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SWALLOW'S SHARP WORDS

The Divine Delivers Some Severe Criticism

AFTER STONE AND MCKINLEY

The Campaigns of Greed and Corruption Severely Arraigned by a Former Republican—Hot Shot Sent Direct to the Mark—Administration's Mistakes.

The Dauphin county Prohibition convention met Saturday afternoon at Elizabeth and nominated a ticket, leading with E. D. Nichols for judge. Rev. S. C. Swallow spoke as follows:

"Governor Stone has recently gone to the 'Yellow Kid journals' of New York to air his views, probably on the principle that 'distance lends enchantment.' He charges those opposed to National land grabbing and to the Christianizing of the Filipinos with the sword with being 'opposed to growth.' Well, there is growth and growth. If Governor Stone had, when a young man, paid less attention to long measure and avoidupois and more to the development of cerebrum and spinal column, Pennsylvania would not now be humiliated by padded pay rolls, partisan greed, a corrupted ballot, an empty treasury, popular rights overthrown and governmental maladministration enthroned.

"Not all big things are great. The Republican party of Lincoln, Sumner, Seward, Chase, Greeley and Garfield was not so large as is the machine-ruled, boss-cursed, moral corpse still called the Republican party, and run by such public enemies as Quay, Hanna, Platt and Brewer Cox; but the former was so much greater than the latter that one will fill the largest niche in history through the cycling centuries, while the other will rot amid its own putrefaction.

"The morals of our country are today congested because our rapidly increasing population has not been politically and morally digested. To add ten millions of people to the already overstocked wards of our country by annexing the islands of the sea is only one of the many evils resulting from the present policy of military imperialism. We must soon civilize the millions of semi-barbarians already here, and rapidly increasing, or the barbarians will barbarize America as surely as was Rome barbarized from the Trajanian policy. Our cities are already in the hands of our government's enemies, and the cities govern the country.

"President McKinley could have immortalized his memory by devoting his administration to an honest effort to redeem our country from the reign of lawlessness as did Washington from the tyranny of the torieus invader, Lincoln from the domestic slave master and Garfield from the dominion of the political boss.

"Unhappily for the country, he has allowed the man Mark Hanna, who bought him by paying his personal debts, and other sharks like Quay, Platt and Brewer Cox, together with the millionaire property-grabbers of Wall street, to force us into an interminable war of National conquest for individual greed. If the two or three thousand millionaires representing syndicates and trusts that already own three-fourths of the property of this country, and can at will make money for themselves by arbitrarily creating good times or hard times, though always the latter for the laboring man; we say, if these men wanted additional outlet for their capital, and were sighing for more financial worlds to conquer, it was no reason why the President should, after a sickly protest, yield to their clamor as voiced by that Millionaires' club, otherwise known as the United States Senate.

"The war was inaugurated in the name of charity, but we could have better afforded to have brought the starving Cubans and the Spaniard tyrannized Filipinos to our own country and given every family a farm than inaugurate a policy that outrages the traditions of the fathers, turns a peace-seeking nation of aggressives by brute force, and at the same time overthrows the long venerated Monroe doctrine of 'neither entangling ourselves with the broils of Europe, nor suffering the powers of the old world to interfere with the affairs of the new.'

"Mr. McKinley, in the hands of the bosses who opposed him, till they found they could use him, will go down into history with the unenviable distinction of having 'sown to the wind that posterity may reap of the whirlwind'; of promoting Algerism, another name for embezzled beef and starved soldiers; of establishing, by permitting it, the army saloon for the degradation and destruction of tens of thousands of young men, who, 10 years from now, will swell the ranks of the tramping tramps, and be known as the rear guard of McKinley's

Army. He will be remembered as the man who revolutionized the policy of the country at the dictation of its money-grabbers, and in opposition to its best moral sense.

MAJOR HASTINGS IN JAIL.

On Thursday, of last week, this community was aroused by the unexpected arrival of Major William Henry Hastings, a brother of ex-Gov. D. H. Hastings who has been traveling in Europe the past five years and of late wrote so many vicious and threatening letters to his brother at this place. He arrived on the morning train from Tryone, registered at the Brockerhoff House as 'W. Henry, Philad.' His long beard was cut off and he wore a moustache. He was readily recognized by a number of his former acquaintances and those who called upon him found that there was no effort to conceal his identity, only tried to avoid notoriety. He said he had come to attend to some business matters with his brother, after which he would return to Europe again.

