Ink Slings.

-The ground hog ought to be ashamed of itself, trying to palm such weather as this off on us as "six weeks of winter."

-The shad season will soon be on. Is there not some one to start the story that there will be a short catch this sea-

-\$160,000,000 a year for pensions i made doubly grievous to the United States when the defenceless condition of her coast cities is considered.

-They say that whiskey mixed with glue will keep it soft and ready for use for years. Most people prefer to save the

-The third act of a comic opera that amateur's produced in New Orleans recently was laid in hell. The report does not say anything as to the clothes worn by the spirits.

-It was too bad that the county commissioners thought of those new steel cells' for the jail at the eleventh hour. There might have been enough saved out of JOSHUA FOLK'S salary to have paid for them.

-Inasmuch as the DINGLEY tariff bill and gold monometallism, neither one of them, show any sign of relieving the hard times, all there is left for us to do is to quit talking about it and perhaps we will be able to forget that business conditions were ever any better.

-The woman who sent a bullet clear through her body, at the Cottage hospital, in Philipsburg, last week still remains mysterious as to what drove her to such a rash act, but it is evident from the manner of her shooting that she intended that they should see through her after she was gone.

-Zola's trial threatens to turn Paris upside down and if it does the world will get a peep under the robes of French iustice, Zola will go to prison to suffer with the innocent man he had defended and the French soldiers' honor will have been saved in the eyes of France, but nowhere

-The European astronomer who has just announced that two moons are to be visible in the sky on the night of July 30th, is delightfully frank in telling the world just what day he proposes to get full. There are lots of fellows who have seen a dozen moons in the sky, but they

-WANAMAKER isn't the "dead easy thing" that the business men's league thought he was going to be. JOHN wants a few days in which to decide whether he will put up his money and run for Governor against QUAY's man. "He who hesitates is lost," but we suppose the Philadelphia merchant would sooner be lost than

-GROVER CLEVELAND COLEMAN, of Bloomsburg, just thirteen years old, has been sent to the house of refuge for ditching a train just to see what a wreck looked like. This youth has tried to follow in the footsteps of the man for whom he was named, except that he ditched a train and was sent to prison and the latter tried to ditch his party and has been sent to political oblivion.

here believed any of his testimony.

appropriated enough money to do it right.

-Senor DUPUY DE LOME offers the latest illustration of indiscretion in matters of state. He was the Spanish minister to this country and in writing to a friend he called President McKINLEY "a low politician catering to the rabble" for popularity, so 'tis said, and like Lord SACK-VILLE WEST, the English ambassador whom CLEVELAND bounced, Mr. DUPUY by the Spanish cabinet. When it comes to calling our President names we reserve

-Our esteemed friend, the editor of the Gazette, is growing more sagacious every paper lately, for fear of the terrible bombs camp. It is simply amazing, the ponderosity of his last week's article on borough politics. With a master stroke he pronominee for overseer, as the devil hates have a bunch of flowers for poor old licans turned down MILLER and took up HUNTER.

STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

BELLEFONTE, PA., FEB. 11, 1898.

that it will eventually include all kinds of free silver, socialism, lawlessness and an-

Frightened Into the Republican Party.

Senator THURSTON, who is a Republican

course of his remarks warned the Republi-

cans of the danger of forcing gold resolu-

tra gold policy as calculated to lead to Re-

publican defeat, believing it to be a dan-

archy are endeavoring to so falsely state

the premises and frame the issues as to ar-

ray every man without a dollar against

Republican Senator in speaking of the

more than six millions of citizens who are

opposed to a limited class having most of

the dollars, and are of so anarchistic a dis-

position as to object to being robbed by the

monopolistic combinations that are con-

trolling the products of the country and

absorbing the profits of its industries. It

is through fear of this evil minded and

party by falsely representing the benevo-

lent intentions of the goldbugs and the

trusts that he warns the Republicans of

the risk they would run in jamming meas-

ures through Congress favorable to the

Senator THURSTON'S explanation why

all the money sharks and monopolies are

in the Republican party, where he says

they do not belong, is ingenious although

it may not be entirely convincing. He

told his Baltimore audience that those "fi-

great trusts and combines" were actually

scared into seeking refuge under the wing

of the Republican party by the lawless con-

duct of the mob that demanded the free

coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. It

was in defence of "honest money," and for

the preservation of "the nation's honor"

that the monopolists and money changers

the hands of the free silver anarchists.

