

Ink Slings.

Yes, yes, we're a Governor named — He tries to boss all — whom he can; Succeed though he may, 'Twill be but a day, 'Till his name becomes "Billy-be" —

—To get rich and remain honest are two different things.

—HASTINGS and his friends got it where MINNIE wears her beads, on Saturday.

—The failure of the rice crop in Japan is not likely to affect the quantity of political soup there will be for Republicans, everywhere, this fall.

—Georgia promises to be the great peach growing State of the Union in the future. Should this prove to be the case what will become of the Delaware peach crop liars' job.

—COXEY has been nominated for Governor by Ohio Populists. Should he be elected Mrs. CARL BROWN, "the angel of peace," will more than likely want to roost on the Capitol at Columbus.

—The total vote at the primaries in Clinton county, on Saturday, showed a good majority for HASTINGS, though QUAY delegates were elected, because most of the precincts were for him.

—It is but fitting that our new cruiser "Columbia" should be the fastest boat of her type afloat. Her remarkable trip across the Atlantic last week has made her indeed "the gem of the ocean."

—A Punxsutawney inventor has what he claims to be a perpetual motion machine and the Spirit predicts a great fortune for him. Possibly it, like a good many others we know of, is in his head and not marketable.

—Granting that QUAY will not make a fight on the Governor's Superior court judges in the convention, can HASTINGS still afford to stick to ORLADY in the face of the scorching he received in his own county of Huntingdon.

—Prince GEORGE of England is said to have such a craving for cigarettes as to lead him to smoke from forty to fifty of them in a day. If VICTORIA holds on a little longer she will see another of her would-be successors laid away in the royal bone pile.

—The people of Pennsylvania are paying Governor HASTINGS \$10,000 per annum; they are paying B. F. GILKESON \$6,000 per annum, they are paying JAMES H. LAMBERT \$3,000 per annum. What for? Surely not for trucking in dirty factional political fights.

—City papers manage to divide honors with their country cotemporaries at this season of the year. The annual sea serpent on his visit to the coast watering places is a fit rival, for notoriety, of the monster black snakes and rattlers that invariably turn up to scare buckles in the rural districts.

—The woman who is now boasting through the columns of the papers that she never struck a blow in anger in her life, though she is the mother of a large family of children, says she simply made them take castor oil and rhubarb, whenever they did anything naughty. She must have had those poor kids on the run most of the time.

—The recent consolidation of the Baldwin locomotive works company, of Philadelphia, and the Westinghouse electrical company, of Pittsburgh, has started another discussion as to the approach of the time when electrical locomotives will displace those propelled by steam. There is no denying the superiority of electricity for rapid transit, especially over the line to eternity.

—Notwithstanding he had read "Trilby" through six times Governor Brown, of Maryland, was defeated for a renomination the other day. Just why having pored over DuMaurier's latest work so long should have made him any more worthy we are at a loss to know, but some writer has coupled the two incidents together in a way that would have one the sequence of the other.

—Senator McQUOWN, in his Raftsmen's Journal, is berating certain Clearfield county Republican editors for having sold the support of their papers to the "Combine." We always have thought, and think so yet, that a paper that can be purchased, for whatever amount, is not worth any price that is paid for it; yet we have heard rumors already that would seem to class Senator McQUOWN among the people who live in glass houses."

—The factional fight that is now convulsing the Republican party in this State will more than likely result in a victory for the "Combine." However the result determines, the trouble will have disclosed one thing and that: that Senator QUAY had a better idea of the way the State stood on the question than did his opponents. His claims are being substantiated nearly every day and in fact so closely are his followers hewing to the line, he predicted for them some time ago, that the administration force is really scared.

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Contrast the Dates!

About this time three years ago, in the midst of the operation of McKINLEY's "protective" tariff, alleged to have been intended particularly for the benefit of wage earners, a large portion of the State was convulsed by a riotous strike against an arbitrary and oppressive reduction of wages. Homestead was the focal point of the disturbance, but there was general cause for dissatisfaction, on account of reduced wages, in all the lines of manufactures.

It is well to note again that this state of affairs existed three years ago while McKINLEYISM was in full swing and CLEVELAND had not yet been elected.

