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OPINIONS ON TWO PROMINENT MEN

Solomon Dresser, the Man Who Denounced Lewis Emery.

THE GAZETTE'S DUPLICITY

The Machine-Gang Organ Quotes an Old Scamp to Injure Emery—Knows Dresser from Experience to be Unreliable—Never Reading.

Last week the Machine-gang organ (the Gazette) imagined that it rung up a bull's eye by quoting Solomon Dresser's opinion of Lewis Emery, Jr., the fusion nominee for Governor. This is what Solomon, the boodler, said in reference to Emery:

"I cannot, and I will not, encourage or assist in the election to any national or state office of a man who tells us that he can consistently stand, at one and the same time, upon a Republican platform and a Democratic platform. No one can do this. I cannot and will not, then, support my neighbor, Lewis Emery, for the office of governor of Pennsylvania. It would be pleasant to do so as a neighborly act, but Mr. Emery is not a Republican, he is not a Democrat, he is not a Socialist; he is not a Prohibitionist.

"He attempts to spread himself, on hands and feet, upon the edges of the four platforms of these parties, and cannot possibly remain squarely upon any of them. His policy is to tear down and not to build up, and should it be the misfortune of Pennsylvania to have him for Governor, the people would soon regret it."

In this connection it is fitting and proper to quote an opinion of Solomon Dresser, by a prominent Republican newspaper which knows the gentleman well. Here it is:

A POLITICAL KNAVE.

DuBois Pa., Journal, July 13, 1906. The Republican convention of the twenty-first congressional district is a matter of history, and in addition to producing the name of the man who is to be a candidate of the Republican party, the conference has also developed the name of one of the lowest of all the political scoundrels that have ever yet appeared on the horizon of the district.

"In the word Solomon, on account of the important part it has taken in the sacred history of the world, men naturally look for at least a small portion of that which is good, but as a surname in the present member of congress from the Twenty-first district it will henceforth stand out for all that it means, vile and detestable, the rottenness of politics. Congressman Dresser, when he came to DuBois, to attend the conference at the hotel on the corner, yesterday, might have had a friend. If the world knew of his political perversity and disloyalty he would hug his bag of gold and sink out of sight as far as Lucifer fell, and never rise again.

"When we arrive at that state in the affairs of life when men stand up and tell you a candid and barefaced lie when men who claim to have within them some little spark of honor can look you straight in the eye and tell you a lie that would blacken the face of the devil, when we multiply Tom Pepper and A. Smith by four, then we have a fair indication of the calibre of the man that Solomon has shown himself to be.

"The time has arrived when some plain truths are necessary for the welfare of the good government movement of the State. The time is here when men who place no more value on their word than does Solomon R. Dresser, should be led by the nose out of the law-making bodies of the land. The time has come when political shysters, black-faced liars and men whose only mark of distinction is their bag of gold should be read out of politics, and we are pleased to know that Solomon R. Dresser has been headed in that direction.

"Perhaps, however, it is too much to expect Solomon R. Dresser to be as good as his word. Stripped of his wealth and left to stand upon his honor, Dresser would not have strength enough to creep across the floor. Robbed of the distinction that wealth allows to place upon a man and Dresser would not have the manhood of the vilest scavenger that ever scoured the face of the earth. All of this is true because he has demonstrated to his former friends in Clearfield county, that Judas was a gentleman compared with his money bags from Bradford.

"The trick is turned. The Journal is for honest government by honest men and to that end he will ever fight. It refuses to be the tool of a gang of liars and political shysters and it has its face turned toward the rising sun of good government. Others may do as they please, but the Journal is opposed to any more Solomon R. Dressers in the political affairs of the land."

The duplicity on the part of the Gazette is all the more reprehensible when it is known that the editor of the Gazette has found Dresser to be the same kind of a man as described above by the Journal, but in its dire extremity to serve the Penrose gang will quote the words of Dresser whom it despises and frequently denounces in the bitterest terms.

This was hardly a "square deal" between the Gazette and its readers.

Governor's Stenographer Weds.

