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Editorial.

DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

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DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TICKET.

Jury Commissioner-GEORGE BOWER.

Hear the words of Robert E. Wright, on the Democratic State platform:

"Therefore, it has come to pass that your platform is a very simple one. It empasizes the old truths of the Ten Commandments: The injunction 'THOU SHALT NOT STEAL' is its cardinal principle.

"On that plank the impending battle must be fought. We must not permit confusion of the issues when the honor of Pennsylvania is at stake."

PENNSYLVANIANS are busy hunting theives this campaign. Next year they will have plenty of time to talk tariff

A VOTE for Morrison and Gregg is an endorsement of the methods of Bardsley, McCamant and the thieving politi-

EVERY democrat in Centre county should make it a point to be at the polls early on the day of the election. See that your neighbor turns out.

Some republicans still claim that Centre county has a democratic majority of but about 400. If you turn out in November we will sweep the county by over 1,000 for Wright and Tilden.

If there were no dishonest dealings at Harrisburg, in the State Treasury, why did Livesey, the cashier of that department, flee like a vagabond when the light was turned on. Livesey knows the reason why.

THE republicans may boast of the brilliant war record of Gen. Gregg and Captain Morrison, but why dont they explain to the people who stole the \$1,-500,000 from the state treasury? That is the most important question of all.

THE people did well when they elected Pattison for Governor last fall. Give him democratic officials for State Treasurer and Auditor General, and an era of good government will follow. Taxpayers should vote for their interests.

THE decent element of the republican party of this section are seriously debating in their mind as to whether they shall go to the polls on election day to vote for the continuance in power of the clique of unprincipled politicians who control and manipulate the republican party of Pennsylvania.

to defend McCamant and Boyer, the rate lawyer, was induced to accept the Gazette swears by the very name of nomination. But two republican papers Orvis. A few years ago when Judge are working for McClure, and the others Orvis, openly and defiantly declared while they have placed his name at the the Gazette guilty of forgery, while ad- head of the ticket have nothing to say dressing a meeting in the court house for him. Nearly all the repulican atthey did not swear by Mr. Orvis-in sted they swore velemently at the same gentleman. He is the same man he was then-so is the Gazette in regard to have in a republican district. principle and consistency.

THE republicans pretend to be very much alarmed at the prospects of a mudslinging, dirty campaign on the part of the the democrats from this out. There is not the least intention on the part of the democrats of indulging in anything of the sort, but a guilty conscience need no accuser. The republican leaders know that the democrats have a magnificent opportunity and plenty of ground to cover them all over with "mud," as they call it, if they desired to. But the truth alone is more than sufficient to politically damn the republican cause. "Mud" is not neces-

PENNSYLVANIA'S SHAME.

The evidence disclosed before the various committees appointed to investigate the grave charges of fraud, embezzlement and theft made against John Bardsley, late treasurer of the city and county of Philadelphia, and against Thomas McCamant, Auditor General, and Henry K. Boyer, Treasurer of the state of Pennsylvania, shows that through them about a million and a half dollars of the people's money have been lost, embezzled, or stolen.

A Million and a Half Dollars!

Enough money to pay the 250 school teachers of Centre county forty dollars a month, for six months school each year, for a period of twenty-five years. Enough money to build nearly a thousand miles of turnpike road, at the rate of five dollars a rod. Enough money to give to each voter in Centre county more than one hundred and fifty dollars.

Had this money been paid by John Bardsley into the State Treasury every three months, as required by law, and properly taken care of by the Auditor General and State Treasurer, it would still be on hand to appropriate to some good purpose, such as building public roads, to the public schools, or to the State debt. It is the duty of the Auditor General and State Treasury to see that all county officers, who collect state moneys, make quarterly returns of it to the State Treasurer. Mr. McCamant and Mr. Boyer have admitted that they knew this to be their duty. Notwithstanding that fact, they allowed John Bardsley to retain in his possession hundreds of thousands of dollars for more than a year after it was due to the state.

The evidence clearly shows that this money was put out at interest in certain banks in Philadelphia and the interest not paid into the State Treasury, but divided among Bardsley, McCamant, Boyer Wm. Livsey, cashier of the treasury (who has fled to Canada) and clerk under them. The evidence is admirably summed up in the message of Governor Pattison to the Senate now in session, and shows the above to be true.

Who knows that the same state of affairs as that at Philadelphia does not exist at Pittsburg, Erie, Scranton, Wilkesbarre and other places where large amounts of state taxes are collected? How are you going to learn? Can you hope that the politicians of the Republican party will demand an investigation? Surely not. They did not demand the investigation now going on at Harrisburg. The Senate was called together by Governor Pattison because he thought the evidence against the Auditor General and the State Treasurer was sufficient to cause their removal from office.

