Ink Slings.

For the rain raineth not in the night time, And the sun shineth hot through the day, And the good farmer sweats, And the other one swears,

While housing his harvest of hay. -There was no Klondike atmosphere

about the Altoona convention. -The Altoona convention played "high JENKS" with the GORDON boom.

-The Democratic forces have evacuated Altoona, and peace again reigns in the Mountain city.

-There will be no insurgents to harass and annoy the Democratic forces in this fall's campaign

School boys of the next century will say that Uncle SAM discovered Cuba and Porto Rico.

-Now that the Altoona skirmish is over Mr. WANAMAKER's cables may be in working order again in a few days.

-The best thing that the Hon. JAMES KERR and his friends can do now is to forget GORDON and remember JENKS.

-After all their grappling the QUAY forces seem to have failed in locating the severed cables of the insurgent Republicans.

-The fellows who don't know just JENKS.

-The Altoona convention remembered BRYAN but wisely decided to fight the campaign of '98 on the issues that are involved in it.

-The question is not so much one of where to get the stamps to put on one's checks as it is where to get the stamps to draw checks on.

-The night-key that the gold Democrats have been looking for was furnished form of the Michigan Democrats recomthem at Altcona, and it is confidently ex- mends a most liberal appropriation of monpected that they will all be back home in ey to pay the expenses of the war; it de-

-And now comes the startling rumor that Dr. SWALLOW has planted his political mines all about the harbor of Harrisburg. Well, we always supposed that his chief effort was to blow somebody up.

-In their brush with the American cow boys last week the Spaniards evidently discovered that there is a very material difference between our cow-boys and the boy-cows with which they have been accustomed to fighting for amusement.

-An exchange asks "have you ever no-Every time a Republican convention endorses the administration, he is the first man to chasse out to the foot-lights and bow his acknowledgments.

-The American people to-day are more interested in the "before and after effects" than ever in their lives. Gen. SHAFTER has twenty-three thousand men before Santiago, but the dear hearts at home are sad at the thought that he cannot have so

-We are not naturally pessimistic, but the situation compels us to warn our peois right in the way of their march.

-Our contemporary, the Philadelphia Inquirer, with its usual ambition in matters Republican, tried to make its last Sunday readers believe that all of the candidates on the Republican state ticket were warriors of old. It did succeed in doing it fairly well, but when it got down to poor old GALUSH GROW all that could be said of him was that he was speaker of the House in '61.

ships in Manila bay is leading many to betition is made. The German government | be an initial incident. stoutly denies any such intentions and ish beef that will soon be blowing up.

-The United Brethren missionary who, with his wife and four children, was held church missionary society. While the to get out of the clutches of those bad pendencies. Africans, yet they cannot be very greatly consoled at the thought that they were only worth £118 in the eyes of the natives. It is no wonder they were run in as missionaries and held up as soup bones.

-The people who thought that a Demowithout rowdyism had reason to change the republic into an imperial domain. their minds after seeing the Altoona con-

Acmoratica Hatchanie

STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

BELLEFONTE, PA., JULY 1, 1898. VOL, 43

Democratic Support of the War.

There is no mistaking the position of the Democratic party in regard to the present war. The Democrats of the present generation imitate the example of their patriotic predecessors in heartily supporting all war measures when their country is in conflict with a foreign enemy. In fact all past wars with foreign countries since the establishment of our government were conducted by Democratic administrations, and | al establishment will require. hence it is a Democratic instinct to strike the enemies of the republic.

It there has been any fault-finding by Democrats with the present war it has been on account of a deficiency of vigor in its prosecution, and the perversion of its purdeclared If there has been occasion for Democratic censure it had its cause in the delay, indecision and bad management that have been advantageous to the enemy. "where they are at" are the fellows who In their willingness to supply all the monare out with QUAY and not in yet with ey necessary for the war, the Democrats were justified in requiring that the measures adopted for the raising of revenue for the national defence should not be specially adjusted to the advantage of the bank-

Nothing could be more natural to the conflict with a foreign enemy, and this spirit that has always animated the party now finds expression in the deliverances of Democratic State conventions. The platmands a vigorous and effective prosecution of hostilities, and that economy of treasure and life should be protected so far as is consistent with the means by which victory is to be secured; that the best food supplies and arms shall be provided for the soldiers and that "there shall be no cessation of effort until every righteous purpose of the war shall be accomplished.