In thus explaining why these "danger-

monied interests.

every man with a dollar."

gerous basis for the party to stand on for

Oh, he's comin' 'round to see yer, fur its nearin' 'lection time An' he'll never see no doorbell, but three flight of stairs he'll climb:

last year's bloomin' bride-

know it, too: But yer always glad to see him just

Election's

He will jolly yer whole family an' he'll have 'en

He'll wish that he was single so he could court th girls, Their eyes is allers ha

know it, too: But yer always glad to see him just

An' the baby's just the cutest, sweetest ducklin

lawless class defeating the Republican With the party of its popper in the ward-He's a liar, an' he knows

But yer always glad to see him jus

man's true friend An' he'll promise you a city job with nothin

veu like glue nancial jugglers and manipulators and the He's a liar, an' he knows

E xchange

The "Good Fellow" in Office

A shortage more than \$8,000 in the acwere forced into the Republican party and counts of the city treasurer of Reading has led to the removal of that officer, and alwere found contributing the large amounts of campaign boodle that were required to though the shortage has been covered by prevent the government from falling into his bondsmen, the exposure he caused a sensation. While it is not the first deficit | ael Raker on December 22nd, and will be in the finances of the city of Reading, a former treasurer having been short in his Senator THURSTON calls the trusts and standing and character of the recent incumbent of the office have been of the combines, are found with the Republicans highest, and the publication of the dishe pays a poor compliment to the party in covery of the shortage through the investirepresenting that such interests went to it gations of the city controller has given the for protection. While we question the community a shock. People are asking themselves who can be trusted in a fiduciary Senator's judgment in giving such a reason

for the trust managers and money jobbers having crowded into the Republican party, The suspended city treasurer is described s one of the best-natured of men, without a particle of dishonesty in his nature. He running a great risk in pushing their interis acquitted by all who know him of havests, including gold monometallism, to the ing profited by the defalcation in the smallest degree. It is charged that he was simply too good-natured to say no to his business and political friends who were persistent in their application for loans, and that he loaned the city's money to borrowers of the class who fail to pay and cannot be compelled to pay. If this charge is true, the city treasurer of Reading became a defaulter through his amiable disposition and not in consequence of his own dishonesty. He is simply one of the many good fellows who have been elected to office because they were general favorites and who have

The Reading defalcation is only one of many illustrations of a truth that should long ago have become as plain as the noonday sun on a clear day to every thoughtful citizen, and that is that the good fellow, the hail fellow well met, the man that is everybody's friend, is almost certain to another to induce other miners to join in a sworn duty of the public official is to protect the public interest, and the man who cannot protect himself against the importunities of political heelers and persona

is not the last example that will be needed to convince the voting public that of all men the good fellow is the worst fellow that can be selected to fill an office of trust or profit. The lesson will be forgotten in week and the good fellow will continue to get elected to office indefinitely and contine as in the past to shock a confiding community by turning up short in his ac-counts when the final auditing takes place.

Martial Law for Alaska.

From the Doylestown Democrat. While the Populists, Anarchists, and the various odds and ends of other political and social organizations, are clamoring for larger liberty, the people of Alaska are asking for less. The inhabitants of that Territory have petitioned the war department asking for 800 troops to be sent there at once, and the martial law be declared for the protection of persons and property. The petitioners say as many as 300 gers are landed at Dyea daily, on an average, and that many criminals are included stronger government than they have at present is needed for protection. They ask martial law to be declared in all parts of the Territory. A strong appeal is made to the Washington authorities to meet the emergency, and as Alaska is practically its commercial value speedily mount up to without government we hardly see how

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THE CANDIDATE.

open wide, An' he'll think yer wife's yer daughter

He's a liar, an' he knows it, an'

He'll give yer son a nickle an' admire his mang

mostly pearls This is the language employed by this He's a liar, an' he knows it.

