Ink Slings.

-Now would be a good time for our Bellefonte enthusiasts to have another excursion to Canton

-Free trade would be a more hopeful incentive to unloading the over-burdened ware-rooms of eastern manufacturers than is the free-ride sort of inducement to get country merchants to buy.

-With the price of wheat going up and the wages of labor going down the kind of prosperity that is sweeping over the country is likely to make strangers of the poor man's stomach and the bread

-The depth of the affections of GILLES-PIE, the star witness for the prosecution in | luckily for them, an unprecedented failure | that may be expected to result from this the CORNELLY arson trial, were measured of the crop has occurred in every wheat in an extremely original manner when he spoke of the Coleville girls as "females" and those of Axe Mann as "ladies."

-The American window glass association is the latest trust that has sprung into existence under these beneficent Republican tariff ideas. The new association will control fifteen-sixteenths of the glass pots in this country. Its only object, so far as is known, is to give the public higher priced panes.

-The only trace of the recent reunion of the mighty SMITH family at Lakemont, near Altoona, is a set of false teeth that were picked up on the grounds. Inasmuch as none of the SMITHS could be found who would claim the artificial chewers it is reasonable to suppose that that family is not as ancient as the world believes it to be.

-The number of young girls who have been crowding the court room since the have been more favorable to the agricultrial of James Cornelly was called seems tural interest of this country, insuring a to indicate that he will be quite the fad in great profit, and it comes just at a time town in the event of his acquittal. There when the Republican promise of prosperity is no disputing JIM's versatility, but we fancy he would flounder as a leader of a swell german, all bedecked with the cute favors of his fair admirers.

-The rise that has taken place in the wheat market is one that will profit the farmer more than any advance in the price of any of his products has done in years. effect of higher tariff duties and as the This time the price has gone up before it result of protection to the manufactur- the past. They want, in short, an entire those who suffer from such a system of spohas been sold, so he will benefit. As yet ers, but the only relief from the genonly 72,000,000 of our 500,000,000 bushels erally prostrated business condition is and after securing this profitable privilege crop has been sold and the farmer will get the advanced price, this time, instead of the speculator.

-AL HANKINS, a noted Chicago sport, sat down on his folding bed, Wednesday evening, and he never knew that his neck was broken. The treacherous thing closed up and AL is a corpse now. This simply goes to show what uncertainties there are in life. Here the very article that was to give him rest and recuperation snuffed his light out with all the dispatch of a modern hanging machine.

-The assassination of great public characters seems to be growing in popularity. No sooner has the Spanish prime minister's murder been dropped by the newspapers than the story of the shooting of the President of Uruguay is reported over the world. While such crimes fortunately occur at rare intervals yet they are always followed by a feeling of uneasiness in all countries lest their commission might lead fanatics to similar ones.

-- There were forty-five thousand veterans in line at the great encampment parade, at Buffalo, on Wednesday. President McKinley was at their head. When LINCOLN was the commander of those soldiers, thirty-two years ago, they made the United States the greatest nation of earth by proving that though torn almost assunder by the most disastrous internal warfare known to history there was yet recuperative strength for a firmer union than ever. A Union that should recognize all men as free and equal. How do you suppose this later day commander must have felt, knowing that the equality, the struggle for which had caused so many of the sleeveless coats and crippled bodies that trudged bravely behind him, has now come to be little more than a farce. Through the political policy, he sat there the embodiment of, the black slavery of before '61 has been changed to the white slavery of '97, when labor is trampled upon by pampered trusts and the blighting powers of centralized wealth.

party of Pennsylvania is never ready to at Atlantic City, while a bath in salt water take advantage of opportunities that are is conducive to health and promotive of thrown in its way. Never in the history pleasure; and in addition to such enjoyof political situations in this State has ment on the Jersey coast they will receive there been a more hopeful out-look for the most polite attention in the city from Democracy than there is just now. With the mercantile gentlemen at whose invitathe people all cognizant of the most fla- tion and expense they come eastward to grant and costly administration of state purchase goods. affairs, burdened by the debts of two State fomenting discord before any cause for it has arisen.

ers, mechanics and other dealers at the country stores will have to shoulder the expense of the "free rides."

ers, mechanics and other dealers at the sympathy with the principles enunciated in the Chicago platform."

fact that the more bread goes up the less of it will go down.



