

Ink Slings.

Nothing likes to be bossed. Unless it be the bovine. If the leather trust is a go, the Lord help our poor soles. War clouds are again hovering over Europe. Is this a chestnut. Money talks. There are lots of office hunters waiting for its call. Governor TRILMAN, of South Carolina, has a job worth having now. Economy is said to be wealth, but how is the man to get rich who has nothing to economize. It is quite evident that Uncle Jerry Ross didn't leave very good weather recipes for his successor. There was a fisherman for every trout on Saturday, but alas, there was not a trout for every fisherman. The grand naval review of Hampton Roads will be a success. Everything backed by water is sure of coming out all right. ALEXANDRE, the boy king of Serbia, got ahead of the regents with a coolness that would have done credit to Young America. Eggs ought to be cheap down about Hampton Roads just now, with each one of those big ships "layin to" several times a day. If women expect the right to vote they must give up the hope of wearing hoops, for how in the world could they all get to the polls in one day? The Philadelphia Times is a great paper, but it didn't find out the real reason why men don't go to church. It is because they are not christians. The dynamite industry of the United States amounts to about \$6,000,000, yet when it comes down to blowing, it will size up with any others we have. PAT EGAN is still down in Chili. Why don't he come home? If his successor is not soon named we will have no honor to uphold at the Chilean court. Some people are already expressing the fear of not being able to drink the Chicago water, while at the Fair. There is no use fussing about it there will be lots of other stuff to drink. Another novelty could be introduced nicely in the shape of a souvenir spoon. Something in the shape of a reminder of a "spoon," don't you know? A miniature of her pa's foot for a bowl, for instance. The House ran away with speaker pro tem LEWISBURG one day last week. It is a pity there was not some wooden man in the chair at the time, and then there wouldn't have been much loss if it had never come back again. The experience of a proof reader on a newspaper advertising patent medicines verifies the statement made by Prince HERBERT VON BISMARCK, that "when one reads a medical book he imagines he has all the maladies described therein." Wonder what Holy JOHN WANNAMAKER will think when he hears that ANTHONY BLAINE, one of his postmasters, traveled all the way from Mohawk Hill, N. Y., to Philadelphia, to buy "green goods?" Mr. WANNAMAKER has laid himself open to censure for encouraging such green institutions as the Mohawk Hill postmaster must be. The Union League, posing as the organization of perfect Americans, who above all others are capable of realizing the elevating influences of Nineteenth century enlightenment, has just refused to admit THEODORE SELIGMAN to membership because he is a Jew. Such an action is a disgrace to the League and it will live to be ashamed of it. Commissioner BLOUNT's action in ordering the stars and stripes hauled down from the government buildings of Hawaii, at Honolulu, has been seen through many colored glasses by different writers of the country. But since he is to treat with that government regarding annexation he must necessarily recognize it before he can begin the performance of his mission. The anti-Catholic societies, which are springing up all over the West, known as the American Protective Association, or "A. P. Aism" for short, would be well named if the A. P. Aism was contracted to apism. Surely there can be no men of intelligence members of an organization that has for its one purpose the persecution of a certain class of people simply because they profess the Catholic religion. In the sentence of the Dowager Duchess of Sutherland, MARY CAROLINE, to imprisonment in the Holloway prison, London, for a term of six weeks and to pay \$1000 fine for contempt of court, FRANCIS FEUNE, president of the State of probate, has established a precedent for the high flying nobility of England to tremble at. When it comes to matters of justice the English law recognizes no distinction between prince and peasant.

Democratic Watchman

Hauling Down the American Flag.