With equal patriotism the Indiana Democratic platform demands "the most vigorous prosecution of the war until it shall have ended in vindication of the National honor, the absolute relinquishment by Spain of possession or control of any part ticed the promptness with which MARK of the western hemisphere, and the formal HANNA meets all situations." We have. acknowledgment by that kingdom of the

independence of the Cuban republic." State convention, but we are confident that its platform will express the old Demogovernment in every war with a foreign

Perverting the Object of the War.

It should be a satisfaction to those citizens who are opposed to McKinley's imperial designs that some of the ablest of the Republican leaders do not approve of his ple that there is no telling how many of Hawaiian scheme, and are decidedly opposour brave boys, now at Chicamauga, may ed to his intention of seizing those islands, fall long before reaching the Spanish out- by forcible and irregular means, if they can posts. The Georgia water-melon patch not be acquired by the process of annexation prescribed by our laws.

Senator MORRILL, of Vermont, who represents the most conservative and intelli gent element of Republicanism, has raised his voice in the Senate against this contemplated land piracy, which is intended to be an imitation of the grasping policies of European monarchies in the acquisition of colonial territories. Even speaker REED. who stops at nothing in pushing the interests of the Republican party in its measures relating to the internal government of -The fact that Germany has seven war the country, would call a halt on the scheme of imperial expansion upon which lieve that Emperor WILLIAM intends grab- this administration has insanely embarked, bing some of the Philippines when the par- and of which the seizure of Hawaii would

There can be no necessity growing out of well she may, for while Uncle SAM has the present war that would require the poshis hand in he might not stop until there session of those islands, or justify it as war would be frankforters and wienerwurst measure. Our nation justly entered into flying skyward along with the dried Span- hostilities with Spain to redress the wrongs of an oppressed people and to relieve the fair island of Cuba from a tyranny that not only outraged humanity but injured our material interests. This justifiable object up by the natives about Sierra Leone, West will be grossly perverted by allowing that Africa, for a ransom, has been turned over war to drift into foreign conquests that will for £118 sterling which was paid by the rival the monarchies of Europe in the seizure of distant territories by force of arms, WILBERFORCES are doubtless very happy and establishing a system of colonial de-

The Sceme of Imperialism.

constitutional moorings, are becoming tions. alarmed at the rapidly developing designs

vention on Wednesday. The fight for about in our governmental policies, which ful as an effect of Republican economic Governor was sharp, but it was fair and were adapted to the promotion of wealth, policies, the plutocrats who have been not an untoward movement was made by and the building up of a wealthy class for benefited by those policies ought to be any set of men. Factions and bosses were whose benefit special measures of govern- liberal in furnishing the money to pay the lost sight of in the preponderating trend of ment have been devised. We now have expense of the fighting; but it was seen reform and a ticket was nominated that another war, righteously commenced for a that when it was proposed to tax their inshould receive the support of every Penn- humane object and the maintenance of the comes, inheritances, corporation stocks and sylvanian who is desirous of seeing the nation's honor, but there is an evident de- capitalistic investments for war purposes state government wrested from the blight- sign to pervert it to the object of territorial they made the biggest kind of a kick in aggrandizement and colonial expansion. Congress.

We are to have East India possessions; islands of the sea are to be seized as points where naval and military forces may be fully assist each other in showing the postationed; Cuba, Porto Rico, and even the Canary Islands, will be included in the ex- about by the supremacy of the Republican | the State. pansive program, and the imperial schemes party. One of these illustrations of deare anticipating a condition of labor in which thousands of unemployed men will be available for supplying the large military and naval force which such an imperi-

Among the wise and patriotic public men who see the danger of imperialism in such schemes as the annexation of Hawaii, the retention of the Philippines, and the eventual absorption of Cuba, with other landpose to others than those for which it was who, in his address at the opening of the der way, said :

der way, said:

"History will vindicate the position taken by the United States in the war with Spain. In saying this I assume that the principles which were invoked in the inauguration of the war will be observed in its prosecution and conclusion. If a contest undertaken for the sake of humanity degenerates into a war of conquest we shall find it difficult to meet the charge of having added hypoerisy to greed. Is our National character so weak that we cannot withstand the temptation to appropriate the first piece of land that comes within our reach?"

