# Ink Slings......

-We'are indebted to Hon. HENRY SHERWOOD for public documents.

\_Speaking of offices, the only good time to run is-when you are in a hurry.

-BRICK PONEROY and his wife are now divorced, the celebrated editor agreeing to pay the lady \$20,000 alimony.

-The 30th instant will be "Decoration Day" when the graves of the soldiers who fell in the late war, will be strewn with flowers.

-We are told that there are over a hundred spiritual mediums in Louisville. We have at least that many, but we call them spirituous here.

-A "lady horse thief" has been convicted in North Carolina. Our devil thinks there ought to be a court for the conviction of lady heart thieves.

-By his speech in New Orleans the other day Gen. SHERMAN knocked the Kuklux business higher than a kite. Read what he said in another

\_The Hollidaysburg Standard is out flat footed in favor of a good man at the head of the State Committee. We second its motion. Give us an able man and a live one.

-The Tyrone Herald gives but a lukewarm support to W. P. WILSON, Esq., of this place, for Surveyor General. Perhaps Wilson has'nt come Clown with the stamps! How is it, BRAINERD ?

\_l)Avis, the Radical governor of Texas, recently pardoned 100 criminals out of the penitentiary. The cause of such wholesale clemency was that the election is approaching and the rascals are wanted to vote the Radical ticket.

-The Hollidaysburg Standard taunts BRAINERD thusly:

A Tyrone cook stove recently "flopped over" and caused great commotion in that sleepy borough. The united and frantic exertions of the entire population, men, women, and children, got the stove right side up, and gathered up the coals before any serious damage was done.

-Here is what a man who stopped his paper wrote to the editor: "I think folks otten't spend ther munny for payper, mi dadda diddent, and everybody sed he was the intelligentes man in the country and had the smartest family of boiz that ever dug taters."

-In Lewistown a boy shot a cow for nibbling the grass on his mother's premises. The cow, disgusted at being so unkindly treated, died out of spite, which brought the constable, who cow-ed the boy with a warrant. Altogether it was a cow-ardly affair.

-And what did General SHERMAN

say? Why, he said just this: "I probably have as good means of informa-tion as most persons in regard to what is called the Kukluz, and am perfectly satisfied that the thing is greatly over estimated; and if the Kukluz bille were kept out of Congress and the army kept at their legitimats duties, there are enough good and true men in all Southern States to put down all Kukluz or other maranders."

\_The Ronnett Carre crevasse on the Mississippi river, about 45 miles above New Orleans, is now about 1200 feet wide, through which about one sixth of the waters of the river pour out upon the open country. The destruction of property has been almost incalculable.

-An exchange says: They are boasting of a hen in Virginia which has just hatched out a four legged chicken. For eating purposes, the more legs to a chicken the better; but when it comes to scratching in the garden, give us chickens with the minımum number.

-In Lewistown a young fellow was fined eleven dollars for swearing. There is a law upon the statute book that makes swearing an indictable offence. It has been so long, however, since it was enforced that it is almost forgotten. But it is there. Let the chaps who are in the habit of cussin' take notice.

-We trust the Democratic Senate at Harrisburg will defeat the Radical House's resolution for extra pay at the rate of seven dollars a day for every day after the 7th of April. Let the responsibility for this grab at the treasury rest where it properly belongs -with the Radical majority m the House. We Democrats don't want any such millstones around our necks in the next campaign.

-The Republican of this week says that "a friendly feeling and immigration will do more to reconstruct the South than acts of Congress or Presidential proclamations!" And then it asks the question, "would it not be well for Congress to think of this?" That's good doctrine, Brown, but it smacks very much of treason to the "best government the world ever saw." What has got the matter with you?



"STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION."

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## The Lessons of the Past.

