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Democratic State Ticket.

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL, ROBERT E. WRIGHT, of Lehigh county. FOR STATE TREASURER, A. L. TILDEN, of Erie county.

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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

FOR DELEGATE TO CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION ELLIS L. ORVIS. Subject to action of district conference. Jury Commissioner .- GEORGE BOWER.

How Investigation Can Be Brought

About.

The electors of Pennsylvania have a great opportunity this fall. It is in their power to unearth and expose, and in that way put an end to, the thievish practices that have prevailed in the management of the State finances during a long course of years. By electing officers who have no interest in concealing this thievery the people can bring about results that will be of great benefit to them. WRIGHT in the Auditor General's office, and TILDEN at the head of the Treasury, would have no motive for nor interest in concealing these malversations. Rather their interest, feeling and motive, political as well as official, would be powerful incentives to their laying the books wide open and giving all possible assistance to a thorough investiga tion. GREGG and MORRISON would act from different motives and under different influences. They would be deterred by party considerations; party allegiance would clog their public duty, and, above all, their action would be controlled by the power to which they owe their nomination, and to which investigation and exposure would be political death, and, in all probability,

The people who want the searching light of investigation to be thrown upon the long continued thefts by which their money has been filched from the treasury, can expect no service of this kind from the men whom the Republican bosses have selected for Attorney General and State Treasurer, but they could look for zealous and effective service in such work from Democrats in those offices.

would lead to criminal prosecution.

Minister Egan, whom President HARRISON sent as representative of this country to Chili, will have to be recalled. He disgraced himself and] misrepresented the country he was delegated to act for. It is even charged against him that he was paid by BALMACEDA to throw the influence of the American legation in favor of that usurper. Egan was appointed to the place he holds in Chili as a return for the services which the mercenary portion of the Irish vote rendered the Republican party. He has shown how such a character can disgrace any position he may hold, and it is due to the credit of the country that he should not be allowed to hold it any

-It is now about four weeks since the high-moral contingent of the Philadelphia Republicans issued a protest against Quay and his wicked ways. Since Quay has held his convention and given a new manifestation of his bosship, it is about time for another of Philadelphia.

A Big Kick in Ohio.

A very wholesome and encouraging revolt is going on among the Republitariff policy of candidate McKINLEY, and against his candidacy for Govern-

no right to arrogantly demand that we in England, 4,772; in the United States, vote for principles which have driven 1,000,000 Republican voters from the party," the general said. "I propose \$to protest against the high protective tariff idea, and shall emphasize that protest by voting against WILLIAM Mc-KINLEY, but shall vote for the other reached that point where I think high taxes benefit the masses when they have to pay the tax, nor have I reached that period where I believe robbery is a blessing."

Captain is an educated gentleman, with large experience in the public service and an orthodox Republican in all things except the tariff issue, which he maintains has placed his party in a false position. He was private secretary to Governor HAYES, and, by the latter, was appointed minister to the Hawaiian islands. His speech | cent. of wool. In this way he is en- faithfully and break up the corruption was in response to the request of nine abled to reap a double profit from the which has so long disgraced the State. prominent business men of Columbus consumer, one under the protection of some of them being among the largest the tariff law; the other by a system every one of whom was up to the pres- of the high tariff. ent time a staunch Republican. Caphow the tariff was a tax upon the con- well as financially. The importer and big meat packers are exempt by sumers of "protected" goods, and thus imposed its burdens mainly upon the possible tariff on his wool, and there. This \$2,500,000 is not paid by the im-

-Dr. Holmes thinks that an examination of SHAKESPEARE'S skull would be of benefit to craniologists. But the great dramatist had engraved on his tomb such a terrific imprecation against any one who should disturb his bones that none but a very venturesome phrenologist would dare to meddle with his

The Tin Humbug.

