Ink Slings

- -It is the tailor who has proven promptest in taking proper war measures.
- -There is hardly enough of the Spanish navy left to furnish the material for a phantom fleet.
- -The fact that our army of invasion is now in the windward passage may account for the amount of blow there is about it.
- -What Commander QUAY and Generals ELKINS and ANDREWS seem to be short of, is a proper supply of available ammunition.
- -Doctor SWALLOW's head will be fitted by a smaller hat after the election when he finds that his vote has shrunk to the normal Prohibition size.
- -The Quay machine will discover that to carry the State election something more than wrapping its candidates in the American flag will be required.
- -The good sense of the Democratic party has settled down to the conviction that State reform wouldn't be facilitated by agitating the money question.
- ---The restoration of popular government by the overthrow of an autocratic usurpation is the actual issue in the Pennsylvania State campaign.
- -The anxiety about making a landing at Altoona next week is what seems to be troubling the fellows who think they have charge of the Democratic forces.
- -KAISER WILHELM would maintain the appearance of neutrality with better grace if he didn't carry the chip on his shoulder quite so conspicuously.
- -There need be no change in the coloring when it comes to keeping green the memories of some men now posing as the leaders of the Pennsylvania Democracy.
- -The war which a Democratic administration urged against Mexico should teach the present dilatory war managers how to conduct hostilities with decision and dis-
- -- If we can believe the reports that come from the common enemy, Gen. WANAMAKER has been putting in his time stocking the Democratic magazines with ammunition.
- -It is not that the situation requires more soldiers, but that there are still a few great mens sons without commission, that is proving the necessity for an other call for volunteers.
- -German insolence in interfering with the Philippines might almost justify Uncle Sam to hold on to those islands, although it wouldn't be to his advantage to have such distant possessions.
- -How short our memories. Half our people and the whole of the administration seem to have forgotten already that was declared for the purpose of feeding the starving reconcentrados.
- -As we have no war department in Cuba, to interfere, it is confidently believed that the troops will be able to make a landing there in less time and with less trouble than they did their embarkation at Key
- -If military service consisted entirely when it could have been settled by diploof dress parades the ASTOR battery would macy. He would thus make it appear that be the most efficient corps of soldiers in the it was not the vindication of the nation's army, as its millionaire commander has honor and the relief of the oppressed people of Cuba that moved President McKINLEY provided its members with no less than six changes of uniform.
- -With the intention of having the handle of the machine within easy reach Boss QUAY has vacated his seat in the Senate for the balance of the session and will make his headquarters during the summer on his Lancaster county farm.
- -After the siege Gen. SHAFTER and his command had with our own war department in getting started to work, they ought to be pretty well seasoned for the lighter troubles they will experience in overcoming the Spaniards.
- -WILLIAM J. BRYAN has been subjected to mean treatment in his endeavor to serve his country as a soldier, but if he Democratic member made to his abuse, and is given a chance to fight he will prove his the House recognized it as a proper reablility to contend with the Spaniards as courageously as he has faced the power of the plutocrats.
- -Who says there is incompetency in the management of the army? When the sons of ex-President HARRISON, Vice President HOBART and the grand son of Gen. GRANT, who were commissioned officers for their evidenced by the demands of the present father's sakes, are detailed to sort potatoes, some one, somewhere, evidently knows his business.
- -If the dynamite bombs of the Vesuvius tear up as large chunks of Cuban soil as is stated, and if that vessel keeps firing on for a while, there will be little of the Island left for America and Spain to contend about. This conclusion is without doubt, if the ifs are to be relied upon.
- -It is bad enough for the national treasury to be bled by the ordinary class of Republican leeches, but one is almost compelled to lose faith in human honesty when a Methodist Book Concern, like the one at ernment, are largely chargeable to the hesi-Nashville, couldn't see any harm in work- tancy of these two men. Had either done
- -"Lest we forget" where the responsibility for the nation's military deficiency belongs, it should be borne in mind that the millions that were squandered in the profligate projects of Republican billion out of results of this hesitancy are undollar congresses would have provided the dollar congresses would have provided the duty of every good citizen, and in this Mr.