On the following morning the excitement was again aroused by the arrival of two officers from Philadelphia, who at once placed the distinguished gentleman under arrest and took him along to Philadelphia on the afternoon train. The following is from the Philadelphia papers giving an account of the hearing:

Major Hastings, was taken to Philadelphia, and was given a hearing Saturday before Magistrate Jermon. General Louis Wagner, the prosecutor, testified that in January, 1895, Hastings, then president of the Garcia Truss company, had secured a loan of \$5,000 from the Third National bank, Philadelphia, and had given as collateral sundry drafts, a note, bills of lading, freight bills and an insurance policy, all having reference to an alleged shipment of goods to Australia. A similar loan for the same amount had been made by the Merchants' National bank. A week or so after negotiating the loan Major Hastings disappeared. The witness said that he was made the assignee of the Truss company. "I found that no one in the employ of the company knew anything about the shipment to Australia. It was later found that the boxes contained nothing of value. About forty per cent of the indebtedness of the company was recovered by the creditors. The books of the concern showed that Major Hastings was indebted to it to the extent of nearly \$40,000." The charge of forgery, General Wagner said, was in the presentation of bogus bills of lading.

The major was given an opportunity to make a defense, but he stated that he had nothing to say. He was then held in the sum of \$6,000 bail, and was taken back to a cell in the city hall.

Timber Deal.

There has been quite an agitation in the minds of the people of Beech Creek and Eagleville as to who would purchase the Al. Bitner timber. Lumber has been rising in price and many parties desired this timber. The rumors have now been set at rest by the purchase of the tract by S. W. Gardner. The pine and white oak will be cut into bill stuff during the winter. The rock oak will be peeled next spring and railroad ties made of the trees. The lumber, bark and ties will be taken by P. B. Crider & Son of Bellefonte, when, loaded on cars at such places as they may designate. The sawing will likely be done by J. B. Swartz.

Cattle Killed by Lightning.

A number of the farmers of Beech Creek township drive their cattle every summer to the woods of the 'Scout' region where they remain in pasture until fall. On Saturday while some of the farmers were in the forest looking after their stock they found five of the cattle dead having been killed by lightning. Four of the cattle belonged to farmer Moodler and one to farmer Gummo. All of the cattle had evidently been killed by one stroke of lightning as the carcasses lay close together. The farmers thought from the appearance of the cattle that they had been killed during the thunder storm on Friday evening.

Big Deal.

A deal was concluded Monday at Altoona which transferred the Logan Valley Electric railway, the City Passenger railway and the Altoona gas works to the Produce Trust company of New York. The consideration was \$1,000,000. The deal was made by John Lloyd, president of the concerns, and Turner A. Beall, president of the trust company and agent for the Standard Oil people. The Edison electric light plant in the city was not included in the deal, and it is thought this transfer of property means the establishment of a new electric light plant and therefore cheaper light for the mountain city people.

A few temptations beset the industrious, but all temptations assail the idle.

THE CURTIN MEMORIAL

Veterans Should Consider It On Saturday

IMMEDIATE ACTION DESIRED

A Communication From an Old Soldier Who Favors a Memorial Library—Gives Some Suggestions for Raising the Necessary Funds that are of Interest.

Next Saturday the Centre County Veteran Association will hold their annual meeting at Grange Park, Centre Hall. Without a doubt one of the important matters that will come up for their consideration will be the Curtin Memorial project which the public has left to the consideration of the veterans, as they are the ones to take same in hand and see that it is carried to completion. The dilatory disposition of the committee in charge naturally has aroused some comment, and even censure, as nothing definite, except talk, seems to have been accomplished in this matter.

Some want a memorial library, others favor a monument for which a movement originated some time ago and a committee was appointed to act in the way of soliciting funds, design, etc. Today hardly anyone knows who is on that committee or what has been done. This indefinite state of affairs does not reflect much credit on the committee and naturally the veterans are growing dissatisfied. Next Saturday is the time for this association to take some definite action. They should call on the old committee for a report, and if they are not inclined to take action, a new committee should be selected that will give time and attention to the matter of erecting a Curtin Memorial. After five year's existence they have little to show, and who knows whether they will be able to do anymore in the next five.

