Democratic Watchman

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Ink Slings

-If your children wear combination under clothes it would be cheaper for you to buy them stockings to hang up on Christmas eve.

-The Lancaster church that offered a medal to any one who would not miss church or Sunday school during the year only had to buy one medal, and it was for the sexton.

-There is one thing certain and that is if it were not for the church fights that are continually going on some portions of the congregations would never find out how bad others are.

-McKinley and Reed are said to commends it. be spunky at one another because of political jealousies. They would both the business of the government and like to be used for presidential timber, the country has been done since the but it is not in the wood with them.

Republican sweep of last month not a system that has been mere patchwork single colored Congressman was elected. and makeshift on the part of Republi-The Republicans needed the colored vote, but forgot to pay for it in any way at all.

-BEN TILLMAN has been elected to the United States Senate from his President and the Secretary of the State, South Carolina. No more will the Governor of North Carolina have and opportunity to ask his fellow Governor to "take something."

-Towns that have ruled cows off the streets should complete the good work by ordering the loafers to go also. Between the inoffensive cow and the tionable benefit. There was a time profane, tabacco squirter the balance of favor should rest with the former.

-Many people spend more on Christmas presents than their circumstances warrant, thus embarrassing the recipients more than if some simple remembrance were given them. It is friendship not value that is the gift.

down on the income tax will jump edness. A difficulty of this kind on mighty quick when the collector gets the part of the government is enough after them. Their feelings will be hurt to derange the entire finances of the just about as much too as if they had squatted on the ordinary variety of tin | jence. tacks.

of the world in 1893 by consuming of any part of the country's supply of 1,202,132,074 gallons. Withal there are statistics to show that they did'nt get as many "jags" out of it as the ly to the banks. It will simplify the Americans did out of their portion of the entire consumption.

of \$354,000, has been caught in Chicago. There will be lots of the stockholders of the institution who would be glad of an opportunity to accent the name of the bank under the defaulter's coat tail.

-Since the finding of the imprint of a female foot, 51 feet long, on a strata of rock underlying the city of Chicago, the Windy city archaologists are hopeful of settling the question as to which is the oldest Chicago family. They intend to find a family trace for that

spoor. -Congress has been in session nearly two weeks now and notwithstanding the currency question seems to be uppermost, not a single Republican Congressman from our State has ventured to suggest the \$40 per capita idea, that was so tremendously endorsed last month.

--When the Republicans get in power again in the State, next month, they will doubtless begin figuring on a new apportionment bill about the first thing they do. It is still possible for them to squeeze a few more Representatives, Senators and Congressmen out of Pennsylvania and we will be greatly disappointed if they don't do it.

-- In preparing for Christmas remember that a present to a friend will be appreciated far more if its cost is in keeping with your circumstances. The idea of a present is not of its value. The monetary worth of your gift will never be thought of by a true friend, who could not appreciate an extravagance which he knew you could not afford.

-When CHRISTOPHER L. MAGEE the king of Allegheny, came to town train by General Hastings in person. There were none of the clerks delegated to receive the Pittsburg dictator. He came and went in glory, and we have dollars to doughnuts that he left his mark on the books in which the list of

applicants for office is kept. 30th, 1894, uncle SAM paid \$139,804,-461.05 to his 969,544 pensioners. While there is no denying that among this number there still remains many fraudulent claimants who have escaped the careful Democratic management of the Pension Bureau we have the greatest admiration for our government that thus recognizes its obligation to the vast army of people whose blood saved it from falling. The pension is an acknowledgement to men who died for their land and unlike the tariff it pays to break it down.



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Secretary Carlisle's plan of currency reform is likely to increase in popular favor the more its points are considered. There is in it much that

The currency system, under which war, is defective in many particulars, -It is strange that with the great its defects being a necessary result of a can financiers. This fact is now being generally recognized, and it prepares the public mind for the acceptance of the monetary reform proposed by the

One of the objects of this reform is to get the government out of the banking business into which it was brought by the exigencies of the war that occasioned the doing of so many things of doubtful constitutionality and queswhen the government's paper money answered a useful purpose in enlarging and giving stability to the currency, but that it can be troublesome and dangerous when the government's stock of gold is low, has been proven by the recent embarrassment in maintaining the reserve required to meet -- The fellows who are trying to sit the obligation of such floating indebtcountry, as has been the recent exper-

There is no reason why the govern--The Germans led the beer drinkers | ment should continue to be the source paper money. The proposed reform will hand this function over exclusivecurrency by making it of but one character, issuing from but one source, and -Seeley, the clerk in the New York at the same time greater flexibility will Shoe and Leather bank, who robbod it be imparted to it as a circulating medium. Such provisions is made for its validity as will render it secure in the hands of the people for its full valuation in any event.

