P. GRAY MEEK.

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J. H. BECK, of Walker Twp. W. H. TIBBENS, of COLLEGE TWP.

A Despicable, Lying Journal.

Like Banquo's ghost, the spirit of "Taisy" won't down. She still keeps her place with "Me and Tash" in the editorial chair of the Gazette. She was there with both front feet in the ink pot last week and as a result that sheet was bespattered with a lot of dog slush that would be altogether unworthy of notice were it not the vehicle for a most malicious

The Gazette accuses commissioner PHILIP MEYER of collusion with the editors of the Centre Reporter and of the WATCHMAN in trying to secure more money for printing the tickets last fall than the job was worth. There are a few facts in connection with the transaction that the people of Centre county should know in order to form a proper conception of the malicious, sneaking, grasping character of the Gazette's editor.

In the first place Mr. MEYER had absolutely no connection with the transaction. He was attending the Buffalo exposition at Now if HARTER was so solicitous about the time, baving gone away with the understanding that the tickets were not to be lots of 1899 for \$150, instead of \$190.00 awarded until his return home. Instead of holding them until his return Messrs of the county work," as the Gazette says, MILLER and HECKMAN gave them to the we want this opportunity to show you Gazette to print and when Mr. MEYER ar- where you will find the real ring-tailed, steel rived in Bellefonte they were well under snouted-rail splittin' variety, in all its way, as the following signed statemen t by Mr. HECKMAN, himself, will prove.

"Concerning the printing of the ballots last year: In the first place, Philip Meyer was not here when we got the bid from the Centre Hall Reporter that it would do the work for \$150; nor was he here when we contracted with the Gazette. He even did not know the price to be paid for the ballots, or who was to print them until he returned home from the Buffalo Exposition. I further wish to state, that the editor of

the Gazette told me a day or two after we had awarded the contract, that he (Mr. Harter) would lose money on the job, but he took it for political effect." DAN'L HECKMAN. (Signed)

It was generally understood among the Democratic printeries in the county that the tickets were to be done at either the Reporter or the WATCHMAN offices. The Centre Democrat having printed them in the fall of 1900 Mr. Kurtz declined to compete for them on the ground that it was not his turn to have them. At that time the Commissioners paid \$240 for the tickets, without competition, or asking any of the other offices in the county for an estimate. Consequently, when they asked the WATCHMAN for figures last fall we told them, in the presence of Mr. MILLER and Mr. HECKMAN, that we thought it unfair to ask us to go into competition for a job that had always been given without competition in the past. We the same price as had been paid the year before, notwithstanding the fact that the ballots we were asked to print were considetably larger than those of the preced-

ing year. The WATCHMAN'S representative before the Commissioners went further. He stated that rather than attempt to cut the throat of other printers in the county or cause the Commissioners annoyance he would withdraw the claim of this office entirely and leave them free to place the order where they pleased.

Meanwhile, Mr. SMITH of the Reporter, who had never done a job of that sort before and knew absolutely nothing about the size of the ballot desired, had sent in an offer to do the work for \$150. But when he discovered the mistake he had made in figuring without being fully informed on the nature of the work, his bid was withdrawn.

Following this Mr. HECKMAN called both the Reporter and WATCHMAN offices and informed them that bids would have to be in the Commissioners hands by 4 o'eleck p. m. on October 22nd, 1901. At 11 o'clock that very morning Mr. HECKMAN called the Reporter and WATCHMAN offices again and we quote his own language over the phone.

"You needn't send us bids on those tickets. We have given the job to the Gazette.' Mr. HECKMAN will not deny the statement of fact, therefore you see the Gazette convicted of malicious lying in its statement that we ever made a bid for the

To show the true character and animus of this jealous creature we can produce two gentlemen of repute who will swear that he (HARTER) said at the time that he would take the job at any price rather than lose an opportunity to put the Commissioners in a hole."

But who did he get in the hole, if any one. Mr. MEYER was out of town and knew absolutely nothing about the transaction. Mr. HECKMAN is not a candidate for re-election, so the only one left is Mr. MILLER. And if there is "a hole" he is the gentleman who must be in it, placed there by the smart editor of the Gazette. And right here we would suggest that "Me and Taisy and Tash" "turn to OUR German book Boonasteil and read der Schmart Boo."