This is the expression of a patriot, and a

This is the expression of a patriot and a statesman who has set his face against the design to substitute imperialism for a re-Democrats than to stand by the flag in a publican government which our fathers placed upon a constitutional basis.

What is Wrong With the Troops?

At the beginning of this week there were in Camp Thomas, at Chickamauga, 47,000 troops, with about 1,000 new recruits added every day. Why, with this number soldiers mustered into the service and pay of the government, General Shafter's army had to sail for Santiago with an insufficient number of men to meet a superior force of the enemy, may be explained by what Gov. PINGREE, of Michigan, reports as being the situation at the camps, as he saw them.

The Governor having gone both to Chickamauga and Tampa, to observe the condition of the Michigan troops, was constrained to make the following sarcastically indignant declaration:

"This is a fine Government. Good management all around. The soldiers were sent down Pennsylvania as an accompaniment to Reect. The thermometer was above 90 every day. The troops sent down from Michigan two months We write this article in advance of the know what's the matter. I understand the gov- the integrity of our popular government, meeting of the Pennsylvania Democratic ernment has lots of arms but somehow or other and will eventuate in its ruin if the people they did not give them to the troops.

This condition of affairs exists in the cratic spirit that was the main stay of the camp because the work of organization has, in a large measure, been put in the hands of incompetent parties who were selected. not with the object of having a most important work performed with efficiency and dispatch, but to furnish places and shoulder-straps for the sons of influential parents and the favorites of politicians who have a pull on the administration. If these incompetent and unworthy military appointees had been generally appreciated as they were by Gen. FITZHUGH LEE, who put some of them to sorting potatoes, the injury that was likely to result from their incapacity, would be limited, but when they are assigned to so important a duty as feeding, equipping and organizing the troops, a service with which they are entirely unacquainted, it is no wonder that the camps are thronged with troops that are not in condition for field duty, while operations against the enemy are delayed by the want of a sufficiently equipped and organized force.

Abundance of Fighting Material.

In one respect this war is being carried on with an advantage which this country never had before when it called its citizens to arms. There was never a time when soldiers were so plentiful and could be so easily recruited. The quotas of the States can be filled many times over, and this can be done after taking the pick of the very

Why is it that the number of men ready and anxious to enlist is so extremely large? Why is it that the recruiting stations, particularly in the cities, are almost mobbed with crowds that want to go into the military service? Tell it not in these days of McKINLEY prosperity, but the fact is that this abundance of military material is on account of the great multitude of men who are out of employment. Thousands who were deceived by the promise of "the advance agent of prosperity," can find nothing to do, and are eager to take Thoughtful men who see the tendency of the job which uncle SAM offers them in his the government to drift from its original army at \$15 a month in addition to ra-

The condition of labor is these "prospercratic state convention could not be run of politicians whose purpose is to convert ous" McKinley times is indeed favorable to the recruiting of a large army. The After the civil war a change was brought fighting material having been made plenti-

Twin Pictures of Corruption.

Two contemporary circumstances powerlitical demoralization that has been brought the Legislature demanded by the people of generate politics is presented in the State of Ohio, where the supreme control of the that in Lawrence. There is abundant evigoverning party has been surrendered to a notorious corruptionist who has been proven by a competent legislative committee to combined movement for the purification of the Legislature. A majority in the Assemhave been guilty of bribery in securing his election to the United States Senate.

This charge against this political scoundrel, involving an offense punishable by imprisonment in the penitentiary, was sus- dependent and anti-ring Republicans in grabbing later on, is WILLIAM J. BRYAN, tained by testimony that compelled a Republican investigating committee to find Omaha exposition, after he was fully un- him guilty. The facts disclosed did not leave a particle of doubt that HANNA bought his senatorial election. The public mind is convinced beyond question that the villainous agent of corruption who secured the election of McKinley by the fifteen regiments of the First corps, to form expenditure of a vast campaign boodle fund, employed similar means in securing metals and expeditionary force, was revoked by Major General Brooke to-day. This does not change the plan to prepare for an exfor himself a seat in the United States pedition, however, since the revoking or-

> The political debasement and public demoralization indicated by such a state of facts assume a still more ominous import when such crimes against popular government as HANNA has been guilty of are not only regarded with indifference and allowed of the political boss of his State.

