

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings.

-The thermometer seems determined to out-strip other things in the upward tendency.

-After next Tuesday there may not be so many candidates but there'll be none the less Democrats within the county.

-Those of us who earn our bread by the sweat of our brow should be able to lay in a pretty good supply while the thermom eter maintains its present altitude.

-They are probably having soup in the military prison in Paris these days, -clam soup, if you please. Col. Du PATY DE CLAM was put in there last Thursday.

-It is easily understood now that the Cubans are not Republicans. If they were the U.S. pay car would find no difficulty in buying both their guns and manhood

-Now that the rheumatism has joined forces with the Democrats in their efforts to curtail the devilment of MARK HANNA. there is every indication that money will not be such a potent factor in the general result.

-The French had one of their characteristically good times on Sunday and even an assault on President Louber was not too much for their pyrotechnical spirits. The Nationalists tried to inflame the crowds at the Anteuil races and incite them to violence against the President, who was there as a spectator, but the police were in the Legislature. He has been in all the and mothers and sisters and brothers at there in numbers and made numerous ar-

enough trouble on our hands in the Philip- his means liberally and judiciously in the look after it. pines without having a clash between Gen. development of the resources of his neigh-OTIS and the peace commissioners who were sent there to straighten matters out. and useful citizen. His life has been with- the rights and interests of the people as is Of course it will be announced at Washington that there is nothing serious in the situation, but it has just been serious enough to necessitate a special cabinet meeting at mid-night Sunday and that looks dubious, to say the least.

-The Toledo, Ohio, couple who married each other a few days ago by taking a vow that they pledged themselves as the other's husband or wife "so long and only so long as love shall bind our hearts" must have been looking ahead to saving divorce court expenses. They called it "the marriage obligations of the future," but we are of the opinion that the average woman will trust nothing so untenable in law when she once gets her hooks on the right man.

-The finding of baby MARION CLARK ends what otherwise might have become as famous a case as that of the lost CHARLEY ly speaking very high now and it is only the sort and feeding his vanity at that, he is Ross. The CLARK baby had been kidnaped and was being held for ransom, when the country people up in the Berkshire deceived by gold bricks, or inveigled into he is thus occupied the American citizens hills discovered the likeness between the the shell game. Mr. Coyle may have in tropical trenches thousands of miles a little stranger that had been brought into during the senatorial contest, as everybody gets good and ready to determine what their midst by a mysterious woman. An else who wanted to seems to have done, may be done toward relieving them. investigation followed, the baby was re- but he can't do it with the public. As covered and the kidnapers arrested.

-We have seen people roll a rare quid anymore and all things considered it looks of gossip around their tongues and try to as if Ex-Senator Coyle had made an egreexcite our curiosity by remarking, "I know gious ass of himself in prosecuting John a story that you would drop dead, if you ENGLER for perjury. could hear it, "but we have never yet heard the story that has come up to its advertisements. There is one, though, going the rounds up in Binghamton, N. Y., for on Tuesday it was told to one of Wallace's circus ticket agents and he laughed himself to death over it. Knowing what we do about the circus, we wouldn't be a bit of any sort to secure the support he has surprised if the story told that ticket seller gotten. hadn't been that HENRY QUIGLEY, of Bellefonte, had just tumbled to the way he was worked for a sixty cent ticket to a fifty cent show.

-The commercial travelers of America, when they next meet in annual convention at Albany, N. Y., this season, are going to announce their slogan as "Death to the Trusts". They represent an army of three hundred and fifty thousand, fifty thousand of whom are out of employment because the trusts have so contracted business as to leave no place or need for their services. These men are a potential factor in all political campaigns because they travel to every city and hamlet it the land and are well informed, convincing talkers. When they commence to talk "Death to the Trusts" they will sound the death knell to the party that has prostituted itself to the selfish, grinding greed of corporate combinations. The Republican party will then have met its greatest enemy.