William E. Seel, a merchant, and Miss Jennie Fauble were married Saturday evening at St. Patrick's rectory, Harrisburg, by Father Hasset. The bride for twelve years was stenographer in turn for Governors Hastings, Stone and Pennypacker. Miss Fauble is a daughter of M. Fauble, the Bellefonte clothier, and is held in high esteem in this place, by all. The marriage was kept a secret until Saturday when the friends of the pair learned of it through announcements issued by Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fauble, of Bellefonte, parents of the bride. Mr. Seel is a wholesale liquor merchant of Harrisburg. Mr. and Mrs. Seel have gone on a wedding trip to Nova Scotia.

Odd Fellows Re-union.

The Odd Fellows of Centre county will hold their fourth annual re-union on Friday, August 10th, at Grange Park, Centre Hall. Among the speakers for the occasion will be Rev. B. H. Hart, of Harrisburg, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, of Pennsylvania; J. C. Meyer, Esq., of Bellefonte, Grand Marshall of the I. O. O. F., of Pennsylvania and Rev. C. C. Snavely, of State College. There will be two sessions, one at 9 o'clock in the morning and the other at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon. Refreshments and a luncheon will be served on the ground; game of ball in the afternoon. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody.

BELLEFONTE GYPS.

Start on an Extended Horse-Swapping Tour of Eastern Counties.

Tuesday morning an attractive combination pulled out of town for a six-week's tour through the eastern part of the state, for the purpose of having an outing and to combine business with pleasure. The party has Wm. Larimer as its head and with him were his son Charles, of Clearfield, Tom Toner of Bellefonte and several employees. They have styled themselves "The Bellefonte Gyps" and will travel in true Gypsy style, only they won't beg or pretend to tell anybody's fortune, unless some chap comes along and talks horse, and then there will be doings in camp. For this tour they have a handsome Gypsy wagon. The body of the vehicle was owned at one time by Mrs. Brown a noted Gypsy; the running gears are from a fancy circus band-wagon. The interior of the vehicle is upholstered in fine style, with lace curtains at the windows, settees that can be converted into comfortable beds at night to accommodate at least a half dozen tourists. The outside is newly painted in gaudy colors, and has the appearance of a palace on wheels. When they started they were heading for Jersey Shore and had about a dozen horses with them. At that place they will be joined by his son Lee Larimer, and Will Hepburn, and twenty more head of horses, some of which will be fine animals while others may be classed as bad or indifferent—a varied assortment to suit all comers.

A week later Geo. Beezer and Thos. Beaver will join the caravan to do business. From Jersey Shore they will proceed eastward through the coal regions expecting to visit Danville, Hazleton and adjacent points.

When the party is complete they expect to have a half dozen wagons, about fifty horses and a dozen dealers and attendants.

The event of such an outfit is enough to set all the horsemen along the line busy brushing up old skates, switchers, talkers, crowbats, and such like to cut the eyeteeth of the Bellefonte thoroughbreds.

A FRIGHTFUL RIDE.

Alfred Metzger, of Look Haven, had a thrilling experience Monday, and came as near to death as it is possible and live. He escaped it in three forms in less than five minutes. Metzger early in the morning started up the mountainside in a light spring wagon containing 500 pounds of dynamite for the Scootac mines. When near his destination the harness suddenly gave way and left the horse standing in the middle of the road, while the wagon started down the mountainside at a lively clip, with Metzger holding desperately to the seat.

On one side of the road was a precipice, and to jump meant death on the rocks below. The other contingency was that the wagon would leave the narrow wagon trail and go bowling over the rocks, which would have meant the same thing by exploding the dynamite.

Fortunately, the wagon continued its progress, and brought up against a railing of a small bridge. This proved the salvation of Metzger, for the drop at that point was at least fifteen feet. Metzger declares he felt certain that his time had come, and that the only doubt that existed in his mind was by which route he was to go.

A Ghastly Find.

