Democratic Matchman BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings.

When people, writing of the Holiday season Spell it Xmas, And, you don't know the reason; There's a way to find out -If you have the will-By trying to shop with a five dollar bill.

-A train that is always behind-that on a lady's dress.

-The fighting wait of the average small boy is usually behind his pap's barn.

-It took HARRISON and his advisors two months to conceal "I want a second term" in a six thousand word message.

-One trouble about the gowns of the use lasting.

--Speaker CRISP has started out in a way that should please the Prohibitionists at least. His first appointee is JOHN WATERMAN.

-The critic who says the new subsidnary coin is an insult to good taste, has discovered an insult that every one is anxious to pocket.

-The man who says the English sparrow is better dead than alive, will be cured of his delusion after trying a plate of Chicago "reed-birds" on toast.

-The Weather bureau people proclaimed to the world that a blizzard would be due on Wednesday. It came without the usual three day's grace.

-That Snow Hill Whale, in the stomach of which was found a demijohn of whiskey, missed the opportunity of screw.

-If JINGO BLAINE could infuse some of his reciprocity ideas into his son, would not have so much trouble with their case.

-English bar maids in New York city have proven a failure. They were would'nt do.

of ill repute, is now flying around with the country, in the expectation and on with tar,

occurrence that no one notices it any- have stood by it through thick and



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It Will Be Bad Politics.

Whether or not the present Congress intends attempting the work that busy newspaper correspondents are mapping out for it, we do not know. Our hope dress reformers is that there is not is that it has better judgment and more enough stay about them to make their political sagacity, in one line at least, and that is in what is said to be, its proposed action on the tariff question. If the newspapers are correct, there s to be no attempt at general legislation on this question during the present lumber, salt, binder twine, cotton ties, country, have generally protested.

ticles that has aroused the manutac. do just as it has been doing ever since turers and arrayed them against the tar- it had the power to do anything-di- to be followed in his efforts to release iff as it now stands. They allege that in vide up States just as best suits the in- the masses from the thraldom of Reconsequence of these duties on the raw terests and promises the greatest success publican rule, is far too big to hang his material, they are unable to compete, for the Republican party. his life when he failed to find a cork- in the original cost of the article man. If these papers and politicians, who are and for this reason many of them have tionments, are honest in their pretenses from the present congress.

It is these now complaining interests all right on ale and gin but when it the manufacturers, that have been the came to handling "cock-tails" the girls main-stay of the Republican party. They have turnished it with the money -The Flemington, N. J., "bat" who to debauch voters and carry elections scandalized the community, by her life over the heads of the honest masses of

a coat of new feathers. They're stuck with the promise that their particular euterprises would be protected and their -It is not at all an uncommon thing individual interests cared for, though to see a Bellefonte girl sailing along the it had to be done at the expense of the streets with two undressed kids. In great body of the people and the wel- lican in both branches, had under con-

Under the circumstances, to at'empt to change it, is the most suicidal kind of political tactics.

Deceptions that Don't Deceive.

This is a most admirable time for Republican papers and a Republican President to attempt to make the people believe the party they represent are wound the feelings of one who had dein favor of honest and fair apportion. voted a life time of labor and study, to ment measures. In the States it its interests ; but if half that is told of control, and which, like Pennsylvania, the actions of Mr. MILLS, since his desession of Congress. But separate are now gerrymandered in the most in- feat for Speaker, is true, the party may bills are to be introduced covering famous and unfair way, the legislatures be thankful indeed, for results that specific articles such as ores, wool, coal, have adjourned, some not to meet for prevented his filling the Speaker's chair. one, others not for two years; so that etc., --mostly the articles that are by the time of the next assembling of sake of the political policy he has so known as raw material and against a Republican law-makers, this professed ably and fearlessly advocated, we hope duty on which, the manufacturers of the desire for honest apportionments, will that the reports of his sulking over his have had ample time to be forgotten, defeat, are untrue. A man big enough It is the high duty imposed in the and this old party of gerrymanderers for Speaker of the House; big enough MCKINLEY bill, upon some of these ar. and gerrymanders will go ahead and to be recognized as the leader of the

ufactured, with foreign manufacturers, now clamoring so loudly for fair appor- ed down with all the honors a party been compelled to close their mills and why was not some demand of this kind relief from the injurious effects of Re- were in session and when this professed carried out ?