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The managers of the Republican party are

The Only Prosperity in Sight.

being relieved by a boom in wheat which may verify their promise of prosperity. Just after the enactment of their tariff bill, United States, which is favored with an unusually abundant yield of that cereal.

cumstances than which there could be nothing more conducive to an improvement of business conditions in this country. The European markets are found to be bare of wheat, while the foreign crop has proved to be almost an absolute failure. There is the shortage abroad is that the countries from which Europe makes up the deficiency in her own wheat production have also been overtaken by a failure of their crops. India, Australia and Argentina can send no wheat to Europe, which must dispensable cereal, and here the supply is unusually abundant.

No combination of circumstances could became due.

But how much of this prosperity can be credited to Republican measures? What part of it has been brought about by the DINGLEY tariff? The prosperity of which Major McKINLEY was to be the advance agent was to come through the seen coming from a line of production only prosperity in sight, are not indebted to circulation. DINGLEY for as much as the value of a

Let us suppose that the situation in regard to the crops was of the usual characing the normal deficiency in the European better served by market, what chance would there be for dollar wheat and what sort of prosperity would be striking the country at this time?

bushel of wheat.

Unless the Republicans can show that they were instrumental in blasting the crops in Europe and other wheat growing regions, and influenced Providence to favor this country with an unusual harvest this year, we can't see how they will make it appear that they are entitled to credit for the prosperity which will be solely due to our big wheat crop. But we shall not be surprised if they claim the exclusive credit for it.

Who Will Pay for the Free Rides.

The country dealers who are being lured to the eastern cities to buy goods by "merchant's associations," and "trades leagues" standing the expense of their railroad fare, should not delude themselves with the idea that the cost will not be footed in the end by other parties than the city merchants.

We do not begrudge the rural trader the enjoyment he derives from the excursion which he is thus enabled to indulge in without paying the customary charges of the railroad companies. If he takes his wife along, and even his mother-in-law and other female relatives, so much the better, as it enlarges the diversion furnished by the generous city merchants who pay the fare. It will do the country excursionists good to have an outing at this season of the year. There is exhileration -It seems strange that the Democratic in the breezes that blow from the ocean

We would in no way diminish the pleasnotoriously corrupt Legislatures, conscious ure of these country dealers, but nothing of the plundering of state funds to make could be a greater delusion than for them jobs for political heelers; with all the to imagine that the expense of the railroad damning evidence of malicious leadership fare, exemption from which is the inducethat was uncovered by the Republican ment for them to make the trip, will be state chairmanship fight in 1895 and know-paid out of the pockets of the enterprising ing that the State cannot pay its appro- but wily city merchants. It will all be priations for public schools, though the made up in the charges for the goods. taxes for that purpose were collected long The rural trader will find an advance in ago, everything conspires to the success of the prices of all the articles he purchased. Democracy. When our party should be Of course the new tariff will occasion an preparing to take advantage of such oppor- increase in the cost of goods, but an additunites we find it on the verge of disruption to meet tire expense of the free extion. Why fight now? Let there be cursions will go into the bill along with harmony and if there is harmony there the tariff gouge. In the natural order of platform were adopted. They included silver. will be success. Let the convention at trade the country merchant will make his Reading settle the disputes amicably and customers pay for this increase in the cost that it is impolitic to elect or retain as of his invoice, and so in the end the farmhalt this business of running over the ers, mechanics and other dealers at the

What the Bankers Want.

The meeting of the bankers' convention, congratulating themselves on their luck in which was in session, in Buffalo, during the York, furnishes an example of the demorpast week, was an occurrence that should interest the American people. The public by allowing themselves to stray off into the are interested in it not from any benefit camp of the goldbugs. Here is presented a conjunction of cir- injurious consequences to the people.

A tremendous influence is exerted by constituted a power that can exert a vast power is improperly directed the injury it tory combinations. might do would be proportionately great.

