

Ink Slings.

CERVERA got his hazing before he reached Annapolis.
As a boomed city even Dawson isn't in it with Santiago.
TOM REED's crop of silence since the annexation of Hawaii seems to be growing in profusion.
Strange as it may seem, the "Mosquito fleet" is the only part of our navy that has failed to draw blood.
What's the sense in wrangling about additional acquisitions, when our flag already flies from pole to pole?
The Sandwich Islands will prove a fat lunch for Republican office holders but a sorry mess for the American people.
The calamity howler evidently has not learned that the mines about Boston and New York have all been abandoned.
SAMPSON'S steel at Santiago was what bothered the Spanish. Its other steels of the war that is going to bother us.
Spain may lose now by continuing the war, but it will enable her to save considerable in the size of her next census report.
Speaking of crops, the most profane this season is that of "well defined rumors" of what we are going to capture next.
The latest information from submarine channels is that DAN MCGINTY has become admiral of the Spanish submarine fleet.

Yes sir, every check must have its stamp. Even the check that this war will give to the Spanish outrages in Cuba must be stamped with the people's approval.
We may be able to lick Spain easily but its "nip and tug," between CAMARA's fleet and WATSON'S squadron as to which can start oftenest and get back quickest.
QUAY'S scouts, who have effected an entrance into the WANAMAKER fortification, report an abundance of ammunition, but a demoralizing shortage of spoils and supplies for such an army.

"Lest he forget, lest he forget," let us whisper to General WANAMAKER that the enemy still occupies its entrenched position, and that his heavy artillery seems unaccountably slow in getting into position.
There is nothing like having other resources to fall back upon. Since the increase of tax on beer, the people of Latrobe have concluded arrangements for building a reservoir and water works for their town.
They say "The Grass is Yours" at Idlewild park, Johnstown's favorite resort. And they say it as an advertiser. Such an inducement ought to draw—if nothing more than the old cows and sick cats that seem to relish grass.

Though Admiral CERVERA is too noble a man to have used the epithet "Yankee pigs" in talking of us, he will nevertheless have an opportunity of seeing that the "Yankee pigs" even keep their captives in pretty respectable sties.
During the lull if Mr. SWALLOW would only fire off a pyrotechnic or two, it would to some extent relieve the monotony of the situation. We make the suggestion more for the amusement of the crowd than for the purpose of using up anybody's ammunition.

Up to and including the issue of June 10th the Gazette continued throwing bouquets at Congressman ARNOLD, but all of a sudden it has stopped. Why this suddenness, brother HARTER? Were you not sincere and were the posy showers only for a purpose, as the WATCHMAN said some time ago?

The Philadelphia Inquirer complains that the WATCHMAN refers to candidate GROW as "poor old GALUSHA," and asks why he should be called "poor and old." Without wasting words in explanation, brother WHEATSTONE, it is because he is so old in political iniquity, and so poor as a representative of the people's interests.

Santiago, it is announced, is now open for trade. Come to think of it, why couldn't we trade a little of the effects of QUAYISM in Pennsylvania for a touch of yellow fever? We might not make much, but we would at least be doing business and might lessen the character of our afflictions to a considerable extent.

The Altoona Tribune, after spending all summer outside of the Republican breast-works, aiding to the best of its ability to incite to insurrection, has sneaked back into the party entrenchments and is now firing its little gun as vigorously as it can at the forces it encouraged to revolt. Some papers are consistent only in their inconsistency.

Gen'l. SHAFER would probably have done the country a great service had he used DICK DAVIS' head for a block-house when they were trying to take the Spanish intrenchments during the early days of the siege of Santiago. Judging from Mr. DICKIE'S manner of saying and doing things it would have been big enough to have concealed the whole army had it been put to such use.

The gold Democrats of the State who, like the prodigal son, have been out tramping with the toughs of the Republican party have grown tired of their new associates and on Wednesday, at the Walton hotel in Philadelphia, resolved to return home. There won't be any fatted calf killed when they come back, but if they are good boys they will be allowed seats at the second table, until the smell of their late associates pass from their political garments.

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Co-Operation of Reform Elements.