Before

Election's

It kin talk as plain as he

how it's growed : will soon be a votin'

know it, too

Before

Election's

An' he'll tell you confidential that he knows h On ver votin' fer him this

An' he swears if he's elected that he'll stick

But yer always glad to see him, just

Election's

om the Philadelphia Times capacity where large sums of money are

proved very bad officials because they were the best of good fellows.

acquaintances of the impecunious class can hardly be expected to successfully play the watchdog in defense of the public funds or other public interests.

The Reading defalcation, unfortunately,

Spawls from the Keystone.

at Pottsville Monday and indorsed the Cur-

-Alexander Humes was killed in a log slide near Driftwood, Lycoming county, on Saturday

run over by the cars at Lansford and instantly killed.

-The commissioners of Franklin county have fixed the tax rate at four mills, an increase of one mill

-The men of the congregation of the Salem Lutheran church, at Lebanon, have voted to allow women to vote

-John Reedy is in the Lebanon county jail for stealing a horse from liveryman Dan-

iel Laudermilch, of Lebanon -Contracts have been closed for the erection of a furniture manufactory at Johns-

town, by the Defrehn company. -John Bernis, of Mahanoy city, has been held in \$500 bail for beating Charles Robusky

about the head with a beer bottle. -William Lasch, engineer at Kreider's flour mill, at Annville, was fatally injured

Monday while attempting to adjust a belt. -Alderman Donohue, of Wilkesbarre, fined stable boss Alexander Dunbar \$2 and costs because his daughter Lizzie did not at-

tend school. -A Lewisburg lad, Harry Schock, while coasting on the University grounds, was dashed against a class stone, and died soon

-Playing about a stove during the mother's absence, a 2-year-old son of Mrs. Harry

Snyder, of Carlisle, was burned to death Monday. -A piece of beef lodged in the throat of Jonathan Hallenger, of Warwick township.

Lancaster county, on Saturday, and choked him to death. -Annie Morrison, aged 17, was injured in a coasting accident at DuBois Monday, and an amputation of her foot was necessary to

save her life. -A bull that William Kitner was leading across the railroad near Carlisle Monday was killed by a train, and Kitner narrowly es-

caped a like fate. -Charles Marshall intended to crawl out of the Lancaster jail Monday, but during the day the hole that he had dug through the wall was discovered.

St. John's English Lutheran church, of Wilkesbarre, has extended a call to Rev. W. L. Hunton, of the Eagle street Lutheran church, of Buffalo, N. Y.

-The Pennsylvania oil company has se-

cured options on 200 acres of land about 15 miles from Johnstown, and will drill a well in a search for oil and gas. -Rev. J. B. Keller was elected pastor of the English Lutheran church, Minersville,

to succeed Rev. M. L. Tate, who has accepted a charge in Philadelphia. -Work on the Catawissa railroad bridge near Bloomsburg, has been suspended until

destroyed in the recent storm. -Stephen Spellman was placed on trial at Du Bois Wednesday for the murder of Mich-

April 1st, the superstructure having been

defended on the plea of insanity. -On Friday last the little f son of S. W. Craig, of Huntingdon, fell from a stool-a distance of but eight inches-and broke one of its limbs in two places.

-Rev. H. D. Newcomer, of York has been offered the pastorate of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, at Allentown, made vacant by the resignation of Rev. Dr. C. E. Hay.

-Verdella Frick, aged 22 years, a daughter of Ephriam Frick, a farmer, wandered from home during a fit of melancholia, and was found frezen to death in a public road near Reading on Friday.