A ghastly find was made last week in the mountains back of Mifflintown. Several weeks ago Owen Houghton, a blacksmith 40 years old, came to work for a company who are constructing a dam in Licking Creek. He became demented and wandered into the mountain. He was searched for but without avail. Later buzzards were noticed bearing down upon some prey and investigation was made, resulting in the finding of Houghton's body, horribly decomposed. Undertaker Snyder, of Mifflintown, shipped the body to the man's home at Wilmington.

Lightning Destroys Another Barn.

During the thunder gust on last Friday afternoon lightning struck the barn of Christ Everly on Marsh creek, near Romola, which was set on fire by the bolt and burned to the ground with all this season's wheat, hay and other contents. A cow standing some 30 rods from the barn was struck and killed. The barn was a large one and in fair condition. Insured in the Grange company.

Bees Refuse to Sting Baby.

George F. Spormeier, of Mountainville, who keeps an apiary, missed his 2-year-old son Warren, and, after searching for him for some time, they finally found him sitting in front of a hive, covered with bees, so that not an inch of his skin was visible. Strange to say, not a single bee stung the helpless little fellow.

DOWIE, THE PROPHET, LOSES ZION CITY

Decision of the Courts a Serious Blow to His Cause.

COURT APPOINTS RECEIVER

Denounces the Oath of Dowie's Followers—It Will Put an End to the Career of a Religious Fanatic—A Remarkable Career.

On Friday Judge Landis, of the United States district court, gave his decision in the controversy between the adherents of John Alexander Dowie and Wilbur G. Voliva over the property at Zion City, near Chicago.

The court holds that Zion City and its industries do not belong to Dowie; that, while the contributors of the funds do not express a formal desire of trust, a trust was created and Dowie had no right to treat the property as his own.

The court refused to appoint Alexander Granger receiver for the reason that Dowie made a vow recognizing Dowie as "a messenger of the covenant, the prophet foretold by Moses and Elijah, the restorer, to which vow all families and obligations and all relations to human governments shall be subordinate." The court said he was not obliged to repose confidence in a man so constituted that, living in this republic, he would serenely vow his readiness at all times to abandon his family and betray his country. Granger is the man who tried to overthrow Dowie.

The court ordered an election on the third Tuesday of September of a general overseer, all members of the church residing in Zion City, male and female, to have one vote. He announced that suitable provisions would be made for Dowie on account of his services as trustee.

John C. Hatley was appointed receiver of Zion. His bonds were placed at \$25,000. The adjudication in the bankruptcy proceedings against Dowie was set aside.

Deacon John A. Lewis, who is recognized as the spokesman of Dowie and who was chosen by Dowie to manage the paradise plantation of Mexico, the rock over which, it is alleged, the Voliva and Dowie partisans split, had the following to say of the decision of Judge Landis:

"If the decree of Judge Landis stands the Christian Catholic Apostolic church of Zion is uprooted. The church is founded on a theory of a theocracy. How, then, can an election under the laws of Cook county, Ill., proclaim who shall be leader of the hosts? I maintain that God Almighty alone can designate who shall be the first apostle. I firmly believe that the Lord has designated John Alexander Dowie to lead the hosts to the paths of light. Therefore when a special election is called the whole fabric of the church is destroyed. If God designates the leader how can man choose him?"

"As far as property rights are concerned, they matter little to us. The great question is that of spiritual control. Upon that the very foundation of the church depends. I am sure Dr. Dowie will never be satisfied with the decision as rendered."

This decision at one full sweep puts an end to Dowie, as he no longer has control over the fortunes of the poor deluded members of his church who surrendered all their possessions to this religious mountebank and impostor. He has been one of the most successful religious humbugs of modern times and what he accomplished was marvelous. It illustrates the weakness of mankind, as any kind of an enthusiast preaching any kind of nonsense, can always attract a godly number of weakminded people to their doctrines. Dowie was a howling success, for a time. Now he has his finish, and many millions squandered.

Severe Storms in Clinton County.

A severe rain and hail storm passed over Clinton county Saturday afternoon. It was especially destructive in Bald Eagle, Woodward and Dunstable townships, and caused a loss of thousands of dollars to farmers. Tobacco fields just ready for topping were damaged, corn was laid waste and pears and apples stripped from trees. The storm continued fifteen minutes. Michael Jobson, of Millhall, picked up six hailstones that weighed together eight ounces. A. A. Miller came down from Queen's Run, Colebrook township, with some which measured an inch and one-half in diameter. At Renovo some as large as hen's eggs fell. One weighed half a pound.