The facts set forth above are correct in every detail and even if, as the Gazette says, "the relations between Mr. HECKMAN and the WATCHMAN are very strained" that gentleman will vouch for their accuracy. Perhaps we have gone into them a little more explicitly than the circumstances warranted but we did so in order that you might the more fully appreciate the follow-

Ever since the Gazette fell into the hands of this avaricious carpet bagger from Snyder county, who, even now, has a face out on all sides in order to cover up his sneaking tracks for the Bellefonte post-office, it has made a practice of crying "stop thief" at the WATCHMAN. We have never said that a newspaper in Centre county robbed it or would attempt to do so. Nor have we any other idea than that they should all receive fair compensation for their work. In fact every dollar's worth of printing that Centre county has to give ought to be done by the home offices and we are sure all sensible citizens think the same. For what would Centre county he without her local newspapers, besides their owners all pay taxes and contribute to all charitable and benevolent causes to the best of their ability-i e-All but one of them do. We do not charge the Gazette with having robbed the county at any time, but to substantiate our charge that its editor is a creature almost too mean for a place among fair minded people we direct your attention to the following:

He charges PHILIP MEYER, S. W. SMITH and P. GRAY MEEK with collusion to "raid the treasury" because we frankly told the Commissioners that we ought to have \$240 for printing the same number of ballots than they had paid \$240 for the year previous. And this in the face of the fact that he had charged \$190.00 for a less number of smaller ballots only the year before that. the treasury why didn't he print the bal-

Further, if there has been any "hogging there has been paid for county printing.

TO THE GAZETTE . . \$4,122.22 To the WATCHMAN . . 1,682.45

These figures are taken from the county statements and are accessible to any one who might doubt this assertion because of its astounding revelation.

Think of it. The impudence of this man trying to cloak his own greediness by accusing the WATCHMAN of getting it all when the figures show that he has received nearly three times as much as we have within the past eight years, five of which were under Democratic administration.

What respect or confidence can the publie have in a paper guilty of such brazen, impudent lying. But little else is expected by those who really know the editor of the Gazette, for they know that Judas will never die so long as the blatant bag of bragga-docio, the author of "OUR German book" and the "man who gave Centre county" delegates to DRESSER" lives.

Democratic Meetings in the County.

County chairman BOWER has arranged to hold meetings at various places in the county during the time that will elapse be tween this and the election. Able speakers will be in attendance at each meeting, to discuss the questions that every Penngiven without competition in the past. We then stated that we would do the work for this fall.

If a meeting is scheduled for your locality you should not fail to attend it. Every good citizen should be anxious to uphold the honor of Pennsylvania and for that reason he should lose no opportunity to hear a fair and dispassionate discussion of the wrongs that are dragging the old State

The meetings are scheduled as follows:

" 24- "Ripka's School House in Gregg Twp.

" 25- " Potters Mills. " 27- "Sandy Ridge, and Mann's School House in Curtin Twp " 28- " Woodward and Snow Shoe.

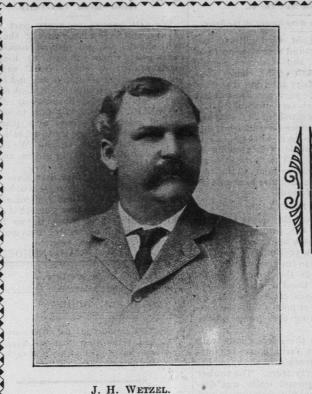
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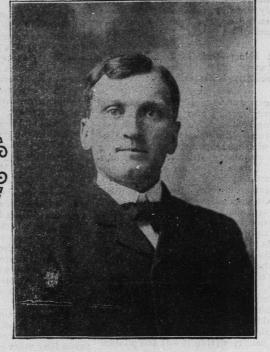
" 29- " Millheim.



During the past eight years, five of which have been under Democratic administration. THE KEYSTONE GAZETTE HAS DRAWN \$4,122.22 FROM THE COUNTY TREASURY.

During the same period the Watchman has drawn only \$1,682.45.





