

-If they keep on giving "smokers" for Admiral DEWEY, the naval hero will begin to know what it feels like to be a dried herring.

-The PULLMAN palace car company has absorbed the WAGNER car company and now the porters of the corporations will combine to absorb the public.

-BARNETT's hand of singers are about as much of a fake as the "wild man from Manila" who was exhibited at county fairs in Pennsylvania this fall proved to be.

-There has been enough shooting already down in the Transval to give old KRUGER and his liberty loving subjects a very fair idea of a real, old fashioned American Fourth of July.

-The Altoona wheelman who rode into a pole-cat a few days ago and didn't know what it was was skunked when he tried to gather a crowd about him to explain that he had run down a coon.

-It is now announced that the President's political future is in the hands of Gen'l. OTIS. If the latter whips the Philippines McKinLEY will be re-elected President and if he doesn't do it pretty quick-Well that will be another matter.

-As JOHN I. MITCHELL is one of the statesmen who assisted in the defeat of Governor BEAVER in 1882, it is a fair presumption that our fellow townsman's political sympathies will not be hopelessly hurt if Centre county Republicans should fail to share their appreciation of such party treachery by refusing to vote for him now.

-With wheat at 60cts a bushel and not more than a third of a crop in Centre county our farmers will scarcely feel able to vote for the continuation of a state administration that increases their taxes by cutting \$1,000,000 from the public school appropriation, or for county commissioners who unjustly levy unlawful taxes upon their dogs and give county work to personal favorites at extravagant prices.

-The New York Sun apologizes to the contestants in a recent poetical scheme it encouraged, for the delay in selecting the winner, by stating that "one of the judges is out of town and another is sick." It is altogether likely that several more of them will be sick and the sick one sicker before they get through with the more than a thousand spams on "The Man Without a Hoe" that are said to have been written.

-GROVER CLEVELAND was the name of one of the five Carlisle Indian school students who recently enlisted for service in the Philippines. When the son of the forest gets over onto those baked sand patches of MCKINLEY's he will conclude, with that statesman who has been carefully laid away with the archives at Princeton, that it is "a condition, not a theory that confronts him." And a d---d bad condition at that.

-Secretary of War ROOT has his first report now in the hands of the printer. While its contents are not all known it is understood that the report carries a recommendation of a standing army of one hundred thousand men. Everything is drifting towards imperialism and a military government. Shade of GEORGE WASHINGTON rise up and rebuke these people who would destroy your government of the people.

-BARNETT could scarcely have been more of a "dodger" on the battle fields of the Philippines than he has been in the campaign for State Treasurer of Pennsylvania. As a soldier he is accused of having concealed himself behind rice dykes, while his men were haring their breasts to the Filipino bullets. As a leader of the QUAY forces he hides behind the flag every time the guns of the inquisitor are trained on QUAY's conduct of the State Treasury.

-Now that ADAMS has been kicked off the QUAY state ticket because he could not refute the terrible charges made against his integrity the people are turning their attention to Col. BARNETT, whose record with the Tenth, they say, will not bear the search light of inspection. The soldiers of that gallant regiment are beginning to talk about the man who was second in command over them and what they have to say is anything but complimentary to the QUAY nominee for State Treasurer.

-During his inaugural address president HADLEY, of Yale, found occasion to refer to the increased cost of securing an education today at the great University, over that of one, two or three decades ago. Now the average is \$905 per year, against \$352 in 1869; \$430, in 1879 and \$525, in 1889. Instead of going up, the washing bills have decreased \$10 per year during the last ten years, which seems to prove one of two contentions: Either the Yale men are not as natty as they once were or they are falling back on "celluloid dummies."

-There seems to be considerable discussion of the question just now as to how to make a good girl, out of a bad girl, and most of those who have taken the matter up have utterly failed in every attempt to furnish a solution of this important moral problem. The truth is that it is beyond the range of possibility to make a good girl out of a bad girl unless the unfortunate creature has had the seeds of purity and goodness sown by good home training. They may have been scattered on barren soil, but if they are there they will germinate at some time. Otherwise you might just as well try to make a silk purse out of a sow's ear.