In contrast to this, mark the following intelligence from the same region that was disturbed by the bloody strike against a reduction of wages in 1892, the dispatch being dated Pittsburgh, August 3, 1895:

"The biggest wage advance for years was to-day voluntarily given the union puddlers. The advance will affect about 3000 puddlers in the Pittsburgh, or First district, and correspondingly raise the wages of the puddlers south and east, and everywhere where there is an organized iron mill. Altogether about 10,000 puddlers will have their wages raised. Later the benefits will accrue to at least 30,000 finishers."

This is not an isolated case, but is merely a continuation of the advance in wages that has been going on in all the industries since the WILSON tariff went into effect. It is proper to note that this big advance of wages was not forced, but was "voluntary."

Were there ever such chuckle heads as the men who believed that a high tariff was necessary for the interest of labor? Were there ever such howling frauds as the calamity wailers who canvassed Pennsylvania last fall? Was there ever such a completely used up politician as BILL McKINLEY?

One of Quay's Sins.

Among the charges which the HASTINGS organs bring against QUAY is that the old Boss, in his capacity as Senator, didn't act right in regard to the bill that was intended "to protect the colored citizens of the Union in the free enjoyment of the constitutional right of suffrage at congressional and presidential elections."

This is the way a Combine organ puts it, but boiled down it means that QUAY was not in favor of the Force bill, and therefore not entitled to Republican confidence and support.

Among the many sins with which QUAY is being charged by the opposite faction this is the one which can be most easily forgiven by honest Americans, for in fact it may be included among his very limited number of political virtues. Both CAMERON and QUAY declined to support the Force bill. What their motive was for this one good act does not clearly appear, nor is it necessary that it should be questioned. It was at least meritorious, and that is sufficient to subject it to the condemnation of such politicians as compose the Philadelphia "Hog Combine" and constitute the following of the Standard Oil Governor of Pennsylvania.

No better illustration of the demoralized condition of Pennsylvania Republicanism could be furnished than is presented in the fact that the State convention will be stampeded by a gang of roughs in the interest of GILKESON. It is represented that HASTINGS and his crowd are apprehensive of defeat in the convention, and are arranging to pack the hall with a rowdy element that will intimidate the delegates into electing GILKESON chairman of the State committee. This is the representation that is being sent out by the QUAY supporters. It is no doubt an exaggeration, but indicates the character of the fight that is going on. However there is every reason to expect the hottest kind of a time when the factions get together for the final scrap.

—Of the 897 votes cast at the primaries in Hazleton, on Saturday, HASTINGS got only 200. We know where two of these came from. The minister who made the Governor's inaugural prayer contributed them.

What Use for It, Anyhow?

Within the last few weeks large quantities of pig iron have been shipped from Sharon and other points in western Pennsylvania directly to England. In view of such a fact even the most thick-headed high tariff advocate may ask "what use is there for a tariff, anyhow?"

It has been belabored through Pennsylvania especially that if there was a manufacture that above all others needed the protection of a high tariff it was the iron manufacture. This was one of the representations that kept up the big Republican majorities in this State. All that was necessary was to send out a gang of howling speakers, proclaiming that the Democratic "free traders" intended to strike down the iron industry, and the bulk of the population of this State was stamped into voting the Republican ticket. HASTINGS and his corps of calamity wailers did that very thing last year, and a pretty experience the people have since had in the kind of Legislature and state administration that resulted from it.

The present condition of the iron industry is a nice commentary on all this howling. The Democrats have most materially reduced the tariff on iron. The average duty has been cut down at least one-half, with a beneficial rather than an injurious effect. The iron production has in consequence taken a decided boom; furnaces and works that were closed or partially suspended under the McKINLEY tariff have been put in operation with increased forces of workmen who are paid increased prices, and the crowning wonder is the exportation of pig iron to England, something that was never known nor even dreamed of under the highest Republican tariff.

In view of these facts it may indeed be asked, "what use is there for a tariff, anyhow?"

—The most patriotic speech that has been made in this broad land for years and one that should start all carping bigots to thinking was one delivered by a girl in a New York garret the other day. The great tailors' strike in that city, a strike not for better wages, but for more air, more light and more humanity, had enlisted the sympathy of the women workers who joined the men. As is usual the meetings of the strikers were frequented by walking delegates, those parasites of organized labor, and agitators of other stamps; among them was EMMA GOLDMAN, the notorious female Anarchist. She begged to address the tailoresses, at one of their meetings, and was promptly squelched by their president, Miss FREDMAN, a patriotic little Jewess, who said: "We are honest working girls, and you are not a working woman. We are able to take care of ourselves and we want no Anarchy here. We have lots of girls, who can talk just as well as you can, who will give us better advice, so you will please get out of the room."

