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### The Democratic State Ticket.

For State Treasurer. MICHAEL E. BROWN, of Indiana county. For Auditor General, WALTER E. RITTER, of Williamsport.

The Democratic County Ficket. For County Surveyor .- J. H. WETZEL. For Jury Commissioner .- J. J. HOY.

### No Other Remedy.

There is not an intelligent citizen of Pennsylvania who will not admit that the State is badly governed. Whether he directs his view to the Legislature, to the executive department, or to the methods that prevail in the management of the treasury, he will find the same misrule and general absence of faithful and honest service. If he be a Republican he can not avoid the discouragement, inseparable from the fact that his party fails to give the State any better government than that which is furnished by its bosses and machine politicians. When right thinking Republicans, in giving this matter candid reflection, are forced to regard the prospect of improvement from that quarter as hopeless, how must it strike citizens of other parties, and how clearly it should appear to all that the only way to end this misrule is to turn the party responsible for it out of power.

The record of that party for some years past shows that it is incapable of giving the State good government. The machine has gotten such complete control over it, and corrupt rule has become so indispensable to the purposes of its bosses, that the root of the evil can not be reached and a remedy effected without the radical operation of defeating the party by the votes of the people.

Look at the record which that party has made in the affairs of the State for years past, and judge whether the hope of anything better can be drawn from it. Observe how steadily it has grown from bad to worse. The almost unanimous legislative power given it by the people has been persistently abused. The larger the legislative majority has been made the greater have been the abuses, and the more devotedly its service has been given to the party boss.

Reforms were promised last winter merely to be paraded before the Legislature during the session and in the end the socalled reform bills were either defeated or so altered that the abuses which were deceptively proposed to be remedied were wash was substituted for honest investigation of the crooked methods that prevail in the management of the state treasury, while unlimited rein was given to the greed of the lawmakers who supplemented their regular salaries with extra pay claimed for service as members of sham investigating committees.

The record shows that such practices are habitual with the Republican state managers, that the legislative service rendered by that party is unfaithful to the public interest and generally vicious in its results, and that corruption has become ingrained in the policies of its state government. There can be no change in its management except by one faction supplanting the other, but what improvement could be expected from a change that would put HASTINGS and DAVE MARTIN in the place of OUAY?

Republican rule in the State is hopelessly bad. There is not enough virtue in it to serve as a basis for improvement. The only relief for those suffering from its misrule, who are included in every class of citizens irrespective of politics, is the defeat of this party at the polls.

# Will Cost About \$125,000.

An apparently fair estimate places the expenditures of the State in sending the troops to suppress the outbreak in the vicinity of Hazleton at \$125,000. Adjutant general Stewart was asked whether the cost of the coal strike would easily reach \$100,000, and he answered in the affirmative without going into details.

Governor Hastings Thursday under the act of 1887 drew his warrant on the state treasurer for \$75,000 to pay the several organizations in service in Luzerne county. Before that there had been drawn from th treasury \$10,000 on account of the cost of the military called out by the Governor. Transportation, subsistence and quartermaster stores remain to be paid by the Commonwealth. They will probably involve the disbursement of at least \$40,000 additional. None of the standing appropriation of \$350,000 is applicable to the liquidation of debts contracted during active military service

The national guard law of 1887 fixes the pay of first sergeants at \$3 a day; sergeants, \$2: eorporals, \$1.75; musicians and privates, \$1.50, and each enlisted man after serving a full term of enlistment shall be entitled to an additional pay of 25 cents per day for service during each subsequent term of enlistment."

# Reeder Gives Bail for Court.

EASTON, Pa., Oct. 4.—The habeas corpus proceedings in the case of ex-secretary of state Frank Reeder, of Easton, assemblyman Webster C. Weiss, and Maurice C. Luckenbach, of Bethlehem, charged with opinions to offer on the political situation conspiracy to bribe assemblyman Weiss to vote for John Wanamaker for United States Senator, began to-day before judge Scott ing. in the Northampton county court, and resulted in the defendants entering bail for the November term of court.



MICHAEL E. BROWN, DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR STATE TREASURER.

