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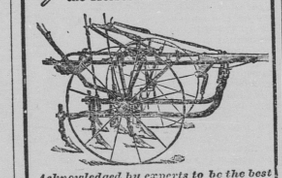

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## FARMERS WIN AGAINST THE RING

### Levi Wells, Dairy and Food Commissioner, Is Forced to Step Out of Office.

### SAYS HE IS GETTING TOO OLD

**Farmers Demand Now That Hamilton and the Whole Crowd of Politicians in the Department of Agriculture Get Out—More Attempts to Fool the People—Pure Butter Men Will Push the Cases and the Quay Machine Must Give Way.**

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Harrisburg, May 15.—Unable to withstand the tremendous pressure that was brought to bear upon him by the outraged farmers and dairymen of the state, Governor Stone was compelled last week to ask Levi Wells to resign from his position as dairy and food commissioner in the department of agriculture. The dismissal took the shape of a letter of resignation from that official to the governor. In some respects it was a remarkable document. In his letter of resignation Levi Wells says:

"I have held the responsible position of dairy and food commissioner for nearly five years, and have performed the varied and arduous duties of that office, as I believe, in a satisfactory manner. At this time impure food has been practically driven from our state. The only oleomargarine factory that was in Pennsylvania when I assumed this office was closed by me in November, 1895, and several wholesale oleomargarine dealers in Philadelphia, whom I found openly violating the law when I was placed in charge of the department, were driven from business. In view of the fact that the work that I have undertaken has been placed on such a satisfactory basis and has been carried on with such success, I feel that I can now relinquish it without interfering with its continuance and with a sense of pride in the permanent and valuable results that have been obtained. I am further impelled to take this action by the fact that the work has grown to very large proportions and I have reached a time of life when I feel that I ought to be permitted to retire from active and arduous duties. Appreciating the above, I tender and beg that you will accept my resignation, to take effect May 16, 1900."

WILL FOOL NO ONE.

No one will be deceived by such statements as the above. "At this time impure food has been practically driven from our state," says Wells, when the whole state and the United States is ringing with the gigantic exposure of the oleomargarine frauds and the betrayal of the farmers and pure butter makers by the agents of the dairy and food commission. What kind of a man and official is Mr. Wells to make such a statement as the above when he knows that every grange official in the state and every farmer in the state knows the statement to be absolutely false.

But one other remarkable statement deserves attention, when he says: "I have reached a time of life when I feel that I ought to be permitted to retire from active and arduous duties." Again does every farmer and politician in the state know that Levi Wells worked night and day to secure his appointment to the office, and to secure his reappointment under Governor Stone. It is passing strange that Wells only discovered since the bogus butter frauds were sprung that he was getting too old to attend to the duties of the office. That only when the farmers all over the state rose up and demanded that he be dismissed, that he discovered that he was getting old and ought to have a rest.

But the forced resignation of Wells was not the only feature. The governor of the state of Pennsylvania, William A. Stone, accepted the resignation in the following letter:

"Dear Sir: I am in receipt of your communication of this date tendering your resignation as dairy and food commissioner, to take effect May 16, 1900, and stating that you are further impelled to take this action by the fact that the work has grown to very large proportions, and that you have reached a time of life when you feel that you ought to be permitted to retire from active and arduous duties.

"In accepting your resignation I wish to assure you that I have full confidence in your fidelity and honesty and believe that in the long time that you have held this office your purpose has been to faithfully and honestly discharge your full duty.

"Very truly yours,
"WILLIAM A. STONE."

HAMILTON ON DECK.

Of course this letter of acceptance was intended, just as Wells' resignation was intended, to let the discredited official down easily and keep the record straight, but the queer part of it is that these men high in official position still persist in believing that the plain people of Pennsylvania, the farmers, merchants, mechanics, aresuch wretched dullards that they do not see through these flimsy schemes to fool and deceive them.