This is to be done by securing the redemption of the notes, in the event of bank failure, the same as in the case of national banks, but by different means. A guarantee fund for this purpose will be supplied by the banks depositing with the government legal tender or treasury notes to the amount of 30 per cent of the currency they intend to circulate, to which is to be added the proceeds of a tax of one half of one per cent. on the general bank circulation. As a primary, security however, the assets of a bank doing business under this system will be liable for the redemption of its notes, which will be a preferred lien in case of its failure. This security, directly bearing upon the assets of the institution, in addition to the 30 per cent. of legal tenders deposited with the government, would ordinarily be sufficient to liquidate the circulating notes of a broken bank; but if there should still be a deficiency, all the banks under the system would be liable to contribute to make it up.

Much has been said in praise of the present national banking system in that it furnishes the people a paper money that is always good. But the new system would supply a currency equally reliable, and would also do away with defects that are serious objections to national banks as now constituted. The substitution of legal tender notes for government bonds as Monday morning he was met at the security for the redemption of the circulating notes in case of bank failures, would do away with the unfairness which has always appeared to be connected with the national banks drawing interest on the bonds that furnish the basis of their circulating on which they also make a profit. It was this -During the fiscal year ending June feature that gave much force to the contention of the Greenbackers against the national banks some years ago.

The new system, moreover, would give greater flexibility to the currency. Under the present arrangement there is a rigidity that prevents the imme diate relief that is needed when there is found to be a deficiency of currency in any particular section or locality. The amount of paper money which the gov ernment may issue is fixed by law, and the increase of the circulation of a nabounty to those who upheld the govern- tional bank is attended with formality ment instead of to those who are trying and delay. Immediate necessity for more currency cannot have immediate | be pushed up himself.

relief. It is proposed to remedy this by the government keeping on hand a

people.

Does Quay Favor Addicks?

We can scarcely believe the dispatch we see in the papers that QUAY denies | tegrity. the truth of the report that he favors the election of Addick's for United States Senator by the Delaware Legislature. There are reasons for our beoriginal rumor than in the denial as-

cribed to the boss. States Senatorship in consideration of that service. No doubt it was promhave been a Republican majority in seymen across the river. the Delaware Legislature to elect a United States Senator. Having paid his money for it, is he not entitled to a delivery of the goods?

attract the sympathetic interest of the Pennsylvania boss. They are enough as a political factor, and relies upon it lican politics, was evidenced in his management of the campaign of 1888. Boodle being regarded by him as indispensable in accomplishing party ends, and having an instinctive and general liking for corrupt politics, it is entirely natural that QUAY should find in AD. DICKS' case the strongest reasons why he should have the Delaware United States Senatorship. The connected circumstances being such as would make the Delaware aspirant a candidate after his own heart, we are not disposed to believe that the Pennsylvania boss is not for him.

-The Philadelphia Press would like to see QUAY the Republican nominee for President in 1895, so the Howard Hornet says. Just what source the Hornet got its information from is hard to tell, but we rather think it misconstrued some fine sarcasm which the Press had possibly flung at MATTHEW. The Press only said such things with the idea of raising hopes that it would take so much satisfaction in helping to

Something for the People to Correct.

The business like way in which ADDICKS' claim to a seat in the United States Senate is put forward is an astounding evidence of the demoralization that has overtaken public sentiment in regard to such elections. His claim is coolly spoken of as a right acquired by purchase. He advances it upon no other ground. No one contends that he is competent for the position. He is only a vulgar millionaire, grown rich in the manufacture of gas, who wants the distinction of being in the Senate, but he furnished the money that helped to bring about a situation in the Delaware Legislature that enable the Republicans to elect a United States Senator, and in all likelihood that Legislature will take a business-like view of the matter and give him the worth of his money.