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torial spoils of the war, and it is already

being hinted that Cuba will be too valuable

the Spaniards shall have been driven out.

great navy required to defend those distant

constitutional government and to militate

The parties who would thus initiate the

conversion of our republic into an empire

by territorial expansion in distant regions,

attempts to justify their design by the ex-

ample of Mr. JEFFERSON's acquisition of

Louisiana purchase was contiguous to the

territorial limits of the states and easily oc-

cupied by American immigrants; and, more-

over, one of the injunctions of that great

military and naval force for its defence.

Unfortunate in His Champion.

In having GROSVENOR for his sp kes-

unfortunate not only for the reason that

GROSVENOR is often indiscreet but in ad-

dition to his indiscretion is frequently

has excited a good deal of comment recent-

been rushed into war by public clamor

to hostilities against the Spaniards, but

that he was driven to war by "the howl-

criticised that measure, that the best ex-

Too Late.

front once more in an address on "Good

horrors of war with all its attendant evils-

sufferings, taxes, demoralization-with the

impetus that is given to false ideas of gov-

rights" of the struggling Cubans, by either

one, would have ended the matter so far as this country is concerned. The Cubans

would have attended to the rest. But it

was not done. The evils that may grow

we fear he is too late to be effective.

politicians."

demagogic clamor.

joinder.

against republican institutions.

Such projects have so much the character

BELLEFONTE, PA., JUNE 24, 1898.

A Played Out Policy.

Imperial Designs. To the Philadelphia Record's interroga-While it is apparent to every intelligent American citizen that the object of the war tion, "Is protection played out?" the old with Spain is perfectly justifiable in so far reliable Republican Public Ledger replies as it includes the vindication of the na- that it is Dingleyism and not protection tion's honor, and the relief of the Cuban that is played out. It then proceeds to repeople from inhuman Spanish oppression, mark that "the principle of real protection, it is to plain that this object is being which Dingleyism abuses, misrepresents, lost sight of in the desire for territorial ex- and perverts, is wise, good and provident, pansion which is taking possession of the and is not now, and will not be played out so long as the American people consider public mind.

It is difficult to conceive how the addiwhat is best for themselves ' tion of Hawaii to our territorial domain is In speaking this way the Ledger evidentconnected with the legitimate object of this | ly has in its view the incidental protection war. Yet we see the administration de- which always attended Democratic revenue tariffs. Their object was to produce revemanding the acquisition of those islands as a war measure, and threatening to so nue, but, in addition to that purpose, provision was made for protecting industry to transcend its constitutional power as to seize that Island as a military necessity if a reasonable extent. Under this system Congress should not assent to its annexation. there was no chance given the monopolies This appears to be but a part of the imto practice their extortions, while the duperial program that is to be evolved from a | ties were amply sufficient to make up the war which was intended for an entirely difference in the price of labor in this coun-

different purpose. A colonial empire in try and in Europe. the East Indies is to be started with the An excellent example of such a wise and conquest of the Philippines; the Ladrone beneficent economic policy was the Demoand Caroline Islands in the Pacific ocean cratic tariff of 1846 under which the foundaare to be occupied as naval stations; Porto | tion of American industrial prosperity was Rico is to be retained as part of the terri- laid.

The defect in Republican tariffs is that they are the result of a compact between to be handed over to its own people after the monopolists and the Republican politicians. When the trusts and other predatory combinations furnish the money to of imperialism that the other imperial ad- elect Republican Presidents and Congress junets, a powerful military force and a men, the tariffs that result from such an alliance will be made to suit the interest of possessions, would be the inevitable se- those who supplied the means of carrying quence, with its tendency to impair our the elections. The DINGLEY tariff was bought by the capitalists who furnished the money that elected McKINLEY, and after it cost them millions it could not be expected that it would be framed in the interest of labor.

The War Racket.

