

Ink Slings.

—Pay your taxes before it is too late. If you are a Democrat pride will make you vote this Fall.

—The butchering season is here and from all indications they are at it in good shape in Corea.

—Last week the preachers prayed for rain. This week the grangers, at Centre Hall, got it and swore about it too.

—Levi's bar'l is in the political fray again, now let the Republicans look around for something that will bring Ben's hat out.

—Every Democrat should remember that his vote will be needed this Fall. If our party turns out in the county there will be no question as to the success of the ticket.

—A Chicago astronomer asserts that he has discovered several green spots on the moon. This recent revelation can be accounted for as a lunar reflection of Hasting's much talked of Irish wit.

—The best of evidence that oratory is on the decline is to see a public instructor stand up and read an address from notes, as if it were a select reading. A pretty example to set others.

—Hastings is not a very calamitous looking object to be running around over the country preaching hard times. His pockets are well filled and from all appearances his stomach is in the same condition.

—The advance in the price of wool looks very much as if the tariff of '94 is going to have the same effect on that product as the low tariff of '57 did, when growers received the highest prices ever given for their shearings.

—With the A. P. A., the anti Boss PLATT element and the western part of the State all after the Republican candidate for Governor in New York, the Democrats ought to be able to elect most any one they care to.

—The Empire State Republicans are determined that ex-Vice President LEVI P. MORRISON shall be their candidate for Governor, but there is a FASSETT in the road that promises to draw heavily from Levi's bar'l before the campaign is over.

—The honorable LEVI P. MORRISON is boss PLATT's candidate for Governor in New York, but "de boss" ain't on very good terms with the people as was proven when CLEVELAND defeated his candidate some years ago by the overwhelming majority of 120,000.

—BRECKENRIDGE has been defeated in the primaries and now there is no chance for his returning to Congress. After all his immorality he has given the lie to those who charged him with being devoid of all honor by his determination to support the ticket and his successful opponent.

—Wool was bought here last summer, under the glorious (?) McKinley high tariff, for 12 cts. per pound. The Wilson reform bill has been in effect three weeks and already the market price of wool has jumped to 24 cts. What thinkst thou of this, Republican calamity howler?

—The ease with which editor Kinsloe, of the *Bituminous Record*, jumps from the support of one candidate to another, changes the name of his publication and places the editorial control of it in different persons hands can readily be accounted for in the fact that light things are easily unbalanced.

—If, as the *Bituminous Record* would have the miners believe, HASTINGS is such a great friend of the coal workers, why did his company, the Sterling, refuse to pay its striking miners 45 cents a ton and then attempt to hold its trade by paying 50 cts. to Westmoreland operators for their out put?

—From the way WOMERSDORF, the Republican nominee for Legislature, was standing around in the rain at the Granger's picnic, on Tuesday, lots of Republicans even made up their minds that he didn't know enough "to get in out of the wet." Possibly PHIL was getting used to the soaking he will get in November.

—LI HUNG CHANG, the great Chinese viceroy, is being hauled over the coals because his countrymen are getting licked in Corea. The Emperor blames the great LI for it all and has deprived him of his three eyed peacock feather decoration. According to celestial customs it is a question whether he will ever be a living LI for long.

—The Philadelphia *Public Ledger* has the courage to acknowledge that its party has gerrymandered this State's congressional districts in an outrageous manner and advises the election of McALEER to Congress from Philadelphia, but that great journal acknowledges its selfishness when it proceeds further and states that McALEER could have more done for the city than a Republican. Will the *Ledger* use its influence and demand a fair apportionment at the hands of its party next year?

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Perfect the Organization.

The heavy defeats which the Democrats have sustained in Pennsylvania in recent years have been largely due to the stay-at-home disposition of the Democrats on election day. There is a normal Republican majority in the State, and it is a pretty large sized one, but when it mounts up toward a hundred thousand its enlargement is not due to an increase of the Republican vote, but to a shrinkage of the Democratic, on account of Democrats not coming to the polls. The recent election in Maine showed a similar effect.

This year, it is true, there is a somewhat larger Republican majority in Vermont than usual, but this is to be accounted for by the fact that the Democratic tariff has removed the government bounty on maple sugar, and in that way has disturbed and offended "the communism of pelf" with which the sugar producers of Vermont were connected by the bonus which the McKinley tariff provided for their product. The Vermont farmer who produces a quantity of maple sugar has no more right to a government premium for it than a Pennsylvania or Illinois farmer would have to a similar bonus on his corn or potatoes, but in the distribution of the McKinley favors which, in the matter of the sugar subsidy, cost the American people about \$15,000,000 a year. Senator EDMUND succeeded in getting the Vermont maple sugar boilers included among the Louisiana planters, and it is the removal of this inequitable favor by the reform tariff bill that has increased the Republican majority in Vermont this year. It there is any significance at all in the Vermont election it is to be found in this illustration of "the communism of pelf."