## TIME TO END THE SCANDAL.

Why a Democrat Should be Pat in Control of the State Finances.

BY MICHAEL E. BROWN.

The management of the finances of the State has been a source of scandal for 25 years, as well as a source of revenue to what is and has been known as the treasury ring. Public funds have been used to enrich private individuals and corrupt public men, and so notorious has this become that pretended remedial legislation has been enacted and farcical investigation had without resulting in any real benefit to the

When the beneficiaries of the state treasury become too numerous to guard the secrets attending the disposition of state moneys and the amounts loaned to favored banks and individuals do not meet the demands the people get some idea of prevailing conditions through the disappointed applicants for public favors. Instead of correcting the abuses complained of, those who control the funds address themselves to the work of increasing the balance through taxation and beyond the needs of judicious administration. I have long believed, with the people of the State, that state funds have been improperly and dishonestly used to perpetuate the power of the Republican treasury ring, and that the people should be aroused to the iniquitous misuse of the money collected for the legitimate expenses of government, and, as a candidate for treasurer, deem it proper to emphasize those views, and to say that, should I be elected to that important position, shameless, illegal and unauthorized drafts, such as those covered by the bond recently given by public officers to the state treasurer, will not be honored. I not only regard such acts as unwarranted, but reprehensible, and those responsible for them amenable to public censure and the penalty imposed by

The framers of the constitution wisely provided for the collection of revenue and for its proper disbursement, and any attempt to evade its provisions, especially in the interest of those not recognized as creditors of the State, under the law, must be regarded as violent usurpation. Any surplus not required in the economic administration of state government should be loaned to responsible and well-known financial institutions at the highest rate of interest obtainable, after public announcement proper notice, and when such awards are made adequate security should be required from the state treasurer for its return at some stated time within the term for which he was elected. In this way the treasurer is made directly responsible and is made to exercise the care and discretion common in private and in public business. It is very generally believed that a large amount of what is known as the treasury balance consists of discredited paper carried from year to year and term to oblige favored politicians, who cannot meet the obligations assumed, and whose only interest is to add to their holdings and assist in continuing the power of accounting officials who do not demand an accounting.

In this connection I desire to say that should the people of the State honor me with the trust for which I have been named, the balance to the credit of the State, wherever or by whomever held, must be produced, and that nothing but cash or its unquestioned equivalent will be received as a credit to the amount involved. A full and clear statement of the condition of the state treasury should be submitted to the people at certain and short intervals of time that they may know what the current finances of the State consist of, how and with whom they are invested, and at what rate of interest, even though the present law does provide for an investment commission and fixes the rate of interest. Whether that law is good or bad, those who support the State and furnish it the means of government should always know to what use the means they furnish have been put, and that all moneys paid out of the treasury have been upon warrants properly attested and for proper purposes.

From investigation I find that the current balances of the State, covering many years, average about \$5,000,000. This sum employed with the care usual in the handling of large amounts of money should bring to the State at least \$150,000, annually, but a further investigation shows that not one dollar has been credited to the State as an increment on that account. The propriety of such a balance in excess of the wants of the State is questioned; it belongs to the people and should not have been collected; it is an added burden that cannot be defended, and is a constant temptation to those who care nothing about the State or its government except as it may be made to contribute to their advancement or aggrandizement. It suggests extravagance, invites unnecessary expenditure and improper employment, and should not, in my judgment, be permitted to exist. Since it is collected and held as an available asset it should be guarded with the same care as that given by a prudent business man to his surplus capital, and not farmed out to political favorites for political services. I believe this treasury ring can be made surrender; it should be, and the people treated to the contents of books that have been sealed and yet belong to them. Secret bonds given to indemnify public officers for the advancement of public money in excess of that appropriated and deemed sufficient, is the last bold step of a daring and conscienceless ring, whose open defiance of law has made "addition, division and silence" household words in Pennsylvania, and has encouraged the theft of public money, until honest men have been compelled to stand up in their places in the last Legislature and repudiate claims made for them in pending appropriations.

The shameless and brazen demands on the State made by the last Legislature are only equalled by its inflictions on a people already overloaded and awaiting a day of

Any service that I can render to supplant this odious system, tear it from the roots and start with a clean bill of particulars shall be cheerfully given, and once inaugurated, shall be adhered to.

