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## WHEN I AM DEAD.

When I am dead, my dearest, Sing no sad songs for me. Plant thou no roses at my head Nor shady cypress tree. Be the green grass above me With showers and dewdrops wet, And if thou wilt remember, And if thou wilt forget.

I shall not see the shadows. I shall not feel the rain. I shall not hear the nightingale Sing on as if in pain, And, dreaming through the twilight That doth not rise nor set. Haply I may remember, And haply may forget.

-Christina G. Rossetti.

MULVANEY'S TALE.

The Inexpressibles gave a ball. They borrowed a seven pounder from the Gunners, and wreathed it with laurels, and made the dancing floor plate glass, and provided a supper, the like of which had never been eaten before, and set two sentries at the door of the room to hold the trays of program cards. My friend, Private Mulvaney, was one of the sentries, because he was the tallest man in the regiment. When the dance was fairly started the sentries were released, and Private Mulvaney fled to curry favor with the mess sergeant in charge of the supper. Whether the mess sergeant gave or Mul-vaney took I cannot say. All I am certain of is that at supper time I found Mulvaney with Private Ortheris, two-thirds of a ham, a loaf of bread, half a pate-de-foie-gras and two magnums of champagne, sitting on the roof of my carriage. As I came up I heard him saying : "Praise be a danst doesn't come as often

as ord'ly room, or, by this an' that, Orth'ris, me son, I wud be the dishgrace av the rig'mint instead av the biggest jool in uts crown."

"And the Colonel's pet noosince," said Ortheris, who was a Londoner. "But what makes you curse your rations? This 'ere fizzy stuff's good enough.''

'Stuff, ye oncivilized pagin ! 'Tis champagne we're dhrinkin' now. 'Tisn't that I'm set agin. 'Tis this quare stuff wid the little bits av black leather in it. I misdoubt I will be distressingly sick wid it in the morning.' Fwhat is ut !'' "Goose liver.'' I said climbing on the top of the carriage, for I knew that it was

better to sit out with Mulvaney than to

dance many dances. "Goose liver is ut?" said Mulvaney. "Faith I'm thinkin' thim that makes it wud do better to cut up the colonel. He carries a power av liver undher his right arrum when the days are warm an' the tons of liver. 'Tis he sez so. 'I'm all liver to-day,' sez he; an' wid that he ordhers me ten days C. B. for as moild a dhrink as iver a word control of the bloomin' captains, Mul-sand of the sec so. 'I'm all Mulvaney,'' said Ortheris; comm'ssariat sar-gints is low.'' Mulvaney accepted the emendation and went on the bloomin' captains, Mulnights chill. He wud give thim tons an' dhrink as iver a good sodger tuk betune his teeth."

"That was when 'e wanted for to wash 'isself in the Fort Ditch," Ortheris explained. "Said there was too much beer in the You was lucky in gittin' orf with what you did, Mulvaney.

"You say so? Now I'm pershuaded I

the grace av God 'tis Terence Mulvaney will cut thim.' put all the quick she knew into the thing. While she packed I stud outside an' sweat-ed, for I was wanted for to shif' the second "So he wint menowderin,' an minanderin,' and blandandhering round' an' about the colonel's daughter, an' she poor inno-cint, lookin' at him like a comm'ssariat scene. I tell you a young gurl's e-vasion manes as much baggage as a rig'mint on the line av march. 'Saints help Dennis' springs,' thinks I, as I bundled the stuff bullock look at the company cook. He'd a dhirty little scrub av a black mustache, into the thrap, 'for I'll have no mercy !' "I'm comin' too,' says the ayah. "No, you don't,' says I, 'later—pecky ! You baito where you are. I'll petchy an' he twisted an turned iviry wurrd he used, as iv he found ut too sweet to spit out. Eyah! He was a tricky man an' a cur by natur.' Some are born so. He was come an' bring you sart, along with me, you maraudin' --- niver mind fwhat I called wan. I knew he was over his belt in mon-

ey borrowed from natives, besides a lot av other mathers which, in regard for your presince, sorr, I will oblitherate. A little 'Thin I wint for the Gaff, an' by the special ordher av Providence, for I was doin' a good work, you will understhand, Dennis' springs hild to-night. 'Now, whin the capt'n goes for that kit,' thinks I, 'he'll be throubled.' At the end av 'Sweetav what I knew the colonel knew, for he wud have none av him, an' that I'm thinkin,' by fwhat happened afterwards,