Would that every organization in the land had a Miss FREDMAN at its head. There was more of "old glory" in those few sentences she uttered than all the wild harangues of paid patriots ever embody.

—It must be admitted that there was a combination of unfortunate circumstances for the "Combine" last Saturday in a number of counties. In Huntingdon the Governor was badly slashed by the BEAVER statesman scoring a sweeping victory. Considering that this happened in a county where one of his Superior judgeship appointments was intended to have a powerful effect it was a pointed rebuke to the Governor for attempting to use the courts for political purposes. The result in Clinton county also was not flattering to HASTINGS, and showed that she did not appreciate the honor of being the birth place of a "favorite son."

—State Senator PORTER, of Philadelphia, announces his intention to retire from politics. He no doubt feels that he can now afford to go out of political life after having made a very good thing of it. In combination with that other Philadelphia patriot and statesman, DAVID MARTIN, he has made politics pay, and can now retire for the enjoyment of private life, retaining, however, an interest in a number of profitable city contracts.

Was Dave Martin Tempted?

A large amount of space is occupied in the organs of the Republican faction by a controversy about an alleged proposition made by QUAY to DAVE MARTIN. It is charged on one side that QUAY sought an interview with MARTIN with the object of fixing up the difficulty that has broken out in the party. As an inducement for the head of the Philadelphia "Combine" to haul off and stop fighting, and to return to the old relations he bore to his former leader, QUAY is represented to have offered to stop the proceedings of the committee that has been appointed to Lexow the Philadelphia city government. He even offered, it is asserted, to send the committee to Europe at his own expense, in order to get them out of the road and prevent them from being troublesome.

This was certainly a very tempting offer, but the organs of the "Combine" allege that MARTIN, in the honesty and integrity of his nature, spurned it and defied the Boss to do his worst. Conscious of having manipulated the affairs of the city for the best interests of its citizens, and with the special object of preventing anything like crookedness in raiding the city treasury, he was not afraid of investigation, and he plainly told QUAY that that was the way he felt about it. Consequently he rejected the overtures that were made to him.

This is the story as told by the "Combine" organs. On the other hand QUAY denies having had such an interview with MARTIN and repudiates the entire story.

This incident is interesting to the public only in its showing the situation as it exists between the two factions. It is an evidence of the irreconcilable nature of the breach between them, and as such it is something over which those who want good government restored in this State have reason to rejoice.

—The Sisters of St. Joseph, who had been teaching in the public schools, in the vicinity of Gallitzin, and on whose account the religious garb bill was conceived, passed and approved, have just refused a request to continue teaching, so as to make a test case as to the constitutionality of the law. They say they have no desire to violate a law of the Commonwealth, however iniquitous it might be. The Sisters have shown more sense in this one conclusion than all the fanatical bigots, who are stirring up dissensions against them, can exhibit in a life time.

Letting Well Enough Alone.

There is every prospect that in the elections next year the Democrats will have the advantage of prosperous times. The people will be so well satisfied with the situation that they will be disposed to let well enough alone.

In regard to the tariff it will be found that the policy of a Democratic administration has had a beneficial effect. There can be no question that the impetus that has been given manufactures by the Wilson tariff will be continued, and that labor will be amply employed at good wages. With business booming and wages satisfactory, both labor and capital will be opposed to any tariff disturbance. There will be a general demand for a continuation of the industrial peace and business stability which a Democratic tariff policy has inaugurated.

The same condition and feeling will be found concerning the currency. The revival of business has relieved the monetary stringency. Money will be abundant for all the purposes of trade and industry, and in the easier circumstances that will exist the people will be content to wait for an extension of the use of silver through an international agreement.

The Republicans could be re-instated in power only by disturbing the improved situation. Their return to power could only mean the restoration of the McKINLEY tariff policy. They will ask the people to have the whole disturbing question fought over again in Congress and the business of the country enveloped in doubt and uncertainty.

The people will not be willing to have this done, but will prefer to let well enough alone.

Centre Sticks Up for Her Own.

From the Tyrone Times. Centre county remains true.—Philadelphia Press.