# It Is Sound Democratic Doctrine.

National Chairman Jones Says the Chicago Platform Will Be Reaffirmed In 1900.

CHICAGO, Oct. 4.—Senator J. K. Jones. chairman of the national Democratic committee, and national committeemen Wm J. Stone, of Missouri, arrived in Chicago to-day after a week's fishing in the northern Wisconsin lakes. Neither had any in Ohio and New York, saying they had not seen any newspapers during their out-

Senator Jones read with interest an interview with Wm. J. Bryan on his position in relation to the candidate and platform

for 1900, and said he thought Bryan had stated the thing about right. "The Chicago platform is good sound Democratic doctrine," said Senator Jones,

'and you may rest assured that it will be re-affirmed in 1900 and a candidate nominated to match."

# No Gambling or Woman Suffrage.

CAMDEN, N. J., Oct. 4.—The return constitutional amendment election this afternoon. The official figures show a majority of 102 for the anti-gambling amendment, 380 for the regulation of appointments and 905 against woman suff

Yellow Fever Cannot be Controlled by the New Orleans Authorities.

Regulations Not Being Heeded. Five Deaths in

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 6.-Even as early as 6 o'clock this afternoon the day had proven a record breaker, both as to the number of cases and as to the number of deaths that had been reported. The increase of cases to-day was not unexpected. The weather was warm during the afterhealth has to cover makes perfect scrutiny impossible, and germs are being distributed which, if the totality of cases was fewer, would easily be restrained. While the number of cases under treatment to-day is about 250, there are many houses which have not yet been disinfected, but in which the patients have been declared well.

Less restraint than usual is imposed on the inmates of such premises, and the result has been that the number of foci has been increased. But the total death rate is still small in proportion to the number of

There were 46 new cases to-day, and the following five deaths: Jean M. Coste, Isbronne (Carrollton); Adeline Rogora, 2290 Hospital; Robert Harri, 3801 Laurel; M. P. Brady, Jackson barracks. Two of the new cases are in Algiers, making seven that ease has apparently died out at Ocean Springs.

The total number of vellow fever cases to date is 425; total deaths to date, 43; total cases under treatment, 248.

MOBILE, Oct. 6.—The total cases of yellow fever here reached the hundred mark to-day: total deaths to date, 16. There were no deaths reported to-day, and only four new cases. All the cases are in the old infected district. There is much destitution. In some instances there were found families who were without the least bit of food in the house.

EDWARDS, Oct. 6.—Dr. Dunn, of the state board of health, to-night gave out the following report: There have been 16 new cases of fever to-day, four whites and 12 negroes. Total death todate, 15; total cases to date in town and immediate councry, 366; total number convalescent and discharged, 505; total under treatment,

106; seriously ill, 8; with black vomit, 1 BILOXI, Miss. Oct. 6.-L. B. Davis, formerly of Roanoke, Va., died last night after five day's illness. The board of health report: Yellow fever under treatment, 120; suspicious cases, 4; other cases, 5; new cases, 7; total yellow fever to date, 25; total deaths to date, 10; deaths to-day, 1.

### Veterans Still Fear Fever.

HARRISBURG, Oct 5th.—The prevalence of yellow fever in the South will probably lead to an abandonment of the dedication of the Pennsylvania monuments on the Chickamauga battlefield until December. Governor Hastings had a conference to-day with Captain George W. Skinner, of Pittsourg, secretary of the Chickamauga battlefield commission, at which it was agreed not to fix the time of the dedication until it is is considered safe for the old soldiers to make the trip.

## Looks Like Yellow Fever.

BREWTON, Ala., Oct 6 .- Robert S. Rabb, a train quarantine guard, was taken sick at his home in Alco last Monday. This morning his physician reports his case as suspicious of yellow fever.

# Whole Town Destroyed.

Over 100 Houses Burned in a Fire at Austin, Pa., Leaving 500 People Homeless.

