

Ink Slings.

The Emperor of Germany made two speeches last week. Wind is wind, the world over.

If Massachusetts must have a man in line for presidential lightning, why not BARRETT? He would be the least loss.

Mr. Secretary OLNEY, having launched his little boom-let, it kind o' makes ex-Governor RUSSELL's bee a dismal gloom-let.

All this fuss about ROENTGEN and his discovery is unwarranted, why there isn't a gambler alive who hasn't seen X rays for years.

MCKINLEY seems to have the pull on the Georgia delegation to the St. Louis convention, but that won't pull him through by a great deal.

When Brooklyn women "refuse to meet BERNHART as a woman" they arouse curiosity as to an anatomical condition that is hard to explain.

The indications point to an early adjournment of Congress. That body seems to have concluded, with Senator SMITH, of New Jersey, that "the most popular thing it can do is to adjourn."

The Philadelphia papers are having a great time fixing up who is to be the next representative in Congress from this district. Useless worry. When the time comes the Democrats of Centre, Clarion, Clearfield, Elk and Forest counties will settle the question.

The days of hero making are done. Every man has to push himself up in these times. It often proves as futile as the attempt of the fellow to lift himself by his boot straps, but men can't find time, in the general scramble for eminence, to put their shoulders under others as they used to do.

The late talk of the silver Republicans breaking away from the regular organization of the g. o. p., unless it adopts the bimetallic plank, at the ratio of 15 1/2 to 1, might result in putting a silver lining to the dark cloud that has been lowering over the Democracy and casting shadows over its hopes.

Bellefonte gets notoriety in almost every way, but no one will believe the latest report to the city papers that the town is getting so good that church congregations are piling collection baskets to overflowing with silver and greenbacks. Such carrying on would be decidedly unheard of and noteworthy, but Bellefonte ain't guilty.

Several weeks ago the WATCHMAN asserted, when it was mentioned that the Governor's conversion to QUAY would make him United States Senator, that CAMERON would succeed himself. We didn't expect such a turn to be taken so soon, but it is the fact that DOX is laying his plans for another term, and he will get it too.

A significant latin quotation was that: "timeo Danaos et dona ferentes," which QUAY sent to a friend in Philadelphia, the other day, in answer to the latter's query as to whether it would not prove advantageous to make some of the late recruits from the combine camp national delegates. While its translation is thus: "I fear the Greeks even when bearing gifts," there is a significant similarity between that word "Danaos" and the sur-name of a certain recent flopper to the QUAY cause.

The hopeless defeat of the Republican tariff bill, in the Senate, on Tuesday, is evidence conclusive that the Republicans fear the result of tampering with a law that is becoming more satisfactory every day. Since convening they have not done a thing but pass appropriation bills and the probability of adjournment without any more legislative action to their credit is growing greater with every succeeding session of Congress. There is great ground for Democratic hope in this, because they are spiking their own guns on the question of a do-nothing Congress and bad as was the body that sat in the 53rd its work will prove very salutary to Democracy, when compared with that of the 54th.

The Democrats of Centre county are confronted with a condition that only the most judicious action and the greatest prudence will enable them to dissolve. There need be no occasion for alarm as to the result of next fall's election if the men who have it in their power to do so will forget selfish personal interests in a wholesome Democratic desire for party good. The Democracy must be represented by a ticket the personal of which will rally every element to its support. Old sores must be left in their healing condition, for just as sure as there is an inclination to involve the party in local fights there will be disastrous results. We are not discouraged by the out-look. On the contrary issues are so shaping that in national politics there is much of encouragement and it would be a fatal mistake to leave the county drift into a condition of disruption when discretion in action at this time would prevent such a disaster.

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Cameron and His Silver Question.

The Republican papers of Philadelphia and Lancaster county that are demanding a vote of censure on Senator CAMERON for the position he has taken on the silver question, the Philadelphia Press, for instance, saying that he has "humiliated and disgraced" the Republicans of Pennsylvania, are talking very foolishly in view of the fact that it is not known what the position of the Republican party is on the silver question.

In what way has CAMERON disgraced the party by his course in regard to silver when that party has no avowed policy or unequivocal standing on that issue? There is not one of the presidential candidates that is not afraid to declare his sentiments on the silver question. They can't be coaxed into opening their heads on that subject. Their leading candidate, TOM REED, however, is known to have proposed a scheme by which free silver and a high tariff should be hitched together as a Joint Republican issue.