Louisiana, but the area gained by the With its political iniquities exposed, and its festering corruptions in state government laid bare, by unimpeachable testimony from its own party, the QUAY machine proposes to divert the attention of the voters statesman was that this nation should not from its disreputable record by "working the war racket."

acquire territory that would need a great Designing to make amends for its rotten politics by a show of patriotism, and with the object of converting to the advantage of profligate ringsters the hostility to a drunk. He must have been in the latter machine stump speakers will call for the needed remedy? condition when he wrote the letter that election of QUAY's man as Governor "in order to support the administration in this ly, in which he said that the President had

The people understand the object of this little avail in a campaign in which the voters know that the enemy which they have most to fear and will have to grapple with in this state contest, are not arrayed under the Spanish flag, but are mustered under the banner of a vicious political maing of the demagogues and self-seeking chine and obey the orders of a corrupt boss.

The soldiers in the field and the sailors While this is but a poor compliment to of the navy will maintain the honor of the the firmness of the head of the nation that flag on land and sea, and administer proper could be moved to so dread an issue as war punishment to an insolent and inhuman by mere public clamor, it is an offensive foe. In the performance of this duty they reflection upon the patriotic sentiment of are so well backed by the approval and the nation which is thus stigmatized as support of patriotic citizens, of all parties, that they need not the fake endorsement In the discussion of the war revenue bill in the House GROSVENOR applied such abusive terms to Democrats, who properly

The contest in Pennsylvania is not with cuse that could be made for him was that he was drunk. That was the answer a the Spanish enemy whom our brave soldiers and sailors are abundantly able to defeat ; between the honest citizens and a combination of corrupt and profligate politicians who have converted the power of the ma-Ex-President CLEVELAND comes to the jority into a political machine by means of Citizenship" in which he greatly deprewhich they have misruled and plundered cates the imperialistic tendency towards the state. the acquisition of distant colonies," that is

A Blow at Quay's Senatorship.

administration and the support this anti-It is not merely the political tyranny American doctrine is receiving from the that QUAY exercises in controlling the public. In opposing this tendency Mr. party conventions, and dictating the nomi-CLEVELAND is clearly right, but a little nations, that is exciting the opposition of late to be effective. During the closing disgusted Republican. The hostility that months of his administration he had it in has been thus aroused will be directed not his power to have prevented even an exonly against his candidate for Governor, cuse for movements such as are contemplabut it will be arrayed against his own canted now, just as Mr. McKinley, during didacy for re-election to the United States the early months of his, had. But neither Senate, and therefore will make itself felt sized up to the situation, and the condiin the election of members of the Legislations now confronting the country-the

Republicans in all parts of the State, who have grown weary of wearing collars themselves, or being subjected to others who wear the QUAY collar, have determined ing off a fraudulent claim on the govern- his duty, there would have been no need of but to strike at the root of the boss's politiwar. The recognition of the "belligerent cal power by defeating the Legislative candidates upon whose election he depends for his continuance in the United States Senate.

re-election of the four anti-Quay members from that county. In every legislative district the nomination of QUAY candidates is to be defeated, and where this fails, the Republican anti-Quayites propose to assist in the defeat of QUAY's legislative nominees by whatever combination can be

If the State is to be relieved from the corruptions of machine rule it is in the Legislature that reform is needed as much as in the executive department, and those citizens who sincerely desire the regeneration of our State government can do as much towards it by preventing the election of QUAY's candidates for the Legislature as by defeating his nominee for Gov-

Gold Democrats and State Issues.

The minority of the Democratic party in this State which, in favoring the gold standard, disagrees with the majority on the monetary issue, does not display the same divergence of sentiment in regard to matters that are necessary for State reform.

That this class of Pennsylvania Democrats are as fully convinced as are the majority that the overthrow of the QUAY machine is necessary for the political and overnmental regeneration of the State, is shown by the address which they have issuel, in which they ascribe to that vicious domination the misrule that prevails in Pennsylvania.