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Forced from the Ticket.

The prompt retirement of JOSIAH R. ADAMS from the QUAY ticket for Superior court judge is the most emphatic admission, on his part, that the terrible charges made against him, by the independent Republican and Democratic newspapers of the State, are true. No one but a guilty man could have afforded to leave such accusations as were published against ADAMS go unchallenged and his prompt retirement from the ticket shows that because he could not meet the charges he dared not meet the people.

While we have been insisting all along that QUAY named men for his ticket, whose only recommendation is their servility to him, few have realized to what extent the boss has carried this practice. But now since the ADAMS episode the public ought to be ready to accept most any statement, for no similar disgrace has ever been inflicted on our State. The very impudence of attempting to hoist a man to a seat on the Superior court bench whose life has been a perfect series of business dishonesty.

ADAMS' running under fire wasn't much worse than the action of Lt. Col. BARNETT in the Philippines. The soldiers of the Tenth now say that the present candidate for State Treasurer is only shining by the little light he was able to absorb from the gallant HAWKINS. They assert that he hid in the rice dykes when his regiment was under fire and while the men were exposing themselves to the Filipino bullets he was hugging the sand as close as a bunch of Buffalo grass. To add to the revulsion the fighting men of Pennsylvania's fighting regiment feel for the man who would assume their loved Colonel's rank would seem impossible, but when he takes an old vaudevillian singer and a barkeeper and puts the uniform of the Tenth on them and gets them onto the platform beside himself to sing the songs that the boys sung about Manila, the indignation of the real soldiers knows no bounds.

Just as BARNETT is deceiving the public with these fake singers from the Tenth he can be expected to deceive the public with promises of reforming the Treasury, if he is elected. He should retire from the ticket, as did ADAMS, but he doesn't even seem to have the virtue of wanting to keep his skeleton in the closet as did the Philadelphia lawyer, who, at least, showed some respect for public sentiment.

BRUNGARD will be the man for sheriff because the people recognize, everywhere he goes, that there is nothing hidden with him. He is stalwart, open CYRUS BRUNGARD under all conditions and at all times. He has nothing to sneak around the back streets for and has a horror of alleys, because he does not do anything that could not be shown up to self respecting men. Mr. BRUNGARD is a christian gentleman, who seeks the office of sheriff in an honorable way and honorable men will vote for him.

Rev. Rhoads and Jake Herman. While we have no desire to cast reflection on the integrity of Rev. W. W. RHOADS, pastor of the Lemont Evangelical church, we have no doubt, after reading his letter, published in the Republican yesterday, in which he vouches for the good moral standing of JAKE HERMAN, that there is another good man gone wrong. Just what business Rev. RHOADS has to mix himself up in a political contest is beyond the comprehension of those who have been taught to hold the ministry as a sacred calling and one removed from the belittling influences of the world.

It is quite evident that Rev. RHOADS doesn't know any more about the true work of a minister of the gospel than he does about JAKE HERMAN's moral character. While the certificate he has published will do Mr. HERMAN no good in the districts where he is known better than Rev. RHOADS seems to know him, it is unfortunate that a minister should have reflected such discredit upon himself.

No one can give you a single good reason why you should not vote for Mr. ARCHEY for register. He is a clean, intelligent gentleman who has devoted his entire life to honest toil and now comes before the voters of the county for the first time, asking to be made register because he is competent to fill the office satisfactorily. Mr. ARCHEY has not been so well served with county office as some others, nor does he desire to be. He is asking for your vote for the first time and ought not to be ashamed to make the request because he is an honest man and because he will serve you faithfully, if chosen.

The Way the Trusts Reach Out.

The manner of the business procedure of the trusts and great combinations of capital is not without interest to the masses, though it be of that awe-inspiring kind that affects one as he is drawn to watch the lightning's play; not knowing at what moment it might strike him dead. To the people of some communities the word trust doubtless conveys only a very vague understanding of what these organizations of concentrated capital accomplish in the way of controlling the out-put and prices of commodities. They know that the cost of some one or more of the articles they consume has taken a sudden and unexpected advance; wholly incommensurate with its actual value, but they never realize to the fullest extent just how and in what ways the trusts operate to bring about such conditions.