All recent Republican platforms have been mere straddles of the silver issue. At this very moment the free silver element is in control of the United States Senate, because the Republicans allowed them to have it as part of a bargain. Republican Senators are the very backbone of the silver force in the Senate, and last week when the bond bill was overhauled in that body by a free silver substitute the Republican Senators who helped to do it included CARTER, the chairman of the Republican national committee.

In view of that fact don't Republican editors make asses of themselves in demanding that CAMERON should be reprimanded for having "humiliated and disgraced" the Republicans of Pennsylvania on the silver question, when the party itself has a record on that issue which, on account of its equivocation, dishonesty and cowardice, ought to be a humiliation and disgrace to a party that has any pretensions to a reputation.

CAMERON has at least been consistent. For years he has been known to be in favor of what is called "cheap money." There was no doubt as to his silver views when a Republican Legislature re-elected him to the Senate, for he never attempted to conceal them. When a Republican state convention declared itself in favor of "cheap money," as it did in the HASTINGS campaign, by demanding a circulation of \$40 per capita, it would not be very becoming for the convention this year to reprimand CAMERON for supporting the same kind of monetary doctrine by his silver policy.

Another Jingo Falshood Exposed.

The jingo politicians who have been abusing the President by gross misrepresentations of his foreign policy, have again been brought to grief, if not to shame, though it can hardly be believed that shame is a feeling which they are capable of experiencing.

Among the subjects of vilification to which the President was subjected by his unscrupulous detractors, was the WALLER case, in which he was represented as neglecting the rights of an American citizen who was suffering wrongful imprisonment at the hands of the French authorities. Since his release, which was brought about by the earnest interference of the state department, WALLER himself says: "I am grateful for this opportunity to thank the President of the United States, the state department at Washington, and United States ambassador EUSTIS, as well as secretary VIGNAUD and NEWTON EUSTIS, of the United States embassy, the latter of whom visited me at the prison."

He has great reason to be thankful, for the documents in his case show that his conduct rendered him clearly amenable to punishment at the hands of the French authorities, and it was only through the earnest solicitation of the administration that his pardon was granted as an act of grace and a matter of courtesy to this government, otherwise he would have suffered the full penalty of his offense.

Thus the utter viciousness of another jingo misrepresentation is exposed.

The Philadelphia Inquirer has developed a surprising littleness in its recent attempts to strike the late combine leader through The Pennsylvania State College.

Quay's Presidential Candidacy.

It can't be possible that MATR. QUAY is in earnest in his presidential candidacy. Venturesome politician as he is, he would hardly venture to expose his tattooed reputation to the merciless scoring it would be subjected to in a presidential contest. He is far from being thin skinned, but he hasn't the hide of a rhinoceros, and it may be believed that he would fear to encounter such an ordeal.

His boom, therefore, may be regarded as a trick to cover an ulterior purpose. With the Pennsylvania delegation instructed for him he secures the ownership of it, and can use it in any trade that may insure his own political advantage. By a judicious dicker he can manage to exert a commanding influence in the distribution of the spoils, if the candidate with whom the deal is made should be elected, by which not only his henchmen may be provided for, but a cabinet position secured for himself.

It is not at all likely that the QUAY boom is intended for any other purpose; yet the pretense is made that he is an actual candidate, and we have the contemptible spectacle of his henchmen largely endorsing him, as if there was an earnest intention on his part to secure the nomination. There could not possibly be a more miserable exhibit of abject subservency than the letter, signed by all the Pennsylvania Republican Congressmen but three, addressed to the Boss, urging and endorsing his candidacy, which, whether intended as a sham or a reality, is disgraceful to the endorsers.

Twenty-five of the twenty-eight representatives from Pennsylvania, headed by that old fossilized political fraud, GALUSHA A. GROW, and tailed by the apology for a representative from this district, solicit the most corrupt and dissolute politician of the country to be a candidate for the high office of President of the United States, and pledge themselves to assist in elevating him to the position that has been occupied by WASHINGTON, JEFFERSON, LINCOLN and GRANT, and is now so honorably filled by GROVER CLEVELAND.

