

Ink Slings.

-We must have a poem on beautiful snow.
-Misapplied charity is a curse to the beneficiary.
-Never fly false colors. If your own are not good enough to sail under, don't fly any.
-We can all be thankful next Thursday because we are no worse off than we are.

-Oak tanning is said to produce the best leather, while birch "tannin" makes the best children.

-The old English phrase "sound as the bank of England", seems to have a kind of hollow rattle just now.

-Many iron industries have resumed in Ohio during the past week. Because of Maj. McKINLEY's election, of course (?).

-The biggest piece of furniture in Uncle SAM's household is the Pension Bureau. It has almost a million drawers.

-The Hawaiian situation-literally speaking, is Latitude 19°-22° N., longitude 155°-160° W., in the Pacific ocean.

-In an income tax there will be no danger of the government getting much aid from the proprietor of the average country weekly.

-Business is trying to look up again, but its descent was so rapid that it will be some time before it gets back to the place it started from.

-Revolutionists are said to be on top down in Mexico, but as there isn't much to climb there seems to be nothing so remarkable in that.

-Maj. McKINLEY's plurality is officially fixed at 80,995, but three long years must elapse before the Republicans will need a presidential candidate.

-The heaviest freight which steamers plying between China, Japan and San Francisco seem to carry is those harrowing reports about floods and fire in the orient.

-There is little use in the whole country flying into a furor because HELEN GOULD wants to marry an actor. Who was George's wife before he married her?

-The college foot-ball season ends on Thanksgiving, and it is reasonable to suppose that after that date we will hear less complaint about poor business among the barbers.

-Because you do not happen to have things quite as nice as your neighbor, who is perchance better off, there is no reason why you should resort to dishonest means to improve your own condition.

-Just about the time that you are beginning to feel blue, dear reader, because the same degree of prosperity has not befallen you that seems to make your neighbor so rich, you might bring yourself to a realization of how thankful you ought to be by remembering that while wealth went on to your neighbor's door health stopped at yours.

-Children have little idea what a blessing they can be to parents who are reduced to the necessity of living economically until times brighten up. A father who cannot get all the money he needs for his business, just now, is naturally a little disheartened and a bright cheerful disposition on the part of his child will go a long way toward making his seemingly unprosperous labors easier to bear. Children, if you would curtail your desires and not let those "I wish I had one" expressions drop so frequently you would be a source of great consolation to both parents.

-The Hawaiian question is getting more and more complicated every day. The more it is investigated the plainer becomes the evidence that there is something wrong somewhere. But from the present situation it is extremely hard to locate either the source whence the trouble emanates or its cause. Secretary GRESHAM has given Minister BLOUNT's report to the press for publication and from it there seems to be conveyed an impression that Mr. STEVENS, who was the HARRISON Minister to the islands, is responsible for the trouble, in that he urged and helped the revolutionists to dethrone LILIOUHALANI.

-How about Mr. CLEVELAND's position on the Hawaiian question now? We never for a moment doubted the justification he found for the stand he took and we have pity for the idiotic Republican writers who thought he did not know what he was about. That Allegheny Presbyterian minister who said in his pulpit last Sunday: "Mr. CLEVELAND is ahead of his day" had the idea all right, but he should have said, Mr. CLEVELAND is at once so comprehensive and logical in his actions that the opposition organs only "catch on" when it is too late to save themselves from the ridiculous position they are continually getting into when trying to defame the president.

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An Obnoxious Revival.

Know-Nothingism, in a new form, but with the old narrow and bigoted object, appears to have been revived. Turning up under a name represented by the initials A. P. A., which are said to stand for "American Protective Association," it gave some evidence of its existence at the recent election. This revived bigotry and narrow mindedness, so far as it has developed itself, is of a mixed political and sectarian character. Since the election there have been some published avowals of the purpose of this organization, and if it is not misrepresented, the motive that chiefly actuates it is hostility towards those who entertain the Catholic faith. A correspondent of the Philadelphia Record, owning himself to be a member of this organization, says that its object is not against foreigners, as such, but against those who belong to and support the Catholic church, its members being bound by oath "not to employ a Roman Catholic in any capacity," and "not to vote for a Roman Catholic for any office in the gift of the American people."

