

**Ink Slings.**  
—The ghost of DALAMATER's wrecked reputation haunted the Republican State convention on Wednesday.

—At Bennington Grandfather's hat couldn't compete with MOLLY STARK's night-caps as an article of patriotic head-gear.

—We have no doubt that BENJAMIN greatly regretted that the Bennington shaft couldn't be converted into a Harrison boom.

—Grandfather's hat, perched on the apex of the monument, would have been a crowning feature of the Bennington celebration.

—The dog-days terminated with the Republican State convention. Everybody has reason to rejoice that the pestilential period is past.

—With the prices of necessities going up and the wages of workmen coming down, it doesn't look as if the tariff is much of an all-around blessing.

—A burglars' trust is the latest thing reported in syndicates. It has some affinity to the embezzlers' combine that has so long prevailed in Philadelphia.

—BENNY went to Bennington this week and helped to unveil the monument which is to commemorate the revolutionary patriotism of the maple sugar state.

—It is said that the Emperor of Germany has a hundred pairs of white trousers. This announcement would be more satisfactory if it should inform us whether any of them bag at the knees.

—Lord WOLSELEY (England's own and only WOLSELEY), who sets himself up for a military critic, is a soldier whose pen is mightier than his sword, and it isn't much of a pen, either.

—Never since the time when ETHAN ALLEN stirred his hot Medford rum in the barroom of the Catamount Tavern, was there such a patriotic stir in Vermont as there was on Wednesday.

—A plank in the Republican platform this year, vindicating BARDSELEY, would have been as deserved as was the vindication of QUAY last year, but for some reason or other BARDSELEY was overlooked.

—Governor PATTISON's statement before the Philadelphia Council's Investigating committee, on Monday, was an explanation that explained, although in the Governor's case an explanation was scarcely necessary.

—By the exaggerated stories which they are circulating about the German Emperor the French newspapers show a disposition to discard the weapons of legitimate sarcasm and descend to the brutality of personal abuse.

—If the foreign demand for grain shall be as large as is expected, no one need be surprised to see the honest granger try his hand at cornering the market. The granger has a great deal of human nature in his composition.

—The tariff on wool, under which that staple has declined in price, has made Ohio such an unfavorable locality for sheep that McKINLEY, acting as bell-wether, won't be able to lead; the Republicans of that state out of the wilderness.

—Rev. JOHN BROOKS, a prominent Prohibition leader of Connecticut, says that if he is ever elected President he will not allow wine on the tables at the White House. We don't believe that the executive mansion will ever be struck by such a drought.

—Whisky was smuggled into the Connecticut National Guard encampment under the title of "Balm of Gilead." Various and ingenious are the names that have been applied to ardent beverages, but we never before heard of one with so scriptural a flavor.

—A party at Reading are going to start a community on the Bellamy plan, but when a lapse of time shall have given them a chance to look backward they will see what fools they were in thinking that the Bellamy system contained even a particle of feasibility.

—Rev. SAM JONES's expression in one of his recent sermons, that "God takes his augur and bores right down through a fellow's head into his heart and into his pocket, which should spurt like an artesian well," isn't the sort of gospel that would suit an intelligent and reverent congregation.

—The experience of a newly married couple in New Jersey, who went up in a balloon and by an accidental collapse fell a distance of two miles, is not calculated to make balloon sailing a popular feature of wedding trips. Married people often "fall out," but this was too much of it at the start.

—There is a rumor that Minister SMITH will resign his place, and BLAIR, whom the Chinese rejected, will be sent to Russia. But some nasty things which BLAIR said about the Russians are being unearthed, and he may prove to be as objectionable to the Muscovites as he was to the Mongolians. It is a disadvantage for a public man to have a mouth that shoots off too readily.

**An Emperor in a Bad Shape.**

There are some startling reports about the physical and mental condition of the Emperor of Germany, but as they come, in a large measure, through French sources, they should be accepted with caution. It is said that after he left England, where in the early part of the summer he had met with such a flattering reception, he conducted himself on board his yacht, the Hohenzollern, in a way that indicated either intoxication or mental aberration. He must have been either drunk or bordering on lunacy if it is true that he appeared before the crew of the ship, with a crosier in his hand and a mitre on his head, reading warlike passages from the Old Testament, and to no other cause could be attributed his demand that the sailing of the ship should be committed to his charge, and his striking the commander of the vessel upon his protesting against his Majesty assuming so dangerous a duty. All this may be exaggeration, but there is no question that something occurred on the Hohenzollern, concerning the Emperor, which is assiduously concealed by the German authorities.