Could there be a more disgusting exhibit of servility to boss rule, or a more striking illustration of the low level to which Republican sentiment has been reduced?

Smothered in the Senate.

Senator ALDRICH is the Republican manager of the tariff legislation in Congress, and his admission, which was made on Monday, that the DINGLEY tariff bill is dead, it having been smothered to death under the Senate's free-coinage substitute, announces the termination of a congressional farce that deserved no better end.

This tariff bill was gotten up by REED and his associates to put the Democrats in a hole. The President had asked this Congress for legislation that would provide the administration with means to maintain the public credit. The Republican managers thought it would be a good time to slip in a tariff bill pretending that it was what the President had asked for. They called it a revenue measure, but it was a high tariff MCKINLEY dodge figuring under a disguise.

It has not answered its purpose of putting the Democrats in a hole, but has placed its originators in a very awkward dilemma. It passed the House with a rush, it having taken but three hours and forty minutes to put it through, but it has been lying in the Senate for weeks and has at last been put out of the way by the Populists and silverites substituting a free coinage bill for it.

The fate of this tariff bill indicates what will be the outcome of the general proceedings of this Congress. It is a body that was elected on a fraudulent issue and its entire course will be a fraud. By the time it winds up its sessions it will have pretty thoroughly ruined the presidential prospects which the Republicans have been counting on as a dead certainty.

The Pittsburg Times will kindly bear in mind that it admitted, editorially, a few days ago, that the business "panic is a memory in the East." There should be no calamity howl from that quarter now.

Contrasted Foreign Policies.

It is really encouraging to observe the progress which the English mind is making towards the conclusion that the Venezuela boundary dispute has got to be settled by arbitration. When President CLEVELAND notified the English government that that was the way in which the matter in controversy would have to be adjusted, the English people flew into a passion at what they considered impudent interference. But they have greatly cooled down on the subject. Parliament has met since then and some of the more sensible and clearer headed members, particularly SIR WILLIAM VERNON HARCOURT, have shown up the absurdity of the claim that England's position in the case is incontestable. When it is shown in the House of Commons that the boundary line has been changed seven times by the British authorities during the pendency of the contention, and every time as an encroachment upon Venezuela's territory, it is beginning to dawn even upon the dull English intellect that England has been engaged in a dirty job of land stealing from which she must back out as gracefully as she can.

This is a great triumph for the foreign policy of this administration, probably the greatest that was ever achieved by the state department since the formation of our government. This English land-pirating had been going on while the Republicans were in power without anything being done to stop it, but GROVER brings it up with a round turn by a single message.

What has any Republican administration got to show that will begin to compare with this achievement. However, we ought not to overlook the brilliancy of HARRISON's achievement in the line of foreign policy. His administration was distinguished by two dazzling performances. It is a matter of history how he pushed the Behring sea claim with such effect that the arbitrators found damages in favor of England to the amount of \$4,500,000, and laughed out of court the Harrisonian claim that the United States owns the seals in Behring's sea in the same sense that a farmer owns the pigs in his barn yard. Oh, it was a magnificent Republican interpretation of international law. It was a splendid stroke of Republican diplomacy. They went for damages and got muled to the amount of nearly five million dollars by disinterested arbitrators.

Another, and the only other case of foreign policy during the HARRISON administration, was the sneaking conspiracy in which it engaged for the overthrow of a friendly government in the Hawaiian island, with which we were at perfect peace at the time. Not only were the American minister and the American navy employed in this conspiracy, but the American flag was prostituted to the dirty business of setting up a government of foreign adventurers and sugar speculators against the wishes of nine-tenths of the legitimate inhabitants of the islands.

These were the only two performances, the Behring sea fiasco and the Hawaiian conspiracy, that illuminated the foreign policy of the HARRISON administration. How does it compare with CLEVELAND's bringing the proud British nation to its knees?

The adoption of the LINTON amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, on Monday, ought to be the cause of much gratification to all people. There is every reason to believe that an end has been made of the dangerous practice of appropriating public money to sectarian schools as it is hardly probable that another attempt will ever be made to procure appropriations for such purposes. It was happily settled on Monday and the question is one that all will be inclined to leave buried in the satisfactory grave that has been made for it.