-In the light of existing circumstances | there are reasons to hope that the coming we will have to swallow some of our past trial will be a fair and just one. But this expressions about the ignorance of those is only a hope. There is no certainty of it. Filipinos. They were just too slick for the The real criminal has not been identified smart American Generals, on Tuesday, and yet. The tribunal before which the persewe'll have to confess it. For weeks the cuted man is to appear is a military court about equal between ALBERT J. HOPKINS, press dispatches had been advising us how and the miscreant who committed the slowly but surely the whole Filipino army crime may be among his judges. That New York. Now there seems to be little was being rounded up at Morong and all being the case his friends should be vigilant that remained to be done was to unite the and exercise every care in his behalf. several columns moving on that place and every Filipino would be corralled, much has long stood acquitted. But that vindias the jack-rabbits are captured in the an- cation didn't serve to shield him from a nual hunts in the West. Well, the soldiers all did their work valiantly and we were swore falsely against him before, is now in waiting for the news of the final extin- a dishonored grave, but there may be anoth- occur between now and the first of Decemguishment of the last flickering torch of re- er ready to take his place. Comte Du PATY ber. In any event, however, the present bellion when we were struck with admira- DE CLAM, who forged the principal evidence sentiment of the Republicans of the countion at the cunning of those \$2 a head black-skins. When they found that they is possible that there will be someone else ter of congratulation that he is a man of were trapped they changed their clothes, to do the dastard work. That being the large experience in legislation, of high threw away their arms, giving themselves case no stone should be left unturned to character for integrity and of sturdy pathe appearance of "Pacificos" and, under flags of truce, walked right back into the dence in the new trial. The corrupt milimountains, unharmed by our soldiers who tary cabal which accomplished the injustice mainly because of the opportunities it af- it to the necessity of presenting only clean thought them to be friendly natives. once will attempt it again.

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A National Shame.

An Egregious Blunder. At this distance it would seem that Ex-While leisurely traveling in the vicinity of Boston, on Monday morning, Russel A. Senator JOHN J. COYLE, who is charged with corrupt solicitation in connection with ALGER, Secretary of War, was asked about the plans of the administration with regard the consideration of the McCarroll bill during the last session of the Legislature and to the call for volunteers to strengthen the is about to be arraigned in the Dauphin army in the Philippines. "The President has not come to any determination on that county court to answer to the accusation, has made a grave mistake in prosecuting point yet," replied the War Minister, "That matter will not be settled for three Hon. JOHN ENGLER, of Lycoming county, or four weeks yet." In other words a maton the charge of perjury. ENGLER testified before the legislative investigating comter of such trifling importance to his Imperial Majesty, the President, and his mittee that COYLE had offered him a sum of money as a consideration if he would puissant flunkey, the Secretary of War, as vote for the bill. Presumably he will be a reinforcing the soldiers on the firing line witness in the trial of the charge in the in front of a hostile and well-equipped court in a week or two, or whenever it is enemy, must wait for determination until called. COYLE's purpose in entering a it will be convenient for them to withdraw cross suit, therefore, is manifestly to dis- their minds for a time from the political eredit ENGLER in public estimation and intrigues that are absorbing their present thereby impair his credibility as a witness. attention. It is a matter of vast importance But it is doubtful if the purpose will be to the soldiers in the Philippine trenches. achieved. JOHN ENGLER has lived many It may be a matter of considerable moment years in the community which he represents to their wives and children, their fathers

years of his residence there a respected citi- home. But it is a trivial matter to Mc-

zen. By honest industry and proper thrift KINLEY and ALGER and must go over

tricks are available as cloaks for crime.

they say in the song, those things don't go

-It begins to look as if nothing but

death could prevent DAVID B. HENDER-

son, of Iowa, from being chosen Speaker of

the next Congress. He has pledges of sup-

port from more than a caucus majority now

and claims that he has not made a promise

The Dreyfuss Case.

The decision of the French court of

DREYFUSS was sacrificed to save some one

else from punishment for a grave crime.

His conviction was procured by a con-

and subornation of perjury were necessary

to accomplish the end and they would have

failed even then if race and religious prej-

ndices had not been brought into the play.

That is to say a new trial has been allowed

and with one of the conspirators in a

suicide's grave, another in a felon's prison

and still another a fugitive from justice,

In the public mind captain DREYFUSS

cruel punishment. Colonel HENRY, who

But at last partial justice has been done.

· In all the history of popular government borhood. He is a progressive, benevolent there has never been so utter a disregard of out reproach. The spiteful attack of an shown by the present administration of the adventurer, whose reputation has long been | national government. The organic law of doubtful, will hardly avail to upset the the land, the obligations of the oath of ofcharacter structure that JOHN ENGLER has fice, the interests of the people, are all alike built. That being the case this prosecu- treated with utter indifference and absolute tion is likely to recoil with great force and contempt by those political adventurers when the rebound comes it will carry des- whom the people have recklessly voted intruction with it. Under the circumstances to power. The destruction of the Spanish it would seem that Mr. COYLE has made a | fleet in Manila bay on the first day of May, 1898, seems to have awakened in the breast make upon him. But there is no means Moreover the time has passed when legal of the President an unholy and absurd ambition for conquest, and since that event only wait and hope. Long ago when intelligence was less widely he has been oblivious of all the traditions diffused and before the public schools had of the country, and unmindful of every instilled into the minds of most men the public duty. Like a beggar on horseback fundamental principles of law, namely good this country lawyer has been strutting other let us hope that they will again common sense, such subterfuges as cross- around with imperial airs as careless of the train their misdirected guns on the comsuits served the purpose of confusing the lives of the troops in the trenches as he is mon enemy and try to regain their strongreckless of the future prosperity of the peo- hold in Clearfield county.

