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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

GOVERNOR,
HON. GEORGE A. JENKS,
of Jefferson county.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR,
HON. WILLIAM H. SOWDEN,
of Lehigh county.

SECRETARY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS,
PATRICK DELACEY,
of Lackawanna.

JUDGES SUPERIOR COURT,
WILLIAM TRICKETT,
of Cumberland.
C. M. BOWER,
of Centre.

CONGRESSMEN-AT-LARGE,
JERRY N. WELER,
of Carbon.
F. P. IAMS,
of Allegheny.

DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

FOR CONGRESS,
RUFUS K. POLK,
Of Montour County.

FOR STATE SENATOR,
J. HENRY COCHRAN,
Of Lycoming County.

FOR PRESIDENT JUDGE, 26TH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT,
ROBERT R. LITTLE,
Of Bloomsburg.

FOR ASSEMBLY,
WILLIAM CHRISMAN,
Of Bloomsburg.
W. T. CRESSY,
Of Catawissa.

COUNTY SURVEYOR,
BOYD TRESKOTT,
Of Millville.

"I have been a Republican since 1860 but our party now stinks in the nostrils of any decent man. If the people are willing to uphold this corruption and dishonesty, God save the country!—Ex-Postmaster General John Wanamaker."

The accusation is made that Abner McKinley, the brother of the President, has made \$300,000 out of army contracts obtained at the War Department, and Mark Hanna \$2,000,000 on coal contracts with the Government since the war broke out. It is not stated whether or not transactions of this kind will be looked into by the President's investigating board. —Owensboro (Ky.) Messenger.

Oh, these discontented people! How they annoy us plutocrats. The moment we begin to get our great "graft" well started they begin to howl. What if we did sell the Government paper shoes, wormy hard-tack, and rotten meat? Did we not make millions of profit therefrom? If the people and soldiers are not to be plundered, for what reason do we exist? If a trust hasn't the right to starve and sacrifice an army corps in order to gain "coin," pray what good does our cinch at Washington do us? —Elsberry (Mo.) News.

If we had a Democratic President with this war scandal on his hands, every Republican howler in the country would cry out for vengeance, impeachment, criminal proceedings and all the rest of it. It makes a vast deal of difference whose ox is gored. Your true Republican believes that the G. O. P. can do no wrong. Like the privilege of kings, he believes that the Republican party rules by divine right. That is the reason that the incorrigible Republican generally lets somebody else do his thinking for him. He generally has to.—National Intelligence.

If, as the administration defenders say: "All this talk about the army disgrace is made by Democrats for political effect," we suggest that they read the following editorial taken from the Elmira (N. Y.) Daily Advertiser of September 21, 1898. The same day that Griggs made his speech defending the administration war record.

The Advertiser is one of the staunchest Republican papers in the State of New York. It says:

"Secretary Alger is in the anomalous situation of cabinet officer scouring the country to collect evidence for a defense before the investigating committee. His course is humiliating on his part and mortifying to the whole country."

What They Must Defend.

"The Republican party itself has nothing to defend or explain. It will only be held accountable for the iniquities of the last legislature when it sees fit to endorse them and accept them as its own acts."

Thus says the Philadelphia Press in an article criticising Chairman Elkin because of the Chairman's "apology for and defense of the record of the last legislature." Why should he not defend it? The Republican convention was silent as to that record, and "silence gives consent." To all intents and purposes the Republican party, as a party, is responsible for and stands by that record, and Chairman Elkin is doing no more than his duty as the party's chairman in entering upon its defense. It is true that his defense is vain. The culprit is already condemned. All the explanations he can make will not alter the facts and the facts convict. Nevertheless, however feebly he may perform it, his duty, as the official head of the party, is to try to make the people believe that wrong is right—for that is what the party sought to do by ignoring the state issue in its convention; what Mr. Stone is trying in his speeches; what the Press itself attempts when it assumes that the legislature of 1897 is the sole cause of the public's complaint against its party.

The legislature of 1895 was as bad, in some respects worse, than that of 1897. It was the legislature of 1895 that perpetrated the Bank Department swindle, that swelled the Agricultural Department appropriation from \$26,600 to \$123,000, that appropriated \$45,000 to the fish commission (the legislature of 1897 was afraid to vote any money for this purpose), that ran up the cost of legislative session from \$544,000 (the figures of 1893) to \$601,871. The legislature of 1895 swelled the number of legislative employes to precisely the same number that trod on one another's heels in 1897. Its extravagance was almost equal to that of 1897. To permit it, they largely cut down the allowance to the insane and penitentiaries. The total executive expense, under the appropriation act of 1893, was \$552,659. In 1895 it was \$1,369,816. How much worse could the 1897 legislature have done than that? The fact is it did not, in this particular, do so bad.

The Press view that the Republican party has nothing to defend or explain, other than the 1897 legislature, is not borne out by the records, but briefly quoted from. No legislature has sat for at least fifteen years whose record does not need both explanation and defense and every one of them was Republican.

To Workingmen.

