named Hurst and
Osborn. During the fight Hurst got Os-
born's thumb between his teeth and bit it
entirely off and spit it upon the ground.

Hurst immediately took the Western train.
Mrs. Frank Atherton, of Newark,
and her sister, were driving up Main
street on Saturday, when their buggy col-
lided with a wagon and was capsized.

The ladies were thrown out, but escaped
with a few slight bruises. They were
taken to the office of Drs. Payne & Benson,
where their injuries were attended to.

We have occasional complaints in
regard to the receipt and delivery of the
BANNER at some of the post-offices in the
county. Our present system of printing
the names on the papers is so perfect that
it is impossible for a mistake to occur in
this office. If the papers are not promptly
received the fault must be in the office
of delivery.

Our thanks are due to Miss Perkins,
manager of the Western Union Telegraph
office, this city, for the official bulletin
from the White House regarding the Pres-
ident's condition, during the past week.

They have been promptly posted at the
BANNER office corner, and have been ear-
gely watched for and read by large num-
bers of people.

We acknowledge the receipt from
Secretary Chamberlain, of the Ohio State
Board of Agriculture, of August crop and
stock report, together with a paper on the
Ohio Fertilizer law, and a complete list of
all brands of fertilizers licensed to be sold
in the State, under the law of March 16,
1881. It is a valuable and interesting
compendium for farmers and agricultur-
ists.

Burglars made a raid on the village
of Hann, Monday night. They entered the
store of Mr. James Bonny, but only got
\$5.00 in money. They next visited a
barbershop and secured goods to the
amount of \$50, and made good their escape
by stealing a horse and buggy be-
longing to a blacksmith. The horse and
buggy were found on Tuesday in an open
field near Loudonville.

The official bulletins from the White
House, announcing the unlooked-for and
gratifying improvement in the President's
condition, Sunday morning, were sent to
the several ministers in the city and read
from the pulpits. At the Baptist Church,
when the good news was announced, the
congregation arose, and sang in an earnest
manner, the long metro doxology, "Praise
God from whom all blessings flow."

Tramps are putting in their appear-
ance again. A party of them were taken
ruthlessly from their beds—on the clover
in the hay-mow of Wm. H. Peoples' barn
last Sunday morning about 2 o'clock,
and furnished quarters in the Hotel de
Schneely. These healthy galsots can get
plenty of work in the country, and there is
no occasion to give them a square meal out
of sympathy. It's casting pearls before
swine—so to speak.

A change has taken place in the firm
of C. & G. Cooper & Co.—by the retire-
ment of General George Rogers, which
occurred on Thursday last. Messrs. Fred.
Cooper and Desautel R. Kirk, have taken
General Rogers' interest and place in the
firm, the price paid, it is said, being \$125,000.
The firm cleared \$100,000 last year,
and expect to realize a larger income this
year. General Rogers was obliged to re-
tire by reason of impaired health.

Last Friday Mr. John P. Gotshall
met with a serious accident. He had been
hauling straw from his farm to the resi-
dence of his son-in-law, Mr. Harry Cam-
bell, and had just made his "last trip,"
when he slipped from the top of the load
and fell headlong to the barn floor. Both
arms were fractured at the wrist and he
sustained a number of painful bruises
about the head. He was brought to town
and the fractures reduced by Drs. Russell
& McMillen.

Mr. Alexander S. Kerr, a well-known
citizen, died on Wednesday night, from
heart disease, having been confined to
his bed for several days. He was a
high-minded, generous hearted man, who
had few if any enemies. He was about 40
years of age, and leaves three children—
a daughter and two sons to mourn his
loss. He was a member in good standing
of Timon Lodge, No. 45, Knights of
Pythias. His remains will be taken to
Martinsburg, Friday morning, for inter-
ment.

One way to discover spurious green-
backs or national bank notes is to divide
the last two figures of the number of the
bill by four and if one remains the letter
on the genuine will be A; if two remains
it will be B; if three, C, and should there
be no remainder the letter will be D.

