Acutocratice Matchman.

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings.

-Mr. WANAMAKER's board of strategy is getting in some fairly effective work. -The best advice we can give the Cubans now is to quit raising the devil and get to raising cane.

-The home-coming of the soldier boys is playing thunder with the winter prospects of the fatted calf.

-This is the only war on record in which death has cut a wider swath in the camps than on the battlefield.

-Maine had an election on Monday and the result is mainly on the side upon which it usually is found up there.

-We have such reason not to forget the bad treatment of our soldiers that we may cease to "remember the Maine."

-Judging from returns from Maine, it begin practicing the political doxology.

-It has been discovered what was the matter with the soldiers. ALGER says that their food was to rich for their blood.

-Fashionable dresses are to be cut a little lower in the neck than usual this fall. A kind of "a lo! and behold" style as it were.

-The career of a President elected by MARK HANNA'S boodle couldn't be anything else than scandalous whether in peace or war.

-Chairman ELKINS appears to think the Republican machine is entitled to great credit for not entirely bankrupting the State.

-The beauty of colonial possessions is already showing itself in AGUINALDO preparing for hostilities with the United States

-Republican audiences have already discovered that the defenses of their party | turns will allow. are provided only with the smallest and most unreliable guns.

-If its true that "God hates a coward" what a slim chance the fellows who have worn the QUAY collar, until their necks are sore, are going to have.

--Other businesses may not be prospering, but the defective flue can be counted one with a great certainty to resume operations at a very early date.

-One of our exchanges has an article on "Rogues in High office." It's got the range of the enemy exactly. Rogues don't bother much about low offices.

-What was left of Republican promises through with them at Bradford, on Thursday, wasn't worth gathering together.

-It may be that MARK HANNA's inclination to take everything within reach place in the Orient." MARK is great on a grab.

-The plan to rid the war depa



BELLEFONTE, PA., SEPTEMBER 16, 1898.

Duty of Republicans to Smash their Party Machine.

independent citizens who are not willing to

believe that partisan triumph pays them

sufficiently for the injury inflicted by bad

There is no reason why any political

party should be successful unless that suc-

cess inures to the public welfare. Can

the success which his party would score in

the election of the QUAY State ticket, and

candidates for the Legislature, would be

beneficial to the State? Is there any moral

obligation for Republicans to support what

they have every reason to know is injurious

If it were the Democratic party that had

been in power in the State, through a long

State government.

revenues?

regain its power.

It was the misfortune of the State that

er Democratic executive, accompanied by

Legislatures that would have aided in

reversing the order of administration, and

legislation, with which the long continued

exercise of machine power has afflicted

held by considerations that put their party

Swallow's Illogical Candidacy.

Candidate SWALLOW continues his at-

above their public interests.

Some people are easily satisfied, and when we come to think of the Republican Those Republicans who are conscious of leaders and Republican papers that are the debased condition of the public affairs, professing satisfaction over the result of the of this State, and who sincerely desire imelection in Maine, on Monday, we are com- provement in the State government, should pelled to concluded that they are of that that there can be no such reform as exclass. The returns from that State, as forwarded by the Republican State chairman, isting conditions require without the defeat and which Republican papers are parading of their party both as to the Governorship might be well for the Republican choir to as a victory is the kind of a victory that no and the Legislature. A vicious combiparty can stand more than once. From the nation of self-seeking politicians have been Philadelphia Press report we clip the allowed to become the masters of the party.

They have made themselves the representafollowing : "The Republicans carry the State by 25,000 or 30,000 pluralty re-electing Governor Pow-ers, Congressman Reed, Dingley, Burleigh and Boutelle, and electing a majority of the Legislature, which will re-elect United States Senator Eugene Hale. The total vote is about 87,000 compared with 123 515 two years are and 107 075 in tive power, exercising through the party machinery a control that can be taken from them only through the party's defeat. The issue presented in this State election will put intelligent Republicans to the test

The total vote is about 87,000 compared with 123,515 two years ago, and 107,975 in 1894. The Republican vote is cut down 33 per cent. while the Democrats have sus-tained loss of two per cent. over 1894 and have made a gain of over 10 per cent. over two years ago. But the fact must be taken into con-sideration that the Republicans made no ef-fort as they did two and four years ago, making no speeches and sending out no cam-paign literature." as to whether they are merely partisans, whose interest extends no farther than the success of candidates who have secured

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The Maine Election.