"Professor" John Hamilton, secretary of agriculture, has been appointed to act as dairy and food commissioner instead of Wells, and the first thing he did in taking hold of the work was to publish an attack on the Grangers and endeavoring to make the exposure of the infamous oleomargarine frauds an alleged attack on the Republican party. He abused the Grangers, and notably those Grangers who happened to be Democrats and who were conspicuous in aiding to show that somebody had been collecting for protection one cent per pound on every pound of oleomargarine sold in the state.

And now the farmers of the state are demanding that John Hamilton be thrown out of his position for incompetency and general inefficiency. His failure to prosecute oleomargarine frauds and his failure to know that such corruption existed in his department is deemed sufficient cause for his dismissal.

The appointment of a new secretary of agriculture is imperatively demanded. The dismissal of Wells was a sop thrown to the farmers, but they are not satisfied and demand that Hamilton go with him. The Philadelphia North American in an editorial on the subject on last Thursday struck the keynote, as follows:

"In obedinece to demands that he dared not ignore, Governor Stone has procured the resignation of Dairy and Food Commissioner Levi Wells, one of the officials directly responsible for the swindling of the public and robbery of the farmers by the oleomargarine trust.

"The fraudulent operations of the trust and the corrupt connivance of officials with insolent violations of law were first exposed by The North American on April 16. Governor Stone sought to divert attention from the chief culprits by ordering the arrest of an inspector who had been exposed by this journal as an agent of the conspirators, but he was told plainly that the sacrifice of a minor offender, however guilty, would neither satisfy the just demands of the farmers nor serve to convince the public of the genuineness of his own professed desire to correct the evils uncovered.

FARMERS DEMAND IT.

"The removal of Commissioner Wells, Secretary Hamilton and the whole staff of officials of the dairy and food commission was the duty plainly set before him. Governor Stone refused to perform that duty and resentfully fought those who pointed it out to him, rejecting The North American's offers of assistance. He has jettisoned Wells only because he had to, and he hopes to save the rest of his rotten official cargo.

"The resignation of Wells is an admission of the truth of the charges made and proved by The North American. It is a verdict of guilty against the whole department responsible for the administration of the pure food laws—a tardy and reluctant verdict, forced by an overwhelming mass of evidence that could not be rebutted. On the partial victory won in the ousting of Wells the producers of pure butter are to be congratulated. But it is only a payment on account to the outraged farmers and defrauded state. More remains due, and the farmers should not rest until the slate is wiped clean.

HAMILTON MUST GO.

"There still remain Governor Stone's secretary of agriculture, who professed ignorance of a state of affairs in a department under his control that needed only to be looked at to be revealed; incompetent inspectors like Terry, whose neglect of duty permitted and encouraged fraud, and the whole host of subordinate intermediaries between swindling retailers and the protection-selling wholesalers backed by the Quay machine. A clean sweep of the entire gang must be insisted on by the united farmers if they expect to break up the conspiracy that has been shielded by Governor Stone. Wells has been thrown to them as a sop to Cerberus."

This sentiment is echoed by every self respecting newspaper in the state. Only the Quay organs are trying to defend Hamilton and the department of agriculture. Every Republican newspaper, every Democratic newspaper, every independent newspaper has condemned the corruption and demanded that a new deal in the department of agriculture be made at once.

### Buying Committeemen.

Fifteen dollars was the price paid William Kelley, of New Baltimore borough, to induce him to resign as Committeeman in order that J. A. Berkey might appoint his successor. How much was paid the Allegheny township individual to go into New Baltimore and act as Committeeman has not yet been disclosed.—*Somerset Herald.*

The Scull gang having been defeated for control of the Republican organization in this county at the last county convention, the old family organ now charges fraud. The editor of the Herald says it has not yet been disclosed how much was paid "the Allegheny township individual" to go into New Baltimore and act as Committeeman. No, we presume not, for the reason that not a cent was paid. "The Allegheny township individual" became a citizen of New Baltimore on his own account, as he had a right to do, and when the New Baltimore committeeman resigned, the former "Allegheny township individual" having become a citizen of New Baltimore, was appointed to fill the vacancy by the County Chairman, with the approval of the entire Executive Committee. We know you don't like it, Timmie, but you known that the change was made according to party rules, and that's why you kick and bolt. But say, Timmie, while you are talking about paying Committemen to resign, why don't you mention that resignation that took place in Allegheny township last year? Surely you haven't forgotten yet that the Scull ring only last year paid an anti-Scull Committeeman $150.00 to resign! Following is the evidence:

AT HOME, June 8th, 1899.

