

M'KINLEY NOW ASSAILED AS WAS LINCOLN

P. Gray Meek, Candidate For Auditor General, a Typical Representative of Democracy.

HIS COPPERHEAD RECORD REVEALED.

Missing Documents Found Which Tell the Story of His Arrest by the United States Authorities on the Charge of Interfering With the Drafting of Troops—His Venomous Attacks Upon the Martyred President in Line With the Bryanite Policy of the Present Campaign.

(Special Correspondence.)

Bellefonte, Pa., Oct. 23. The attacks of the Bryanite Democracy of today upon President William McKinley in their "anti-imperialism" campaign vividly recall the assaults made by the leaders of the same party upon the martyred President Abraham Lincoln.

Sensational interest is attached to the discovery this week of certain missing documents and other papers in a case in which the Democratic candidate for auditor general in this campaign, P. Gray Meek, was involved.

P. Gray Meek, during the dark days of the rebellion, was one of the most blatant and bitter vilifiers of President Lincoln and his administration.

He was arrested by the United States authorities and had a very close call from going to jail for a long term upon the charge of interfering with the drafting of men for the Union army and other treasonable actions.

But for the intercession of influential friends and, possibly through means which it might be well not to dwell upon, he escaped punishment for his treasonable work.

Meek was then a venomous copperhead Democrat.

His newspaper, The Democratic Watchman, which he still publishes, fairly teemed with abuse of Lincoln, members of his cabinet and those directly in charge of the suppression of the rebellion, in almost every issue during the war.

The attacks of the Bryanite Democratic leaders of today upon President McKinley in connection with their criticism of the conduct of the campaign against the insurgents in the Philippines are mild in tone and puerile in character compared with the abuse and defamation heaped upon Lincoln by the Democracy of his day and men of the type of Meek.

When P. Gray Meek was proposed for the nomination for auditor general this year there were those who recalled the circumstances of his arrest in 1865 and of the terrible character of his editorial comments upon Lincoln's administration and his work in trying to incite citizens of Pennsylvania to resist the drafts for troops to defend the flag and the honor of his country.

The Democratic leaders who were then engaged in condemning President McKinley for his policy in the Philippines evidently did not regard Meek's record as inconsistent with the policy of the Democracy of today. They blandly asserted that the voters would not be influenced by what Mr. Meek wrote or did 35 years ago, anyhow.

Besides, it was stated that the papers in the case had all been abstracted from the public records and that there would be no material other than the reiteration of a vague story with which to direct the attention of the people to the fact of the arrest of Meek at the instance of the United States authorities.

Several citizens of this place who were familiar with the circumstances of Meek's arrest went to work to try to get at the documents in the case. After diligent inquiry they have finally gotten hold of the copy of the indictment against Meek and other papers of record, and they succeeded in getting a copy of his newspaper, The Democratic Watchman, of the issue of July 22, 1864.

The leading editorial of this date read as follows:

500,000 MORE.

Another edict has gone forth, and on the 5th of September the wheel from which is drawn the order of death will be put in motion again. King Abraham wants more victims, fanaticism demands more blood, and five hundred thousand more men must offer up their lives on the bloody altar of infidel abolitionism. Is there to be no stop to this terrible work, no lull in the cry for blood? Must the "powers that be" surfeit on it, before we can hope for an end to this horrid butchery—this fiendish, frightful war?




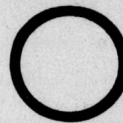

Already two millions of men have been called for and responded. Where are they today? Let the millions of graves that mark the soil of the southern states—the sickening hospitals filled with their suffering victims, and the thousands of men, disabled in limbs, broken in health, who are wasting away the miserable remnant of their lives in pain and poverty around us, answer; and then let the condition of our country today tell what these sacrifices have been for, and what good has been accomplished by them.

That Abraham Lincoln will be idiotic enough to attempt to enforce another draft we have not the least doubt, notwithstanding the "signs of the times" indicate plainly that it will be a dangerous undertaking for him, and those

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Representative-at-Large in Congress.	Representative-at-Large in Congress.	Representative-at-Large in Congress.	Representative-at-Large in Congress.	Representative-at-Large in Congress.
Galusha A. Grow, Robert H. Foerderer.	Harry E. Grim, Nicholas M. Edwards.	William W. Hague, Lee L. Grumbine.	Robert Brigham, George Main.	Donald L. Monro, John R. Roof,
Representative in Congress.	Representative in Congress.	Representative in Congress.		
Clarence F. Huth,	Rufus K. Polk,	Samuel W. Murray.		
Representative in the General Assembly.	Representative in the General Assembly.	Representative in the General Assembly.		
J. L. Christian.	Edward G. Rogers.	W. L. Norton.		
ASSOCIATE JUDGE.	ASSOCIATE JUDGE.	ASSOCIATE JUDGE.		
William C. Rogers.	Jacob A. Meyers.	T. J. Keeler.		
DISTRICT ATTORNEY.	DISTRICT ATTORNEY.	DISTRICT ATTORNEY.		
William P. Shoemaker.	Howard W. Hill.			
JURY COMMISSIONER.	JURY COMMISSIONER.	JURY COMMISSIONER.		
Thomas S. Simmons.	Ira Cott.	J. P. Kilmer.		
CORONER.	CORONER.	CORONER.		
P. G. Biddle.	R. J. McHenry.	Irvin Woodhead.		