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All, republics that ever existed and perished since the Creator said, "Let there be light," have perished through their own folly in allowing their rulers to infringe upon the rights of the people by making innovations upon the fundamental law of the land. Sparta, Athens, Carthage, Rome and France, all of whom were at one time model republics, fell from their high estate through the designing intrigues of their rulers, aided by the apathy and indifference of the people. Slowly at first, but surely, their liberties were undermined by the gnawing worms of despotic power, until finally the grand trunk of their constitutions fell with a crash to the ground. The people woke up to find themselves in the hands of their tyrants, and the last vestige of civil liberty departed forever. Their freedom was as a story that is told, and henceforth they were content to sit at the feet of their despoilers. As was done in the past, so is now

being done in our own Republic. For getful of the lessons of history, we are renesting the follies of our predecessors. First, with a caution that lulled us into security, and then with a bold ness that has overawed us by its very audacity, our rulers have infringed upon our constitutional rights, and taken away our privileges as freemen, until now we are a republic only in name, Our constitution has been shorn of its protecting power, and laws have been placed upon the statutebook in direct violation of its provisions. To day there is no law that can keep us out of prisons and dungeons in opposition to the will of our tyrant. The grand old habeas corpus is held in abeyance, subject to total suspension at a nod from ULYSSES the Emperor. Governors, Legislatures and Courts are now but the creatures of his will, and as they value their positions and personal liberty, must bow in obedience to his decrees. Surely, the fate of Sparts, Athens, Carthage and Rome will be our fate, unless we be saved at the last moment by a miraculous interposition of Providence, or, what would be more astonishing still-the unanimous uprising of the people for the restoration of their usurped and departed liberties.

There may yet be those among us who are comforting themselves with the Siren's song of peace, and who are unwilling to bestir themselves for their country's good. Such people may cry "peace! peace! but there is no peace." In the words of the same glorious old patriot, they are in a like position to those satisfied and indifferent men of the revolutionary period who were characterized by the orator as "lying sapinely upon their backs beware of this wolf in sheep's clothing. and hugging the delusive phantom of As the Commercial save, it is a wonhope, while the enemy were binding them hand and foot." And such is the condition of the American people to-day. Their freedom is but a name, and, by their apathy and ignoble contentment, they are forging their own chains. Oh, when will the once independent freemen of this country see a look. We tell the Southern people their danger and rush to the rescue? Can it be possible that we, too, are to the "Lost Cause." He is essentially share the fate of all the republics that have preceded us? "God forbid!"

Since his appointment as collector of Philadelphia, Jonn W. For-NEY has manifested a willingness, nay, even an anxiety to toady to the Emperor that is, to say the least, altogether disgusting. He is now advocating the erection of a bronze equestrian statue of Unasses, and urging the people to subscribe for that purpose. We tell them not to do it. There is an unfinished monument at Washington to the memory of the "Father of his Country," which is being grossly neglected, and yet the people are asked to subscribe money to erect a statue in memory of a man who is yet living, and whose career it would be a blessing to forget. Erect a monument to CRANT with WASHINGTON'S unfinished side, Worth and Taylor townships, and neglected! The suggestion ought to consign the suggestor to infamy for-

- The nine million R. R. bill has not yet, and will not be presented to the Legislature. "It's a "dead cock" in the Legislative pit for this session.

-The Pittsburg Post was always "some on receters, and now it caps the olimax by coming out with a splendid portrait of that prince of rocaters, the cock-eyed Butler.

# Gen. Lee Championed by a Northern

Rev. W. W. Hicks is travelling about in the South delivering a lecture outogistic of the late General Robert E. Lee, and in the new-paper notice of its delivery in Eufaula, Ala-bama, we are told that "applause, which could not be represend, wroke forth as the splendid orator showed that Lee's work was not yet done, and that the cause that he so boldly championed was not yet lost