The Republican newspapers and politicians are trying to make capital out of the fact that Commissioner BLOUNT has directed that the American flag, which the provisional government in Hawaii had assumed to cover their proceedings, should be taken down. Some very cheap clap-trap is indulged in concerning this transaction, it being represented as an indignity to the flag. There is evidently an intention to work upon the patriotic sentiment of the people with an effect something like that produced by the expression of General DIX: "If any man hauls down the American flag shoot him on the spot." But the American people are endowed with a large amount of practical sense and are able to discriminate between hauling down the American flag where it had a right to be, and taking it down from an equivocal position in which it had been placed by parties who had no right to put it there. In the Senate last week a Republican Senator offered a resolution inquiring by what authority the American flag had been hauled down in Hawaii? The resolution had a patriotic look and was replete with the spread-eagle sentiment. But it was greatly shorn of its clap-trap element by an amendment offered by a Democratic Senator inquiring by what authority the American flag had been raised in Hawaii? This certainly would be the more proper subject of inquiry. If that flag had been raised in that locality by the direction of the American government, to haul it down would certainly be an indignity and an offense. But it was not run up by any such authority. Certain parties assumed to use that flag to cover revolutionary proceedings, without the knowledge or consent of the United States government. It certainly was a very great assumption to use it for such a purpose. Ordinarily considered, it was an abuse of our flag. It is true, they claimed that they got under its cover with the ultimate object of being annexed to the United States, but it was for the government of the United States to determine whether the annexation of the islands was desirable or not, and if it should determine in the negative, what else is there to be done than to direct that the flag, which was put up without authority, should be taken down. Its employment for a purpose in which the United States government was not consulted, and in fact had no knowledge of until after the act, was nothing short of unwarranted presumption. Whether the annexation of the islands would be an advantage to this country is an open question. Everybody has a right to his opinion on the subject. The HARRISON administration hurriedly moved for annexation without inquiring into the facts. Commissioner BLOUNT was sent out to inquire into all the circumstances connected with the question. By his direction the American flag, which had been used by parties unauthorized by our government, has been taken down, and it is premature to express an opinion in regard to this matter until he has reported. In the meantime the people may rest assured that American rights will be protected in Hawaii, and that the islands will not be allowed to fall into the hands of any other power. The Philadelphia Press says in its Monday's issue: "Representative FOCHR, of Union County, in a Harrisburg Saturday News, says it is talked straight out in loud tones that Senator CAMERON is to be succeeded in the Senate by ex-State Treasurer HENRY K. BOYER. Some of General GOBIN's friends have also said that he is to be a candidate, so that the campaign has got an early start." Representative FOCHR had better allow his constituents to remain in blissful ignorance of any successor to Senator CAMERON or he will not be around when a successor is to be elected. CAMERON and QUAY are both vindictive. Statistics and the condition of the State asylums for the insane show conclusively that insanity is on the increase in Pennsylvania. What can be the cause of such a condition of affairs? Surely the newspapers are not to blame.

Extend the Investigation.

The Republican Senators were unable to get in their work on Senator ROACH, of North Dakota, who they think is too impure a man to be allowed a seat in the same chamber which contains such an aggregation of Republican honesty and purity as they constitute. It upon re-assembling at the next session they insist upon overhauling Senator ROACH it might be well to let the inquiry go on. But it should be made sufficiently broad and comprehensive to include the antecedents of a number of Republican Senators. There would be no equity in inquiring into the case of ROACH and leave the smirched characters on the Republican side go uninvestigated. QUAY's case, for instance, would furnish ample employment to an investigating committee. The charges published against him by the New York World, which have not been related by him, are of much greater magnitude than those that are brought against ROACH, and are such as would not be unworthy the attention of a committee looking for smirched Senatorial characters. And then there is the HIPPLE MITCHELL case. It will be remembered that when the Republican Senator from Oregon got into the Senate he made his advent into that body under considerable of a cloud. There was more or less suspicion connected with the fact that when he went to Oregon he found it expedient to change his name from HIPPLE to MITCHELL by which latter name he has been known since he has been in the Senate. It ROACH is to be investigated why not give HIPPLE MITCHELL also an overhauling? Senator CHANDLER, of New Hampshire, is one who has been shooting off his mouth very violently against Senator ROACH, and it wasn't a bad suggestion casually thrown out by Senator VORHEES, of Indiana, that if the overhauling of past records is to be the order of business in the Senate, CHANDLER's management of the navy department would be a subject for an investigating committee that would not be unfruitful of damaging developments. When the Senate meets again, if the microscope of inquiry is to be turned on Senator ROACH, let that instrument of minute investigation be so focused on QUAY, HIPPLE MITCHELL, CHANDLER and some other Republican Senators who might be mentioned.

