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EDITORIAL.

THERE is mighty little politics in the present war with Spain.

JOHN WANNAMAKER'S tour over the state continues and he is continuing to pour hot shot into the Quay people in an alarming manner.

At the meeting of the Democratic county committee on Monday evening, one fact was clearly evident—that the party has not taken a step backward on the money question and that Bryan still is the ideal candidate.

FROM the amount of criminal business before this session of court one is lead to believe that the morals of the county have been on a slight decline.

The declaration of war by Congress passed without a single dissenting vote or opposing sentiment.

SINCE Charles Emory Smith was appointed Post Master General confidence does not seem to have been restored with our friend Col. Al Dale.

GLADSTONE DEAD.

Mr. Gladstone had been in ill health for about a year and had but recently returned from Cannes, France, whence he had gone for the benefit of his impaired health.

GUESS WORK ONLY.

The following is the substance of a dispatch sent from Bellefonte to the city dailies:

There was a full and enthusiastic meeting of the Democratic committee here Monday evening.

Nothing of the kind occurred at the above meeting in regards to the gubernatorial nomination.

THE DIFFERENCE.

According to the Ohio Legislature Marcus A. Hanna secured his seat in the United States Senate by bribery.

The famous John Wannamaker, the Sunday School Teacher, the man of great piety, denies any such means of corrupting politics.

A Large Crop of Tobacco.

Advices received at the Pennsylvania State College indicate that the tobacco crop in this state this year will be the largest since 1889.

BRYAN AT PHILIPSBURG.

Last Thursday the Hon. Wm. Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, passed over the Beech Creek railroad and spent the evening at Philipsburg.

When the train arrived at Philipsburg cannon were fired from the hillside to announce to the people that the famous presidential candidate had arrived.

An open meeting was held in front of the Passmore House with Hon. J. N. Cassanova presiding.

During this talk some republicans, of small dimensions, started a false fire alarm and sent the departments in the direction of the meeting but the immense audience staid right by Mr. Bryan and it proved a disgraceful failure.

The wonderful crowds and the intense interest shown in the meetings would have made some of our republicans, who declare "Bryanism a dead issue" sick at heart.

THE HANNA BRIBERY.

The press dispatches from Columbus about the report of the Ohio legislative committee on the Hanna bribery case were mainly devoted to the minority report of a single senator seeking the exculpation of Hanna on the ground the whole affair was a trap to catch the confiding and innocent senator.

It is made clear that there was a conspiracy to bribe members to vote for Hanna, that one payment of \$1,750 was made by Hanna's agent, and that he was aided and abetted in this crime by Hanna, Dick and Rathbone.

Your committee believes from the evidence taken that the authorized agents and representatives of Marcus A. Hanna attempted to bribe John C. Otis, a member of the House of Representatives, to vote for him for United States senator.

Your committee respectfully submits that such a man as Marcus A. Hanna, if guilty, as hereby indicated, is not fit to represent the great state of Ohio in the United States Senate, and that he should be expelled from that august body.

This report was adopted by the Ohio Senate by a vote of 19 yeas to 17 nays.

True, these are war times, but that is no reason the Hanna bribery should be glossed over or ignored in an excess of patriotic emotion.

Want to See the Hanging.

A man from Penfield has written to Sheriff McMakin, of Elk county, for three passes to witness the double hanging.

CHANGE ABOUT.

The republican applicants for the Bellefonte post office received a severe shock last week by the announcement that Post Master General Geary had resigned and Charles Emory Smith, editor of the Philadelphia Press, had been selected in his place.

Under the former condition of affairs, it was considered certain that no one but a machine man could secure the position.

Charles Emory Smith, for years, has been one of Quays bitterest opponents in the state. The Press has openly opposed Quay-fought him on all occasions.

This leaves the candidates in a sorry plight. Originally they were Hastings men, with one exception, next they deserted the Gov.; some displayed their loyalty to Quay by even refusing to attend the recent Wannamaker-Hastings meeting in the opera house last week.

Gov. Hastings certainly has the laugh on the unfaithful followers. He can square accounts with them quite nicely.

Gov. Dan's inning has come and some of his wayward followers will be called to account.

CUBANS HANDICAPPED.

Arms and Ammunition Wanted for a Force of 50,000 Men.

The War department has complete official information in regard to the strength and utility of the Cuban army to be employed in conjunction with the United States troops in the expected occupation of Cuba.

It is said that if the United States would supply 50,000 rifles, with ammunition, the Cubans would provide every man with a rifle.

This statement is made by General Gomez, the Cuban commander-in-chief. According to the Cuban authorities the trouble with their army is that it is at present armed with all sorts of inferior weapons, from machetes to shotguns.

