

Ink Slings.

Now the proudly strutting turkey is growing slightly jerky...

The new woman will have her own weigh if she has to drop a nickle in the slot to get it.

A vote for MILLER means a vote for a man who is in no wise competent to fill the office he seeks.

Remember that you can vote for only six candidates for judge of the superior court. The supreme court has ruled thus.

SHERMAN'S book, like SHERMAN'S march to the sea, is a work that will tickle his friends and embitter his enemies.

A cold storage company at Wilkesbarre has gone into the hands of receivers. This chilly weather probably precipitated such a move.

The old woman tactics of the Gazette are creating much laughter among the people who read that paper.

The announcement that a five per cent dividend has been declared in favor of the Keystone national bank...

The Blair county commissioner, who has been convicted of malfeasance in office, will realize that public office is a public trust.

A Kansas theatrical company is playing the "fatted calf" through the West. The ambiguity of the name leads us to wonder whether it isn't an advertising dodge of some pad manufacturing concern.

The latest gossip among writers has it that MAX O'RELL intends to retire and live in seclusion for the rest of his days.

Republican political tactics will corrupt anyone. The latest is from Ohio where a minister, who wanted to be re-elected to the Legislature, offered to sell his vote to a Democratic nominee for United States Senator for \$1,500.

Do the voters of Centre county intend electing QUIGLEY to be district attorney? Vote for him if you want to endorse HASTINGS the man who made it possible for the Standard oil company to take whatever it pleases from your pockets.

Mrs. JAMES BROWN POTTER has declared that "society is shallow, dull and heart breaking, and art is the only thing worth living for."

If the Gazette thinks the fact of Governor HASTINGS having bestowed his friendship on QUIGLEY is enough to warrant that young man's election to the district attorneyship, its editor ought to talk to some Republicans in this town who reveled in this friendship.

The fellows who are continually poking fun at mother-in-laws will find a boomerang in the fact that JOHN S. WRIGHT, of Burnside, Pa., who has to answer a charge of counterfeiting could find only one person in the country who would bail him.

Wednesday's Pittsburg Times, the Republican administration paper in the western part of the State, came out with a long account of CARNEGIE'S having secured a contract to furnish 1,100 tons of double forged armor plate to the Russian government.

A candidate who is too dumb to distinguish an unnaturalized Hungarian from an intelligent looking American voter ought to be ashamed to ask the people of Centre county to make him their district attorney.

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To Your Tents, O Israel!

Democrats, it will be only about ten days from the day this issue of the WATCHMAN reaches you until the election!

Do you realize how short the time is?

Do you appreciate the importance of the questions at issue here in Centre county?

Do you fully conceive of the work that is to be done?

In their cowardly, quiet way—the same way in which a skunk robs your hen roost—the Republicans are working to steal the county again.

They are doubly anxious to succeed this fall in order that a different result may not be taken as a rebuke to their state administration. This is their great fear.

They don't want Centre county—the home of Governor HASTINGS—to speak out against his coal oil legislation; against the increased state expenditures that have been created since he became Governor, or against the general debauchery, extravagance and corruption that have characterized his administration.

The truth is, the leaders of the Republican party here, in the county, wouldn't care a bobee if both their local and state tickets were snowed under to the extent of 1,500 majority if it wasn't that they fear the result would reflect upon their Governor and his acts.

They are as sick of paying twelve cents a gallon for the oil that furnishes them light as are the Democrats. They feel the extra taxes required to pay the increased salaries of Republican officials as well as do Democrats.

They have local candidates, neither of whom deserve their party support and neither of whom are competent to fill the positions they were named for, and were it not for the political effect on the aspirations of Governor HASTINGS, that an overwhelming reversal of last fall's majority would have, they would gladly see the county go back to its former Democratic standing and would offer no resistance.