Yes, Centre county has always been true when any nomination was to be got by a Centre county man. Centre county Republicans never carry their county unless a Centre county Republican is a candidate. At other times Centre county remains true to the Democratic party. Centre county is just now true to the same instincts, and is doing her level best to put the Republican party into shape for being egregiously licked this fall; or so nearly so that it will be applying QUAY to come to the rescue. Thanks to the good sense of the remaining counties, Centre county will not be able to ruin Republican prosperity. The Republicans of this state will never discard their greatest leader for a nonentity in the shape of Gilkeson. Such an act of raving political insanity is impossible.

Encouragement from Tennessee.

From the Columbia Independent.

Representative McMillin, of Tennessee, is enthusiastic over the Democratic outlook in his State as well as in the country at large. He says: "The people of Tennessee are in the best of humor over the magnificent crop and the improved condition of business. Our iron furnaces are in active operation, and that is about the best evidence of business revival. I feel confident that a new era of industrial prosperity is about to set in, and twelve months from now we will have forgotten all about the great panic. In fact, it will be surprising if 1896 doesn't turn out to be a regular boom year. The good times will be a powerful ally of the Democratic party in next year's struggle. With the nation enjoying a high degree of prosperity it will be difficult to rob the party in power of the credit."

She Got the Hugging Later.

From the Osceola Leader-Courier.

The story now goes that a Philadelphia girl, while picking raspberries, met a bear among the briars. She turned to run and tore her dress on a briar so as to expose her patent wire bustle. The bear, mistaking the bustle for a circus cage, struck for tall timber, leaving the girl to go without hugging until a dry goods clerk closed his store at 8 o'clock that evening.

"Hauling Coals to New Castle."

From the New York World.

Shipments of 1,400 tons of fine pig iron from Ohio furnaces to England seem a little like "sending coals to Newcastle." It must seem rather hard on the "pauper labor of England." And a very neat satire it makes on the "protective" duty of forty cents a ton on iron ore exported from the House by Gorman and the other railroad and mine agents in the Senate.

Maybe They Were't Bloomers at All.

From the Clearfield Public Spirit.

That a Punxsutawney girl six feet tall, who is visiting in Clearfield, appeared the other evening in red flannel bloomers, and set an example of beauty that Clearfield girls should strive to imitate.

Judge Williamson Wins.

HUNTINGDON, Aug. 6.—The Republican county convention here to-day nominated George B. Orlandy for superior court, Judge W. M. Williamson for district judge, R. A. Laird for associate judge and T. J. C. Ripple for sheriff. Thomas W. Montgomery and Frank H. Henderson were elected delegates to the State convention with instructions for Quay.

Quay's Day in Crawford County.

MEADVILLE, Pa., Aug. 6.—To-day was Quay's day in Crawford county at the Republican primary election. Five Quay candidates were in the field, with no organized opposition. The delegates probably elected are Julius Byler, of Titusville; Oliver Saeger, Frank P. Ray and Wesley Best, of Meadville.

Franklin County for Quay.

CHAMBERSBURG, Aug. 6.—The three Franklin county delegates to the Republican state convention, who were elected before the opening of the big factional fight, met to-day and pledged themselves to support Senator Quay for chairman of the state committee.

More Quay Delegates Chosen.

HARRISBURG, Aug. 6.—W. B. Meach, J. H. Milhenny and George R. Dennison were elected delegates to the state convention by the Republican county convention to-day. They were unopposed, but are favorable to Senator Quay for state chairman.

Elk County Republicans for Quay.

RIDGWAY, Pa., Aug. 5.—The Elk county Republican convention held here to-day was harmonious and the delegates elected were instructed for Senator Quay.

Spawls from the Keystone

—Easton Grand Army men will hold a big picnic on September 27.

—Tobias Pottsdamer committed suicide by drowning near Pottsville.

—Herbert Kreider fell from a bridge at Reading and was fatally injured.

—Whooping cough is terribly severe in some parts of Clearfield county.

—A lost boy found tramping the streets of Easton refuses to give his name.

—Samuel J. Etter fell under a trolley car at Lancaster and had a leg cut off.

—Hallstones as big as hickory nuts fell near Lancaster during Sunday's storm.

—Engineer Funk was killed by his engine jumping the track near Finlayville.

