

Ink Slings.

I'm invited to a wedding
And am going; Wouldn't you?
I told my tailor to make me a suit
And send it P. D. Q.

The Pig tailed rebels seem to be
having great fun smashing up China.

A New York jury had to adjourn
when AGNES HUNTINGDON'S tights were
handed them as evidence. No wonder.

Old mother nature is beginning to
get in her work already and the ice
companies are "bustin" up in good
style.

There is no perceptible evidence
that the recent war famine in New
York, effected in any way the watered
stocks of Wall street.

The gold cure for alcoholism
seems to be just another way of getting
rid of the subject's lucre. He has
to buy the quartz all the same.

From the way prisoners are escap-
ing from the Huntingdon Reformatory
one would naturally conclude that
there is something loose over there.

We presume the reason Anarchists
are usually referred to as bombasts
is because they deal in explosives,
and go off themselves on every occa-
sion.

The protection which Bellefonte
industries seem to be enjoying, at pre-
sent, is that of keeping workmen from
wearing out machines by operating
them.

In French a billet doux means a
love letter or any missive bearing ten-
der sentiments, but in English a bill
that due means quite a different
thing.

France is beginning to get warm
already from the fat of the American
Porker, but 'twill keep her blood boil-
ing high to drag her half starved and
over protected ally, Russia, through.

A West Chester Normal Student
is gaining much notoriety over having
eaten one hundred raw oysters in seven
and one half minutes, but the caterers
of the institution don't think it was any-
thing unusual.

Because Europe and Asia have
their Turkey at all seasons, is no rea-
son for believing they are better fed
than the people of this country, who
have theirs only at Thanksgiving and
Christmas times.

A Youngstown, Ohio, woman was
discharged from a state normal school
on account of her disproportionately
large nasal appendage. It seems
strange that an all nose teacher should
not be desirable.

If the two idiots, who made a
Thanksgiving wager, out at Botum,
Ohio, that compelled them to sit on a
rail fence for about seventy-two hours,
had had their setters right well kicked
they would not have been such good
sitters.

Farmers will rejoice to know that
there was an unexpected and sudden
rise in wheat at Escamba, Michigan,
on Friday last. They will regret
however, that it was caused by a fire
in which 150,000 bushels went up in
smoke.

Philadelphia wants to know how
to get the money out of its sinking
fund to invest in public improvements.
If it will apply to its distinguished
citizen, State Treasurer BOYER, he can
give them a pointer on depleting sink-
ing funds, that may fit them ex-
actly.

A New Jersey wife overwhelmed
her husband, last week, by presenting
him with triplets and in the midst
of his tribulations, remembering the
true blue of his Democracy, he shared
his troubles with FRANCIS, RUTH and
GROVER, by giving them each a name-
sake.

If Ohio takes some ground from In-
diana, and Indiana in turn takes from
Illinois, what in the world will Chicago
do? She's too big for Illinois already
and if they take any territory from
the poor old "Sucker" state she will be
crowded clear off the map by the big
"Windy" city.

There must be something attractive
about the average editor's check. First
we hear of ANNE O'DELIA DIS DE BAR
going crazy after having kissed a
Chicago newspaper man, and now
comes the fact that a Soranton doctor
was so well pleased with having smacked
the Elmira Telegram's reporter once
that he repeated it even to the third
time.

If there be any truth in the enthu-
siastic outbreak of Congressman DOLLI-
VER, of Iowa, in which he, three days
before the election, said: "When
Iowa goes Democratic look out for hell
going Methodist" then journalists will
have a greater license than ever. For
what better place could one want than
the amen corner of a good old Metho-
dist meetin house.

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No Eyes for a Wrong at Home.

It is strange what an effect distance
has on some people's vision. The
Philadelphia Press is able to see a fly-
speck on the Democratic party away
out in Michigan or down in South
Carolina, while it is unable to discern
a dung hill, half as big as a mountain,
on its own political grounds, here in
Pennsylvania. All fall it has been
holding up to its readers, the iniquities
of political gerrymanders, and has
pointed to the apportionments of Ohio
and Michigan as evidence of the work
Democrats can do in this line. It has
lately gotten down to South Carolina,
where it has now unearthed one, "the
like of which" it says, "has never be-
fore been seen."