Here in Bellefonte we have had several recent opportunities of studying the trusts and their effects upon the people. First, the MANN axe works, a small though busy, thrifty little operation was bought by the American axe and tool company because it stood in the way of certain ends desired to be reached by that trust. The plant was dismantled and the men who had been employed there for years; having, by their toil, been able to build themselves comfortable little homes, were forced to look elsewhere for work, and, in many cases, to sacrifice the properties they had spent almost a life time in paying for. Today MANN'S axe works is like GOLDSMITH'S "Deserted Village" so far as the trip of the hammer, the incessant grinding of the polishing stones and the glow of the forge fires are concerned. And a trust has been the sole cause of it.

Several years ago, when the nail market took an unexpected jump and manufacturers were looking about through Pennsylvania for plants that only wanted the quickening impulse of capital to stir them into activity again it was found that the idle nail mills had all been leased by the trust, so that that gigantic corporation could glut itself with the advanced prices that it saw fit to demand for its product. The Bellefonte nail mill, once a hive of industry, where several hundred men earned fair wages, was among the plants that were locked up and rendered useless, so far as helping anyone but a trust was concerned.

These two examples of the way the trusts operate have not only been felt, but seen by the people of this section. Now another plan of their pernicious workings is coming to light and this time the farmers, and not the mechanics and laboring people, are to feel the tentacles of a great octopus as they twine about them in their endeavor to squeeze out the last farthing.

The National Harrow Co., is a combination of nine of the leading manufacturers of harrows and other small farm implements, in the United States, that was doubtless formed to control the price of those commodities. This concern has adopted a new and decidedly novel manner of preserving to itself the exclusive trade of the consumer. In fact it is the first case of the sort that has ever come to our notice. The National Harrow Co., first tries to intimidate small dealers in implements by repeatedly sending them circulars in which they are warned against handling any implements that are an infringement on any of the patents controlled by said corporation. And if such circulars were to be accepted as they read every implement would come under the class upon which this trust places the threatening ban. It must have been because the little dealers were not as green as they were imagined to be that a futher and, we infer, still more adroit scheme has been adopted. Now the National Harrow Co., attorneys are writing to all dealers, urging them to send, so far as they know, the names of every farmer who buys implements in their section. They state that their desire to have such a list of consumers is one prompted solely by a philanthropic motive to keep them out of the law's meshes by warning them against the purchase of any machinery with infringements. In reality it is a scheme to scare the farmer out of the purchase of any machinery not controlled and priced by the National Harrow Co.

The farmers have been caught on so many Bohemian oats, lightning rod and other swindles that they will doubtless be eager and thankful for just such information as this trust proposes to give them, but they will waken up, sooner or later, to realize how they have been duped by another one of the trade creatures that Republican laws and Republican officials bring into existence and foster for the campaign fat that can be fried from them.

If FISHER really did give away the information that RIDDLE'S account was overdrawn it is little wonder that RIDDLE'S friends have decided to knife the Union township candidate for commissioner. There has been bad blood between the two for some time, so 'tis said; they only speak to each other when it is absolutely necessary and neither has a favor to ask of the other, nor one to grant.

A Coward For a Candidate!

HOW RICE-DYKE BARNETT STANDS AT HOME.

The Testimony of Neighbors Who Know Him and of Soldiers Who Served Under Him-Unfeeling Toward His Sick Commander-Cruel to the Men Under Him, and Afraid to Face the Enemy.

If you want to ascertain who and what a man is, go to his own home. His neighbors know him, and if he is in any respect deserving they will say so. It is to Western Pennsylvania you should go to discover the kind of a man Lieut. Col. BARNETT is.-Out among his neighbors, and the soldiers who were under him. And if you go there you will come home with the conviction that he is not the kind of a man you want to honor or trust.

Last week Republican state chairman REDDER had a meeting of the county chairmen of south western Pennsylvania. Nine of the ten chairmen present told him plainly that where BARNETT was best known he was the weakest. They all protested against him being sent into any of the counties from which soldiers had been recruited for the Tenth Regiment.