We clip the above from the New York Tri buns. This reverend gentleman je a Northern carpet bagger who three or four years ago went South for the benefit of his health. Prerious to that time he was, or professed to be, a thorough Republican, at one period presidng over a congregation of marked tendencies, and at another editing a Republi can journal. In the South he soon became noted for his servile fawning upon the rebel aristocracy, crawling into favor by subtle sinuclass snake, and which really did him eredit, after his kind. In the pages of a monthly nagazine which he subsequently conducted, he amused himself by strawing his own portrait and writing "apostate" across his brows Wicked rebel as was General Lee, this man is should think that the bones of the dead chieftain would stir in their grave under the culogy of the hideous hypocrite. This "splendid orator" will probably return North one o these days, and when he does we shall expect to witness another political reconverion, for he will be sure to conform the character of his crawling to the tastes and opinions of the people among whom he may happen temporarily to be -Pittsburg Commercial,

While we are, perhaps, as much of an admirer of Gen. Lee as a man and as a soldier, as his most ardent friends in the South, and while we believe him to have been both a great and good man, we confess we are sorry to see him championed and defended by such a contemptible hypocrite as this man Hicks. Only a few years ago, this same fellow was the pastor of the Methodist church in this place, and one of the meanest Radicals in the whole country. While here he had the reputation of being an "eloquent" man, and we believe he did possess a certain gift of gab. At least the Radical managers must have thought so, for they hired him to stump the county for the negro ticket. Under this arrangement, the Rev. W. W. Hicks de livered several speeches, in his usual apread eagle style, in behalf of Radicalism, and in bitter condemnation of the South and of the very man whom he now professes to champion. We noticed his conduct in our papel at the time, giving our opinion of him in very plain words, and we have a dis tinct recollection of the scandal which his unchristian course brought upon the flock of which he assumed to be the shepherd. He was an egotistical, pharisaical puppy, and, like the chameleon, the color of everything he crawled on. Before he eleft here he was universally despised, even by the very people who at first were the loud est in his praise.

We warn our Southern brethern to der that the bones of Gen. LEE, greathearted and noble as he was, do not "stir in their grave at the eulogy of the hideous hypocrite." He is not worthy to speak the great chieftain's name, and could the latter but rise from his grave, the villian would be blasted by to beware of this Reverend laudator of a Judas, and will betray them whenever he finds that it will be to his advantage to do so. He left here a bitter Radical, and the next we heard of him he was just as bitter a Bemocrat. Such a man ien't to be trusted, and especially one who will prostitute the sacred calling of a minister of the Gospel, as he has done.

The country is full of such fellows as this man Hicks, and the sooms they are discountenanced and kicked into obscurity, the better it will be for

the people. -()n Saturday last the Senate passed the Lien Law for the laboring lumbermen of this county, also the act requiring poor taxes to be paid upon unseated fands in Snow Shoe, Burnand the hill authorizing the school directors of Bellefonte to borrow money to pay previous loans. As soon as the Governor's signature is placed to these several acts, they will become laws. Under their operations we hope the toiling woodsmen of Centre counthe tax oppressed citizens of Snow Shoe, Burneide, Worth and Taylor relieved to some extent of the burdensome poor taxes required of them.

#### Taxes! Taxes!

The farmer, the mechanic, the day laborer, and all who earn their bread in the sweat of their faces, will be able to appreciate the following ballad in regard to the state of the times, under Radical rule. In former days when the finances of the country were under Democratic control, things were otherwise; but now the rule is the highest prices for the poorest goods. This is the legitimate result of Radical rule, which to perpetuate its own power has immolated the constitution of the country upon a party altar, and sacrificed all its wise and provident requirements to the base interests of a partizan organization. But here is the "ballad ."

"ballari."
Taxes! Taxes! nothing but taxes!!
Taxed on all that a man can cat,
Taxed on his flour, and taxed on his meat,
Taxed upon all that covers his black,
From his cotton shirt, to his broadcloth black,
From his cotton shirt, to his broadcloth black,
Taxed on whatever is pleasant to see,
To hear or to smell, to feel or to be
Taxes! taxes! nothing but taxes!!
Grinding our agrees as sharp as our axes!