There could not be a more thorough and truthful arraignment of that debasing power than is presented in this address. Every feature of the prevailing political debasement and governmental debauchery is fully delineated, but the general evil is poweffully portrayed in the single expression

With equal incisiveness of expression prescribes the remedy when it declares that "The entire service of the State

duty of correcting such a condition of afforeign enemy that excites the public feel- fairs, why should difference of views on ising at this time, QUAY's state convention sues that have no connection with State filled its platform with high sounding ex- matters whatever, keep Democrats apart pressions in support of the war, and the or prevent their joint action in securing the

When the State is to be rescued from the rule of political corruptionists, and the pilment on the question of monetary standracket, and such political tactics will be of ards be required for unity of action in a matter that relates solely to the quality of our State government?

We are confident that this view of the requirement of the situation will so effect the action of the Democratic State convention that it will do nothing to deter a union all the reform elements in support of the Democratie State ticket.

Unsubstantial Prosperity.

Young LEITER's gigantic wheat corner carry a load that eventually smashed him, as usually happens to every speculative adof a machine platform whose patriotic ex- venturer that tries to corner the wheat pressions are intended to mask ring ras- market on a line of prices beyond their natural level.

LEITER's failure was the inevitable consequence of an attempt to take advantage of abnormal conditions. Short harvests in but the fight in this old commonwealth is the wheat fields of the old world created an unusually heavy demand for the product of this country. Here was a situation that promised unbounded wealth if he could succeed in controlling the only supply upon which the world could depend for its bread. He grasped for the immense prize. To hold it was beyond his strength, and his failure was as great as every attempted for the Legislature be defeated at the primonopoly of the necessaries of life ought to

> Something may be learned from LEITER's collapse. When the foreign scarcity of time the fruits of victory may not turn to wheat and the operation of the speculators ashes on the lips. sent the price up to the unusual figures that prevailed when the corner was at its height, such a forced condition was taken as an evidence of prosperity consequent upon the prevalence of Republican policies. Dollar wheat was pointed to as proving that there was no affinity between the price of wheat and the price of silver. Wheat at a dollar and upwards was spoken of as if it was to remain as a permanent refutation of the free silver doctrine, and a confirmation of the benefit of gold monometallism. The farmers all over the West were said to have had the 16 to 1 nonsense and Mr. Rockefeller, multi-millionaires, knocked out of them by the high price of wheat.

It should have occurred to the most This anti-Quay hostility, which aims at superficial reasoners that prosperity based overthrowing his senatorial power, was on an artificially high price of a farm proproclaimed by WANAMAKER in his speech duct was of an unsubstantial character that country with ample means of defence CLEVELAND is to to be commended. But at Oxford, Chester county, two days after would collapse when the market could no the State convention, when he advised the longer be successfully manipulated.

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Noble Deeds of Illustrious Sons. From the Lancaster Intelligencer.

Let the band play and the goddess of liberty dance with delight!

Major Russell Harrison has inspected and condemned several hundred barrels of mouldly potatoes shipped to Florida for the use of the troops. The major was assisted in this daring enterprise by Major Hobart, also the son of his father, and by Lieut. Algernon Sartoris, the grandson of his grandfather. A dispatch from Jacksonhis grandfather. A dispatch from Jackson-ville notes this affair as "an illustration of the adaptability of American youth to the conditions of a soldier's life without regard to previous surroundings," and observes that "owing to the condition of the potatoes the work was disagreeable and arduous, but the board performed it cheerfully and to the greatest satisfaction of Gen. Lee and the health officer of Jacksonville."

Problem: If it takes two of the recently

appointed majors and one of the highly re-lated lieutenants to inspect one shipment of spoiled potatoes how many of these officers will be necessary to spoil a Spaniard?

For the solution of this problem further details are desirable. Did Russell and Algernon and the other chap approach the scene of action with corks in their noses and tucks in their trousers, or did they follow the fashion set by hero Hobson at the sinking of the Merrimac, and advance prepared for a swim? There is a modus operandi, even in the inspection of potatoes, whereby one may recognize the man of

Here's Food for Thought, While the Administration is Bothering About Hawaii.

From the Philadelphia Bulletin.