In view of the base use to which the United States Senatorship is being put s it not about time that the people take this abuse in hand and correct it by the popular election of United States Senators?

-The days of hero making are gone. Men don't bother themselves boosting tariff. others now-a-days. Everyone wants to

Trouble About the Penn Statue.

Philadelphians are not satisfied with supply of blank notes which will be the way the statue of WILLIAM PENN promptly furnished to any bank that is posed on the tower of their City Hall, may have occasion to meet a pressing and considerable feeling exists in redemand for more currency, upon its gard to it. The position is such that giving the required security for this ad- the sun shines on WILLIAM's back indition to its circulation. It is easy to stead of illuminating his benignant see the relief that would be afforded by Quaker countenance, and those who such flexibility of the circulating me- take account of such matters complain that this defect detracts from the The new currency plan no doubt has artistic expression of the figure. There points that may be modified, and im- is a good deal of kicking about it, but provement in some of its features may it will do no good, for it can't be exbe suggested, but its general character | pected that anything will be done to is such as should commend it to the alter the incorrect posture by the lowdown political gang who control the work on the public building and have about as dim a conception of artistic propriety as they have of official in-

Some of the critics contend that instead of facing north, with his weather-eye on New Jersey, the great founder should have been given a position on lieving that there is more truth in the the tower that would have brought the State of Pennsylvania more fully with-Addicks is a millionaire, without a This would have been effected by givsingle qualification for Senatorial ing him a northwestern facing, as in office, but having furnished a large that position the great State he foundportion of the money that was used in ed would be spread out before him, carrying Delaware for the Republicans looking over it from its southeastern this year, he demands the United corner, and there would be a fuller ers or vestibule express trains. But meaning in the benevolent manner in which he extends his right hand, as if the transaction having assumed the of his State. But as they have placed flights where heretofore man has travelnature of a bargain. If he had not him the benediction has more the apsupplied the boodle there would not pearance of being intended for the Jer-

However, it is doubtful whether the statue, whatever its pose might be, if it were conscious would view either the The circumstances connected with ed satisfaction. It would see right Addicks' case are just such as would down beneath it the most corruptly governed municipality on the continent, America. managed by a thievish combine whose he recognizes the usefulness of boodle world when once the cover that conple have surrendered its government and our honored grandparents were into the hands of political bosses.

> -The Philadelphia Record Almanac for 1895 is the first to reach us, and while its appearance gave us a moment's sadness, for it recalled the end of the old year, a glance over its ninety six pages quickly brought back a feeling of satisfaction. Since we realized, from its excellence, that our valued contemporary is impatient for the new year to come in order that it may show more of the energy that has already made it the leading penny paper of America and the equal of all the others.

Its Magical Effect.

"Tin, tin, American tin," was a Republican campaign cry, but when results were looked for very little was alleged protection of the tin industry by the McKinley tariff. A few small factories were erected, which gave employment to a limited number of workmen, most of whom were imported, as was most of the material used in the

The Wilson tariff gives quite different treatment to the tin industry. It reduced the heavy duties which the old tariff had put on tin plate, and placed pig tin on the free list. The beneficial effects of this action have been two-fold. The people have been relieved by the reduction of the cost of a necessary article, and the tin manufacturers have been relieved of the expense of paying a heavy duty on the pig tin which they are compelled to import, as it is not a natural product of this country.

The WILSON treatment of the tin industry has already produced some remarkable results. A number of large tin factories are springing up in various United States. May 30, Decoration Day, parts of the country, the building of had not been forgotten at Honolulu, some of which has been commenced and the Fourth of July also received a since the new tariff went into operation, and there is every indication that a there as here, in spite of Cleveland and business that was merely a tinkering | Gresham. sort of thing under McKinley's protection, will soon develop into a vigorous and permanent industry. The trouble with it under the Republican arrangement was that it had too much

become a reality.