AND WHAT ARE THE TAXES FOR? Why '-The Radical Party to keep in repair, So that "high-moral" secondrels may each

have a share
In huge steadings and pickings, found every
where! Taxes! taxes! Republican Taxes! Taxed on the comin, and taxed on the crib. On the old man's shroud, and the young brat's

To pamper the bigot, and fatten the knave,
Taxed from the cradic plump into the grave!
AND WHAT ARE THE TAXES FOR? Why '-To buy all the regues they can find far

And give every Congressman half a million s year'
Taxes! Inxes! Republican Taxes'
For rich men to shirk, and poor men to pay,
From the pittance they earn by hard work all
the day,
By the strain of the muscle, the aweat of the

By the spade and the frowel, the ax and the plow!! AND WHAT ARE THE TAXES FOR?

Why!-The old Constitution to knock all to smash, And to fill every place-holder's pocket with cash—
To send Law and Liberty down to their graves,
And turn millions of Freemen to cowering

Slaves!!
Hurrah for the Taxos, the Jolly old Taxos!
Come, men, get your noses all ground into
axes—
Bess Summer, praise Chaneler, Beast Butler
and Wade. and wade,
And all your big 'Bosses," that Taxes have
made—
Ye "mud-sills," to Yankee "philanthropy" Be quiet—obey—your saucy tongues hold!

FOR THAT'S WHAT THE TAXES ARE FOR

Gov. GEARY has about described the sinking Radical ship, and now wishes to attach his fortunes to those of the working men of Pennsylvania. Last Saturday night, we see, he addressed a meeting of the workingmen in the Court House, at Harrisburg, in which address he took strong grounds against a high protective tariff. This is certainly turning the cold shoulder to the party that elected him, but GE/RY don't care for that He knows that that party can never again succeed in Pennsylvania, and hence wants to get rid of it. He is now using the work. ingmen's organization as a plank to help him across the gulf that yawns between Democracy and Radicalism, hoping to be again received with open arms by the former party. But we tell his excellency that he must cleanse himself thoroughly from all the stains with which his Radical associations have bedaubed him, ere our glorious old party will concent to forgive and forget the wickedness of his past course. He must not expect, sither, to at once become a leader among us, but must first prove by years of devoted service in the ranks, that his repentance is genuine and complete. Then, we may perhaps give him something to do that will be more honora ble than the wretched business of his later vears.

---- Senator Petriken, of this district, has introduced a bill prohibiting the changing of text books in our schools oftener than once in three years. The Senator, in doing this, has done just what the people would have told him to do, had they been consulted in the matter. The frequent changing of our school books by every new teacher who comes around, or by every new board of directors, has be come an intolerable nuisance, and a very considerable drain upon the purses of poor men who have as much as they can do to keep their families in clothing and food. Besides, there is no sense in it. If a set of school books are valuable this year, they will be valuable next year, and for years to come. Grammar and geography and arithmetic and rhetoric don't ty will be secure in their labor, and change with the season, as some teachers would have us suppose. Hence it is the most egregious folly to be forever changing books. We hope Senator Petriken will succeed in getting of sweets ever fresh and ever new.

his bill passed. It should go through without a single objection to it. The people would like to be relieved of the apprehension, when they are buying books one year, that they will have to procure an entirely different set for the next school term.

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### Newspaporial.

--- We have been shown a copy of a paper called The Cosmopolite, published at Girard, this State, the editor and proprietor of which is the celebrated circut clown, DAN RICE. Mr. RICE is assisted by Mr. CHARLES STOW, a WIL ter of versatile talent, and the result is they get up one of the best papers in the State. The Cosmopolite is a large thirty-six column journal, and is filled with a mass of highly interesting editorial, local and miscellaneous matter. We like the paper very much, and commend it to our readers generally.

-Philadelphia has become the possessor of another new paper.... This is The Four Quarters, a somewhat singular title, but a very suggestive one, The editor and proprietor is J. TRAIN-OR KING, with G. NELSON SMITH AS associate editor. The Four Quarters is Democratic, and will be an able advocate of constitutional principles. Terms \$2,50 a year; five cents per single copy.