I hereby state I resigned as Committeeman of Allegheny township, and received $150.00 for so doing, from W. F. Caton, a friend of the Sculls at Somerset, and he said he was sent to get me to resign by them.

Signed, GEORGE MEYERS.

*Somerset County, ss.*

Charles F. Cook being duly affirmed as the law directs, says he saw George Meyers write the above statement and sign it. CHAS. F. COOK.

Affirmed and subscribed before me June 9th, 1899.

H. W. KNEPPER, J. P.

THE STAR has in its possession a *fac simile* of the written statement of Meyers and the affidavit of Mr. Cook, and the document can be inspected at THE STAR office by all who call and request to see it.

Facts and proof are what the people want, and by facts and proof THE STAR proves its statements, but how about the Somerset Herald? The old Scull family organ always tries to conceal the truth, knowing that its record will not bear investigation. The Scull machine would have been buried long ago, were it not for the boodling, buying, lying and deception it has practiced upon an unsuspecting public for lo! these many years.

THREE years' experience has shown that the rural free delivery service is not inordinately expensive. It costs very little more than the old Colonial style of postal service, which it supersedes, and it invariably brings a large and compensating increase in the amount of the mail matter handled, and consequently in the amount of postal receipts turned into the Treasury. But even if it does cost more than the obsolete old plan, the farmers are entitled to some of the benefits of the Government which they help so liberally to support by their taxation. It was Republican thought, under a Republican administration, that both started and has successfully conducted this system, which makes better citizens, happier homes, and contributes so largely to the mental, moral and material advancement of the plain people

A RECENT law in Connecticut makes it a misdemeanor to catch more than 30 trout in one day. It is indeed hard on the fish liars to thus compel them to delve back into the mouldering past for good fish stories.

A FEW weeks ago Aguinaldo, the Philippine chieftain, was reported to be dead. It now appears, however, that he is still living, and no doubt the Democrats are very glad of it, for he would make such an appropriate running mate for Wm. J. Bryan.

HANNA need not expect many torch light processions in the old Keystone state.—*Meyersdale Commercial.*

What's the matter with Hanna? Nothing. He doesn't need any torch light processions in the old Keystone state—doesn't even need a boost from the Lincoln Club bolters.

THE fact that the Somerset Herald concedes McKinley's re-nomination, is, to say the least, surprising. What has become of the plum tree shaker? He is their demi-god, and to see the Herald, (or Bazoo) contending for another whom they don't like just because he is certain of re-nomination, is astounding. It's only done to cheer up the weak-kneed followers.—*Windber Journal.*

IT would be a public misfortune were bicycles to disappear. They have proved themselves agents of health and innocent pleasure; they have stimulated love for honest sports; they have been the means of a large distribution of money in the accessible districts; they have acquainted thousands with local geography and have enabled them to discover natural beauty in regions where they did not know it to exist; they have created industries that employ thousands, and, above all, they have caused in this country an interest in good roads, without which no nation may call itself civilized, truthfully says an exchange.

FORMER President Grover Cleveland is certainly pleased at the announcement of the candidacy of Admiral Dewey for President. "This is fine," was his exclamation, when he first read the tidings. Then he added: "Look at his record in the Philippines. Such diplomacy was after my own heart, cool, firm, unchangeable. Long ago I became convinced that he was a great statesman. I knew that once a man of his personality, firm and far sighted, took the reigns in his hads, the Democratic party would no longer be honeycombed with the rottenness of Bryanism, but would again become the great compact organization of Jefferson's days."

