

Ink Slings.

It may be that BERTIE ADAMS conceived the design of revolutionizing the 3d district from his recent association with the Brazilian revolutionists.

No other name has about it more of the flavor of Democracy than has the name of DICK VAUX. There is in it something that Democrats may conjure with.

If the New York Sun must have a standing conundrum why doesn't it give its readers something harder than "Who is the liar?" Everybody knows that it's DANA.

After coming all the way from Brazil it wouldn't look well for BERTIE ADAMS to back out, and so it is said he has concluded to take his licking like a little man.

There is a mighty sight of bursting up going on under an administration that promised to empty the horn of plenty all over the land and surfeit everybody with prosperity.

The Chicago Tribune thinks "there is nothing meaner in the world than a bad man—except a bad boy." But doesn't a really bad woman discount both of them?

What a sweet-scented national committee it must be to excite the fear that its getting together would raise a stench too powerful for the sensitive olfactory of decent people.

Quay differs from the speak-easy in that he doesn't speak at all," says the Philadelphia Times. But, considering the situation, it isn't easy for Mr. QUAY to speak.

The prohibitionists of Delaware are going to put a state ticket in the field; but one should think that good temperance people would want to raise a tempest somewhere else than in a tea-pot.

If it is true, as reported, that FORAKER has gone into the railroad business, he isn't applying his talents to the right vocation. Fog-horns are better adapted to steam navigation than to railroad-ing.

Boss REED has reduced the discussion of the tariff bill to one-minute speeches. This is a reprehensible shortening of the debate, but there will be a proportional abbreviation of the Republican vote next fall.

The absence of hides from the list of tariffed raw materials is such a slur on the projectors of the new tariff bill that one might believe that MCKINLEY would go a mile out of his way to club a steer.

The country is producing such a big crop of embezzlers that if MAT QUAY were to die or resign, "the grand old party" would have no difficulty in getting a chairman competent to take charge of its campaigns.

If a large contingent of votes had depended upon pensioning the daughter of "iron-sides" Stewart, of glorious naval memory, a Republican Congress wouldn't have cut her short with the paltry sum of \$800 a year.

The subtreasuries which the Farmers' Alliance wants the government to establish in the agricultural districts would have to be about the size of Lancaster county barns. Painted red they would be an ornament to the rural landscape.

The pictures of Richard VAUX printed in the papers represent him as looking like an old lion. By bringing him out of his lair and giving him a chance to shake his mane in congress, his constituents will do the country a benefit.

It is entirely unnecessary as a matter of cautionary advice for any one to say, "Dear QUAY, don't talk." The Boss is profoundly convinced that the only thing he can do under the present embarrassing circumstances is to keep his mouth shut.

The tariff supporters assert that BUTTERWORTH is disaffected on account of an interest he has in brewing. They are entirely correct if they mean the brewing of the storm on the tariff question that is going to bring the Republican party to its bier.

In saying that "The farmers' home market takes its instructions from the seaboard," Mr. CLEVELAND has added another to his list of vigorous and expressive apothegms. His terse sayings entitle him to the distinction of being considered America's epigrammatic statesman.

The hitch that occurred in the meeting of the Republican national committee, which was to have gotten together at Washington last Monday but failed to do so, strengthens the suspicion that Mr. HARRISON is raising objections to the combination of rascality in the persons of QUAY and DUDLEY that is at the head of the party management. But this is both ungrateful and unreasonable on the part of Mr. HARRISON in view of the fact that had it not been for these rascals he would not now be President of the United States.

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The Tariff Mongers Surprised and Shocked.

The people who have charge of the tariff bill in congress have recently met with several shocks and surprises. They were severely shocked on Friday when Republican congressman ANDERSON, of Kansas, offered an amendment which provided that when in the judgment of the President articles of manufacture or production were being made the subjects of monopoly by trusts and combines, he should have authority to suspend the duties on imported articles of that kind. This being a blow aimed directly at monopoly, as a matter of course it received no countenance from a Republican congress and was voted down.

