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Ink Slings

-It is even getting to be a hard matter to get fish with a silver hook.

-With girls it is an unpardonable sin for a man to be un-sofa-isticated.

-The silver question is showing how many silver tongues we have in

-The trouble with the Philadelphia mint site seems to be that it is continually out of sight.

-If you want to wound a friend just give him an occasion to infer that you have'nt implicit faith in him.

-A fellow is hardly censurable for expecting a drink of rare old wine when a confrere says "mum's the word."

-Some one has said "silence is golden," whereupon the question arises, what is a fellow to do since words may be

-The danger that threatens Congress now is that in the hurry to get relief from the money stringency something tion of English goods. The Cobden might be done that will not be for the club is the agency that is usually rebest.

-The chirp of the cricket, and these nights that are getting too cool to sit out on her front steps, reminds the lov- the liberality with which that British er that the ice-cream season is nearly free trade organization is pictured, as is easily detected. Their obvious in-

-The man who, having no confidence in banks, hides his wealth in his cellar and later discovers it gone, has every reason to believe that the eyes of the world were upon him.

-The man or woman, boy or girl who wantonly remarks about the solvency of a bank, or business firm, thereby causing discredit and a consequent run should be made suffer for not having any better subject to talk about.

-The Behring sea seal fisheries question is settled at last. The Paris tribunal of arbitration has ended its labors. LIGE HALFORD'S job is done and the seals will no longer figure in a skin game between Uncle SAM and JOHN BULT.

-The Northern Pacific Rail-road is in the hands of receivers. Such a condition of affairs is deplorable indeed, but when the stock of a corporation has depreciated from \$50 par to \$4.50 it certainly shows that the business has not been paying. There is no chance to water it in that region either.

MCKINLEY and several of the big guns in the Republican party in Ohio have gone up, who will furnish the "bood" to run the machine against Neal? and embarass for a partisan reason. Those failures will never be ascribed to But such idle tales about British silver the Democratic administration for fear of an admission that the Democrats had whipped them.

-The bigoted, narrow minded Republican, who tells his employees "you voted for a change, now you've got it," as an explanation for the present business depression, is not deserving the respect of those whom he attempts to delude by such a misleading statement. Republican journals of any repute are expressing contempt for just such people of their own party.

-This extra session of Congress promises to be one of the greatest instructors the world has ever known. At least the monetary system of any country is too complicated for the generality of men, but such a discussion of it as is now going on in Washington cannot help but interest. If the proceedings are carefully followed a very fair idea of the whole situation may be had.

-Tom Johnson's idea to have the holders of United States bonds turn them into the treasury and take notes of certain denominations in exchange for them is a good one to increase the circulating medium, but we fear he has forgotten that his monetary views are those which the Green Backers used to hold and his honor for conceiving a great source of relief is rather empty. We'll have to come to it some of these days anyway.

-Fall is not far off and winter is not far behind it. People who are depending on salaried positions for a livelihood will do well to ecomonize a little and treasure up something for that proverbial "rainy day," which is sure to come. Nothing seems certain with business in the condition that it is now and unless a bright side turns up soon there will be few who have steady imployment for the next six months. Save accordingly, while you can.

-- For Republicans to take advantage of the present depressed condition of the country, to try working political capital on the minds of the credulous, seems more like treason than anything else. At such a time the government should have the ameliorating influence of every one of its subjects instead of the help of some and the antagonism of others. Such a course will be all the worse for the G. O. P., however, for when reaction sets in, it will find itself out in the

STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

A Silver Canard.

organs on that subject are to be believ-

and open our ports to the free importa-

presented as furnishing the gold for

dustrial prosperity of this country, and

shelling out gold for the benefit of Demo-

the belief that it has a mint of its own

which it keeps busy in producing the

This campaign humbug, which in

times past had an effect in alarming

the unwary on the subject of British

gold, has been relegated to the limbo

of discarded fakes, it being accorded

the contemptuous derision which fraud-

ulent representations always deserve

and ultimately receive, but it now ap-

pears that some of the Republican

organs are trying to create an alarm

about British Silver. They have

learned from reliable sources that En-

glish financiers are interesting them-

selves in the Sherman law, and are us-

ing their influence to have the United

States government continue the month-

ly purchase of silver. The object of

this British interference as represented,

is to subserve the English silver inter-

cratic party finds on its hands for so-

lution, as a legacy of Republican mal-

administration, and which the organs

of that party would like to complicate

will have as little effect in retarding a

just and satisfactory settlement of the

silver question, by the Democrats, as

the foolish canards about British gold

had in hindering the progress of tariff

Why They Attack Him.