AUSTIN, Pa., Oct. 4.-Fire broke out this afternoon at 2:45 in Weed's livery barn, on Turner street, and in five hours every building in the town but five was eveled to the ground. Turner street was the principal residence street of the town. The loss is a sad blow. Probably 500 people are to-night home-

less. The fire was started by a lead of hay being run into a gas jet. The load was backed into the barn, and the team left standing, while the driver was preparing to unload. The flames started, and thus the second great fire in the history of this village came about. In all about 100 buildings were burned, mostly residences. Among the larger losses is the Methodist church, the Presbyterian church. the opera house, Welch's meat market, Hellwig's drug store, Gallup's livery and Weed's livery. The loss is placed by insurance experts at from \$150,000 to \$200,- gratulation.

The town, to-night, was full of homeless people, and many rigged up places in the ruins and slept, but a large portion had to go sleepless. A good many, however, through the kindness of citizens of surrounding towns, were able to secure shelter. Austin was practically without water supply, the mill pond on which the place depends for water for fighting fires having been drained while undergoing repairs.

# ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

--- Manager Garman has secured for his attraction, on Thursday, Oct 14th, the 'New Sporting Craze" and up-to-date minstrel farce, full of tuneful music, lively singing, pretty dances, a bevy of pretty girls and comedians. This play is constructed for laughing purposes only and is a sure cure for the blues. It has been entirely re-written and brought up-to-date. The company is far superior to many of its kind and has such well known artists as Wm. F. Carroll, Fred Lucier, Harry McDonald, H. Lester, Maurice Haynes, Lewis Worth, Emma DeCastro, Millie Irene, Tillie Stork, and many others.

POPULAR PEOPLE'S COURSE-Gentlemen are in town arranging for a series of high class concert and lecture entertainments to be given in this place during the winter. If they meet with success sufficient to warrant it eight first class entertainments will be given.

The repertoire embraces the Ollie Torbet concert company; Edward H. Fry, monologist; Boston ladies' symphony orchestra; give evidence of the fact. Jahu Dewitt Miller, lecturer; Arion-Cook Ransom entertainments and Rev. F. F.

sons who kill wild game out of season in that section.

--- M. B. Garman's "Dolly Spencer" won second money at the Union county fair, free for all race, on Friday. She was a close second to the winner in 2:15. This week the little mare is at Milton, but will noon, and the large territory the board of not be started because she is not eligible to any of the events except the free for all. Next week she will be entered at Blooms

-This will be the third and last year of that merry farce, "The Sporting Craze," as manager Pincus has decided to shelve it season on a grand scale, having two of the biggest companies of that kind on the road. So as this will be the last chance of ever again seeing this piece, it will be well for those who have not seen it to avail themhas enjoyed the distinction of being play- Illinois. ed over 2,000 times, something unusual for a piece of this kind, and as it is now have appeared in that suburb. The dis- brighter and funnier than ever, it will no doubt be greeted by a full house at Garman's, Thursday, Oct. 14th.

A BUGGY AND HARNESS STOLEN.—On Tuesday night a newly painted top buggy, with new red running gears, and a set of old breast strap, single harness were stolen from the stable of D. S. Erb, at State College. The body and top of the buggy are old but the gears are new. The cushion has been torn and sewed up. The harness can ple took advantage of the Thursday's excurbe recognized by the fact that one trace is sion to the Union county fair at Brook park, broken off at the first buckle hole and one Lewisburg. of the holding back straps is minus a buckle.

Mr. Erb has offered a reward for the return of the buggy and detection of the thief. It will be seen in the advertising columns of this issue.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—Following is the list of marriage licenses granted by orphan's court clerk, G. W. Rumberger, during the past week.

Alvin McMonigle, of Taylor township, and Bertha Moore, of Worth township. George N. VanDyke, of Greensburg, and

Carrie R. Noll, of Bellefonte. John A. Flack, of Rush township, and Mary E. Lupton, of Decatur, Clearfield county.

John Chapman, of Keystone Hill, Clearfield county, and Mary Relsall, of Philipsburg. Pa.

Irvin E. Robinson, of Curtin township, well. and Carrie May Reese, of Howard town-

James S. Coburn and Elizabeth Smith, both of Coburn.