the capt'n knew." "Wan day, bein' mortial idle, or they wud never ha' thried ut, the rig'mint gave hearts' off the capt'n runs in his kyart to the colonel's house, an' I sits down on the amshure theatricals-orf'cers and orf'cers' steps and laughs. Wanst an' again I slip-ped in to see how the little piece was goin,' an' whin ut was near endin' I stepped out ladies. You've seen the likes time an agin, sorr, an' poor fun 'tis for them that sit in the back row an' stamp wid their boots for the honor av the reg'mint. I was told off for to shif' the scenes, haulin' up began to move, an' I waved to the dhriver. told off for to shif' the scenes, haulin' up this an' draggin' down that. Light work ut was, wid lashins av beer and the gurl that dhressed the orf'cers ladies—but she died in Aggra twelve years gone, an' my tongue's gettin' the better av me. They was actin' a plaything called "Sweethearts," which you may ha' heard av, an' the colonel's kyart and tuk out all the kit an' piled it you may ha' heard av, an' the colonel's daughter she was a lady's maid. The capt'n was a boy called Broom—Spread Broom was his name in the play. Thin I saw—ut come out in the actin'—fwhat I never saw before, an' that was that he was no gentleman. They was too much to-gether, thim two, a whisperin' behind the scenes I shifted, an' some av what the was gether, thim two, a whisperin' behind the scenes I shifted, an' some av what they said I heerd; for I was death—blue death an' ivy—on the comb cuttin'. He was iverlastin'ly oppressin' her to fall in wid some sneaking schame av his, an' she was thryin' to stand out against him, but not as though she was set in her will. I won-der now in thim days that my ears did not grow a vard on my head wid listn'in'. But grow a yard on my head wid listn'in'. But head an' the rest av me in ut an' dhrove to I looked straight forninst me, an' hauled where she was." up this and dragged down that, such as "Miss Sahib," sez I, going to the station?

was my duty, an' the orf'cers' ladies sez one to another, thinkin' I was out av listen' reach; 'fwhat an obligin' young man is this Corp'ril Mulvaney.' I was a corp'ril then. I was rejuced afterwards; but no matther, I was a corp'ril wanst. 'Capt. Shib's order I'' an' without a sign 'I laid to an' dhruv like steam to the colonel's house before the colonel was there, an' she screamed an' I thought she was goin' off. Out come the ayah, sayin' was goin' off. Out come the ayah, sayin'

"Well, this 'Sweethearts' business wint a like most amshure theatricals, and on like most amshure theatricals, and barrin' fwhat I suspicioned 'twasn't 'till the dhress rehersal that I saw for certain that thim two—he the blackguard, an' she no wiser than she should ha' been—had put man evasion.''

"E-vasion ! Fwhat you lorruds an' ladies call an elopement. E-vasion I call it, bekase, exceptin' whin 'tis right an' to steal a man's wan child not knowing that night." her own mind. There was a sargint in the comm'ssariat who set my face upon e-va-sions, I'll tell you about that''--

ped down before I got to him, for I sus-

went on : "Now, I knew that the colonel was no fool, any more than me, for I was hild the smartest man in the rig'mint, an' the coloout av the thrap. Whin he came to, 'Hutt !' sez I, but he began to howl. nel was the best orf'cer commanding in ed. "Said there was too much beer in the barrack water butts for a God fearing man. You was lucky in gittin," orf with whether the truth. We knew that the capt'n was tial truth. We knew that the capt'n was bad, but for reasons which I have always obliterated, I knew more than the colonel. the bloomin' country this whole bloomin' bad, but for reasons which I have always obliterated, I knew more than the colonel. I wod ha' rolled out his face with the butt aw my sup before permittin' ay him the fore mermittin' are in the second seco "You say so? Now I'm persuaded I was cruel hard trated, seein' fwhat I've done for the likes av him in the days whin my eyes were wider open than they are now. Man alive, for the colonel to whip me on the peg in that way! Me that have saved the repitation av a ten times better

The Quay Convention.

Has Candidates All Nominated on the First Ballot and the Platform for Everything but State Reform. The Republican State convention met in

Harrisburg on last Thursday and named the party ticket that is to be submitted to the voters this fall as follows : Governor, William A. Stone, of Allegheny.