For example, a note is registered 2,461,
divide 61 by four, and you will have a re-
mainder of one. According to the rule, the
letter on the note will be A. In case the
rule fails, be certain that the bill is coun-
terfeit or altered.

The Potato Crop.

Potatoes are selling from first hands at
\$1.00 per bushel, and are retelling by the
grocers at \$1.20 per bushel. And even at
this high price it is next to impossible to
supply the demand. The great scarcity of
potatoes this year is owing to the contin-
ued drought, which has extended to every
part of the country. We have heard very
few complaints in regard to the potato
bug, which was the great pest of farmers
in former years. But while the failure of
the potato crop this year is pretty general,
there are some remarkable exceptions.

For instance, our townsman, Mr. James
Rogers, whose potato crop last year was
almost entirely destroyed by bugs, has an
unusually large crop this year, while
some of his neighbors, who had good crops
last year, will have less than half a
crop this year. On a single acre of
ground, which cost him \$100 a few years
ago, Mr. Rogers this year raised 286 bushels.
The hills were three feet apart, and
every 18 hills produced a bushel of pota-
toes. Mr. R. informs us that a bushel of
"Early Vermont" potatoes produced him
50 bushels, and he says the largest and
best potatoes he raised this year were pro-
duced from pairings—the eye being clipped
out when preparing the potatoes for
dinner. He read an account of this ex-
periment being successfully tried by some
person, and he concluded to try it here
with the "Flower" or "Granger" potato,
and the result is as above stated. From
about three acres of land Mr. Rogers ex-
pects a crop of over 500 bushels, which,
retailing at \$1.20, will yield about \$600.

We consider this pretty good farming on
a small section of ground.

PERSONAL POINTS.

**Mt. Vernon People Abroad, and
the Strangers within
Our Gates.**

Mr. C. Roland and wife spent a few
days at Haystack last week.

Dwight Young leaves to-day for Sym-
cas, N. Y., to attend school.

Miss Minnie Stahl returned last
week from a visit to Delaware friends.

Mr. Frank O. Wray, the Akron archi-
tect, was in town on Monday, en route to
Zanesville.

Chas. M. Pogue, of Cincinnati, has
been visiting Mt. Vernon friends during
the past week.

Mr. Fred. W. Jones and family were
visiting relatives and friends at Millers-
burg last week.

General Morgan has returned from a
three week's trip to Marquette, greatly im-
proved in health.

Nevill Whitesides of the Cooper Mfg. Co.,
is in Washington, looking after the
Patent Office contract.

Miss Lizzie Robertson, of Utica, was
the guest of the Misses Annie and Frances
Adams, on Wednesday.

Miss Maggie Baker, of Boston, for-
merly of this city, is spending a few weeks
with Millersburg friends.

Mr. E. C. Camp, of Knoxville, Tenn.,
is on a visit to his old friends in Mt. Ver-
non, where he formerly resided.

James Frederick, wife and daughter,
of Columbus, have been visiting Mt. Ver-
non friends during the past week.

Greely Boynton went over to Colum-
bus, Tuesday, to renew his duties as attend-
ant at the Central Insane Asylum.

Mr. W. F. Baldwin left on Thursday
evening last for Chicago to join his wife,
who is visiting friends in that city.

Willis Russell, Postal Clerk, on the
B. & O. took a lay off last week, and is
spending the time with his family.

Mr. F. S. Crowell and family, re-
turned home Tuesday evening, from their
trip to Erie, Pa., Toledo, and other cities.

Sam'l J. Brent spent several days in
the Western Reserve last week, in the in-
terest of the Eagle Insurance Co., of this
city.

John E. Russell left on Wednesday
morning for Columbus, to attend his sec-
ond course of lectures at Starling Medical
College.

The many friends of Miss Jessie
Clarke, will be glad to hear that she is
rapidly convalescing from a severe attack
of fever.

Miss Mamie Hartnell, of Middletown,
Ohio, has returned home after a pleasant
visit with the Misses O'Rourke, Mansfield
avenue.

Miss Frankie Wilcox, daughter of
G. F. Wilcox, Esq., of Coshocton, is
visiting her cousin, Miss Stella Sapp, on
High street.