BARBERS and their patrons in Pennsylvania may be interested in a decision of the Supreme Court of Minnesota that the State Legislature has authority to require tonsorialists to be examined by a Board of Registration. The barbers in that State are not permitted to follow their vocation until they obtain a certificate that they are proficient in their trade, free from contagious disease, and have sufficient knowledge concerning common diseases of the face and skin. The Court held that the laws regulating restrictions around an occupation that might interfere with the public health were within the police prerogative of the state.

THE North American has been making it so extremely hot for the Quay corruptionists in charge of the city government of Philadelphia that A. L. English, director of public safety, recently called on John Wanamaker and tried to intimidate him by attempting the vilest kind of blackmail. English accused Wanamaker of causing the exposures of the city government through the North American, and he served notice upon him that he must muzzle the North American or put up with violent attacks upon his personal character, which he (English) and others would cause to be made. But Wanamaker didn't scare worth a cent. He just ordered Mr. English from his office and then exposed the whole blakmailing scheme through several of the most reputable Philadelphia newspapers. Furthermore, he served notice upon the Quay gang to bring him into court if they were looking for vindication. But the Quay people know better, and that's why they resort to blackmail.

FRIDAY of last week Messrs. F. J. Kooser and J. A. Berkey were at Harrisburg to bring suit against Messrs. Berkley, Sanner and Rowe, and to ask that Messrs. Kooser, Kendall and Koontz be placed on the ticket instead. Since then notices have been served on the three first named gentlemen to appear before the Dauphin county court in June term. That's first of our predictions to come true, namely, that the Combine was not on the ticket, but would have to appeal to get there—with mighty slim chances to win. There will be some more of our predictions come true. Yust waid und look a leedle oud.—*Meyersdale Commercial.*

The Commercial's predictions are indeed amusing. Ex-Metropolis Lou must think the people are very green. He tries to make it appear that Berkley, Sanner and Rowe are already on the official ballot, and that Kooser, Koontz and Kendall are trying to get on. The fact is, Lou, and you know it, too, that none of the six gentlemen are yet on the ticket, but they are all trying to get on, and until the courts decide the matter they are all off. Perhaps you do not know that the official ballots are not printed yet, but you can rest assured that your readers do, for they are not as dumb as you appear to think they are. How could Kooser or any other Congressional candidate ask to be put on the ticket before the district composed of Somerset, Cambrin, Blair and Bedford counties make a nomination? That part of your little editorial is actually idiotic, and intelligent people laugh at it.

### Seriously Ill.

The following item taken from last week's Brethren Evangelist is unpleasant news for us, as the item refers to a sister of ours:

"Mrs. Gnagey, wife of the editor, has been ill for twelve days, and beginning with last Monday was, for several days nigh unto death. For several days and nights we did not leave her beside for more than ten minutes at a time. This explains the lack of editorial matter in this issue. At this writing (Friday morning) she is improving."

With a sick sister in Ohio and a little babe dangerously ill in our own household, we are not in a proper mood for editing a newspaper this week. We are glad to say, however, that our sister and our little daughter are both improving, and we earnestly hope for their recovery.

### Off for Nome, Alaska.

The two companies of gold seekers will leave here on Saturday or Monday next for Nome, Alaska.

The one company is composed of eight persons and the other of six, and most of them come from Oakland and the county, although a few come from other states.

Senator R. A. Ravenscroft will go to Seattle, Washington, in advance of the companies and make all arrangements for the passage from Seattle to Nome. The actual cost of the journey will be about $160, but this does not include meals enroute.

