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retary Alger will resign. The Presi- will be seen from the following : dent should have said to him long ago, "Walk, and do it quick."

no failure to nominate good men.

Senator Flinn, leader of the anti- most of the members of the committo be a winner.

tant general's office between May 1, to cut off \$500,000 a year. Chairman 1898, and February 28, 1899, shows : 125; died of disease, 5,277. Total, 5,731.

Of the total appropriations of the re- little backbone to accomplish it. cent congress, 11 billions, the sum of \$482,562,083 is directly chargeable to the money fly !

county. The voters are becoming so corrupt that it will soon be impossible diers. for a poor man to engage in politics. He says the elections are becoming too expensive. The Garfield law regulating election expenses in Ohio gives general satisfaction.

Here is another feather, in Alger's plume: Lieutenant Colonel H. B. Sharpe testified that wagons which had not been cleaned after being used for the transportation of manure and wagons in which garbage had been carried, the bottoms of which were ered with slime in which ma

down the meritorious appropriations, why don't he say to the legislature : why don't he say to the legislature : 1, Cut down the high salaries : 2, Abolish all the useless offices ;

E3, Make the banks pay interest to the State for the millions of the public funds they have on deposit and used for private speculation. And with honesty in every depart-

quent insertion. Other rates made made known ment of the State government, it will not be necessary to attack the school fund in order that rascality may run

How hard-up corruption at Harris-It keeps running in the air that Sec- burg has caused the state to become,

Governor Stone stated the other day that he favored the reduction of the State school appropriation from \$5,500,-We can expect a good Democratic 000 a year to \$4,000,000. The Governcounty ticket for the fall election. The or met the Committee on Approprialist of announcements contains good tions of the House in the Executive names all through, hence there will be Building for a general discussion on the subject of providing revenue for the next two years, and he startled

Quay forces at Harrisburg, will make a tee by boldly taking the position that fight for the state chairmanship. He the public schools were receiving too work in unearthing a lot of crookedness. will make it hot all over the state, and much from the State, and should be with his ability and means, is likely cut down \$3,000,000 in two yerrs. Old legislators on the committee, who were familiar with the attempts to reduce This is a sad comparison between this item in former sessions, shook Spanish bullets and bad beef in war their heads at this suggestion and remortality table-5,731 lives taken by called the storm of opposition that was disease. The statement in the adju- created when it was proposed, in 1897,

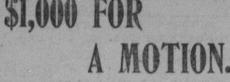
Marshall, of the committee, said: Killed in action, 329 ; died of wounds "You cannot get the votes to do it." The Governor thought otherwise, and remarked that it required only a

Now the statement comes from the war with Spain. Thus the ordi- Washington that the Inspector Genenary expenditures for the two years ral has discovered that 120,000 pounds covered by the congress were \$1,044,- of canned roast beef was shipped to 580,273, and this sum exceeds the total France in 1893, was rejected and reappropriation of the Fifth-fourth con- turned to this country, and eventualgress by \$39,746,658. That's making ly formed part of the rations of soldiers in Cuba and Puerto Rico. If the Inspector General presents any such evi-A bill introduced by Mr. Stall de- dence as this to the Court of Inquiry Carrell bill, and so did Captain Skipper, fines what are legitimate election ex- he may expect to be condemned to be of Fulton. The only man on the commitpenses. Mr. Stall says the Quayites shot. No vacation on full pay for the tee who voted against the notorious jury spent \$40,000 to defeat him in Blair officer who violates discipline by bill was Koontz himself. Captain Skinstanding up for good food for the sol. ner, of Fulton, declined to serve on the

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> > ANNOUNCEMENTS. Sheriff.

We are authorized to announce that E. S. Shaff-er, of Miles township, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic par-



That Was What Was Offered to and Refused By Hon. Peter J. Criste.

## BRIBERY INCUIRY AT CAPITOL.

As High as \$500 For a Vote For the McCarrell Bill - Startling Stories Told by Witnesses on the Stand. Honest Democrats Who Cannot Be Bought-A Great Triumph For the Personal Integrity of Democratic Rank and File at Harrisburg.

(Special Gorrespondence.)

Harrisburg, March 13 .- The investigations into the attempted bribbery of members of the legislature has been the leading sensation of the week just closed. The committee has done some admirable Up until last Monday night the committee was in control of the Quayites exclusively. It is now in the hands of the Democrats, and that is the reason why the investigation has been so thorough and the exposure has been so swift.