Law on Chicken Killing.

It is not lawful to kill domesticated animals or poultry caught destroying crops or other property. For example some persons will shoot pigeons or chickens if found on their premises. This may not be done legally and the person who does the shooting is liable to be prosecuted. The owner of such pigeons or chickens, however, may be held for the damage done.

NEW HEAD OF STATE COLLEGE.

Dr. Welsh, of Bloomsburg Normal School, the Chosen Man.

Dr. Judson Perry Welsh, principal of the Bloomsburg State Normal School, at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Pennsylvania College was unanimously tendered the position of vice president of the college, a position that carries with it the acting presidency, Dr. Atherton's illness having made it impossible for him to perform the duties of his position. Since the offer was made Dr. Atherton's illness has terminated in death. The offer which came to Dr. Welsh was entirely unexpected. He had no idea of being a candidate for the position and had been using his good offices in behalf of others.

At a meeting of the trustees of the Bloomsburg State Normal school Dr. Welsh was given the option until August 15 of remaining there or accepting the offer from State. He will accept the offer to the wider field.

The Republican Conferees Meet.

The first session of the Republican senatorial conferees was held at the Potter House, Philipsburg, Thursday afternoon. Two ballots were taken, resulting in a tie in each instance, and with no prospect of a nomination at this session, the conferees adjourned to meet again in Philipsburg, at the same place, on August 8, at 1 pm.

The Centre county conferees, who are lined up for Henry C. Quigley, of Bellefonte, consist of George W. Zeigler, Esq., and Postmaster John Gowland, of Philipsburg, and Sheriff Henry Kline, of Bellefonte. The Republican conferees, who feel that Hon. Joseph Alexander, of Madera, should have the nomination, consist of Hon. H. W. Boulton, of Houtzdale, David C. Bailey, of Morrisdale, and Charles G. Gill, of Madera.

Firemen's Convention.

The Central Penna. District Volunteer Firemen's association will meet in Bellefonte, in convention, on Aug. 22nd and 23rd. The first day will be taken up by convention which meets in the court house and only delegates are admitted. The 23rd will be filled up with the parade and firemen's races. The firemen of this district are always glad when they know their annual convention is going to be at Bellefonte. The Logans and Undines are working hard to make this convention one of the best that has ever been held. They ask the citizens of the town to decorate their buildings and brighten up the town for the coming event. There are 36 companies and the prospects are that about 30 of them will be here with bands.

Grove Meeting.

The annual grove meeting at Tusseyville will be held in Swartz and Stoner's grove Aug. 7th to Aug. 12th. The meeting will be held under the auspices of Zion congregation of the Evangelical Association. The following ministers will be present to aid in the services:

Revs. W. A. Leopold, of Philadelphia; W. A. Eby, Loganton; S. G. Haas, Madisonburg; C. F. Garrett, Millheim; J. H. Sechrist, Centre Hall; Daniel Erle, Spring Mills.

Nothing of any nature will be sold on the ground. The meeting will be held for the purpose of saving souls and the betterment of the people of God. For further information write the pastor of charge.

E. E. HANEY, Spring Mills.

Widow of Judge Linn Dies.

Mrs. Augusta Grayson Linn, widow of the late Judge Samuel Linn, died Saturday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Howard Cheyney, of Williamsport. She had been ill for a long time, and a general decline caused her death. She was 78 years of age. Two sons and two daughters survive: Mrs. Wm. Hemmingway, of Middletown, N. Y., and Mrs. Cheyney, Claude B., of Strasburg, Va., and Herbert L., of Alexandria. She was the daughter of John and Anna Moore, of Carlisle. After her marriage she resided at Bellefonte for a number of years.

Arrested for not Paying Taxes.

