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EDITORIAL.

BLOODY SHIRT.

The following is from the Keystone Gazette, of March 24th:

"The editor of the Centre Democrat this week assumes the prerogatives of a court of justice and pronounces the war-investigating committee a fraud. And especially is the little editor severe on General Beaver, who is a member of the board, and whom he stigmatizes as being guilty of whitewashing the war department. This is terrible; and we hardly see how our townsman, WHO HAD HIS LEG SHOT OFF BY A DEMOCRAT, can survive this second attack."

A liberal reward will be given for the detection of that "North Ward Democrat." Various republicans want his scalp.

OUR republicans will please note that silver is advancing in price. That dollar wheat is a myth and they have very little to say about it.

DURING the past week several more dark chapters were added to the expansion folly in the Philippine Islands. Greed is reaping an early reward.

LAST fall the independent republicans were duly warned that a vote for Stone was the election of a Quay Governor. Recent results have verified the prediction. Stone has shown himself to be a willing tool.

CENTRE COUNTY DEMOCRACY did the proper thing by endorsing Hon. C. M. Bower for the Supreme Court. Mr. Bower has every qualification for the position and is deserving, from his earnest devotion to the party interests in the past.

ACCORDING to latest information Gov. Stone will cut down the public school appropriations. Why does he not reduce the list of useless offices and the increased salaries. The latter would affect republican politicians. They must be cared for first.

IT is to be hoped for the good of public morals and the benefit of the taxpayers, that Centre county will never be so unfortunate as to fall in the hands of men who follow, practice and preach Quay methods in politics. Truly we have been fortunate thus far.

THE republican insurgents at Harrisburg have announced that the fighting against Quay will go on. John Wanamaker says there will be no let up until the rule of the boss is overthrown. Senator Flynn proposes to keep on fighting. According to this there will be more fun ahead for Quay.

TECHNICALLY Quay was acquitted in the Philadelphia courts. To get such a verdict it was necessary to hide behind the two-year limitation to keep out dangerous testimony and refused himself to go on the stand. Would an innocent man do that? Not likely. The verdict legally may be correct, but public sentiment as to his guilt is quite different. He escaped the clutches of the law, but was not vindicated in the eyes of the people.

WELL DESERVED.

The resolutions passed at the recent Democratic County Committee meeting commending the course of Senator Heinle and Representatives Foster and Wetzel, during the last session of the Legislature, were timely and well deserved.

Owing to his wife's illness Mr. Heinle was kept at home during much of the early portion of the session. But none of the interests of the district were neglected. In fact some were well taken care of. It was largely through Mr. Heinle's ability that the appropriations for the Normal Schools, State Collage, Philipsburg Hospital, Lock Haven Hospital and other charities were so favorably recognized.

Messrs. Foster and Wetzel stood by the interests of the public in every measure that came up. They always opposed every treasury looting scheme, and there were many, and in every instance stood by their campaign pledges, to oppose bossism, Quayism and corruption. They made no grand-stand plays by introducing foolish measures for political effect, so common among politicians, political bunkum to catch the applause of the rabble. They simply used good common sense, attended to business, helped to defeat numerous vicious measures intended to loot the treasury or further fasten the grip of Quayism on the people of this state.

Their career from beginning to end was duty faithfully performed.

A PAIR OF VERDICTS.

Ex-Senator Quay has been on trial before two tribunals. One, the people of Pennsylvania, judging the issues broadly and generally, ignoring technicalities and limitations, only anxious to reach the truth. The other in the narrow limits of judicial procedure, the aim to shut out evidence, confine or confuse the inquiry, exclude the whole truth and reach a technical verdict.

In the court room he has been found not guilty. With the people, taking in the whole case and judging it not as affecting individuals, but as a corrupt political system, he has been found guilty, for we think there are few competent judges in the Commonwealth—and by that we mean financiers, bankers and men of affairs who understand the windings in and out of the state treasury management—but are more thoroughly convinced than ever by this trial that it has been demonstrated that a conspiracy existed, and that the public funds were used by the conspirators for purposes of speculation and stock jobbery. In the words of the constitution: "The making of profit out of the public moneys or using the same for any purpose not authorized by law" has been made clear by the developments of this trial, and has impressed the jury of the Commonwealth—the honest, clear-headed people—even if it has not the jury under legal limitations not to consider the whole case, but a fraction of it.