After the failure of the Quay packed committee of five last week to satisfy General Koontz, of Somerset, the anti-Quay Republican on the committee, Koontz kept his word and went before the house on Monday night last. He declared that the committee did not propose to investigate, and that he (Koontz) did propose to investigate. He said that Kreps, Republican, of Franklin, who had Quay Republican on the committee, was the man who had denounced the resolution to appoint an investigation committee because it came from a "band of political cutthroats." Voorhees, Republican, of Philadelphia, who had been made its secretary, had on the floor of the house declared that investigating committees were a farce and that their sole work was to whitewash. Wighe, of Luzerne, Democrat, voted for the Mccommittee, because some of the newspapers attacked him in a most vindictive

General Koontz offered a resolution, adding four more members to it, as follows: Fow, Democrat, of Philadelphia; Dixon, Democrat, of Elk; Rendall, anti-Quay Republican, of Chester, and Young, anti-Quay Republican, of Tioga. When the committee convened on Tuesday night with nine members instead of five, Kreps, Republican, declined to act as chairman, and Fow, Democrat, was elected in his stead. Mr. Fow was also We are authorized to acnounce that T. F. Ken-nedy, of State College, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic par-

the rest to him.'

that there was also a paragraph in this typewritten paper, which Mr. Coyle wanted them to sign, in which those signing it agreed to "stand together" on certain legislation, Coyle told them there would be money in legislation and there would be a "divy" on it among the men

who signed the agreement. There are two opinions here regarding the object of Coyle, who is a Quay Republican, and Spatz, Democrat, in asking Democrats to sign an agreement to contimes voting for Jenks, One interpretation is that it was about this time that there was talk of the Democrats and anti-Quay Republicans making a fusion on some independent for United States senator against Quay, and as the Democrats and anti-Quay Republicans had a majority on joint ballot they could elect their man. This frightened the Quay men and they set their lobby at work to defeat it by trying to get a certain number of Democrats to sign an agreement not to go into a fusion movement, but to stand always for Jenks. By doing so the Quay machine could defeat the fusion movement and save Quay's political life. The other view of it is that the proposition to stand by Jenks was simply a blind, used to fool the Democrats who would be asked to sign the paper. According to Representative Miller's statement there was a paragraph in this agreement binding its signers to "stand together" on certain legislation. This would include the McCarroll bill and such other "pinch bills" as might come

THE REASON FOR IT.

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before the legislature, in which there

would be money for those who would

Either one of the above solutions would answer the seeming inconsistency of Democrats being asked to sign r paper to stand by their caucus candidate. There must be some reason for it, and it is one of the above, or perhaps both. It is known that about this time the Quay Democrats, a handful of men who were anxious to vote for Quay irrespective of what might happen to the Democratic party, were being watched very closely by the stalwart Democrats, They were suspected of working hand in hand with the Quay machine.

Shortly after this time Congressman Sibley appeared on the field and set to work to do all that he could to help elect Quay and throw down Colonel Guffey. These Democrats, who were regarded as Quay men, were conspicuous around the Sibley and Quay headquarters, and this rather strengthened the belief that several Democrats were ready to go over to the other side.

The name of Representative Rosenberry, of Montgomery county, was mentioned by one or two of the above witnesses. They said that Rosenberry had approached them in the Lochiel hotel and told them not to sign the agreement as "there might be something in it." One of the Northampton county witnesses said that he took it to mean that there would be "money in it." In his own defense Mr. Rosenberry appeared before the committee voluntarily on Thursday night and declared that he had been misinterpreted. What he meant by the expression was that he had refused to sign it, as there might be something in it that they would ultimately be sorry for. His statement was applauded.

As for Representative Spatz, he has as yet made no explanation for his position In the matter, Two other representatives from Berks county, Messrs, Reiff and Hoch, were put on the stand and boldly "THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEG stated that they had nothing whatever

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manner.

After showing up the Quay committee

were crawling, were used to carry fresh meet to the soldiers at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga. The Presi-dent may think Alger the right fellow to retain in the cabinet.