Lieutenant Governor, General J. P. S. Gobin, of Lebanon.

Secretary of Internal Affairs, General James W. Latta, of Philadelphia. Judge of the Superior Court, William W. Porter, of Philadelphia.

Congressmen-at Large, Galusha A. Grow of Susquehanna, and Samuel A Davenport,

of Erie. The last four are renominations.

There was scarcely any opposition to the program for the work of the convention as outlined by Senator Quay and, his lieutenants, those opposed to the nomination of Mr. Stone for the head of the ticket contenting themselves with the concentration of their vote on Charles W. Stone. The 'Hitheraoed !' sez I, on' he hitheraoed till I vote was uncomfortably close for the Quay adherents, Colonel Stone receiving only fifteen more votes than the number necessary to a choice. The 163 votes cast for C. W. Stone represented the combined strength of that candidate and John Wanamaker. The latter provided the only sensation

> served notice on the convention that if W. A. Stone was nominated he would continue his fight against the Quay organizaphia on the late afternoon train. He declined to make any statement, referring to inquiries to his letter read to the conven-

tion The candidates and Chairman Wheaton met after the convention and re-elected John P. Elkin, of Indiana, chairman of "Take out the luggage you divil !' sez I for I'll murther you !'' state headquarters in Philadelphia, at which they will be formally notified of their nomination.

The convention was called to order at 11 o'clock by State Chairman Elkin. Senhelp, but seein, I didn't want to be known I sot wid the blanket roun' me an' coughed of the Commonwealth Martin and other party leaders were greeted with applause from the galleries when they took their "Whin all was in the house again I niver seats.

The attendance was the largest since the in the opp'site way from the other carr'age an' put out my lights. Presently I saw a stage were crowded with spectators. The "Stick to the bloomin' captains, Mul-iney," said Ortheris; comm'ssariat sar-nagur man wallowin' in the road. I slip-Philadelphia delegation occupied seats to the right of the stage and those from Alle-gheny to the left. Congressman William pict nown before 1 got to min, for 1 sus-pictoned Providence was wid me all through that night. 'Twas Jungi, his nose smashed in flat, all dumb sick as you A. Stone's favor, sat on the stage with the please. Dennis' man must have tilted him out av the thrap. Whin he came to, the choice of the Northampton delegation, was also a spectator from the stage.

After the reading of the call for the con-vention and the roll of delegates, General

methods is the loudest war cry within the hela rivers, so that free slack water naviga-Republican ranks throughout the common-wealth since the days of the civil war. It is not factional unfriendliness or un-Republican in me, with my continuous record as a Re-publican that cannot be challenged, to speak thus plainly to my fellow-Republicans in this hour of great peril to the party. There are indeed, many unwilling to follow further a machine day

machine flag. The hopes of tens of thousands of Pennsylvania freemen that centered hope-fully upon this convention, should it shut its ears to the plain call of duty and simply give protection to bosses and their slate, will be found to be a narrow policy threat-

ening party destruction. For the convention to seem to be looking

For the convention to seem to be looking for duty and inventing ways of escape from the people's will may be carried once too far. By the judgement of to-day's convention upon the last legislative record and its ma-chine methods, the people will pass judge-ment on the candidates after the convention adjourns. It could have, if it pleases, as fine a medal from the people as any Admiral Dewey will deservedly get if it will sink the fleet of politicians who run the State for po-litical revenue only. There are many who believe that unless it does this, and very soon, there will be a great storm to break upon the Republican party from every corner of the

Republican party from sky. Sincerely yours, JOHN WANAMAKER. Republican party from every corner of the

When the letter had been read David H. Lane, of Philadelphia, with a considerable display of feeling said : "Mr. Wanamaker denounces bossism, and yet there has never been displayed in a Republican convention such an arrogant exhibition of bossism as is shown in the written words of the Philadelphia candidate who had just withdrawn from the contest. Fred W. Fietix, of Scranton, chairman

of the resolutions committee, presented the platform, which was read from the

stage and unanimously adopted. Ex-State Senator O. C. Allen, of Warren, county, offered the name of Congressman Charles W. Stone for the gubernatorial nomination, which was seconded by New-ton W. Black, of Butler. The nomination closed with the two

Stones and General Reeder in the Field. The roll call showed 198 votes for W. A. Stone and 163 for C. W. Stone. Before the result was announced the five votes cast for General Reeder were given to the Allegheny aspirant, the general's name having been withdrawn.