But with all the resistance they can offer; with all the sneaking work they can do; with all the appeals they can make to the rank and file of their party, they can't get the honest people of this county to say by their vote or by staying away from the elections, that they approve of a party, and its legislation, that almost doubled the cost of every man's light in the county; that added to the taxes of every man upon the tax list; that placed the entire State at the mercy of corporations and that refused to do the slightest thing for the farmers, the laborer or the public generally.

You have it in your power, Democrats, to say whether this county will endorse by its vote, the sins, the shortcomings and the outrages upon the tax-payers by the last Republican Legislature and its Governor. You have the vote to rebuke, repudiate and condemn them, if you get it out. It will take some work, but who among you will refuse to do his full share to show what this county thinks of the acts we have referred to. Scores of honest Republicans stand ready to help you. Times and circumstances are in your favor. Your manhood, your self-respect, to say nothing of your own interest or fealty to your party, calls you to go to work and show that no quiet-sneaking, midnight efforts, on the part of your opponents, can place your county in the position of endorsing an administration and Legislature that everyone of you condemn from the bottom of your hearts.

Democrats, to work! See your neighbors! Get them to work! Get home those who are away! Arrange to have every Democrat at the polls, and show the world what Centre county thinks of corporate subservience, official extravagance and coal oil legislation.

Why He Should be Rebuked.

The reason given by the Republican county leaders why this county should give a Republican majority this fall is the very strongest reason why it should roll up an old time Democratic majority.

HASTINGS having carried the county a year ago his supporters contend that a Democratic majority this year would be construed as a reprimand of his state administration, which they claim ought not to be.

But does not HASTINGS, both as a politician and as an executive officer, deserve rebuke?

Should he not be rebuked for the misrepresentations he made in last year's campaign, when he sounded the howl of calamity through the State, and deceived the people in regard to the cause of the business depression?

Should he not be rebuked for the efforts he made to retard the return of prosperity in order to gain a political advantage, and for his misrepresenting the Democratic tariff policy which has since revived the industries of the country?

Does he not deserve a reprimand for his profligate increase of the state expenses; for the unnecessary offices created and salaries enlarged, in which he was chiefly instrumental; for the prostitution of his executive power to such corporations as the Standard oil company, the city street railway combinations, and other monopolies of like character?

Is he not worthy of the severest rebuke for so using his official signature that light is made dearer in every household, and laboring men going to and from their work on street cars must pay increased fare?

Should not censure be heaped upon him for fastening a useless and expensive court upon the State for no other object than to set up a political machine that will drag the judiciary through the mire of partisan politics?

Will his supporters have the face to ask the people of this county to give a Republican majority in order that such a record as this may be endorsed? Does not such a record deserve the severest rebuke that can be given by the heaviest Democratic majority?

An Iron-Clad Fact.

At this particular juncture it is well to ponder on the fact that in the year of our Lord, 1895, under a Democratic tariff, the United States has taken the lead of all other iron producing countries.

During the month of September, just past, the 229 furnaces in blast reached the tremendous weekly output of 200,000 tons. Just think of what an immense amount of iron that is, the labor it furnishes and the wealth it produces. There can be no question about its quality, as it was produced under a Democratic policy. Democratic iron seldom, if ever, has any blow holes in it.

The September output of iron is 50,000 tons more per week than in the corresponding month last year, and it is away ahead of the best year of the McKINLEY period.

It will be difficult for the Republican politicians to explain away these facts. They are too big to be pooh-poohed, and too plain to be overcome by misrepresentation. This clean cut, unvarnished, undeniable fact stands out in bold relief, that with the removal of almost half the Republican duties on iron, the largest production of that metal is attained; and this has been accomplished, not by any disadvantage imposed upon the workmen, but by a reduction of their wages to make up for the loss of "protection," but the daily wage has been actually increased.

Republican high tariff theory is knocked out by this hard-fisted Democratic fact.