-- The Patriot, at Harrisburg, still continues to do able service in behalf of the people. The blows that it deals upon the shrinking head of Radicalism are tremendous ones, and are counting every time. The Patriot is one of the ablest edited Democratic journals in the country.

-DEVLIN & Co., the well-known clothiers of this city, have prepared an illustrated guide to New York, which they present to all who apply for a copy, either by mail or in person, at one of their stores. A map of the city and vicinity accompanies the book, making it a very cheap and convenient hand-book for strangers visiting the metropolis.

-The Indiana Democrat has been re-purchased by JAMES B. SANSOM, Esq., one of the best editors in this State, Mr. Donenoo retiring. Mr. Sanson has done able service in the Democratic ranks heretofore, and will do it again. We are glad to see him once more in editorial harness.

-W. H. PLAYFORD & Co., of Uniontown, have purchased the Genius of Liberty establishment, and will hereafter conduct that paper.

#### For the Watchman MY MOTHER.

ST HEMO.

I find myself of thinking Midst my daily toil and care Of the past, and with it linking

The form of one, whose features Ever wore a kindly glow, As of those of God's own creatures Who calm and contentment know

I think I still can see her With her wealth of waving hair, And her face of resplendent sweemess. With the smile that was always there.

I sometimes imagine her presence Around me is shining bright, Like a star in all its refulgence On a clear and cloudless night.

But in vain are all these fancies, Since in the grave she lies No sound can disturb her slumbers, No voice can bid her rise.

Till the Lord, in his provident mercy, Shall enlighten the shadowy tomb, And from its dark recesses welcome The weary wayfarer home.

THE BLOOM OF AGE .-- A good woman never grows old. Years may pass over her head, but if benevolence and virtue dwell in her heart, she is as cheerful as when the spring of life first opened to her view. When we look npon a good woman, we never think of her age, she looks as charming as when the rose of youth first bloomed on her cheek.—That rose has not faded yet; it will never fade. In her neighborhood she is the friend and benefactor. In the church the devout worehipper and exemplary Christiah. Who does not love sind respect the woman who has passed her days in acts of kindness and mercy-who has been the friend of man and Godwhose whole life has been a scene of kindness and love, a devotion to truth and religion? We repeat, such a wo-man cannot grow old. She will always be tresh and buoyant in her spirits, and active in humble deeds of mercy and benevolence. If the young lady desires to retain the bloom and beauty of youth, let her not yield to the sway of fashion and folly ; love truth and virtue; and to the close of life she will retain' those feelings which now make life appear a garden

Spawle from the Keystone.

Pennsylvania haw 28,200 acres of com

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-The Norristown fail has forty-sight convicts, ten awaiting trial

-The Republican State Convention meet at Harrisburg on the 17th inst. -Reading boasts of a citizen who has hell

forty children in thirty-five years. -A State Temperance Convention will be this month:

-George Bergner, of the Harrisburg Telegruph, has retracted the libel published against Judge Black.

--Reading was visited by a destructive fire last week The loss was \$100,000, mostly covered by manrance

-Pittsburgh has 475 manufactories, which distance of fifty-five miles.

-The Governor has appointed James A. Logan President Judge of the Tenth Judicial

district, vice Judge Buifington resigned--(frint passed through Altoons recently.-It is said that there was absolutely nobody at the depot to welcome him, not even the post-

master -Harrisburg, Reading, Laucaster, Carlisle and Chambersburg entertain more vagrants than any other five interior cities or towns in

- A man named William Hoar was killed recently, in north Union township, Fayette county, by another named George Cassidy, during

-The Philadelphia Germans have perfected their arrangements for the grandest sort of a peace jubilee on the 13th, 14th, 14th and

16th of the present month Col Forney Collector of the Port of Philadelahm, has removed thirty anti-Grant Republicans from office. This may probably

econcile things, but we cannot see it. -A large gray wolf, weighing 126 pounds, sas shot near Fairview, Erle county, on Wed He had just gobbled a lamb for

breakfast was pursued and summarly executed -A Swede laborer on the railroad near Munw had \$200 stolen from him on Tuesday, by Fabreabach on their track, and he recovered

-A youth, about fourteen years of age, had one of his eyes knocked out by a gravel thrown from the hoof of one of the horses during the performance of the circus in Harrisburg, Pa., ou Thursday of last week.