Mr. Henry N. Corlett, of Cleveland,
was in the city, Wednesday, in attend-
ance at the wedding of his friend, Lawrence E.
Huntbary.

Miss Mary Thawell returned home
Thursday from a visit of two weeks, with
Mrs. Thomas Copeland, in Nashville,
Holmes county.

Miss Jennie Whitcomb is the guest
of Mrs. Thomas Copeland, Nashville,
Holmes county, during the Soldiers Re-
union at Odell's Lake.

Mr. Edward Rogers, Broker, of Chi-
cago, has been on a visit to friends and
relatives in Mt. Vernon during the past
week, after an absence of five years.

Mr. Enoch P. Parker, of Urbana, was
married to Miss Mattie Sperry, daughter
of Mr. Isaac N. Sperry, at the residence of
the bride's parents, Wednesday evening.

T. J. Wolfe, Esq., our next County
Commissioner, has returned from a pleas-
ant visit among friends and relatives in
Iowa. He reports a general failure of the
crops in that State.

George B. Bunn and John W. Bur-
ton, medical students in Russell & McMil-
len's office, left on Tuesday for Columbus,
to attend their first course of lectures in
the Starling College.

Geo. Buntion, of Big Prairie, moved
his family to Mt. Vernon on last Monday,
where he will be in the employ of A. A.
Taylor, of this place. George is a faithful
hand—Loudonville Democrat.

Mrs. James Blanchard, accompanied
by Mr. Will. Marsh, returned home Wed-
nesday morning from Albuquerque, New
Mexico, with her son, James, who has just
recovered from a severe attack of typhoid
fever.

Marshall (Iowa) Statesman: Joseph
Uhler, of Knox county, Ohio, was in the
city Monday on a visit to his niece, Mrs.
R. A. Beeson. He is a good old Demo-
crat, and as a consequence, paid the States-
man his respects.

Mr. J. P. Horner, who has been act-
ing in the capacity of agent for the Union
Express Co. at this point for a number of
years, has tendered his resignation to take
effect to-day (Thursday) Sept. 1st. His
successor has not yet been appointed.

Wedding cards containing the follow-
ing announcement have been received in
this city: "Mr. and Mrs. Allen Brown re-
quest your presence at the marriage of
their daughter Minnie Belle to J. Russell
Fisher, Thursday afternoon, September
8th, 1881, at 5 o'clock, First Congregational
Church, St. Clair street, Toledo."

Fisher was a former resident of this city,
and is now editing the Saturday American
at Toledo.

The society event of this week, was
the marriage of our young friend Lawrence
E. Huntbary, book-keeper in the Knox
Mutual Insurance office, to Miss Lena
Oppenheimer, sister-in-law of Mr. Aaron
M. Stadler, which occurred on Wednesday
morning, at the home of Mr. Stadler, on
Lamarine Square—the Rev. Dr. Bodine,
of Gambier, officiating. Only the im-
mediate relatives and a few personal
friends were present to witness the cere-
mony. The bride was the recipient of
many beautiful and useful presents. Mr.
and Mrs. Huntbary left on the 3 o'clock
train, B. & O. road, for Put-In-Bay, where
they will remain for two weeks.

Collision on the B. & O. Road.

A collision is reported to have occur-
ed on the B. & O. R. R. this (Thursday)
morning, at a point near Independence,
between the State Fair train going South
and the Chicago express. Loss of life is
rumored, but the officials are reticent, and
no particulars at this writing can be ob-
tained.

K. of P. Notice.

The members of Timon Lodge, No. 45,
Knights of Pythias, are requested to be
present at the regular meeting of the
Lodge this (Thursday) evening, to take
action on the death of Bro. Alex. S. Kerr.

C. B. HARPER, C. C.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

**Banning & Willis's Furniture
Factory Gets a Scorching.**

Damage Estimated at \$20,000—
Insurance \$14,000.

About quarter to 12 o'clock Monday
night, Mrs. Samuel Jackson, who resides
opposite to Banning & Willis's furniture
factory, on Vine street, observed a blaze
in the third story of that establishment,
and at once aroused her husband, who
engaged an alarm from the Second Ward
engine house. It was quickly followed by
alarms from the other engine houses, and
the fire-ladders with their machines for
fighting flames responded promptly and
in good time.

