

Astounding Revelations—Drunkeness and Crimes of the Elmira Conscrip-tion Board.

We are in receipt of an extra from the office of the Angelica Reporter, giving the proceedings of a public meeting held in that village on Saturday, the 8th, over which Hon. Martin Grover, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court in this District, and one of the most prominent Republicans in the State, presided. On taking the chair, Judge Grover briefly addressed the meeting earnestly advising stern opposition to official corruption, at all times and places, and particularly now to the state of things existing at Elmira, where it was known that thousands of dollars had been paid to outsiders. which in every case had resulted in clearing the party paying, culminating in the astounding result that in one town, as he was credibly informed, where eighteen were drawn, but one was accepted; and in another where thirty five were drawn, but two were accepted-thus substantially nullifying the law and paralyzing the government.

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Resolved, That we earnestly desire a restoration of the public confidence, and to that end we ask the prompt arrest, speedy trial and punishment of parties known to be guilty, and the removal of the Board—convinced that if any or all have not known of, and participated in the frauds, such ignorance, from the length of time which they were practiced and the enormous extent to which they were carried, proves that such persons are utterly incompetent to discharge the duties of their respective offices.

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The Elmira Gazette in referring to the proceedings says: "The fact is notorious that the Board has been surrounded by a lot of harpies, who to all appearance enjoyed the confidence of its members, and who have made it their business to secure for consideration, certificates of exemption for drafted men. Thesemen are here to day plying their vocation. Their business is and has been well known to the Board, and yet they would have the public believe that everything is right inside the Provost Marshal's office.

"The truth is this Military Depot has been a sink of corruption and iniquity since the first contract given out under the authority of Van Valkenburg. It has been a continuous system of cheating; robbing and fraud are carried on for the benefit of the peculiar friends of the poor darkey, whose patriotism must be paid for."

THE Military Board at Elmira have commenced examining the Steuben county conscripts. The result in Allegany is not very flattering for obtaining soldiers. The number, we are told, did not reach 300.

Allegany,

The Draft in Western New York.

'HE AUTHORITIES DENOUNCED BY A REPUBLICAN JUDGE AS INCAPABLE, DISHONEST, AND UNFAITHFUL.

The name of Martin Grover, Judge of the upreme Court of the State, and a leader of the Republican party, is a guaranty of the seriusness and of the truth of the complaints ade against frauds in his county. He preded at a meeting to denounce the misdoings t Elmira, where he said thousands of dollars ad been corruptly used to buy off Conscripts and to defraud the Government.

From the Angelica (Cattarangus Co.) Reporter. At a meeting of the citizens of the town of angelica, held at the Court house pursuant o public notice, on the 8th day of August, 863, Hon. Martin Grover, was called to the hair, and Charles Dantemont appointed fecretary.

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The Summing up of Allegany Co.—There were drafted in Allegany county, 988 men. Of these there were accepted 280; rejected and exempted, 560; not reported, (deserters) 148. Of the 280 excepted there have commuted, 121; furnished substitutes, 74; leaving 85 original drafted men to go into service. But of these perhaps half will yet pay the commutation, thus reducing the number of actual conscripts to a very small figure.

List of Drafted men is Allegany Co. exempted from service for physical disability, upon examination by the Board of Enrollment of the 27th Congressional District of New York, up to July 27, 1863.

WELLSVILLE.

Levi Zimmer, no teeth.
Wm H Miller, only son of aged parents.
Peter Shaffer, under age.
Moses Stern, only son of aged parents.
Chas M Wilder, over 35 years old,
James B Bray, only son of a widow.
Willoughby Lowell, only son of widow.
Robt H Mason, short leg.
Frank T Fisher, no upper teeth.
Edward Griffin, no teeth.
Arthur H Moulton, aged and infirm parents.
Henry Ray, caries of left arm bone,
Henry Matthias, alien.