This is simply a revival and repetition of the oath-bound, secretarian, spirit of old Know-Nothingism, but the bigotry is more malignant in the fact that the Know-Nothings of a former period did not extend their proscription of Catholics beyond the limit of politics, while these new intolenters bind themselves by oaths to carry their sectarian animosity into the business and social relations of life. They swear, in their secret conclaves illuminated by the dubious glare of the dark-lantern, that in private business as well as in their political relations, they will be the enemies of those who entertain a religious belief which they do not propose to tolerate.

The American people some years ago had experience with an organization of this kind. The dark-lantern party, known as Know-Nothings, intruded itself into the political arena, and by its sneaking maneuvers succeeded in disturbing the politics of the country. It was arrayed against the Democratic party and drew its chief support from the enemies of Democracy. But its secret, oath-bound methods, and its intolent purpose, were repulsive to the liberal sentiments of the great mass of American citizens. It took but little time for the Democrats to smoke it out of its hiding places, and when its infamous character was once exposed, its members slunk away from public notice, glad to have it forgotten that they ever belonged to an organization that dragged religion into politics, and tried to make the ballot box a medium of religious intolerance.

This new order of Know-Nothingism, calling itself the "American Protective Association," with its underground methods, its dark-lantern conclaves, its oathbound pledges of secretarian hatred and proscription, is bound to meet with the fate of its predecessor. Such a conspiracy can not succeed in a country where every citizen has a constitutional right to believe and practice any religion that suits his conscience, and to endorse and support any church faith that to him seems proper.

It is announced, by the correspondent of the "Record" quoted above, that "the A. P. A. will vote the Republican ticket." We are not surprised to hear this. It is entirely natural that such an organization should antagonize the party that has served and will continue to serve as the bulwark of religious liberty. But in this matter political history will repeat itself. The old Whig party in the hour of its dissolution allied itself with Know Nothing bigotry and intolerance against the Democratic party, and both went down in irremediable ruin. Similar antagonism will attend an alliance between the Republican party and these new sectarian bigots and conspirators.

It is now definitely known that Col. A. K. McCLURE, the veteran editor of the Philadelphia Times, is on a sure way to recovery and with every day of his convalescence the joy of all people, throughout the land, will increase. He was very near to Death's door, during his prolonged illness, but thanks to an all-wise providence he will be spared to do more good for his country ere his life is over.

The Bankruptcy Bill.

In placing Representative S. P. WOLVERTON, of this state, at the head of the Committee that has to deal with the question of Bankruptcy, Speaker CASER put the right man in the right place.

Very loose and ineffectual methods have prevailed in this country in the treatment of insolvency, inuring not only to the disadvantage of insolvents entitled to relief, but also reflecting disadvantageously upon general business interests. The policy applied to this important matter has been of a disjointed nature and altogether unsatisfactory, the insolvency laws of the separate states, that conflict with each other and are replete with abuses, being inadequate to afford the relief which a federal law, of general application, can alone supply. The Republican party, with its long tenure of power and boasted regard for the business interests, failed to furnish the country with an equitable and effective Bankruptcy law that would reach all sections and be of uniform effect; but from the earnest alacrity with which the committee has already acted, it may be expected that this important and desirable measure will be accomplished under the Democratic administration.

This expectation is strengthened by what is known of the vigorous character of Representative WOLVERTON, his extensive experience gained from a practice that has made him familiar with the abuses of existing insolvency laws, and his ability to impress Congress with the importance of the measure he has in charge. With his accustomed promptness and force, the bill for a federal Bankruptcy law was presented on the 5th inst., sustained by him with a speech which is regarded as one of the ablest deliverances ever made on that subject in Congress. Predicating his effort on the provision of the federal constitution which empowers Congress "to establish uniform laws on the subject of bankruptcies throughout the United States," he insisted upon an enforcement of this constitutional provision, the neglect of which has resulted in hardship to honest but unfortunate debtors, in encouragement to the dishonest by enabling them to dispose of their property for the purpose of defrauding their creditors, and in great injury to general business interests, resulting from defective legal conditions which have allowed honest debtors to go to the wall, and permitted those of an opposite character to succeed in their fraudulent practices.