J. W. KEPLER.

The Men You Should Support for Assembly.

Kepler and Wetzel.

Reasons why KEPLER and WETZEL should be chosen to represent Centre county in the next General Assembly are so many that it would take an entire edition of this paper to present them all to you. It is very essential that you should know a a few of the more important ones, however, as it is the duty of every citizen to be well informed as to the character of the men he intends voting for.

The personal history of them both well known. It was published two years ago, when they were aspirants for the same office they are now seeking and, again, in June of this year when they were honored with nominations by their party convention. But the more that is known of some men the better they appear and especially is this the case with our candidates.

Two years ago the county was flooded with malicious stories about the character of Mr. KEPLER. Everything possible was said about him by the slanderous tongues of those who had a purpose to serve and all because he, as a boy, had indulged in some wild pranks that would have been laughed at in College fellows. We wish to conceal nothing here, nor leave a false impression as to Mr. KEPLER's doings, therefore we acts were of a vicious character, nor harmful to anyone else than himself. That there was good in the boy was seen by his transition to manhood, for to-day his life is honorable and upright enough to recommend him to the favor of everyone.

Who hasn't sown a little wild oats and who has hasn't been the stronger and wiser for it? If all of Mr. KEPLER's betters were suddenly transported to another sphere there would be a very lonesome little colony of them somewhere in space.

He is a true type of the progressive young farmer. He knows how to work and he does work as hard as any man on the farm. From boyhood he has manifested a keen interest in affairs of State and is alive to the questions of the day. Two years ago Mr. KEPLER was not tant duties of Register and clerk of the known well enough in Centre county. Had he been in closer touch with the people they would have learned from personal contact that he was not the kind of man he was said to be. They would have learned, also, of his frank, open hearted nature that would go to any honorable ex- Irish in him gave him the determination treme to help a friend and of the alert, active mind that he possesses.

Things are different now. The people have grown to know Mr. KEPLER, to value him at his true worth and many of them are anxious to atone for the injustice they did him two years ago. In fact you can hear it on all sides : "KEP. is not the kind of a fellow they told me he was the last time he ran. And I'm going to vote for him." That's the real reason that there is such a great tide toward KEPLER. You the ticket in two weeks.

WETZEL, he has already served Centre | Vote for ARCHEY.

county in the halls of the Legislature and a more dignified, thoroughly reliable, conscientious Representative no community could desire. He was true to every pledge and not once did he take middle ground on an issue that affected the personal interests of his constituency. His personal character is beyond reproach and his public service as pure as the air of Centre county's valleys. Mr. WETZEL would have been re-elected two years ago had not political chicanery conspired with corrupt methods to accomplish his defeat. Aud in his case, as in Mr. KEPLER'S, the public realized the mistake after it was too late to be rectified. However, it will be done on the 4th of November.

He is a man of mature years, one whose conservative judgment is just the kind to link with KEPLER's strenuous activity in forming a legislative representation that would bring splendid results.

Mr. WETZEL has been almost a life-long resident of the county. He is sprung from a large and honorable family and bears a reputation that might indeed be envied. Comparisons are odious, at best, but

SCHOONOVER and STROHM appear veritable nonentities in all the qualities that make for a useful and dignified Legislator when feel it our duty to state that none of his compared with such men as WETZEL and KEPLER.

> -Remember that MEYER and HUMPTON represent the lowest millage the county has ever known and a condition that keeps it out of deht. Vote for them.

Few men who have been in office in Centre county have combined in them to such a marked degree the qualities possessed by A. G. ARCHEY, the nominee for Register. When he came down from the little farm he calls home, up in Ferguson township, to take charge of the office three years ago those who didn't know the manner of man, upon whom had been imposed the impororphaus' court, were skeptical as to how he would fill the bill.

It did not take long, however, for Mr. ARCHEY to demonstrate that he was more than a master of the office. He had been accustomed to hard work all his life, the to master it, and a good mind proved a store-house of little things that have been of invaluable assistance to those seeking information in the office.

'Squire ARCHEY is neither a sport nor a ladies man, but he is a sterling fellow who will stand the closest acquaintauce and improves every time you meet him. Reared in a plain, unpretentious home, he knows nothing of sham or deception and is frank to a fault.