Robert E. Wright and A. L. Tilden, the democratic candidates for Auditor General and State Treasurer, are able and honest men and have pledged themselves, if elected, to act with Governor Pattison in opening the books and showing to the people the true condition of these two important offices.

What will the people, the honest men, of Pennsylvania dotoward righting this great wrong which has been perpetrated upon them?

Voters of Centre county, what will you do? Will you stay at home on election day and by your indifference allow your treasury to be robbed of the hard-earned money arising from you yearly by taxation without one word of protest? Will you permit the great State of Pennsylvania to be degraded, plundered and disgraced and do nothing toward rebuking and punishing those who have robbed, degraded and humiliated her before her sister states?

Voters of Pennsylvania, the eyes of the nation are upon you. They expect you to rise in your might on the ard day of November, and by the power of your ballots say to the world that the fair name of the proud old Keystone State shall no longer be trampled in the dust.

An interesting contest is on now in the 20th Judicial district composed of linee for state treasurer, has issued an Union, Snyder and Mifflin counties. Judge Bucher has been nominated for a third term. On the republican side no attorney in the district could be found to accept a nomination against all in this state who were in the late Bucher. Through the scheming of B. war should be elected to office, simply K. Focht, of the Lewisburg Saturday News, H. M. McClure, of Sunbury, SINCE Judge Orvis has been retained Focht's brother-in-law and a second torneys are for Bucher, the democrat; and the only question now is as to how many thousand majority Bucher will

> THE republican leaders are urging their party to support their ticket this

A MILLION and a half dollars is an immense sum of money, but that is the amount taken from the state treasury by republican officials during the past year. Can you endorse such conduct.

Good soldiers thirty years ago, and men capable to take care of the peoples terests are two different questions.

JOHN W. Morrison, republican nomappeal that is being sent to all the old soldiers in Pennsylvania urging the "comrades" to be at the polls in November and give him their support. If because they once were soldiers, there would not be enough offices in the United States to give each a position. Republicans refused to vote for Hancock because he was a democrat; Morrison is a republican and was placed in nomination by a party that has disgraced the name of the Keystone state.

SINCE Judge Orvis has been retained to defend Boyer and McCamant, the Gazette argues that on that account they are not guilty. According to that line of argument Mr. Orvis never defends a man, who has been guilty of a crime; such is not the case. Every attorney follows year, as a defeat of their state ticket his profession to earn a livelihood and would mean the election of a dem- and when parties are in trouble and ocratic president in '92. That is a have the money to pay for a first class framed that ticket, the party did not do strained argument and indicates that attorney they can get him. The very it Quay and his gang of treasury looters fact that they employed Mr. Orvis is enough to show that they are in hot lots in November, to the republican

> ONE Million and a half dollars is the amount taken from the treasury through Bardsley, McCamant, Boyer and Liv-

THEY say that Leonard Rhone is oposing the democratic state ticket. We wonder what is the cause for all this.

HON. JOHN ORVIS RETAINED.

State Treasurer Boyer and Auditor General McCamant, as all must admit, are in a bad box. The state senate is now investigating the method in which they conducted their respective offices and they are in danger of being sent ONLY FOUR MEMBERS ABSENT. to join Honest John Bardsley. To save themselves they naturally would employ the very best legal talent to be had, and for that reason they sent to Bellefonte and enlisted Hon. John H. Orvis to assist them, while before the investigation of the state senate. This is a decided compliment to Mr. Orvis and Bellefonte is proud to have one of such ability in its midst.

Judge Orvis is not accustomed to defend republican officials, but in this case politics must be laid aside and his two eminent clients will get the full benefit of his legal training. And if he can not save them from disgrace and expulsion from office, no one else could.

While the Judge will remain true to the interests of his clients, his democracy will not be in the least affected from his association with such men as Boyer and McCamant.

Be Careful.

Trustworthy newspapers have united in warning against haste in investing in financial schemes based on operations in the South, in which fabulous profits are promised to investors. No rule is more true than were great insterest or dividends are promise; or held out as an inducement to the public to invest, in that proportion is the safety of all that may be invested in jeopardy. We urge this on our readers when the bond investment, or short term orders, that have been toppling, were gathering in their

is indeed hard that young Blaine, after all his father has done to foster the industries of this state, should be obliged to cast his wife and child upon the charity of a cold world. It would seem that young Jim ought to be able to get \$10 a week in one of the many mammoth tinplate factories that have been started recently. But when the son of his father received his appointment it would be wise to arm him with a search warrant that he may be able to find his job.

Political Meetings.