The Democrats succeeded in increasing their vote in the Senate two, and in the House of Representatives ten. The report is from Hon. JOSEPH MANLY,

chairman of the Republican State committee, and we presume can be relied upon as being as favorable to his party as the re-

And what a victory ! Think of it. reduction in the Republican vote of 33 per cent. and a gain of 10 per cent. in the Democratic vote, basing the calculation on

to them? Will it not be paying dearly for the presidential vote of two years ago. their party pride to continue machine mis-The same kind of a "victory"-that is rule which is declared by the highest Rewhat the Republican papers call it-would

give New York to the Democracy by publican authority, such as JOHN WAN-AMAKER and the Business Men's League, over 60,000 majority ! It would make Ohio Democratic by 141,to have debauched the government of the State and profligately squandered its

000 majority ! It would carry Indiana by 120,000 !

It would place Illinois in the Democratic column with 167,000 votes to spare ! In fact the same kind of a result

succession of years, until its protracted control of affairs had encouraged the formain the other States of the Union, will and pretensions after candidate JENKS got | carry every one of them for the Demtion of a ring that used their power for the ocracy with the exception of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Wisconsin. It would give the Democrats induces him to say that "we must take our 193 majority on the electoral vote, secure them Congress by an overwhelming majority and change the political complexion of

the United States Senate.

The Bottom of the State Corruption. Giving JOHN WANAMAKER and Doctor SWALLOW such credit as may be due them for helping to expose the iniquities of QUAY's rotten rule in this State, they, however, lay bare but a fraction of the cor-

bring themselves to a realization of the fact rupt politics by which the machine has taken advantage of a confiding people. Mr. WANAMAKER has said much about padded pay rolls, fake investigating committees, unearned salaries, indemnity bonds for false payments of public money, and the misapplied profits of State funds deposited in banks. Doctor SWALLOW has made ugly charges about Grace church stealings, wholesale plunder by false bills for building material, and other villianies, even including the charge of State capitol incendiarism . These are common scandals, inseparable from the well known practices of machine politicians. Everybody acquainted with the machine record knows, the party nominations for State offices, or from surface indications, that these charges are in the main true, and Doctor SWALLOW vouches for his charge that machine rascals burnt the State capitol from a desire

for the stealings that could be gotten out of the building of a new one. The ordinary intelligence of the people does not admit of their doubting the truth any Pennsylvania Republican believe that of the WANAMAKER and SWALLOW charges, which are merely corroborations of the Democratic indictment against the machine corruptionists ; but in addition to this there stands charged against them a corruption of far greater magnitude in the exorbitant increase of the State expenses which expanded from \$7,203,295.42 in the last year of Governor PATTISON'S administration (1886) to \$17,619,655.40 in 1898. traced as having its cause in profligate measures of machine government. Giving credit for an increase of \$3,000,000 in the school appropriations, there remains a \$7,-000,000 annual increase of State expenses under machine rule since 1887, directly chargeable to such practices of bad government as the increase of unnecessary offices to benefit political dependents; the enspoliation of the people, it would be the largement of salaries for the profit of such duty of every conscientious Democrat to beneficiaries ; the creation of a useless help to defeat his party if there were no State court to furnish places for judicial

rules badly, and there is sufficient to con- much for the pleasure as the profit of sufficient moral courage to see to it that vince the thoughtful Republicans of this their members; fake election contests got- favoritism shall not be shown either in the to raise the casket they found it next to im-State that the QUAY machine can not fur-ten up for no other purpose than to give

No Cheese-Paring Reformation Will Do From the Harrisburg Star Independent.