In this connection it is not out of place to mention that the sugar planters of Louisiana held a convention in New Orleans last week and declared in favor of an alliance with the Republican party on national issues. This action is entirely natural on their part. They want the subsidy, and they will support the party that will satisfy their greed.

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For this reason the organ of the colored people of Pennsylvania says that WILLIAM M. SINGERLY "will poll an extremely large colored vote, not only in Philadelphia, but throughout the State."

Do you know "Bob" FOSTER, as the boys call him? If you do there is no doubt as to who you will vote for for Representative at Harrisburg. He is making friends of all who meet him and the majority that will be run up for him, will open the eyes of some of the "lings" who are talking of carrying the county against the Democracy.

Its Only Significance.

There is but little significance in a Vermont election. Republican prejudice has such complete control of a large majority of the voters in that State that it would be a misapplication of the term to say that they are governed by political convictions. Their voting the Republican ticket is a habit, the force of which even the plainest evidence of the rottenness of the old party and the viciousness of its policy are unable to impair, furnishing another example of the almost insuperable nature of bad habits.

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Trying to Nullify a Good Intention.

There are a good many Republicans who are inclined to vote for WILLIAM M. SINGERLY on account of his personal qualities. They regard him as an excellent citizen, an enterprising and liberal employer of labor, a charitable man, and a person who has done much good in his association and relations with his fellow men, and laying aside his political predilections, they are disposed to support him on this account.

This fact is known to the Republican leaders of the State and is giving them considerable uneasiness. They are therefore trying to counteract it by representations that may nullify the effect which the good personal qualities of the Democratic candidate are calculated to have on a large class of Republican voters. With the object of exciting party feeling against him to a degree that may obliterate personal considerations, they represent that he runs as the Democratic candidate for the governorship at the request of President CLEVELAND. They propose by this representation to draw the party lines against him. Their purpose is to create the impression that CLEVELAND will get the benefit of there and more of it in general use and in the pockets of the people but for the disasters and panics that logically followed in the wake of thirty years of Republican misrule.

—Hastings Don't Know What He Is Talking About.

From the New York Mercury.

General Hastings, the Republican candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania, knows some of the things he is talking about, but not all. He is far from the truth when he says that the bank deposits in the banks of this city are less than they were in 1892. They are more than \$75,000,000 greater than they were in the fall of 1892, and they exceed those of September, 1893, by the enormous sum of \$212,000,000. What we want now is to get most of this out of the banks and into circulation, and, under the beneficial influence of the revised tariff and the greater encouragement it offers to producers to put forth their best efforts to build up and extend our trade and commerce, that is just what we expect to see done. There's plenty of money in the banks. There would be less of it there and more of it in general use and in the pockets of the people but for the disasters and panics that logically followed in the wake of thirty years of Republican misrule.

—The Veterans Are Getting too Old to March.

From the Doylestown Democrat.

The question of discontinuing the procession and marching feature of the Grand Encampment of the G. A. R., was mooted at Pittsburgh, but we fail to see that it was acted upon. We think that he should have been; and the voice should have been unanimous in favor of its discontinuance. A large number of the men are too old, or too feeble by wounds or disease, to tramp through the streets for two or three hours; but they are ambitious to keep beside the comrades with whom they marched a third of a century ago. In all such ceremonies, the fatigue should be measured by the ability of the weakest to bear it and not the strongest. A large percentage of the best soldiers cannot stand these marches and they should be discontinued. The ranks are being thinned rapidly enough without the G. A. R. pursuing a course that will hasten it. No more marching!

—Democrats Should Be Proud of This.

From the Pittsburgh Post.

The "Chronicle Telegraph" rejoices over the Louisiana sugar growers going over to the Republican party. We wish the Republican party joy of its recruits. They cost too much for the Democrats. The "C. T." praises the bolters, and says "it is fair dealing and honest politics." This is amazing. It was simply a matter of bargain and sale. McKinley gave the \$87 licensed sugar growers of Louisiana last year out of the national treasury an average of \$19,195.66 for every blessed one of them, or altogether \$11,114,280. This was a bribe.

The Democrats repeated the bribe, and the bribed pack their bag and baggage and go over to the Republican camp. And the "Telegraph" calls—that heaven save the mark—"honest politics." It was an encouragement to every socialist crank in the Union. If this immense sum of money should be diverted to a particular interest, why should not others have a share? Is not Coxey entitled to a slice?