Workingmen of Pennsylvania, you who cannot clothe your wives and children decently, you who cannot give them sufficient nourishing food, you who cannot earn enough to pay rent or taxes because of the monopoly rule and extravagant legislators and speculating state officials, what think you of this?—The state with money exploited from your hard labor pays for the picture of a skunk to illustrate the report of a State College the sum of \$707.00; for the picture of a blue bird, \$757.25; for the picture of an old crow, \$609.98; for the picture of a sparrow-hawk, \$791.92; for the picture of a flicker, \$741.89. The state also paid \$3,500 for pictures advertising the private business of a brownstone company. All this useless outlay to publish a book you will never see and which would do you no possible good were you to read it from cover to cover. Are you so lost to your rights, to your sense of manhood, to the duty you owe to your wives and children that you will not resent this robbery? Remember that this extravagance was ordered by the minions of Quay in the legislature and that more and worse is promised if you elect Quay's man—William A. Stone, who is pledged to do Quay's bidding.

STRAY PARAGRAPHS.

- The Stone will be so heavy And the Swallows will not fly When Jenks is chosen Governor At the election bye and bye.
- Oh yes, white sugar often comes done up brown.
- If predictions are to be relied on we will have a cold winter.
- There are costumes called "fetching" because they bring remarks.
- Imported singers exchange foreign notes for hard American cash.
- Life would be more enjoyable if common sense was more common.
- The man with the big pumpkin will be very much in evidence next week.
- Should nice weather prevail the town will be thronged with visitors next week.
- Public discussion shows a consensus of opinion that Columbia will give an old time Democratic majority this fall.
- About one thousand people witnessed the downfall of the Normal boys by Dickinson College Saturday afternoon.

Muster out the War Taxes.

It is now manifest that the special taxes levied by the War-Revenue bill were needlessly burdensome. The people were called upon to furnish at least \$100,000,000 more money per year than was really required to prosecute the war to a finish, just as they were called upon to furnish at least 100,000 more men than were needed, or ever likely to be needed, for the same purpose.

Not satisfied with raising \$200,000,000 by a special bond issue, the Administration forced through Congress a bill putting taxes on nearly everything in sight, from patent medicines to bank checks and from express packages to telegrams. The American people, with the same marvellous patience they have shown in bearing every burden and sacrifice, however mistakenly imposed upon them, uncomplainingly submitted to this complicated and annoying system of internal taxation.

It is now known that the collections under the War-Revenue bill will surely yield \$140,000,000 by the end of the current fiscal year. That sum, added to the \$200,000,000 derived from the bond issue, will bring the extraordinary revenue of the Treasury for war purposes up to \$340,000,000. It is also known now that the total cost of the war up to the end of the current fiscal year will not exceed \$325,000,000. Still further, it is known that the increasing volume of imports is likely to increase the ordinary revenue of the Government, derived under the old laws, by about \$5,000,000 within the same period.

In short, the financial prospect before the country is that, unless the superfluous war taxes are repealed, there will be an enormous Treasury surplus on June 30, 1899, which the country has no use for.

These special war taxes should be repealed. They were imposed under conditions that have ceased to exist. They are yielding at least \$140,000,000 a year of unnecessary revenue. They are taking just about \$400,000 a day out of the pockets of the people needlessly and for no purpose whatever except to pile up a huge surplus, in the Treasury which will be a menace to the financial and commercial welfare of the country.

These war taxes will continue to be collected month after month, year after year, until they are modified or repealed altogether.

Muster out the unnecessary war taxes as well as the unnecessary warriors!—World.

A supposed gang of tramps played havoc at West Milton on Sunday night last when they set fire to a barn belonging to John Leiser. So rapidly did the hungry flames spread that before succor reached the scene three other barn buildings were leveled to the ground. The other losers are Henry Ernst, Lincoln Schreck and John Bennage. Several knights of the road were noticed in the vicinity of the fire Sunday afternoon.

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You will find them displayed throughout the center of our store, with the price on each piece, or you can look at them yourself, if there is no clerk idle.

All-Wool Serges, 36 in. wide, 25c; Imported Serges, 50 in. wide, 49, 69 and 98c the yard; All-Wool Henrietta, 38 in. wide, at 29c; 45 in. wide, 49, 79, 98c and \$1.29 per yard.

Poplin, 42 in. wide, 79 and 98c the yard.

Bengaline, 89c, worth \$1.00. Seven different styles in Crepon effects at 49c the yard. Goods we can't replace for less than 75c. the yd. Special value in Crepon. Two pieces at 98c, one piece at \$1.29 and one at \$1.49 the yard.

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Silk Warp Henrietta, at prices to tempt you.

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Our special offer on Shoes will end October 8. You cannot afford to miss this.

F. P. Pursel.

William Grady was run over and killed by a train on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, at Ashland last Thursday morning. He was twenty years of age and was the only support of a widowed mother. He had been in Bloomsburg only a few days before his death.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of J. M. C. Ranck, deceased. The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia County to pass upon the first and partial account of Charles W. Dawson, executor of the last will and testament of J. M. C. Ranck, late of Scott township deceased, and report thereupon, will sit at his office, Room No. 4, Lockard Building, Bloomsburg, Pa. on Friday, October 23rd, at ten o'clock a. m. to perform the duties of his appointment, when and where all persons interested must attend.
W. H. MAGILL,
Auditor.

VOTE FOR

H. A. M'KILLIP

—FOR—

State Legislature.

adv't—9-29-98

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