We were shown, the other day, a sheet of tin, purporting to be of American manufacture, upon which the picture of Major McKinley was stamped. It was a sample of tinpla tes that are being distributed in Ohio for campaign effect, their purpose being to create the impression that the Major, through his tariff, had built up a large tin industry in this country for which he should be rewarded by being elected Governor of Ohio, and perhaps President next

In regard to this preposterous tinplate pretension the Cleveland Plain Dealer has the following to say:

"The immense tinplate mill, which Britton & Hanna are going to erect on Hoyt street, near the Lake Shore railway, at the enormous cost of \$800, will measure 39 by 58 feet and will cover the tremendous area of 2,262 square feet. It is reasonable to suppose that the machinery, vats, tanks and miscellaneous tools will occupy half that space; and fully 20 by 20 feet should be allowed for piling up the tinplates which the company will manufacture as a glorious illustration of the benefits to be derived from the McKinley

bill." It is for the encouragement of a few trifling enterprises of this character that the American people have already paid more than \$8,000,000 in the increased price of tin brought about by the McKinley tariff. There is not a house keeper in this canning season that does not feel the effect of the tin gouge.

Farmers' Alliance, held by at least a majority of its members, is the advocacy of the sub-treasury scheme. Such a humbug as this is hardly deserving to be investigated. With one accord of an exposure, for it should naturally ex-Treasurers and ex-cashiers have fall by the weight of its own foolish- found it convenient to absent theming feature in such a method of con- tors and investigated ought to "get toducting the national finances. It is gether," but their disposition to keep protest from the Republican morality utterly impracticable and deserves no apart shows that they are averse to thing but contemptuous condemnation. having things uncovered.

Tariff and Disease.

Under this caption, DAVID A. Wells, of Norwich, Conn., contributes cans of Ohio against the monopoly to the New York World what he styles one of the most valuable contributions he has ever made to tariff literature. or. This disaffection includes some Mr. Wells shows by facts and figures of the most enlightened members of which cannot be controverted that, by the party. An indication of this was reason of the high tariff on woolen given by a meeting of about five hun- goods the poorer people of America dred citizens in the Board of Trade au- are forced to wear clothes which are ditorium at Columbus last Saturday, the direct channels through which conincluding many prominent Republi- sumption and pneumonia are conveyed cans, to hear an address from Capt. to the people. It is a wellknown fact, ALFRED E. LEE. General John Beat- substantiated by the observation and TY acted as chairman, and made a experience of travelers in Europe, that brief address in introducing the speak- the poorer classes of England wear better clothes than do the same class General Beatty made a rousing in America, hence diseases such as talk. He said in substance that he those mentioned above are more prevahoped the Republican party would lent in this country than in England. soon be in the hands of more able The difference in the death rates of the that a constitutional convention will be leaders than at present. For the first two countries, as a result of these dis- defeated by at least 200,000 votes. time an effort is being made to com- eases, is given by Mr. Wells in the mit the Republican party of Ohio to a following figures: Deaths from conhigh protective tariff, but there should sumption per 100,000 in England, and reform in the organization of judibe some liberty of thought. "The 8,330; in the United States, 12,059 cial districts, have to say about it? bull-dozers and party whippers-in have Deaths from pneumonia per 100,000

9,141. The connection between the tariff and disease is shown to be due to the of him, then the Democrats did wisely wearing of shoddy goods by Americans who cannot afford to buy the higher priced woolen goods: In 1889 9,000,-000 pounds of shoddy cloth were im-Republican candidates. I have not ported into this country as compared with half a million pounds in 1867. Being under the necessity of buying These assurances of friendship come the shoddy clothing the poorer classes clothe themselves in the habiliments of death in order that the protected He then introduced Capt. LEE. The manufacturer may reap the harvest guaranteed by the tariff. The tariff was ostensibly placed on imported woolen goods to protect the American manufacturer, but he has taken advant- testify to his worth, but forsake party age of the law in another direction. to honor him, the people of Pennsyl-Instead of supplying his customers vania can be assured that in the Demwith American woolen goods he sells ocratic candidate for Auditor General them goods which contain only 28 per they have a man who will serve them

> It is in the use of this shoddy stuff into clothing contains the germs of consumption nd pneumonia. The weaver is thus made the victim of a dread disease through the cupidity of the manufacturer who is aided in spread. ing disease among the people by the great American system of high tariff. This is a phase of the inequities of the tariff which demands careful thought.