Some Day We'll All Go Sailing Through

From the Pittsburg Dispatch. It is interesting to learn that the experiments of Prof. Langley in solving the problem of aerial navigation have brought him abreast with Maxim. Indeed, Prof. Langley seems to be a little ahead, as Maxim has not yet reached the point of letting his machine soar away from the track to which it is confined, while Langley's model has taken a flight by itself, albeit ending somewhat ingloriously. Per contra, Maxim's machine has shown its ability to overcome gravitation with the engineer and one or two passengers on board while Langley's was only constructed of a size to carry itself.

Nothing is more typical of the pro gress with regard to the solution of the art of flying than the fact that twenty years ago the flying machine man was unanimously set down as mentally unbalanced, while to-day two of the best recognized scientific minds of the world are competing as to which will first reach complete success. That there is such a solution, both have demonstrated when they constructed machinery able to use the atmosphere to mount above the earth. They may still be a long way off from the perfection of their inventions that will make aerial navigation safe and commercially possible, but the in the supposed range of his vision. first step to that goal has been taken when their machinery has demonstrated its ability to leave the support of terra

firma and mount into the air. We may hope that this generation will see it or we may fear that it will be centuries before airships are as successful and safe as transatlantic steamwhen Langley and Maxim made their machine fly, even for a short distance they took the first steps along the path ised him in return for the outlay, conferring a blessing upon the people that leads to the day of airy navies, and ed only in dreams.

> He'll Write Mean Things About Us After He Gets Home.

From the Philadelphia Times.

Dr. Conan Dovle is to be congratu lated on his self-control. He was giv-State or the city of Penn with unalloy- en a little dinner in New York before but before it succeeded in securing a sailing for home, and on getting on his legs to return thanks-did not tell his hearers what he thought of

It was in the early days of our inwere first encouraged in the dangerous probably fatally shot the latter. practice of offering their opinions on ceals them is fully removed, and it what they had seen. Visitors and the

glad to get them. Times have changed, however, and we are beginning to feel, not that we immaterial to us whether they are satisfied with us or not. It is impossible not to feel that Dr. Conan Doyle must have noticed this. It would be depressing to think that he really had met people who asked him how he liked

Heads Count for Something There.

America.

From the Philadelphia Times. The Japanese Government has lost its head if its demand for the execution of Chinese officials who offered rewards for Japanese heads is true. This practice is familiar in Oriental warfare and a bounty on Indian scalps has dis- ed, the statue of limitation having barred graced our own recent history. Forbidden as such a practice is in civilized warfare, no power has ever made the demand credited to Japan, and the only similar demands have been in the found to have been produced by the case of officers guilty of exceptional barbarity to prisoners. A refusal to give quarter is within the accepted discretion of every military commander, civilized or uncivilized.

What Pattison is Expected to Say.

From the Mifflintown Democrat. Gov. R. E. Pattison's biennial message to the legislature, on which he is at work, will make special reference to the large increase in the state revenues and to the redemption of over \$2,000,000 bonds within the past year. He will recommend changes in the ballot law, so as to provide uniform

The governor is expected to indorse the granger's equalization tax scheme unless the bili prepared by the tax conference should be acceptable to the grangers.

We Are the Fashion in Hawaii

From the New York Sun. Hawaii becomes more and more a chip of the old block. The first Thanksgiving Day of that republic was celebrated this year, and President Dole appointed it for the day that we observed in the good share of honor. Pretty soon we may expect election day to be the same

Dan Is Real Funny.

From the Pittsburg Post. If General Hastings said what was credited to him, that there was nothing political in C. L. Magee's visit to Bellefonte, he either thinks the public "Tin, tin, American tin," will now quite innocent, or is getting quite jokey to break up corrupt practices and non himself.

spawls from the Keystone,

-Williamsport is to have a new electric

-The Williamsport wire rope company

will enlarge their plant. -The Pennsylvania State Sunday School

Board met at Pottsville, yesterday. -Eighty applications for license have been filed in the Clearfield county court. -Wilkesbarre hunters killed two bears in Sullivan County, the largest weighing

-Daniel Sheckter, aged 30, of Lehighton was ground to pieces at Easton while shifting cars.