popular mind, but that is so no longer. The standard of intelligence is comparative- ple. Putting himself on parade at this regreat politicians whose minds are so much making of himself and the country a laughoccupied by their own affairs that can be ing stock for the civilized world. Because worked Senator QUAY to the Queen's taste away must suffer or maybe perish until he

For weeks and even months it has been known to every intelligent observer of events in the country that the force in the Philippines is inadequate to perform the duties that devolve on it, namely the subjugation of the native population. But McKinley's ambitious plans could be promoted by concealing the fact that more soldiers were needed and the officers in command were advancing their own interests by keeping up the false pretense. It didn't matter to McKINLEY that the deception was costing lives of good soldiers. What are the lives of hundreds or even thousands of soldiers to him compared with his own ambition? But the people will learn the truth in time and with that knowledge will come a reckoning that will transmit the name of this President and the cassation to reopen the case of captain traders in patriotism with whom he has DREYFUSS and give him another and pre- surrounded himself down to posterity as sumably a fair trial on the charges upon infamous beyond parallel. Gen. Otis has which he was unjustly condemned five said that 30,000 troops are needed in the vears ago, will meet with universal appro- Philippines. That is nearly 15,000 more bation among fair-minded men. Captain than would remain if the volunteers whose time expired months ago were sent home, and yet while McKINLEY and ALGER are touring around they haven't time to conspiracy in which all the elements of evil sider the question of sending the needed rewere joined together. Forgery, perjury inforcements? What a shame!

> -Should HOWARD GOULD follow up his present inclination and purchase the Lakes of Killarney he would make himself very popular with the Irish, but it would be a very sickly smile he would get from the Prince of Wales.

# The Probable Speaker.

The politicians of the country have been making history with great rapidity since this time last week Then the chances for the Speakership of the next House of Representatives at Washington seemed to be of Illinois, and JAMES S. SHERMAN, of doubt that both those gentlemen have been bowled out of the running and that DAVID

B. HENDERSON, of Iowa, is practically agreed on. Of course the election is six months off and when it was possible to make so vast a change in conditions in so short a time there is no telling what may against him before is now in prison, but it try is in favor of HENDERSON and it is a mat-

prevent false evidence and secure real evi- triotism. The office of Speaker is important fords for doing good or evil. Speaker men for public suffrage.

REED used it unsparingly for both. ample set in the centralization of power; the good in the conservative and wise use he made of the power which he usurped and arrogated to himself. In the hands of a daring and ambitious man, the power which Mr. REED assumed would have been fatal to the liberty of the people. For that reason it is to be hoped that it will never be conceded to another. The good use to which he turned it was in holding in check the inordinate ambition of the administration. If it had not been for REED. or if he had exercised less power or had used it with less determination, it is not certain that we would have had a republic to-day. The imperial bee was buzzing in McKinley's bonnet as loudly as the guns of a battleship boom in a broadside, but

Speaker REED held them in leash.

HENDERSON is, comparatively speaking, an unknown quantity so far as the vital political issues of the future are concerned. During the last Congress he set his face manfully against imperialism and protested against the tendencies in the direction of -It seems to us that we have about he has acquired a large estate and has used until they have nothing better to do than militarism. But whether he has yielded to the demands of the administration in order to avoid the opposition of the President in his ambition to be Speaker, can only be conjectured. HOPKINS, of Illinois refused to do that and the fact that he was among the first to move toward HENDERson, justifies the hope that there has been no concession to the imperialists. If this hope is justified by the facts, the country will have cause to rejoice that HENDERSON is likely to be chosen, for it is certain that SHERMAN was ready to stoop to any demand which the President might of getting at the facts, and the public can