—Hastings Reception In Lock Haven a Disappointment to His Managers.

The much talked of campaign tour of HASTINGS and his lieutenants began on Monday morning with the trip from this place to Emporia where they were booked for a meeting that night.

The party stopped at Lock Haven en route and remained there six hours or more, in the hope of taking some advantage of the supposed Democratic dissatisfaction, but with all the riding around the streets that could be done with propriety the Republican boomers couldn't stir up more than twenty-five people.

The following communication from Lock Haven will give you an idea of how the affair was:

DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN: — Your "Dan" arrived this a.m. as advertised, accompanied by his colleagues on the Republican State ticket. H. Hall, Ed. Ball, W. C. Kress and Senator Bill Reed met them at the depot upon the arrival of the 10:20 train from your city. Two hacks were procured and they were driven to Alderman Harris' office, wherein was Samuel Christy, App. Wilson, Griff Harris, Judge C. A. Mayer, and constable Bob Martin. Alderman Harris being absent on a most important road west out in "Whipperwill." Upon the arrival of the aggregation at this point, red headed constable Dan Myers, of the first ward, thrust his ham like hand at Dan and seemed to be particularly pleased. Constable Bob Martin of the second ward, who was looking out of the office window, was considerably chagrined at this act of the first ward constable in getting ahead of him but Judge Mayer notified Dan by saying that he would require Dan to give his fire dollars. At this juncture W. C. Kress gave his seat in the back wherein Dan was seated to his Honor, C. A. Mayer, who added dignity to his party, while on their visit to the Central State Normal school and return to the Fallon house.

The whole proceedings were a very tame affair. Not at any one time were there twenty-five spectators assembled. It was something like Mike Stone's frolic there was no one there and Mike was not there himself.

—Do you read the WATCHMAN.

Spaws from the Keystone.

—Presbyterians at Warren are building a \$60,000 church.

—A break has been discovered in Lancaster's new reservoir.

—The Mahanoy Valley Fair opened on Wednesday at Lavelle.

—Jonas Smoker, 60 years old, was killed by a train near Gordonville.

—Luzerne County Jail is so overcrowded that three prisoners sleep in a cell.

—Shenandoah had an industrial holiday and business men's parade on Thursday.

—The Eagle valley tannery at Ridgway is working full force and crowding hard.

—A Chester trolley car seriously injured baby Mary Doran, of No. 321 Franklin street.

—The engine for the power house of the Lock Haven electric street railway has arrived.

—James Patton, aged 55 years, committed suicide at his home, at Gelberton, Monday.

—Fish dams and nets in the Susquehanna River were torn out by Deputy Sheriffs Monday.

—John P. Roberts, whose home is No. 22 Pine street, Philadelphia, was killed by a train at Pittsburg.

—A post office has been established at Pentz, Clearfield county, with Donald McDonald as postmaster.

—A draught of carbolic acid, taken in mistake for gin, killed Thomas B. Young, a Wellsboro restaurant keeper.

—An explosion in the West End Rolling Mills, Lebanon, demolished a puddle furnace and seriously injured Patrick Murray.

—Mrs. Esther McClain, of Saltillo, Huntingdon county, widow of Samuel McClain, died of paralysis a few days ago.

—Jefferson County farmers have abolished horse racing at their annual fair and will substitute maneuvers of trained oxen.

—The September term of the Criminal Court convened at Easton Monday with a list of 144 cases, the largest in many years.

—Governor Pattison has resented George Dukovic from September 20 to November 20. His mental condition will be inquired into.

—The Ripons Chemical company of Wilmington, Del., will erect a dynamite magazine near Mapleton, to be used as a distributing depot.

—Hon. John Davis, one of Lewistown's most respected citizens, died at his home in that place after a brief illness on Monday, aged 77 years.

—The Greensburg school board has determined to enforce the law upon all persons selling cigarettes to school boys under 16 years of age.

—Mrs. and Mrs. S. T. Brown, of Huntingdon, and their children celebrated the fortieth anniversary of their marriage one day last week.

—The family of Percival Hallman, Zionville, is scourged with diphtheria. Three children have died in three days, and five more are sick.

—The Knights Templar Commandery of Pittsburg has started an active movement to have the triennial encampment of 1888 held in that city.

—Burglars dynamited the safe in Lundy's jewelry store, at Shattock, Lycoming County, and stole several hundred dollars' worth of watches.

—Charged with breaking into freight cars, John Robert Cor