Colonel Stone having received a majority of the votes he was declared the nomi-nee amid considerable enthusiasm.

The nominating speeches for other candidates were limited to five minutes. Major M. A. Gherst, of Lebanon, named Gen. Gobin for lieutenant governor, Major A. C. Reinod, of Laucaster, seconded the nomination. William M. Bunn, of Philadelphia, presented the name of Senator John C. Grady, of Philadelphia. A. C. Robertson, of Allegheny, made the seconding speech. George S. Schmidt, of York, named Richard E. Cochran, of York. J. W. Brown, of Lancaster, seconded Coch-ran's nomination. The nominations closed and a vote was taken with the following result :

Gobin, 226; Grady, 70; Cochran, 32 General Gobin having received a majority of the votes was declared duly elected. By this time the delegates left in the

hall were too tired to listen to speeches or undergo roll call and everybody therefore agreed to the suggestion that the nomina-tion of James W. Latta, of Philadelphia, for secretary of internal affairs, and W. W. Porter, of Philadelphia, for judge of the Superior court, be made by acclamation. The ticket was completed by the re-nomination of Galusha A. Grow and Samuel A. Davenport for congressmen-at-large. A name should go before the convention as a

hela rivers, so that free slack water naviga-tion will be secured by the people of that great manufacturing and industrial region and we demand that the national government shall continue the appropriation for the im-provement of the Delaware river until its channel shall be of sufficient depth and width to receive the largest battleships and the biggest vessels of our merchant marine into the port of Philadelphia.

CONSTRUCTION OF A WATER WAY.

Recognizing that western Pennsylvania is destined to become the manufacturing center of the world, we demand that congress shall make adequate provision for the construction of a water way between the slack water nav-igation of the Ohio and its tributaries and the Great Lakes, and we express our cordial approval and pledge our earnest support of the proposed canal connecting the Great Lakes with the scaboard. We reaffirm the declaration in the platform of the Republican party in this state in 1897 in favor of the law restricting immigration of cheap foreign laborers, who are unwilling and unqualified to assume the duties of American citizenship, but who enter into competition with our American working-men. Recognizing that western Pennsylvania is

men. We heartily and cordially endorse the ad-ministration of President McKinley. The people of Pennsylvania appreciate his pa-triotism and statesmanship, and have implicit confidence in his ability to guide the nation at this time. His judicious and patriotic course in the present war has won for him the admiration and respect of statesmen throughout the world. The purity of his patriotism and the wisdom of his statesma n-ship are such that in the conduct of the pres-ent war sectionalism has disappeared and he receives the earnest support of the American people.

people. We commend the wise, careful and efficient administration of the state government in its various departments, and heartily approve of the fidelity with which our state officials have discharged their duties.

## Our Debt to Bumble Bees.

The Part these Busy Workers Play in the Fertilization of Flowers

Barney Hoskin Standish writes an article "'The Bumble-Bee'' for the June St. Nicholas. Mr. Standish says: "The work of the bumble-bee in bringing about the cross fertilization of flowers is as important as that of the honey-bee, and these two stand at the head of the list of insects useful in their respect. Each has its flower, which it alone visits, but there are many flowers on neutral ground, visited by both. So we may say of the bumble-bee, as of the honey bee, the more bumble-bees the more seeds; the more seeds the more flowers-especially wild flowers; as the tall bell-flower, touchme-not, Solomon's-seal, gentian, Dutch-man's breeches, and turtle-head. But probably the most important work this insect does for agriculture is upon the fields of red-clover. There is abundant proof that the plant will not produce seed with-out the co-operation of the bumble-bee. It is impossible for the wind to bring about the fertilization of the seed, as it may do in the case of India corn, grain and some forest trees. The tube of red-clover blossoms, too, is so long that other insects (including the honey-bee) are not regular visitants.

