BY J. HARVEY BACKUS.

Andover, N. Y., June 3, 1910.

OUR KEYNOTE:

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"I want to get this check cashed," the window of the paying teller. Yes, madam. You must endo

it, though," explained the teller.

"Why, my husband sent it to me.

He is away on business," she gald,

the check, having written on its back "Your loving wife, Edith."

ODD FELLOWS PAID \$88 AN HOUR FOR RELIEF.

An average of \$88 every hour was paid out by the Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania for relief purposes during the year just closed, according to a report presented by Grand to a report presented by Grand Secretary Joseph H. Mackey to the Grand Lodge session in Williams. port last week. The total amount paid out for relief was \$728,354.97, an average of \$1,955.40 per day, but so large is the membership of the three-link fraternity in Pennsylvania average cost per week to each ther was less than ten cents.

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, Thomas M. Comstock, have received Thomas M. Comstock, have received the tax and assessment roll of the Village of Andover for the year 1910 and the warrent for the collection of the same and that I will attend at the Village Hall in the village of Andover, N. Y., on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays of each week for three weeks for the purpose of collecting taxes. three weeks to lecting taxes.

Dated June 1, 1910. T. M. Comstock
Village Collector.

REUNION AT FRIENDSHIP:

The Ex-Prisoners of war of Allegany county are to meet at Friendship on Wednesday, June 8th for their annual reunion. Notices to annual reunion. Notices to that effect are being mailed out by Secretary Lieutenant J. T. Burdick, who recently returned from St. Cloud Florida. The Hon. Oscar A. Fuller, of Wellsyville. with 24. of Wellsvyille, will deliver principal address at the reunion.

CHEESE MARKET.

The ruling price of cheese at the uba market was 14½c. Abou 665 boxes were sold at that price Salamanca market, 15c.

EASTON-CORRAN.

Harry Easton and Miss Loui Corran of Genesee were united marriage, Wednesday, June 1st.

Influenced by Politica Society

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conduct the campaign. By the public speaker and the newspaper these principles are thoroughly discussed. The people of every hamlet, village and city throughout the country read the papers and listen to the public addresses, and are thereby enabled to preform intelligently the duties of citizenship. A consideration that must not be

erlooked, when reviewing the feares of our government which are overloosed, when the results of our government which are beneficiarly influencing the people, is the developement of loyalty and reverance for law growing out of the fact that the laws are made by the mealves. This has the fact that the laws are made by the people themselves. This has been one of the great conserving been one of the great conserving forces in our public life. The enemies of Democracy, among the weaknesses catalogued as inherent, have mentioned insubordination and lack of reverence for law. But as very forcibly shown in Bryce's "American Commonwealth," the people of this country wealth, the people of this country support authority and respect law because the laws are of their own making and the administrators there-of are men for the most part chosen

THE ANDOVER NEWS for religion. They believed that man should obey God rather than an earthly soverign. And when it came to a question between what they re-garded duty to God and the de-mande of the king they forecek their homes and friends and civilization and for conscience sake crossed stormy ocean and faced the hard-ships and perils of the smeatons wilderness.

These heroes of the faith laid as public, faith in Almighty God, himself holy and demanding holiness of all men. This God they believed to be ever present and controlling in the affairs of the world. And the faith of the fathers has been transmitted to their children's children. And whilst no mention of the name of God is it, though," explained the teller.

"Why, my husband sent it to me.

He is away on business," she gald, cartes, madem. Just endorse it this nation has been, is still, a religous nation. By legislative enact, the still that the same of God is made in the federal constitution, yet this nation has been, is still, a religous nation. By legislative enact, the still that has never formally declared itself Christian, still by a thousand inferences, hints and suggestions, and by certain legal requirements wall and in a few moments presented the nation proclaims itself a religious nation. The oath in our the check, having written on its back "Your loving wife, Edith." courts of justice is administered on the Bible, such being the sacred regard for the book. The Congress of the United States and the State legislatures, are required by law to be opened with prayer. And such is the deference paid to the religious sentiment of the country that political conventions, state and national, are opened with prayer.

Once a year the President of the United States and all the governors of the states issue proclamations

of the states issue proclamations calling on the people to assemble in their wonted places of worship and return public thanks to God for his bounties and kind providences dufing the year. Around the Sabbath, the Lord's day, there has been thrown legal enactments like walls around some holy shrine. During the dark and trying years of our civil White House in the camp, on the field of battle, around the family altar, prayer went up in-cessantly to Almighty God for guidance and deliverance. The extent to which the nation has been Influenced by the element of re-ligious faith can never be estimated. These are some of the features of our government that contribute beneficent influences, which eman-cipate, enfranchise and exalt the people.

But every picture must have its dark side. There are influences operating in our political life that

tend to the injury, yea, the serious hurt of the people.