There are many, very many, reputable soldiers here about Bellefonte, who know Mr. A. V. MILLER. Why didn't he get some of these as vouchers to his integrity as a soldier and to the fair treatment of his men, in place of falling back on ex-politician FOLK? Everybody here knows JOSHUA well, and because they do is what surprises them at MILLER referring to him as a certifier of disputed statement.

What Is Involved.

This is a quiet election, but it involves a great deal that is of practical interest to the voters. It presents to them an opportunity to determine whether an outrageously extravagant and profligate administration of the State government is worthy of their approval or their condemnation.

Will they cast their votes in such a way that the result of the election will be construed as an approval of the increase in the number of state officials and the enlargement of salaries that have added many thousands to the annual expenses of the state government?

Will they deliberately go to the polls and disclose by their ballots that they approve of the DELANEY profligacy in the management of the public grounds and buildings, and the reckless extravagance in furnishing the executive mansion?

Will their suffrage be exercised in commendation of the partisan job that has imposed a useless court upon the State at an expense of many thousands of dollars?

Will their elective franchise be used to endorse a policy of treasury management that keeps four millions of the State funds in favored banks to draw interest that is divided between the bankers and the treasury ring, while the public schools and charitable institutions must wait until these speculators with the public funds are ready to hand over the money out of which they are making a private profit?

The following are the official figures of the appropriations made for the different departments of the state government, for the first year of the HASTINGS administration, in excess of what was required for the last year of the PATTERSON administration:

Table with 2 columns: Department and Amount. Includes Governor's office, State Department, Auditor General's office, etc.

Will any voter who has regard for the financial interest of the State, as well as for his own personal interest as a tax-payer, deliberately and in his sane mind, go to the polls and put in a ballot that will endorse such reckless, extravagant and indecent waste of public money?

A vote cast for the Republican ticket will be such an endorsement. There is no getting away from it. It will be that, and nothing else.

A Great Campaign Factor.

There is apparently but little being done by either party in this campaign, but in reality the work that is being effected on the side of the Democracy is immense. There is no noise attending it. It is not accompanied by torch lights or brass bands. It does not require the expenditure of campaign money. Silent, unobtrusive, it nevertheless is doing campaign service with immense effect.

This great campaign worker is the Democratic tariff. When the people see that under its influence business has revived, mills and factories are overrun with orders, workmen are fully employed, and their wages have been increased, no campaign speeches that could be addressed to them could appeal more powerfully in behalf of the party whose policy is producing such satisfactory results.

Its appeal to the voters is the more powerful because it was but so recently that HASTINGS and his corps of calamity howlers went through the State claiming that this tariff had ruined the industries and prostrated the business interests.

The people allowed themselves to be deceived last year, but the very grossness of the deception, as now exposed by the beneficent effects of the tariff that was so shamefully misrepresented in last year's campaign, is turning the public mind in the right political direction.

It is in this way that the Democratic tariff is doing great campaign work.

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

Hastings and the Miners.

From the Philadelphia Times.

"The miners of the Clearfield soft coal field must see by this time that something is wrong with the statements of the orators during last year's campaign. They know that within three weeks after the election their wages were reduced ten per cent. The miners likewise know that they have suffered from two reductions since then and that during the past three months if the average pay was four dollars a week it was a good one. The tariff of fifty cents a ton is still on the schedule. It was never taken off and when the advice of the orators to vote to keep it on was given there was no chance to remove it. Yet the Cape Breton miners of Nova Scotia, where coal is free and open in competition with the markets of the world, are paid 69 cents a ton, equal to \$65 or \$75 a month. This is quite a difference over the Clearfield rate of 35 cents a ton and a possible \$25 a month. The Clearfield miners have doubtless learned by experience that the tariff is a tax bounty in which they have no share."