The direction in which that power will look to the United States alone for this in- dicated. It was shown, last year, when that was what he was recently seen to do money was more plentiful—if the mints of everyone of these institutions contributed its share of the means by which a national election was carried, and evinced by the tendency to the centralization of wealth for the attainment of political as well as commercial predominance.

The sentiment of the bankers is unanimous for the limitation of the currency to the narrow basis of the gold standard. The more contracted the basis the better for their interest. They want no paper circulation except that which they issue, based on gold bonds. For this reason they want all the government notes retared and the greenbacks made a mere recollection of monopoly of the currency of the country, liation. and a class of producers that owe nothing be exempted from taxation and to be allow- of defence shows how debased his sentito the Republican protective policy. The ed to issue notes up to the full par value of ments have become since he abandoned the the ballots to be voted at any election the farmers, whose product is bringing the the bonds they deposit as security for their principles upon which the Democratic

they will attain if it can be accomplished ter at this time, with Europe producing ties, towards which they made a big step secured absolute and arbitrary control of her accustomed harvest, and Russia, India, at the last election. Our readers may an indispensable and vastly valuable com-Australia and Argentina in condition to judge for themselves whether the interest modity, but has also succeeded in exerciscompete with the United States in supply- of the people or of the plutocrats would be ing control over the Senate of the United such designs.

Hanna's Surplus of Boodle.

There is certainly something suspicious n the circumstance that the checks which HANNA's paymaster, Major DICK, handed around among the Populists of Ohio at their state convention to induce them to nominate a straight ticket, with Coxey at the head of it, and thus prevent a fusion with the Democrats, were drawn on the bank at Washington where HANNA keeps the balance of the boodle fund that was left over from the McKinley campaign.

There was no attempt made to conceal these checks. They were passed around a legitimate business transaction. It was known that HANNA had the money with away from the Democrats, and Coxey and his crowd were on hand to receive their pay from HANNA's agent. The parties that were bought were a contemptible set, try. but their purchase was as corrupt a transaction as if the goods that were delivered had been of a higher quality.

The large balance which HANNA has ruption this year shows how lavishly the and building railways to carry it to marthat sixteen millions of dollars were raised 1879. The series of short crops in 1889, in by the corruptionists to secure McKin- 1890 and in 1891 had exactly similar re-LEY's election; nor is this an extravagant sults, and by 1894 all the markets were will make more than that amount, alone, There is no reason to suppose that the next from one year's profits from the differential three or four years will tell any different duty on sugar in the DINGLEY bill.

The contributions for last year's camboodle process.

held their convention, on Tuesday, and The improvement in business which it may nominated H. T. JARRETT, for register and recorder. W. H. BRIDGENS was nomina- iff, but this claim will be as absurd as the LEN, H. G. HANNA and P. KANE were made delegates to the state convention. proves that agricultural values have not Strong resolutions endorsing the Chicago been depreciated by the demonetization of the following significant clause: "Resolved. leaders of the Democratic party men not in

Demoralized by Bad Association.

Ex-Gov. Roswell P. Flower, of New alization to which Democrats were exposed

advanced prices to their party. The truth about the matter, as every intelligent man The ex-Governor stood high in the counconvention, but rather for the reason that | cils of the Democratic party. He had the raising country of the world, except in the its deliberations related to a matter that confidence of Democrats to such an extent authorities, taking the latest figures, put closely affects the public welfare, and which, if misdirected, will be attended with office of Governor of New York. But he 294,000,000 bushels as against 1,518,000yielded, last year, to the blandishments of Wall street. He bowed in worship before the parties who assembled at Buffalo to de- the golden calf, and such debasing idolatry liberate upon questions affecting the money has had the effect of bringing him still lowinterests, and particularly such as are con- er, as he now poses as the defender of the nected with the banking business. They trusts. If he had remained true to the represented banking capital amounting to principles of the Democratic party, as descarcely an exception to this misfortune in over \$680,000,000, and individual deposits clared in the Chicago platform, he would any European country, and what increases closely approaching two billions. They not now be found in the disgraceful position of an advocate of the Standard oil er not discuss. influence upon the country, and if that company, the sugar trust and other preda- man's loss is another man's gain;

Who would have expected ever to see Gov. FLOWER stand before an audience be exercised appears to be sufficiently in- and defend these organized robberies, yet short and in other cases starving, and if when in an address to the farmers of the New York state grange he declared that "to inveigh against trusts is to cry out be no actual starving, as the Indian would against combinations of human effort and possession in every field of activity-to set one's self against the laws of progress and makes England open the India mints to in favor of retrogression and anarchy."