But this incident was nothing in comparison to the surprise with which Republican congressman BUTTERWORTH of Ohio started the tariff mongers on Tuesday by a savage attack on some of the leading features of the bill. He wanted a tariff measure so adjusted as to operate to the interest of all and not of a select few. He could not regard the present bill as such a measure. There was no justice in the policy of favoring Paul at the expense of Peter, which was being done by some of the provisions of the bill by increasing the profits of certain classes to the disadvantage of other classes. Why increase the gains of capitalists whose profits exceed those of all the agriculturists in any state of the Union? he asked.

Mr. BUTTERWORTH gave expression to a great truth in saying that there was such a thing as paying too much to establish an industry. He gave as an instance the tin-plate industry to establish which this bill will impose a tax of \$50,000,000 a year upon those who use tin. His denunciation was directed against the "cabbage-head" policy of the bill which was intended to delude the farmers into the belief that their best interest was to sell in the home market where there was not a demand for one fourth of their product. In order to save \$17,000,000 spent in Canada, this bill, he said, proposes to shut our farmers out of the Canadian market where they sell \$217,000,000 worth of their products annually.

Mr. BUTTERWORTH indulged in other severe strictures on the policy of the bill, intimating that its provisions were framed upon the testimony of the tariff beneficiaries who had appeared before the committee, and he declared that when lower duties would do the country the most good, lower duties should be had. If a bombshell had fallen among the Republicans of the House it could not have produced greater consternation than was caused by the speech of the Ohio congressman, and we have no doubt that while he was talking REED regretted that he could not apply the gag to him.

The Pennsylvania railroad company has contributed \$275,000 to assist in promoting the World's Fair which is to be held in Chicago in 1893. This is enlightened liberality worthy of the great corporation that displays it. There are other interests that will be benefited as much as the Pennsylvania company by the great exhibition, and if they should be proportionately liberal in giving its assistance the World's Fair will not lack the pecuniary means necessary to make it a brilliant success.

Drifting Towards Delamater.

DELAMATER was subjected to a fierce opposition in the northwestern counties where hostility to the favorite of the Boss was more strongly developed than any where else in the State, but the power of the machine and the force of discipline enabled him to grapple successfully with his opponents. He has carried Erie and Venango counties, and it is doubtful whether he has been defeated in EMERY's own county of McKean, for, although STONE claims the delegates, it is more than an even chance that they will go for QUAY's candidate if wanted. The general drift of the delegate elections point to the nomination of DELAMATER with an assurance that is the next thing to a certainty.

Lucky in His Old Days.

JOHN C. FREMONT, the old "Pathfinder," and first Republican nominee for President, is to be congratulated on the good luck that has come to him in his old days when poverty was making the situation unpleasant for him. A charge stood against him in the Government's ledger for a shortage incurred when he was a Lieutenant in the army entrusted with military business many years ago. It had been standing against him up to this time, but as he was too poor to pay and had nothing upon which the government could levy, he was not in a shape to be harassed by it. But recently he was placed upon the retired list with the rank and pay of a Major General, and then arose the fear that Uncle Sam would avail himself of the chance to collect the long standing claim by withholding the retired general's pay until the nineteen thousand dollars should be reimbursed. In great tribulation he asked that the dockage should be made in instalments and not all at once; but upon overhauling his account to determine the exact amount he would have to pay, to his unspeakable delight, it was discovered that a mistake had been made in the bookkeeping of the war department and that instead of his owing the government \$19,000, the government owed him \$21,000.

FREMONT was a good deal of a humbug in some respects. Without being fit for the position of President he was put up by a fanatical party that sought to make political use of the notoriety he had gained as an explorer. His utter failure in everything he has since done shows what an escape the country made in his not being elected at that critical and delicate period of the sectional controversy. As a soldier his career during the rebellion was a complete though a picturesque failure. No general of that time failed more pyrotechnically. Yet FREMONT in his early life did the country great service in blazing the path of empire across the continent to the Pacific shore, and therefore it is well that financial distress should not harass his declining years.

According to a design formed some weeks ago, a number of farmers of Montgomery, Bucks, Berks, Delaware and Chester counties met at Norristown last week to devise ways and means for promoting and protecting their interests. We have not learned what course they are going to adopt to effect this object, or what views they expressed at their meeting, but we will credit them with too much good sense to expect any benefit from the "cabbage-head" tariff which MCKINLEY is getting up with the delusive promise that it will help them out of their difficulties.