It would certainly be a great calamity to Germany if insanity should have overtaken her sovereign, particularly at a time when her situation requires wise and careful management. Physically the young Emperor is far from being in sound condition. Since his childhood one of his arms has been palsied and he suffers greatly from an affection of one of his ears. It would not be surprising if his mind were affected, for his great-grandfather, on his mother's side, GEORGE THE THIRD of England, was afflicted with lunacy, while his grand-uncle, on his father's side, Frederick William IV, was retired from the throne and a regent appointed on account of incapacity arising from mental aberration. There being insanity in both the Guelph and Hohenzollern families, that the mind of the present Emperor of Germany should be unbalanced might be looked for as a matter of heredity.

At this juncture, when the fate of the new Empire is linked with the most delicate issues involving tremendous results, nothing could present a more untoward situation than a crazy sovereign on the throne, or the necessity that would compel his removal. Probably the complications that would arise would be the best for the Fatherland that it might bring about a Republican German Confederation.

Judge PATTERSON, of Lancaster, recently indulged in some very free talk from the bench about the State Legislature. He had occasion to refer to the new election law, and in his remarks said that before the Legislature was in session a week he came to the conclusion that the members were a pack of fools and by the time of adjournment he saw no reason to change his mind. There is no doubt that some foolish things were done at the last session, as there have been at many a previous session, but it was not becoming in a Judge to make so sweeping a condemnation of the members of the law-making body of the State.

**Beer and Sateles.**

It may be some consolation to Americans whose kidneys suffer from the drinking of bad beer, to learn that the people of Germany, who are supposed to be blessed with good beer, also suffer from impure and unwholesome malt liquor. It is the popular impression in this country that German beer is above suspicion as to its purity and wholesomeness, and regrets are frequently expressed that we can't have as good an article; but when we learn that 147 suicides were committed in Berlin alone in the first half of July, directly attributable to the effects of beer, we must abandon the idea that German malt liquor is any better than our own. The fact is that a stimulant of so sloppy a character, taken in such quantity as is required to satisfy an inveterate beer drinker, can't be anything else but injurious, and it is no wonder that men who during the course of a day put themselves around twenty or thirty glasses of beer, on an average, should want to kill themselves. They would be happier, and live longer, with water as their only beverage.

**"Calico" Financiering.**

Secretary of the Treasury FOSTER has a queer notion of the purpose for which public revenue should be collected—a notion well befitting a statesman of his "calico" character. Speaking of the depleted condition of the Treasury he says: "While there is less money in the Treasury than for many years past, it is in comfortable condition. Because of less money in the Treasury it follows that more money than ever before is in the hands of the people, thus facilitating the conduct of the business of the country."

The money that is run into the Treasury by enormous and unnecessary taxation, is put again in circulation by extravagant public expenditure. What is gained by this method in the way of facilitating "the conduct of the business of the country?" Wouldn't the money have performed its function just as well if it had been left in the pockets of the people without being subjected to the tolling that inseparable from the process of taxation? Mr. FOSTER may be able to understand the profit there is in calico's going through the hands of the middleman, but he will fail to make the American people believe that it is profitable to them to have their money gathered into the Treasury through the medium of unnecessary taxation and then returned to them through the extravagant appropriations of a Billion Dollar Congress. They not only lose in the toll which the tax gatherer requires, but they are also injured by the demoralization of such a system.

**Money in the Ohio Campaign.**

Major McKINLEY is dissatisfied with the amount of money that is being raised for his campaign. It isn't liberal enough. It has leaked out that he has written a letter to Secretary FOSTER complaining of the meagerness of the contributions. In this letter McKINLEY was particularly bitter against the Pittsburg glass manufacturers, who he said had promised to contribute \$25,000, but had given only \$1300. Mr. FOSTER's own tongue gave this away. In spite of the statement of Chairman CLARKSON that the Republican National Committee would take no part in any of the State campaigns this year, it is known that it has already sent a large amount of money to Ohio, and that it is now engaged in raising more, intended for the same destination. Republicans near to the committee have boasted also that they would buy up the People's party of Ohio, as they knew many of its leaders were for sale.