The organs of the opposition seem

to have selected Secretary Hoke Smith

as a special object of attack. The evi-

dent reason for this is that he is a

Southern man, and as the Pension Bu-

reau is within the province of the In-

terior Department, of which Mr. SMITH

is the head, they charge that the re-

form methods in the management of

the pension system spring from confed-

Conveniently for their purpose they

ignore the fact that the reform of pen-

sion abuses is a part of the Democratic

policy, and that whether a Southern

or a Northern man were at the head of

the Interior Department, or in charge

of the Pension Bureau, the work of

weeding out unworthy claimants, and

eliminating fraud from a system that

should be conducted on principles of

honesty and honor, would go on under

a Democratic administration as a duty

to the country, and to deserving vet-

erans, which the party is pledged to

perform, and will carry out to the ex-

tent of its opportunity and ability. But

it suits the interest of those who have

been fattening on the plunder of the

pension system, to represent the Secreta-

ry of the Interior as actuated by a

malevolent feeling towards the defend

ers of the old flag, hoping thereby to

the movement for reform which by res-

cuing the system from the influences

of fraud and corruption, are really cal-

culated to protect and benefit those

veterans who have a claim to the

Secretary SMITH is an honorable and

patriotic citizen, who has no other mo-

in a way that will be most beneficial

to the country. He does not have di-

rect charge of the Pension Bureau, but

it may be taken as a certainty that he

accords his fullest approbation to the

manuer in which Commissioner Loca-

REN, an old soldier, is purging the pen-

sion lists and driving off the swarm of

sharks which have so long gobbled too

large a portion of the money intended

have entitled them to it.

bounty of the government.

erate hostility to the Union soldiers.

politics.

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British gold has long been employed Some of the Republican papers have to influence American politics, if the been laboring hard to make it appear repeated assertions of Republican that the present business slump was brought on by the fear of what the ed. Every time a Presidential election Democrats are going to do to the tariff. comes along we are pretty sure to hear They are not willing to admit that the from that source that gold has been deranged relations of gold and silver, a tion.' poured into this country from England disorder pertaining to the circulating in the interest of the Democratic party, medium, are the chief, if not the only the chief object of this golden influx cause of the trouble, but endeavor to being to break down the protective make political capital by insisting that system, destroy American industries, those engaged in the industries are apinjure their business, and that industrial stagnation and financial embar- the Sherman silver law, extravagance Democratic use in destroying the in- rassment are the consequences of such of the party lately in power, and the an apprehension. The object of these partisan organs

tention is to make political capital out distrust in the money of the country, cratic campaigns, would almost induce of the prevailing financial distress; but their assumption that the trouble is due to a tariff scare is forcibly recoin it uses in influencing American futed by a no less distinguished tariff man and Republican than Mr. THOMAS Dolan, the great textile manufacturer of Philadelphia, who, in a recent interview published in the Inquirer, of that city, repudiates and condemns the idea that apprehension in regard to what may be done to the tariff has anything from being disposed of in foreign marto do with the existing embarrass-

Mr. Dolan asks: "If the alarm is due to the victory of the Democrats, why was it not manifested last Novem ber?" Nothing could be better calculated to non-pluss the tariff alarmists than this question. Immediately after the election the people knew what was to be expected of the Democrats in regard to the tariff, vet, as Mr. DOLAN says, no uneasiness was felt among manufacturers on that score, and "evest in India; but the real purpose of erything went on swimmingly until the of a Democratic President and Congress before they permitted themselves Democrats were going to ruin them? If there was any ground for such apprehension would it not have commenced to show its effect immediately

after the November election? Instead of the panicky feeling which the Republican organs ascribe to the fear of Democratic "free trade," Mr. Dolan says that the situation was very favorable and satisfactory. "Orders 'came in good and strong for fall goods. 'Conditions were favorable, and with "the good demand everything was pros-'perous until the silver craze upset the 'country." No other individual in this State is more interested in the main tenance of the tariff than this great Republican manufacturer; no other man has contributed more for the support of the protective system, and his opinion that the fear of Democratic action on the tariff has had nothing to do with the prevailing business trouble is of far more account than the partisan expressions of Republican organs that are striving for political effect.