The truth is this whole pretense of favoring honest apportionments is the veriest bosh. Of the States that can be re-districted the present winter, but one, Ohio, is Republican ; the rest are Democratic, and they fear the same advantage may be taken in these, that ones they controled.

Here in Pennsylvania it is scarcely ten months since a legislature, Repub- lowed.

Wait and See We have sympathy for the man

whose honest, courageous efforts in the cause of right, goes unappreciated by the public. We can readily understand how deep, the failure of his party to properly recognize the earnest efforts put forth in its behalf, could For his own sake as well as for the

was soundly abused in the tariff organs in this country, and was subjected to great Democratic party, and big enough London edition of the New York Herald made charges seriously reflecting upon his personal character and asserting that his letters in regard to Dakota tin were false and malicious. lip and sulk because he is not given Upon this Mr. White, leaving his home enemies for a while, went to Lonevery position he might covet, or loaddon and brought an action against the Herald for damages. The case was tried before Baron Pollock on the 13th has at its disposal.

It Mr. MILLS wanted to prove that and his son's wife, the divorce courts factories, and are now waiting for such made while Republican legislatures the judgment of the Democratic repreing and Mining Journal, "that the sentatives in its selection of Mr. CRISP publican legislation, as can be secured, desire for reform could have been as presiding officer of the House, was libelous statements, and paying Mr. White \$2,500 damages and \$1,250 costs, correct, he could not do so in a more effective way, than to act just as the Republican press of the country is re-

presenting him as doing. A man who is small enough to sulk because all he wants is not handed him, is too small to occupy the position of leader of any party. There is a littlethey have always siezed hold of in the ness about such business that destroys all respect for, and all confidence in, his ability to lead or his fitness to be fol- Mr. White out of court. John Jarrett, short.

We cannot bring ourselves to believe States consul at Birmingham, England, fact, it has become such an every day fare of the country at large. They sideration the matter of apportioning that Mr. MILL is such a man. Is it was within easy reach, and might have the State. In their congressional divi- possible that a conspiracy has been

Spawls from the Keystone.

-A train ran over Mary Langdon, at Port land Friday.

-Masic has been ruled out of Pottsville's schools as an illegal luxary.

-A Rest Day «League to enforce Sunday laws, has been formed at Butler.

-Hazleton's city charter has arrived and been hung in the borough building. -Brakeman John King broke his skull and

died on a freight car, at Shippensburg: -Mrs. Elizabeth Lou, of Codorus township

York county, is 103 years old this month. -Joseph Diggs, colored, fell off a wagon at

Chambersburg Friday night and was killed. -The jury has acquitted Joseph Rhody of

the killing of Solomon Guinter near Clearfield

The American Tin Swindle,

A fitting commentary upon the fabu-

ous assertions with which the tinplate

duties in the McKinley tariff have been

tect the innocent Mr. Thomas H. White,

a mining engineer of Deadwood, wrote

inst., with the result says the Engineer-

plaintiff was completely vindicated, the

defendant apologizing, withdrawing the

Philadelphia Record.

metal.

-At Riddlesburg, in Bedford county, most of the inhabitants are afflicted with typhoid fever.