Tax collector, John Hoffman, of South Philipsburg, proposes that the payment of taxes by single young men shall not be ignored, and is bringing the law to bear in connection with such cases. One young man, the first yet to be arrested, was brought before Squire Gunter, and in addition to being compelled to pay his taxes, which were less than \$3.00, he was obliged to pay over \$3.00 fine and costs. This ought to prove a warning to others who wilfully neglect the payment of their taxes.—Ledger.

Lightning Causes Abscess.

Shocked by lightning two weeks ago, while working as an operator in a telephone exchange, Miss Fannie Miller, of Williamsport, became seriously ill and was operated upon Thursday night at the hospital in that city for the removal of an abscess on the brain due to the shock.

A BIG REDUCTION IN RAILROAD FARES

The Penna. R. R. Announces Large Concessions in Rates.

MILEAGE BOOK RESTORED

Passenger Rates Reduced from 3 to 2 1/2 Cents a Mile—Hope, to Avoid Action by the Legislature—Defeat of the Penrose Machine the Cause.

One of the most important announcements ever made by the Pennsylvania Railroad was issued on Tuesday from its Broad Street Station, when Vice President John B. Thayer made public the company's intention to reduce its maximum one-way fares to two and a half cents a mile and to sell 1000-mile tickets at \$20, or at two cents a mile which any one can use. These are both marked concessions to public opinion and indicate that the railroad company is preparing to head off any possible hostile legislation that may be aimed at it in the coming session of the State Legislature.

The Pennsylvania's change of face on the mileage book question is especially noticeable in view of the very determined stand the company took when this matter was first agitated last winter by the Merchants' and Travelers' and the Travelers' Protective Associations and generally approved by the traveling public. To all appeals heretofore the railroad officials of this state were insolent and defiant. For many years they manipulated the republican party through the Camerons and the Quays and anything they wanted by special legislation, they got from this source. For years it has been a standing joke that our state legislature is assembled for the purpose of serving this great corporation, and there was much truth in the assertion.

The defeat of Lee Plummer last fall broke the back of the Quay-Penrose machine and the last session of the legislature proved that the people can have what they want when they vote right.

This year the leading parties have declared for a 2 cent fare and a modified mileage book. The railroad companies realize the force of public sentiment and the possibility that the Gang will not likely control the next legislature. Like diplomats they have made part concessions to stay public sentiment. There should be no quarter in the fight. Poor people can't buy \$20 mileage books and they have as much right to ride on reduced rates as others. Ohio and other states have 2 cent fares and we can have it if we send me to Harrisburg opposed to the Penrose machine.

HE IS DISGUSTED.

The fact that Homer Castle has been up to date quite willing, not to say anxious, to be personally associated on a ticket with Lewis Emery, Jr., is sufficient answer to his recent tirade against the candidate of the Lincoln and Democratic parties. A man who will descend to the personal vituperation of which Mr. Castle is guilty in his published letter, is not fit to loose the latchet of Lewis Emery's shoes. That sort of campaigning from a candidate disappointed in his ambition to become a running mate of Mr. Emery, is sure to recoil upon the man who makes it and the party that encourages and hopes to profit by it.

FINE WESTERN HORSES.

A car load of carefully selected Western horses were purchased by the undersigned and will be offered at public sale at Runkle's Hotel, Centre Hall, Monday August 6th, at 1 o'clock pm. Special attention is called to this lot of horses as they consist principally of heavy draft horses among which are a number of mated teams, greys and bays of good colors and the best stock.

Horses can be seen at Centre Hall stables prior to sale. Come, look them over. D. A. GROVE & COLDREN, Harvey Miller, Madisonburg, Auct.

He Knew the Four Bandits.

Giovanni Ullis, who slew the alleged "Black Hand" robber Pasquale Mazzo, at Reedsville, when the latter threatened his life and belongings, says he knows who the other three bandits were. The four, he says, had followed him from Italy five years ago, and had frequently hounded and threatened him since then. They had beaten and robbed him at Buffalo 18 months ago, and he was in mortal fear of them when they attacked him at Reedsville last week.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has refused to make any political speeches in Pennsylvania this year to help out the Penrose gang. Recently he summoned Editor Charles Emory Smith to his home and since then the Press is supporting Lewis Emery all the stronger. If Teddy lived in Pennsylvania he would help fight the same Gang.