It complains because that State has
a solid Democratic delegation in con-
gress, and attributes that fact, entirely
to the present apportionment, in place
of the votes as cast. Now, if the
Press could explain just how South
Carolina could be districted so as to
give the republican party a member of
congress, it would open the eyes of the
disiples of the old carpet-bag regime
down there, in a way that would be
highly gratifying to them.

The truth is, if the entire republican
vote of that state, as cast for members
of the 51st congress, could be concen-
trated in one district, there would
scarcely be enough to elect a single
representative. In the seven districts
into which South Carolina is divided,
giving the Press's party the benefit of
all the scattering vote, there was cast
against the Democratic candidates for
congress, but 10,034 ballots. Just
how our Philadelphia contemporary
would go about gathering these republi-
cans, scattered as they are all over
that commonwealth, into one district,
and at the same time showing enough
of Democrats out of it, to give its party
a majority, we do not know. But
because the Democrats have not done
this in their apportioning the state, is
now held up to the public as evidence
of their attempts to exclude from rep-
resentation in congress, the few scattered
republicans who reside in South Caro-
lina.

If the Press could see a wrong done
by its party, it would not need go so
far from home to discover, that in
gerrymandering a State and depriving
the minority of fair representation, the
republicans of Pennsylvania can double
discount, all efforts made in this
business, by the Democrats anywhere.
Here in Pennsylvania, through the
action of the party for which the Press
professes to speak, and with the en-
dorsement of that journal, the state is
so districted, that 466,633 Democrats
have but seven representatives in Con-
gress, while 526,000 Republicans have
twenty-one: One Democratic congress-
man for every 63,800 Democratic vot-
ers, and one Republican congressman
for every 25,000 Republican voters. In
the State Senate, the same unjust mea-
sure of representation is enforced:—
each Democratic Senator representing
an aggregate of 31,000 Democratic
votes, while each Republican Senator
represents but 14,000 Republican votes.

And yet Republican papers of the
state talk of democratic gerrymander-
ing! They complain that 10,034 rep-
ublicans down in South Carolina are
unjustly without representation at
Washington. How many Democrats
in Pennsylvania, are in the same situa-
tion? Allowing each Pennsylvania
Democrat in congress to represent the
same number of democratic voters,
that a Republican congressman does
of republican voters, and there are
left 271,663 Democrats here in the
Press's own Commonwealth, who are
without voice or representation in the
halls of Congress. Does it see no
wrong in this? If it does, why does
it not make its complaint against the
schemers and politicians who have un-
justly, partisanly and iniquitously
gerrymandered our own State?

Possibly, when the Press takes up
this subject of Democratic gerrymander-
ing again, it can be induced, for the
satisfaction of a curious public, to fig-
ure out the following political prob-
lems: If, under a strictly Republican
apportionment, it requires 63,800 Demo-
cratic votes in Pennsylvania, to secure
to that party a representative in Con-
gress, how long, under the same rule,
would it take until the 10,034 Republi-
cans of South Carolina, would be en-
titled to a member?

The Supreme Justice.

Last week the WATCHMAN suggested
the name of Judge ORVIS as the proper
appointee to fill the vacancy on the
supreme bench, caused by the death of
Judge CLARK. The suggestion met
the hearty approval of the bar of this
place and petitions to that effect, sign-
ed by all our attorneys, without dis-
tinction of party, as well as by a goodly
number of members of the Clearfield
and Huntingdon bars, were forwarded
to Harrisburg. We had hopes that
the Governor would see the propriety
of naming the choice of the Democrats
of this section of the State. In this
we were disappointed. He has seen
proper to confer the honor upon an
other, and in that selection there are
none who will acquiesce more cheer-
fully than the candidate from our own
county and the friends who would
have preferred to see him chosen to
the position. In naming for the Su-
preme bench, Mr. CHARLES E. HEY-
DRICK of Venango county, the Govern-
or has recognized the force of the
reasons given why the new justice
should be from the Central or Western
part of the State, as well as why he
should not be a city lawyer. He has
selected a man whom every attorney in
the Commonwealth will recognize as
eminently worthy the position, both
from a personal and a legal stand-
point. Mr. HEYDRICK is just in the
prime of life, has for years been re-
cognized as one of the ablest lawyers
of the Northwest, and bears a most en-
viable reputation as a citizen and law-
yer, wherever known. In his presen-
tation of legal propositions, he is said
to be unusually clear and concise and
in his knowledge of law has few if any
superiors in the State. He is a Demo-
crat who has never shirked his full
measure of work for the success of his
party principles, but is broad enough
in his ideas of politics to be away
above the partisan in the new position
to which he has been called.