Mr. WOLVERTON made a strong point in his insistence that a federal Bankruptcy law would furnish a basis of confidence that would be a powerful factor in alleviating, if not actually preventing, the distress incident to such a business depression as that which prevails at this time. He effectually refuted the objection that the bill he presented would benefit the rich and oppress the poor. Its purpose is, and its effect would be, to afford relief to those, whether rich or poor, who in the honest pursuit of their business have been unfortunate, and by such relief would be placed on their feet again and enabled to acquire the means of paying their creditors. As such, the bill, if passed, will be worthy of occupying a conspicuous place among the reforms that may be expected of this Democratic Congress.

More Pension Frauds Discovered.

The unearthing of pension frauds continue to attend the investigation of the manner in which the pension system has been administered. Much fault is found by interested and implicated parties with the efforts of the present administration to protect the government against the rascality of dishonest pension agents, and prevent the payment of fraudulent claims; but the course that is being pursued in this direction is fully justified by the exposure of frauds that have amounted to actual robbery of the Treasury under the cover of pensions ostensibly secured for worthy veterans.

Very soon after the Pension Bureau got in Democratic hands a pension attorney at Norfolk, Va., was detected in fraudulent practices in the securing of pensions for parties not entitled to them, by which more than a hundred

thousand dollars were dishonestly obtained from the government; and it was also made to appear that the methods by which his frauds were effected had been continued uninterruptedly during the HARRISON administration.

Similar misdoings in the pension line were last week divulged in Buffalo, New York, where it has been discovered that a pension attorney has beaten the government out of \$150,000 by securing pensions for bogus claimants. It appears in the case of this shark that in many instances the applications for pension, as well as the testimony in their support, were entirely fraudulent, and arrests for perjury in connection with them are now in order.

As one of the explanations of the result of the recent elections it is said that the soldiers are displeased with the course of this administration in regard to pensions, and showed their resentment by voting against Democratic candidates. If it has been the unearthing of such frauds that has offended such sensitive veterans, then they are perfectly welcome to vote with the party that has made the pension system an instrument in the hands of a set of rascals and a medium of public robbery. There is not an honest Democrat who would not rather see his party defeated than that it should succeed through the support of voters gained by allowing them to raid the Treasury.

The Importance of Free Wool.

Free wool is the sheet-anchor of the Democratic tariff policy. There is something peculiarly atrocious in taxing the material necessary to a most important industry, thereby not only handicapping that industry, but also adding unnecessary cost to a production required for the health, comfort and well-being of the people. This would be wrong, even if it could be shown that some productive interest is benefited by it. But it cannot be made to appear that the interest of the woolen manufacturer is promoted by increasing the cost of his raw material; while the fact that the industry of sheep raising has not advanced, and the price of wool has actually declined, under the high duties imposed on imported wool by the present tariff, refutes the claim that protection of the McKINLEY variety is beneficial to American wool producers. When the people are made to pay an unnecessarily high price for their clothing, and this public disadvantage is not compensated by a gain to any legitimate interest, the tariff on wool simply appears as an economic atrocity—a glaring example of the devilment that is practiced in the name of "protection."

In recent efforts of the Democrats to reform the tariff, unsuccessful on account of an opposing Executive and Senate, free wool was a leading object. It continues to hold the foremost place among the raw materials from which the Democratic policy proposes to remove the burden of unnecessary taxation for the benefit of industry and for the advantage of the people. Of all the necessities of mankind, clothing, next to food, is the most essential. The wool tariff has increased the cost of every article of woollen raiment worn by the American citizen, returning no compensation for this infliction except to the shoddy manufacturers, whose interest is alone promoted by a policy which by limiting the supply of honest wool, encourages the use of rags in the fabrics that constitute the clothing of our people.

There are other raw materials whose release from unnecessary tariff taxation will be an incalculable advantage to various industrial interests, but the rescue of wool from the grip of the tariff taxer is of the first importance, not only as contributory to a leading manufacturing industry, but also as a reform that will relieve the people from the evil of shoddy clothing.

—Mr. GEORGE S. LITHART, editor of the Williamsport Breakfast Table, has our sincere sympathy in the terrible blow he has received by the fatal burning of his wife. She had been sitting at a table beside a lamp, and on arising her sleeve catching on the lamp pulled it over on her. An explosion followed and she was burned so that she cannot survive. The sad accident occurred at his home on Tuesday night.

Monarchy Deep Rooted.