This is the kind of a man you have unneed not be surprised at all if he leads doubtedly found him to be. He is worthy your support for another term and has a record of faithfulness behind him that gives As for the other nominee, Hon. HENRY | him every right to ask it.

Beware, Farmers!

The farmers of Centre county are not to be caught by such chaff as Dr. WARREN, of Chester county, better known, perhaps, through the great bird book steal, has been casting about for a week or more. He has been in certain districts working on the farmers to support PENROSE for United States Senator, because PENROSE voted for the GROUT oleomargarine bill. Of course to do anything for PENROSE the farmers are informed that they must vote for Republican candidates for the Legislature, so that they can vote to send him back to the Senate.

slick enough to catch the farmers of Centre it is not votes for PENROSE they are after, and STROHM. These two worthies would justice. and they are needed at Harrisburg to help be a serious one for the union. and ninety-nine for the machine. It needs this dodge to fool Centre county farmers into voting for them.

-Vote for ARCHEY.

Explained

It is now up to Philip Meyer to explain why he wanted to squander \$90 of the county funds last fall, in order to give the WATCH-MAN a job.—Bellefonte Republican of Oct. 23rd,

Since the Republican is of the opinion that "it is up to PHILIP MEYER to make an explanation," we rise to remark that we grieve to discover our friend MILLER showing signs of the yellow streaks that run up and down the carcass of the Gazette editor.

PHILIP MEYER has nothing to explain. He was in Buffalo at the time the transaction relative to the ballots was made. And if the Republican says he tried to give the job to the WATCHMAN, it lies too.

Since this one editorial shyster and the other-that is fast showing signs of becoming shysterized-want explanations so badly let them explain to the people of and in reply he said: Centre county why Commissioner's RID-DLE and FISHER gave the ballots to HAR-TER in 1898, on a bid of \$175.00, when Mr. TUTEN, then owner of this very same Republican, begged the board for the work at \$126.00 and even went so far as to file a bond for the faithful execution of the contract.

Stand up, you puny specimens of political perspicacity, and explain!

White House Relics have Disappeared. An Investigation will Probably be Made to Trace

WASHINGTON, October 21.-The President to-day inspected for the first time the new office building erected near the White House for his occupancy, and the repairs to the Executive Mansion. He was greatly disappointed at the slow progress made, and expressed doubt whether the White House would be ready in time for the formal winter receptions. The office building is nearly completed, Considering its cost, \$60,000, it is remarkably plain

and unpretentious.

The White House is still torn to pieces, and, notwithstanding statements by architects and contractors to the contrary, only one room is in such shape that furniture can be placed in it.

The President did not attempt to conceal his impatience to-day, and criticised the slow work with some warmth. It is declared that a number of valuable

The Miners Returned to Work Yes terday.

Representatives of the 141,000 Mine Workers Placed all the Questions Involved in Struggle into Hands of Arbitration Commission Appointed by the President. Everyone Now Looks for Better Times.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 23.-With a shout that fairly shook the convention building, the representatives of the 147,000 Mine Workers, who have been on strike since last May, officially declared off at noon today the greatest contest ever waged between capital and labor and placed all the questions involved in the struggle into the hards of the arbitration commission, appointed by the President of the United States. When the news was flashed to the towns and villages down in the valleys and on the mountains of the coal regions, the strike affected inhabitants heaved a sigh of relief. Many days have gone by since more welcome news was received. where there was rejoicing and in many places the end of the strike was the signal for impromptu town celebrations

LOOK FOR BETTER TIMES.

The anthracite coal region, from its largest city-Scranton-down to the lowliest coal patch, has suffered by the conflict, and everyone now looks for better times. While the large army of Mine Workers and their families, numbering approximately a half million persons, are grateful that work will be resumed today, the strikers have still to learn what their reward will be. President Roosevelt having taken prompt action in calling the arbitration commission together for their first meeting on Friday, the miners hope they will know by Thanksgiving day what practical gain they have made. The vote to resume coal min ing was a unanimous one and was reached only after a warm debate. The principal objection to accepting the arbitration proposition was that no provision was contained in the scheme to take care of those men who would fail to get back their old positions or would be unable to get any work

DIDN'T WISH TO RUN RISK.