Governor Hastings carried this subject to the cratic party. county by 1800 majority. The county organization has a very strong leaning towards Quay, and every position is filled with men belonging to the Quay fold; and where there is an incumbent who is friendly to Hastings, he must walk the plank. Now the county having placed itself in the Democratic way ing placed itself in the Democratic ranks, with the numerous following of the ex-governor being thus kicked, cuffed, snubbed and ostracized all party. around, the Republican party in this county is likely, next November, to find itself in a most miserable minority.

To make up the deficiency caused by the corruption at Harrisburg, Governor Stone asks that three-fourths of the personal taxes be taken from the counbersonal taxes be taken from the counties and paid into the state treasury and that the school -appropriation be cut down three millions. This is creating a howl of opposition all over the state. The local taxes would have to be increased to make up the amount. Why don't you, Governor Stone, demand a reduction of salaries, abolishing of scores of useless offices and clerkships and payment of interest on state funds deposited in political banks? In this wise taxes would be reduced instead of making them more burdensome for the people.
Now is the time for a low-fare trip to Europe. A year or more ago there
date for the Democratic nomination for Commissioners, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic to the rules of the Damocracy of Centromissioner, subject to the rules of the Damocratic Julge and went down with all the rest on the Democratic County Ticket, with no fails of any candidate to a depressed and unsettled condition of affairs in the commission, and it best to be the party for vindication and recognition, and substitute the same consideration and recognition, and substitutes that were and county for their indgment at the comming primatics and county convertion. ties and paid into the state treasury

to Europe. A year or more ago there was a general advance in passenger rates across the Atlantic. This spring all the lines are announcing a reduction ranging from \$45 down to \$5 for first and second cabins. This is the force of competition, and it is stated in the shipping circles there will be further reductions. Minimum first-cabin rates on the best ships of the Hamburg-American line have been reduced from \$100 to \$55, and on the other ships from \$65 to \$50. The Cunard company has reduced lowest first-cabin rates to \$60, the White Star line to \$50, the American line to \$60, while the Atlantic Transport Company has reduced its first-class fare from \$50 to \$25.

Governor Stone is favoring economy because the State is bankrupt. One of his suggestions is to cut down the school appropriation three million dollars. This, then, would saddle it upon the taxpayers of the school districts to make up that three millions.

It is all right for the Governor to Ge talk economy, but he has a queer idea surance.

We are authorized to announce that Cirus Brungard, of Millheim Borough, will be a candi-date for the Democratic nomination for Sheriff, subject to the rules and regulations of the Demo-cratic narts.

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We are authorized to announce that Green Decker, of Gregg township, will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Commission-er, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic party,

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## Treasurer,

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cratic party

### Tribute of Respect.

Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our Sabbath school, Har-ry Workinger.

That with hearts filled with sorrow

Resolved. That with hearts filled with sorrow we humbly bow to the will of our Heaveniy Fa-ther, who has taken him from our midst to a higher and nobler lile. Resolved. That we tender our heartfelt sym-pathy to the bereaved family and humbly pray that they may be sustained and kept by the pow-er and grace of God, who does all things well, and that they may meet and join with him an unbroken family above. Resolved. That our school be draped in mourning for thirty days. Resolved. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, published in the CENTRER LEFORTRE, and entered in the records of the Sprucetown M. E. Hunday school. GERTRUDE M. SPANGLER. JENNIE SWEETWOOD

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to do with the matter. Hoch and Reiff WHAT WITNESSES SAID.

It get right down to work by examinbe the man who wrote the story of at-thington beloery for the Philadelphia Press, George Nox McCain, Harrisburg that he had no business there. Reprecorrespondent for The Press, was put on up to the present time. the stand and testified that in a talk with A ROLL OF HONOR. Hon. Peter J. Criste, Democrat, of

Northumberland county, the latter had told him that he had been offered \$1,900 to move the reconsideration of the Mcfor all time, and they are: Carrell Quay jury bill. The man who offered him the money, he said, was an ex-representative, Thomas M. Moyles, of John Engler, of Lycoming. Luzerne county, Exx-Senater John J. Coyle, Republican, of Schuylkill county, Philip H. Heil, of Northampton. had also appreached him and told him to vote for the McGarrell bill and "leave John P. Dwyer, also correspondent of The Press, testified that in a conversa-

tion with Hen. John Engler, of Lycom-ing county, the latter had told him that he had been taken over to the Lochiel constituents. hotel, in Harrisburg, and introduced to ex-Senator Coyle. Coyle told him that he ought to vote for the reconsideration of the McCarrell bill because he (Engler) was a Catholic, and Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, was interested in the bill in seeing it pass. Engler told Coyle that he did not believe that the archbishop was interested at all, and then Coyle dropped that sort of talk and told Engler he would give him \$200 in cash and \$300 more after he voted if he would turn in for the McCarrell bill, Engler refused the offer, and on the following Sunday Michael J. Costello, of Williamsport, who had taken him to Coyle's room. drove out 15 miles to Engler's home in Lycoming county, and there offered him