In his appointment, Governor PAR-
TRISON has done well, although our per-
sonal preference was for another.

The congressional caucus of the
Farmers Alliance members, will con-
sist of just nine representatives. All
the others who were elected as dis-
tinctly representatives of the farmer's
interests have gone back to the party
with which they formerly affiliated,
and will take part in the regular con-
gress proceedings of the two old parties.
Socksless SIMPSON with his eight back-
ers will not cut a very broad swathe
in the political harvest, the country is
expecting to reap from the seed sown
at the election of 1890.

The Right Man.

For the life of us, we cannot under-
stand why certain republican papers
within the State, should make such
bitter objections to the election of ex-
chairman ANDREWS as the representa-
tive of that party on its National Com-
mittee. If there is any one man in the
State who is qualified to represent all
of the elements in that organization,
amounting to enough to deserve rep-
resentation, ANDREWS is the man. He
is a ringster from the ground up, and
the party to which he belongs has al-
ways been willing to be advised, con-
trolled and dictated to by ringsters. He
is a known corruptionist, and where, in
this broad land, is there any crowd that
has tied itself up closer or given more
aid and encouragement to corruption-
ists, than the Republican party of
Pennsylvania. He is the abject, servile
tool of M. S. QUAY, just as nine-tenths
of that party have proven themselves
to be. He is the excuser of and apolo-
gist for the Treasury thieves, who
robbed the State and disgraced the
Commonwealth, just as every man
who voted the Republican ticket in
November last, is. In all that is foul,
corrupt, disgraceful or bad, in the Re-
publican party—and what else is there
of it when you consider it as a whole,—
he is one of the best representatives
it could find, and we wonder that any
paper, fully understanding the situation,
objects to his unanimous selection.

By all means let ANDREWS be fa-
vored with the place. A party that can
endorse BARDLEYISM at the polls,
should not hesitate in supporting, its
ex-chairman for any position he might
ask.

—Subscribe for the WATCHMAN.

Evidently "we are the People."

Here in Pennsylvania where the
popular approval of a two million rob-
bery of the Treasury has just been re-
ordered to the extent of a half hun-
dred thousand majority, we as Demo-
crats may not feel that we are "in the
swim." It is not so if we take the
country at large, however. While the
republicans have the President and
the control of all the Federal patron-
age, the Democrats have a majority
of the popular vote of 107,438, as
shown by the last Presidential elec-
tion; an overwhelming majority in the
House at Washington, and the Govern-
ors of thirty of the forty-four states,
comprising the General Government.

The states which now and will after
the first of January next have republi-
can Governors are Maine, New Hamp-
shire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Con-
necticut, Ohio, Illinois, Minnesota, Ne-
braska, North Dakota, South Dakota,
Washington, California and Nevada.
These are all. They represent less
than one fourth the population of the
entire country, and from a business
point of view, less than one fifth the
business interests of the country.

We know that these facts, cold and
undeniable as they are, have no con-
solation in them for the republican,
who, because his party has control of
the post offices and the petty patronage
of the General Government, imagines
it "owns the earth." They may open
his eyes to the fact that it don't. We
only give them to show Democrats,
who may not fully estimate the
strength and power of their party, that
while we, here in Pennsylvania may
get licked like thunder at times, we
still belong to the "party of the peo-
ple."