They Wanted Too Much.

There is no doubt that the Government needs a new Mint, the one that is now making the coin of the country being antiquated and not of sufficient capacity for the purpose of such an establishment. And there can scarcely be a question that the new Mint should be located in Philadelphia where the coining has always been done, and there being no good reason why it should be removed to some other place. But it looks as if greed and bad management on the part of citizens of that city, who have been managing the new Mint enterprise, have defeated the object for which they have been aiming. After much effort on the part of their Congressmen the bill authorizing the building of a new Mint was passed, and an amount of money for its construction was appropriated. The appropriation, with the amount accruing from the sale of the old Mint site, should have been sufficient for the erection of the new structure, if managed with judgment and reasonable economy. But immediately upon the favorable action of Congress in this matter an extravagant ambition manifested itself on the part of Philadelphia to have the building located in the most populous and expensive section of the city where ground could not be purchased except at exorbitant prices. The parties who agreed to sell their properties for this purpose asked so much for them that most of the appropriation would have been consumed in purchasing the site. The location having been secured by negotiations of a decidedly speculative character, Secretary CARLISLE was asked to approve of the transaction, his approval being necessary before the work could go on. But the Secretary withholds his assent. He can not see the necessity of building a mint on the most expensive ground in the city. He looks upon such an establishment as a mere coin factory, and believes that it would be an unjustifiable waste of money to put a factory on ground for which a fabulous price is asked when there is much cheaper land in the suburbs which would answer the purpose just as well. Such misuse of the public money might be expected of an extravagant Republican administration, but it would be entirely out of place under Democratic management. The Secretary would not be doing his duty to the government if he should consent to using the larger portion of the appropriation in purchasing the site for the building, and if the construction of the new Mint is delayed, or should entirely fail, the Philadelphians, who wanted to make too much out of it, will have themselves entirely to blame for the failure. Will Not Be a Candidate. We notice that a number of our ex-changers insist on making State Senator MARKLEY, of Montgomery county, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for State Treasurer. This would be an excellent political movement if it could be accomplished. Dr. MARKLEY is one of the most popular Democrats in eastern Pennsylvania and his excellent record as a Representative and Senator, his high character and personal magnetism, would make him an exceedingly strong candidate, but unfortunately Dr. MARKLEY is not an aspirant for the position, nor could he be induced to accept the nomination were it tendered him unanimously. The WATCHMAN is authorized to say that under no consideration will he allow the use of his name in this connection. EDWIN BOOTH, the greatest of American tragedians, is lying at the point of death at the player's club in New York city. Stricken with paralysis it is feared that he will not recover. Mr. BOOTH is quite old and has not been the same man since his stage companion, LAWRENCE BARRETT, died so suddenly two years ago. In the event of his death the stage will be left with but one really notable tragedian, Mr. HENRY IRVING, and the indications point to the conclusion that it will be a long time before his equal will appear. Governor PATRISON on Tuesday appointed Prof. N. C. Schaeffer, of the Kutztown Normal school, to succeed Dr. WALLER, as State Superintendent of public instruction.

The Next Removal in Order.