The BOOTH's are out of the salvation army in America. When they took command the army was looked upon as a most ridiculous organization and was held up as a thing of public contempt. To day it is a powerful engine of christianity and its good effects are being realized, daily, in nearly every city in the land. The salvation army reaches a class of people that no other christian agency under the sun can touch.

Ephemeral Fame.

Cripple Creek, in Colorado, rose so as to fill the nation's eye in a day, and Marcus, in Washington, is about to do likewise. It is in the northwestern part of the State, near the junction of the Kettle river with the Columbia and on the border of the Colville Indian reservation, soon to be thrown open to the fortune-hunters. They are thicker than three in a bed, and many of them can't get shelter for love or money, but in spite of the weather are comfortable with the thought of the millions buried in the reservation, gold, silver, cinnabar and whatnot to the end of the list of a dozen minerals. If half of the expectations are realized Cripple Creek will sink into insignificance, and who shall say they will not all be realized? If they are in a reasonable measure it will give the State a boom which is very much needed, for, like southern California, boasting of its prosperity when the panic was worst in the East, now when it is a memory in the East it is a present fact in the West. The reservation is a small spot on the map of the State, and yet is nearly as large as Rhode Island, and a deal more mountainous. Cripple Creek was a bonanza to Colorado, not only in the precious metal it yielded, but in the courage and hope which it gave to the people of the State. We may believe that Marcus will be as much to Washington. But one of these days the big strike will be made in a laboratory of the effete east, when a way is discovered to reduce the refractory ores in thousands of tons nearer to civilization, and which can be had for a song. Fewer than four years of the century remain, and in this fin de siecle period great things are to be done.

A Man Who Would Please Sluigerly.

There is no Democrat in the United States who better deserves the nomination for the Presidency than John Griffin Carlisle. He is one of the foremost men in the country, and one of the ablest and purest of our public men. The Record would support him with all the energy of which it is capable. On all of the political and economic issues which now divide public opinion in the United States Mr. Carlisle stands committed to sound Democratic policies. On the particular issue of finance, which should be settled at the next election, his speeches made last year in Kentucky and Tennessee have put him in the forefront of the battle. No other man has risked so much or dealt so clearly with the money question. With him as a candidate there could be no evasive platform.

On Bill Nye's Death.

The death of Edgar William Nye removes from us a real humorist who created his own style and who never had a successful imitator. The editor of the Sun can testify to the genuineness of his warm heart, to which he is under lasting obligations for kindly encouragement in earlier days of struggles and trial in journalistic work. He was to humorous prose what Eugene Field was to humorous poetry. To quote from the tribute of the London Punch when Artemus Ward died, "Hush he goes to the land of no anger. The man who has made mirth for us all!"

As Hastings Views Him Now.

The Hon. Matthew Stanley Quay, resting serenely in the arms of his friends, famed tenderly by the Pennsylvania Republican delegation in the House of Representatives, and watching placidly the scowls of the Hon. David Martin and the Hon. Christopher Magee, is more than an idyll, a poem; he is a pastoral tableau, a thing of sweetness and light.

Why He Won't Go Back.

The fact that Congressman-at-large George L. Huff, of Greensburg, refused to sign the petition for Senator Quay, urging his candidacy for President, means that a new Congressman-at-large will be elected this fall. Mr. Huff's chances of re-nomination had already been in hazardous shape and he may not now even be a candidate.

According to Hoyle.

Rule 19 of chapter 2 of Mr. McKintley's "Book on Politics" states that when one candidate has taken a majority of the tricks and has four aces and a pocketful of trumps left it is not according to Hoyle for the other candidates to play partners.

It is a great pity that FITZSIMMONS didn't have CORBETT in front of him when he struck the blow that ended MAHER. If BOB would only lick CORBETT, then get some one to beat him right good the country, at large, would feel as if it had gotten even at least.

Read the WATCHMAN.

Spawls from the Keystone

Burning gas fatally roasted John Dulosky in a Plymouth mine.

The cost of the Sullivan-Wyoming judicial contest was \$11,146.96.

Extensive improvements are to be made to the Mann edge tool company's plant at Lewistown.

Thomas Felton, who was stabbed at Ashland by Patrick Wilson in an election fight, last Tuesday has died.

The Du Bois Courier has sent out a very handsome twenty-page women's edition with excellent illustrations.

The sheriff of Luzerne county has received letters from a man named Deringer, in Philadelphia, demanding large sums of money.