Here is proof that this plant must have visits from the bumble-bee. This insect is not a native of Australia, and red-clover failed to produce seed there until bumblebees were imported. As soon as they be-came numerous the plant could be de-pended upon for seed. Again, the blos-soms of the first-crop of the "medium redclover" of our own country are just as per-fect as those of the second crop, but there are too few bumble-bees in the field, so early in the season, to produce fertiliza-tion; hence little or no seed is in this crop. roll call however, was necessitated by the friends of Congressman W. C. Arnold, of Clearfield, insisting that their favorite's there is no reason why much larger yields contestant against Grow and Davenport, of clover seed might not be expected than present. Here is what a well-informed farmer says about it : "It was formerly thought that the world rested on the shoulders of Atlas. I can prove that its prosperity rests on the bumble-bee. The world cannot prosper with-out the farmers' product. The farm will not be productive without clover. We cannot raise clover without seed, and we cannot have clover-seed without the bumble-bee, because it is this insect that carries the pollen from flower to flower, securing its developement and continuance. Let us learn to know and to protect our friends.'

"Capt. Shib's order !" an' without a sign tion. Mr. Wanamaker went to Philadel-

man than him ! 'Twas ne-farious, an' that names a power av evil !''

"Whose reputation did you save?"

"More's the pity 'twasn't my own, but I tuk more trouble wid ut than av ut was. 'Twas just my way, messin' vid fwat was no business av mine. Hear now !" He settled himself at ease on top of the car-riage. "I'll tell you all about ut. Av coorse I will name no names, for there's one that's an orf'cer's lady now that was in ut. and no more will I name places, for a man is thracked by a place." "Eyah !" said Ortheris, lazily,

"but this is a mixed story wot's comin'.' "Wanst upon a time, as the childer

books say, I was a recruity." "Was you though ?" said Ortheris; "now that's extraordinary !"

"Orth'ris," said Mulvaney, "av you opin thim lips of yours again I will, savin" "av vou your priscince, sorr, take you by the slack of your trousers an' heave you.'

"I'm mum, " said Ortheris. "Wot appened you when you was a recruity ?"

"I was a better recruity than you iver was or will be, but that's neither here nor there. Thin I became a man, an' the divil of a man I was fifteen years ago. They called me Buck Mulvaney in thim days, an' begad, I tuk a woman's eye. I did that ! Orth'ris, ye scrub, fwhat are ye sniggerin' at? Do you misdoubt me?" Devil a doubt? "said Ortheris "but

I've 'eard summit like that before !'' Mulvaney dismissed the impertinence with a lofty wave of his hand, and contin-

ned . man. I suspicioned he'd gone to the sta-tion wid de gurl's kit at the end av the "An' the orf'cers av the rig'ment I was in in thim days was orf'cers-gran'men,

"An' the colonel av the rig'mint had a daughter-wan av thim lamblike, bleatin," pick-me-up-an-carry-me-or-I'll-die gurls, such as was made for the natural prey av men like the capt'n, who was iverlastin'

said time an' over, 'Kape out av the brute's way, my dear.' But he niver had the heart for to send her away from the throuble, bein' as he was a widower, an' she their wan child."

"Stop a minute, Mulvaney," said I, "how in the world did you come to know these things ?

"How did I come?" said Mulvaney with in' red stallion in the shafts. Whin they a scornful grunt ; "bekase I'm turned was all settled down to their 'Sweehearts' durin' the quane's pleasure to a lump av for the first scene, which was a long wan, I wood, lookin' out straight forninst me, wid a candelabrum in my hand for you to pick your cards out av, must I not see nor feel ? Av coorse I du ! Up my back an' in my boots n' in the short hair av the neck— in' leps. There was no one there excipt that,s where I kape my eyes whin I'm on the servants, an' I wint 'round to the back duty an' the reg'lar wans are fixed. Know? Take my word for it, sorr, ivrything an' a "Ye black brazen Jezebel"

great deal more is known in a reg'mint ; or your masther's honor for five rupees-pack fwhat wud be the use av a mess sargint or up all the Miss Sahib's kit an' look slippy a sargint's wife doin' wet nurse to the major's baby? To reshume. He was a station we are, I sez, an' wid that I laid haddhrill, was this capt'n-a rotten bad my finger to my nose an' looked the dhrill an' whin I first ran me eye over schamin' sinner I was." thriff an' while I first ran me eye over him I sez to myself: 'My militia bantam, I sez, 'my cock av a Gosport dunghill'— 'twas from Portsmouth he came to us— there's combs to be cut,' says, I, 'an' by

struck, niver raised my hand on my super-

"Mulvaney's the dawn's risin'," said Ortheris, "an' we're no nearer 'ome than we was at the beginning. Lend me your pouch. Mine's all dust." Mulvaney pitched his pouch across, and

filled his pipe afresh. "So the dhress rehearsal came to an end

an' bekase I was curious I stayed behind when the scene shiftin, was ended an' I the whip an' lays into Jungi, just mad shud ha' been in barracks, lyin' as flat as a with rage an' swearin' like the scuft he toad under a painted cottage thing. They was, were talkin' in whispers, an' she was shiverin' an' gaspin' like a fresh hukked fish.