-Postmaster Griest, of Lancaster, has appointed as his assistant James H. Marshall, who has been connected with the post office during every Republican administration since the war. -While in the act of lighting a cigarette

Monday Emma Dailey, aged 14, of Stroudsburg, set fire to her father's house and Wm. Goucher was painfully burned in extinguishing the blaze. -Elizabeth Flanders and Fannie Eagle-

born, Indian girls, who tried to burn the girls' building at the Indian school at Carlisle pleaded guilty and were sentenced to one year and six months. They said they were homesick and wanted Captain Pratt to send them home. -John Lehman met with a painful acci-

dent at Marsh Run. Perry county. He was splitting wood with a double bitted ax, and while making a stroke it caught in a wire clothes line, which threw it back in his face, cutting a deep gash from the middle of his forehead down to near the end of his nose. -Last year it cost Tioga county \$5,709.65

to maintain its poor house with its average of

100 inmates. There was \$320.35 worth of produce sold. making the net cost of the institution for the year \$5,389.40 which is but a few cents over \$1 a week for the maintenance of each of the county's wards in the -Walter Goodwin, the Tioga county man

who was convicted at Wellsboro of having murdered his wife, will be hung the last day of March. The governor on Monday announced the dates of four murderers as follows: Frederick C. Rockwell, Erie, April 26th; John R. Lamb, Allegheny, April 21st; Patrick Banya, Elk, April 26th; Walter E. Goodwin, March 31st. -Justice of the Peace Henry Berth, of

Mahaffey, Clearfield county, is now considered a proper subject for a pension from the United States Government. Mr. Breth has just become the father of his twenty-first child. He is a character of considerable note in the community, having been married three times. The last time only a few years ago at the age of 70 years. -A passing train on Friday set fire to the

roof of JC tower just west of Mill Creek. The operator in charge notified the operator in the office in Huntingdon and in a few minutes one of the shifting engines was speeding eastward with a force of men and fire extinguishing apparatus. The fire was subdued in a few minutes after their arrival. but not before the roof and dome had been destroyed.

whiskey by using water.

never tell of it.

-That somebody has been lying is proven by a perusal of the bill of the PER-KINS detective agency rendered to the county. Notwithstanding the fact that CORNELLY was placed in jail on June 3rd that agency has charged the county with "incidentals with CORNELLY" on June 7th. If GILLESPIE made this charge it is not much of a surprise, for very few people

-Whatever may be the outcome of the trouble between Governor Hastings and the capitol building commission every one knows that the \$550,000 appropriated for a new capitol is not enough to build a creditable one for Pennsylvania. Governor HASTINGS would do the State a great service if he would secure an injunction restraining the building of a capitol at all until another Legislature has convened and

DE LOME will have to run home. In fact his resignation has already been accepted that right for ourselves.

day and we're most afraid to pick up his he has been throwing into the Democratic of social order. claims to the world that the WATCHMAN hates STEELE HUNTER, the Republican gle is not merely against an unjust and opholy water. No, dear friend, the WATCH- and higher object is for the correction and in charge got out of patience with the MAN has hatred for no one, but it will suppression of the manifold abuses, corrup- speaker's tactics, and was about to openly STEELE HUNTER, next Wednesday morning. He can't be elected, so there is an end of it. What's the use of fighting a change a free government into a money by leaving the chair and slinking out of battle that was won the minute the Republespotism.

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The Republican Factional Collision. The factional split that is disturbing the narmony of the Republican organization in this State and separating it into two conflicting divisions is the natural outcome of conditions that have been approaching an outbreak for several years past. There is no principle involved, it being of no higher character than a disturbance growing out of the clashing interests of the party

leaders. That there should be a revolt against the personal rule of hoss QUAY was to be expected. It so completely absorbs all authority and power in the organization, and reduces the party membership to such a thorough condition of servitude, that it would be attributing too slavish a spirit to the average class of Republicans in the State to imagine that it could continue much longer. The revolt appears to have come at last, headed by leaders who are chafed by the QUAY harness, but it is not an uprising against the principles which QUAY-ism represents, but against the power which QUAY exercises. If the leaders of this rebellion shall succeed in overthrowing him they will not be found deviating a hair's breadth from his corrupt trouble.