"The sight made by the Eighteenth as the men marched to the train would bring a blush of shame to the cheeks of every man who holds his nation's honor dear. Eight hundred and seventy-three men were in line, including officers. Of this number 348 were recruits who had arrived within the past five days. At least 200 other recruits had been here for a month, and that corruption pervades every department yet not a rag had they received from the of the State government, "the Legislature is a scandal and the executive is impotent for good."

government. There were 265 guns scattered among the men. Colonel Smith had a horse, paid for by himself.

"Ragged, unarmed, undisciplined in part, the shuffling crowd of men would hardly bear comparison with Coxey's army. Scores of the boys have kept within their tents for weeks, restraining from joining in 'and municipal governments must be so the soldier sport, because of their lack of 'vigorously and radically reorganized that honesty, capacity and efficiency will take the place of bribery and political villainy the place of bribery and has been here longest, which for seven In view of the present and paramount weeks has been tantalized by government

Favored Only by Those Who Will Make Money by It.

From the Danville Intelligencer.

There appears to be a determination of the present administration to force the annexation of the Hawaii islands into the Union by hook or crook no matter what lage of public plunders, why should agree- the means. A considerable number of Congress are opposed to such annexation, including speaker Reed, but we doubt if they can defeat the measure under the pressure brought by the government. The usual way to annex is by a treaty sent in by the President and confirmed by the Senate but it can't be accomplished this way, hence an | take off some of its trains between the two attempt is to be made through a common resolution. A big lobby of sugar monopolists is trying to force the measure through Not one man out of a hundred throughout the States has been asked his opinion whether he favors the measure, and we fully believe that a majority oppose it. As to the natives of the island they have no voice in the matter. A few carpet baggers have seized it and are now lobbying to have the islands annexed to the United ended with a crash. He endeavored to States to enrich themselves regardless of the interest of this country.

And the Country Would Still Survive. From the Pittsburg Post.

There is a great deal of talk about differences between General Alger, secretary of war, and General Miles, who commands the army, and it is said one or the other of them may go. It is a give-it-up sort of silk veil and tacking it on her front door, conundrum to tell which President Mc-Kinley will find it difficult to make a selection, and it can't be put to a vote. Probably it would be best to let both go.

So Say We All.

From the Phila. Evening Telegraph (Rep.) Let Quay's candidate for governor be defeated at the polls. Let his candidates maries. Let the fight be kept up until he and his candidates are alike rebuked and Quayism is brought to an end. Let the revolt extend so wide and so far that this

Took Control Himself. From the Northampton Democrat.

Quay's convention in 1895 declared "the corporate control of Legisla-The last Legislature lived up to tures." that idea and its control was placed in the hands of Senator Quay with the result that is too well known.

Republican Legislation Will Save Them From the Wilkesbarre Leader.

While poor men are offering their all on the altar of their country Mr. Havemeyer are moving heaven and earth to keep from paying a war tax they would not feel

-It looks as if the Senate is going to show itself to be as badly inoculated with Hawaiian leprosy at the House was.