The building is constructed of brick,
three stories high, and is 50x100 feet di-
mensions. It is divided in the center by
a fire-wall with iron doors. The confi-
guration started in the west half in the second
story, it is supposed from spontaneous
combustion, and it was there that the fire-
men directed their efforts to battle with
the consuming elements. The steamer
was located in the mill race, about two
hundred yards distant from the burning
building and did effective service, until
it became disabled by sucking mud, and
gravel into the pumps. The Second and
Fifth Ward engines as usual did good
work and rendered valuable aid, and the
firemen were rewarded by the flames be-
ing confined to that half of the building.

The roof was composed of slate and was
self supporting. The devouring flames soon
weakened it, so that it fell in with a
big crash, carrying with it a portion of the
south and west walls. The safety-valve of
the large engine that runs the machinery
had been opened, and the loud hissing of
the escaping steam, caused a feeling of
fear among the uneducated of the crowd
of lookers on, and they hurriedly placed
themselves at a distance of safety, fearing
that an explosion was about to follow.

The large lumber piles in the yard were
several times on fire, which was promptly
extinguished. By one o'clock the flames
were entirely under control, and the crowd
of spectators began to thin out and go
home.

The first and second floors of the por-
tion of the building destroyed, contained
some very valuable machinery, the most
important pieces being as follows: One
traveller, two jig saws, three rip saws, two
mortisers, two tenon machines, one
shaper, besides quite a number of cabinet,
chair and boring machines. On the first
floor was also located the steam drying
kiln and five heaters. On the third floor
was compactly stored an immense quan-
tity of manufactured furniture, chairs, un-
finished work, hardware and other mate-
rial used in manufacture. The entire con-
tents of all three floors was completely de-
stroyed.

The engine was subjected to intense
heat by the falling of the roof and burning
timbers upon it. It cost \$3,000, but the
damage can not be estimated until after
the insurance adjusters have made their
examinations.

Opposite the factory at the corner of
West and Vine streets is a four run grist
mill, the property of Mr. Banning. It de-
rives its power from the large engine in
the factory, which being disabled, has
caused a suspension of work for a time at
the mill. This dilemma is particularly un-
fortunate at the present time, as nearly all
the water power mills in the county have
been shut down by reason of the scarcity of wa-
ter in the streams, caused by the contin-
ued drought. Mr. Banning's was the only
steam grist mill, we understand, in the
county that has been doing anything for
several weeks, and at the time of the fire
was overrun with work.

Mr. Banning estimates his loss by the
fire to be in the neighborhood of \$20,000,
on which there is an insurance of \$14,000
in the following companies:

Knox Mutual.....\$5,000
Richland Mutual.....2,500
Capital City.....2,000
Columbus.....2,000
Ohio Salem.....1,000
Delaware.....1,000

Total.....\$14,000

As soon as the engine is repaired, which
will take about a week, work will be re-
sumed in the injured portion of the fac-
tory, which is supplied with sufficient ma-
chinery to get out rough work, while the
upper story is used for finishing. The
grist mill will be started up at the same
time or sooner if the steam power can be
made available.

First Ward Woes.

Council again Monday night refused to
lay a stone crossing down on the South
side of the triangular park, corner of
Gambier avenue and Division streets, al-
though it is one of the most frequented
thoroughfares in the city. The Council-
men from the First Ward did their duty,
but were outnumbered when the question
was put to a vote. It is a shame and out-
rage that the heavy tax-payers residing
between Ridgely street and the corpora-
tion line, cannot have a portion of the
money they pay into the city treasury ex-
pended in improving their own ward.

When it is known that the insignificant
sum of \$50, only, has been expended on
the streets in this ward, while the balance
of the general fund has been gobbled up by
the other wards as fast as it made its ap-
pearance, the force of these remarks will
be apparent. By reference to the
official proceedings in another column, citi-
zens of the First Ward can learn who the
members are that oppose the long asked
for improvement at their hands.