The American flag having been removed from the Government buildings at Honolulu and the marines of the Boston having been removed from the streets of the town to the vessel where they belong, the next removal in order would seem to be that of Minister Stevens, who ordered the flag to be raised over a foreign Government and called upon the marines to keep it in place. There is much ground for the opinion that the whole so-called revolution in Hawaii and the setting up of the provisional Government, as well as the unauthorized protectorate, were due to Mr. Stevens, and it is almost certain that a different attitude on his part would have prevented the whole complication. According to the latest reports he is still playing the part of a mischiefmaker, and he should be recalled. As a persistent promoter of annexation he should no longer have even a nominal official relation to our Government. They Can Well Afford to Keep Quiet. From the Doylestown Intelligencer. The New Jersey Legislature is a trifle worse than the Pennsylvania Legislature. The former is Democratic and its especial sin is of direct and wilful commission in the passage of the infamous race track bill. The Legislature of Pennsylvania is Republican and its principal neglect is in the matter of apportionment. The laws require this duty to be performed, but it is not, and the majority party must bear the larger share of responsibility. Political dishonors are pretty even. There have been worse things actually accomplished by Democrats in New Jersey—and some of them have gone to jail for their doings—but the Republican legislators of Pennsylvania who helped put Andrews in a seat in the Legislature to which he was not elected have no room to criticize their neighbors of Jersey who have committed more notable and widely affecting outrages. Brought About by Republican Bad Management. From the New York Sun. We fear that the United States would not make as favorable a show in a review of the carrying vessels of the commercial countries of the world as it will make next week in the naval review in our waters. It is not to our credit that the two best steamships in the Atlantic trade owned by an American company were built in a British shipyard, or that we have not any steamships on the Pacific that are superior to those of the British line between Vancouver and Hong Kong. It is to our discredit that our country controls a less proportion of the carrying trade of the world (apart from the coasting and lacustrine trade) than it controlled sixty or seventy or eighty years ago. Surely we ought not to rest satisfied as long as our commercial fleet upon the high seas is smaller, not only than that of England or of Germany, but also than that of France, of Italy, or Holland. America for Americans. From the Williamsport Times. Judge Magee, in commenting upon the petition for a saloon for Hungarians in Braddock, significantly remarked that it licensed an American to keep a saloon for Americans. The Judge saw at a glance the tendency of the request made of the court, which must be also seen by every person conversant with the clannishness of foreign residents in our cities. Separate saloons would prove most powerful factors in preventing that assimilation of foreign elements into American citizenship, by affording places where foreigners might congregate and perhaps plot and plan. Think of such dens being labelled: "Hungarian saloon," "Polish saloon," "Bohemian saloon," etc. The dangers possible behind such signs cause shudders at the thought of them. Won't We Be in Clover. From the Lebanon Star. Another member of President Cleveland's cabinet knows "what we are here for," the Hon. Hoke Smith, of Georgia, Secretary of the Interior. Secretary Smith is said to have remarked that he will not consider the work of reform ended until every Republican in his department has been removed. The Petition Business Overdone. From the Atlanta (Ga.) Journal. The petition business is greatly overdone anyway. We doubt if a single important office has been or will be awarded at Washington on a petition. Usually very little attention is paid to petitions, for the good reason that the appointing power understands how little they mean. Dedicated to the Philadelphia Press from a Republican Contemporary. From the Williamsport Republican. We fail to see the occasion for any fuss over the fact that our flag does not now float over the capitol of Hawaii. No one who does not love that flag pulled it down. No one who does not love that flag dare pull it down.

Spawls from the Keystone.