—Because George Sholl struck his sister, at Shamokin, John Hummels shot him in the leg.

—Daniel Curtis, a Scranton tailor, dropped dead at Hazleton, while walking the streets.

—Judge Pershing will do all he can to suppress the issuance of bogus mine certificates.

—The son of Joseph Berger has been lost in the woods, near Stroudsburg since Sunday.

—The Knights of the Mystic Chain will hold a reunion at Houtzdale, on Saturday August 31st.

—George Yeager, charged with the murder of Daniel Stetzel, at Reading has been discharged.

—Printer William Woods, of Rankin, near Pittsburg, fell from a train and was fatally injured.

—Gamblers have become bold enough in the vicinity of Pottsville to work the shell game on Sunday.

—Mrs. John L. High, who mysteriously disappeared from Reading, has been found near Lancaster.

—Burglars made away with valuable silverware from the residence of William Freeman, at Williamsport.

—Frank Heller, of Williamsport, is charged with bigamy by one of his deserted wives living in that city.

—G. D. Gearhart has been appointed fourth-class post-master at Natalie, vice G. T. S. Weiden, resigned.

—Employees extinguished the fire in the Pettebone shaft of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Coal Company.

—John Irving was fatally and John Danko seriously burned by an explosion of natural gas near Stroudsburg.

—Coal inspector Purdevant, of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, was killed in the round houses at Wilkesbarre.

—Engineer Herman Myers was killed and Fireman John Fetz frightfully scalded by a boiler explosion, at Pockville.

—Governor Hastings appointed Gwilyn M. Williams, of Wilkesbarre, inspector of mines in the Fourth Anthracite district.

—The State Board of Agriculture will investigate an alleged epidemic of Texas fever among cattle in Huntingdon County.

—The Grand Army men of Lancaster, Lebanon, Berks, York and Chester Counties will have a reunion at Lancaster in October.

—Moses Labar, who abducted 14-year old Lydia Counterman, at Stroudsburg, has been arrested, and the girl returned to her home.

—Patterson Danner, aged 13, and Frank Kirke, aged 10 years, ran away from their homes, at Harrisburg, and were caught in New York.

—Rev. W. M. Jennings, pastor of the Baptist church at Curwensville, has received a call from the Memorial Baptist church of Altoona.

—The reunion of the 49th regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers will be held in Huntingdon on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 15th and 16th.

—The State Order of Chosen Friends, held its convention at Altoona Tuesday and elected S. K. Wagner, of Latrobe, a delegate to the Supreme Council.

—One of the female bookbooles of Williamsport caused a scene in that city, by being too familiar with a married man whose wife objected to the intimacy.

—The 5-year old son of Councilman Kane, of Pittston, struck a percussion cap with a stone and was perhaps fatally injured by the explosion that followed.

—The Conestoga Boulevard, over a mile in length, will be opened this week and will afford the people of Lancaster one of the best advantages in the State.

—The employees of Leisenring & Co.'s colliery, at Minersville, have agreed to devote one day's wages to the family of any employee meeting death by accident.

—Because the noise of its machinery drove tenants out of the Exchange Hotel at Reading the Metropolitan Electric Light Company has been sued for damages.

—Judgments were entered in Hollidaysburg Friday for \$16,000 against Charles T. Askew & Co., a prominent clothing and dry goods firm of Altoona. Executions for \$3,900 were issued to the sheriff.

—Though North Manheim Township School District has \$2900 in its treasury, and 4 mills are levied for school purposes, the school Board voted down a resolution to increase the school term from six to seven months.

—Catholic priests in the western part of the state have united in asking Bishop Phelan to have the order of St. Vincent at Latrobe stop brewing beer. The order is very old and large and is worth \$60,000,000.

—A Stroudsburg editor says one of Henry Bragger's cows recently gave birth to a creature that has the body and legs of a calf and the front feet of a goose, with toes and claws. It also has wings and has a bill. It has feathers on its head instead of hair. It bleats in the day like a calf and at night utters cries like a goose.

—John M. Reynolds of Bedford, owns the Spring Meadow farm, which contains over four hundred acres, mostly bottom land, and on which one of the most wonderful springs of the country has been located and developed. This spring, from which the farm and the post office derive their names, is almost three quarters of an acre in size, and the water is from three to fifteen feet deep. It is remarkably clear the smallest pebbles being visible at its greatest depth.