There could not have been a more barefaced attempt to represent as legitimate "human effort," in the way of business activity, these conspiracies to break down have had the money had her mints to the Judge Savidge, at Sunbury, Monday, were competition and restrict trade in order to secure the ends of monopoly, and nothing could be more impudent than to stigmatise as "anarchy" the natural opposition of

That ex-Gov. FLOWER should have spethey will not think it too much to ask to cally selected the sugar trust as an object party contended last year against indus-This is a synopsis of what the bankers trial, as well as monetary monopoly. Upon proposed at their convention, and what his assumption that the trust has reduced the price of sugar, he can see "no public by influencing the governmental authori- injury" in a combination that has not only

In addition to his abandonment Democratic principles, it may be that ex-Gov. FLOWER's large interest in the Chicago gas trust has had its effect in arraying him among the defenders of those rapacious monopolies that are robbing the American people. Even Mr. CLEVE-LAND'S Democracy was not proof against the effect of his Wall street associations.

Produced by Exceptional Causes.

The prophet who predicts that the present rise in the price of wheat is going to be a permanent condition shows that he has not learned anything from past experience. Such a situation as that which causes a and handled as if they were being used in great demand for our grain, and consequently high prices, comes but periodically. There is no cause that can make such which to turn the middle-of-the-road party prices permanent and regular. They must necessarily be uncertain, as they depend upon the contingencies of failure of foreign

harvests and favorable crops in this coun-

The New York Evening Post, in remarking that the exceptional advantage of the present great demand for our wheat cannot be continuous, says : "The high markets on hand for the purpose of political cor- of 1879 set all the world to raising wheat contributing trusts, bankers and moneyed ket; in 1882 the world's harvest was 200,corporations poured their money into the 000,000 bushels larger than the heaviest campaign fund last year. It was estimated crop ever produced before the shortage of estimate considering that the sugar trust discontentedly talking "overproduction."

story." An occasional profitable crop of wheat, paign from the various interests that ex- with conditions that send the price up in pected'a share of the tariff plunder was so the neighborhood of a dollar, does not disprofuse that HANNA actually couldn't prove the fact that the value of agricultuspend it all and has about \$2,000,000 for ral products have steadily fallen since the this year's Ohio campaign. It is to be demonetization of silver. There may be a seen whether the American people will spurt now and then, produced by some become reconciled to his method of deter- particular cause, as at the present time, mining the result of elections by the but after it is over a falling back to low

prices can be surely looked for. The Republicans are making all the polit--The Democrats of Clinton county | ical capital possible out of the wheat crop. cause will be credited to the DINGLEY tarprice of wheat from exceptional causes

> -One of the anomalies of the present business condition of the country is the

Spawls from the Keystone

-The peach harvest has fairly commenced

-Mrs. Jacob Mawry, of Tamaqua, fed a tramp who awarded her kindness by steal-

-The new United Evangelical church at White Deer, Union county, was dedicated

-Mystery surrounds the disappearance of Thomas Johnson, who left his home at

Mauch Chunk last Thursday -A Lehigh Valley train killed George Mustro near his home at hickory Swamp,

Northumberland county. -Ermentrout Grove camp-meeting, near Stroudsburg, Monroe county, has closed after

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The Cause of Dollar Wheat.

A great ado is being made by all the Re-

publican journals over the advanced price

of wheat, they all giving the credit of the

knows, is that the wheat crops in foreign

coutries have been short, while India has

an actual famine and starvation. The best

countries is what is causing the advanced

prices. European countries are short

of bread materials and the United States is

the only country on the globe that has

more than enough for its own uses and

plenty to sell to those who are short. We

when we know that the advanced prices

we get are from our starving fellowman

that brings up a question we would rath-

that is the way of the world, but we

doubt if it will always be so. The truth

about the advanced price of wheat to-day

India had never been closed to the coinage

of silver, wheat would be higher still, and

while there might be a famine there would

have money to buy all the food products

he wanted from the country that had them

to sell. If anything on God's earth ever

the coinage of silver this famine will. Al-

ready many of her statesmen see that India

could have passed through this famine

without starvation had she the money to

buy food products, and that she would

comage of silver been left open, It was a

fearful crime against that unfortunate

country and one that will have to be an-

A Badly Botched Ballot Law.