Germany and Spain are two monarchically ridden countries that generally disapprove the predictions and blast the hopes of people who like to entertain the belief that on both of them democracy is making good progress. But the latest election in Germany and the votes on public questions in the Reichstag resulted in notable victories for the throne.

The parliamentary elections just held in Spain have resulted similarly. The government has obtained a signal victory over the Liberals, who find several of their most aggressive leaders defeated. On the other hand, the Sagasta is popular, earnest and devoted to the King and the country; and not even the very recent oppressive imposition of increased taxes upon the people was sufficient to overthrow him. The voters do not seem to any longer desire a republic.

The Kind for Democrats to Uphold.

The press of the country regardless of politics or special interests is letting the world know that there is a great man in the Presidential chair. The people who favored the unconditional repeal of the Sherman silver purchase law with one consent agree that the country is under a debt of gratitude to Grover Cleveland, for his great courage in the face of the greatest parliamentary contest of the modern age. The compromise people attribute the failure of their plans to the President, and of course the silver men say if it had not been for the tyrant in the White House they would have done it. The every-thing into consideration and there never has been a mightier exhibition of courage and devotion to duty as he understood it than the world has just witnessed in Cleveland's contest for the repeal of the law he called Congress in extra session to repeal.

A New Kind of Animal.

We cut the following from Thursday's Philadelphia Times: George D. Perry, one of the cleverest and most accomplished sleight of hand performers in Philadelphia, has arranged a performance entitled "A Night in Wonderland," which is to be given Christmas week at an entertainment for fashionable children. The Democrat will be obliged if some one will just tell it what sort of creatures "fashionable" children are? Are they bipeds or quadrupeds? We have looked around Doylestown to see if something of the kind could be found, but without success. Will the Times please explain? We have heard of "fashionable" mothers, who play at this role to the detriment of their offspring, but "fashionable" children is something beyond our ken. We have plenty of children in our county capital but none that answers the Times designation.

Change the Rules or Stop the Game.

The killing of a Toledo high school boy in a football game on Saturday is one of the incidents that will hasten radical reforms in this popular game. The college authorities of the East, where the game has its strongest hold, are watching the modern style of play with considerable disfavor, and a fatality in the college games will result in a drawing of the lines against brutalities. Sport ceases and brutality begins when a dozen players jump upon a fellow player and crush his life out, as in the case referred to above. As the game is now played in many quarters, the only wonder is that more accidents of this kind do not occur.

The Lion and the Lamb Will Lie Down Together.

The marriage of the son of Vice-President Stevenson to the daughter of the editor and proprietor of the Bloomington Pantagraph, the leading Republican paper in Illinois outside of Chicago, is an event that knocks party lines and partisan discord to smithereens. The bride is of Pennsylvania Quaker ancestry, while, as we all know, the Stevensons are the product of North Carolina and Kentucky grafted on Illinois.

"Just Maybe."

The Democratic papers continue to worry on the question "who will be the next Republican candidate for governor?" We next see any occasion for it. The next Republican candidate for governor in Pennsylvania will be the next governor of Pennsylvania by one or two hundred thousand majority.

Really Very Smooth.

Professor Hamerick, who says chickens talk, may yet find out where the chicken got the accent.

One View of It.

The income tax is the fair, honest tax, that does not rob the rich man nor oppress the poor.

Spawls from the Keystone.