political practices. The most prominent figure in this anti-MAKER, the Philadelphia merchant, politician and compaign boodle purveyor. He is backed by the state administration of which HASTINGS is the head and DAVE MARTIN the most conspicuous figure. In this alliance is the aggregation of municipal plunderers known as the Philadelphia combine, which has the bad distinction of having DAVE MARTIN as its leader. A potential influence in this anti-QUAY rebellion is exerted by the so called businessmen's league that has supported every corrupt and oppressive policy of the Republi-

can party. Such an array of enemies may overthrow the party boss, but it is not of a kind to reform the party practices. What honest government could be expected of WANA-MAKER who by his \$400,000 contribution to the HARRISON campaign fund initiated the political crime of carrying presidential elections by corrupt means? What improvement in the QUAY methods could be expected of parties connected with the

state administration and the Philadelphia The anti-QUAY rebellion is assuming a stormy outlook can be changed only by

than to make such a surrender. The situation is one that is full of promhope of better government for this long suf-

fering old Commonwealth.

Fusion for the Rescue of the Republic. The forces hostile to the gold trust are getting themselves in solid line for the coming and final conflict with that monetary monopoly. Last week a caucus at which every silver Republican and Populist in Congress, including Senators and Representatives, was present, took formal was unanimously in favor of fusing with the Democrats in local elections this year. looking to a general fusion in the presidential election of 1900. There was not a sin- it should be careful to avoid an enlargegle dissent to this programme and the sense of every silver Republican and Popu-

list present was that WILLIAM J. BRYAN was the logical presidential candidate. In this early movement for a united action of all the elements opposed to the monetary despotism of the gold standard is afforded the most encouraging hope that very life of our free institutions, Democrats, free silver Republicans and Populists flunked in the exercise of his sovereign will. will be found united, a mass composed of millions of free, intelligent and patriotic citizens whom the minions of the money power will have the effrontery to stigma-

tize as anarchists, repudiators and enemies In this crucial contest the kind of money we shall have is not so much the issue as the kind of government we shal! leave to sistence with which he prevents this bill those who shall come after us. The strug- from being brought before the House. pressive standard of value, but its general tions and usurpations in public affairs assail him for his hostility to a measure which McKinley-ism and Hanna-ism designed to protect the government's interstand for, and which, if not arrested, will est when the great Czar dodged the attack

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A Pending Tariff War. A tariff war between this country and Germany is a difficulty that we may soon of such prominence as to have presided have on our hands. The German au- over no less than two national conventions thorities have for some time past made of that party, besides being one of its pil- His face is bright and smilin' American pork products an object of ad- lars in the Senate, addressed the union verse discrimination. They have more re- league of Baltimore last week and in the cently put a fiscal interdiction on our apples and other fruits, and now they have concluded to exclude American horses from tions through Congress. He regards an ulthe German market. There has been a gradual increase in the number of American commodities against which exclusion is being enforced, rendering it probable the reason that "the allied fusion forces of

provisions exported from this country. These measures adopted by the German government are producing excitement and causing indignation among the statesmen who have the management of affairs at Washington. Notice of these has been taken in Congress as a wrong which will force this government to resort to measures of retaliation, and it is said that President McKINLEY has instructed the American ambassador at Berlin to notify the German government that this exclusion of American products must stop or there will be

But is not this position both unreason able and preposterous? Are the Germans QUAY movement is Mr. JOHN WANA- doing anything more than retaliating on the Americans for the high tariff by which they have excluded German products from their market? Germany is in a position to tell McKINLEY, DINGLEY, REED and that high tariff crowd that they ought to be ashamed to make a fuss about her following the example which they have set with their DINGLEY bill. If it is right to secure "a home market" for our producers by keeping foreign products out by high tariffs, is it not equally right for the German farmers to have their home market secured to them by the exclusion of Amer-

ican agricultural products? It is the American tariff makers that have provoked retaliation, and it will be their fault if their policy shall result in a tariff war that will in a large measure exclude the farm products of the United States from foreign markets.