Democratic Governors to Get Together.

The Democratic State Committee of Ohio has sent out invitations to every Democratic governor in the United States to be present at a great Democratic meeting to be held in Columbus October 6. It is expected that the chief executives of nearly all the States will attend the governors' meeting, and there will probably be twenty-five live has been diverted to other questions, governors present. Great preparations just as the attempt is now made to for the gathering will be made, and it is expected to surpass in point of num- form in the Auditor General's and bers and interest any political meeting Treasurer's offices by the silliness that ever held in Ohio. Governor CAMPBELL it is the tariff and silver questions that is in New York, accompanied by his wife. He is not in good health, but it is believed he will be ready to commence his speaking canvass on September 17, the day appointed. His debates with McKINLEY will begin on the 8th of October.

that "the Republicans are ready to meet the Democrats upon every issue." "Every issue" is good. It indicates that the Republicans propose to variegate the campaign with a variety of issues. But there is but one issue and the Democrats intend to hold their opponents to it. It is short, comprehensive and contained in but one sentence: "Thou shalt not steal!" That is the issue upon which Mr. WATRES' party will have to face the people. They won't be able to dodge it by hauling into the contest the tariff issue, the silver question, the bloody shirt, or any other subject that has nothing to do with the question in hand.

- The remarkable indisposition of the committee appointed by the Re------One of the worst features of the publican Legislature to investigate the State Treasury management has been matched by the equally remarkable indisposition of the Treasury managers ness: There would not be a redeem- selves from the State. The investigaWill They Succeed?

Every Republican thief and ballot corrupter in the State is opposed to a constitutional convention.

Every corporate monopoly in the State is opposed to a constitutional

The powers that defeated the equalization of taxes during the last session of the Legislature are opposed to a constitutional convention. Lawyers who favor small judi-

be more judges and increased court expenses, are opposed to a constitutional convention. The Republican briber and bulldozer of voters are opposed to a constitution-

cial districts, in order that there may

These people and interests, through their organs and creatures, now boast

What do the people—the tax-payers who want ballot reform, tax reform,

They Know the Man.

It it is safe to judge a man's character by what his neighbors think in nominating ROBERT E. WRIGHT for Auditor General. Since Mr. WRIGHT's where Mr. WRIGHT resides, have been showering him with congratulations, and promising him their active support. from both Republicans and Democrats, and even those who are opposed to him politically concede that he will poll the biggest vote ever cast in Lehigh county.

with Mr. WRIGHT for years not only

---It is stated on good authority capitalists of the capital city, and of robbery peculiar to the beneficiaries that the canning industry, under the operations of the McKinley law, has paid over \$2,500,000 advance on tin

Good Advice From the Governor.

Governor Pattison, in his testimony before the treasury investigating committee at Philadelphia, again urged the necessity of the adoption of reformatory methods in the receipt, care and disbursement of public funds. The Governor well stated that he was only repeating an old story in declaring that the present system is a bad one and must be remedied. Further, he showed how the Legislature has stood directly across the pathway of reform. It has not been for lack of information that nothing has been done. At every session this matter is agitated, but to no effect. The popular mind cloud and embarrass the call for rethe people are to vote on this fall.

-The wheat corner is announced at last. Oregon and Washington farmers are holding back 35,000,000 bushels of the cereal under orders from the Alliance in the hope of better prices in the spring. The grangers of the wild --- Chairman WATRES an nounces and windy west don't propose to let the Chicago grain speculators do all the cornering. But they should be careful that in the wind up they don't find themselves in a corner.