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Padded pay rolls have been dwelt upon by Mr. Wanamaker in his anti-Quay speeches as a sample of the methods which the party managers employ to grease the wheels of the machine, and Dr. Swallow has declared that he can prove that the burning of the capitol was the work of an incendiary. But these things do not account for the fact that the cost of administering the State Government has grown from \$7,203,295.42 for the last year of Governor Pattison's first Administration (1886) to \$13,043,887.84 in 1897 and an estimated increase of upward of eighty per cent. is thus shown for the decade beginning in 1887 and of over 140 per cent. from 1887 to 1898. We are met by the makeshift explanation that the appropriation to the common schools has been increased three millions of dollars per annum since 1887. But this explanation fails to explain. It really begs the question, for the increased appro priation to the common schools was simply a device of the machine managers to placate the rural taxpayers as well as to cover their schemes of plunder. But allowing credit for this increase in the school appropriation, there still remains an excess in expenditure over that of 1886 of \$2,840,692.-42 for 1897, and of \$7,416,360.06 for 1898 (estimated). How is this enormous in-crease for either of these years to be accounted for? Not merely by padding pay rolls or burnt capitol buildings or contracts for supplies, but by lavish appropriations to favored institutions, many of them not under State control, by the multiplication of offices, additions to salaries, cost of legialative investigating and junketing commit-tees, of fake election contests, the establishment of the Superior Court (that fifth wheel of the judicial wagon), the erection of almost every other county into a judicial district, and by many other devices intend-ed to pension off the dependents of the machine. A thorough, sweeping reformation of all these abuses cannot be made by a This shameful increase can be distinctly mere cheese-paring process of whittling raced as having its cause in profligate down contracts for supplies and the like. That will answer as far as it will go. But if the burdens of the people are to be appreciably lightened the reformation must strike at the whole policy of buying the political support of the classes and institutions that are pensioned by enormous ap-propriations. The State must either become the proprietor of such institutions

and regulate their operation directly, or it must cease to make them subventions that exhaust its Treasury. As for the policy of placating a class of voters by relieving it help to defeat his party if there were no other way of getting rid of its corrupt ring-sters. A party has no right to rule if it and impleting committees designed as sters. A party has no right to rule if it and junketing committees designed as and Legislature can be chosen possessing

Admits the Rascality.

From the Clinton Democrat.

Spawls from the Keystone.

-Five hundred students are enrolled at the Bloomsburg State Normal School, which opened yesterday.

-A mass of rock falling in Storr's colliery, at Priceburg, Lackawanna county, killed Evan Thomas, the father of a large family.

-From blood poisoning, caused by the irritation of his cheek by a tooth, Simon Martin died in Dickinson township, Cumberland county.

-A week of Criminal Court opened at Reading on Monday. There are four hundred cases on the docket for trial, an unusually large number for Berks county.

-Cumberland county has recovered from the State Department for the care of the insane patients who are now at the County Home, for the last six months, \$2,160.64.

-The employes of the Catsburg and Quill coal mines, in the third pool of the Pittsburg district, went on a strike on Tuesday, and between 1500 and 1800 men are now idle.

-A plum tree on the Palsgrove farm, in Nittany valley, is now in full bloom. A short time ago the leaves all fell off the tree and shortly after the blossoms began to appear.

-Mistaking a red lantern carried by a man on the track for a danger signal, Fireman expenditure in 1898 of \$17,619,655.48. An William Charles, of Jersey Shore, jumped from a Beech Creek engine and was fatally

> --The 6,000 employes of the Mineral Mining Company and the Union Coal Company, at Shamokin, have been notified that the mines will be operated six days per week until further notice.

-Blackbirds have become an intolerable nuisance in Hollidaysburg and Gaysport, where they roost by the thousands in the large shade trees. Some of the citizens are shooting into flocks, trying to frighten them but the little fellows are hard to chase away.

-Fever is not confined entirely to lowlying districts, as witness the fact that Clearfield county is just now undergoing quite a siege of the prevalent malady. The village of Brisbin has 31 cases of fever at present, and other parts of the county are similarly afflicted

-The Forty-ninth regiment, Pennsylvania volunteers, will hold their annual reunion at Newton Hamilton September 28th and 29th. The campmeeting association has given the boys the use of their tents, and the citizens of Newton Hamilton will provide the rations.

-Burglars made a big haul in Sandy Creek, small Mercer county town, Sunday night. The place is without police protection and the burglars had full sway. Half a dozen stores and several residences were entered and over \$2,000 in money and valuables carried away.