erin' an' gaspin' like a fresh hukked fish. man, so I sez : "stop, sorr, or you'll murd-'Are you sure you've got the hang av the her him !' That threw all his fire on me, manewvers ?' sez he, or wurrds to that ef- an' he cursed me into blazes an' out again. fee', as the coort martial sez. 'Sure as I stud to attenshun an' saluted ;

death,' sez she, 'but I misdoubt 'tis cruel sez I, 'av ivry man in the wurruld had his hard on my father.' 'Damn your father,' sez he, or anyways 'twas fwhat he thought 'the arrangement is clear as mud. Jungi will drive the carriage afther all's over, an'

you come to the station, cool an aisy, in myself, 'Terence Mulvaney, you've cut time for the 2 o'clock thrain, where I will your own throat, for he'll strike, an' you'll be wid your kit.' 'Faith,' thinks I to my- knock him down for the good av his sowl self, 'thin there a ayah (native female servant in the business tn !"

"A powerful bad thing is a ayah. Don't wurrd. He choked where he stud, an' you niver have any thruck wid wan. Thin thin he went into his thrap without sayin, he began soothin' her, an' all the orf'cers' good-night, an' I wint back to barricks." ladies left, an' they put out the lights. To explain the theory av the flight, as they gether."

say at Muskthry you must understand that after 'Sweethearts' nonsense was end-"That was all," said Mulvaney; "niver another word did I hear of the whole ed there was another little bit av a play thing. All I know was that there was no 'Couples'-some kind av couple or another. e-vasion, an' that was fwhat I wanted. The girl was actin' in this, but not the Now, I put ut to you, sorr, is ten days' C. B. a fit an' a proper treatment for a man who has behaved as me.—Rudyard Kip-

first piece. 'Twas the kit that flusthered ling. in in thim days was ort'cers—gran'men, wid a manner on 'em an' a way wid 'em such as is not made these days—all but wan—wan o' the capt'ns. A bad dhrill, a wake voice an' a limp leg—thim three things are the signs av a bad man. For bear that in you hid, Orth'ris, me son.'' ''An' the colonel av the rivinint had a

said Ortheris.

"You're an oncivilized man, me son, Whin a gurl's married, all her kit an' 'cou-trements are truso, which manes weddin' portion. An' 'tis the same whin she's runthe soil, further delayed the completion of payin' coort to her, though the colonel he nin' away, even wid the biggest blackguard on the arrmy list.

"So I made my plan of campaign. The colonel's house was a good two miles away. 'Dennis,' sez I to my color sargint, 'av

you love me lend me your kyart, for me heart is bruk an' me feet is sore wid trampin' to and from this foolishness at the Gaff. An' Dennis lent ut, wid a rampin', stamp-

slips outside and into the kyart. Mother of Hivin ! but I made that horse walk, an' we came into the colonel's compound as straw and lodging is feared. Most reports

and pastures are in good condition. Slow progress is being made in tobacco culture. "Ye black brazen Jezebel,' sez I, 'sellin'

"Fwhat the devil's this?" sez the capt'n's bria ; Floyd L. Kniver, Bradford ; J. C.

voice in the dhark, an' I could judge he Brown, Columbia ; Cyrus H. Blood, Jef-ferson, and E. K. Smiley, Venango. Chris L. Magee, of Allegheny, suggested that the convention proceed with the speeches nominating candidates and that was in a lather av rage.'

thrunks was a caution ! I was dyin' to help, but seein, I didn't want to be known

asked for buckshish, but dhruv tremenjus

"You black lump av dirt, I sez, 'is this

"Gharri dhriver here drunk, sor,' sez I, I've found his gharri sthravin' about cantonmints an' now I've found him." "Oh, sez the Capt'n ; fwhat's his name !"

wan wud be beaten to a shakin' jelly for

this night's work-that never came off at

all, sorr, as you see? 'Now' thinks I to

"And then?" said Ortheris and I to-

The State of Crops.

