

—With all our victories in the Philip- pines we're still on Luzon grounds.

—Dr. SWALLOW's stock of discretion seems to be running dangerously low.

—Col. REEDER's surrender, like the death of the distinguished citizen, was both "sudden and unexpected."

—The surrender of one or the other of the opposing Republican forces of the county is booked for next Tuesday.

—Peace in the Republican party of the county may come, but it will be too late to save it anything but the pieces.

—Peace may come to the county but a looted treasury and the ashes of a burnt capitol will still be found at Harrisburg.

—To many persons Col. REEDER's dis- appearance from the ring looks like an ad- mission of a licking before the fight began.

—TEDDY ROOSEVELT's advertisements seem to have a grip on "top of column or among reading" positions in a great num- ber of papers.

—Gov. HASTING's friends have the con- solation of the knowing that if ARNOLD succeeds on Tuesday next they will have lots of help to lick him in November.

—Reports say that Gen. SHAFER is thirty pounds lighter than when he went to Santiago. No shrinkage is reported, however, in the egotism that envelops him.

—The enthusiasm with which the Span- ish soldiers in Porto Rico surrender creates the suspicion that they have full knowl- edge of our treatment of CERVERA and his men.

—Gen. MILES' telegram that he needs no additional troops in Porto Rico, is cal- culated to bring Secretary ALGER's army picnic arrangements to a premature and disastrous ending.

—If Governor HASTINGS only knew what the other fellows were going to do he would know so much better what to do to prevent his being done. As it is, such an ad- o about undoing a man was never before witnessed hereabouts.

—It may be smokeless powder that the HASTINGS and anti-HASTINGS forces of the county are using in their internecine war, but there is no trouble in locating the lines of either side. Any one can find them by the political stink they are raising.

—The cessation of hostilities in Cuba seems to have sprung a surprise on Mr. STONE's plan of battle in Pennsylvania. His forces have already fallen back, while a flag of truce is being frantically waved towards the camp of the WANAMAKER in- surgents.

—It's a question if the Republican forces right here at home are not having a hotter time than the boys who have gone to the front. And then to think of it, no pension list to provide for the disabled. Verily the ways of the crooked lead to defeat and dis- appointments!

—Only a fair division of the "Swag," will prevent the people knowing all about the multitudinous steals connected with the present war. Indications of slopping over on the part of some of the rascals who are being left in the divide, are apparent on all sides. The country should pray that the great work of revelation may proceed.

—Mr. MARK HANNA predicts that the next presidential campaign will be made "on the issues and records of the war." Pos- sibly it will. And part of those records will consist of this same Mr. HANNA's as- sertion that those who favored war and "worthless citizens and the scruff of soci- ety."

—Clearfield county has one hundred and fifteen patients in the different asylums of the State and fifteen in the home for feeble minded in Polk county. The statistician does not give the causes for such a large percentage of insanity in Clearfield county, but we suppose that a portion of it comes from the track of the speech making tours of the "Boy Orator of the Susquehanna."

—Mr. STONE's flags may be all right, but notwithstanding the brilliancy of their coloring and the constancy with which he waves them, the people of Pennsylvania will get an occasional glimpse of a looted treasury and the charred foundations of a burnt capitol. It is these plague spots that hides the ghost of Republican adminis- trations and that candidate STONE would hide from the people.

—Congressman HICKS has succeeded in securing the appointment, as postmaster at Tyrone, of the candidate who was charged with paying him \$2,500 for the position. Decent Republicans up that way will re- lieve their over-strained feelings by going out behind the barn and swearing and then going back and voting an other time for HICKS and the party. It's their way of doing things—their idea of strengthening reform and encouraging honesty.

—We are not the possessor of an official copy as a verification, but "well authen- ticated reports" assure us that the articles of capitulation, between Col. REEDER and the Republican insurgents under would-be- chieftain WOMELSDORF, provide for the evacuation of all the territory within the county east of the Alleghenies, by the latter and their future submission in local, district, and state affairs to the dictation of Col. REEDER's commander-in-chief, fami- liarly known as "our DAN." In short, Col. REEDER has lost the senate nomination, and chieftain WOMELSDORF his independ- ence.

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Alger's Army Abuses.

American feeling never sustained so great an outrage as that which has been inflicted upon it by the abuses practiced in the war department during the present war.