-Silver Brook Colliery No. 1, near Haz. elton, has been abandoned, and 300 mer

are thrown idle. -Hog cholera is prevalent around Friedensburg, Schuylkill County. One

farmer lost 37 hogs. -Eighteen janitors of Reading public school houses have been sworn in as spec-

ial school police officers. -DuBois hosiery factory resumed op-

erations Monday, giving employment to fifteen or twenty persons -Schenley Park, Pittsburg's pride,

which now embraces pearly 400 acres, is to be almost doubled in size. -Samuel Trego, aged 53, of Gilberton,

accidentally shot himself while gunning Saturday, and will probably die. -A reward of \$100 is offered for any information concerning George Jones, who

disappeared from Tamaqua several weeks -Sheriff Cardon, of Clearfield, expects to go into the hotel business in the Dill Mansion after the close of his term of

office. -Ex. Poor Director Daniel Reichart, of near Pottsville, was fatally hurt Saturday by being dragged by a pair of runa.

way mules. -The York Young Men's Republican Club house was broken into Friday night and robbed of a case of cigars and a small

sum of money. -Robert Comfort, agent for Kutz Brothers, installment dealers, Reading, was arrested at Wilkesbarre Saturday, charged

with fraud. -Elias Peters, alias Brooke, of Uniontown aged 43, an outcast from a prominent family, shot himself through the

head Saturday. -Schuvlkill County politicians will try to have the Legislature give the county an Orphans' Court Judge, to which it is

entitled by population. -The employes of the H. & B. T. R. R. shops at Saxton are again happy, all the suspended men having been put at work and all hands on full time.

-A bear was killed in Clinton county the other day which weighed 369 pounds when dressed. Fifty four shots were fired at it before the animal was killed.

-One evening last week a wild cat got among a flock of geese at Flowing Spring, meal was shot. It measured three feet in length.

-Meeting again, near Homestead, after a lapse of a year, Thomas Morgan and

-A Western New York & Pennsylvania as the most potential agency in Repub- would look out over a State whose peo opinions of visitors were then a novelty, City Saturday. The engine and a dozen freight train cars were overturned and Brakeman Kierk was probably fatally injured.

-After being in the woods three days without food Harry Devoy, of Pittsburg, should like to discourage the visits of and Frank Taylor, of Elwood, horse our friends and kinsfolk, but that it is | thieves, were surrounded and captured, near Wurtemburg, Lawrence County.

-It is rumored that the "Dill Mansion" at Clearfield, has been purchased by a Clearfield citizen of county prominence and will be converted into a hotel. It is the most complete building in the county.

-The trunk of a newly wedded couple which arrived at the Holidaysburg station one day last week bore the following inscription: "What New Jersey hath joined together let no Pennsylvanian put asunder."

-Isaac Roth, the self-confessed incendiary of Brunnerville, Lancaster County, was given a hearing in Manheim, Saturday, on the charge of arson, and dischargcriminal action.

-In a recent conversation Judge Gordon is said to have expressed the opinion that there are too many licensed houses in Clearfield county. The question of licenses in various parts of the county was being generally discussed. -Chairman Gripp, of the Allegheny

County Committee, Saturday appointed

the sub-committees, with C. L. Magee as chairman, to extend an invitation to the Republican National Committee to hold the national convention in Pittsburg in -The Bucks County Farmers' Alliance adopted resolutions requesting the Legislature to pass an act prohibiting the

sale of intoxicating liquors at primary elections, and requesting the Legislature to revise the present laws in regard to costs in trivial cases. -In Norristown Saturday Frank Smith, for attempting to feloniously enter a railroad station, was given two years;

William Koch, for working the flim-flam game, two years and two months, and Charles Van Allen, same charge, two years, all in the Eastern Penitentiary. -Horace C. Hand, cashier of the Wayne

County Savings Bank, says that bank has none of the H. E. Simmons paper said to have been negotiated by D. L. Kellam, for which Kellam is now under arrest in New York for conspiracy to defraud Henry E. Simmons in the sum of \$85,009.

-Mrs. David Ake, an aged lady living at Osterburg a few miles from Bedford, was found lying face down in a small stream of water Friday. While crossing a foot log between her home and that of her son she was attacked with an epilep. tie fit of which she was subject and being unable to help herself, was drowned.

-- The Clearfield Law association will hold a meeting at the law library room at Clearfield on Monday, December 17th at 10 a.m., and will complete the organization. Its object is the social and professional advancement of the bar, and to have an organization effective and ready professional work.