> ---Now that the Clearfield Spirit and Republican have stopped fighting each

# The Governor and the Janitor.

The Governor of Pennsylvania and the late janitor of one of the public buildings at the state capitol are just now engaged and veracity. The janitor, or to speak more accurately, the late janitor, declares that the Governor, through a mutual friend, ordered him (the janitor) to go into Tioga county, his former home, and do some dirty party work in the interest of the "soft impeachment," and challenges the janitor to name the person who delivered the order, and the janitor counters by reaffirming his statement and adding that he can name the man and will do so if the Governor in the light of present conditions

asks him to do so. At present both the combatants in this 'war of words'' at long range, are resting on their arms, and while thus situated the public may have an opportunity to examine the lines as well as the warriors with the view of estimating which has sustained the most damage by the encounter. Naturally an impartial observer would be predisposed to think that under the circumstances the Governor's statement would be the more entitled to respect, and other things being equal that would be the correct view of the question. But that theory will hardly bear close scrutiny. A man is known by the company he keeps and when men voluntarily engage in a squabble the presumption is that one of them is about as good as the other. That being admitted there remains only to determine which has the preponderance of evidence in his favor.

In this aspect of the case it must be admitted that the janitor is a trifle in the lead. In so far as his accusations are capable of proof he has proved them, and that is a very material point in his tavor.

For example, he says that the Governor has prostituted his office to the service not only of partisan but of factional politics, which is absolutely true.

He has asserted that the Governor has violated his oath of office and trampled upon the constitution, which is unquestionably a fact. In addition to that he has shown his faith by resigning what was to him a good office, and it must be admitted that no Republican would do that unless he had some powerful reason for his action.

Respect for the dignity of the office of on the other side that we are compelled, reluctantly, to not only believe that STONE

-No political organization can afford to permit a precedent or location to blind Filipinos Sacrifices and Results.

From the N. Y., Daily News. The rainy season has begun in the Philippines and the insurgents have not yet surrendered to the American forces. For the next four months military operations will have to be practically suspended, which means that our troops must be concentrated in Manila and a few other important points within reach of the war ships, as it did not do to let them remain scatter-

ed in the interior, at the mercy of the un-

Thousands of the Filipinos have been killed during the past few months and hundreds of our men have perished, while nany more have contracted constitutionbreaking diseases; and all that we will have to show for the slaughter and the sacrifices are stretches of burned and ruined villages. We have not conquered the country, and we never will until we have exterminated the natives or granted them what they are Our generals out there are calling for a much larger army than they possess, and it is becoming quite clear that those who predicted that at least one hundred thousand men would have to be sent over if any impression was to be made on the Filipinos were not far out of the way, if they were at all. About one out of every twenty of the sol-diers who have already landed is dead, and nearly one half of those that are left alive either are or have been in the hospitals with diseases, the effect of which will cling

to most of them for the rest of their days. The cost in human lives and in human suffering of the imperial expansion policy of McKinley and Hanna is already enormous, but it is as nothing compared with what is before us if a halt is not called on the brutal work. As for the money that has been, and continues to be, wasted in this effort to subjugate the Filipinos, it would, if expended at home, in ways that it should be, make thousands of happy and convince the world that there are better and nobler things for a nation to be engaged in than that of hiring or forcing its young men to swagger around and shoot down those who refuse to accept them as their rulers.

### The Originators of Trusts. From the N. Y. Journal of Commerce.

Trusts are still springing into existence like mushrooms after a spring shower. "If merely legitimate trade developments were the purpose of these huge combinations it would seem to be a necessary feature of them that their organizers and managers should be chiefly, if not solely, men skilled in the particular trade affected-men who had been trained and brought up in the business. It would seem, moreover, equally natural and logical to expect that such organizations, if intended simply for the development of trade according to modern ideas on strictly economical lines, should sue of which depends the reputation of one be perfected in their offices and factories or both of the controversialists for truth and not in the resorts of speculators and stock manipulators. The promoter of the combines, trusts and syndicates of recent growth is almost invariably an expert Wall street operator and nothing more, utterly ignorant of the practical operations of any trade, save that of stock manipulation, and with as little consideration for the future of the industry which he undertakes QUAY machine. The Governor denies this to organize as for the interests of the consumers of its products. It is primarily, if not exclusively, his business to enrich him self and those associated with him at the public expense. The preposterous over-capitalization of most of these enterprises reveals the kind of intelligence that presides over their formation and the quarter from which profit is expected to come to the