Particularly does his official dereliction assume the character of a crime in those abuses under his authority that have prostrated the army with disease and subjected the soldiers to a deplorable condition of debility in consequence of a scarcity of provisions and a lack of medical supplies.

With the overflowing means which the patriotism of the American people have lavished upon the administration for the carrying on of this war, can there be any excuse for such conditions? Can there be any other reason for them than gross mis- management as well as corrupt intention on the part of ALGER's personal favorites and political retainers, who have been given contracts for furnishing supplies in which they have swindled the government and defrauded the soldiers?

But such conditions at Santiago cannot be ascribed to causes peculiar to that locality, for wherever our soldiers have been encamped this summer the same bad management, neglect and ill treatment have prevailed.

For abuses that prevail everywhere in connection with the army there must be a general cause, and there is no difficulty in tracing it to the man at the head of the war department who has made his office the means of serving his personal and political ends.

—What in the world is to become of the Republican campaign haranguer whose stock in trade has been villification of "free trade England." No political gathering of the future, no matter how bigoted it may be, will tolerate the old line of talk against the people who have so manfully stood up beside us and the effect of whose friendship has possibly been to preserve us from becoming embroiled with France, Germany or Russia.

Col. "Teddy" and his Sacrifice.

Col. "TEDDY" ROOSEVELT evidently has as little care for the wrath of the war department as he had for the Spanish bullets that vainly tried to check the fearless advance of his intrepid Rough Riders at El Caney.

That the doctor has a clear understand- ing of what is involved in this state cam- paign was sufficiently indicated by his as- sertion in a speech he made to a Bank's county meeting some weeks ago, that "the question at issue is neither war, nor tariff, nor sound money, but rather, shall a gang of thieves be permitted to handle and mis- appropriate the hard earnings of Pennsylv- ania taxpayers."

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—The manner in which the health of the men who have faced death for their country, and those who are lying in the great rendezvous camps ready and eager to follow in their footsteps, has been disregarded by the war department is the most deplorable evidence of incompetency some- where. It seems that it takes a pile of coffins as high as the Washington monument to attract the attention of the au- thorities to the necessity of getting healthier camping places for the soldiers.

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Swallow's Assistance to the Machine.

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Wasting Their Efforts.

From the Pittsburgh Post.

The last Legislature was of such disgrace and dishonor to Pennsylvania in its meth- ods and so extravagant and corrupt in its legislation that it should be an easy matter to overthrow the gang that controlled it and replace the rosters, pinchers and jobbers by honest and fairly capable men.

The difficulties in the way are that the Republican party has assumed responsibility for the Legislature, and its candidate for Governor whitewashes and palliates its misdeeds. It was the embodiment of Quayism. Some of its worst specimens have been renominated, and others will be.

The Governorship is the key to the legisla- tive situation. Elect Mr. Jenks and even a third of the Assembly and his veto will be supreme. That means everything.

There is but one road for the accom- plishment of any practical result in the di- rection of reform this year in Pennsylvania politics and the stamping out of the Quay machine and the re-election of George A. Jenks for Governor and an agreement, feasible in every close or doubtful legisla- tive district, will secure union on legisla- tive candidates—no matter whether they are Democrats, Independents or Republi- cans—with a resulting defeat of the Quay machine and the re-election of the Senator.

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Spawls from the Keystone.

—Peter Solleder, a leather dealer and highly respected citizen of Bloomsburg, died at his home in that place, on Tuesday, aged 45 years.

—Mrs. B. F. Bailey, of DuBois, despondent over ill health, swallowed a large dose of corrosive sublimate Saturday with suicidal intent. She is horribly burned inside. She may recover.

—District attorney Hiram J. Kaufman, of Berks county, convicted of embezzling near- ly \$1,000, belonging to a ward, was sentenced to nine months in jail. Appeal was then taken to the superior court. Kaufman was released on bail in the meantime.

—In Penn township, Lyscoming county, recently, Howard Weaver, aged 19, while assisting in threshing grain, drank freely of ice water while in a heated condition. A few hours afterward he became ill with in- flammation of the bowels and died.

—Sigmund Simon, of Lock Haven, received a telegram giving him the intelligence that his nephew, J. B. Weil, was among the brave boys who were killed in the recent battle of Santiago. Mr. Weil was a member of the Thirtieth New York infantry and was a native of Plymouth, Pa.