Explanation of a Dark Conspiracy.

Collector COOPER's Media American has made the discovery, and hastens to divulge it to an astonished world, that a dark conspiracy has been formed in New York to break down the character of the chairman of the National Republican Committee. In consequence of this conspiracy libelous charges have been published in the New York World and other evilly disposed journals of that city, against the pure and honest character who directs the politics of the Republican party and manages the party machinery in Pennsylvania. It is to ruin the reputation of this good man and to destroy the influence which he is exerting for the welfare of his country and the benefit of the Grand Old Party, that the New York conspirators are vilifying him and trying to destroy his good name.

This is COOPER's explanation of the reason for the charges made against QUAY, and he calls upon the faithful men of his party to rally to the support of the exalted character at the head of the party whose ruin is intended to involve the defeat of the Republican State ticket. COOPER thinks that honest people should not be deceived by these conspirators; but wouldn't it be more satisfactory to honest people if QUAY should vindicate his reputation by prosecuting those who it is alleged are defaming him? An innocent man should have no difficulty in bringing his defamers to punishment.

Kicking Against a Dog Law.

Considerable discontent prevails among the tax-payers of Lycoming county about the dog law which they have specially in that county for the purpose of making good the loss of sheep killed by marauding dogs. There is a tax on the dogs, or, rather, the theory is that there is such a tax, the proceeds of such taxation going into the county treasury to pay for sheep that have fallen victims to the canine love of mutton. But it is alleged that this tax doesn't begin to meet the claims of the farmers who bring in bills for losses occasioned by depradating dogs, demanding compensation according to the provisions of the law. Thus, in one township, Cascade by name, the dog tax paid last year amounted \$84, yet in April alone claims to the amount of \$193 were made on the county treasury for sheep brought to an untimely end by prowling curs. The farmers of Cascade township are evidently making money by this system of sheep raising, and can snap their fingers at the protection with which the MCKINLEY bill intends to encourage the wool industry. They don't need any nurturing of that kind as long as they have the county treasury to coddle them. There are other townships that are doing equally well in the sheep business with the assistance of the dog law. The county commissioners despair of being able to make the dog tax and the claims for sheep losses balance, and the general tax-payers are beginning to kick against the expense of fattening all the worthless curs in the county with mutton.

It is natural that the English should be pleased with the failure of the Pan-American congress. They have practically a monopoly of the Spanish American trade and can thank our narrow tariff policy for it. They would not like to see themselves lose this great advantage which would certainly happen if more liberal commercial relations were established between this country and Spanish America. Hence the English rejoice in the failure of the Pan American congress. Nothing would be more distasteful, because nothing could be more injurious to them than free trade between the United States and the countries south of us.

Indiana Repeals the G. O. P.

The political tide continues to run against the Republicans in the State which recently furnished the country with a Republican President. Last fall's elections in Indiana were anything but encouraging to Mr. HARRISON's party, and last week the elections for mayors and common councils in the cities and towns plainly indicated that things are going from bad to worse for the old party in that State. Of the seventy-eight municipal election reported fifty-four were carried by the Democrats, and among these were such former Republican strongholds as Crawfordsville, Franklin, Lafayette, Lebanon, Noblesville, Vincennes and Wabash, some of which were never carried by the Democrats since they were chartered as cities.

A notable feature of the result is the manner in which the towns that were the especial recipients of Mr. HARRISON's official favor repaid his kindness by increasing the Democratic vote. Thus Franklin, from which the President appointed the United States Marshal for Indiana, last week elected the Democratic ticket the first time in twenty years. He took his District Attorney from Vincennes, and that town changed its majority from largely Republican to largely Democratic. Wabash furnished the Cherokee Indian Commissioner and has also furnished a Democratic majority for the first time in its history as a city, and Madison, which was favored with a Collector of Customs, returned the favor by electing its first Democratic city officers.

All of this goes to show that political favors dispensed by Mr. HARRISON does not change the contemptuous opinion of him as a President which the people of his own State have had reason to form, and it also shows that the popular sentiment against the administration and the policy of the Republican party is as strong in Indiana as in other States that have given expression to it at the polls within the past year.

Most Satisfactorily Settled.