-When the United States gets done paying the awards for damages to English seal fishers that will be due them under the decision of Behring sea tribunal, it will have a taste of the effects of Republican statesman. ship that should last for some time.

They Will Change Their Tune.

It's very easy to blame the present financial condition of affairs upon the Democratic party. It is in power and we supppose will have to stand it, although no more responsible for any of excite a sectional sentiment against the existing troubles than are the South Sea Islanders for the condition in which PEARY finds the Behring Sea. But the time will come when the effects of wise Democratic laws and conserva. tive Democratic action, will cause a boom in every legitimate business and industry, and then what a dose it will be for the present calamity howler to tive than to discharge his official duty admit that the prosperity enjoyed is due to the fact that the Democracy is in power. Just wait and hear, these tribulation talkers hedge, when we get through suffering from the effects of Republican misr ule.

-About the only thing of imporfor the benefit of soldiers whose services out of Behring Sea arbitration was LIGE HALFORD'S salary.

They Didn't Mistake the Cause. The Ohio Democrats, in their State Convention last week, made no mis-

troubles, when they declared that "the financial situation is the unfortunate legacy of the Republican administra-They put the blame exactly where it belongs. No amount of Republican sophistication can make it appear to have sprung from any other cause. Particularizing the sources of the presprehensive of such meddling with the ent evils, the platform of the Ohio tariff, by Democratic legislation, as will Democracy declares them to be "the natural result of the McKINLEY tariff,

> combining to shake credit, to create and to paralyze its business." These are the real causes of the dis order and distress which have overtaken business, and it is entirely correct to put the McKinley tariff first as an agent of commercial disturbance and depression. An influence that stimulates production beyond the require-

> ments of home demand, and at the same time prevents the overproduction kets, necessarily brings on the collapse and stagnation that have betallen the productive industries, and which have been coming on ever since the imposition of McKinley's higher duties. The result has been as unerring as effect follows its cause.

The SHERMAN silver law, no doubt also exerted an injurious financial influence. It has done its injury not so much in that it made liberal use of the silver product of the country, but that it made use of it in the wrong way. To purchase large quantities of this metal such a Republican representation, no first of July." Was it not remarkable and store it away in useless depositories doubt, is to create an element of dis- that the manufacturing people allowed is perverting its constitutional use and -Since Charley Foster, William trust in a question which the Demo- eight months to pass after the election imposing an unwarrantable expense upon the government, in addition to requiring of it s duty which cannot be to be overcome by the fear that the included among its legitimate financial izes the coinage of silver, but in no part of that document can the government find the authority for buying and When it assumes to resort to that sort of traffic, financial difficulty must be the inevitable consequence. But in question, there is a Democratic way attention. out of the difficulty. The Democratic national-platform points the way that must be taken for the restoration of a second monetary condition, when it country, and to the coinage of both gold and silver, without discriminating

against either metal." Legislation based upon this Democratic declaration it seems to us, will furnish a safe, equitable and beneficent solution of the Silver question.

-An easy, a simple, and certainly a speedy way to relieve the financial stringency would be to issue "green backs" and redeem the outstanding interest bearing government bonds. This would put in circulation millions of dollars of the most acceptable money the government has ever provided the people with, and at the same time stop the payment of interest, that so largely reduces the revenues of the government.

No More Bonds.

The purpose of one class of people, who have been clamoring so vehemently against silver as a money, is showing itself in the debates in congress. On their part the effort to demonetize silver is to make necessary an other issue of interest bearing non-taxable bonds, in which money lenders can invest their spare cash at a fair rate of interest and at the same time have this wealth exempted from all taxation. It is the old Republican idea of putting the government in competition, as a borrower, with every needy man and interest in the country; of making a place when lenders can invest, at a fixed rate of interest, until the necessity of those required to borrow compels them to offer exhorbitant rates for the use of money. It is the money lenders tance that any one in this country got scheme, and a Democratic congress should see that no such measure is forced upon the country.

The Timely Appearance of the Saving Physician.

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From the Troy, Ohio, Democrat. Cleveland left the Presidential chair take as to the cause of the business n 1889 with a hundred million surplus in the Treasury and everything moving along as smoothly as the high tar-iff would let it. Harrison came in, McKinley put up the tariff and everything commences going to the dogs. Wheat began to drop, wool tumble, and the surplus went where the woodbine twineth. Harrison squandered the public money until there was not a dollar surplus left. The Republican congress ran the expenses up to a billion dollars, and before Harrison went out business men and banks began to break, Billy McKinley and Charley Foster leading off. Cleveland stepped into a rotten concern—just ready to go to pieces from Republican misrule and creation and fostering of trusts and correckless extravagance. The public rupt combinations by that party, all confidence in Cleveland is all that saves

> ruptcy such as we had under Republican rule in 1873 and 1877. Honesty Finds Its Reward in Heaven.

us now from a general wreck. It Har-

rison had been re-elected nothing would

have saved us from universal bank.