The Democratic state convention in presenting the issues of the campaign was so judicious in its action, and its selection of the gubernatorial candidate was so perfectly in line with the object of state reform, that nothing was left to furnish a cause for dissent among Democrats, or a reason for any honest citizen to withhold his support from the movement which that convention has organized for the overthrow of QUAY'S corrupt political machine.

The Democrats having done so well in starting the campaign of reform by presenting issues that are strictly confined to state issues, and by nominating candidates whose characters are guarantees of better government, they have a right to look for the co-operation of all the elements of opposition to the vicious rule that has so long been a detriment and disgrace to the Commonwealth.

The reform Republican element has made no movement since the boss exerted his usual power in managing the party convention and naming the party ticket. Nothing has occurred since to change the independent Republican view of the evil character of the QUAY supremacy, or to alter in a single line or word WANAMAKER'S arraignment of that vicious domination. But if the State is to be saved from a continuance of this demoralizing and debasing rule the opposition of the better Republican element to it will be of no avail if it spends itself merely in declaration, or wastes its strength in a separate movement.

In the Democratic party is presented the organization which can furnish the only basis upon which the reform elements in Pennsylvania can act together for the governmental regeneration of the State. That party has placed itself in the field divested of every issue except such as relate to better state government, and that independent Republicans, and other opponents of machine rule, should co-operate with it for state reform is a moral obligation as well as a public duty imposed upon them as good citizens.

A New Aspirant for Congress.

Since his brother AL'S hopes of becoming post master of Bellefonte were so cruelly blighted by Congressman ARNOLD'S recommendation of another aspirant for the place, CLEMENT DALE ESQ., has donned his war tugs, and purposes showing Mr. ARNOLD a thing or two when it comes to nominating a candidate for Congress. He has declared himself a candidate for the position and will make a vigorous fight for the conferees. CLEM has always been a rabid Republican, as has the entire DALE connection, of whom there are something short of a thousand in the county, and if he can't carry the county he is going to know the reason why.

This movement of his will not only interrupt the smoothness with which Mr. ARNOLD'S plans for re-nomination were moving along, but will place the HASTINGS-REEDER faction in a peculiar position. They despise ARNOLD but want to see him re-nominated for the purpose of giving him a merited political thrashing. They hate DALE and in order to beat him will be compelled to openly support ARNOLD and thus virtually endorse his course in forcing an anti-HASTINGS candidate into the post-office over the protest of the Governor.

REEDER wants to go to the Senate and would like to have the unanimous backing of his county to help him along. This he can't get without turning in for DALE, and to turn in for DALE is to lose him the backing that ARNOLD could give him from Clearfield.

Altogether Mr. DALE seems to hold the key to some important political situations in the congressional and senatorial districts, and if he has the sand to do it, can show that throwing a DALE down in Centre county is a matter of more political importance than some people imagine.

United Democratic Action.

The attempt to excite the prejudice of the gold Democrats against GEORGE A. JENKS is proving to be as much of a failure as is the endeavor to divide the Democrats of the State by factional dissension. Whatever may be the views of Democrats on the money question they can have but one purpose in regard to state affairs, and that purpose must unite them in a common effort for the rescue of the State from the evils of machine management and boss rule. This object furnishes a basis upon which all the honest citizens of this Commonwealth, irrespective of party connections, may unite for a cause in which they are all alike concerned.

Nothing could better suit the profligate interest of the ringsters and spoilsmen, who are making a desperate stand for the retention of their hold on the state government, than that the honest citizenship of the State, which is opposed to their rule, should be divided on issues that have no relevancy to state affairs, and by such division allow the QUAY machine to retain its power and continue its plunder. This is the obvious design of the machine politicians who are doing their utmost to utilize, for their own advantage, the difference of view in regard to the currency that may exist among Democrats, but has no association, whatever, with the question of state administration. While the national issue of monetary standards is kept out of the contest, and the effort of the members of the party is confined entirely to the duty of delivering the State from the grip of a gang of corrupt spoilsmen, no intelligent Democrat, or honest Republican, can be deterred from performing that duty by the apprehension that the result of the election can have any bearing upon the money question.