The boys will sail from Seattle on or about the 20th or 22nd. They will carry complete mining outfits and all necessary supplies. We hope the boys may all strike it rich and return home ladened with the precious metal.—*Oakland Journal.*

### Storm's Work at Somerset.

Says the Somerset Herald: The fierce wind that prevailed throughout yesterday culminated in a storm at 4 o'clock which did more or less damage. A bolt of lightning struck the First National Bank building, tearing off the roof and the timbers immediately beneath the roof. The second floor of the bank building is occupied by the business offices of Dr. Marsden, J. S. Drake and Engineer Lyone, and after the storm had passed over nothing remained over their heads but a few sections of plastering. None of the inmates of the building were injured. Several of Dr. Marsden's instruments were damaged by the lightning. Workmen were put at work repairing the damage as soon as possible.

IF the new doctrine of the Expansionists is true, that the constitution of the United States applies only to the states within the union, and that the inhabitants of our territories and colonies have absolutely no constitutional rights except such as Congress may give them by statute, what is the logical consequence? The District of Columbia is not in the United States. The city of Washington is in the District of Columbia. Hence the capital of the United States is not in the United States.—*Albany Argus.*

THE Pittston Gazette pretends that if Governor Stone called an extra session of the Legislature to elect a United States Senator it would be as inexcusable as the act of Governor Pattison in calling the extra session in 1883. The Constitution of the State did not require the Governor to call an extra session in 1883 to enact apportionment bills, and Governor Pattison was justly criticized. The Constitution, however, does require that Governor Stone shall call the Legislature in extra session to elect a United States Senator, and he is faithless to his official oath in refusing to obey she Constitution.

AS TO polygamy, it flourished under our flag in Utah for many decades before it began to decline. A man with not less than a dozen wives, and who subsequently acquired several others, was appointed by the President, with the concurrence of the Senate, to be governor of that Territory. Finally, some twenty-odd years ago, the Government undertook, by drastic measures, to stamp out the loathsome institution. It is going, it is almost gone, but it is only a few weeks since a man with three wives was barred out of Congress. And yet there are Americans who appear to think that this nation is irreparably disgraced because some of the Sulu barbarians have more than one wife apiece.—*Washington Post.*

SOME of our most ardent local Quayites are sore afraid, or rather they pretend to be, that the defeat of Quay will cause the defeat of McKinley for President. Ye gods and little fishes, what a prediction! Please hold our hat while we laugh. Quay's defeat a menace to McKinley? Bah! What rot! What gush! What idiocy! What a paltry threat of the bolters! If the Republican party goes down in defeat at a Presidential election, especially during such an era of Republican prosperity as this, and for no other reason than because old, corrupt Matt Quay has been repudiated, then it is indeed time to relegate the Republican party to the political junk heap. If enough Republicans bolt their party to defeat McKinley on account of old Quay, then our party is no longer worthy to be called the party of Abraham Lincoln. But McKinley is not going to be defeated by the sympathizers of M. S. Quay, for they are not so numerous as they imagine. Old man Quay is a bending reed, a broken staff, an unhorsed political highwayman. His dominion is at an end, his followers are wandering political vagrants, whose chief has been repudiated in state and nation, throwing his cohorts into straggling and disordered bands. The passing of Matthew Stanley Quay is no hindrance to the Republican party, but a blessing His utter defeat will strengthen the party and purify it.

### Big Blaze Narrowly Averted.

Yesterday Ernest Speicher, a youthful clerk in Haselbarth's hardware store, sold a bottle of turpentine to Bud Stotler, and before leaving the store one or the other of the boys broke the bottle, spilling the fluid over the counter. One of them then put a match to the turpentine to burn it off the counter, and in an instant there was quite a blaze. The boys in their frantic efforts to put out the fire only splashed the burning fluid over more surface, and had not Hans Wilhelmi appeared on the scence about that time, the chances are that a large portion of our town would now be in ashes, as no other persons were about the store at the time.

When Wilhelmi appeared on the scene, the nail bins under the counter had already begun to burn, and several large cans of powder that stood near by were dangerously hot. We in THE STAR office, which is just overhead, did not learn of the close call we had until several hours later. We owe a debt of gratitude to Wilhelmi.

### Meyersdale Items.

MEYERSDALE, PA., May 15, 1900.