Political meetings will be held at the following places:

Saturday, Oct. 24.-Sugar Grove school house, Huston twp., and Pleasant Gap.

Monday, Oct. 26.-Linden Hall. Tuesday, Oct. 27.-Tusseyville. Farmers' Mill.

Wednesday, Oct. 28-Stover's school house, Miles twp.; Clark's school house Thursday, Oct. 29.-Woodward.

Madisonburg. Friday, Oct. 30 .- Eagleville,

Coburn. Saturday, Oct. 31.-Snow Shoe. Hublersburg.

THE Reformed Presbyterians of Newcastle, this state, have decided that the Farmers' Alliance is a secret society, and that nobody who is a member of it ean belong to their church. These excellent but somewhat narrow-minded people have a perfect right to take such action as is pleasing to them and nobody should censure them. But an organization which stands upon such a platform will grow very slowly.

IF the light were properly turned on, we have no doubt but that in Bellefonte some Bardsleys could be found who scooped the taxpayers money and brought about a debt of over \$130,000.

A VOTE for the republican ticket and its election this year means a vindication of M. S. Quay. He dictated and

party of Pennsylvania: "Thou shalt not steal" any more of the state's funds.

THE republicans have nothing to say of their recent course at Harrisburg. The old soldier racket is being worked

GONE, gone, gone-the constitutional

THE EXTRA SESSION.

Pennsylvania's Senate Responds to the Governor's Call.

They Listen to the Reading of the Governor's Message, Appoint a Committee and Adjourn for the Day-The Special Committee Reports No Cause for Suspicion.

HARRISBURG, Oct. 14.—Pursuant to the call of Governor Pattison, the senate convened in extraordinary session at noon yesterday to consider whether sufficient cause existed for removal from office of Auditor General Thomas Mc-Camant and State Treasurer Henry K.
Boyer, who are alleged to have been in
collusion with John Bardsley in his
malfeasance in office. Lieutenant Governor Watres occupied the chair. Four

members were absent.

Senators Grady and Markly were appointed a committee to notify the govornor of the assembly of the senate.

The committee returned in ten minutes, and were followed almost immediately by Private Secretary Tate, who presented the governor's message, which was read by the clerk. was read by the clerk.

The Governor's Message. After stating at length the facts brought out about Bardsley by the Phila-delphia investigation of his accounts and papers, and the revelations made by the McCamaht-Livsey-Bardsley correspondence, the governor goes on to say:

From the testimony given by Thomas Mc-Camant, auditor general, and by Henry K. Boyer, state treasurer, before the joint legis-lative investigating committee, it appears further that of the moneys collected by John Bardsley for the commonwealth of Pennsyl-vania he has failed to pay over the following

 Personal property tax (1890)
 \$622,913 11

 Personal property tax (1891)
 280,232 96

 License taxes (1890)
 367,604 18

 License taxes (1891)
 1,497 54

 Municipal loans tax (1890)
 86,030 80

victims, and we again repeat the warning. It was an easy matter to pay the money into the short term orders, but the great majority lest largely, notwithstanding the enormous "profits" which were promised.—Ex.

Young Jim Blaine's poverty, as sworn to by him in his answer to the divorce proceedings brought by his wife, has excited much commiseration in this state. "If Blaine is the favorite son of Pennsylvania," it is argued, "surely the grand old commonwealth should make some provision for its grandchild." It some provision for its grandchild." It solves the state treasury on the city and the state is the swiject of litigation not yet concluded. But, in any event, it appears that a total of \$1.786.780.50 of money belonging to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been misapplied, misappropriated, embezzled and stolen.

The governor makes an exhaustive analysis of the testimony of McCamant and Boyer, showing that this estimate of the loss their conduct entailed upon the state is based upon their own admissions. In closing he says:

I submit this summary of the facts touching the administration of these two departments, admitted and testified to by their chief officers before a joint committee of the legislature, in order that the senate may determine the action appropriate in the premises

The senate then adjourned until 3 p. m. today.

No Cause for Suspicion. HARRISBURG, Oct. 14.—The committee charged with the investigation of the department of the auditor general and state treasurer adopted a preliminary report yesterday and sent it to Governor Pattison.

The committee finds that the eviden The committee finds that the evidence wholly fails to disclose any just ground for suspicion as to the personal or official integrity of State Treasurer Boyer and that it fails to show any act of personal or official dishonesty on the part of Auditor General McCamant or the improper receipt by him of any money, either directly or indirectly, from John Bardsley. Messrs. Fow and Skinner present a minority report protesting against this finding.

A Very Brief Session.