The satisfactory settlement of the difficulty that complicated the contest for the Democratic congressional nomination in the 3d district, is a great relief to those who feel an interest in having that district properly represented in Congress. At one time it looked as if the warring factions would inflict a pair of inferior candidates upon the Democrats of the district and bring about such a situation that no respectable Democrat would care much whether it would be a victory or a defeat, and already the monopoly tariff vultures were whetting their beaks for what they expected was going to be easy prey; but at the last moment devotion to Democratic principles and regard for Democratic success triumphed over factional feeling, and victory has been assured by the nomination of that sterling Democrat, high-minded gentleman, and patriotic citizen, RICHARD VAUX. He was the very man whom all good Democrats all over the State had mentally designated as the best choice that the party in the 3d district could make, and the proper person to succeed SAMUEL J. RANDALL as its congressional representative. The nomination of Mr. VAUX insures a majority that will gloriously endorse the principle of tariff reform.

It Should be Widely Circulated.

There being no response from Senator QUAY to the damaging charges made against him, impugning his personal and official reputation, the New York Evening Post, one of the papers that published in detail the incidents and circumstances of his offending, has issued a pamphlet embodying a full record of the rascalities with which he is charged. The price of this pamphlet is 5 cents apiece, or \$3 a hundred, "with liberal deductions for churches, colleges and schools."

QUAY's crimes stand confessed by his silence and the absence of any denial of them from any quarter whatever. They are in effect admitted, and such being the case it is due to public morality, and required by a regard for the public welfare, that they should be published as widely and fully as possible. This should be done to counteract the evil effect of a political party employing such a rogue to manage its politics and utilizing his dishonest and corrupt methods to promote its designs. It is a matter affecting grave public interests, and the Evening Post is doing a patriotic duty in giving the knowledge of QUAY's character the widest possible publicity.

Bismarck Threatened With Punishment.

There is a report that the young German Emperor is greatly angered by the supposed intention of ex-Chancellor BISMARCK to publish the particulars of his dismissal from office, including the circumstances that led to it. There would be embraced in such a publication much that the Emperor would not like to have made public, otherwise the intended divulgement would give him no annoyance. It is said that his sovereign has sent the retired statesman a letter reminding him that he would render himself liable to punishment by divulging state secrets that came to his knowledge during his official life. Wouldn't there be a spectacle presented to the world if under the rule of this erratic and testy young potentate the giant who may be said to have created the German Empire should be punished like some ordinary offender that had made himself amenable to penalty?

Sham Patriotism.

A disturbance has broken out in the Order of the Patriotic Sons of America, a number of its members having withdrawn for the reason, as is alleged, that its object is the same as that of the old Know Nothing organization. Whether this be true or not, there are indications that the Order is being run with a strong Republican bias. As in the case of the G. A. R., it may be claimed that the "Sons of America" have not a political design, but investigation would show that Republican partisans are manipulating them. All sons of America should be patriotic, but there is no call for any particular set of them to claim to be especially so.

Spawls from the Keystone.

Isaac Schaeffer, aged 76, of Middletown, Dauphin county, and for fifty years a miller, died on Friday.

A new library for the use of the organized laboring people of Lancaster on Saturday night has been opened.

The Keystone Cement Works at Portland, Lehigh county, have been seized by the Sheriff for claims amounting to \$700.

In stepping out of the way of one train at Gilberton Saturday John Short, aged 60, got in the way of another and was killed.

The general store of Mrs. M. J. Sticker at Milton was totally destroyed by fire last Friday. Loss, \$28,000; insurance, \$21,000.

William Sandt, a young married man of South Easton, died of lockjaw, the result of being thrown from a carriage last Sunday.

John H. Graffin, one of the victims of the Unicorn Silk-Mill fire at Catawissa on April 24, died Saturday, making the sixth death.

John Wurch, a detective at Reading, has sued Berks county in a test case for fees for serving warrants, in addition to his salary.

Five bodies were found last week at Johnstown by workmen. Two of them were a mother and child clasped in each other's arms.

The editors of the various papers published in Schuylkill county met at Pottsville and organized the Schuylkill Press Association.

The schools savings banks have been opened in the Williamsport schools for six weeks and nearly \$2000 have been deposited by the pupils.

The Sheriff of Berks county has seized upon the personal effects of H. K. Frantz, a farmer of Bethel township, on an execution for \$700.