The new ballot bill, known as the Beck-

er bill, appears to be fatally defective in one clause, that which declares that upon

name of any candidate shall not appear

more than once by certificate of nomina-

tion, or more than once by nomination pa-

pers. This is a restriction upon the right

to make nominations, which is not only

impolitic, but we believe, beyond the power of the legislature to impose. The

names of our judges frequently appear up-on all the tickets; the tickets would be in-

complete without them : and the legisla-

ties making the nominations. That is the

politicians of the state, who keep their

tickets so as to prevent the duplication of

this is understood to be the effect of the

law is shown by the statement from Har-

could not appear in the Democratic col-

umn. It is doubtful whether this clause

of the Becker bill would be sustained by

that in the interests of public policy it shall not be sustained."

The Geology of the Klondyke.

Under eternal snow and ice the geo-

ogical formations of northern and western

Alaska lie hidden, and the scientists who

have visited that wonderland have given

us little definite information concerning

the nature of the strata. It is true that

most of the rocks exposed near the gold

diggings and in the famous Chilkoot pass

are of igneous origin, being composed of

impure granite or syenite, and the moraines

of living glaciers are made up of the same

kind of materials, which might be taken as

an indication that the bed rock of Alaska

But there are other facts which show

that the formations are varied, and that

the territory is not devoid of rocks of a

more recent geological age. Away up along the western coast great cliffs of car-

boniferous limestone have been discovered,

and at the same place there are fossil

glaciers supposed to be the remains of the

great glacier of prehistoric time, which

came down as far south as Pennsylvania.

Alaska at present, and he is needed there to point out the trend of the strata, tell

the world the nature of the formations and

explain whether the placer gold of the Yukon originated from the grinding up of

indigenous rocks, or was scooped up out of

the Arctic ocean by the great glaciers of

some prehistoric age.

There is a good field for the geologist in

From the Pittsburg Post.

is all granite.

the courts, Nothing is more certain than

swered for some day.

half made up.

From the Phila., Public Ledger.

is that our fellowman in some cases

We know that one

From the Venango Spectator.

a successful 10 days' session. -The 3000 Union Coal Company employes in Northumberland county will work an ad-

ditional day each week until further notice. -On the charge of stealing Valentine Stump's horse at Avon, Lebanon county, Harvey Wise was held in \$1000 bail for court. -Farmer Owen Artz was found dead in

the road near Mohrsville, Berks county having been thrown from his wagon and 000 a decrease this year of 224,000,000 -It is estimated that the advance in wheat bushels. This shortage of wheat in foreign will make Berks county farmers \$180,000

> -Walking in her sleep, Mrs. Earnest Ulrich, of Cranberry, Luzerne county, stepped into a mine hole and almost perished before

richer than their expectations one month

are glad to see wheat go up and up, but help came. -Five thousand men are expected to take part in a parade of the Demonstration Association of Central Pennsylvania, at Leigh-

ton, on Labor day. -Fire damaged the chemical factory of Henry K. Wampole & Co., manufacturing druggists, of Philadelphia to the extent of

\$50 000 on Saturday last -Lockjaw caused the death of Robert Luther who in a fight at Altoona a couple of weeks ago, was struck on the head with a stone, alleged to have been thrown by Geo.

Peight. -Samuel Gelwix was elected borough superintendent of the Chambersburg schools. and J. H. Kriechbaum, of Millersville, was made principal of the high school, the posi-

tion heretofore held by Gelwix. -One hundred applicants for naturalization, half of the number that came up before refused papers because they could not properly cast ballots in a booth set up in the court

-Harrison Gehris, better known as "Pete" is without doubt the champion bark peeler of Potter county. Mr. Gehris is 30 years of age and weighs 165 pounds, and the past season he peeled 2364 cords of bark by himself. Some days he peeled as high as eleven cords.