The following communication was handed for publication by one of the prominent members of the association who strongly favors a Library Memorial, and believes that the necessary funds can be raised for such a building and points out some of the ways of raising funds. It is of interest in this connection and should be considered at the meeting of the association on Saturday:

EDITOR DEMOCRAT:—Governor Curtin, in his life time, frequently said that the people of Bellefonte only agreed upon one subject and that was "when a citizen of the town died, all agreed that he should be buried."

For some time past there has been some discussion, and a variety of opinions expressed, as to the kind of a memorial that should be erected to the memory of Governor Curtin and the soldiers from Centre county who were in the army, whether dead or living, during the war of the rebellion. From the many different opinions expressed it would seem that the people of the town will not be able to even agree upon any one plan or idea that should be incorporated in such a memorial.

Judge Beaver, a man of wide experience and sound sense, always ready to learn and seize upon new and good ideas, in his travels in Massachusetts came across a building which had been erected, in one of the towns of that State, as a memorial to the soldiers of the war. For usefulness and beauty and the accomplishment of the purpose for which it was erected it exceeded anything within the knowledge of the Judge; and at the meeting of the Veteran Association, in 1893, he took occasion to call the attention of the association to what he had learned, and gave, as we recollect, some estimate of the cost of such a building.

Now let us see where we stand in Bellefonte, and if we only could agree as to what ought to be done, how soon and easily it could be erected.

The Veteran Association has subscribed, as we recollect, for a monument or memorial, \$1,000. Other subscriptions and pledges of money have been made that can be counted on, which will push this sum up to \$3,000. This is a good large nest egg. The other evening, at an entertainment for the benefit of the public library, whatever that is and wherever it exists, quite a sum was realized and this was augmented to the extent of \$100 by the Hon. James Milliken. This makes a couple of hundred dollars more—where is it to go and what public library will it be put into? This is some of our resources.

Subordinate personal preference and preconceived notions to the general good of the public. Gov. Curtin's friends should not object to this; nor should the veterans of the county. By putting their funds in such a memorial they continue to carry out, through all time, the fundamental idea they had in offering themselves a sacrifice upon the altar of their country, that of doing good for others. Let us agree to do the right thing, and begin at once.

"A CITIZEN."

NEW LIMESTONE OPERATION.

Last week the Joseph Eckley farm of 85 acres, in Benner township, was sold to A. A. Stevens, Esq., of Tyrone, for \$7,000. The property lies along the Bellefonte Central R. R. and is above the present large limestone operations of A. G. Morris and adjoins the farms of Hastings, Rothrock and others in that vicinity. The same rich vein of limestone extends through this property that is being operated by others in that section, and is of the exceptionally pure quality that has made Bellefonte lime famous. Mr. Stevens is interested in limestone operations at other points and understands the business, besides he has the capital to make a success of the enterprise. We are informed that it is his intention to begin extensive operations at once, erecting a large number of kilns and machinery for handling the product of the quarries. This means steady employment for a large number of workmen in this vicinity in an industry that promises to be permanent. The limestone operations about our town have grown to large proportions in recent years and are among the best we have.

MILTON FAIR.

The Fifteenth Annual Fair of the Milton Driving Park and Fair Association will be held at Milton, Pa., October 3, 4, 5 and 6, 1899. The outlook indicates the most successful fair in the history of the Association. The premium list has been revised, offering great inducements to owners of fast horses, stock raisers, farmers and manufacturers generally. Competition unrestricted. Full particulars in pamphlets may be had by addressing EDWIN PAUL, Secretary, Milton, Pa.

Was Instantly Killed.

Monday evening Samuel F. Bailey, wife and child of Tyrone, were picking coal on the railroad west of that place. On their return home they walked on the track, when Bailey, who did not hear the approaching train, was struck by the mail express and instantly killed. His body was hurled about sixty feet. Just before the train struck him Bailey handed the child which he was carrying in his arms, to his wife. The wife and child escaped injury, but Mrs. Bailey was struck by her husband's body as it was hurled over her head. Bailey was 31 years old. He leaves his wife and four young children in destitute circumstances.

Crippled for Life.

A few days ago a young man named August Modenbach, of St. Mary's went to Ridway with the intention of enlisting. Not being able to see the officer, Modenbach and a companion attempted to jump a freight to return home. Modenbach slipped, fell on the rail, and the wheels severed both legs below the knee. He rallied from the shock, and it is believed he will recover. He is 25 years old.

