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ASSOCIATE JUSTICE WRIGHT delivered a glowing temperance lecture, recently, in Beaufort. But when the time came for signing the pledge, he declined, on the ground that being under charges of intemperance a pledge of abstinence might imply an acknowledgment of the fault.

THE PAN-PRESBYTERIAN council is in session in Edinburg. As its name implies, it is composed of delegates from all Presbyterian bodies in the world.

A Question Answered.

Messrs. Editors: Some of us in this part of the county, believing that editors know, or ought to know, everything, respectfully request you to inform us whether a straight Democratic nominating convention has any right, under the rules and laws governing the Democracy of the country, to entertain for nomination to any office the name of any party or parties who may not be recognized members of said organization.

We wish our friends would ask us some "easy questions," such as the theory of evolution, or the doctrine of transubstantiation or the true inwardness of the Beecher-Tilton affair. It is hardly right to jump such a question as the above on such short notice upon an unsuspecting and humble member of the quill-driving fraternity.

There is a distinction between power and expediency, between the right to do a thing and the policy of doing it. The first is absolute, the second depends upon surrounding circumstances existing at the time that the question of exercising the right arises. In Republican institutions, the widest latitude is allowed to personal thought, and personal action.

The next question is as to the policy. This, every member of the party must decide for himself. In the precedents cited, two different phases were presented, one in which the party felt itself too weak to win with a liberal ally, the other in which

firmly united, itself, it desired to increase its power by annexing to its organization a certain element not previously allied to it by political ties, but entertaining sympathy for its ends, and hostility to the aims of the opposing organization.

Another axiom of political policy is first, to harmonize and solidify your own party, and then to gather accretions of strength from without. Both are of importance, but the former is of chief moment.

We believe we have shown that the Democratic party has asserted the right to do just what it pleases, but that the policy of exercising that right depends on circumstances to be decided according to the rules given above. The policy is always to be settled by a majority of the party through their delegates in convention, and that decision must be final.

The Court has charged upon the law. The jury must decide the facts. Their verdict is final.

True Brotherhood Lodge, No. 344, Knights of Honor.

THE regular meeting of this Lodge will be held in Masonic Hall on Friday evening, the 13th inst., at 8 o'clock. Officers elected will be installed. Members will come prepared to pay dues.

TAX RETURNS.

CORREY AUDITOR'S OFFICE, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, Winnsboro, S. C., July 11, 1877.

ON and after this date, 11th instant, until the 31st of August proximo, this office will be opened for returns of all taxable property, as required by law, for the fiscal year 1877.

All persons between the ages of twenty-one and sixty years are liable to a POLL TAX, and must make returns accordingly. After the 31st of August proximo, a penalty of fifty per cent. will be added to the taxable property of all persons failing to make returns within the prescribed time.

Blank returns can be had on application at this office.

I. N. WITHERS, County Auditor. July 12-1st-1

Fence Law Elections.

FOR the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the following named townships in Fairfield county, S. C. A PROPOSITION TO ALTER THE FENCE LAW, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of this State, approved June 7th, 1877, it is hereby ordered that an election be held in the several townships, at the places designated below, on WEDNESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF AUGUST next, and that the polls be kept open from 6 o'clock, a. m., until 6 o'clock, p. m., the form of the ballot to be as follows, viz: Those in favor of altering the Fence Law will use a ballot, either written or printed—"In favor of altering the Fence Law." Those opposed will use a ballot either written or printed—"Against altering the Fence Law." The voting precincts and managers are designated as follows:

TOWNSHIP No. 1--Voting precinct, Faucett's Store; Managers, D. P. Crosby, V. P. Clayton and Peter Fenster.

TOWNSHIP No. 2--Voting precinct, Woodward's Depot; Managers, W. W. Ketchin, R. W. Lumpkin and J. Y. Brice.

TOWNSHIP No. 3--Voting precinct, residence of J. A. McCrorey, Sr.; Managers, J. A. McCrorey, Sr., Strother Ford and J. E. McCullough.

TOWNSHIP No. 4--Voting precinct, Winnsboro; Managers, G. H. McMaster, J. W. A. Creight and Benjamin Tidwell.

TOWNSHIP No. 5--Voting precinct, Lamar's Dutchman Creek; Managers, Managers, A. F. Peay, John Hollis and Nathan Harrison.

TOWNSHIP No. 7--Voting precinct, residence of T. M. Rembert; Managers, T. M. Rembert, Preston Hon and W. H. Jones.

TOWNSHIP No. 9--Voting precinct, Curlee's School House; Managers, T. W. Woodward, J. R. Delaney and Gracelus Barber.

TOWNSHIP No. 12--Voting precinct, Paul's Spring; Managers, J. W. Bolick, Jos. H. Kennedy and Alex. Hopkins.

TOWNSHIP No. 13--Voting precinct, residence of James McGill; Managers, James McGill, Thomas Blair and Isaac Miller.

The Managers above designated to hold the said election at the several precincts named, shall, immediately upon the close of the election, count the votes and make return of the result and the ballots, to the undersigned, County Commissioners of Fairfield county.

HENRY JACOB } County J. R. HARVEY, } Commissioners. CARTER BEATTY, } July 12-1st-1aw 5w

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONER, WINNSBORO, S. C., July 7, 1877.

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