-A boy of sixteen, named William Shaffer, but better known as Lord Wellington, murdered a lad of thirteen named Marshall, at Somerset, on Wednesday of last week, for money by shooting him with a revolver.

-Mrs Louis Elliott, of Washington county, committed suicide last week by hanging her-self to ajoist in the house. The death of her husband, which occurred a short time before, is supposed to have induced her to the tragic

-A little girl between eight and nine years of age, living with G G Couch, at Milroy, being missed, on Monday morning, search instituted, and her body subsequently found in the mill feeder, about ten or fifteen feet from the house

-Four boys in Altoons, for congregating on the corners and using insulting remarks in the presence of the ladies, were sentenced to the lock-up for seventy-two hours; and at the expiration of that time to seventy-two hours more, for not paying their fine.

-On Monday of last week a German tic, name unknown, crawled out of the window of the emigrant train, at Spruce Creek. He was caught by James Cullen and others but broke away from them and throwing himself in front of a passing freight train was instantly killed.

-The dead-lock which existed in our Legslature, did not prevent the introduction of a vast number of bills. There are now 1,732 bills on file in the Senate, and 1,738 in the House. It is safe to say, that fully one-half of these bills ought never to be passed into

The immense tannery of L. A. Robertson à Co., near Honesdale, Pa., was destroyed by fire on Sunday last. This with the exception of the mammoth establishment in Elk county, Ps., in which Mr M. M. Schults, formerly of Port Jervis, is interested, was the largest tan nery in the world.

-Lehigh county can boast of the oldest postmaster in the United States, he holding the oldest commission give ment to any civil officer. This veteran is John Seiberling, of the Seiberling post office, 84 years of age. He received his commission as postmaster in 1820, and has held it ever

ty township, Westmoreland county, shot a ew days ago, a large grey cagle. The bird measured six feet and eight inches, from the tip of one wing to the tip of the other, the claws measured six inches, and the body, from the end of the bill to the tip of the tail, meassured two feet and seven inches.

-A daughter of John Meinhart, of Tyrone —A danghter of John senhan, or lyfour we suppose it was his daughter, although the Herald describes her as "s young girl belonging to John Meinhart"—recently fell into Baid Eagle creek and was swept some distance down the stream. A small boy, who gallantey rushed to her rescue, came near drowning also, but fortunately both children were resqued by an older person.

-A certain man's wife living a short distance from Big Beauty Run, in Lycoming county, recently assaulted a woman 89 years of age, threw her down and inflieted bruises upon her body. This vixen is a young perses not deserving the name woman, and ought to be punished to the utmost severity of the law. The old lady who was beaten by her says she will not report to law, for she will get her reward.

-A distressing accident occurred at Peach Bottom, Landaster county, on Thursday of last week, in a small smithshop at the slate quarries of Jeremian Brown. David Williams, the smith, was repairing a drill for one of the workmen in the quarries when another workman brought into the shop a keg containing about ten pounds of blasting powder, which he about on pounds of basing poster, upon which the other workman was sitting. Mr. Williams intended to plungs the beated drill into the keg of water for the purpose of tempering it, but mistook the powder keg for is, and into if he plunged the iron. A terrible explosion ensued, tearing out the end of the shop, destroyboth of Mr. William's eyes, and burning him so terribly over the head and body that at lass aggounts his life was despaired of, The other two men in the shop, whose names are Edward Lloyd and John Owens, were also badly injured; though not fatelly.