The War department has been informed from reliable sources that about 5,000 Cubans in the United States will join the army of occupation in Cuba if this Government would supply them with arms, ammunition, and provisions.

The 50,000 men referred to in the statement about the strength of the insurgent army are represented to be the men who are now in the Cuban army or who have been discharged from it for lack of weapons, or who have expressed their readiness to enlist in case they are supplied with weapons.

THE END OF A BLACK ERA.

With the advent of the American army of occupation in Cuba will end the history of four hundred years of oppression, plunder and inhumanity.

Before the landing of Columbus the island was inhabited by an intelligent and gentle race of Indians, who welcomed the white invaders as gods.

There was one brief period of good government, however, and it happened to come just in time to preserve tranquility in Cuba when all the other Spanish colonies in America were revolting.

Since that time there has never been twenty years of consecutive peace in Cuba, and sometimes revolutions have succeeded each other at the rate of one every six years.

1. Every man, from the age of fifteen years upward, found away from his habitation, and who does not prove a justified motive therefore, will be shot.

2. Every habitation unoccupied will be burned by the troops.

3. Every habitation from which does not float a white flag, as a signal that its occupants desire peace, will be reduced to ashes.

The men who failed to conquer the Cubans by rapine and murder ended the Ten Years' War in 1895 by soft promises of local self-government.

OUR GREAT GUNS.

These are the days of big guns, and yet no one can tell which has won in the mechanical and scientific race—the gun and its projectile or the defensive armor plate.

But these guns are led by one which will weigh when completed 126 tons, forged at Bethlehem and now being finished at Watertown, N. Y.

APRIL TERM OF COURT.

This completes the full civil list for the first week of court.

Com. vs. Willis Johnstonbaugh, indicted for larceny, prosecutor H. Hayward. This defendant on the night of the 12th of April broke into the State College Creamery and took therefrom about twenty-seven pounds of butter and took the same to Philipsburg the next day where he was apprehended.

Com. vs. Harry Saylor, indicted for assault and battery, prosecutor Thomas Walker. This defendant is a deaf mute and stoned the prosecutor on the 18th of April, while he was driving along the public road. Verdict on Tuesday morning of guilty.

Com. vs. Sampson Wolf and Minnie Harpster, indicted for keeping a disorderly house, prosecutor William Baughman. These defendants have been living in Walker township about one mile east of Hubbersburg, where Mr. Wolf is a township's charge and where his wife left him several years ago and sometime last August got Miss Harpster to keep house for him.

Com. vs. James Reed, Charles Lucas and John Houtz, indicted, first count, larceny; second count, receiving stolen goods, knowing the same to have been stolen; prosecutor, Geo. T. Bush. These defendants are charged with stealing brass from the foundry of Jenkins & Lingle and selling the same to Peter Mendis a junk dealer. Verdict guilty.

Com. vs. George Hassenplug and Harry Pierce, indicted first count, assault and battery; second count, aggravated assault and battery; third count, felonious assault to rob—prosecutor Harry Gensberg. On the morning of the 13th of November last, at about 9 o'clock as this prosecutor was driving through the Pennsylvania narrows in the direction of Union county and within a short distance of the Union county line, but still in Centre county they suddenly appeared two mask edmen and held him up by holding the muzzles of their guns to his head and bringing him out of his wagon and assaulting him in trying to get his money, so much so that after they had been scared away by the appearance of James W. Runkle and wife, that he Gensberg was unable to stand up and fell. The men were dressed like hunters and each had a sack thrown over the shoulder containing something, and each carried a gun, and wore a black cloth over the face with eyes cut.

The trial of the above case was promptly resumed Wednesday morning and after a few remarks by Wm. C. Heinle, Esq., who represented the defendants, proceeded with the examination of defendants and their witnesses. They alleged, and were successful in proving, an "alibi," which was evidenced by a prompt verdict of "not guilty and no probable cause for prosecution and direct the prosecutor, Harry Gensberg, to pay the costs."

Com. vs. Cyrus Shope, aggravated assault; prosecutor John W. Mills, both parties from Boggs township. Case on trial Thursday morning. In the case of the prosecution of the Rev. J. H. Erdman, formerly of Centre Hall, the Grand Jury found a true bill. This case will be called to-day for trial.

No Room for Doubt.

Proof, yes overwhelming proof can be furnished of the excellent curative qualities of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. "I caught a cold which led to a cough and pain in the chest. (pneumonia) I bought Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and after taking one bottle of it, the cough began to disappear; when I finished taking the second bottle I was cured. Gustav Thurnmaster, 49 Hickory St., Cleveland, O." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs but 25 cents. Take only Bull's.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

ASSEMBLY. We are authorized to announce J. H. Wetzel, Esq., of Bellefonte, a candidate for the nomination for Assembly, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

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