REPUBLICAN TESTIMONY AS TO HIS UNPOPULARITY.

Chairman UNDERWOOD, of Washington county, BARNETT'S home, said: "We don't want BARNETT on the stump in our county. He would seriously damage the party's cause. Our workers do not recall that he ever spoke in the county for a Republican ticket. They complain that about the only thing he ever did was to work against Republican nominees."

Chairman WHITTIER, of Westmoreland, a county from which many of the Tenth Regiment boys were recruited, said: "The Tenth regiment boys generally in Greensburg and vicinity, privately expressed bitter opposition to BARNETT. Many of them accused him of an overfondness for rice-dyke protection, far in the rear of his fellow-members of the Tenth, during engagements with the Filipinos. Nearly every spot where you find a Tenth Regiment boy you find trouble for BARNETT. Many of them are not only talking among their neighbors against him, but working against his election."

Chairman CROW, of Fayette, another county from which many of the fighting Tenth boys went, said: "The unpopularity of BARNETT among the Tenth regiment soldiers cannot be denied. A host of reputable witnesses, professional and business men, would arise against him if necessary. Two-thirds of the regiment are Republicans, and it is believed by our people, in the different counties referred to that a large majority of the Republican soldiers will vote against BARNETT."

TRYING TO STEAL THE BEST ROOMS FROM HIS SICK COLONEL.

Much of the bitter criticism against him is in consequence of his alleged cowardice, when he was found hiding behind a rice-dyke in the rear of his regiment while it was in action; his tyrannical treatment of the men after Col. HAWKINS became too ill to care for them, and his lack of sympathy or care for Colonel HAWKINS when he was stricken with his fatal illness.

It is stated by second lieutenant WILLIAM B. RITCHIE, of the Tenth, and others that young HAWKINS, son of the lamented Colonel, at Cavite, just before the sailing of the transport Senator, with the regiment for home, made indignantly demonstration of his feelings toward BARNETT. The story is that BARNETT caused his personal effects to be put in the best stateroom of the Senator, the only room with the good ventilation which was so much needed for the ailing Colonel HAWKINS, who was in the hospital at Corregidor Island. "After Lieutenant HAWKINS had made inquiry about this," says Lieutenant RITCHIE, a leading business man in Washington, Pa., "he decided that the rank of his father, even if the latter were a well man, entitled him to this room. He did not then think that Colonel HAWKINS was to die within two days out from Yokohama. Young HAWKINS promptly caused all of BARNETT'S traps to be put out on deck, and the room was reserved for the Colonel."

SICK COMMANDER NEGLECTED.

It is testified by private WILLIAM T. HAYES, a Waynesburg young man of excellent repute: "I was detailed to the hospital service, and was continually in Colonel HAWKINS' room on the Senator during the stay at Nagasaki, and until the Colonel's death. I was the only member of the Tenth present when he died. Lieutenant Colonel BARNETT'S room was next door but one to the Colonel on the Senator, but BARNETT was in the commander's room every once, and on only one occasion do I know that BARNETT inquired how the Colonel was."

A SKULKER IN BATTLE.

One of the many battlefield incidents that had caused this feeling against BARNETT is related by a Company H private, JOHN E. CLARK, of Washington, Pa. "When we were crossing the railroad bridge at Guiguinto," he says, "the Filipinos opened fire on us from the woods, hundreds of yards ahead. Our fellows on the line of sentries put their droppings to earth. Major BEERER, of the Tenth, was the first officer I saw at the front, but very soon Colonel HAWKINS was there forming the line. Our company got into the line, and when LEWIS of company C, was shot in the leg, I, with the litter, helped to carry him to the rear. I had not seen BARNETT, whom Company I men said they had seen him, crouching in places like a hullo waw or part of a rice dyke fringed with bushes, back toward the bridge, after all of the Tenth had crossed. "After carrying off a second wounded man of Company C, I returned to the firing line and put on the litter GEORGE TAYLOR, of this company, who lived only three days afterward. We took him back to a sort of scooped-out, swampy place among the rice dykes, which at that moment was 40 or 50 yards back of the firing line. It was only about 100 yards from the bridge. To the left of me, only about 15 or 20 feet, I saw, well protected behind a mound, Lieutenant Colonel BARNETT. Though evening, it was still light as day, and I could see plainly a much longer distance.