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Spawls from the Keyston

- -Brakeman John McHugh fell under a team at Hazleton and was cut in two.
- -A new Lutheran church, to cost \$20,000, will be erected at Hamburg, Berks county.
- -Three miners were killed by an explosion of gas in the Latrobe mines, near Greens
- -Bass fishing along the Susquehanna at the present time is better than it has been in years.
- -While fishing at the dam below Ardenheim a few days ago, W. M. Graffius caught a
- German carp weighing 61 pounds. -Thirty-five applicants for mine foreman's ertificates were examined at Pottsville at
- the last session of the board of examiners. -William Silverman and his brother, peddlers, were dumped into the canal near Bris-
- tol, with their team, and narrowly escaped death. -Col. A. K. McClure, of the Philadelphia Times, will deliver the oration at the laying
- of the corner stone of the state capitol building some time this month -Charged with threatening to exterminate his wife and children with a shotgun, farmer George Neff, of Upper Strasburg,
- Franklin county, has been committed to -Andrew Kuben, who shot and killed his cousin, Andrew Krisen, of Ellwood city, because he smoked in the parlor, has been found guilty of second degree murder at
- Sharon. -No settlement of the wage difficulties between the manufactures of the window glass and the blowers and gathers was reached at a two days' conference just closed
- at Pittsburg. -The body of John Houston was found on lonely road near Pittston, Luzerne county, Monday. A ghastly shot gun wound was found in his breast. It is believed the man
- was murdered. -Major R. C. McNamara has been appointed judge advocate of the Fifth Regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, and, in addition to his regular duties as a soldier will
- try all cases of the Fifth. -Henry Bowman was found dead in Upper Lancaster township, near Bird-in-Hand, with his throat cut from ear to ear Tuesday morning. The man is supposed to have committed suicide on account of despond-
- -Lieut. Col. James A. Barnett and Adj. Crowell, of the Tenth Regiment, detailed to Greensburg, from San Francisco, to recruit the Tenth Regiment up to the required number, have over 1,200 more men on the rolls than are required.
- -Bonds are being subscribed for in Harrisburg very rapidly under the recent act of Congress, and the various banks of that city have orders for them under \$500 aggregating about \$150,000. Many persons are doing business directly with the United States government.
- -Patrick Huston, of Pittston, was lodged in jail at Wilkesbarre, on Wednesday, charged with the murder of his brother, John. The dead body of the latter, with a bullet hole in his head, was found on a lonely road at Pittston last Sunday morning. The prisoner claims he is innocent.
- -Senator Quay, who is suffering from a renewed attack of his old enemy, indigestion, left Washington on Friday afternoon for his farm, in Lancaster county, where his family has preceeded him, and where he expects to remain for several weeks unless called back by complications in the Senate.
- -President Kennedy, of the Cumberland valley railroad company, denies the statement that his company has bought the Harrisburg and Mechanicsburg electric street railway company and that the railroad company will complete the electric road and then
- -The state treasurer has been notified that about \$240,000 will be required to pay all the expenses incident to the ordering out of the Pennsylvania National guard, which would make the cost to the State of two calls the past year \$500,000, the Hazleton labor troubles having involved an expenditure of about \$150,000.
- -A recruiting office was opened at the Fifth Regiment armory, at Holidaysburg, on Monday, by Maj. J. P. Kennedy, of Blairsville, and Captain J. Swan Taylor, of Johnstown. There were 160 applicants. Thirtyone men were accepted. They will leave at once to join Company C. of the Fifth Regiment, at Chickamauga.

-After arranging a crape from a black Mrs. John Schweitzer, a widow, aged sixtyfive, took a piece of wash-line and hung herself in the garret Monday morning. She attired herself in mourning, too, and left a note saying that she was tired of living and wanted to join her husband and only son in

-Lieut. Edgar W. Howe, who has been assigned by the War department to muster in the eighteen companies of infantry from Pennsylvania under the President's second call for volunteers, reached Harrisburg on Monday to confer with Governor Hastings and adjutant general Stewart. The companies will be recruited largely from the counties without representation in the volunteer army, preference being given to the large counties

-The postoffice department has announced the annual readjustment of presidential postmasters' salaries for the fiscal year beginning July 1st. The changes in Pennsylvania are as follows: Altoona and Easton advanced from second to first class; Ambler, Charleroi, Conshohocken, Kane and Wayne advanced from third to second class. The increases of nearby offices are as follows: Jersey Shore, \$1,500 to \$1,600; Austin, \$1,400 to \$1,500; Galeton, \$1,300 to \$1,400; Hughesville, \$1,300 to \$1,400; Lewisburg, \$2,000 to \$2,100; Coudersport, \$1,600 to \$1,700; Kane. \$1,900 to 2,000; Wellsboro, \$1,800 to \$1,900; Philipsburg, \$2,100 to \$2,200; Northumberland, \$1,300 to \$1,400; Ridgway, \$2,000 to \$2,100; Sunbury, \$2,100 to \$2,200; Watsontown, \$1,400 to \$1,500; Montoursville, \$1,000 to \$1.100.

Decrease: Bellefonte, from \$2,200 to