-Three strangers held up and robbed Mail Carrier James Carson on his route near Tionesta

propped up, is echoed from London, in the report of a suit for libel which has -Mary Emma Davis has been victimizing just ended there. In 1887 a company various Lancaster merchants in her shopliftwas organized in London, with a capiing rounds. tal of \$10,000,000, calling itself "The

-Dogs cost Salisbury township, Lancaster Harney Peak Tin Mining Company.' The object of this company was to excounty, \$700 a year, exclusive of the sheep ploit the mines of tin which were said to they kill.

exist in South Dakota in such rich de--A ghostly white robed figure nightly posits as to supply the world with the haunts the vicinity of the Arch street planingmill, Pottsville. In order to expose the fraud and pro-

-An explosion of gas in a Wilkesbarre mine burned James Kitterick to death and Hugh Jones mortally.

a series of letters to the London Finan--While trying to stop a runaway team J cial News showing that tin did not exist Robert Lang, a Lancaster farmer, dropped in paying quantities in South Dakota. dead from heart disease. Mr. White's exposure of the swindle

was so complete that "The Harney Peak Charles Williams, of Philadelphia. Tin Mining Company" was suddenly fell down a flight of stairs in an Easton hetel and was badly broken up. collapsed. In return for this service he

-Three shots from a pistol fired by Mrs. E. H. Gingerich, Lebanon, frightened a burly criminal prosecution in Dakota. The burglar from her window.

-T. H. Mahon, of Chambersburg, is a Republican candidate for the Eighteenth District Congressional nomination

-Beginning on Wednesday next the Reading Railroad paymaster will disburse \$110,000 in Reading before Christmas.

-Johnson Wareham and P. J. Spotts, Carlisle sportsmen, had a terrific encounter with a catamount on South Mountain.

-Organized gangs of Berks county horse thieves are said to be running their stolen. stock to Philadelphia and selling it,

-William Moners, aged 72, has taken out a marriage license at Carlisle to marry Mrs-Libbie Kauffman, aged 74 of Shippensburg,

the case being settled before going into court." The Mining Journal observes that "the case of Mr. White was not so -Having been blown to pieces by dyna mite, the man killed near Carlisle is promuch of damages as it was of character, nounced by the Coroner to have died accidentand his friends in the west will learn of ally.

his vindication with pleasure." But what of "the Harney Peak Tin -A Liverpool township (Perry county) dis trict has had to close its school, no child hav . Mining company" and its rich deposits. ing been born in the district for sixteen. of tin ore? If tin existed in paying years.

quantities in Dakota, nothing -Missing Music Dealer G. H. Weller, have been easier than for the defendant. Reading, even sold his wife's sewing to have produced the evidence and sent machine before absconding. He was \$4500 late secretary of the "American Tin. Plate Association," who is now United

-The trial of the case against ex-President. Dill of the Clearfield National Bank for em. bezzlement has been postponed until January. proved a useful witness if his own stories

Mayor Nole, of York Pa., has been warned

more.

the fireside.

nine times as great as that of the Uni- al investments. ted States. The wonder is that it is not more, when we consider the class of peorun that government.

-Every paper bears horrifying accounts of the awful ravages of "Yellow lic don't brace up and behave itself we along the fatalities.

--LEONARD RHONE has been creating utopias again and now wants the government to lend the farmers money on ing towards the HENRY GEORGE theory and seem about as practical,

-Miss St. John, the English actress, who sued for divorce has lost her case and the jury has come to the conclusion that both she and her husband were right. If this is the case she can now keep up her love affairs with other fellows and Mr. ST JOHN can beat her with impunity.

--If the salary and patronage of the place were as good in DAVID's days as they will be during the term of door keeper TURNER, we don't wonder that the old veteran preferred that office, to being mosquito bitten and sun scorched out in a tent among the wicked. In addition to a good fat salary TURNER, has patronage amounting to \$130,000 to dispense.

-The Pittsburg Dispatch has most of the prominent leaders, at Washington, classed under the head : "Live Washington Waifs." It was not so far of when it applied the name to such differs as some of the new Republican members of Congress have already proven themselves to be, but when it calls chief justice FULLER a waif its down right libel.