"BARNETT had his little officer's gun, but was not using it. He was doing nothing but lying low. HAWKINS and BEERER were at the front doing everything. The fight was at its hottest when BARNETT lay behind that mound, which was five or six feet in diameter and perhaps four feet high. I think it was simply a part of a rice dyke where the earth was thrown up higher than elsewhere. The rice dyke protection to our boys at the front was not over eight or nine inches high.

"After returning from poor TAYLOR to the front the fight was pretty well over, and Colonel HAWKINS asked why the boys over there, were still shooting. I went to the Colonel's son about this, and he caused the firing to cease.

"When it came to the soldier business at Cavite, after the fighting, BARNETT was exacting enough with the worn-out men, nearly half of whom were sick. He then persisted in unnecessary drilling in the hot sun. But real business had always demanded HAWKINS. Just before we made the charge at De La Yona Church HAWKINS was right with his men, and he remained so to the end of that rapid advance; but I didn't see BARNETT, whom members of the regiment say they saw behind a rice dyke on that occasion."

HIDING BEHIND RICE DYKES.

Greensburg members of the Tenth, all prominent in business or professional life, join in the indorsement of the following story told by a fellow townsman, a prominent young lawyer, who was a member of Company I:

"At the battle of Guiguinto, one of the hardest fights we had, on March 29th, we men of Company I, from Greensburg and vicinity, were the last of the Pennsylvanians to cross the railroad bridge. When we were on the other side we saw BARNETT crouching under shelter, in a muddy little hollow like a buffalo wallow. It might have been a half-dried-up little stream bed along one of the rice dykes, numerous thereabouts. The rice dykes are little embankments to hold the water for the rice.

"Company I were performing their duty of supporting the rear of the regiment. There being awful heavy firing ahead, we pushed on and asked BARNETT to tell us where to go. He waved his hand in the direction of the firing. The nearest danger to him was 200 yards in advance just then, and afterward much further. We moved on and left him there. We had known him from the De La Loma Church fight and other occasions to be 'sold-footed.' The worst name you could call a man in our regiment was 'cold-foot.'

Other narratives from men of the Tenth, in corroboration of the alleged 'cold-footedness' at Guiguinto and elsewhere are forthcoming, with the names of the eye-witnesses. The arrival in the Philippines of newspapers containing a letter from BARNETT to his law partner, RICHARD H. SCANDRETT, of Pittsburg, expressing desire to possess a long-sighted glass, was among the incidents prompting the introduction of a song into the regiment, with these stanzas:

"O, here's to Jimmy of rice-dyke fame!
With long-range gun, take steady aim;
When bullet whistle, jump into a drain,
And hide with Jimmy of rice-dyke fame.

Our long-range Jim, so deep in the ground,
When called by the Colonel, could not be found.
O, rice-dyke Jim was safe and sound
In the rear, low lying, behind a mound.

Spawls from the Keystone.

-A monument is to be erected at Franklin to Colonel Drake, who put down the first oil well.

-Governor Stone has appointed John Fulton, of Johnstown, a member of the State Forestry Reservation Commission.

-Just as he quit work with the intention of attending the funeral of a friend, Michael McMahon, of Renovo, fell over dead.

-While walking among the mines at Crystal Ridge, Luzerne county, Michael Cavick fell 90 feet down a shaft and was killed.

-Andrew S. Stover, deputy treasurer of Franklin county, died at his home in Chambersburg, Friday night, aged 58 years.

-The home of John Bohring, in Pine township, Indiana county, was destroyed a few days ago by fire, originating in a defective flue.

-Falling from a train at Jeanette, Louie Smith, a member of the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Regiment, who served in Puerto Rico, was killed.

-J. Eagan, and Cornelius W. Shew, the Susquehanna county murderers, have been given a fourth respite, from October 29th to November 23rd.

-Andrew Carnegie offers \$30,000 for a free library at Tyrone, providing that the town gives a site and raises \$3000 annually to maintain the institution.