Alfred Cooley, over age. Moses W Rood, Simeon Rogers, general debility. Wm Brady, only son of a widowed mother. Thomas Harland, under age. Wm Duke, discolation of great toe. Richard Ready, alien. Andrew J Applebee, no teeth. Hezekiah Woodard, necrosi, Webster D Pettys, spasmodic asthma. John H Black, discolated elbow. Ebenezer J Norton, diseased lungs. Giles Browning, bony deposit in knee. Barton F Earley, asthma. Lewis D Browning, hip disease. Loren D Webster, ulcers of throat cont'ed chest Chas Duke, general debility, John Clear, nerosi fibrae. Jasper J White, near sighted. Lorenzo M Neff. two fingers contracted. Geo R Potter, general debility. Edward C Elwell, no teeth. Leroy Hermance, defective right eye. Archibald Wade, over age. Geo Apsey, alien. Henry Mangar, auchylosis of left wrist. John Clark, only son of infirm parents.

ALMA.

Itai Elliot, fracture of coracorid, process of left shoulder.

L. C. Burdick, paralysis of left great toe, from a wound of the ankle.

Henry Elliot, fracture of coracorid, process of right shoulder.

Thos. Morrison, Naricose Vein.

Wm. H. Lyon, atrophy of the bowels.

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Martin Crandall, only son of aged and infirm parents.

Lawrence Elliott, non-resident.

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CLARKSVILLE,

Chauncey B Elwood, contracted chest.
Ira A Champlin, Father of motherless child'n.
Joshua T Butts, impaired sight of right eye.
Joseph McDougal, general debility.
Henry E Prindle, aged and infirm parents.
Saml. La Fever, disease of liver.
Avery Peckham, morbus coxari, (Hib.)
Norman LaBar, aged and infirm parents.

NEW HUDSON

Isaac I. Gee, election of parents.

Wm M Lane, only son of widowed mother.

Edward Clark, superpozition of great toe.

Chas W Swift, only son of widowed mother.

Thomas Simons, general debility.

John A O'Conner injury of book in cornical

Levi Rogers, four members of family in service. Willard Carpenter, stiff great toe. Philo B. Taylor, scrofulous ulceration of lower James II. Bullard, fracture of right ankle. Geo. Gage endo car deitis. Rufus Marsh, loss of teeth. Nelson P. Mars, do John W. Mason, ingenial hernia.

AMITY. Mark Silvius, deafness. Chas. J. Davis, ingenial hernia. James Slater Joseph H. Fairbanks ci Wm. 4 Simmons, deafness and gen'l debility, caused by disease of flidneys. Morillia W. Sartore, ingenial hernia. Amos F. Curry, unsuitableness of age. William Hoagland, non resident.

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Geo M Burlingame,
Edw D Parkins,
Jared Caple, lame knee.
W W Philips, no teeth.
N W Stevens, in service March 3d 1863.
William Edwards, Commuted.
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Wm C Lever, organic disease heart.

H I Stephens, loss of left g eat toe.
Spencer Scribner, chronic disease of kidney.

M Williams, broken arm,
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Wm Hardy, disease of lungs.

Wm A Clark, asthma.
M Kemp, splay foot.
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C Farrand, large wound in left leg,
I M Moser, epilepsy.
J Porter, diseased lungs,
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Alleged Frauds at Elmira.

We have received a copy of the Angelica Reporter (Extra) of the 10th inst., containing a report of the proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of Angelica county, held on Saturday, at which Hon. Martin Grover presided. Judge Grover is reported as follows:

The Chairman, upon taking the chair, briefly addressed the meeting, earnestly advising stern opposition to official corruption, at all times and places, and particularly now to the state of things existing at Elmira, where it was known that thousands of dollars had been paid out to soldiers, which, in every known case, had resulted in clearing the party paying, culminating in the astounding result that in one town, as he was credibly informed, where eighteen were drawn, but one was accepted; and in another, where thirty-five were drawn but two were accepted; thus substantially nulifying the law and paralyzing the Government.

A series of resolutions was adopted, from which we select the following:

Resolved, That we have heard with terror and dismay of the bold, audacious and gigantic frauds and villainies that have been practiced at Elmira, in the execution of said law by which the Government has been defrauded of soldiers and treasure to a large amount, and thousands of dollars put in the pockets of sharks and villains.

Resolved, That we earnestly desire a restoration of the pupile confidenc, and to that end we ask the prompt arrest, speedy trial and punishment of parties known to be guilty, and the removal of the Board—convinced that if any or all, have not known of, and participated in the frauds, such ignorance, from the length of time which they were practiced, and the enormous extent to which the were carried, prove that such persons are utterly incompetent to discharge the duties of their respective offices.