Fate of the Five-cent Subscription.

The five-cent subscription to purchase a
desk for the vestibule of the Post-office,
an accommodation which the public has
been praying for years, has met with an
untimely fate. It was left at the book-
store of A. A. Cassell, with the consent of
that gentleman, where it remained for a
few days and received quite a number of
signatures. "All of a sudden," Col. Cassell
discovered that the paper was a reflection
upon and an insult both to our enterprising
Postmaster and to the proprietor of the
building, and he therefore ordered the sub-
scription to be "suppressed," and it at
once mysteriously disappeared. There are
hundreds of our citizens who will be sur-
prised to know that the will and pleasure
of two men is of greater consequence in the
minds of some people, than an insignificant
outlay of money that would supply an ac-
commodation that has been asked for and
needed for many years.

K. C. T. I.

**Large Attendance and Interesting
Meeting at Fredericktown.**

The Knox Co. Teachers' Institute con-
vened in the High School room at Fred-
ericktown, at 10 o'clock a. m., Aug. 22.
Professors Hartzer and Holbrook each
gave a synopsis of the work he proposed to
do. The afternoon session was opened
with singing, as were all the following
ones, and the business of the week was
duly introduced by the instructors with
their respective subjects as follows: Prof.
Hartzer, "Grammar" and Prof. Holbrook,
"The Recitation." The same subjects were
profitably continued through the week.
Prof. Hartzer treated also of
"Geography," imparting valuable informa-
tion concerning United States purchases,
Ohio surveys, and other matters of geo-
graphic interest, and showing himself
proficient in map-drawing. He presented
some very radical views on Grammar, but
had the good taste not to urge his opinion
as the only one worth regarding.

Prof. Holbrook aimed in his instruction
to impress the teachers with the method,
rather than the subject-matter, taking up
alternately the subjects, "Recitation,"
Primary Instruction, and Physiology.
These subjects were very ably handled,
and through them he clearly demon-
strated the necessity of review, repetition
and constant drill in classes. He encour-
aged all to take part in the exercises by
taking their names upon separate slips of paper,
and calling upon them promiscuously to
answer questions; thus greatly enhancing
the interest of the work.

On Friday Prof. Tappan was present,
and spoke at some length in favor of the
exhibition of school work at the county
fairs, and was well sustained in his remarks
by Professors Hartzer and Holbrook. He
spoke also of the average attendance as
compared with the enumeration of schools
in the State, which in Cincinnati is less
than 90 per cent, in Cleveland, 87, in
Knox Co., 47. His remarks on "County
Supervision," "Township organization,"
and the management of the "dull boy" in
school were impressive, pointed, and cal-
culated to do much good.

On Tuesday evening, Prof. Hartzer de-
livered, in the Presbyterian church, a free
lecture, the subject of which was, "My
Ramblings among the Ruins of Rome." It
was instructive as well as entertaining;
his description of St. Peter's cathedral be-
ing particularly impressive and grand.
This was followed on Wednesday evening
by a lecture of a different character on
"First Principles," by Prof. Holbrook,
who showed in the statement of his sub-
ject, that he had given it much thought
and close attention.

On Thursday evening an entertainment
consisting of music and recitations, was
given by the teachers, under the direction
of Prof. Holbrook. The Methodist church
was well filled with spectators, and some
of the exercises were applauded with al-
most unbounded enthusiasm; especially
the dramatic songs.

The election of officers on Friday after-
noon resulted as follows: Pres., J. C.
Merrin; Vice Pres., A. E. Johnson and
Miss Etta Dunlap; Sec., Candace Lam-
bourn; Treas., R. E. Morris.

The committee on resolutions reported
thus:

Resolved, That we, the members of the
Knox Co. Institute, acknowledge our ap-
preciation of the excellent instruction re-
ceived from Prof. Hartzer and Prof. R. H.
Holbrook, and do hereby tender them their
thanks.

Resolved, That we present our thanks to
the President and other officers of the
Knox Co. Teachers' Association for the
thorough and efficient manner in which
they have discharged their duties during
their term of office