> Pennsylvania presents a companion pic-The leader of the majority party uses that organization as a machine by which of political dependents.

As in the case of Ohio, political supremacy in Pennsylvania is surrendered to a party boss who has corrupted its politics and debauched its government. Such debased and demoralized public conditions ominous appearance in all parts of the Re- for any emergency that might rise. ago just got their guns while I was there. I don't public, constituting a danger that menaces do not soon come to the rescue of their imperiled institutions.

It Should Not Complain.

terms in condemning President McKINLEY deserved, they hardly become a newspaper that deserted the party to which it avowedly belonged, and under the pretense that the honor of the nation and the public cred
the honor of the nation and the public cred
George W. Homan, Company H, Fifth dent, gave its support to the man whom it now charges with prolonging the war and sacrificing the lives of the soldiers in the interest of the politicians and plutocrats.

A journal that advocated the election of a candidate for President who was put forward as the representative of the money power, and was backed by the monopolies and capitalistic syndicates, should have the grace to stand by him when his man- Major General Merritt went on board the agement is of a kind that could be expect- steamer Newport at 9 o'clock Wednesday ed of a chief executive elected by such in-

If at the beginning of this conflict President McKINLEY held back and dilly-dallied when the nation's honor and safety required prompt and vigorous action, and has since pursued a course that compelled General Merritt will probably reach Manithe chief expedition to Santiago to start with but half its complement of men on account of the incompetent management of political appointees to the quartermaster and the Third United States artillery are and commissary departments, to whom were entrusted the equipment and preparation of the troops for service in the field, it doesn't look well for the World to make marched through the streets on the way to a fuss about it.

How to Reform the Legislature. If Pennsylvania is to be redeemed from the misrule of the machine politicians the legislative as well as the executive department of its government must be reformed. The worst evils that prevail in the public control of its Legislatures which a corrupt boss has been able to exert. A machine Governor would be unable to seriously injure the interests of the State if the Legislative body did not also render obedience to the party boss.

striving for better government in our State out here for her voyage to the Philippine must make as great an effort to prevent islands. They are in command of Lieut. the election of QUAY's candidates for the Norfolk pavy yard. The men arrived at the depot in three detachments. One de-Governor whom the Republican autocrat tachment of eighty-four sailors came from has selected to obey his orders and main- Boston, the second detachment consisted of

tain the power of the machine. county postponed their legislative nomina-tions with the object of effecting a union Mansfield, O., where 150 recruits were mother and three sisters were burned to with the anti-machine Republicans in elect- | picked up

NO. 26.

ing members who will oppose QUAY's reelection to the United States Senate and assist in passing the measures of reform in

followed by the Democrats of other counties, where the local situation is similar to

This is an example that could be wisely

dence of a disposition on the part of the anti-machine Republicans to assist in a bly hostile to the QUAY power would be a big step in the reformation of the state government. It can not be effected by the Democrats single handed and alone, but it may be accomplished by a union with inclose or doubtful districts.

To be Hastily Prepared.

Entire First Corps, Including Pennsylvania's Fifth Regiment, is to Leave Camp Thomas.

CHICKAMAUGA NATIONAL MILITARY PARK, Ga., June 28.—The order issued Sunday to equip and prepare immediately der effects more especially the transfers that were named in the former order. It provides further that, instead of fifteen regiments being equipped and prepared the entire First corps of twenty-seven regiments is to be hastily prepared for active field service, and the natural inference prevails among the best posted army officers at the park that the entire force will be off to go unpunished, but the criminal is ex- for Tampa or other sea ports within a week alted on account of them into the position or ten days, or as rapidly as troops can be provided.

The regiments included are: Ninth Pennsylvania, Second Missouri, First New ture which in point of political disgrace and public shame equals the Ohio infamy.