A fire in a clothes closet in the residence of Henry Erwin, of Bethlehem, on Thursday night destroyed \$800 worth of dresses and coats.

The Trade and Labor Council of Reading is making arrangements to organize all the workmen in that section of the State into one organization.

Jackson Heizer, 25 years old, was cut in two at Mill Creek, on Friday night, by a Lehigh Valley train, and his gold watch driven into his heart.

William Horn, aged 12, lost his right foot and had several ribs broken in attempting to jump from a train at Mount Carmel on Monday and died within an hour.

La grippe in an epidemic form has made its appearance in portions of Berks county. In the northern part quite a number of cases of pneumonia are reported.

John M. Krauth, district Attorney of Adams county and Secretary of the Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial Association, died of consumption on Saturday, aged 44 years.

A burglar entered the store of Hugh Sweeney, at Match Chunk, on Friday morning and got away with shoes and the proprietor's hat and coat, amounting in all to over \$100 worth of booty.

Mrs. Catharine Brown, a resident of Lancaster, died from lockjaw, caused by the sting of an insect a few weeks ago at Fort Providence Montgomery county, where she was visiting her granddaughter.

The Juniata Sand Company, with principal office at Lancaster, Pa., has been chartered. The capital stock is \$100,000. The works are at Granville, Mifflin county, and Mill Creek, Huntingdon county.

A number of York boys, who have been in the habit of stoning the train-men as they pass through the town, were caught in the act last week, and will be brought into Court to answer for their malicious conduct.

President Judge Charles E. Rice, of Luzerne county, has appointed ex-Governor Henry Hoyt, now a resident of Wilkesbarre, Luzerne county, as his successor in the office of Lancaster County Judge.

W. Wall Fenther, formerly of Philadelphia, and Laura E. his wife, have brought suit against the city of Reading for \$30,000 damages for injuries sustained by Mrs. Fenther in falling into an unprotected excavation.

The farmers of Berks county are alarmed at the appearance of myriads of worms in the grain and green grass fields. The pest resembles the army-worm, and is particularly destructive to young timothy and clover.

David Zortman, of York county, is a bereaved man. Last Thursday a son, aged 14 years, and a daughter aged 5 years, both died of diphtheria. They were the only cases of suffering from that disease in their vicinity.

The divorce suit of Ida Shinkle against Horace J. Shinkle, at Reading, has resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff. The evidence developed one of the most remarkable cases of brutal treatment ever heard of in this section.

James F. Mogle, a brakeman on coal train engine No. 80, Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, was instantly killed at Pottstown early Saturday morning, the wheels of an up freight passing over him, severing his head from his body.

Benjamin Deebie, aged 50, employed in the Avoca mine at Avoca, met with a horrible death on Friday. While placing a wheel in position the timbers gave way, and he was precipitated to the bottom, a distance of several hundred feet.

Catharine Margroff, who arrived in New York a few days ago on the steamer Mannheim destined for Easton, has not reached the latter place, though her trunk arrived on Thursday night. Her absence causes uneasiness among her Easton friends.

The fair given by the ladies of St. Francis Catholic Church, Leoni Mills, terminated last week, and over \$1900 was realized. A gold watch valued at \$99 was voted to Samuel Syer, the veteran coon hunter of the Leoni Coon Club, he having turned in \$147, to \$125 for the next highest.

Mr. Victor L. Harbaugh, of Hagerstown, was arrested on Wednesday by a Deputy United States Marshal from Baltimore, charged with fraudulently representing himself to be a United States Pension Agent. Co. Commissioner Hager held him in default of \$3000 bail for a hearing on Monday.

Mrs. Catharine Brown, an old lady of Port Providence, Montgomery county, died on Friday from blood poisoning. Seven weeks ago, while in the cellar, she was bitten in the hand by an insect. The hand and arm at once swelled to double their natural size, and from this the blood poisoning originated.

William Overdorf, of South Pottstown, met with a horrible accident while engaged in target practice at Monger's mill on Saturday. The gun was evidently overcharged. It burst, and a piece an inch and a half in length, known as the breech block, imbedded itself in his head through the frontal bone. The piece was taken out. It weighs nearly six ounces. The man is still alive.