Work is again resumed on the Opera house and Lutheran church.

Normal school opened with an enrollment of almost 100 pupils.

Tuesday evening last the Epworth League tendered a reception to those who assisted in the rendering of the Luther entertainment. Addresses were made by Revs. M. L. Young and W. R. Moore, Mr. W. H. Flinn, E. W. Cober, D. H. Bowman and Dr. K. Rauch. A very enjoyable evening was spent.

Mr. Wm. Appel is rapidly unproving, as is also 'Squire Floto.

Mr. Cyrus Truxal was tendered a surprise party at his home on Broadway, Monday evening. About fifty guests were present. Toasts were made in behalf of the guests by Revs. M. L. Young, J. H. Knepper, Hon. S. A. Kendall, Dr. Lichty and Rev. A. E. Truxal. The host responded with a very fitting speech. Mr. Truxal was presented a very handsome chair as a souvinir of the day, his half-century birthday.

### Silver Wedding.

Yesterday a very pleasant social event occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Delozier, the occasion being the silver or 25th anniversary of their marriage. We have not learned the names of all the guests present, but among those who participated in the happy event were the father and two brothers of Mr. Delozier, who reside in Cambria and Blair counties, Mrs. Dr. Enfield, of Bedford, who is a sister of Mrs. Delozier, Mrs. Petry and Mrs. Sharp, of Rummel, this county, who are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Delozier.

The affair was a sort of family reunion, but it was greatly regretted that Mr. Delozier's aged mother could not be present, owing to sickness. Several other members of the family were also missing, owing to circumstances over which they had no control; but it was a happy event just the same.

### Brethren Church Services.

Divine services in the Brethren church, next Sunday evening, at 7.30. Theme—"Building the wall or The How, in church work."

Divine services every Sunday, alternating morning and evening. A hearty invitation is given to all.

The following services as helps to the church will be maintained regularly throughout the year: Sunday school every Sunday at 9.30 a. m.; Christian Endeavor, 6.30 p. m.; Prayer meeting, every Wednesday evening at 7.30.

You will be made welcome to each and all these services.

L. A. HAZLETT, Pastor.

This section of the country has the best outlook for a crop it has had in years at this season. Wheat is looking finely and growing rank and thick. Oats are coming along nicely, and if nothing serious happens, Thayer county will show up one of the most abundant yields that was ever known in this part of the state. The recent spring rains have put the ground in excellent condition. The earth is saturated to an extreme depth. Different parties report that the ground is wet a depth of from 8 to 15 feet. Surely we have reason to be thankful for such a splendid outlook.—*Carleton (Neb.) News.*

Mr. Harvey Lichty, of Wellington, Kan., mention of whose marriage appeared in these columns some time ago, arrived in Salisbury with his bride, last Thursday. They were cordially welcomed by Mr. Lichty's parents and numerous other friends, and they are now enjoying old Somerset county hospitality to its fullest extent. Our friend Harvey is a most excellent young man, and all agree that his bride is a most charming and estimable woman. They will return to Kansas in the near future, where Mr. Lichty is the manager of a large general store. He likes Kansas very much, and Kansas evidently likes him, for he is looking exceedingly robust and healthy.

Messrs. Stewart and Harvey Lichty were welcome callers at THE STAR office, Tuesday morning. We greatly enjoyed our talk with these former Salisbury boys, and they are invited to call again. While in our sanctum Harvey gave us much information concerning the town of Wellington, Kan., and the business methods of those who are in business there. He says the store he manages spends about $1,200 annually for advertising in the local papers, and added that no man can do much business in Kansas without advertising. Well, it's about the same way here. Of course the merchants in Eastern towns do not advertise as liberally as they do in the West, but one need not go outside of Salisbury to learn that the non-advertising merchants are not "in it." Our best advertisers do the great bulk of the business, while the other fellows seem to be practically unknown by the buying public, and visit the non-advertisers when you will, you will find their business places dull, dreary and uninteresting.