**A Singular Endorsement.**

It is said that Mr. HARRISON has made up his mind not to be a candidate for re-election if the following contingencies should present themselves: First, if the present bitter opposition within the Republican party to Mr. HARRISON's nomination shall continue till next spring he will withdraw. Second, if Mr. BLAINE shall be well and strong enough to take the nomination, and the party's demand for him continue as strong and sincere as it appears at the present time, Mr. HARRISON will withdraw. Third, if Mr. BLAINE, having sufficient health and strength, shall be willing to take the nomination, Mr. HARRISON will withdraw.

It is further said that information from a source not to be questioned is to the effect that in case of the occurrence of any of these contingencies Mr. HARRISON will, before the meeting of the Republican convention of 1892, declare over his own signature, in the most emphatic manner, that he will not be a candidate for the nomination to be made by the convention.

This will be a strange outcome of the triumph of the high tariff principle. HARRISON was elected in vindication of that principle. The monopoly tariff was passed as a result of his election. It is claimed that it is doing immense good to the country, and yet the President, whose election was associated with the vindication and triumph of protection, must step down and make way for BLAINE who champions the free trade principle of Reciprocity. This is indeed a pretty endorsement of the McKINLEY tariff.

**Negro Pensioners.**

Mr. FRED DOUGLASS had better staid among the Haiti niggers than to have come back to the United States to assume the championship of the new pension scheme which proposes to pension all the emancipated negroes. A bill to this effect was introduced at the last session of congress by Representative CONWELL, of Nebraska. FRED has zealously thrown himself into this job, and will go to the full extent of his ability in persuading the Billion Dollar Party that there should be more money spent in pensions, and that the emancipated slaves would be the deserving recipients of such a bounty.

The only hitch in this scheme may be found in the fact that the negroes of the North, who constitute the voting force that keeps the Republican party in power, do not to any material extent consist of ex-slaves, and consequently are not interested in such a pension scheme. But if they were interested, and should let the Republican leaders distinctly understand that they would hand half a dozen Northern States over to the Democrats if they were not pensioned, there is no doubt that the expediency and utility of such pensions would be recognized by the party managers. There can be no question as to this, in view of the fact that the use of pensions as a means of securing votes is an established policy of the Republican party.

President POLK, of the Farmers' National Alliance, has been venting himself in the newspapers. He says that the organization of which he is the distinguished head, is now engaged in sending millionaires out of the United States Senate. This is a good work if done with discrimination, but if, as he says, INGALLS, of Kansas, and HAMPTON, of South Carolina, were bounced in compliance with this purpose, there was a mistake made, for neither of them is a millionaire, although INGALLS was always ready to work in the interest of the plutocrats. President POLK hardly expects that the Alliance will be able to name the successor of Senator QUAY, but thinks it will be strong enough to lift Senator CAMERON's scalp when the time comes. He says there will be no Alliance fight against McKINLEY this year because the time hasn't come yet to look after Governors.

**"Speak-Easies" of Different Qualities.**

Last Sunday the police of Philadelphia made an extensive raid on the speak-easies of that city with the ostensible object of breaking up the illicit liquor business and bringing the offenders to punishment. It was a well-planned raid and succeeded in scooping in many dealers who were doing business on the sly and in defiance of the law. But it is noticed that only the small offenders were captured. In nearly all the cases it was the place where the poor man goes to get his Sunday nip that was pounced down upon. There are social clubs all over the city, known to the police, where rich men go to get their whistles wet on the Sabbath and liquors are furnished in violation of the license law, but these were not disturbed, while the little dealer with his box of beer, who catered to the thirst of less aristocratic drinkers, was hustled off to the station house and made to know that he was a great transgressor of the law. They have a queer idea of equal justice in the Republican city of Philadelphia.

The Democratic State Convention, which will meet on the third day of September, next, will be composed of 461 members. This increase of membership is due to the large gubernatorial vote last year, the representative being graduated by the number of votes cast for Governor. The number, which so closely approaches 500, may look unwieldy, but it is a gratifying indication of the growth of Democratic strength in this State.

Pennsylvania Democrats are expressing their preference for GROVER CLEVELAND as the next Democratic nominee for President. Last week the convention of Delaware county declared for him, and on Monday the Democrats of Snyder county did likewise. Mr. CLEVELAND is high up in the estimation of the Democracy.