Tyrone's New Water Supply.

The Tyrone Borough Council passed an ordinance on Saturday morning providing for a municipal water supply plant. The source of supply is to be one hundred springs about two miles east of there. The water is to be pumped to a reservoir at a high elevation. The Council claim this action was forced in consequence of their inability to acquire the present corporation plant at a reasonable cost.

Net From Howard.

N. A. Crissy, who made his last balloon ascension at Punxsutawney, on Thursday of last week, then fell eighteen hundred feet in full view of the thousands of spectators who stood horrified at the fatal plunge, was reported to have been a native of Howard, this county. This is incorrect, it was a different man.

The Salona Lime Kilns Sold.

The Morris lime kilns at Salona have been purchased by the Bellefonte Furnace company. The company took possession Monday.

They will ship ten car loads of stone a day, for an indefinite time, to the furnace at Bellefonte. Ballast will also be shipped to different points.

Freight Wreck.

A freight wreck occurred on the Central railroad of Pennsylvania at Clintondale, Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Brown's siding was torn out and traffic was not resumed until this morning.

—Carload of sweet potatoes, at Sourbecks.

PASSING OF THE GRAND ARMY

Ranks of the Noble Organization Growing Less

OBJECTS TO NEW FEATURES

The Members Prefer to See the Organization Slowly and Peacefully Pass Away—Facts From the Recent Encampment at Philadelphia.

The National encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic that has just closed calls attention to the sad fact that this noble organization will soon pass into history. Many of the men who gathered around the camp-fires in Philadelphia last week will have responded to taps before another twelve months.

On June 30, of this year, the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic numbered 287,981. Of course this does not include all of the living Union soldiers, but is a large share of them. Nine years ago the organization had 409,489 veterans on its roll, the largest number in its history. Since that time there has been a steady decline, occasioned principally by death. In the last year alone 18,000 survivors of the Blue have been dropped from the rolls. In that period 273 posts have gone out of existence. It is shown that the membership is kept up in the larger cities. This is explained by the fact that in the more densely populated districts there are more old soldiers to draw from. During the year just ended the Grand Army of the Republic has spent \$160,000 in relief. The auxiliary body, the Women's Relief Corps, has about one-half as many members, but paid out \$180,000 to the needy.

Unless some means is taken to build up the Grand Army of the Republic its lease on life will soon terminate. It has often been suggested that the Sons of Veterans take the place of their fathers, but there has been opposition to the proposition, as there has to the plan of bringing the veterans of the Spanish-American war into the organization. The men who defended the flag in the sixties are satisfied to allow the Grand Army of the Republic to slowly and pleasantly pass away.

SPECIAL DRYFUS FEATURE.

During the past year the public has heard much about the famous Dryfus trial in France. To many who did not keep posted in regard to this affair the reports of the trial were without interest, on account of having lost the connection. The verdict in this famous case has aroused the entire civilized world, for it was a shameful imposition, miscarriage of justice, which for years to come will bring shame to the name France and her people. This event is of much importance, and in order that our readers may understand the affair a complete account is given on page 6 of this issue.

Grange Encampment.

All arrangements are completed for the coming Grange Encampment at Centre Hall, next week. The grounds are now in readiness for the exhibitors and those who wish to occupy tents during the week. By Saturday evening the encampment will be under way with a large number of tents comfortably located. The program published in our last issue has not been changed in any particular except that a number of entertainments have been announced and among them are two balloon ascensions, on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Two free performances will be given each day by the "Oriental Troubadour Jubilee Singers," conducted by "Paddy Murphy," the well known singing comedian and "Fabian", the magician and mind reader, of Philadelphia.

Special programs will be published each day in advance so that if there should be any change the public will be fully informed. The continued rains during the past week are encouraging for the encampment, as the wet weather will in all probability be over by next week and the ground in fine shape.

New Railroad for Altoona.

The contract for grading and laying a track from Juniata, two miles east of Altoona, into the heart of the city has been let to P. J. Fagan & Co., for \$18,000 by the Pittsburg, Johnstown, Ebensburg railway. The contracts call for completion within 90 days. The line will bring a competitor of the Pennsylvania into the business section of that city.

The Eleventh Avenue Opera House, it is said, has been purchased by the same company for \$81,000, and the building is to be transformed into a central station. This road makes connections with the Beech Creek railway, and it is believed the entrance will be bought by that company.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright Sparkling Paragraphs—Selected and Original.