-The McKinleyites in Ohio pretend to be in great trouble about the alleged millions which the Cobden Club is sending over to Ohio to ensure a victory for free trade. The Cobden club scare has been worn so threadbare that it should be thought that it monopolists appear to believe that the humbug in it may be serviceable for another tariff campaign.

During the month of August 43,000 carloads of grain were received at Chicago and 17,000,000 bushels were shipped. This is reported to be the largest business ever done in one month at Chicago, and indicates the fields this year. St. Louis during Aution of clean, honest government.

"We are confronted by the fact that gust received over 5,000,000 bushels of day to Europe.

at the WATCHMAN Office.

The Democratic State Convention

Thursday of last week the Democratic convention of Pennsylvania met in the opera house at Harrisburg at 10:30 a.m., and was promptly called to order by chairman Kerr, who appointed as Secretaries of the convention, Benjamin M. Nead, J. E. Snyder, J. P. J. Sensenderfer, George H. Hoffman, C. B. Keefer, F. E. Bible and J. D. Sells.

H. Willis Bland, esq., of Reading, was unanimously chosen as temporary chairman, and on taking the chair he said: We do not intend to run the campaign on national issues, but on local ones. The State has questions of vital interest of its own, and the Democracy will address itself to them. The party has not wandered from old issues. They believe in the teachings of their great prophet, President Cleveland. [Here there an outburst of cheering.] His defeat was more glorious than victory, as the moral courage of the man was shown to be above personal ambitions. We are not going into this, however, in this campaign.

The battle last fall, the speaker continued, was but a skirmish; the Waterloo is to come. It is a shameful thing that a State Treasurer, an Auditor General, a City Treasurer of Philadelphia, and great newspapers should band themselves in a conspiracy to rob the State. The Republican party held a convention here two weeks ago. Did they condemn the practice of their State Treasurer and Auditor General? No. The people were moved last year profoundly, and they accomplished one great result -they elected a Governor peerless among all those men who have held the office. Never was there a better example of manhood than Robert E. Pattison. His Auditor General. Since Mr. WRIGHT'S worth was attested by his re-election. Selection the people of Allentown, The mention of the Governor's name brought forth enthusiastic applause.

The convention adjourned to 1:20 p. m., when upon reassembling, Hon. George W. Skinner, of Fulton county, elected permanent President, and a Vice President was elected for each Senator-

After Mr. Skinner was escorted to the chair he opened the proceedings with a short address: He hoped that increased wisdom would come with increased numbers, and that the convention should not When those who have associated be led aside from the true issues of the contest. The national affairs, he said, have nothing to do with the present contest in Pennsylvania; that the chief aim and object of all citizens should be toward a change in the chief accounting offices of this Commonwealth; that all though he had been a soldier for over four years in the fore front of the conflict, he deprecated the methods of the Republican leaders in again springing the "soldier racket" on the people simply to blind them as to the true issues, and that he was surprised that a man like Gregg should allow himself to be

used as a tool by scheming politicians. The nomination of candidates to be placed on the State ticket being next in tain LEE spoke at length, showing that the people suffer physically as plates since last fall. The Standard order, Hon. Walter E. Ritter, of Lycoming, presented Robert E. Wright, of Allentown, for Auditor General and acnaturally prefers to pay the smallest virtue of the 99 per cent drawback. companied the nomination with a stirring speech in which he remarked that the common people, the workingmen and fore he will import the lowest grade of porters, it is not paid by the canners, the hands of the Republican party for a office of Auditor General has been in the article, which is generally greasy it is not paid by the retailers, but score of years. Its administration has and dirty, and when it is worked up comes out of the pockets of the people. become a stench in the nostrils of all decent people, and the demand for change and reform was overwhelming. George Dill, esq., of Lancaster, nominated James G. McSparran, of Lancaster. The nominations having been closed, a ballot was taken which resulted in the following vote: Wright 372, McSparran, 80. Mr. Wright's nomination was then