From the Jeffersonian Democrat. Charles Foster, late Secretary of the Treasury under President Harrison, and some years ago Governor of Ohio, and who lately made a bad failure in business, was manager of a bank in Ohio which collapsed a few weeks ago. An examination of the books of the bank show that Foster's account was overdrawn \$100,000, and that the accounts of his partners, and some of his clerks, were also largely overdrawn. This is very discreditable to Mr. Fostter, who has been honored with the high offices of Governor and Secretary of the national treasury. If we do not have integrity among men of great prominence, and who have occupied and are occupying high stations in the land, how can we expect it of men in the common walks of life?

The Common Sense View of It.

From the Columbia Herald. Attorney General Hensel's refusal to interfere as an officer of the Common wealth with the construction of the trolly railroad of the Gettysburg battlefield is accompanied by reasons which under even a casual perusal appear to be sound, logical and convincing. If the power of the State could to employed to deprive a railway coporation functions. The constitution author of the legal use and practical benefit of land purchased and owned by it no holder of real property would be safe. Mr. Hensel has rendered a public service in filing his opinion in this stocking up the raw material of silver. | matter at length and in such conclusive terms. He has, moreover, suggested to those who are opposing the railroad on grounds of sentiment a recourse to the Courts of Adams county, which the dilemma springing from this Silver seems hitherto to have escaped their

An Idea Worth Considering.

From the Steubenville, Ohio, Gazette. Tom Johnson's plan to ease the "holds to the use of both gold and sil- having United States bonds to deposit money market by allowing anybody ver as the standard money of the them in the Treasury at Washington and receive therefor greenbacks of a new issue to the same amount, interest on the bonds to be suspended while they are so deposited, is plainly the safest and most practicable way for increase of currency in tight times that has been suggested. Mr. Johnson's bill should be electroded through both houses about the first thing.

How They Do It in Chicago.

From the New York Advertiser. The local directory of the World's Fair is the most rapid literalist of modern times. It has been enjoined by a court from closing the gates of ground on Sundays, and so it opens the gates but shuts up every blessed thing there is to be seen in the Fair, obeying the order of Court in the letter and contemptuously violating it in the spirit. Chicago is a wonderful city, but its most wonderful product is this noble army of pass users.

The South and Its Growing Evil.

From the Butler Democratic Herald. It some fools had not taught the black man that he had a right to cohabit with a white woman, with or without her consent, there would be fewer lynchings of colored people in the south. Before the war it was a rare thing to hear a colored man perpetrating an outrage upon a white woman, But the Carpetbagger taught the colored man a crime that has made the history of the southern states a mosaic of vice and its retribution.

No Better Man Could be so Honored. From the Uniontown Genius of Liberty.

Governor Pattison always draws a large crowd when he visits Uniontown, and the one which greeted him yester. day was as large as any he ever saw here. The people do well to honor him, for in doing so they honor a worthy man, one who may be President before the close of the century.

-If you want printing of any description the WATCHMAN office is the place to have it done.

Spawls from the Keystone,

-Hazleton has a feminine cobbler. -Eastern counties are suffering from wate1

-Scoundrels chop down Reading shade trees at night

-John Spike was crushed to death in Stockton colliery.

-Fall plowing in Berks County is being de--A big Farmers' Alliance meeting was held

Saturday in Reading. -A corn stalk 11 feet 3 inches is reported by the Pottstown Ledger

-Nine colored converts were baptized in the Delaware at Easton on Sunday.

-Frank Keller, an alleged Philadelphia bicycle thief, was captured Friday in Easton. -George Seid of Lock Haven was killed by an elevator's fall, at Williamsport, on Monday. -A party of young men from Quakertown will fit up a box-car and go to the World's Fair

-Brush Valley, in Blair county, dedicated its first Methodist Episcopal church on Sunday last.

-Judgments to the amount of \$77,000 have been entered against the Lebanon Brewing company.