Judge HARRY WHITE, of Indi-
ana, has already announced that he
will be a candidate for Supreme Judge,
at the election next fall. That is, in
case the Republican state ring can
be induced to place his name upon its
ticket. In our knowledge of men who
might aspire to the high and dignified
position of justice of the Supreme
Court, we know of no one in the state,
for whose election, the people would
have so poor an excuse as that of the
Indiana Judge. If Judge WHITE is
anything he is a politician—a narrow,
bigotted, partisan one, and as unfit for
a Judge as the unbeliever is for a
teacher of moral ethics. Possibly,
however, this kind of a man would
suit the people of a state who will en-
dorse by a majority of 58,000 votes, a
ring that has just succeeded in robbing
them of almost two millions of dollars.
Here in Pennsylvania there is no ac-
counting for the political taste of its
voters.

Object Lessons.

How much more of the same kind
of tariff, under the protection of which,
the Nail Works and Glass Works in
this place have both gone to sticks,
and the COLLIN'S Furnace is compelled
to lie idle, would it take to prove to
our people, that a protective tariff nei-
ther creates work for, nor insures good
wages to the workmen? With a
long, hard winter before them and but
little prospect of obtaining employment,
the six hundred laborers who were on
the pay rolls of these "protected indus-
tries," and most of whom voted for
HARRISON and protection, will have
ample time, to reflect over the uncer-
tainities of political promises, and to
figure out the profit there is in taxing
themselves to benefit others. A few
more object lessons, such as laborers
hereabouts are enjoying, should be suf-
ficient to convince any one not too
blind or bigotted to see, how outrageous-
ly they have been deceived, and how
foolish they were in listening to the
promises given in return for their sup-
port of the republican party.

The many friends of Adjutant
General McCLELLAN will be sorry to
learn of his continued and serious ill-
ness. It was hoped when he was taken
down with the malady, from which he
suffers, some ten days ago, that he
would be able to be about in a few
days. Such has not been the case,
however, and it is known now, that his
condition is much more serious,
than was first suspected, and that it
may be weeks before he will again be
able to attend to the duties of his of-
fice. He is being carefully nursed
at the Harrisburg hospital.

Modern Civilization.

From the Lebanon Advertiser.
Some one has said that man is a fight-
ing animal, and one of Scott's heroines
is made to declare that if two armies
were placed face to face, and allowed to
remain there for a short time without
commanders, they would begin to fight
for the love of fighting.
It may be questioned whether civili-
zation is much more than a thin veneer
to cover native savagery. We have
seen men and women in a moment of
real or apparent danger, exhibit the sel-
fish cruelty of savages, overthrowing
and trampling women and children in
seeking safety for themselves. Greece
was called civilized when the Spartan
mother would fling her babe, if it
chanced to be sickly or deformed, to be
eaten by wild beasts. Rome was in its
highest civilization when men fought
to the death with wild beasts, or with
each other for the entertainment of the
patricians; when the gladiator was
battered to make a Roman holiday,"
and St. Paul fought with wild beasts at
Ephesus.

In later times, men and women have
been burned at the stake in the name
of Religion, and guillotined or allowed
to perish in dungeons in the name of
Liberty.

The present generation may have
reached a higher plane of morality, yet
we are still a good way from perfection.

Our savage instincts are shown in
cock fighting and dog fighting and man
fighting and woman fighting. A few
days ago two women fought with fists
for the delectation of a crowd of men,
and although the police stopped the
fight, one was declared a victor and re-
ceived \$25 as her reward. Two boys of
17 engaged in a set-to with fists and
one of them is killed. We cannot take up
a paper that does not contain an account
of a crime of which a woman has been
the author or victim. We read of men
leading a Hyde and Jekyll life until our
sense becomes callous, and we hear of
men stealing by millions, of banks
looted and trusts violated with scarcely
an emotion of surprise.

The New York Legislature.

The situation with reference to the
New York Legislature is clearly set
forth in the remarks made by Governor
Hill to a New York World reporter.
The Governor said in reply to a ques-
tion of the reporter:

"The Assembly, according to the cer-
tificates already issued, stands 65 Demo-
crats and 68 Republicans. The Republi-
cans, however, are trying to unseat
Ryan, Democrat, who was legally elect-
ed from the First Onondaga District.