Looking out over the field of our political life for those things which thoughtful men regard with misgiving and sorrow, one will discover the and sorrow, one will discover the presence of three of these evil things in whatever direction the eyes may be turned. They are greed, bribery and tyranny. Men enter politics to-day actuated, I fear, more largely by the motive. the motive of greed than by motive of patriotism. The idea that "public office is a public trust" will do for theory, but when it comes to practice, public office is sought, in the great majority of cases, for personal gain. There may be a dim impres-sion lingering in the background of the office seeker's mind that he is to be a public servant, subordinating personal to public interests. But he vill subordinate public to personal interests and make servants of the people. This devil of greed in politi-cal life is working mightly for the ruin of the republic. Greed be-comes so urgent and unconscionable that it readily resorts to bribery to secure the coveted office. This na-tion has suffered no greater disgrace in the eyes of the nations of the earth than the revelations of wholesale bribery in our city, state and nationa elections. Millions are spent every year in this country to purchase polittical office. Multitudes of the citizens of the republic are being debauched by the bribe giver who is bountfully expelled. countifully supplied with money to accomplish his iniquitous business. Few crimes are more detestable than

the crime of political bribery.

In olden times a man detected poisoning the springs and fountains of water, was universally abhorred and condignly punished. The source from which flow the waters of our p-litical life is the ballot. Therefore whose-ever, by bribe or threat or fraud, corrupts the ballot, poisons the waters of the nation's life at the fountain head, deserves the execration of all honest men and a punishment as severe as his crime is dark. To aid the greedy office seeker to obtain the place to which his greed aspires there has grown up in these of are men for the most part chosen by popular vote.

In a study of the features of the republic of the United States beyond the United States by t

ever ineignificant, you must "get in-to line." By this modern political contrivance—the machine—primaries and conventions are useful simply to give the semblance of democratic choice to men and measures already selected and adopted by the machine. Liberty, in this country at present in largely an imaginary thing. Autocracy

is more nowerful than democracy....
The developed and ripened fruit of these evil trees is revealed in the giganttic frauds and rascalities so common in city government. There perhaps has never been a time in the history of the world when there was offered a field so inviting to the man bent on public plunder as is afforded today by our great cities There is nothing in the legendary tales to equal the atories of unblush-ing fraud, gigantic thefts, and black-mail brought to light in the in-vestigations into the Tweed regime and the work done by the Lexow committee. Tweed's brief but daz-zling career, Dr. Andrews tells us cost New York 160,000,000 dollars. To tell the story of crime and corruption, uncovered in its investiga tions, the Lexow committee has written five volumes of one thousand

pages each.

Municipal misrule is one of the factors in our political life, working for the undoing of the people. Un less we can cleanse of population of the hordes of vultures that are feeding on the vitals of the body politic, and give to our cities honest governments, then some who live today may live to see an empire rise upon the ruins of this republic we love so well.

I have reserved for a closing word the influence exerted on the people by what, may be called the national goal—that which the nation sets the lighest value upon and strives the hardest to reach.

The three great historic nations, Hebrew, Roman and Greek, afford impressive illustrations of my thought. The ideal ever before the Greek mind was the ideal of grace, of form, beauty of expression. The suprementatianment to the Roman was power expressing itself in faith in the eve living and richeous God, demanding richeousness of all mer

We know the tremendous modifica-tion, the ideal of beauty, of power, of religion exerted respectively on the character and destiny of these nations.

When this nation was founded the great end sought was that of liberty, civil and religious liberty. The dream of the forefathers was an op-portunity for man to work out with-cut hinderance or restraint his con-victions in religious and civil mat-ters. For a long time that ideal dominated the thought of the nation. It was ever to the fore in the halls of legislation, in the form, and in the Church. But gradually that ideal has been superseded by another. the Cauren. But gradually that idea has been superseded by another What is the conseption of the high est good-the most valuable thins controlling the mind of the American nation today. It is material progress. And to the realization of this in largest measure the nation is bending its most strenuous efforts. It is discur sed in the press, on the platform, in the Seattle The platform of political parties deal only with material things.

The questions of finance, tarriff, in dustry and commerce monopolize duly the attention and time duly the attention and time of the people. The revelations of the material progress of this country made by the English statistication, Munhall, are stranger than any story of the "Arabian Nights." He tells us that the merchandise transported by rail in this country is double the amount of land-carriage of all 'the other nations of the earth could. ther nations of the earth collect The working power of this nation is almost as great as that of Great Britian, Germany and France nation is almost as great as that of Great Britian, Germany and France combined. "With this power," says losiah Strong, "directed chiefly to the creation of wealth, it is not strange that we are growing. rich more rapidly than any other people. This is marvelous indeed and we rejoice in it. "Surely the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places, yea, we have a goodly heritage." But let

we have a goodly heritage." But let us beware of the danger of mere material growth becoming the ideal of national greatness. Already the power of material interests is mani-festing itself in the unspirituality and mere sense life of our people

God, immorality, heaven, and a perfected character constitute the only worthy ideal; and the only ideal that will exalt the life of a mation and

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