Wet Weather is Not Very Beneficial to Them.

The weekly crop bulletin issued by the

government department of agriculture shows that wet weather has interfe; ed

with crops. It states that another week

of rain ranging from light to heavy together

with the previous saturated condition of

an' your own iverlastin' dischrase."

stooped down an' pretended to listen." and resolutions committee be in order was 'He sez his name's Jungi, sorr,' sez I." presented. The committee convened im-"Hould my harse.' sez the Capt'n to his

man, a' wid that he gets down wid the His speech of acceptance was very brief.

'Sorr.

The convention then proceeded to the selection of a candidate for governor. Thomas M. Marshall, Jr., of Allegheny, presented the name of Col. W. A Stone, "I thought, after awhile he wud kill the for that office.

General B. F. Fisher, of West Chester, econded the nomination. rights, I'm thinking' that more than

Representative Charles F. Chidsey, Easton, named General Frank Reeder, the choice of the Northampton delegation. Joseph M. Huston, of Philadelphia, pre-

sented the name of John Wanamaker. A. S. L. Shields, of Philadelphia, presented the following letter from Mr. Wanamaker withdrawing his name, which was "But the Capt'n never said a single read by Secretary Rex.

read by Secretary Kex. HARRISBURG, Pa., June 2nd. At a meeting of the representatives of the Bouse meeting held this morning, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted, "Resolved, That in view of the means employed by the Republican state organization in the elec-tion of delegates in the interest of one candidate, and the control of the convention by machine methods with the obvious result of defeating, rather than registering, the will of the people, we respectfully request you not to permit your name espectfully request you not to permit your name o be voted for by the state convention, and, furher, be it

Resolved, That we request all delegates friendly o you to vote for Hon. Charles W. Stone." It is plain, therefore, that I cannot consent

It is plain, therefore, that I cannot consent to be a candidate before the convention. I may, however, be permitted to thank all my friends throughout the State, whose good will I so highly value, for their earnest and hearty support of my candidacy. There never has been a moment that I would not have withdrawn if anyone of the five men named in my letter to the Bourse five men named in my letter to the Bourse meeting, or other man of such a type of men, had been selected for governor by any rep-resentative body of the Republican leaders.

FAVORS CHARLES W. STONE.

the soli, fittule using a charge of the seeding of corn and potatoes. Early planted corn is up and doing well, but ow-ing to the cold wet soil considerable of the Inasmuch as the Hon. Charles W. Stone vas one of those selected at the Bourse convention, it is most agreeable to me to now later planted failed to germinated and there is yet a large acreage to seed. Wany most seed when the members of the Bourse conferis yet a large acreage to seed. Many more

is yet a large acreage to seed. Many more potatoes will be put in as soon as the ground can be worked. Nearly all farm work is much delayed and in some sections there is still much plowing to be done for corn. Ground is being prepared for buck-wheat as rapidly as conditions will permit. Grain and grass made rapid growth and under favorable conditions a large yield may be expected, but the rank growth of may be expected, but the rank growth of party was wise enough. honest enough and wheat and rye has caused it to be weak in strong enough to correct any wrongs and abuses within the party. I still have that hope. There is no need for angry contro-versy. No man knows it all or owns it all. Inspiration seldom carries for twenty years. are favorable for a large yield of fruit. Trucker's crops are doing well. Meadows A man carrying the keys of power by heredity descent or holding them by clevernoss or mental energy, must surrender them when the tired people so demand. To suffer the political machine to sell for each the tire of the solution of the sell for

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the slated candidates. The vote was announced as follows : Grow, 285; Davenport, 217; Arnold 148.

Following is the platform adopted : First—The Republican party of Pennsyl-vania in convention assembled, ratifies and reaffirms the doctrines enunciated in the Republican national platform adopted at St. Louis in 1896, and approved by the people at the last presidential election. Second—We declare emphatic approval of the wise and patientic approval of the reports of the permanent organization

mediately in the rear of the hall and re-ported Frank W. Wheaton as permanent chairman, who was elected by acclamation. His speech of acceptance was very brief. to avoid the necessity of a war with Spain. The conditions prevailing in the island of Cuba under Spanish control had become seriously injurious to our important commercial interests, and the suffering, misery and death occasioned by Spanish cruelty and bar-barity bad incurred a sentiment of resentment among the American people, who can not help but feel a generous sympathy with people so near our own border. The destruc-tion of the Maine by Spanish agencies, in the opinion of our people, demanded atonement, and our negotiations with Spain clearly developed the fact that but one alternative was left to the United States, that Spain should relinquish her sovereignty over that island and that the freedom of Cuba should be recognized.