Alexander.

There was a youth who kept a store,
And though some might be grander,
He kept a store all through the war
And his name was Alexander.
He mixed his goods with cunning hand
And was a skillful brander;
While off his sugar was his hand—
Some called him Alex-sander.
One day his loved one to him came,
Then lovingly he scanned her;
He asked her would she change her name,
And a ring did Alex-hand her.
"Oh, yes," she said, with smiling lip,
"If I can be commander."
They both then formed a partnership
And called it Alex-and Her.
—Alex. Geddes.

You'll be a Long Time Dead.

In nothin' long the crooked trail
O, life, if things don't come your way
Don't hang yer underlin' an' wall
Because you make a long play.
Jest give your energy a spur,
Put on a smile, hold up your head;
Pay life while you got it, fur
Yer goin' to be a long time dead!
Don't let a pleasure pass you by,
Bask in the sunshine all you kin,
An, when reverses hit you, try
To make another play an, win.
Sip sweetness from the flow'r's o' mirth,
The skies o' jollity paint red,
For when you quit this bloomin' earth
Yer goin' to be a long time dead!
Yer face was made to pack a smile
Instead o' discontented frown,
An, you should on the measure smile
The grain o' fun an, joy it down.
If fortune should deny you pie,
Be thankful for your daily bread
An' butterin', fur by and by
Yer goin' to be a long time dead!
In passin' down the valley try
To scatter snuff by the way,
Play pleasure chips, an' play high.
Encourage others to be gay,
Don't waste a minute settin' round,
But keep a goin', hold on tight,
Fur when you leave this pleasure ground
Yer goin' to be a long time dead!
Don't scatter thorns along the trail
To stab the feet of others, who
The rocky heights are tryin' to scale
An' win success the same as you,
But plant some flowers as you go,
By dew o' kindness keep 'em fed,
Fur when your lamp goes out, you know!
Yer goin' to be a long time dead!
To box it in a nutshell, you
Should live a heap while you've the chance,
An' never miss a call to do
A merry-makin' song an' dance.
Should squeeze the sponge o' life in dry,
Sip pleasure from its fountain head,
Fur when it come yer turn to die
Yer goin' to be a long time dead!
—Demer Post.

Always on foot—twelve inches.
The middle of September—"C".
A man of some account—the collector.
Makes his mark—the sharpshooter.
Naturally three-footed—the yardstick.
The moustache is merely a bang on the lip.
More corkscrews wear out than rust out.
Handy for a light luncheon—lady-fingers.
America's ringleader—the Liberty Bell.
The strong arm of the law has no funny bone.
A "well" known song—"The Old Oak-
en Bucket."
Pocket books often need an antidote for anti-fat.
Summer and the summer girl are on their last lap.
Some men marry for love—with money as collateral.
The wise man who boasts of his wisdom is a fool.
Some of the big guns of the prize ring are only air guns.
Free and easy—the deadhead and the ones who pass him.
At the piano, the girl with the pompadour also has bangs.
The bungling sculptor cannot expect to cut much of a figure.
Gossip never interests a woman—if she has heard it before.
Call a man by name, but be careful how you call him names.
The drummer boy sets a snare and beats his way as he goes.
If the poet had his way, his life would be more of a sell than it is.
Every man thinks he cuts a lot of ice when he gets a "skate" on.
A fair exchange is no robbery—and a fair robbery is no exchange.
Some married men are compelled to take life according to directions.
Every electric car needs to have a conductor and a non-conductor.
It's the person who's a bundle of nerves that oftenest feels undone.
If it wasn't for cheap drinks, there would not be so many low spirits.
The man who marries a widow shows his willingness to take what's left.
To be candid, quilting bees often prove to be regular hornets' nests.
You have probably noticed that only level-headed people agree with you.
With a bridal couple on board, the train must have a tender attachment.
In escaping a detective, the criminal has to be able to work a clever dodge.
Robinson Crusoe always knew the day of the week, for he kept track of Friday.
A woman, you know, can take a train to Washington by putting it in her trunk.
When you buy a book to read you expect the worth of your money with interest.
When he marries, the photographer wants a woman who also has taking ways.

"The success of my work," said the roof painter, "is proclaimed from the housetops."
A dose of quinine and whisky is what some men would call taking the bitter with the sweet.