-At Salladasburg Wednesday, Mrs. Mary Whitcomb went to Dr. C. B. Bastian to have several teeth extracted. The dentist at first refused to administer ether, owing to the week condition of the lady's heart. The woman was suffering intense pain from toothache and insisted that the anæsthetic be given her. The dentist finally yielded to her importunities and gave her the ether. Mrs. Whitcomb did not gain consciousness ture has no authority to say that a political and died in the chair. Her husband and two party shall not nominate a particular man small children survive. The dentist was or shall go before the people with a ticket exhonerated from all blame.

It would be desirable to -The prospectors who are searching for prevent duplications, but the only way to minerals on the Bald Eagle mountains are lo that fairly is to change the character of the Pennsylvania ballot, and instead of still at work, but as yet have found nothing printing party tickets put the names of of value more than the outcroppings of ore candidates for a particular office under the of several kinds. From the Jersey Shore office, with designation of the party or par- Spirit it is learned the company now have leased about 4000 acres of mountain lands in best form of ballot, but was rejected by the Clinton county, on the mountain just south of Aughenbaugh's Gap, and extending from nold upon public affairs by getting the majority of citizens to vote party tickets blindly. To amend a ballot law providing station. Several tracts they have purchased for the printing of a succession of party outright. They expect to keep prospecting on their claim until they have thoroughly names is to deprive one or more parties of investigated the entire space. freedom in making nominations. That

-The changes made by the present state holiday law are as follows: February 12th, Linrisburg, that if Dr. Swallow should be coln's birthday, is made a legal holiday for nominated by the prohibitionists his name the first time. The third Tuesday of February, election day, is made a full holiday instead of a half holiday, as was provided by the act of assembly on May 23rd, 1893. Whenever May 30th (Memorial day) shall occur on Sunday, the following day, Monday, is to be observed as the legal holiday, instead of the preceeding day, Saturday, as has been the case heretofore. The first Monday of September is designated as Labor day, instead of the first Saturday in September, as was the case under the act of assembly of May 31st, 1893.

-Warren W. Dickson, post office inspector at Pittsburg, on Saturday received a letter from Miss Maggie D. Ake, post-mistress at Portage, Cambria county, in which she states after reading the account of the robbery of the Barnesboro post office by James Lewis and William Moore, the men now in jail at Hollidaysburg, she believes that they also robbed the Portage office, for both jobs bear the same finger marks. As at Barnesboro they fastened the doors of the sleeping rooms of those who lived over the post office and kept them prisoners while they blew the safe open and got the money in it. In blowing open the Portage safe they did just as was done in Barnesboro. A hole was drilled in the top and a charge of blasting powder put in. They got \$165.56

-The two men arrested on suspicion of robbing the Barnesboro post office, had a hearing before United States commissioner Mc-Leod, of Altoona. Postmaster Huber, of Barnesboro, indentified the money, stamps and registered packages found upon the prisoners when arrested at Lewistown, showing in his register book where he had noted the receipt of one of the packages. Other citizens of Barnesboro testified of having seen one of the prisoners in the town the day before the papers say that official circles regard it as post office was robbed. When the government rested its case one of the prisoners made a statement. He said his name is Wilpost office. The other prisoner was only a chance acquaintance whom he met for the first time at Barnesboro the day before the robbery, and whom he met afterwards and traveled with until arrested. The other risoner, who said his name is James Lewis. the duties or cereals.

The Republique Française says that it learns that the government has resolved not to accede to the demands for the aboli-

France and Import Duties on Wheat.

PARIS, Aug. 22.—The Eclair and other useless to suppress the import duty on wheat, and assert that M. Meline, ted for jury commissioner and W. L. AL- assumption that an occasional rise in the premier, has made no special declaration liam Moore, and that he alone robbed the on the subject.

The Temps says he has given the matter close study, but at the ministry of agriculture, which does not appear to share the excitement of the newspapers, there is no disposition either to suppress or to lower the duties or cereals.

tion of the duties.