We take no stock in the common street talk that Quay is "smart" and the verdict demonstrates his "sharp" qualities. That is the doubtful praise that goes to political bosses. The ex-senator blundered from start to finish in this case that honest purpose would have avoided. The verdict under the ruling out of evidence would have been as certain in January as yesterday. But the postponements of the trial at Quay's instance, the McCarrell jury bill at Quay's instance, the bribery and resulting investigation in the legislature, and the prolonged and vehement opposition to the admission of the whole truth in the trial at Quay's instance more than discounts all the effect of the jury's verdict. Tried and acquitted on the challenge of the people before the republican caucus nominated him for senator he would have been the senator-elect today.

Unquestionably it was a political trial in the offenses alleged, the conduct of the trial and its developments. Technically in the court room he is not guilty. The verdict of that higher tribunal, the people, was recorded by the late legislature, and will be emphasized when the people are appealed to for their final verdict at the polls.—Post.

DEM. COM. MEETING.

Monday evening about 45 districts in the county were represented at the meeting of the Democratic County Committee, in Temple Court. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Johnson, and Secretary Gettig read the roll of members.

The matter of the apportionment was next considered and the delegates in the county convention were apportioned as follows:

Table with 3 columns: District Name, Representative Name, Party Affiliation. Includes districts like Bellefonte, Harris, Howard, etc.

This completed, the following resolutions were introduced by D. F. Portney, Esq., and adopted:

Resolved: That the Democratic Committee of Centre county in regular session, presents to the Democratic party of the State the Hon. Calvin M. Bower as the candidate of the Democracy of Centre county for Judge of Supreme Court. A long and faithful service at the bar, engaged in a varied and extensive practice in every branch of the law, has more than qualified him to grace, with dignity and honor, a seat in the Highest Court of the State. His devotion to pure political principles, his fealty to the Democratic party, his honesty and honor, his capacity and courage, his ability, integrity and faithful labors have merited and won for him the confidence and united support of the Democracy of the county and entitles him to the consideration and support of the entire party of the State.

Resolved, by the Democratic Committee of Centre county in regular session, that we endorse the course of the Hon. William C. Heinle, and the Hon. J. H. Wetzel and Hon. Robert M. Foster—Senators from the 34th Senatorial District of Pennsylvania, and Representatives from Centre county, respectively, in the late General Assembly of Pennsylvania, and congratulate each of them on their faithful and efficient service and their return home with clean records from an Assembly dominated by the "Boss" and covered with the stain and slime of corruption.

Col. J. L. Spangler was called on and made an interesting talk on the good results achieved at Harrisburg by the democratic representatives. Senator Heinle and Representative Wetzel addressed the committee in the same line of thought. D. F. Portney, Chas. R. Kurtz, H. S. Taylor and Geo. R. Meek made short and appropriate talks.

ESTIMATE OF BRYAN.

For the last four or five years the prejudiced republican press has resorted to belittling Wm. J. Bryan. He has been termed the "Wind Bag" "Windy Willie," "Barn Stormer" and such like. Most republicans declared him to be an upstart, a political mushroom that would pass away.

Has that been the case? Not exactly. For the past four years he has been the most prominent statesman in the country. His public utterances have been eagerly grasped by the press and flashed over the continents. His coming and going is noted by the attendance of thousands of his fellowmen. Is there not some genius here? Is there not the element of true greatness in this man? We think so.

No paper has ridiculed Col. Bryan more than the New York Sun. Listen what they say about him, in a recent issue in a reply to an inquiry, as to what was the Col's. visible means of support:

"But if our curious correspondent wants an opinion on the general question of Mr. Bryan's ability to support himself and his family and to meet by personal exertion the responsibilities of life, we will give it without hesitation.