Resolved, That the people have a right to demand of the Government a capable and upright Provost Marshal, a qualified, sober, and honest Surgeon, a sensible, patriotic, faithful Commissioner, with which demand we believe the Government will cheerfully comply when the facts are known.

A committee of nine was appointed to investigate the cases of fraud, and to expose the corruptions practiced.

Fraud at Efimira.

There is great complaint in Allegany county about the manner in which conscripts are examined by the Board of Enrollment at Elmira. It is alledged that money is freely used to purchase exemptions, and stories are told of the Surgeon,

which, if true, certainly prove him the wrong man for the place. A public meeting was held at Angelica, on the 8th inst., which was presided over by Hon. Martin Grover. who, upon taking the chair, briefly addressed the meeting, earnestly advising stern opposition to official corruption, at all times and places, and particularly now to the state of things existing at Elmira, where it was known that thousands of dollars had been paid to outsiders, which in every known case, had resulted in clearing the party paying, culminating in the astounding result that in one town, as he was credibly informed, where eighteen where drawn but one was accepted; and in another, where thirty-five were drawn, but two were accepted; thus substantially nullifying the law and paralyzing the Government.

A series of resolutions were adopted, one of which calls for the arrest, trial and punishment of parties known to be guilty, and the removal of the Board, as they are regarded utterly incompetent to discharge the duties of their respective offices.

The Elmira papers defend the Board, and claim that although I there may have been cases of fraud by outside parties, the officers are entirely guiltless. The matter sho'd and no doubt will be thoroughly investigated.

From the Angelica Reporter. THE DRAFT EXEMPTIONS IN ALLEGA

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Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and that each newspaper published in the dis-be requested to publish the same.

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After the Committee had reported the foreging resolutions, Mr. Wilkes Angel made a ingthy speech in opposition, particularly and mainly to the fourth, upon the conclusion of which the Chairman put the question upon their passage, and they were adopted by the meeting with almost unanimity, only a few faint responses being made in the negative.

The Chairman appointed Alfred Lockhart, there's Dautremont, Z. A. Kendall, David Hown, A. B. Heckman, James Wilson, Ransom L. yd, Henry Hooker and Richard Church, as the Committee of Vigilance and Correspondence.

M. GROVER, Chairman.

C. DAUTREMENT, Secretary.

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THE EXCITEMENT IN ALLEGANY.

The Angelica Reporter of the 12th contains a lengthy editorial reiterating the charges of fraud and corruption against the Board of Enrollment of this Congressional district. The Reporter makes its allegations, assumes them to be both admitted and proved, and then proceeds to comment upon the superstructure it has raised. We submit that it would be well to have some proof of the corruption which it charges before condemning the official conduct of the Board of Enrollment in this wholesale manner. It assumes that sound men are rejected, and unsound men held. If it knows of such cases it should

specify them, and give the evidence to the public that the facts are as claimed by it .-Charges unsupported by evidence are very easily and cheaply made, and ought not to be recognized or entertained by the public. They may be induced by malice, or by other motives equally unworthy. The reputation of the Board of Enrollment ought not to be destroyed by such means. Public confidence in the integrity of the board should not be broken to gratify any feeling of private animosity which may exist in Allegany county against the Provost Marshal or his friends. The acts of the Board should be judged upon their own merits, and not with reference to differences between Martin Grover and WILKES ANGEL. From all we can learn many of these charges have risen out of the fact that WILKES ANGEL s the friend of the Provost Marshal, and that MARTIN GROVER is not the friend of WILKES ANGEL. There may or may not be good sause for these differences. But be that as it nay they cannot justify any such attacks upon he Board of Enrollment. Judge GROVER should seek some other method of destroying he influence of Senator Angel than by inlulging in wholesale and unfounded denunciations of the Provost Marshal who happens to be his friend, and by connecting Mr. An-TEL with the charges against the Provost Marshal attempt to involve them both in commo ruin. If these are the motives which have induced the wholesale charges against the Board of Enrollment and roused up such a feeling of excitement in Allegany county, most certainly the charges should be closely scanned before implicit faith is placed upon them. We do not say that such is the case, but we are so informed, and there is at least a color of evidence to substantiate the position. For the truth of the charges made we have yet to see that any evidence has been produced. Indeed we have seen no attempt to prove the all gations that are made. They are taken up and reiterated by all the Copperheads in the land, and rolled as a sweet morsel under their tongues. They are pertinaciously and industricusly made, but they are utterly unsupported by any shadow of proof. It is not just that the Board should be condemned without an investigation, and an unprejudiced people, even in Allegany, where the excitement has reached its highest pitch, will not insi t upon so unfair a verdict. Strike, but hear.