Thus another Republican promise has been broken. Candidate Hastings last fall was very solicitous about the welfare of the miners, and in pathetic tones pleaded that those hard working coal diggers should give him their votes for governor, as by so doing good times would be assured them. While the few who understand the tariff question, see the ridiculousness of claiming that a state administration can control the laws of supply and demand and of regulating the tariff rates, yet all will remember that the tariff question was the burden of Candidate Hastings' talks. Deceived by his arguments that the tariff was the supreme issue in the State campaign, the miners voted for Hastings. What has been the result? Reductions and strikes! The workingmen did as they were urged to do; now let Governor Hastings explain why, instead of the good times he assured them, they have only become more and more poverty stricken.

But Governor Hastings cannot give a satisfactory explanation. But the people can see the deception that was practiced. Punish it by cutting aloof from the Republican party of falsifiers and deceivers. Vote the straight Democratic ticket.

Mirages Seen Not Far Away.

From the Glen Campbell Comet.

On Tuesday afternoon a railroad boss on the P. & E. railroad near this place, witnessed a very strange sight; one not often seen in this section. He stated to us it was about 3 o'clock on the day mentioned when his eyes were attracted by a picture (as he called it) in the sky northeast of this place, which was a perfect likeness of the large cut at McGee's Mills, and just as he was watching it with wonder, he was still more surprised to see an explosion in the cut, and still more surprised to hear the report of the explosion in a few seconds later in the direction of McGee's.

He claims he distinctly saw the smoke and rock flying through the air. The above was related to us Wednesday by the gentleman who witnessed the strange sight, but we are unable to give the gentleman's name after securing it, on account of mistaking our pass book. The cut which he claims to have seen, is the one in which five men lost their lives three months ago.

One day recently, as Mrs. D. H. Bee, of Marion Centre, was watching the clouds in the sky, she saw a mirage, or reflection, in the sky which looked like two gentlemen in a buggy passing along. So distinct was the mirage that one man wore a plug hat, and the harness on the horse could be plainly seen. This is a very rare occurrence in this part of the country.

Six for Us and Half a Dozen for John Bull.

From the Lancaster Intelligencer.

Scare headlines in many papers announce aggressive action on the part of the British in Venezuela, but it is reassuring to hear the comment of the British Westminster Gazette that if the Monroe doctrine is ever questioned by European powers Great Britain will be found with the United States in support of that doctrine, and not against it. This appears to mean that John Bull has given up all hope of grabbing any more territory in America, but is exceedingly anxious to hang on to all that he can possibly imagine to be his.

A Citizen's Duty.

From the Doylestown Democrat.

It is a duty you owe the Commonwealth as a citizen and a true man to go to the polls on the 5th of November and assert yourself for honest government. Let no excuse keep you away from the polls, and let no petty party boss persuade you that quay and misrule can give to the people of Pennsylvania a respectable and honest administration of its affairs.

A Misfortune Indeed.

From Truth.

If there's any mishap that can wring from the soul an anguished and heart-rending wail, 'Tis to patiently wait for the sun to come, and then find that she's lowered her veil!

Spawls from the Keystone.

-It snowed Monday at Hazleton. -A train near Shamokin ran over and killed Mrs. John Deshay.

-Brakeman Thomas O'Brien at Pottsville lost both feet under a train.

-A fall of coal in a Shenandoah mine crushed to death Albert DeKrelin.

-Some orchards in Westmoreland county contain 5,000 bushels of apples.

-When sentenced for tampering with a witness at Easton Edwin Schug fainted.

-Safe crackers got \$150 from S. S. Jones' office at Shrewsbury, York county.

-A reunion of the survivors of Scott's artillery will be held to day at Hazleton.

-A trolley car at Harrisburg dangerously injured Jacob Long, of Mechanicsburg.

-Thieves stole \$150 worth of clothing from George F. Spangler's store, at Catawissa.

-The Eisenhower Dam, at Morea, is the only source of water supply Pottsville has left.

-The Attorney General during the last three months collected for the State only \$16,704.55.

-It was necessary to flood the burning mine at Plymouth Tuesday but the fire is not out.