**A Great Day in Vermont.**

The people of the New England States, particularly of the Green Mountain State, had a big time on Wednesday dedicating the Bennington monument. This imposing shaft, over three hundred feet in height, has been erected to commemorate the battle in which the patriotic Yankee farmers of the revolutionary period wiped up the sacred soil of Vermont with BAUM's Hessians. That battle was one of the neatest performances of the Revolution and had a strong preliminary effect in bringing about the surrender of BURGOYNE at Saratoga. No wonder the Vermonters regard the event with pride, and cherish the memory of their revolutionary heroes who brought it to so glorious a consummation.

Intrepid JOHN STARK, who declared that the invader should be repelled even at the risk of his MOLLY being made a widow, occupies a place in the heart of every true son of the Green Mountain State next only to ETHAN ALLEN, of Ticonderoga celebrity, whose failings even are affectionately regarded by the people of his State, as is evidenced by the fact that his unpaid liquor bill at the Catamount Tavern has been framed and hung up in the State capitol, and is pointed to with pride and admiration by the present generation of Vermonters.

In erecting the Bennington monument the people of Vermont have honored themselves by honoring their revolutionary sires.

The personal rancor that actuates the Harrisburg Patriot leads it to the sneaking expedient of republishing the following from a Republican paper: "If the developments in the Bardsley steal should lead to the retirement of PATTISON from the governorship, he will be succeeded by Lieutenant Governor WATRES, a Republican." This is as malicious as the New York Sun's attacks on CLEVELAND, but it lacks the brains which characterize the malice of the Sun.

**Discrediting a Martyr.**

It is the custom to regard the late President GARFIELD as a martyr, and there are many who think of him as having been almost too good for this world. The feelings of these will be shocked to hear what DONN PRATT has to say about him. Over his signature in a three column article in the Cleveland Plaindealer, PRATT makes serious charges against the "martyr." He says that GARFIELD, while ROSECRANS's chief of staff, won the General's confidence and then betrayed him by writing a letter to Secretary CHASE calling him an imbecile incapable of commanding the Army of the Cumberland. CHASE had been ROSECRANS's best friend at Washington, but he dropped him after receiving GARFIELD's letter. The result was that ROSECRANS was not given the reinforcements he asked and which would have enabled him easily to have occupied Chattanooga and thus prevented the two days' fighting. Mr. PRATT speaks of this as GARFIELD's crime and says both ROSECRANS and THOMAS deserve far more honor than the man raised to fame by the accidental accuracy of a crazy man's pistol.

**They Are Indignant.**

There is no mistake about Attorney General HENSEL meaning business in his proceedings against the parties who participated in BARDSELEY's robbery of the State. If any of the plunder can be recovered by process of law the Attorney General intends to recover it. He has notified these Philadelphia newspapers, including the Press, North American, Inquirer, German Democrat, Bulletin and Telegraph, which got a share the mercantile appraiser swag, that they must refund the rebate of 40 per cent. paid an alleged agent of the State for securing the advertisements. The newspapers that were in the deal evidently do not relish Mr. HENSEL's proceedings. The Inquirer is very indignant at the Attorney General's conduct, calling it "bluff" and "buncombe," declaring that it is "nobody's business" what became of the money which the newspapers chose to pay as a bonus to BARDSELEY for the advertising, and expressing its belief that Mr. HENSEL can never recover a cent of it. Possibly not. But it is not likely that the State will be fleeced in that way again.