--From the number of beer towns which have put in a request for the Democratic National Convention, one would be led to suppose that we Democrats drink such vile stuff. Milwaukee is the latest and Rochester is said to be getting ready to spring her claim on the party. The brewers are evidently reenting the slight HARRISON has given their product by drinking "hot scotch," and are making up to the Democracy so as to bring BENNY to time.

thin, through good and evil report and --If we only had free wool probably to-day, would be the same unrelenting, Crats seven districts and take for them-JERRY SIMPSON could then afford to butter Republican partisans they were selves twenty three .- they to have one wear socks, but oh ! what a time Santa when submitting to Mr. QUAY'S "fat. representative for every 24,000 voters, Claus'would have in filling some of the frying" process of three years ago, but the Democrats one for every 66,000. that purpose? stockings which would then be hung by for the legislation their own administration brought forth, and the effects speaker, or see any Republican paper -The per capita debt of Canada is of the McKINLEY bill on their person- that denounced this most outrageous

It is the opposition of the great man- president take the trouble to call public ufacturing interests of the country to attention to this effort to continue a ple we have sent over the line to help the tariff policy of the Republican par- wrong long perpetrated upon the Demty, so far as it effects them injuriously,

that has weakened and demoralized that organization and theatens event-Jack" in Brazil, but if the new Repub- ually its entire overthrow. With the objections these interests have to that might add some "blue jackets" to help legislation removed, would disappear their objections to the Republican pol-

icy. They do not object to the protective principles so far as it effects others or the general weltare of the public; it real estate security. His ideas are drift- is only their own individual benefits they are looking to, and as soon as they can secure free raw material, they will

again join hands with the Republican party to fasten upon other interests of the country, all the iniquities, oppressions and taxation that a selfish protective policy insures.

Although the Democratic party would be entitled to the credit that a change of the McKINLEY bill would

would bring, yet under the condition of affairs, Republicans who would be benefited by having wool, ore, lumber, salt, and other raw materials added to the free list, would claim that inasmuch as their party controled the Senate and had the President, that it had an equal claim on the thanks of the public for these changes, and so far as politics is concerned the whole matter would be a set off.

A compromise, such as would have to be made to secure any tariff legislation at the the present time, and such as we believe the Republicans would now be glad to make, would simply eliminate from the McKINLEY bill its most objectionable features, relieve the Republican party from the odium this measure is now casting upon it and weaken the position of the

Democrats in the Presidential contest just to that extent.

The more unpopular the McKINLEY bill is in 1892, the surer the success of Democratic ideas. Any paring down of its odious features, only lessen the objection the public must have to the ideas embodied in it, and lessens the chances of success for the party that enters the campaign in opposition to its principles. cratic victory in 1892.

sion they proposed to give the Demo Did any one hear any Republican gerrymander? Did a Republican ocratic people of Pennsylvania? For the proposed new apportionment was but a re-enactment of that which we have had for years and which is as vicious and wrong as it can be made, or it would have been changed for the worse long ago.

Under the circumstances, it is no wonder that the present idemand of a Republican President and the hollow, but persistent clamor of the Republican press for fair apportionments, now that there are Democratic States throughout the South to be re-districted and New York promises to change its law-making power, meets with a smile of derision on every hand. Its emptiness is known. Its purposes are apparent. Its sham and pretense has been verified by the acts of its own party in every State in which it has the control.

Let representatives of that party show by their works that they are honest in their present professions, before they attempt to instruct others as to the right thing to do. And here in Pennsylvania is a good

field in which te prove the sincerity of their words. When can we expect them to begin?