Swell-headed Journalism Nothing could be more amusing in the journalism of the day than the New York WM. J. BRYAN should continue to be endefinite form. There is a gratifying proba- trusted with the leadership of the Demobility that WANAMAKER, as a candidate cratic party. This is a question which the for Governor, will be put in a position of people are not willing to have settled for antagonism to the boss that will admit of them by sensational newspapers, and when no compromise. As the fight will be for Mr. McEWEN, the brilliant young man party mastery it will be conducted with a who does the editorializing for the Journal. factional animosity that is likely to array says that he is getting tired of BRYAN the two state tickets against each other. This people have reason to become very tired of McEWEN, notwithstanding his brilliancy. QUAY's backing down and surrendering There is quite a space of time between this his sceptre to his enemies, but any one year and 1,900, and there is no telling what may bet that he will sooner split the party changes may take place in the political situation during that period, but if the people in the meanwhile alter their opinion ise to the Democrats and replete with the of Mr. BRYAN's suitability for leadership the change will not be due to the influence

of any particular newspaper, however important it may assume to be. The Journal, by the way, should be careful to avoid getting a swelled head. It is a very dangerous ailment for a political organ to be troubled with and is usually produced by too high an opinion of its importance. The New York World's bigheadedness resulted in its ceasing to be regarded as a Democratic paper, and the Sun's swelled head had such a disastrons action on a silver fusion. The sentiment effect in detracting from its popular support that it had to sell itself to the trusts to secure the patronage needed to keep it going. The Journal has started well but

ment of its head.

Czar Reed Flunked. The overbearing autocrat of the House at Washington showed the white feather the other day and took to his heels. He has never flinched in any despotic act the Republic will be rescued from the plu- needed to suppress resolutions favorable to tocratic oligarchy that has gained control Cuban freedom, or in jamming measures of it. In this great struggle involving the through the House unfavorable to constitutional currency, but one day last week he

There is a bill before Congress designed to protect the interest of the government in the sale of the Kansas-Pacific railroad. It has been reported favorably, but it is opposed by a ring that wants to cheat the government out of its claim. That the speaker favors this ring of government robbers is pretty clearly indicated by the per-

Representative FLEMING, of Georgia, the House. His intention to aid the Pahim to put a bold face on it.

The Gist of the Wilkesharre Trial The eyes of the whole country have been focussed for the past week on the trial in the Luzerne county court which is to determine whether the shooting of common

we agree with his opinion that his party is

front.

workingmen is to be counted as a crime. The American people are acquainted with the circumstances which led to this trial. They have read how more than a score of humble miners were killed outright and nearly three times that number dangerously wounded by a sheriff and a force of deputies who adopted that violent means of preventing those men from moving on the highway from one colliery to

The country is intensely interested in legal proceedings which will determine whether working people, who move along the highway, unarmed and devoid of turbulence, can be shot down without making those who did the shooting guilty of a crime which the law must recognize and

punish The issue involved in this trial is of in tense interest to the American people as it hinges upon the question whether the law is intended to shield the poor and humble, or whether its only purpose is to protect the persons and property of a higher class?

-Ex-ambassador BAYARD's logic on the money question, which is of CLEVE-LAND order, is rather faulty in its application when he says it is impious and absurd to attempt to "create values" as has been tried by those who have endeavored "to advance the commercial value of silver for the past twenty years by congressional legislation, in the face of which it has steadily declined." Has there not been member of the committee that has the bill more impiety in the legislation that has destroyed values by beating down the commercial value of silver, the act of 1873 for example? Remove all the restrictions and adverse regulations that have excluded silver from its legitimate use, and would not the natural ratio of 16 to 1, from which it | Congress can fail to listen to them cific railroad thieves was too evident for scarcely deviated for centuries before the gold interest began to demonetize it.

-Schuylkill county clergymen organized

-Car inspector Charles Beltz, aged 60, was