The leader of the majority party uses Fifth Pennsylvania, Fourteeth Minnesota, First Pennsylvania, Second Ohio, Sixth he controls the politics of the State and Ohio, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Indimanages its government for his own selfish ana, First West Virginia, One Hundred ends and for the benefit of a predatory gang and Sixtieth Indiana, First Georgia, Thirtyfirst Michigan, Sixteenth Pennsylvania, Second Wisconsin, Third Kentucky, Fourth Pennsylvania, Third Illinois, Fourth Ohio, First Kentucky, Third Wisconsin and Fifth Illinois.

Major General Brooke was appointed by the President to command the corps.

Major General Wade will be left in comare particularly conspicuous in Ohio and Pennsylvania as an accompaniment to Reaccordance with General Brooke's desire not South with zero clothes to wear and 'sow belly' to publican rule, but they are making their to go to the front without sufficient men

> ceeding with all possible speed and the quartermasters and the ordnance departments are being taxed to their utmost ca

It is likely that the regiments all will be paid before any of them are ordered out. are raised, are about one-fourth of an inch in Major Otto Becker and Major Seymour length and are perfectly formed. These Howell were the only government pay-The New York World employs severe masters arriving to-day, although twentyfive were expected, Major Becker stated for the mismanagement of the war, but that the corps would begin paying the army at once. The privates will be paid while its strictures are, in a large measure, at the rate of \$15.60 per month and officers from \$18 to \$291.67 per month. Major Becker roughly estimates that the amount to be paid out will not be less than \$2,000,-

it required the election of a goldbug Presi- regiment, died to-day at division headquarters and the body was shipped to his

Merritt off for Manita.

Will Hurry to Honolulu and Proceed to Manila As Soon as Possible.

Major General Merritt has abandoned his headquarters at the Phelan building in San Francisco and Tuesday formally turned over the offices to Major General Otis. morning and issued orders to sail before 10 c'clock.

It was intimated at headquarters before his leaving that General Merritt's plan is not to wait for troops, but to hurry to Honolulu, get coal and proceed on to Manila, as soon as possible.

With the advantage of a faster boat, la a week in advance of the third expedition. Six gatling guns mounted on carriages were fixed on the upper deck of the close at hand.

The Astor battery and Third regiment marched on board Tuesday. They were accorded an enthusiastic ovation as they the water front. All through the night and to-day a large force of men worked to prepare the troop steamer Valencia for sea. It was nearly 5 o'clock Tuesday evening when orders were given to "cast off" and, with a mighty cheer from the crowds on the shore and the 700 Dakotans gathered on her deck, the vessel swung into the stream. The Valencia is not a slow boat and, although very heavily loaded, expects affairs of the State spring from the absolute to reach Honolulu only a few hours after the four vessels which left this port yesterday.

Will Go to Philippines.

PHILADELPHIA. June 28.—One hundred and twenty-two sailors and machinists left here to-day over the Pennsylvania railroad for San Francisco, where they will join the It is for this reason that those who are cruiser Philadelphia, which is being fitted ten machinists from the Norfolk navy vard It was evidently in line with this indis- and the third was composed of twenty-eight pensable purpose, in the interest of state re- seamen from the League island navy yard. form, that the Democrats of Lawrence The men are traveling to the coast on a

Spawls from the Keystone

-Five hundred and sixty-nine inmates are now confined in the Huntingdon reforma-

-John Morrell, a second victim of the Park Place boiler explosion, died in the

Miners' hospital, at Ashland. -In a row between John Booth and his wife, at Lancaster, the man was struck on the neck with a bottle, and may die from the

effects of the blow. -Police quelled a riot between line men of the Citizens' and Lycoming Electric companies, of Williamsport, at war over the right to string wires.

-Jesse McClain, of Carbon township, Huntingdon county, has had 16 head of sheep killed recently by dogs, and he thinks it is time to call a halt on the canines.

-Susie Hill, the young woman, who swallowed poison for being arrested on the charge of pilfering at Williamsport over a week ago, died in the hospital in that city Saturday.