-In a fight at Lebanon, Benjamin S. Kenan was dangerously stabbed by Phil McConnell.

-Robert Blanchard, the fifth victim of the recent Wilkesbarre mine explosion, died Saturday.

-Northampton county Institute opened Monday at Easton with Superintendent Hoch presiding.

-Johnstown is experiencing a building boom at present. Many new residences are being erected.

-Anti-toxine is credited with greatly reducing the death rate from diphtheria in Allegheny county.

-The alleged Scranton murderer, Crisengo Merola, was brought home from New England Saturday.

-John Mortocicco was convicted at Easton of killing Orifrio Sacchetti and sent to prison for five and a half years.

-The proprietor of the suspender factory at Williamsport says the plant will not be removed from that city.

-General John R. Dobson, of Phoenixville, has been placed on the roll of retired officers of the National Guard.

-Managers of two Pittsburg railway companies fixed a day for stockholders to hold the proposed consolidation.

-Of 213 public school teachers in Columbia county, 241 Monday attended the Teachers' Institute at Bloomsburg.

-After a trial lasting a week, John Wisniski was convicted at Scranton of second degree murder for killing Felix Davidjsk.

-John S. Scallin, a well known ball player died at Ocochea, on Friday. He was centre fielder for the Lancaster club this season.

-Harry, son of Rev. M. L. Smith, of Huntingdon, shot four turkeys and five squirrels on the first day of the present hunting season.

-Governor Hastings has granted a respite until November 26 for A. W. Woodley, who was to have been hanged in Allegheny county Tuesday.

-J. J. Murphy, of Pottsville, has been appointed Deputy Revenue Collector of Schuylkill county, vice Alexander McDonald, of Hecksesherville.

-John O. Boyle, of Pottsville, who stumbled over a loose board at Mahanoy City and was injured, was awarded \$1000 damages against the borough.

-Survivors of General Gobin's regiment, the 6th, held a reunion at Harrisburg and elected Francis Danefier, of Allentown, president.

-It is stated that the shops of the Tuscarora valley railroad will be built at Blair's Mills, Huntingdon county, the present terminus of the road.

-The Keystone wheel club, Williamsport, has disbanded after a four years' existence. All the club's property has been disposed of at private sale.

-The site selected by the Commissioners upon which to erect the Pottsville Public Building has been approved of by Secretary Carlisle at Washington.

-It is said that Colonel Colquitt, Chief of Internal Revenue Agents, will report that the charges against Collector Grant Herring, at Scranton, were unfounded.

-Fifty railway companies in the State have made their reports to the Secretary of Internal Affairs. They are due November 1, with a \$5000 penalty for any delay.

-The Philadelphia express on the Pennsylvania railroad Friday night struck and killed Archie Hammond, a colored man, whose residence was at Pottsville.

-Andrew Patrick, of Glen Campbell, has invented an excellent mining car brake and they are now being placed on the Glenwood coal company's cars at that place.

-The Evangelical Association filed two bills in equity against the United Evangelical Association to oust the latter from the churches at Tower City and Tremont.

-President H. J. Hoffman, of the Hollman File Company, Pittsburg, and wanted at Chicago for alleged perjury on a \$4800 contract, gave himself up in New York city.

-The work of turning the Baltimore Southern Railroad into a broad gauge track has been completed at Delta, and the people there celebrated the event Tuesday.

-J. D. Hatch, of Lake Pleasant, Erie county, dug 228 bushels of potatoes from three fourths of an acre of ground and H. C. Titus raised 13 bushels of corn from six rods of ground.

-The Huntingdon News says that when the boiler at the Juniata sand works exploded during the fire, a freight train was passing within about fifty feet of the burning building. The red hot iron fragments struck the cars and set one of them on fire, but the flames were extinguished. A brakeman was standing on top of a car and was knocked down by the force of the explosion but was uninjured.