-Although married but a year, Mrs. Harry Eimerbruil, of York, tried to kill herself wi

-School teachers of Chester will hold an institute separate from the other Delaware County teachers. -Trying to hasten a fire with kerosene'

Mrs. Ludwig Goetz, of Harrisburg, was per haps fatally burned. -Sixteen tons of coal were stolen from

Lehigh Valley cars and hidden in three cellars at Tunkhannock.

-Congressman Libby of the Erie district is said to be preparing a three hours speech in favor of free silver.

-The young ladies of West Pittston amuse themselves with mock marriage parties, from

-Ex-Senator Jackson, of Armstrong county, has announced himself as a Republican can didate for State Treasurer. -To escape detection by officers who were

on his heels, James Higgins, of Lancaster, hid stolen chickens in his bed. -Houses, it is not stated what kind, sold at

a public sale near Beaver Falls, a few days ago at from 75 cents to \$3.30. -A mortgage for \$600,000 was given to the Provident Trust Company, of Philadelphia, by

the Reading Traction Company. -The widow of William Plowfield, who was murdered at Birdsboro, says emphatically that the brothers were good friends.

-Andrew Carnegie has presented an organ to another Braddock church, making a total of six pipe organs he has given to that town.

-A number of freight cars on the Reading and Columbia Railroad were wrecked at Fakrata, necessitating the transfer of passen--A burg'ar stole a large sun of money

from Joseph Hake's house, at Brogueville, York County, and repulsed his pursuers with -C. W. McAllister, who organized a collect-

ing agency in Easton and induced 100 merchants to join it, has been arrested for em--The Commissioners Report for Allegheny

county as filed in Department of Internal Affairs, shows the present indebtedness of that county to be \$4,033,626,46 -In a wreck on the Downingtown and Laneaster Railroad at Honeybrook, Lancaster, the

passengers escaped unhurt, but Brakeman A. B. South had an arm broken. -Over 100 indictments will be presented by the district attorney of Chester county, at the

coming session of court. Eight of these are for indecent assault upon women. -Despondent over an incurable cancer,

whice was nearing vital parts, Chas. Miners aged 76, widower, committed suicide in his barn at Eatonville on Sunday morning. -William Blair, wanted in Clarion County

for a number of crimes in which he led a desperate gang, was caught at Alliance, O., by Sheriff Klinch after a nine months' chase -Col. Harvey Tyson, has been removed as

surveyor for the Forestry Commission, by Gov. Pattison, for dishonestly using the money appropriated for bearing the expenses of the Commission. -The bodies of two women, supposed to be mother and daughter, were found lying on the ground at the bottom of a trestle bridge near

Pittsburg, on Sunday last, and it is supposed they were murdered. -The Black Diamond Steel works, of Pittsburg, which have been idle for months, will start up on Monday of next week, giving employment to 4,000 workmen. This is an item

of news that the calamity howler will fail to -Morgan Duncan, of Centre township, Indiana county, and his wife were picking berries below their house, when the lady discovered an enormous blacksnake coiled up among the bushes. Mr. Duncan killed the snake,

which measured over six feet. -Of the cities of Pennsylvania the assessed valuation of only three is below \$10,000,000. Williamsport, Wilkesbarre and Lebanon show assessments of \$8,633,122, \$5,601,327 and \$8,000,000 respectively. Altoona, Erie, Harrisburg and Lancaster have real estate assessed

from \$14,000,000 to \$22,000,000. -Mrs. Nathan Kinter, of Cherryhill township, Indiana county, returned to the house one evening after doing some work in the garden, and hearing a rustling noise on the floor procured a lamp and investigated. A copperhead about two feet long was found under the bed. It was killed.

-Congressman Thaddeus Mahon received a letter from one of his Huntingdon county constituents enclosing two \$5 bills, which had been eaten by grasshoppers, and requesting Mr. Mahon to have them redeemed at the Treasury. The letter stated that a farmer hung his vest, in the pocket of which was the money, on a tence. When he went to get it the vest was eaten full of holes by the grasshoppers, and the money so damaged as to be

-The price of wheat in the Schuylkill Valley has reached its lowest point in sixty years, dealers offering for the new crop just threshed 52 and 54 cents and 65 cents for old wheat. As this is lower than farmers have to pay for feed many intend to feed the wheat to their hogs and cattle, confident that it will pay them better that way. A movement is on foot to hold a meeting of Schuylkill Valley farmers to talk over the situation for next year. They say that they are losing money on every bushel sold for less than one dollar.