-A few days ago the daughter of J. C. Frank, of Newport, found a good sized house snake in the bath room on the second story. The reptile showed fight but was soon dispatched. -Pat McDonald, of Falls Creek, is peeling

15,000,000 feet of logs this season. Although 200 men are employed on the job, more will be needed in order to get through before the close of the season -A terrible gale passed over Pittsburg

shortly after noon Saturday, doing much damage. Preston Johnson, a negro, was killed by flying debris. The velocity of the gale was 48 miles an hour.

-The jury in the case of James A. Clemmer, on trial at Norristown for the murder of Mrs. Emma P. Kaiser, returned a verdict of murder in the first degree. The jury was out less than an hour.

-Two firemen were killed and about eight others injured by a fire which broke out in the works of Thomas Potter's Sons & Co., manufacturers of oilcloth and linoleum, Second and Venango streets Philadelphia on

-The Carpenter steel works of Reading, on Monday made one of the largest shipments of projectiles and shells for many weeks. They numbered over 500, and after being filled at the arsenal will be consigned to Atlantic coast defences and war vessels now in Cuban waters.

-Enoch Bush received a letter from his son, Bert, a member of Company K. Tenth regiment, P. V., enclosing a postal money order for \$20. Bert explained in the letter that the \$20 was to hire a harvest hand to assist his father in harvesting.

-Fire on Saturday last destroyed the double business property of Thomas Newell, at Huntingdon, occupied by J. B. Port, notions; Eby & Spooneybarger, bicycles, and G. W. Chambers, clothing. Loss \$10,000. The Port family narrowly escaped burning by jumping from the second story windows.

-During the heavy wind and rain storm on Saturday, the main building of the J. Mahler Glass company's plant at DuBois, was blown down and set on fire. The glassblowers were quitting work at the time and only one man was slightly injured. The entire plant except the office and the pack-The work of equipping the corps is pro- ing house was consumed. Loss \$15,000, fully insured.

eggs, on the small end of each of which are the figures 7 and 8, respectively. The figures length and are perfectly formed. These eggs were laid by a hen owned by George Shultz, at Clayhill, Franklin county, and have been pronounced a great curiosity by all who have seen them.

-The national relief commission has shipped from Philadelphia by fast freight to Camp Thomas at Chickamauga a quantity of supplies of various kinds, weighing upwards of 6,000 pounds, valued at about \$2,000. These supplies are for hospital purposes. The commission has also arranged to keep the hospiformer home at Gaysport, Pa., for inter- tal at Camp Thomas supplied with ice and fresh milk for the benefit of the sick soldiers.

> -Miss K. Kieffer, of Lewisburg, while arranging things about the house Thursday threw a small package that she found lying in a closet into the kitchen stove. Instantly there was a great explosion, and Miss Kieffer was so severely burned that her condition is serious. All that saved her eyesight was the fact that she wore eye glasses. It was ascertained later that the package contained gunpowder.

-Allen Dunbar, of East Mauch Chunk, received awful treatment at the hands of tramps near Walnutport, Carbon county, on Saturday. He was beaten about the head with clubs until he was a mass of bruises and his nose was mashed. They then rifled his pockets of valuables and decamped, leaving their victim for dead upon the ground. He was unconscious several 'hours, but will re-

-One of Bradford's recent brides is said to have worn 14 garters besides her own when she was married. When the bride had been safely seated in the railroad train which was to take her and her husband on their wedding trip, she threw the garters on the depot platform, where 14 girls made a scramble for them. The saying goes that the girl who can pick up her own garter on such an occasion will be a bride herself within six months.

-The Pennsylvania railroad company has ordered the construction of 1,500 box cars of 80,000 pounds carrying compacity each. Of this number 500 will be built at the company's shops at Altoona, 600 by Murray, Dugan & Co., of Milton and 400 by the Jackson & Woodin Manufacturing company, of Berwick, Pa. These cars will be the largest box cars built for the company. The maximum capacity of such cars has heretofore been 60,000 pounds.

-Thomas Quinn, of Titusville, while climbing into a box car was shot twice through the head by some one inside the car. He was taken to the hospital, where it was found his wounds would prove fatal. Eight months ago his brother Stephen was thrown upon a bonfire by tramps within a few feet of the same spot and burned so badly that he died at the hospital. A description of the party who did the shooting was secured by Quinn's companion and the police are makdeath in the Titusville fire some years ago.