In a fall of coal in Ashland colliery, Tobias Miller, of Locust Gap, met death. Montour county's new jail, which cost \$2800, is ready to embrace prisoners. Ten-year-old James Sweeney fell to feet on an Oneida slope and was fatally injured. There are in the Williamsport boom ready to be saved 120,000 feet of logs. Work has been begun on the Reading trolley system, and cars may be running by June. Survivors of Allen Infantry, of the First Defenders, banqueted in Allentown Tuesday. Controller Gourley, of Pittsburg, has begun an audit of that city for the past ten years. The Pennsylvania Typographical Union met and was banqueted at Harrisburg Tuesday. Berks county school teachers complain that farm laborers are better paid than themselves. William Miller, a farm lad in Peachbottom township, York county, was crushed to death by a field roller. Bessie Hoffecker, of Birdsboro, may die as the result of a fall through a straw house on a Nantmeal farm. To capture a retreating Italian at Schuylkill Haven, Constable John Butts shot him through the arm. A log jumped from a mountain slide on Tim Geary's Run, Lycoming county, and killed Washington Teemer. A grand jury at Easton recommended the building of a free bridge over the Delaware River to Philadelphia. Hurrying to meet his train, John L. Snyder, an aged man, carrier at Pottsville, sank dead when he reached the station. Allentown liquor licenses will expire Tuesday and the town will go dry until the last of the week, when new licenses will be granted. In the case of the State against the Potlitzville Iron and Steel Company, Judge McPherson, of Harrisburg, directed the company to pay \$2835. Weary of collecting road taxes at New Bolton, Dauphin county, Supervisor W. B. Reed has disappeared after writing a note intimating suicide. A thirteen pound stone was hurled a quarter of a mile by a blast at Cornwall, and it crashed through H. B. Shirk's house, wrecking considerable furniture. A majority of the commissioners appointed to investigate have reported against a change in the boundary line between Lackawanna and Susquehanna counties. The convention of the State Typographical Unions, at Harrisburg, Tuesday, endorsed George Chance, of Philadelphia, for Public Printer at Washington. For asserting that Expressman Henry Becker would serve beer to anyone for a dollar, Judge White, Allegheny, has been sued for slander to the tune of \$10,000. There are still 21 cases of small-pox in Reading and the Board of Health will insist, that the charge that one physician is responsible for the spread of the disease. The Presbyterian congregation of Clarion has secured \$10,500 toward the erection of their contemplated new church building. Of this sum seventeen persons contributed \$500 each. Charters were Tuesday granted to the McKeesport and Bradford Passenger Railway Company, capital \$500,000, and the Bradford Chemical Company, of Bradford, capital \$50,000. A Jutant General Greenland issued an order Friday generally discharging First Lieutenant J. R. Bell and First Lieutenant Thomas D. McGeathery, both of the First Regiment Philadelphia. Somerset county will celebrate the centenary of its organization on April 17, 1895. On September 12 of the same year the town of Somerset, formerly called Brunerstown, was selected as the county seat. A quantity of Elk county timber will be in the fore-try exhibit at the World's Fair. Commissioner J. P. K. Hall, of Ridgway, has been actively engaged in procuring specimens of all woods that grow in that county. A bachelor of 35, living on Eleventh street, Erie, dreamed the other night that he had a wife and seven children. Next morning a basket with a baby in it was found on his front doorstep. And now he's afraid to go into the back yard for fear the wife and the other six children may turn up, too. There are now more white pine logs about this spring than for many years, says the Clearfield Republican. It is stated that twenty million feet of pine were cut and put in last winter for Williamsport parties. Twelve million feet were put in on Mosquito creek. The timber tracts on that stream were cleared of timber this winter, and the drive this spring will be the last made on that stream. Considerable excitement prevails at Wilkesbarre over revelation concerning the condition of affairs at the Danville Insane Asylum. The institution is only large enough to accommodate 700 people when taxed to its full capacity, says the Wilkesbarre Leader, yet at the present time there are 1200 patients being cared for there. Many of them are compelled to sleep on the floors and undergo other hardships. The result will be that many of them will have to be turned away. The Cooley family have again separated, says the Uniontown Standard. After the tragedies in which some of its members figured during the past year the family reunited after a long separation. For years Lute Cooley had worked at his little shoe shop in Patchene, but lived apart from his wife and children, who made their home on the little patch of ground out on the Smithfield road. After the death of Frank and Jack the home place was disposed of, and the family came to town to make their home with Lute. All was well for a while, but in a few days the trouble in the household became so extensive that Mrs. Cooley and the girls and the little boy left and took up their residence in Monkey Row, on the east side of the creek. The Wilkesbarre Record has this early "worm" story: A Polish woman named Mary Yutsko, of Turkey Hill, Plymouth, had a thrilling experience with a blacksnake on Sunday last. She had been out walking with her three-year old child and was passing on her return home through a narrow strip of woods near her home. The child complained of being tired and the two sat down upon the ground. They had been seated but a moment when the mother was horrified to see a great snake entwining itself about the child's body. She hastily picked up a branch from a tree and attacked the reptile, when it sprang at her and coiled itself around her waist and arm. Her shrieks attracted the attention of two young men from a near-by house, and they came to her assistance and killed the reptile. It was a blacksnake and nearly seven feet in length.