\$500 cash if he would vote for the reconsideration of the McCarrell bill. Both Representatives Criste and Engler were put under oath before the committee, and in the presence of an immense crowd corroborated all that had been said by the newspaper correspond-They stated that they had been onts. offered money and had refused it. Moyles had gone to Criste and told him that he would give him \$1,000 if he would move to reconsider the McCarrell bill, and that Criste could give as an excuse that he was doing it for the benefit of an exmember of the house who was under indictment in Luzerne county. It is a fact that Moyles is under indictment in Luzerne county for conspiracy in selling school books to school directors illegally.

## AS TO COYLE AND SPATZ.

At the investigation on Wednesday night the three Democratic members from Northampton county, Representatives Miller, Johnson and Heil, went on the stand. They testified that they had visited the Lochiel hotel and had been taken to ex-Senator Coyle's room by Representative Spatz, of Berks county. Coyle offered them money "up in the hundreds" to sign a paper agreeing that they would stand by Hon. George A. Jenks, who they were then voting for, to the end. Coyle also told them that there would be bills before the legislature in which he would "let them in, and they could make more money that way than they could out of their salaries." At a At a subsequent interview Coyle offered Mil ler and Johnson money to vote for the McCarrell bill.

Representative Charles B. Spatz, of Berks county, also offered Miller and Johnson, according to their sworn testi-mong, first \$50 and then \$100 to sign the paper to stand by Jenks. Miller swore Crawford,

visited Mr. Spatz's room once only. When Representative Reiff was asked why he did not return again to the room lie said sentative Naftzinger knew nothing of the paper. This comprises the testimony

There are five names that deserve to go down on the Democratic roll of honor Peter J. Uriste, of Northampton. B. Frank Miller, of Northampton. Dr. Irwin N. Johnson, of Northampton. These are the men upon whom it is known the Quay lobbyists made their assaults, only to meet with defeat. These are the men who are proven to have resisted temptations that would have en-

tangled other and weaker men. These men are an honor to their party and their MATHABAATICS and ASTRONOMY: pure and applied.
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the Democrats, by asserting that the investigation thus far has only related to Democrats and has only involved Democrats. This is and is not true. It is a fact that the men who have been approached by the Quay lobby are Democrats, but every one of them resisted temptation. The two men who are implicated by the testimony of the witnesses are, first, one of the most subservient followers of Quay, viz: ex-Senator John J. Coyle, Republican, and Representative Charles B. Spatz, Democrat, who voted for the motions bearing favorably on the Mc Carrell bill. This is the situation as it stands today. Before the investigation is over the Democratic party, under its present superb leadership of Colonel J. M. Guffey, will have been vindicated

in all of the positions it has assumed. It has been shown thus far in the greatest investigation of a generation to be composed of members who are above reproach and above the schemes of wouldbe bribers. Colonel Guffey has been an interested witness of all that has gone on. He was in Harrisburg two days last week in con-

suitation with the Democratic leaders. Messrs, Creasy, Dixon, Hasson, Deyarmon. O'Brien and other stalwart party men. There is no disposition to shield any man on his part. Indeed, the investigating committee, with its Democratic chairman, has taken the high patriotic ground that no man, no matter what may be his party or partisan politics, can escape if he is guilty of bribery or 

attempted bribery. As for the senatorial situation, there has been no change. It is believed that Quay will fight to the end, not so much E. C. NERHOOD'S BAKER to get place for himself as to save his machine from disruption. The legislature will adjourn on April 20 beyond a doubt. The Democratic leaders have decided this, and although there may be a disposition on the part of the Quay machine, and perhaps some of the anti-Quay Republicans may feel aisposed to prolong the session to get through fa-vored measures, the Democrats will in-

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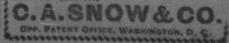
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