FACT, FUN AND FANCY.

Bright, Sparkling Paragraphs--Selected and Original.

A TOPEK'S DREAM.

I'd like to run across a stream of twenty-year-old rye. That gurgled from an ice-bound cave in plentiful supply. And rippled through a pleasant field of straw of amber tint. And finally formed a little lake embanked with beds of mint. A reef of sugar here and there the gentle stream should break. And plum trees drop their juicy fruit into the limpid lake. Away from all the noisy world, its bustle and its din. Now, wouldn't that be quite a spot to spend a few hours in?

Though you must toil from early morn Till darkness fills the air. Be thankful that you were not born A Pittsburg millionaire.

In fishing it is my delight To take a bottle on the trip. And though I never get a bite I frequently can take a nip.

A poor man isn't necessarily a cheap man.

Most people would rather be forgiven than forgotten.

Washing in stationary tubs won't keep the colors from running.

As the policyholders multiply the insurance company directors divide.

The best way to have your fortune told is to listen to the reading of a will.

Some fellows' idea of a good time is to pay a ten dollar fine for fifty cents' worth of fun.

"Why do girls and billiard balls seem alike to you?" "Well, they kiss each other with about the same amount of emotion."

He was a bashful young man and had been calling on the young lady for some time. She was as certain of his feelings as she was of her own, but she could not stimulate him to the proposing point. Finally, just to break the ice, one evening she asked: "Harry, what will you take for that rose in your button hole?" "What will you give?" asked Harry, his little heart throbbing. "I'll give you a kiss for it." "Done," and the rose duly changed owners, and started for the door. "Why, Harry, where are you going?" "I am going home after some more roses," replied the youth. He knew when he had struck a bargain, all right.

Farm wives have little cause to envy their village sisters. They live an immeasurably higher life among the beauties and riches of nature than can be found elsewhere. True, they may not spend their few leisure hours running from house to house, retailing gossip of a more or less harmful nature, or by brooding over the fact that somebody else has a few more belongings than they have; but, as to intelligence, and a sound common sense way of showing it, the farm woman will compare favorably with the woman of other classes, and, in many instances, is the superior of the seemingly more favored one.

BRYAN ISSUES.

If William J. Bryan should be the Democratic candidate for President of the United States in 1908, and the conditions that shape political issues undergo no material change during the intervening period, he will go before the country on three issues, on which he will make his fight for election. He will stand for tariff revision, for legislation to curb and regulate the trusts, and for the establishment of an understanding that the Filipinos shall be allowed to govern themselves as soon as it appears that they are fit for self-government.

There will be no declaration in Mr. Bryan's platform in regard to the money question, which he now regards as a dead issue, although, as he indicated in a recent interview, he has no apologies to make for the position he took on that question in 1896 and 1900. One of Mr. Bryan's closest friends, one who undoubtedly knows what he is talking about, said that Mr. Bryan, when he prepared that interview, meant to put into it his last word about the silver question.

"I do not think," said the speaker, "that he contemplates uttering anything further on that subject. He left the past behind him with the few words about it which that interview contains. From this time on I think you will see him marching with eyes to the front, and I trust a united and enthusiastic Democratic party will be associated with him."—This is reported from London.

A COMPLICATED TANGLE.

The Express companies have such a complicated tangle of tariffs under which they have been plundering the public, that they have requested of the Interstate Commerce Commission an extension of time in which to prepare rate schedules for publication under the new law. As the express companies have been charging "all the traffic will bear" in most cases and a little more than it would bear in many transactions; you now have an opportunity to obtain more just charges by appealing to the Commission.

Unfortunate Accident.

On Sunday morning Mrs. A. D. Strawcutter, of Eagleville, met with a serious accident; while in the woodshed getting kindling, her son was on the loft overhead and his hold slipping he dropped down and fell upon his mother, knocking her across a sill, fracturing two ribs and sustaining injuries in the small of the back, causing Mrs. Strawcutter great suffering.