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HARRISBURG, Oct. 15. — When the special session of the senate was called to order yesterday afternoon the committee on mode of procedure presented its report. The rules state that the cases of the accused will be heard in open senate and the attorney general will be invited to assist. The accused officers will be notified that the senate is organized for trial and proposes to proceed, and be notified that the senate is organized for trial and proposes to proceed, and that they may be present with their counsel and be heard. The question of admitting or not admitting evidence will be governed by rules of law. The president of the senate will preside, and exceptions to evidence may be argued five minutes on either side, when he will decide, but an appeal can be taken from his decision. The sergeant-at-arms will serve all processes and the president will swear witnesses.

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The senate then adopted a resolution providing for a session daily, to convene at 10 o'clock.

The senate then adjourned, having been in session exactly twenty-three minutes The Accused Deny the Charges.

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Harrisburg, Oct. 16.—At yesterday's session of the senate Auditor General McCamant and Treasurer Boyer made answer, through counsel, to the charges against them. Mr. Shapley, for Mr. McCamant, read the auditor general's denial. Mr. McCamant "expressly denies the jurisdiction of your honorable body." He then goes on to expressly deny each and every charge of official misbehavior alleged against him in the governor's proclamation and message, whether stated expressly, by way of inference, argument or suggestion; also expressly denies each and every statement in the proclamation and message contained, in so far as they or any of them are set forth as sufficient grounds to warrant the conclusion that he has

been in any way guilty of miscondust, misbehavior, or maladministration in

Treasurer Boyer's denial is in a simi-

HARRISBURG, Oct. 20 .- The senate at yesterday afternoon's session decided to proceed first with the hearing of evince in the case of Treasurer Boyer. Mr. Reeves was the only witness exam-ined, and gave evidence regarding the amount of state funds held by Bardsley.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

-The "Kindergarden" will be at the

opera house on Friday evening. -A good entertainment always takes in Bellefonte and for that reason the

opera house will be packed this evening. -Mrs. Tobias, aged 89 years, of Millheim, died on Tuesday the 18th, at the residence of her son, ex-recorder Wm.

-Mrs. Samuel Musser, widow, died on Monday evening at her residence near Penn Hall. She had been ill for a about a year and of late was confined to her bed. Her husband died recentlyfive children survive.

-The State College foot ball team defeated the Haverford eleven at the latter's ground, near Philadel phia, by a score of 40 to 0. The College boys are becoming experts at the game and entertain strong hopes of capturing the pennant from the other colleges of this

state who belong to the association. -A subscriber in sending a remittance to his local paper says: "I might flog my wife; I might murder my grandmother; I suppose I might possibly smother a blind baby; I think I could steal ginger bread from a nigger baby, but I have not got so low that I can cheat a poor printer.

-A story is going the rounds of the press to the effect that a certain farmer out west had a clause in his wid setting apart \$100 of his estate to pay for the home paper to be sent to his neighbor for life, as the neighbor had been a constant borrower of his paper, and the dying man did not want him to bother any of the other neighbors.

-The seats in the opera house are to be renumbered. The rows will be labeled from the alphabet and the sides will be known as "Right" and "Left." The seats will be numbered from the centre isle to the wall, beginning on each side of the isle at 1. 2, etc., on up for each row. It will be more convenient than at present. Mr. Garman wants everything in the proper shape.

-Royal Arcanum district convention will be held in Philipsburg on the 12th of November. Councils will be present from the counties of Lycoming, Clinton. Centre, Clearfield, Cambria, Jefferson, Blair and Huntingdon. Grand Regent of Pennsylvania, Owen D. Robert, of Philadelphia, will be in attendance, in addition to several other distinguished

-A man who has intelligence enough to be a fairly good workman in any industry is intelligent enough to understand that every idle man in the country is a man whom workingmen belp to support. An idler has a digestive apparatus which has to be kept busy; he must be supplied with clothing, shelter and warmth, and somebody must pay for these things. The persons who do pay for the wealth thus consumed are the men who produce wealth, namely, the workingmen. The greater the number of idlers, the larger must be the amount deducted from the earnings of those who toil.

THE Philadelphia Ledger, the most reliable, trustworthy republican paper published in Pennsylvania, endorses Gov. Pattison's bold stand in convening the State Senate to investigate and if possible find out who was to blame that \$1,500,000 were taken from the state. The small fry naturally denounce Pattison; they can't help it.

THE election of Gregg and Morrison will be considered a vindication of the men who stole a million and a half dollars from the state treasury.

Ir a man was a good soldier, that is no guarantee why he should be elected to the most responsible position in the

"Thou shalt not steal" is a good campaign motto, especially after over a million and a half of the people's money were stolen from the state.

HARD to find-a man who will vote

for a constitutional convention. EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.