Mrs. Charles Freeman, who died Sunday at Moyer Station, was the largest woman in Schuylkill county, weighing nearly 400 pounds.

The Councils of Williamsport will likely make appropriations this year amounting to \$107,330, of which \$20,000 will go to street paving.

Suit for \$4,000 damages was brought at Wilkesbarre by Mrs. Jeanette Young against the Pennsylvania coal company for the death of her husband in the mine.

Blair county has the honor to be the first to erect a monument to her soldiers and sailors under the act of 1855. It will be dedicated at the semi-centennial of the county, in June.

Policy holders object to S. P. Light for receiver of the United Brethren aid society, at Lebanon, and their attorneys protested against his bond. Light was solicitor of the society.

There are 1,075 building and loan associations in Pennsylvania, with 23,855 share-holders. Pennsylvania leads all the other States in the number and wealth of such associations.

A few days ago the dead body of Asa Knupp was found in the woods near Jones' Mills, in Westmoreland county. While chopping wood he was struck by a falling branch of a tree and killed.

The voters of the town of Liongor are of the sensible kind. They decided by a majority of twenty eight to authorize the authorities to issue bonds to the amount of \$25,000 for a new water supply.

Rev. R. Craighead, of Meadville, has been lying seriously ill for over two weeks. Dr. Craighead, who has not been in active service for many years, is one of the oldest ministers in the Erie Presbytery.

The conscience of some unknown Millfintown resident has troubled him to the extent of sixteen dollars worth. At least that is the amount the Washington authorities credited to him in the "conscience fund."

The Y. M. C. A. building at New Castle, which closed some time ago, owing to a lack of patronage, is open to the public again. The debts here all been paid and the institution placed on a good paying basis.

At Warren the proposition to bond the town for \$100,000 to build a water plant was carried by 875 to 123. The Democrats elected four councilmen and justice of the peace. The Republicans elected five councilmen. High constable and auditor.

In a contest at a church fair at Port Carbon between mine foreman McDonald, Manhaoy City; Michael Flanagan, Silver Creek, and John Curran, Branchdale, for a set of mine instruments, the friends of the contestants turned in \$140.00, \$135.25 and \$104.25 for the respective competitors.

M. L. Bowser, a juror in the Ritenour murder case, recently ended in Greensburg, has been arrested on a complaint in which he is stated to have said "he would lie up in that jury room and rot before I would sign a verdict of guilty against a man who would kill a woman as bad as Mrs. Ritenour." He denies the charge, but was required to give \$1,000 bail.

A few days ago William Walley and A. P. Brothers, of Farmington township, Clarion county, were out hunting wild cats, they encountered a lynx and brought him down to the ground. He is a splendid specimen, and the only one captured in Pennsylvania in the past twenty-five years. So rare is the lynx that no bounty is offered. The people are flocking in to see the animal. There are only a few traveling shows that exhibit specimens of the lynx.

Dr. Hindman, of DuBois, reports a remarkable coincidence. He was called to attend the families of two brothers, Harvey and Judson Brady, both of whom reside but four doors apart. Both homes were gladdened by the arrival of new members of their respective families a girl baby at the home of Harvey and a boy at the home of Judson. The children were born within two hours of the same time. The coincidence, however, does not end here. The two couples were also married upon the same day six years since.

On the farm of ex-sheriff George R-Yorger, close by Iron Stone Station, Berks county, stood until quite recently a tall, stately oak tree, to which there was quite a history attached. This old tree was mentioned in deeds 150 years ago, and may have been a century old at that time. Its spreading branches furnished shelter for many a weary traveler before the railroad was built, and no doubt it often sheltered a band of aborigines when they inhabited that section. The old landmark fell a victim to the winds a few days ago.

The other morning Cyrus Wakeman, a young farmer living near Harmony, Beaver county, while on his way home from calling on a young woman, and while passing through a piece of woods, threw a lighted match to the ground. Instantly bright flames shot up from among the rocks, which so frightened the young man that he imagined he saw all sorts of strange things, so he took to his heels and fled. An investigation was made, and it was discovered that when the burning match was thrown in among the rocks it had ignited a jet of escaping natural gas. Until the matter was explained, however, the neighborhood was greatly excited, and a number of the more superstitious had called a prayer meeting.