PHILIPSBURG AMATEURS IN COMIC OPERA. - Gilbert and Sullivan's opera 'the Mikado'' was sung by Philipsburg amateurs, last week, under the direction of post masters at Rebersburg. The post office Whitney opera company The opera was produced for the benefit of the Village Improvement society of that place and was quite a success, financially. It had its initial performance last Thursday night and so captivated the people over there that they kept it on for the rest of the week.

with a Saturday matinee for children. That there should have been such a strong and well balanced chorus was not a surprise, when the musical inclination of the people of that community is considered, but that it should work itself up to a standard bordering on professional excellence must have been a source of great gratification to the promoters of the opera. The chorus probably did its best work at the finale of act I, when the mixed time R. D. Bierley, who is one of Brush Valley's and harmony tried its conception of the parts to the uttermost. The effect was

Sustained by such a chorus the leading roles appeared to admirable advantage. It was the first undertaking of its kind by local amateurs and was so successful as to be a strong incentive to further work.

The stage pictures, settings and costumes were all quite effective and lent to the success of the production.

Mr. Knowles is in Bellefonte now and met some of our young people in the parlors of the Brockerhoff house, last evening, with a view to arranging to produce both "Erminie" and "Mascotte" here as a

### double bill. Port Matilda Pointers.

Mrs. George Woodring, of Bluefield, W Va., was one of the participants in the noted McMonigal reunion.

Mrs. Mary McMonigal, formerly Miss Mary Caldwell, of this place, was a representative from Houtzdale to the McMonigal reunion.

A few evenings ago our townsman A. S. Price, was most agreeably surprised by about 40 people, both old and young, who formed into a party to pay respects to a neighbor and Nellie Maskell, Alice Lezotte, Annie Hart friend. They had a most enjoyable time both in plays and partaking of a plentiful supply of refreshments.

> A GRAND REUNION OF THE MCMONI-GALS.-An interesting reunion was held at at the McMonigal homestead, near Port Matilda, Sep. 30th, by the surviving members of the family of the late Steven and Eve Mc-Monigal, who early in the year 18 5, moved from Buffalo Run and settled in what was then a dense forest. With hard work and economy they opened up a beautiful farm. the broad and fertile fields of which to-day

Mr. and Mrs. McMonigal were generous combination; Rev. Thomas McClary; christian people regarded by board of judges made their returns of the Lewis, on the passion play at Oberamergau. children, nine of whom are living and partic-A season ticket will cost only \$1 and | ipated in the social event, namely: David F., with such a first class lot of entertainers it seems very probable that enough subscribers will be secured to start the series.

Henry, Jacob, James S., John, Samuel, Dangel, Mrs. Christina Melcher, Mrs. Levina Frantz. The deceased are Samuel, primary grade.

---- Warriorsmark people have organized David F., Mrs. Mary Henderson and Mrs. a club whose services will be given to Laiah Herdman. The grand-children pres-Forty-six New Cases. Spread Due to Quarantine catching, prosecuting and convicting per- ent representing Mrs. Christina Melcher's family were Henry, Port Matilda, Pa., Leon-

ard and Lizzie, Ramey; and Rachael, W. Va. Of John McMonigal's family were Mary of Tyrone; Frantz, Thomas, Emma and Daniel, of Hannah, Pa. Of Jacob McMonigal's family were Samuel and Alice, of Altoona, and Lizzie, of Tipton. Of James S. McMonigal's family, Levina and Mary, of Bellwood; Alice, Tyrone; Josephine, of Hannah. Of Henry McMonigal's family, Levina and Downing, Sinking Valley. Of Mrs. Levina Frantz's family, Rev. Stephen Welsh, Illinois. The great grand children with other family connections are so numerous that neither time nor space will justify enumeration.

Representatives from California, Illinois, Altoona, Tyrone, Pine Grove Mills, Ramey, and go into the burlesque business next Warriorsmark, Sinking Valley, Bell Wood Houtzdale, Philipsburg, Sandy Ridge and Julian, were present. The crowd numbered about 300. A day of social enjoyment was spent by the participants. The closing scene was able addresses from Rev. Hamlin, of following five deaths: Jean M. Coste, 18-olation hospital; Emma Well, 1521 Cam-selves of the opportunity of doing so. It Maxwell, Port Matilda; and Rev. Welsh, Houtzdale; Rev. Tallhelm, Julian; Rev.