This is exactly the sensible and practical view of the duty incumbent upon all Democratic voters, as expressed by Mr. GIVEX, chairman of the state committee of the gold Democrats, who, in an interview in Philadelphia last Saturday, said: "The Altoona convention has not only nominated one of the best equipped and most trusted men in the State for Governor, but has also supplied just the platform that is wanted for the fight to redeem the State from the grasp of the QUAY power. As state issues are put to the front and national questions left for future settlement, my judgment is that the sound money Democrats should do all they can for the election of the Altoona ticket. To do otherwise would be inconsistent, and, therefore, I expect that the JEFFERSONIAN state committee will warmly endorse Mr. JENKS and the other nominees."

The Democratic ward committees of Philadelphia have declared for JENKS, but such a declaration is not nearly as useful to the party as the Democratic votes of Philadelphia. They have made many a promising declaration down there, but it has been a long time since the Democrats of that city have been united on any ticket. Let us hope that they will stick together until fall and show the state Democracy that Philadelphia can be something more to it than a festering sore, where disruptionists sacrifice everything for personal content.

Following its Natural Bent.

It is quite plain that as between the honest government that may be secured for the State by turning out the rascals who are misruling it, and the reign of corruption and plunder that will be continued by keeping them in power, Colonel McCLECK'S Philadelphia Times prefers the latter. There is no paper that so habitually slops over with professions of its desire for cleaner politics and better government, and yet is always found doing service for the shadiest of the political characters and the most questionable of public interests.

The intelligence and conscience of the State are convinced of the moral as well as the political necessity of a change from the vicious methods practiced in our state affairs. Public decency revolts against the domination of the profligate gang whose rule has been a protracted robbery and a prolonged disgrace. The best citizenship is anxious lest there be not sufficient public virtue in the State to overcome this corrupt power and correct the debased conditions it has produced in the body politic; but the Times has no higher appreciation of what is involved in this conflict between good and evil in public affairs than if it were merely one of the mercenary contentions in which it has been in the habit of taking sides according to its interest.

When it is seen that it just as easily finds reason for opposing GEORGE A. JENKS as it did for denouncing Judge GORDON, it may be believed that the preference of the Times is for the QUAY machine, and its natural dislike for untainted politics and straight practices in public matters would have excited its antagonism to any ticket that the Democrats might have put into the field in the interest of purer politics, and for the reform of the state government.

Raiding the Treasury.

It is said after raid upon the state treasury, and it will be said after raid upon it as long as there is a vestige of authority left in the hands of the creatures of boss QUAY to make them. The last one to come to light is in the form of a public printing bill presented by ex-state printer BUSCH for \$16,000, a greater portion of which is for colored plates of pole-cats, minks, weasels and the like, for the annual report of the State College—plates that were never contemplated, ordered or authorized and of the existence of which those who prepared the State College report know absolutely nothing. They were added to the report by Dr. WARREN, a political protegee of Senator QUAY and ordered to be printed in it by the state superintendent of public printing—THOMAS ROBINSON—another disciple and follower of the Republican state boss.

A similar steal amounting to \$53,000 was attempted within the past year by the same parties, in the publication of a small pamphlet on the "Diseases and Enemies of Poultry." It was halted by Governor HASTINGS through a technicality in the order for printing. Whether the present one can be prevented is doubted, as it bears all the earmarks of regularity from the state printer's desk until it reached the treasury department. It is known that for the past ten months Governor HASTINGS has had no love for Senator QUAY or his followers. They alleged is the reason for his interference in the payment of bills of the character referred to. Whether this allegation is correct we do not know, but we do know that it is a good thing for the tax-payers to have some one in the gubernatorial chair who will stop such thieving. How much of it went on prior to the disagreement between Senator QUAY and Governor HASTINGS no one knows. How much of this kind of thing—and its only one of many kinds—has been successful during the many, many years that QUAY and his henchmen have had control of the different departments at Harrisburg will never be known.

Do the tax-payers of the State want to stop it? If they do they must stop electing creatures of Senator QUAY. They must place in the office of Governor a man who owes QUAY and those who do his bidding nothing, whose purpose will be to protect the people from such robbery and prevent the looting of the treasury that has been going on for so many years.