A POLITICAL STRAW .- The city election in Meriden, Connecticut, was held on Tuesday last and resulted in the eleven of the fifteen aldermen. That city has always been a strong hold of

ormed to lessen his influence, in the and that these stories are circulated for

Before believing what is said about McKinley tariff on toreign tin. Mr. MILLS' actions or purposes, let must also amply protect the tin miners," Democrats patiently wait and see what they are. He is too brave a man to be plate to protect the manufacturers." The cried down for a single offense or manufacturers whom they meant are through any false accusations. Wait the manufacturers of galvanized sheet and see.

-If the Northwest News is a fair facturers were abundantly protected by sample of the way things looks up in high duties on sheet iron; but they ingive one the blues terrible to live in they make no tin plate themselves they that section. A faded indigo bag, or a will compel American consumers to use Centre county Republican on election night, is nothing in blueness, compared the whole history of tariff legislation to the shade of the paper used by our there is nothing more iniquitous than

Grand Forks contemporary for the this tin plate schedule in the McKinley past month.

Young Merchant Marines Food Eor Thought. On Last Friday atternoon, fifty-one trim little sailors from the schoolship From the New York Sun.

with which it is bolstered up.

The year before the Presidential elec-Saratoga, received their diplomas from tion of 1888 the Democrats carried the the hands of President LAWRENCE, on State of New York by a majority of 17,the stage of the Chestnut street Opera 000. The year before the Presidential election of 1884 the head of the Repub-House, Philadelphia, which will entilican State ticket carried the election by tle them to take precedence over other 18,000. The year before the Presidenapplicants for positions in the merchant tial election of 1880 the contest on most marine. A few years ago, men who of the State officers was so close that it required an official count to determine were interested in nautical aflairs, who had won. The Republican Lieurealized that well trained American tenant-Governor had a plurality seamen were almost a thing of the past, 280. The Republican Secretary of State had a plurality of 1,890. The Demosimply because the iron and steel cratic candidate for Surveyor had a plusteamships that have superseded the ralsty of 12,000, and the Republican Atold fashioned clippers have very little torney-General won by 4,000. can't always tell what is going to follow need of boys and few opportunities by what has gone before. were offered for either a theoretical, or

practical knowledge of navigation, and that if we would have a navy, well drilled men were as essential as well fitted ships. After years of thought

and labor Congress and the Legislature were prevailed upon to make the Pennsylvania Schoolship a certainty and on election of a Democratic mayor and December 11th 1889 the first crew, of of the first prize of \$1,000 to Theo P. eighty-tour lads, was received aboard Lonsdale, of Philadelphia; second prize the Saratoga. From that time until Republicanism and this straw, small to-day the experiment has been watchthough it is, taken in connection with ed with interest by many people outthe increasing Democratic vote of Bos. side of marine circles. During the two ton and other New England cities, years three voyages were made covershows very conclusively, that the polit- ing 2200 miles and the examination ical wind in that section is blowing proved that the academical as well as decidedly in the Democratic direc- the nautical training had been thorion. It is little things of this kind ough. People in this inland town were that makes the fellows who have never not so much interested in the general yet wakened up to the fact that the result of the school as they were in Republican party has served its ends, the well being of one of its young pulook so sick and hopeless, and that pils, HARRY A. JACKSON, Mr. GEORGE W. JACKSON's son, who is now a full makes thoughtful, unbiased people all W. JACKSON 8 son, who is used an fledged "little tar," having passed an over the country certain of a Demo- excellent examination for a boy of his age.

about tin had been true. Mr. Jarrett's. tin mining, however, consisted mainly in writing by an alleged dynamiter that if hope that the cause he has so ably in exploiting the Washington lobby and not forthcoming when demanded he will be championed, may be injured thereby, in working up doubtful congress disblown up. tricts for his employers.

-Presumably beaten by thieves, Miner. To protect this fairy tin in Dakota the Frank McGovern fell dying at his own door duty of \$80 a ton was imposed by the near St. Clair, Schuykill county. He had been "We robbed of \$30.

-With \$80 of her husband's cash, his little said the tariff statesmen, "while we are girl and some furniture. Mrs. John Albert has more than doubling the duty on tin left her Lebanon home for Chicago without a word of warning.