-Rev. Dr. I. C. Pershing, one of the best known Methodist Episcopal ministers in the State, died at Cambridge Springs on Monday of pneumonia. Dr. Pershing was born at Johnstown about sixty-five years ago and for twenty-six years was president of the Pittsburg Female College.

-Workmen engaged in putting up a monament in the Holy Trinity Catholic cemetery at Scranton found it necessary to re-inter the remains of the late Joseph Keller, who died

ALGER by dumping him into the United States Senate is not to be commended. That body has already too much of that kind of truck.

-"Kiss the baby while you can" is a new song just out. The song may become popular but to be sure of enjoying the advice right well we would prefer waiting until it wears bangs.

-Since Mr. JENKS has started on the trail of the State Machine, chairman ELKINS assortment of trouble has increased faster than the State expenditures under Republican rule

-Common precaution would induce Secretary ALGER to pay particular attention to his political coal pile. The cold wave that seems sweeping in his direction shows no signs of a let up.

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-If Mr. AGUINALDO don't quiet down the next thing he may find will be one of our courts firing an injunction at him. They are easy put off and, are considered by some, great silencers.

-The heads of the war department made a great mistake in regard to the work they had in hand. Instead of managing a war they thought they were laying the wires for a Presidential election.

-There may be some truth in ALGER'S diagnosis of the sickness in the camps. He says that the soldiers were only homesick. There can be no doubt that the treatment they received made them very sick to get home.

-It is to be hoped that the Republican management will soon raise the embargo they placed on candidate DALEY's mouth. Something of the kind must be done or there'll not be a bit of fun in the whole campaign.

-Pittsburg papers are boasting that there was plenty of music at the opening rally of being of the army depended, and the inthe Republican campaign in that city last week. And judging from their own re- ed from reliable correspondents at the front ports of the gathering, its about all there and in the camps, was to the effect that the was a plenty of.

-When our manufactures can be imported to Europe with a profit, and the ly neglectful. DINGLEY act is creating a deficit, there is no resisting the conclusion that neither for protection nor for revenue is the Republican tariff of any account.

-The difficulties with our "Johnnys" is that they can't "come marching home." Republican war department management has knocked the march out of them, and most of the poor fellows will be brought home in hospital cars and on stretchers.

-Doctor SWALLOW has been making be a political machine. If he thought that such a forceful exhibit of the iniquities of it was good politics and would benefit him the QUAY machine that we can't see how as a Republican State candidate, he will he can reconcile it with his conscience not find that Quayism is a sufficient load for to vote for the candidate who has the only him to carry in this campaign without chance of defeating the machine's nominee. | adding to it the odium of Algerism.

Surely our friends, the enemy, are not in earnest when they profess to be satisfied with such a result. It is a pretense. An effort at keeping up courage and preventing a stampede.

A loss of 33 per cent. to Republicans Independent candidate for Governor would and a gain of 10 per cent. for the Demo- be merely a four years' interruption of macrats in Maine, is a most telling rebuke to chine rule. The election of an anti-QUAY the McKINLEYS, the HANNAS and the Legislature with a machine Governor would ALGERS of the Republican party, and the be but a half-way measure of reform. In brightest promise of Democratic success in either case the situation would not be such 1899 that could be given.

----It could not be expected that the

Democrats would carry Vermont, but they the election of Governor PATTISON was reduced the Republican majority up there not followed up by the election of anothto a size that is always the fore-runner of a sound Republican thrashing at. the November election. In that respect Vermont is a reliable political thermometer.

Loading Himself With Algerism.

Pennsylvania. The interruption of machine misrule by PATTISON'S disconnected General J. P. S. GOBIN, who holds the administrations, unaided by supporting second place on the QUAY State ticket, considered it the proper thing as the retiring Commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, at its recent annual convention, to laud Secretary of war ALGER this Commonwealth. and commend his administration of military

affairs during the war. This was a bold thing for General GOBIN to do in the face of numberless witnesses of ALGER'S mismanagement, and in contradiction to testimony from every quarter where the army was stationed as to the disastrous

effect of what was either his official incapacity, or something worse.