made unanimous. The nomination for State Treasurer being the next business, Mr R. H. Arbuckle, of Erie, named A. L. Tilden, of Erie, and Dr. John W. Reiwalt, of Dauphin, named Charles Raymond, Middletown. The vote resulted in 394 for Tilden, 5 for Raymond, and 1 for McSparran. Mr. Tilden's nomination

was then made unanimous. The following delegates-at-large to the proposed constitutional convention were nominated: Charles R. Buckalew, Columbia; Chauncey F. Black, York George A. Jenks, Jefferson; George George M. Dallas, Gustein Thompson, David W. Sellers, Philadelphia; Henry Scott, Northampton; Monahan, Chester; William S. McLean, Luzerne; Frank M. Vaudling, Lackawanna; John N. Latta, Westmoreland: Rodger Sherman, Crawford; William Weihe, Thomas Lazare, Allegheny Samuel Griffith, Mercer; Grant Wiedeman, Lebanon; George W. Zeigler, Bucks; R. Morgan Root, Montgomery.

The nominees for the State ticket were then introduced to the convention, both of whom made addresses. Mr. Wright, in his speech, among other things said

"Never in the history of the country was there exhibited an administration of affairs so universally corrupt as that developed in Pennsylvania within the last six months. The city of Philadelphia robbed of a million dollars; the State of a million more; the schools of half as much; the taxpayer robbed in his assessment and cheated in his exemptions; the State robbed of a large percentage of the balance remaining, through all the ramifications of the process of tax collection, from the assessor to the final depository "The heavy hand of reckless theft is felt as the rising tide of corruption is swept up toward the door of your capinot isolated cases of a single dishonest official, not mere disconnected instances of theft make up the record of public dishonor, but well planned, systematical, continuous, daily robbery peris no longer serviceable, but the Oh io | vading the entire departments, embracing almost every official who touches the public funds.

"Worse than all, not content with robbing individual citizens even newspapers of the boss ridden party are compelled to pay tribute to organized plunder and become vehicles of the transfers treasury to the pockets of party heelers. Meeting therefore, as the convention does in the presence of this over-shadowing dishonor, it should turn aside from the discussion of current political topics to enormous yield of the western grain the more important and pressing ques-

our whole administration of governwheat, and New York shipped an ment in Pennsylvania and her great average of a million bushels of g rain a cities has passed under the control of a corrupt political combination that perne to aspire to public place except as they may consent to become par-— Fine job work of ever discription ticipants in these wrongs, or to permit the Watchman Office.

now passed far beyond the question of the personal respectability of the candidates presented and supported by the confederation now recognized as the

"More than once the people of Philadelphia and Pennsylvania in this movement toward reform have been content to demand no more than respectable nominations from these men, but again and again disappointment and disnonor have followed the concession. The harvest involved from the seed of respectable ring nominations has always been disastrous. There can be no reform in Pennsylvania until the machine that created and maintained this system of organized robbery is torn up root and branch and destroyed. Therefore, it has come to pass that your platform is a very simple one.

"It shows the old truths of the ten commandments' injunction. 'Thou shalt not steal" is its cardinal statement, and on that plank the impending battle must be fought. We must permit no confusion of the issue when the honor of Pennsylvania is at stake. Discussion of the tariff duties ceased with us when the treasury of Philadelphia was looted. The silver question lost its interest as the the waves from the flood tide of corruption reached the steps of your State capi-tol, and the only reciprocity the people of Pennsylvania should hear of now is that which was exemplified when the doors of the Eastern Penitentiary closed upon the disappearing form of Bardsley.

The committee on resolutions, by its chairman, Hon. William Mutchler, reported the following as the platform of the party in this contest:

THE PLATFORM.