- Burglars rifled the Ashland Post Office.
-Burglars looted the Beach Haven Post Office.
-Amsterdam, Holland is buying many Reading stoves.
-Parkersburg, W. Va., is flooded with bogus nickels.
-The glanders epidemic at Wilkesbarre has broken out again.
-The Norristown Hospital's electric light plant is nearing completion.
-All Philadelphia and Reading collieries started on full time Tuesday.
-A rich coal vein was struck in Oakland township, Susquehanna county.
-Governor Pattison visited the Norristown State Hospital for the Insane.
-The Pittsburg School exhibits at the World's Fair will be preserved.
-His gun having gone off accidentally James First, of St. Clair, was shot to death.
-Over \$500 worth of clothing was given to the poor people of Altoona by M. Simon & Bro.
-Small-pox has made its appearance in the family of John Longsdorf, of Mechanicsburg.
-The University Institute, at Selins' Grove, received on Saturday bequests amounting to \$10,000.
-Carnegie's Homestead mills will make Harveyized steel and 600 more men will be employed.
-Rev. Dr. J. L. Fulton, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, Pittsburg, resigned Monday.
-John Auran was instantly killed by a fall of top rock at Richards' colliery, near Shamokin, Monday.
-Joseph K. Henry, a commission merchant of Homewood, was found dead in the street at Pittsburg.
-An unknown man supposed to be a deaf mute was killed Sunday by an express near Harrisburg.
-There are 200 cigar factories in the Berks revenue district, the largest number ever reported there.
-A falling piece of coal so badly mangled Michael Hobbs, a miner, near Shenandoah that he will die.
-Berks County Poor Directors Monday rejected Steward Gilbert and chose P. F. Frank under-steward.
-The dress of Mrs. Husick's little daughter at Harwood, near Hasleton, caught fire and the child perished.
-In attempting to board a moving train at Schuylkill Haven, Herbert Saylor fell and was cut to pieces.
-For the alienation of his wife's affections, B. Mathias recovered \$3500 from William Mazel, of Pittsburg.
-Joseph Mumma, the Mechanicsburg firebug, who destroyed eight buildings, was sent to the reformatory.
-At Carlisle, Richard Fink was sentenced to nearly six years in the penitentiary for planning to burn buildings.
-The lowest bid for building Altoona's new reservoir was \$158,000, and was made by Thomas Collins, of Bellefonte.
-Falling in an apple pie fit with his neck between two fence pickets, J. C. Smith, of Watsonstown, was strangled.
-A gold watch was presented on Thursday to General John P. Taylor, at Reedsville, by his admiring G. A. R. friends.
-In the capital stock tax case against the Oil Well Supply Company the State Monday secured judgment for \$4666.20.
-A man named Fisher has been arrested for sandbagging William Beck at Wilkesbarre and robbing him of \$75.
-Having lost a leg on the railroad, Milton Endy, Allentown, decided life was not worth living and he hanged himself.
-By turning on the gas in an Easton hotel J. J. Walsh, a Shenandoah salesman, nearly removed himself from the world.
-The miners of the DuBois district have accepted a ten per cent. reduction in wages: Two thousand men returned to work.
-Frank Wadsworth, in jail at Scranton for the murder of John Morgan, Monday confessed, but said it was a case of self-defense.
-Professor Elmer Lyons, principal of the St. Clair school, who severely switched a lad, was acquitted by a Beaver County jury.
-The gallops upon which R. F. Tennis, the Hummelstown murderer, will hang has been put in readiness by Dauphin County's Sheriff.
-Fire-bugs saturated alumber pile of F. P. Holler's lumber yard, Reading, with kerosene, but were frightened before applying a match.
-Commissioners appointed to fix the boundary line between Lycoming and Tioga counties disagreed, and the Courts will settle it.
-In a fight at Lebanon, Albert Carman was knocked down by William Donley and his head so badly injured he has not regained his senses.
-Pittsburg's policemen made a big blunder arresting Matthew Madden, whom they supposed drunk. He died shortly in the station house.
-The Moselem Lutheran Church' in Richmond township, Berks County, erected in 1761, will be demolished and a new house of worship erected.
-William M. Ayres & Sons, of Philadelphia, Monday brought suit in Pittsburg to restrain J. Kaufman from using a certain trademark on horse blankets.
-In the case of Mrs. Eva Wetmore Buffam against her father-in-law, J. C. Buffam, in Pittsburg, for false arrest, jury disagreed and was discharged.
-When sentenced Friday to the penitentiary for five years and a half for killing James Gilmerman at Pittston, James McLaughlin formally thanked the Court.
-After being buried under tons of coal for two hours, William and Joseph Bechtel, Hazleton miners, were dug out but little the worse for their entombment.
-The Lackawanna Iron and Steel Company, of Scranton, Monday appointed Carl McKinley of Sparrow's Point, Md., general manager, and Henry Wehrum superintendent.
-Governor Pattison Friday appointed: R. W. Jehb, J. A. Norton, E. E. Miller, J. W. Pailer and John Rainey special officers; for the House of Refuge, Philadelphia.
-Mary Way, the star witness for the defense in the Salyards murder trial at Carlisle, and who was accused of perjury, has gone to the penitentiary for about three years.
-Over 1500 varieties of commercial fertilizers have been analyzed this year by the State Board of Agriculture, and the results published in a pamphlet for the farmers.