tack on legislative corruption, and machine The commanding General of the army rule with no abatement in the vigor of his as well as the disease-stricken private soldenunciation. In his speeches he prodier have testified against ALGER's method claims that "Pennsylvania is under worse of conducting that part of his official duty surfdom than Russia ever knew." He upon which the health and physical wellcharges that the bosses have stolen money from the state treasury right and left. He formation of every leading journal, obtaincharges them with having diverted for political and personal use money that was intended to educate the children of the soldiers suffered from management that State. He makes charges against the

was either stupidly inefficient or criminal-

This was the spontaneous and concurrent himself by legal prosecution. The prohibition candidate can make testimony from all sources, yet in the face of it General GOBIN is not deterred from

giving this generally condemned official they are true, but their truth puts him in the benefit of his commending endorsement. a false position as a candidate. Being so If General GOBIN thought that this was thoroughly acquainted with all the evils of machine rule, what logic can there be due to ALGER as a Republican official. coming from the head of the G. A. R., he in his candidacy which will divide the did that organization an injury, and pervote that must be united if the machine is haps an injustice, by making it appear to to be destroyed?

The people believe and appreciate all that Dr. SWALLOW says in showing up the corruptionists in their true light, but they have but a poor appreciation of his movement that is more calculated to help them retain their power than to destroy the strength of their machine.

nish any other than bad government, which the parties a chance to get some of the can not be corrected without the defeat of State money; and various other devices by the party which that machine controls. which the machine's dependents and And to do the State the good which it so greatly needs, it must be a thorough and funds. henchmen could get their share of public

not a partial defeat. The success of an WANAMAKER and SWALLOW have skimmed but the surface of machine iniquities. We must get down deeper to discover the profligate methods by which the State government is made to cost \$7,000,000 more a year than it did in the last year of Governor PATTISON's first administration. as to make it difficult for the machine to

-President McKINLEY's intention to line of argument. have no other investigation of the war department's army management than that which would be made by the Secretary, would have been equivalent to allowing ALGER to do the white-washing himself. Public indignation appears to have convinced him that this wouldn't do

From Five to Thirty-two Thousands. the opposition against Quayism to reach its present magnitude, these admissions of A startling illustration of how expendi-Elkins will not be palatable reading.

Legislatures, was too short and ineffectual, tures are increasing in the different departand without sufficient permanence, to teach ments of the state government, is furnished the QUAY corruptionists that they had not in the amounts now found necessary, or a perpetual right to misrule and plunder thought to be necessary, to run the State Board of Health. The Pennsylvania Republicans have now

According to the general belief, people an opportunity of doing their State a benefit lived to just as great an age, twenty, from which they have been too long with- thirty, forty and fifty, years ago as they do to-day. According to the same belief the general health of the public was just as good then as it is to-day.

At that time, with no sanitary advanmost primitive conditions ; with few physicians and many opportunities for the defeat in battle? spread of disease ; with abundant reason and excuse for a general over-seeing of all those conditions that prevent sickness and prolong life, our State Board of Health struggled along and accomplished effective work on \$5,000 a year. sown in the hearts of the American people

Now, with all our sanitary improvements ; with all our medical discoveries ; by an act of treason? with schools and physicians and druggists head boss that would be grossly libelous if without end, and with every means withkeep Alger in his cabinet? not true, but he defies QUAY to vindicate in the reach of every community to pre-

vent and stamp out disease, this same organization is costing the State \$32,000 per these charges openly and fearlessly because annum.

It is not only this department that has multiplied its expenses six times, but the cost of every other department of the State government has increased in proportion.

It is to be wondered at, that the taxpayers are beginning to think that it is about time to change administrations, and to see

if some power, other than that of a machine boss, can not be found that will take care of the public interests without committing the robberies that of late years has characterized the rule of the Republican party ?

imposition of taxes or in the appropriation possible, and on opening the casket they of the revenues of the Commonwealth, no discovered that the body was undergoing adequate relief can come to the people.

petrification. It weighed nearly 2,000 pounds. -Highland Lake, the beautiful and picturesque summer resort on top of the Alleghenies, in Lycoming county, about twenty-John Wanamaker telling tales out of the five miles northeast from Williamsport, was Republican school of Quayism, has caused last week, the scene of a disastrous fire, and John P. Elkin, chairman of the Republican the large Hotel Grand View is now no more. state committee, to reply to the former postmaster general; and now the "kettle its contents, the only things saved being the calling the pot black" campaign is on. piano and the silverware.

