

LANSING STATE REPUBLICAN



HOSEMER & KERR... TUESDAY MORNING, FEB. 24, 1889.

FOR CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT... GEORGE MARTIN, Of Kent County.

REGISTRY LAW... We shall publish, under the direction of the Attorney General, Books of Registration for every township in the State.

The Judicial Ticket... The Republican State Convention, which met at Detroit on Wednesday, February 16th,

The Republican State Convention... presented the name of Hon. Geo. Martin, as candidate for the office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Republicans! It is you who have taken the responsibility of placing this good man in the canvass, and it is you who must elect him.

Some banker, dissatisfied with the construction placed upon certain provisions of that act, by Hon. John McKinney, State Treasurer.

Mount Vernon Association... Mrs. Sarah R. L. Williams has become the manager for the county of Ingham, in raising funds for the purchase of Mount Vernon.

Stagnant Incident... The most singular incident we have heard of for some time occurred last Tuesday.

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Geological Survey... The law just passed, appropriates \$2,000 in 1889, and \$5,000 in 1890 for a Geological Survey of the State.

APPEAL to the Ladies of the State of Michigan for the Purchase of Mount Vernon.

To engage your patriotic interest, and to prevent the misapprehension which exists, to some extent, concerning the present movement of the "Ladies' Mount Vernon Association of the Union."

Notwithstanding the general wish of the Union, that Mount Vernon should be consecrated by the nation to the memory of its original proprietor, no scheme promised to meet this object.

Various efforts were made by private companies, by the general government, and by the State of Virginia, which successively failed.

When every other hope in the enterprise was abandoned, one of our own set achieved the work. Taking counsel of some of the purest and ablest men of our country, a plan was devised for purchasing the Tomb of Washington

and the grounds surrounding it, and securing it to the women of the Union, subject to no interference or control on the part of Virginia, or any other State, section, party or power.

With great legal care, an act of incorporation was formed, and passed the Legislature of Virginia, by which the Association was authorized to purchase the property, and to hold it forever.

The legislative power of this Association of Ladies is confined to a Regent, assisted by Vice Regents, appointed by her, one for each State.

Vice Regents have been appointed in most of the States, whose organizations are active and successful, and most satisfactory results are reported. It becomes the duty of the Vice Regent to institute the most effectual means to secure the co-operation of all the ladies in the State, and such measures will speedily be employed as seem best adapted to this end.

Every subscriber becomes a permanent member of the Association by paying one dollar, and may vote at any annual meeting of the Association thereafter by paying a like sum; and every subscriber's name, and the amount subscribed, will be registered in the subscription books, which will be circulated for that purpose and forwarded to the Regent.

The capital stock of the incorporation is limited to five hundred thousand dollars; two hundred thousand for the purchase of two hundred acres, including the mansion, tomb, garden, grounds, wharf and landing on the Potomac River—to be held in fee simple; and three hundred thousand to constitute a fund for repairing the dilapidated buildings, improving the neglected grounds, and for other purposes relative to their future advantage.

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It is to his careful and critical examination, of a portion of the Upper Peninsula, that we are indebted for the astonishing fact that the copper on Lake Superior forms a part of the primary Copper of the globe. The expense of the geological survey of the Upper Peninsula never cost the State of Michigan a single cent.

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