For the purpose of assisting Congressman ARNOLD out of some of his post-office troubles, we would suggest that he have President MCKINLEY annex Santiago to his congressional reservation. As it takes a new post-master for that place about every ten days, in the course of time, he might be able to fulfil most of his obligation in this line. He would need, of course, a grave yard and a burying corps, and this would still further increase his official patronage and furnish additional places for the hungry Republicans of his district. This suggestion, Mr. ARNOLD, may be worth your immediate and earnest attention.

Scanty Honors for Pennsylvania.

But small deference has been shown for Pennsylvania state pride in the honors bestowed in connection with the present war. Even the soldiers of the State have been given an inconspicuous part to perform, notwithstanding that it could be claimed for them that they were the best organized and most efficient national guards of any of the States. They were the first to offer their service to the government in this war as an organized body, but have been kept back by the red tape regulations of the war department that overhauled their organization and prevented it from being immediately available in the field.

But if the rank and file of our own state troops have been treated by the war department as if they were of small account, still less consideration was shown Pennsylvanians by the administration when it handed around the appointments of staff officers to "the sons of somebodies." No recognition worth mentioning was given to Pennsylvania's claim to military distinction.

The reported appointment of General MCKIBBEN to the military governorship of Santiago looked as if a military honor was at last to be conferred upon a Pennsylvanian in this war, but even this slight recognition is to be denied the State, if rumors are correct, and an Ohio man, who has proven a miserable failure in every position he has occupied, is to be given the permanent appointment.

General MCKIBBEN belongs to one of the oldest Democratic families in our State, and although a distinguished soldier of the regular army it could not be expected that this administration would give him a preference when its preference and political interests would be better suited by giving the governorship of Santiago to J. WARREN KEIFER, an Ohio politician, with a record that no one envies, and a fitness that is unrecognizable.

Democratic Harmony Secured.

Gold Democrats Return to Their Party Faithfully. Endorse the Ticket, Accept the Platform, and Resolve to Fight Within the Line of the Party for State Reform.

George A. Jenks was unanimously inducted for Governor yesterday by the Jeffersonian state committee, representing the sound money Democracy of Pennsylvania. For a few members who could not be present, prominent Democrats were substituted, so that there was a full attendance, comprising one member from each Congressional district. Even that Jeffersonian wing which, prior to the Altoona convention, saw no possible way of avoiding the nomination of a sound money state ticket, fell into line for Jenks with every demonstration of loyalty.

In the several speeches in which the head of the ticket was specially praised for his record as a public servant, a Democrat and a private citizen, some of the strongest words of eulogy were spoken by representatives of that wing, including James Denton Hancock, of Venango, who declared that he could think of no candidate for Governor since George W. Woodward, who equaled Mr. Jenks in equipment for the chief executive office. Even Benjamin C. Fotts, of Delaware, the only speaker who apparently favored postponement of action or at least a withholding of indorsement from the nominees for Congressmen-at-Large, until additional assurances could be obtained that the Chicago platform would not be thrust into the coming campaign, voted the resolutions after admitting that the high character of Mr. Jenks is unquestioned and unquestionable.

The committeemen present were Joseph Morwitz, Ephraim Lederer, William F. McCully, James J. Ryan and William B. Wilson, of Philadelphia; Murray Rush, Sixth district; John O. James, Seventh; Henry C. Cope, Eighth; George N. Reynolds, Ninth; William B. Given, Tenth; E. R. Payne, Eleventh; George E. Bedford, Twelfth; James Kingsbury, Thirteenth; William Penn Lloyd, Fourteenth; William Drayton, substitute, Fifteenth; Seth T. McCormick, Sixteenth; Charles Chalfant, Seventeenth; George W. Foote, Eighteenth; A. B. Farquhar, Nineteenth; Thomas H. Greedy, Twentieth; P. A. Hardman, Twenty-first; James McCadden, carpenter, Twenty-second; Judson J. Brooks, Twenty-third; Frank E. Bible, Twenty-fourth; William F. Read, substitute, Twenty-fifth; Robert E. James, substitute, Twenty-sixth; James Denton Hancock, Twenty-seventh, and John C. Bullitt, substitute, Twenty-eighth.