### All Through Brush Valley.

Supt. C. L. Gramley and wife, of Rebersburg, spent a few days at our county seat re-

Mr. C. C. Loose, our Brush Valley lumber man, returned home, on Saturday evening, from his Ohio trip of two weeks.

Clarence Long, of Rockville, is seriously sick with typhoid fever, which makes the second person with the fever in that village. Quite a number of our Brush Valley peo-

One of Rebersburg's young gentleman. Claude Haines, left on Monday, for Green township, in Clinton county, to teach school at Hoffa's school house.

Some foolish person, in his foolish wisdom, started mountain fire, about Douty's mill, some three miles east of Wolfe's Store, sometime on Sunday.

Charles Krape and wife and Charles Heckman and wife, of Nittany valley, were visiting their relatives and friends in our valley the latter part of last week. Edward Gramley, of Rebersburg, has be-

gun the foundation for a new house between Rebersburg and Kreamerville. No doubt before many years are past the village and burg will become one town.

We are glad to learn that Miss Byrd Stover. who is one of Rebersburg's accomplished young ladies and who left in the beginning of Sept. for the Virginia young ladies college, likes her southern home very

Alfred Noah Bierley, who a number of years ago had singing schools in the different towns of Brush Valley and who has been one of Chicago's able music writers for a number of years, is now in our valley and is visiting his many relatives and friends. All are glad to see Noah again.

Last Thursday noon Uncle Sam changed Mr. George F. Knowles, formerly with the was moved from John Smull's house into Snyder Miller's barber shop. Since Mr. Miller has done such work for Uncle Sam before we are sure that he will again prove to be one of his best servants.

> John H. Meyer, left on Monday morning. for Winfield, Pa., where he has charge of a steam roller mill. Mr. Meyer, while he was with us, proved himself to have a clean character and a person who was liked by both young and old. Our valley is only too sorry to see such a promising young man leave.

> The sale of David Moyer, of near Wolfe's store, whose barn burned two weeks ago, was well attended on last Saturday, and his stock. which he was obliged to dispose of, was sold at a fair price. Mr. Moyer, in a few weeks. will get a steamer to saw lumber for his new barn which will be finshed before Xmas. most expert carpenters, will build it.

The new miller, who moved to Centre Mills last Friday, in the person of William Corman, who one year ago had rented Supt. C. L. Gramley's roll mill at Rockville, is well known in this community. The talk is that the Centre Mills roller mill is in full control of J. K. Moyer, the owner of the mill, and Mr. Corman only works by the month for him. Mr. Moyer and son Bruce expect to run the mill wagon themselves.

# Madisonburg.

Quite a number of our people attended the fair last week.

Mrs. S. B. Shaffer has returned home from Mill Hall, where she had been visiting her The store at the east end of town has

changed hands. The new firm is known as A. J. Hazel & Co. The writer wishes them many prosperous business years. Prof. Alfred Bierley, of Chicago, is visiting

nis brother Joseph Bierly of this place. Prof. Bierley is one of Chicago's most prominent music publishers. He is author of a number of music books and journals.

# Hublersburg.

Miss Belle Webner has left for Birmingham to stay until Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Swartz visited friends in Lewisburg during the fair at that place. Mr. W. H. Markle is improving the looks of his property by giving the building a coat of paint.

The house of E. J. Markle was daily infested with tax-payers before Oct., 1st all eager to secure the five per cent discount.

Mr. Jacob Weaver Jr., has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Jacob Mowery. Mr. Mowery has moved into the house with his son-in-law, Mr. John Weaver.

Mrs. S. C. Runkle and interesting son John, of Philadelphia, after an extended visit at Rev. Runkle's, have returned home and were greatly pleased with Nittany valley.

The schools of this place opened last Monday with Mr. A. A. Pletcher, of Nittany Hall, teacher of the grammar school, and Miss Sue Dannley, of Pine Grove Mills, teacher of the