—Fredericks, Munro & Co., are making preparations for re-building the fire brick works at Farrisville, which were destroyed by fire recently. Lumber and other ma- terials are being delivered on the grounds and the work of erecting a new building will be pushed as fast as possible.

—The supreme court has confirmed the decision of Judge Biddle, of Cumberland county, in a case that is of general interest throughout the State. He allowed constables 10 cents on each and every mile they travel in performance of their official duty. Many constables were allowed five cents, and proceedings will be instituted for back fees in many counties where they were withheld.

—A strange malady has made its appear- ance among some of the cattle in this State. It attacks the eyes, causing them first to get bloodshot, then white, which makes them blind. The disease is said to have been in- troduced by western cattle, and in some cases one steer has infected a whole herd. In some cases the cattle recover their sight and in others they remain totally blind.

—At Sykes, Clearfield county, Monday, Mrs. John Clayton was going down stairs when her foot slipped. Mrs. Clayton threw out her hand to steady herself when a ring on one of her fingers caught on a hook in the wall. The lady's weight swung on the hand and the finger was pulled from its socket and hung suspended on the hook. Mrs. Clayton suffered intensely from the accident.

—A few days ago eighteen men, after eat- ing a dinner of boiled cabbage at the Thomp- son house, North Bend, became seriously ill, their sickness showing symptoms of poison- ing. Dr. Rosser was summoned. A few hours after, all were out of danger. The cabbage had been taken from near a row of potatoes along which Paris green had been scattered. It is supposed that the poison flew over the cabbage, thus causing the illness after the vegetable was eaten.

—Frank Berry started out to dynamite fish in the creek near his home at South Annville the other day. He held a can of the stuff in his hand resting on his knee while he lighted the fuse intending to throw the can into the water to explode. He missed his calculation and the can exploded in his hand. His right hand was torn off and his leg crushed from hip to knee. He lingered for two hours and died, leaving a wife and one child.

—A young man 18 years of age has been sentenced to imprisonment in Doylestown jail for 50 days for destroying birds' nests. When arrested he had about 30 young birds in his possession and about two dozen eggs. The law under which he was convicted was passed by the bad Legislature of last winter, and we suppose some reformers will not approve of it on that account; but the law is a good one. The destruction of birds' nests is one of the evils that demands a remedy.

—Eugene Lentz, who manages the Eagle hotel at Ralston, Lyscoming county, was made the victim of a revengeful woman's wrath a few days ago. Mrs. Tiny Welsh, about 24 years old, and who has not been living with her husband for some time, walked into the bar room and threw a cupful of carbolic acid in Lentz's face. The one eye was completely destroyed and it is feared that the sight of the other one is gone. Mrs. Welsh was arrested and is now in jail at Williamsport. She states that she threw the poison in Lentz's face for the reason, as she alleges, that he had slandered her.

—In the Centre county court a decision has been handed down in the case of the overseers of Walker township. This was a case where a person by the name of Frank Toner, who had resided in Lamar township for a long time, had removed into Walker township to get work. Some of the citizens of that township had an order of removal taken out, and when the overseers of the poor visited Toner, they found that he was not in need of any assistance from the poor board and that he was earning a good living for himself and family. The court sustained the appeal and quashed the order of removal and put the costs on Walker township.

—John Brown, probably the largest man in the state of Pennsylvania, died at his home at Larimer Wednesday last, of exhaus- tion, caused by the intense heat. He was the heaviest man in the western part of the State, tipping the scales at 442 pounds. He had numerous offers to travel with circuses, but he declined them all. Owing to his great weight, Mr. Brown has not been able for years to sleep in a bed, as it was hard for him to breathe when he reclined. For this reason he has been sleeping in a chair. The funeral took place at the family residence on Thursday afternoon. The casket was the largest ever seen in Irwin. It was 6 feet, 9 inches in length, 31 inches wide, and 22 inches in depth. It was too large to take in- doors and undertaker L. H. Taylor found it necessary to coffin the body out of doors. As the body lay on the cooling board it meas- ured 54 inches around the waist, 44 inches around the shoulders, 15 inches around the neck, and 21 inches around the biceps of the arm. There were twelve pall bearers, and straps were used, the massive brass handles of the coffin not being trusted to stand the strain on them. A heavy road wagon was used instead of a hearse.