PREDICTION FOR 1900.

Discussion was not confined to the committee, and among the outside speakers with Mr. Potts was John Y. Woods, of Westmoreland, who pronounced Mr. Jenks an ideal candidate and predicted for 1900 a national platform on which all Democrats could stand united. Others present included ex-collector of the port, John R. Read, Dwight M. Lowrey, Charles Henry Jones and Albert L. Wilson, of Philadelphia; George F. Haer, Berks; Robert E. Wright, Lehigh; C. W. Hawkins, York, and Peter H. Strubinger, Adams.

Chairman Given having announced the purpose of the meeting to consider the Democratic state convention's work, a motion by Seth T. McCormick for a resolutions committee with Mr. Given as chairman, was adopted. As the four other committeemen Mr. Given appointed Mr. McCormick, John C. Bullitt, James Denton Hancock and A. B. Farquhar. A suggestion by Mr. Potts was approved that all resolutions be referred to that committee without debate. During a recess of 15 minutes the committee agreed upon the resolutions as follows:

TICKET STRONGLY INDORSED.

WHEREAS, The National (Jeffersonian) Democracy of Pennsylvania recognize that the supreme issue in the approaching state campaign is the redemption of the Commonwealth from Republican misrule, and that all friends of honest government should unite in a warfare upon the corruption and profligacy that mark the control of the Republican party in this State; and

WHEREAS, The Democratic convention recently assembled at Altoona, by a direct vote, refused to inject national politics into the present campaign, made a declaration that should command the support of all those who favor a clean and capable administration of our state affairs, and nominated for Governor a man of integrity, thoroughly equipped to serve the people, in the person of the Hon. George A. Jenks, with associates of like repute and capacity; and

WHEREAS, It is manifest that the time has come when good citizenship requires us to ignore past differences that do not enter into the questions about to be submitted to the voters of Pennsylvania, and to present a united Democracy, earnestly demanding the redress of existing abuses and mismanagement in state affairs; therefore be it

Resolved, That the National Democracy of Pennsylvania do pledge an earnest, active and hearty support to the candidates nominated for state offices at Altoona.

Speeches favoring the adoption of the resolutions were made by Mr. Hancock, Mr. James, Mr. Chalfant and others and were finally adopted by a unanimous vote.

Fit for the Office.

From the Pittsburg Telegraph, (Rep.) Mr. George A. Jenks, the nominee for Governor, is an able and popular citizen, who has discharged with ability and credit the public duties with which he has heretofore been entrusted, and he is in every way personally fit for the office to which he now aspires. Altogether it must be admitted that the Democratic party has risen to the importance of the occasion and enters the campaign in a condition of the highest possible efficiency.

Very Costly Work.

From Leslie's Weekly. It is estimated that Admiral Sampson's bombardment of Santiago, June 16th, cost the government more than \$1,000,000, and that an aggregate weight of 1,875,000 pounds of metal was thrown at the Spaniards. At this rate it costs a little less than 50 cents a pound for the metal hurled by the great guns of our warships in an engagement. The cost, of course, includes the expense of powder as well as projectiles.

Spawls from the Keystone.

A recent registration at Scranton fixes the city's population at over 120,000.
Titusville, Crawford county, has been made a port of delivery in the customs collection district of Erie.
There were 1218 births and 734 deaths in Montgomery county during the first six months of 1898.
A sparrow picked out the eye of a horse owned by Edmund Terrence, of Plymouth, Montgomery county.
Counsel for James A. Clemmer, convicted for the murder of Mrs. Emma P. Kaiser, has filed thirty-eight reasons for a new trial.
Eben Brewer, of Erie, Pa., who had charge of the United States postoffice at Santiago, Cuba, died July 15th of yellow fever.
The Tyrone land company is negotiating with the citizens of that place with a view of locating a large steel rolling mill at that point.
In sight of many friends, James A. McCarty, of Lancaster, while swimming in Conestoga Creek, was seized with cramps and drowned.
The Sunbury school board has fixed the tax levy at twenty-three mills, and borough valuation has been increased from \$918,000 to \$1,216,000.
An oil fire, which had been smouldering in the Pennyroyal mine, at Connelville, for 26 years, yesterday broke out fiercely above the surface.
The northeastern Pennsylvania Press Association will hold its summer outing at Watkins' Glen and Geneva, N. Y., this year, on Friday, July 29th.
Judge Craig, of Mauch Chunk, has decided against the legality of a tax collected by the borough of Lansford from farmers who sold produce in that town.
In the woods near Canton, Bradford county, Milton Porter was killed by a falling tree, within a stone's throw of the spot where his son was last year accidentally shot to death.
Henry Shunk, aged 12 years, shot and probably fatally injured his 8-year-old brother Harry at his home in Altoona, on Sunday evening, with a revolver. They were playing at war.
The business portion of the town of Ansonville, Clearfield county, has been destroyed by fire. Nine houses were burned, and the losses aggregate about \$30,000 and \$19,000 insurance.