"Judge Kennedy, a Republican Su-
preme Court Judge in that Judicial
District, is endeavoring to act as a mem-
ber of the Board of Canvassers. He has
acted in a most outrageous manner, and
in plain language he is trying to bull-
doze the official canvassers.

"The Republican County Clerk of
Onondaga County has refused to sign
Ryan's certificate of election, which was
duly issued by the Canvassers. If Re-
publican Judges and republican county
clerks are permitted to have their own
way, they will endeavor to deprive the
Democrats of their majority in two
branches of the Legislature. If timidity
or cowardice are allowed to prevail the
Republicans may succeed. The Demo-
crats, however, are earnest in keeping
control of the Legislature. They know
that they elected a majority of the mem-
bers of both branches and are insisting
their rights, an honest count and obe-
dience to the election laws."

"The party," continued the Governor,
"that counted out Tilden, that counted
out legally elected United States Sena-
tors from Montana, that expelled a
dozen Democrats from the last Congress
who were fairly elected, that kept a
legally elected Governor of Connecticut
out of his office, that has refused a just
enumeration and apportionment of the
people of this State for half a dozen
years in violation of the Constitution, to
keep a minority in power, will not
scruple at anything. Why, for several
days after the late election everybody
believed that the Democrats had carried
both branches of the Legislature of this
State. Suddenly the Republicans be-
gan to claim that they had elected a
majority of Senators and Assemblymen,
and at the same time they began tam-
pering with the returns. And now,
when Democrats are trying to exact
their rights, the Republican politicians
and the Republican members cry out
fraud, stealing the Legislature, etc.
But it will not deter the Democrats
from keeping what they are fairly en-
titled to."

A Fast of 150 Days Ended.

Mrs. MARY McVAY, the Braddock
woman who had not tasted a particle
of solid food since July 2nd, died at
that place last Monday. Mrs. Mc-
VAY's aversion to food was at first un-
explainable, but it was found that she
had been a constant smoker for years
and that the cancer of the jaw, from
which she suffered, was the direct re-
sult of nicotine poisoning.

Spawls from the Keystone.

—Ho rose-thief Herbert Spencer is believed to
be dying of hemorrhages in jail at William-
sport.

—Blazing benzine blinded Edward Mohr,
Birdsboro, when he attempted to revive a fire
with it.

—Seven inmates of the Columbia lock-up
escaped Monday but three of whom were re-
captured.

—A bed-cord served as a rope with which
John C. Hill, of Reading, hanged himself in
his attic.

—Johnny Jacoby, a Bethlehem lad, has just
broken his left arm for the sixth time within
two years.

—Mrs. Ann Clark, who lives near Honey-
brook, Lancaster county, will be 100 years old
on Christmas.

—Pennsylvania Grangers will hold their
nineteenth annual convention in Harrisburg
on December 8.

—A shifting engine, on the Reading, mor-
tally injured Joseph Borie, a Shamokia track-
man on Friday.

—Father Looney, Chambersburg, has been
appointed Assistant at St. Mary's Catholic
Church, Lancaster.

—Charles Q. Zehner committed suicide at
Lansford, Carbon county, by cutting his throat
with a carving knife.

—Judge Albright has decided that the West-
ern Union must pay Allentown a tax of \$1 a
piece on its 300 poles.

—For stealing C. W. Fullers' checks and
forging signatures to them, Victor Laubauch,
was arrested at Allentown.

—A fall from the top of a "Penny" train re-
sulted in the death of brakeman Samuel
Dougherty, of Columbia.

—A Williamsport dog was electrocuted,
though seemingly untouched, by an electric
car that passed that way.

—A curved armor plate for a Government
man-of-war was shipped from Bethlehem, yes-
terday, to Indian Head, Md.

—Scranton expects to have a new armory.

—Lancaster's city toll gate case will be ap-
pealed to the Supreme Court.

—Ruffians knocked down John Banman, of
Reading, on Sunday night, broke his jaw, and
beat him into unconsciousness.