-Thomas Costello, who has just returned to Hazleton from the Philippines, was robbed of \$80 on Monday. The amount represents several months' hard-earned wages.

-Bears are plenty in the mountains north of Renovo. Some teamsters in the Drury's Run region say they saw two big black bears bathing in the new reservoir and having a general good time to themselves.

-William Henry Rosensteel Sr., a native of Baltimore, the original manufacturer of Ball leather, on which he won a World's Fair premium at Vienna, died at Johnstown on Tuesday at the age of eighty-three.

-Thirty-five hands employed at the cigar factory of F. H. Young & Bro., at Farnandsville, Clinton county, struck for an advance in wages. The matter will probably be satisfactorily arranged, and the men resume work.

-The Dr. Petit block, one of the largest in New Wilmington, Mercer county, was destroyed by fire Sunday night, together with other buildings. The new town has no fire protection, and the business portion was only saved after a hard fight. The loss is about \$10,000.

-While playing around a bonfire of leaves, at Williamsport, Tuesday, Charles Keckner, aged 3 years, fell into the blazing fire. His screams attracted the attention of his mother, who ran from the house and pulled the child from the blazing mass. He was terribly burned and may die.

-Mrs. Wm. A. Bagley died at the home of her son-in-law, P. E. Dillen, who resides near Hastings, Monday, October 16th. She fell down a flight of stairs the previous Tuesday, breaking her hip, which accident was the cause of her death. She was aged 77 years and a native of Cambria county.

-The tannery that burned at Curwensville two months ago, and which many thought would be rebuilt at Clearfield, will be erected again at the former place, just across the creek from where it stood before, and on a much larger scale. The people of Curwensville naturally feel good over the matter.

"Zeke" Hoover, a teamster living in Clearfield, met with a serious accident recently. In an effort to stop his horses he was thrown down and one of the front wheels of the wagon passed over him. Three ribs on his left side were broken loose from the backbone and one over his heart was fractured.

-Leonard Minor, an employe of the Keystone Lime and Stone company, at Pemberton, a short distance from Tyrone, was overpowered by two negroes at Spruce Creek Sunday and robbed of \$247 in cash and a watch. Minor had expected to be married on Christmas day, but says he now have to wait until some other Christmas day.

-On Wednesday at 11 o'clock a. m., Andrew C. Allison, editor of the *Journal Herald* and postmaster of Millintown, was united in marriage to Mary E., daughter of B. F. Schweizer, editor of the *Sentinel and Republican*, of the same place. The ceremony was performed by A. N. Raven in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

-The saw mill in Snake hollow, Clinton county, owned by C. H. Rich, of Wiorlich, of the same county, was destroyed by fire Friday morning. With the mill about 20,000 feet of lumber were destroyed. The mill was well equipped and its destruction will throw a number of men out of employment for the time being. The loss is estimated at \$2,000. No insurance. A saw mill belonging to George Breon, near Penfield, was also destroyed Wednesday.

-Mrs. Mary Hampton, of Shamokin, seven months ago fell and sprained her ankle so badly that she became a cripple. Monday night she prayed with Mrs. M. E. Whittemore, a New York evangelist, to have the use of her limb restored. Tuesday morning Mrs. Hampton was able to walk, and Tuesday afternoon she went to the Presbyterian church to give public thanks to God for the marvelous recovery of the use of her limb.

-Butler claims to have been the first in Pennsylvania to have utilized prisoners at outdoor labor. For more than a year, says the *Butler Times*, under orders and instructions of Judge Greer, the jail inmates who have been serving sentences in the Butler jail have earned their "board and keep" by working about the various buildings. Now, other counties are falling in line to make prisoners toil just as they ought to do.

-Official dispatches received by District President Wilson, of the United States Mine Workers of America, states that there is no truth in the statement sent out from DuBois that the strike in the Toby Valley has been declared off. On the contrary at meetings held on Saturday and Sunday, the miners of Dagus and Crenshaw unanimously declared to stand by the Tioga miners. Out of a total of eighteen hundred Erie miners, less than one hundred are now at work. No Erie miners are at work at Arnot or Landrus.