-For the alleged killing of Miss Alpha Ellis by malpractice, Attorney E. L. Peckham iron, who constituted the "American Tin Plate Association." These manuof Reading, is being tried a second time. The jury once disagreed.

-Colonel Manter, the only Republican clerk Dakota at this time of year, it would sisted that tin plate should be taxed out in the insurance department at Harrisburg, of competition with their product. If has been notified his resignation will be acin the insurance department at Harrisburg, cepted January 1 next.

> -The heirs of Franklin B. Gowen, the law. less of it for roofing and to pay them yer, have sued the Pittsburg, Shenango & more for their galvanized sheet iron. In Lake|Erie road, at Erie, to recover \$30,000.00 for professional services.

> -John Gunzenhauser, a 15-year-old Lancaster boy without a known enemy, was mysact, except the frauds and falsehoods teriously stabbed in the abdomen at night by some stranger on, the street.

-Fifty-seven. witnesses read and, signed the Quaker marriage certificate of Amos C. Hartman and Mrs. Emma C. Baer, at.a. Washington (York county) wedding.

-Pennsylvania fourth-class postmasters appointed Friday R. H. Fife, Boyes. Station ; A. E. Clark, Cherry Ridge ; C. M. Dinges, Savoy ; B. A. Buck, Winterburn.

-Thomas Lucilow was on hand to marry Rena Degler; at Pottsvill, as per engagement ; but she had just been married to A. N. Jacobs, of Girardville, and Thomas was glad.

-Reading dealers buy and sell to furriers each year from 25,000 to 30,000 fox, skunk of oppossum, raccoon, muskrat and other skins They are getting more than usual this year.

-Batcher William Fessler's little son, Daniel, played with matches in his William. sport home, set fire to the bed, and fatally One burned his baby brother, Fred, aged 8 months

-On Saturday George Down, while disguis. ed, attempted to rob Miss Maggie Eichorn's house, near Erie, but the lady unmasked him and procured his arrest. Both are well con nected.

--Farmer James Long, of Fayettee county sor Merriman, the expert selected to examine the merits of the different designs while in the hands of three card monte sharps, submitted for a state building at Chicaand about to draw \$5,000 from bank for their go, to-day made his report to the examinspection, was told of his error by friends on ining committee of the World's Fair Saturday.

commission. He recommends the award -The Georgetown rioters, George Sentman' Joseph Livingston, William Bachman and William Evans were sentenced at Lancaster of \$500 to A. S. Wagner, of Williams- to four months imprisonment each, payments port, and third prize of \$300 to Hillman of fines and costs. & Shirk, of Philadelphia. The recom-

-A national convention of the Farmers' mendations were adopted and will be Alliance and an agricultural school will be held in New Castle, Pa., January 13 to 18, inclusive, the same date as the State convention of the same body.

> -BrewerG. F. Lauer, of Reading cast out in a bottle 100 miles at sea a note saying that the finder would receive \$5 upon return of the note to him. It has just come from a very poor fisherman, John F. Gifford, Westport, Mass.

eharge for hauling goods to Moxham, Satur European steel by European labor in day afternoon, George Fleck shot Richard Cobaugh with a revolver. He was arrested. The ball lodged in Cobaugh's kidneys and will "American tin plate." The "Assistant prove fatal. Fleck was to have been married on Tuesday.

favorably reported to the state board tomorrow. American Tin Plate.

Philadelphia Architect Successful.

HARRISBURG, December 14 .- - Profes-

From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

The assistant Secretary of the Treasary has ruled that if the sheet tin is brought from Europe and the pig tin is brought from Europe, and the expert laborers are brought from Europe, and -During an altercation at Johnstown over a if the European tin is smeared over the this country, the product is then, with-in the meaning of the McKinley law, Secretary" is an artist.