First-We, the representatives of the Denocracy of Pennsylvania, in convention assembled, renew our pledges of devotion to the principles of our party in the country at large, as declared in the platforms of the National Conventions of 1884 and 1888, and approved in the elections of those years by a majority of the American people. We are, as we have always been, in favor of honest and economical administration of public affairs; of limiting expenses and reducing taxation to meet the actual necessities of government; of a sound and stable currency based on gold and silver. coined and circulated in such proportions as will keep them on a parity; of a reform and revision of the tariff; of liberal but just pension laws, and of all well-considered legislation tending to incresse the rewards and lighten

Second-We realize and affirm that the State election of 1891 in Pennsylvania involves no is sue of Federal politics; we appeal to honest and patriotic citizens regardless of past party affiliations, to unite in vindicating the honor of this Commonwealth and redeeming the fiscal and auditing departments of its government from official abuses and corrupt prac-

Third-We arraign and condemn the Repub. lican Legislature for having refused to enforce the Constitution by appropriate legislation; for having tailed to pass honest and equitable apportionment bills as required by the Constitution; for having ignored the demands of labor for relief by law; for having denied the righteous popular demand for such laws as would distribute the burden of public taxation equally upon all classes of property, and for having refused to reform long existing abuses in the mercantile appraisement laws as recommended by the Democratic Execu-

Fourth-We arraign and condemn the Resublican Legislature for the enactment of vexatious, oppressive and vicious legislation, against which the Executive veto was interposed for the protection of the people.

Fifth-We arraign and condemn the Re. publican party of Pennsylvania for electing men to State and municipal offices, by whose neglect of duty, complicity in fraud and plunder of the public treasury, a million and a half dollars of the people's money have been stolen and squandered. Sixth-We arraign and condemn the Repub-

lican Auditor General for having permitted John Bardsley, the Republican Treasurer of Philadelphia city and county, to embezzle \$1,500,000 of State tax collected by him, which he was permitted to retain for a long period after the same was due and payable.

Seventh-We arraign and condemn the Republican Auditor General for having permitted John Bardsley, the Rebublican Treasurer of Philadelphia city and county, to embezzle more than \$30,000 of State license moneys collected by him, which he was permitted to retain for a long period after the same was due and payable

Eighth-We arraign and condemn the Republican Auditor General for having aspired with John Bardsley, the Republican Treasurer of Philadelphia city and county, to appoint and retain corrupt mercantile appraisers, who abused their office for their own private pecuniary advantage, robbed the State of its just revenues, and imposed upon the Common wealth hundreds of thousands of dollars o needless costs and we demand the dismissaf of the mercantile appraisers of Philadelphia. Ninth-We arraign and condemn the Republican Auditor General for having conspired with John Bardslev, the Republican Treasurer of Philadelphia city and county, to speculate in public advertising, and for having received from the publishers of the same, bribes to in fluence their official conduct in placing such

advertisements. Tenth -We arraign and condemn the Re publican Auditor General for having failed to promptly collect the taxes and claims of the Commonwealth against delinquent and defaulting public and private corporations.

Eleventh-We arraign and condemn the Republican State Treasurer for wilfully and knowingly permitting John Bardsley to retain in his possession over a million dellars of money collected for and owing to the Com. monwealth of Pennsylvania, by reason of which dereliction a large portion of the money has been lost to the people.

Twelfth-We arraign and condemn the Republican State Treasurer for having conspired with John Bardsley, the Republican Treasurer of Philadelphia, to secure to him the payment of \$425,000 of the public school funds long in advance of the usual time, and when Bardsley was already known to the State Treasurer to of the people's money from the public be a defaulter for over a million dollars, which sum thus improvidently paid to Bardsley was by him embezzled, to the loss of Philadelphia city and the shame and scandal of the State. Thirteenth-We arraign and condemn the Republican State Treasurer and the Republican Auditor General for naving conspired to pay to John Bardsley, the Republican Treasurer of Philadelphia city and county, on December

30, 1890, \$150,000 out of the State Treasury, os. tensibly on account of Philadelphia county's share of the personal property tax; but actually before the tax had been paid into the State Treasury, and when John Bardsley was already a defaulter and embezzler on account to

the amount of \$622,013.11.

Fourteenth—We arraign and condemn the