There is no impropriety in saying that, in his own originally chosen profession, Mr. Bryan could now command an income exceeded or equalled by that of few lawyers west of the Mississippi. There are thousands of clients who would be glad and proud to have him as their counsel. If he preferred to devote his attention exclusively to the lecture platform, he would be quite sure of earning a fortune in a comparatively short time. His power of interesting and holding audiences by the magnetic charm of his oratory, on any subject he may select, has been sufficiently demonstrated; and the eagerness to hear him speak is not confined to any particular section of the country. The same thing may be said of his very respectable gifts as an actor. The stage offers to Mr. Bryan a mine of wealth whenever he chooses to work it; although we have no idea that he will ever take advantage of the opportunity. If he were to write books to be sold by subscription, the returns would certainly be large, and publishers would compete for the privilege and profit of putting Mr. Bryan's printed thoughts into the hands of his millions of admirers. If he were to return to journalism, there are doubtless dozens of prosperous newspapers of his own way of thinking which would tumble over each other in their anxiety to secure his services as editor or editorial writer.

Mr. Bryan could easily earn not only his living, but probably riches beyond the dreams of Nebraska avarice as a lawyer, a lecturer, an actor, or an author or a journalist. There are not many men in the country to-day with a greater potential earning capacity covering a greater variety of alternative occupations. We make these remarks not at all in the offensive sense, but merely to emphasize the absurdity and injustice of the notion that the leader of the Chicago Democracy remains in politics for the sake of the money that is in politics for him.

On the contrary, to the best of our knowledge and belief, Mr. Bryan is standing by his party and his principles at a very considerable sacrifice of pecuniary profit.

WHITEWASHING.

Major Lee, who has been the personal representative of Gen. Miles before the Court of Inquiry, made a speech summing up the evidence taken during the inquiry that any lawyer might have been proud of. He showed that every allegation made by Gen. Miles has been fully sustained by good evidence, but if the Algerians are correct in their outline of the report, which the Court will make in a few days, probably this week, the evidence is to be ignored, Alger and Eagan whitewashed, and Gen. Miles and the officers who dared to tell the truth about the beef furnished the army, censured. If that sort of a report is submitted, a wave of indignation is likely to sweep over this country that when compared with that which followed the white washing of Alger by the War Commission, will be as a tornado to a summer zephyr. The people of this country have decided this case on the evidence, and if Mr. McKinley is unwise enough to allow his friendship for Algerism and his dislike for Gen. Miles to cause him to use his official influence to get a report contrary to the evidence, so much the worse for Mr. McKinley. The country has been disappointed, through all the dirty mess, to believe in the personal integrity of Mr. McKinley, and that he was the victim of his political obligations to Alger, but public opinion cannot be made to stand too great a strain.

Pensions for Wives and Families.

The act of congress of March 3, which makes provision for the wives of soldiers with pension rights, is the first absolute recognition paid wives by the government in the history of the pension department. It provides that when pensioners desert their wives, who are in indigent circumstances, their minor children or permanently helpless children, one-half of their pensions shall be paid their wives or the legal authorized guardians of their children. Prior to this time the government had never recognized the dependent wives of pensioners in any substantial manner.

This new act also provides that when pensioners become inmates of state soldiers homes and refuse to contribute to the support of their families, one-half of their monthly pensions will be at the disposal of the dependent families.

Money sent by mail reaches this office without fail. The mails are sure.

A desperate effort is being made to seat Quay in the U. S. Senate. All precedents are to be broken.

COURAGE OF A COWBOY.

He Swung Himself and His Horse Over a Yawning Chasm With a Rope.

"Speaking of the dare-devil characteristics of western cowboys," said an old plainsman, "I recall an adventure that might have proved fatal to myself and a man named Henry but for the great presence of mind displayed in an emergency by my cool-headed companion. The incident happened in Montana some years ago. We were traveling along a narrow trail on the border of the Grande Ronde river when we suddenly came to a landslide that was about twenty-five feet across and left no trail in the smooth, precipitous rock. The trail was so narrow that our horses could not turn back and, realizing that it would be folly to expect the animals to jump the chasm, it looked as though we were trapped. But directly above the twenty-five-foot break in the trail there was a huge rock which was split in the centre. Henry saw the crack in the rock and having a strong riata seventy feet long on his saddle, swung the rope over his head and hurled it high in the air. Being an expert in the use of the riata, it went true to the mark and was soon firmly fixed in the crevice of the rock.