The engineers and pumpmen get better pay than other classes of mine workers and they did not wish to run the risk of losing altogether their old places and be com-pelled to dig coal for a living. This question came up yesterday and was argued right up to the time the vote was taken. No one had a definite plan to offer to overcome the objection and the report of the committee on resolutions recommending that the strike be called off and that all issues be placed in the hands of the arbitration commission for decision was adopted It is a very slick scheme, but not quite without the question being settled. A few moments before adjournment, however, a partial solution was reached, when a delecounty. They know that the same old gate in the farthest corner of the hall moved that the problem be placed in the fox is behind this decoy. They also know hands of the three executive boards for that in supporting the GROUT bill Senator
PENROSE only did what any other Senator
When the did was adopted. The principal speech of the day was made by National Secretary-Treasurer W. B. from Pennsylvania would have done and Wilson, who practically spoke for president and the organizations. In a strong arguexactly what he was pledged to do. But ment he counselled the men to accept arbitration, the very plan the strikers them-selves had offered, return to work and trust half as much as it is votes for SCHOONOVER to the President's tribunal to do them

The question of taking care of all men be pliant tools in the hands of the machine | who will fail to get work immediately will

There is no doubt the executive boards support its plundering schemes. That is will take care of the engineers, firemen and pumpmen, but there will be thousands and pumpmen, but there will be thousands of other classes of mine workers who will of other classes of mine workers who will in Centre county lately and that is why have to be looked after. In some places hundreds will not be able to get work for weeks, and in other localities wherether mines PENROSE. It is about one for PENROSE are in very bad condition there will be no employment for many workmen for and ninety-nine for the machine. It needs months, which will carry their idleness SCHOONOVER and STROHM and is trying into next year. Now that the strike is over the volume of relief money will decrease and the local unions will be compelled to call upon the national organization for assistance when the money now on hand runs out. The close of the great conflict will also end in a few days, and probably with the passing of this week the assessment now being levied on all bituminous mine workers affiliated with the union will cease. The officals who care to talk of the situation feel confident the national body will come to the assistance and help all those who stood out during the suspension.

> Hundreds of men, needed to repair the mines and place them in condition for operators will be at work on Thursday norning, the convention having declared that this was imperative in order to get the men to work quickly and satisfy the country's demand for coal. All the locals will hold meetings tomorrow at which instructions will be given the members regarding their application for work. The proceedings in the convention indicated that there will be some friction in some of the local organizations over many little questions which will come up in connection with the men returning to the mines.

President Mitchell received many congratulatory telegrams from all over the country after the news spread that the strike was ended. On his return to headquarters he was asked for an expression of his views upon the action of the convention,

MITCHELL WELL PLEASED.

"I am well pleased with the action of the anthracite mine workers in deciding to submit the issues which culminated in the strike to the commission selected by the President of the United States. "The strike itself has demonstrated the

power and dignity of labor. Conservative, intelligent trade unionism has received an impetus, the effect of which cannot be measured. I earnestly hope and firmly believe that both labor and capital have learned lessons from the miners' strike that will enable them to adopt peaceful, humane and business methods of adjusting wage differences in the future."

After Mr. Mitchell had notified President Roosevelt of the action of the convention and had received a reply to the effect that the commission would meet in Washington on Friday, he sent out the official announce ment through the press to strikers that the strike was off. It was addressed to "all miners and mine workers in the anthracite region," and was as follows:

"You are hereby officially notified that it was unanimously decided today, by the delegates attending the special convention, that all miners should report for work on Thursday, Oct. 23th, and that the issues which culminated in the strike should be referred for adjustment to the commission appointed by the President of the United

MORE THAN USUAL CARE.

"We are authorized by the executive officers of Districts 1, 7 and 9, to caution all those who resume work to exercise more than usual care, in order that accidents co life and limb may be averted. Owing to relics from the White House have disap- the conditions of the mines, after an idlepeared, and an investigation of some sort will probably be made to trace them.

ness of five months, there will be great danger when work is resumed. We are