**Spawls from the Keystone.**

- Fatal diphtheria is epidemic at Easton.
- Sunstroke ended the life of Jeremiah Bosto, Myerstown.
- Over \$600,000 was paid into the State Treasury last week.
- Peter Kinney, of Conemaugh, celebrated his 100th birthday.
- Expert burglar Fred, Grant has escaped from Hazleton jail.
- A Lehigh Valley train at Centralia beheaded Anthony Dougherty.
- Henry Saffersville fell down a coal slope 140 yards at Pottsville.
- Two inexhaustible veins of coal were struck at Yorktown Colliery.
- Katie Eichner, aged 14, fell down a stairway at Reading and may die.
- William Martin, aged 70, has been found dead in a barn near Lewisburg.
- Four Hungarians were 52 badly beaten at Donaldson that they cannot recover.
- Boys set a big load of oats on fire in Lebanon and the horses nearly perished.
- The slump in sugar prices has caused Pittsburg grocers to give short weight.
- John Smith, of Wilkesbarre, called John Miller out of bed and stabbed him to death.
- Neil McCaffrey, who claims to be a "Son of God," was adjudged a lunatic in Norristown.
- Allentown City Council has decided to tax the electric railway company \$25 for each car in use.
- Levi Franklin, Carlisle, walked out of a second-story window in his sleep and was killed.
- Samuel Rober, of Bernville, is in jail for an alleged assault upon 8-year-old Lydia Miller.
- The Sinking Springs iron mines are to be developed, 2000 tons of ore having, already been mined.
- Thomas Kleintop, an old man of Stroudsburg, while fishing in a mill dam fell in and was drowned.
- The anti-Bowman evangelical camp meeting at Royers Ford was attended by 6000 people on Sunday.
- A bullet fired through a Lehigh Valley car window near Orwigsburg pierced a passenger's newspaper.
- Willie Mease pointed a "didn't-know-it-was-loaded" pistol at Edward Hogan and wounded him badly.
- Searching parties are dragging the Schuylkill Canal near Reading for the body of missing Samuel Dickinson.
- John Madden, who robbed the Farmers' Hotel, Stroudsburg, in July, has been captured by Constable Tush.
- While trying to rescue his little sister Edna, Harry Courson, of McKeesport, was drowned, as was the girl.
- At Park Place, near Mahanoy City, a deaf and unknown walker on the Lehigh Valley Railroad was beheaded.
- The Douglassville Rolling Mill, which shut down six weeks ago because its workmen had typhoid fever, has resumed.
- Conductor Jerome T. Rowe, who slashed his neck with a razor and nearly bled to death, says the cutting was accidental.
- Governor Pattison, as Commander-in-Chief, has issued an order complimenting the National Guard for its efficiency in camp.
- The son of Zenis Koch, East Allen township, Lehigh county, plunged a knife into a horse's shoulder, ruining the animal.
- Prosecuted for stealing fellow-student's books at the Keystone Normal School, Reading, student Mickey has gone insane.
- A large number of foreign corporations are applying at the State Department for permission to transact business in Pennsylvania.
- Peter Perry, claiming to be a descendant of the great Commodore Perry, of Lake Erie fame, has applied for a pension at Mahanoy City.
- Two coal trains were wrecked in quick succession at Glendon and Champagne Grove respectively, on the Lehigh Valley. Nobody was hurt.
- Policeman Deith, of Pittsburg, killed himself because a pretty girl he loved would not slope with him. Deith's wife threw herself into the river.
- George W. Anderson, an insane molder at Lebanon, laid his neck on the Lebanon Railroad track, but the engineer stopped his train within a yard of it.
- Bad whisky made Hungarians so happy at a Good Spring Colliery baby's christening, near Pottsville, that several of them pounded each other almost to death.
- James Dunn, a tramp in the Harrisburg jail, alarmed at the influx of machine politicians, worked his way out of the prison and left for parts unknown.
- Miss Norma D. Crawford, of Minersville, has been offered the Professorship of Oratory in Honolulu University, Sandwich Islands. She is a Philadelphia graduate.
- While running into the house after being frightened by a thunderclap, Mrs. Maggie Meyer, of Reading, fell and fractured a wrist that had been broken previously.
- Two unknown men, believed to be the assassins of Mrs. Frederick Gotwald, Lancaster, were killed by a train while they walked on the Pennsylvania Railroad near Pottsville.
- Edgar T. Collins, Williamsport, and Francis R. Hulick, Easton, have been appointed to cadetships at West Point to represent the Sixteenth and Eighteenth districts respectively.
- Professor George W. Gilbert, proprietor of an extensive music establishment at T. Pottsville, disposed of all his property early this week, and since that time has been missing.
- John Krall, of Prescott, attended a picnic on Saturday night, and had a valuable team stolen, and Samuel Bell, of Lebanon, had a mare stolen from a boarding-stable on Sunday night.
- Agt is being made on hucksters of all kinds in West Chester just now, and for a man to drive into town with a load of peaches or bananas to sell from doorto door is to insure his arrest.
- Foul play is suspected as being connected with the death of Anthony Dougherty, of Centralia, who was run over and had his head cut off on last Friday night. There are evidences of foul play, and a thorough investigation is being made.
- Paschall W. Ingram, a prominent farmer of Caint township, Chester county, is suffering from the effects of a peculiar accident. He was loading oats in the mow of his barn, and when it was nearly filled the floor gave way, and Mr. Ingram fell with the grain. He was covered with oats and made a narrow escape from being smothered.