One cherry tree on the property of Daniel Myers, in Centre township, Perry county, this season, yielded ten bushels of delicious cherries. The tree gives a superior fruit and is about 40 years old.
There are now 115 insane patients in the three State hospitals from Clearfield county, a greater number than indigents at the county home. This does not include the 15 inmates of the institution for feeble minded children at Polk.
On a mortgage for \$135,000 given by the Catsasquaga and Fogelsville railroad to the Pennsylvania company for the insurance of lives and granting of annuities, recorded at Allentown last week, war stamps to the value of \$67 were affixed.

J. W. Sweeney, an electrician in the employ of the Westinghouse electric and manufacturing company, has been detailed by the company to go to Carthage, Spain, to superintend the erection of an electric light plant at that place.
A selling combine of all flint glass bottle manufacturers of the Pittsburgh and Western districts has been successfully started in Pittsburgh, and already co-operation of manufacturers controlling 90 per cent. of the production has been assured.

David Jones, a young Welshman, met a horrible death at the Mt. Lookout colliery, Wyoming, on Sunday night. In some manner he slipped and fell the entire distance of the air shaft, 257 feet. When picked up he was dead and every bone in his body broken.
John G. Knabb, who was probably the oldest citizen of Reading, died in that city on the 16th inst., aged 91 years. He was a locomotive engineer for forty years and had the credit of having run the first locomotive over the Philadelphia and Reading railroad.

A charter has been issued at Harrisburg to the Clearfield Southern railroad company, of Clearfield, capital \$30,000, to build a line from Clearfield to Belsena, a distance of fifteen miles. A. W. Lee, of Clearfield, is president. The company intend pushing the road through as soon as possible.
Mrs. Dr. Swartz, of New Oxford, Adams county, has been very successful in bringing out a brood of chickens by removing the eggs from a nest, placing them upon a pillow and covering them with a blanket after the hen had care of them two weeks and then left the nest. Out of the 12 eggs 10 live chicks were hatched.

The Pennsylvania railroad company has ordered the construction of 1,500 box cars of 80,000 pounds carrying capacity each. Of this number 900 will be built at the company's shops at Altoona, and the remaining 600 by private firms at Milton and Berwick, Pa. These cars will be the largest box cars built for the company, the maximum capacity for such cars heretofore being 600 pounds.
Scranton's oldest resident, and perhaps the oldest in Pennsylvania, whose age is authenticated by records, is dead. He was Patrick Haggins, and his age was 117 years. The authenticity of the date of his birth is attested by certificate of baptism, which shows that he was born in County Londonderry, Ireland, on Nov. 1st, 1781. Mr. Haggins came from a family noted for their longevity.

Lewis T. Lundy, a well-known farmer, of Bald Eagle township, Clinton county, while in the barnyard attending to his cattle a few days ago was attacked by an angry bull. The animal threw Mr. Lundy down and stamped the man with his feet. Mr. Lundy whistled for his dog and the barking of the latter summoned the members of the family to his assistance. A son succeeded in driving the bull away from his father by knocking him on the head with a stone, and while the son and the bull were at it, Mrs. Lundy succeeded in pulling her husband out of danger. He was terribly bruised about the body and his one leg was rendered almost powerless.