"While I was wondering what he was going to do with the rope he took in the slack and wound it around the horn of his saddle, which was very strong and supplied with double cinches. Then he urged his horse to the edge of the precipice.

"The faithful beast stood firm. He would not step over, but Henry again crew up the slack and pulled with all might. Inch by inch he drew the straining horse forward till his feet slipped and he swung over the yawning chasm. For a moment I held my breath and shut my eyes, expecting to hear the slender rope snap and its burden disappear into the raging river below.

"When I did open my eyes he had swung across the gap and, dismounting, he backed up the trail and tugged at the reins to aid the horse in gaining his feet. He pulled hard and the animal lunged up into the trail, with the chasm far behind.

"Safe on the other side, Henry urged me to make the perilous trip in the same way as he had done. For some time I couldn't muster up the necessary courage, but at last, when I realized that there was no other way of continuing the journey, I consented to swing myself across the chasm. After landing on the other side Henry returned for my horse and having swung the beast safely across the gap, we rode away and left the rope dangling for the use of the next wayfarer who chanced to come that way.

No Prisons Needed.

In Iceland there are no prisoners, and the inhabitants are so honest in their habits that such material defenses to property as locks, bolts and bars are not required. Yet its history for the past thousand years records no more than two thefts.

Of these two cases one was that of a native who was detected after stealing several sheep; but as he had done so to supply his family, who were suffering for want of food, when he had broken his arm, provisions were furnished to him and work was found for him while he was able to do it, and meanwhile he was placed under medical care; but the stigma attached to his crime was considered sufficient punishment.

The other theft was made by a German, who stole seventeen sheep. But as he was in comfortable circumstances and the robbery was malicious, the sentence passed upon him was that he should at once sell all his property.

\$1,250,000 Per Pint.

Some of these growths, says a writer, who is describing his visit to a germ farm, are exceedingly expensive. Indeed, a rare bacillus seems to be as valuable in its way as a scarce orchid. I was shown, for instance, a species known as the bacillus indicus ruber, which is found only in the stomach of certain monkeys, and for a colony of which a ten-pound note was asked.

On the other hand, you can buy enough scarlet fever micrococci to infect a decent sized town for \$2.50, while twice that sum will provide you with a choice collection of fine, healthy typhoid germs. Leprosy bacilli come expensive, though \$25 per colony; while as much as \$40 is asked for selected colonies of the bacillus of conjunctivitis or typhus. This would work out at something like \$1,250,000 per pint.

Fast Trains.

The high-water mark of European railway progress will probably be taken by the new line between Paris and Switzerland. There is no train in Europe to match the speed of the Nord de France between Paris and Amlens—81 miles in eighty-five minutes. The Basle express covers the distance between Basle and London, 595 miles, in fourteen hours and thirty-five minutes, a speed of over forty miles an hour, with two frontiers to be crossed and twenty-five miles of sea-crossing.

Transparent Stone.

A window made entirely of stone has been presented to a French cathedral. The stone is nephite—found in Siberia—and so beautifully transparent that when placed as it is it catches the sun's rays and reflects them into the interior of the cathedral.

Niagara's Channel.

The truth of the adage about constant dripping wearing away a stone is strikingly illustrated in the fact that the Niagara River has in 36,000 years cut a channel 200 feet deep, 2,000 feet wide and seven miles long, through solid rock.

Many Dumb and Dumber.

Seven out of every 10,000 inhabitants of the United States are deaf and dumb. The affliction is much less common among the negroes than among the whites.

Long-Lived Birds.

Among birds the swan lives to be the oldest, in extreme cases reaching 300 years; the falcon has been known to live over 102 years.