—John Boshok, Bethlehem, was horrified
to wake up Monday morning and find his bed-
fellow, Andrew Wolke, dead.

—For cutting off one of her legs the Reading
City Passenger Railway Company Friday paid
Lizzie Parre, a school girl, \$1000.

—Abram Rhodes, of Lancaster, fell from a
folding stool to the ground, and had both arms
broken and was injured internally.

—Hasteton sent a large delegation to Har-
risburg Friday to argue with Secretary Har-
rity for its disputed charter as a city.

—Harry Pickering, of Lathrop township,
Wyoming county, killed himself by blowing
in a gun that was loaded and cocked.

—G. P. Blackburn, of West Newton, ex-
member of the Legislature, has been arrested
charged with using bogus tax receipts.

—Footpads have molested many pedestrians
in the vicinity of Allentown. John McEoy
and Andrew Hoefler have been arrested.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Strunk, of Reading,
were rendered unconscious and barely escap-
ed death from a new store's escaping gas.

—The Bowman and anti-Bowman Evangeli-
cal fight for possession of the Immanuel
Church, Reading, has been taken to Court.

—Deaf and dumb John J. Boyle knocked
Stranton's ex-City Treasurer, John O'Donnell,
insensible with a cooping pin and robbed
him.

—Looking for work and falling down a sixty-
foot cliff to the railroad in Allentown, Henry
Fallwiler, a ribbon weaver, was cut up by a
train.

—He never read the newspapers and as a re-
sult Johnathan Clayforth, Warrington township,
Berks county, was buncoed out of \$100 on Sun-
day.

—After being owned by the Martin family
since 1815, the old Relay House, Lancaster,
has been sold by John E. Martin to George
Meyers.

—Mrs. Rev. E. H. Cornell left Williamsport
with four of her children, Monday, to rejoin her
husband, who is a Methodist missionary in
Japan.

—Charged with neglect of little Joe Diller
is not taking him from John Lafferty's cus-
tody, the Poor Directors had a hearing at Car-
lisle, Friday.

—Amputation of an arm was the result of an
accidental shot that happened to Militiaman
Augustus Herzog, Tamaqua, while target
practicing.

—Several Newfoundland dogs at Warrior's
Run, Luzerne county, have caught the season-
able emze, and are robbing hennocks and killing
geese by wholesale.

—Presumably stricken by apoplexy, the
body of a well known auctioneer, Jere Walk,
of Chambersburg, was found by the railroad
track near his home.

—All Pullman conductors between Phila-
delphia and Pittsburg were deluged with
Thanksgiving wedding couples on Thursday
night and the next day.

—Patriotic songs and addresses echoed
through all of Reading's schools Friday. It
was a new holiday in that city, and was design-
ated as Patriotic day.

—Perjuria alleged against Stephen White-
ley, of Philadelphia, at Allentown, for swear-
ing he owned \$1500 worth of property and per-
mitting Louis Becker to escape.

—A belt making 300 rounds a minute caught
and whirled Daniel Brown, a Berks county
Jury Commissioner, breaking an arm and a
leg, from which he may die.

—A charter was granted Friday to the Tor-
resdale Electric Light and Power Company of
Philadelphia, capital, \$1000, of which Edward
de V. Morrell is one of the directors.

—Pennsylvania fourth-class postmasters
were Saturday appointed as follows: J. Klein-
haus, Blooming Grove; J. D. Wilkinson,
Cokeville; J. C. Leslie, New Kensington.

—President Reed is organizing Dickinson
College alumni into district alumni associa-
tions, with headquarters respectively in Phila-
delphia, Baltimore and Wilmington.

—Stage driver William Stark fell asleep in
a hotel office chair, at Frederickburg, near
Lebanon, and was robbed of his watch and
several hundred dollars in checks and money.

—Miner John Harrigan was drowned and
three of his companions had narrow escapes
from a rushing water, due to a dam bursting
and flooding Park Colliery No. 1, at Mahanoy
City.

—Playing with and chasing a pretty servant
girl, young William Shultzheiser, of Bethle-
hem, ran his hand through a door's glass
panel, cut a great gash in his right arm and
nearly bled to death.