## VIGOROUS PROSECUTION OF THE WAR.

With these purposes in view, we demand a vigorous prosecution of the war to a success-ful conclusion and we pledge our earnest support to the president of the United States in whatever measures he may deem neces-

sary. Third—We rejoice with the people of the nation upon the brilliant record which the American navy has made in the present war. American navy has made in the present war. The splendid victory of the American fleet under Commodore Dewey at Manila has not been rivalled in the history of naval warfare and our people have such confidence in the bravery, skill and efficiency of the officers and men of our navy that they confidently look forward to equally brilliant victories in Cuban waters. We demand that the national government shall, as rapidly as possible, in-crease and build up our navy, so that we shall be at all times prepared to meet the necessibe at all times prepared to meet the necessi-ties of our national defense, to protect our merchant marine and our growing foreign commerce, and, with the same object in view, we demand that the national government

shall provide adequate coast defenses upon our seaboard of the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. We congratulate the state upon the promptness with which Pennsylvania filled the quota required by the national govern-ment with trained and efficient volunteers. CONFIDENCE IN PENNSYLVANIA SOLDIERS

Our people will watch the career of the Pennsylvania volunteer soldiers with abso-lute confidence in their patriotic desire and ability to uphold the honor and the dignity

The state of Pennsylvania. Fourth—The Republicans of Pennsylvania reaffirm their adherence to the doctrine of protection to American industries. Two years ago our mills were closed and our manufacturing, commercial, agricultural and business interests were prostrated. To-day our mills are opened, labor is given full employment and a general revival of industrial activity promises renewed prosperity to our state. We affirm the declaration made to the last Republican national platform in favor of the construction of the Nicarauga canal. We believe that the present war has demonstrated beyond question the imperative necessity of this canal for purposes of national defense and for the benefit of our foreign and domestic this work as speedily as possible.

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Two Needs.

There are two works of international importance that are greatly needed in the interest of commerce and of civilization. One is the Nicaragua canal. The other is a cable across the Pacific connecting the United States with the Hawaiian Islands and with the countries of the far east. The existing war is likely to prove of incidental benefit in leading to the early construction of both. The voyage of the Oregon from Califor-nia to the Atlantic coast of the United States by way of the Straits of Magellan demonstrated as few things could the need for a canal across the isthmus joining the two oceans. While military necessity may be the most powerful impelling motive leading to the early building of such a canal, the chief benefit to accrue from its construction doubtless would be com-

In its way the need for a Pacific cable is just as great. If the United States is to have permanent interests in Asiatic waters it certainly should have cable connection of its own with them, and not be obliged to depend for intelligence upon lines running through the ports of many other countries. But even if the United States should not hold the Philippines, as it is to be hoped it may see its way clear not to do, a cable line to the Asiatic coast would nevertheless be of much importance. Trade to a considerable extent follows lines of communication, and a Pacific cable would do much to develop better commercial relations with the peoples of the orient. In many ways it would be an advantage to the United States to have a direct means of speedy communication with these people, instead of being compelled to use European cables. The laying of such a cable would in itself be an act tending to stimulate closer relations between the peoples of the two shores of the Pacific. The construction of a Pacific cable, too, would be

## A Woodsman Killed Near Hoytville.

Samuel Comstock and Frank Thomas were working in the bark woods at Nauvoo, near Hoytville, Friday. While Thomas was standing on a fallen tree, chopping a knot, his axe slipped and flew over, striking Comstock, who was spudding bark, under the car. A deep gash was inflicted and veins were severed. Comstock clapped ommerce, and we call on congress to push his hand to the wound and fell over. Thomas picked him up and a doctor was hastily summoned. The physician could not stop the flow of blood, and Comstock

died about an hour after the accident. He was 45 years old and leaves a wife and six

barred because he erased by acid the record of a mortgage. This is not sufficient punishment Unless the statute of limitation forbids it he ought to be sent to the penitentiary.

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