Up to date, however, Wanamaker is in the -While Benjamin Burtt and Henry Pierce, lead. Elkins, if he wishes to convince the independent voters that Wanamaker is employed in the moulding department of wrong, must either hire some one else to Jones & Laughlin's mills, were moving a write his letters, or must pursue a different large ladle, filled with molten metal, on Tuesday it was overturned. They saw their In his letter to Mr. Wanamaker, Elkins, danger and tried to get from under the seethin his efforts to uphold the "established ing mass. Burtt stumbled and fell. The rules and customs of his party" with reference to paying extra employes of the legiscontents of the ladle poured down on him. lature large salaries and using the money His hands and feet and part of his head were paid by favored banks for campaign purburned off. poses, virtually admits that the evils com-

-The first fatal hunting accident of the plained about BY MR. WANAMAKER ARE season is reported from DuBois. Near that TRUE AND CORRECT. As these two corrupt place on Wednesday, Joseph Beliboni, an practices with many others, have caused Italian, was fatally wounded by receiving a full charge of shot in his body. The man was hunting rabbits, and was drawing his Surely the Quay supporters have reason to gun towards him, when a twig caught the exclaim, after reading their chairman's trigger of the gun and it was discharged, the reply, "God save us from Elkins' letter hunter receiving the load of shot in his right side

> -P. H. Weigal, of Cogan Station, Lycoming county, who some time ago found a vein of copper ore on his farm, has received a report from the assay office in Leadville, Colo., showing that the ore contains 9 per cent of copper and a small amount of gold and silver. The ore will be worth about \$12.50 per ton, according to the estimates of experts. Mr. Weigel has not decided whether to operate the mine himself or to form a stock company to carry on the work.

-Farmer Hempfield, of near Belsano, Cambria county, has a very queer pumpkin vine on his place which he expects to exhibit destruction of life he has caused, the suf- at the Carroltown fair. It started out like any ordinary vine, but when about three feet long the stem began to flatten out, and continued this shape until it was from twelve to fifteen inches in width, one inch thick and ten feet long, resembling a flat piece of green are as poignant as could have been caused bark. It contains fully 1,000 tiny pumpkins about the size of walnuts. If he knows these things, why does he

-A few days ago the people of Philadelphia witnessed the sale of one of their historic buildings, Assembly Hall. It was built just one hundred years ago and was used for the entertainment of illustrious people, Washington, Franklin and Presidents and statesmen dered the public monies the hospitals of the state would be much better prepared to atdown until a few years ago. According to the agreement this building was used for jeopardized their lives to make an Alger holiday, now seek to secure surcease from social affairs for one hundred years and then sold. The sale took place one hundred years from the date of the agreement.

-The Sheridan Troop of Cavalry arrived home at Tyrone on Sunday morning at 8 lature was unable to give the hospitals the money required to enable them to meet the additional demands coming from the men o'clock, and received a rousing reception by the entire community. Thousands of people lined the sidewalks and were gathered about the depot. The troop was escorted from the Quayism! What sins are committed in thy name, and what a reward is waiting for you when the people come to realize your iniquity! the Grand Army post comed the soldiers.

Because of Mr. Alger's Contribution. From the N. Y. Times, (Rep.)

Does the President not know that the ives of American soldiers sacrificed in peaceful camps at home out-number those ost on the field of battle in Cuba and Manila? Does he not know that these losses, in-

flicted while our men were under the imtages, with sewerage and plumbing in the mediate care of our own government, are more cruel for the victims, more infuriating to the people, than had they been due to

> Does he not know that measured by the fering and injury he has inflicted, Mr. Alger is a worse enemy than Spain has been or could be? Does he not know that the shame, the horror and the rage that Mr. Alger has

> > Reckoning Day Approaching.

Had the last Quay legislature not squan-

tend to the wants of soldiers who, having

suffering from pain in the hospitals. Hav-

ing expended the people's money in reck-

less and needless appropriations the legis-

who have been compelled to be imprisoned

in the fever-infected camps of the country.

From the Williamsport Su

iniquity!