Africa has very nearly 700 languages, and this fact presents great difficulties to missionary effort.



Riding in the wind and dust roughens the face and often causes painful chapping and cracking of the skin.

Those who are so affected should use a pure soap. Ivory Soap is made of vegetable oils that are soothing in their nature; it can be used freely even on tender faces, for there is nothing in it to irritate or injure.

IVORY SOAP IS 99 44/100 PER CENT. PURE.

A WORD OF WARNING.—There are many white soaps, each represented to be "just as good as the Ivory," they ARE NOT, but like all counterfeits, lack the peculiar and remarkable qualities of the genuine. Ask for "Ivory" Soap and insist upon getting it.

Over 2300 copies of the Centre Democrat are printed each week. That means the paper is read in every nook and corner of the county.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The following rates will be charged for announcements under this head, and none will be inserted unless paid in advance. Sheriff, \$7.00; Treasurer, \$6.00; Register, \$6.00; Recorder, \$5.00; Commissioners, \$5.00.

Nothing in derogation of any candidate will be published at any price, but notices of endorsement or articles setting forth the merits of candidates will be received at 10 cents per line each insertion. These rates will be rigidly adhered to and the cash must accompany every order.

CHAS. R. KURTZ, Editor.

SHERIFF. T. F. KENNEDY, of State College, requests us to announce that he will be a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Primaries and County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of CYRUS BRUMBAUGH, of Millheim, as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of ELLIS SHAFER, of Madisonburg, as a candidate for Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

SAMUEL HARTSTER, JR., of Ferguson township, authorizes us to announce his candidacy for the office of Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of GEORGE W. KEESTER, of Haines township, as a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce the name of THOMAS F. RILEY, of Harris township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of GREEN DECKER, of Greig township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of PHILIP H. MEYER, of Harris township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

DANIEL HICKMAN, of Bener township, requests us to announce that he will be a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce W. H. FAY, of Ferguson township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of ADAM BARBOS, of Haines township, as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

REGISTER. DEAR SIR:—Please announce my name as a candidate for the office of Register, subject to the decision of the Democratic county convention. I am yours truly, W. J. CARLIN, Mor township.

G. F. Weaver, of Greig Twp., desires us to announce that he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Register. F. O. address, Penns Cave.

We are authorized to announce that A. G. ARCHIE, of Ferguson township, will be a candidate for the nomination of Register, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

RECORDER. We are authorized to announce the name of J. CALVIN HARPER, of Bellefonte borough, as a candidate for Recorder, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of ROYD A. MUSSEY, of Bellefonte borough, as a candidate for Recorder, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

TREASURER. To the Democracy of Centre Co.—I am a candidate for the nomination of County Treasurer, and would respectfully solicit your influence and support. Successful or not, I am yours, W. T. SPEER, Bellefonte, Pa.

At the coming Democratic primaries and County Convention I will be a candidate for Treasurer and would respectfully solicit favorable consideration of my candidacy. J. D. MILLER, Walker Twp.

We are authorized to announce the name of H. A. MOORE, of Howard borough, as a candidate for Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT:—Please announce my candidacy as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention. Yours respectfully, J. TOSER LUCAS, Moshannon, Pa.

We are authorized to announce the name of JOHN E. BOWER, of Philipsburg borough, as a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic County Convention.

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We have bunched 574 Men's Suits. The loss is too sharp to add to it by large newspaper space, and so the bare announcement will be all-sufficient to clear out every suit. Where are you located? There is dividend enough in this offering to warrant a trip of 50 miles.

242 Men's Suits

Cheviots and Cassimeres, representing 27 distinct patterns—\$10 qualities, and good value at that, reduced to \$7.50.

106 MEN'S CASSIMERE AND WORSTED SUITS

representing six patterns; \$13.50 quality reduced to \$10, medium and dark colors.

78 MEN'S SUITS—CASSIMERE & WORSTED—

the bulk of them Worsteds—regular \$15 grades reduced to \$10.

148 MEN'S SUITS

principally high-grade Worsteds—no better value anywhere at \$20; reduced to \$15.

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