It has come to the knowledge of the Board that the following persons, who were exempted for the causes named below, claim or it is claimed in reference to them, that their exemtions were obtained by fraud.

ANGELICA.

John Busby—Ulcerated rectum. Silas Smith—Scroffulous ulceration of the neck.

Wilson Weir-Inginal hernia.

Nathaniel Weir- "

Walter Hooker—Atrophy right leg. Lewis Hooker—Hemorrage of lungs. ALMOND.

Samuel Fairchild—Temporary insanity. J. S. Corey—Ulcerated rectum.

Wilson Carr-

William Fisher-Worm Vastus, extremus muscle of right leg.

Andrew Phinney—Bony deposit in tibia of right knee.

The exemptions in these cases have all been annulled, and the persons notified to re-appear on Friday next and have a re-examination.—
We understand that in every case where such charges are definitely made it is the community of the Board of Enrollment to oursue a similar course.

We cannot enter upon any concoversy with the Reporter in relation to this matter. Nor do we feel called upon to answer the various questions which it propounds. We prefer that all these questions shall be tried before the proper tribunal, the Board of Enrollment. We feel the utmost confidence that if the Reporter will authenticate its charges, and produce them there they will receive prompt and satisfactory attention. We hope it will do so, for having entered upon the work it is bound to make good its allegations, or manfully retract them.

Before closing this article we will remark that we have received from a citizen in Angelica, a lengthy and well written communication in reply to our former article written on this subject. But as it combines no new specifications, and is simply a reiteration of the charges already made, we do not deem it necessary to publish it. The writer, however, lays much stress upon the fact that many persons have been exempted for "general debility," who appear to be healthy and strong, and who aver themselves that nothing ails them. We would suggest to our correspondent that he should ask such persons to show him their papers of exemption, and possibly he may find that in a majority of cases they are afficted with peculiar cases of such a nature that they would not desire to make them public, and would prefer to have it understood that they were let off in a dishonest manner. The Provost Marshal is required to publish the exemptions, but in all cases of secret or delicate diseases is prohibited from giving technicaul and instructed to use general terms. It thus happens that the phrase "general debility" is made to cover a multitude of sins from which a large number of drafted men in Allegany county have not been "exempt."-These diseases have been published in the papers under the head of "general debility," but recorded on the books at the Provost Marshal's office by their true names, and are also so written down in the exemption papers. If our correspondent can get a sight of these papers he will find what the diseases are, and will also learn why some apparently strong and healthy men have not been held subject to the draft. Of course these remarks do not

apply to all persons who have been exempted

for "general debility." It does, however, explain the cases of a majority of them. As a defence and justification to the Board it may become necessary to publish the true cause in all cases. It would certainly be better that the sins of these exempts should be publicly exposed, then that they should continue to be made a safe cloak for wholesale charges of fraud against the Board of Enrollment. If a true exposition comes, those who are included within it may thank themselves and their unjudicious friends for the denoument.

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J Porter, diseased lungs,
W J Simpson, general debility.
Edward Mackin, splay foot.
John Arnod, variouse veins,
Uriah Goodenough, general debility.
Bart, J Coats, stiff great toe.
Jehn Reve, tumor of the neck.
Chauncy Isabell, general debility.
H J Torry, father of motherless children.
C Horn, over age.
C Peinke, alien.
H S Woolsey, non resident.

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John O'tiara, Alienage.
George G. Green, father of motherless children.
Jerome M. Patter, only son of infirm parents.
Isaac M. Lewis, contracted chest.
J. reis S. Kenyan, Epileptic fits.
William F. tallow, asthum
fulceter S. Hamilton, di-tortion of right wrist.
Albert H. Spencer, two members family in serv'e,
Hanson G. Potter, father of motherless children.
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Albert E Cottrell, only son of widow.
John P. Lembert, diseased lungs.
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Edward N. Green, loss of teeth.
Robert Miles, tuber ulcess.
George W. Chadwick, only son of aged parents. ALMOND.