### The Way to Heaven as Laid Out by a Base Ball Player.

From the Sermon of a Base Ballist Evangelist. A "baseball evangelist" who preached in Kansas City on Sunday said that faith is first base, the church second base, personal work third base, and home, heaven. The ball is sin. Morality, a good player, takes the bat of good deeds, makes a hit and starts for first base, 'faith;' but shortstop Unbelief catches the ball, and Morality never reaches "first." Another runner gets to second, "the church," and stays there. When a player can reach third (personal work,) said Mr. Markell, or is interested enough to take up personal work, he feels pretty safe, for there he comes under the care of the coacher, which is the Holy Spirit. When a player reaches this point, he is reasonably sure of the home plate, heaven. "I didn't make the mistake," said a volunteer speaker who followed him, "trying to play the game all by myself, but I made a mistake just as I went at it all right and got to second, the church, all right. But I thought I could cut third and get home without doing personal work. There was where I made my mistake, and I see it now. I am watching third mighty sharp, and I trust to score when the time comes "I got as far as third," said another, "and for a long time I thought I would die there. But I have started for home, and I don't believe I will be nailed at the plate."

CINCINNATI, June 7.—At the convention of the Bimetallic League of the Ohio valley in Louisville last week a committee was appointed to confer with the National Democratic committee at its meeting in Chicago July 20. The members of this committee, James P. Tarvin, Covington; Governor would lead us to much prefer to believe the Governor in the case, but unhappily the evidence is so overwhelmingly

Color of John T. Altgeld, Chicago; George Fred Williams, Boston; E. B. Finley, Bucyrus, Ohio; John Overmeyer, North Vernon, Ind.; W. G. Femonin, Louisville; Allen W. Clark, Greensburg, Ind., met in Covington, Wednesday, and organized with Judge Tarvin as chairman and Allen W.

has done all the things charged against him but that he has lied about it into the bargain.

— No political organization can afford

Clark was directed to proceed with his work in organizing clubs and to prepare such data as the committee may be able to present to the National committee at the joint conference in Chicago next month.

Spawls from the Keystone

-The Clearfield gas and electric light companies have consolidated and will have things

all their own way now. -Mrs. William Brothers, of Duncannon, fell on a bad pavement in that place recently and broke the bones in her right arm near

the wrist. -Thomas McCloskey, of Renovo, while loading logs near that place recently, had one of his legs, above the ankle, broken by a log rolling against him.

-The corner stone of the new Methodist Episcopal church at Milroy was laid Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were in charge of Rev. G. W. Stevens of Lewistown. -The standing of the second, the highest

class at Annapolis Naval academy, and the coming sea class, has been announced. James C. Kress, of Lock Haven, ranks thirteenth. -Abram Merifield, son of Edward Merifield, of Woodward township, Clearfield county, had a leg broken and an arm knocked out of place by a blast in the Wigton mine

on Thursday of last week. -At Johnsonburg, Friday morning, the ody of Patrick Dolan, an employe of the Clarion mills, was found below the trestle work at that place, he having been struck by a train some time during the night. He healthful climate and of the seasoned ene-

was about 55 years old. -The business men of Glen Campbell, Indiana county, have decided to form a stock company for the purpose of properly and gloriously celebrating the Fourth of July. The members of the company are expected

to contribute \$5 each to make the thing go. -Three farmers in the vicinity of Patton sold their coal right last week to the Patton coal company, and a number of others refused good offers from the same concern. The price was from \$50 to \$100 per acre. The latter figure was refused for the Strittmatter

-It is expected that within two years every passenger car on the Pennsylvania lines east and west will be uniform in build and finish. The standard Pennsylvania coaches cost \$5,500, and when vestibuled and the nontelescoping devices are installed, \$1,000 is added to this cost.

-The Saturday's pay of the Cambria Steel company at Johnstown is said to have been the largest on record for the company. The amount paid out was \$191,000. This, with other money paid out to local workmen by other companies Saturday, went considerably past the \$200,000 mark.

-A terrific storm passed over Indiana county about 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. Heavy hail did damage to corn and fruits. and many fields were badly washed. The barn of William Ray, near Indiana, was struck by lightning and burned. A large barn near Decker's Point was burned and a

number of horses perished. -A sheriff's sale bargain hunter had more than the ordinary luck at a sale held near Sellersville, Somerset county, last week. In the purchase of a lot of old iron and other rubbish he found \$70 in gold and silver. The money was stored in two tin cans and rolled out when the cans were thrown on a wagon to be hauled away.

-Carrolltown is to have a new Elgin butter factory. A company has been organized with \$4000 capital and the plant is expected to be in operation in a few weeks, the company having secured from Mr. Benjamin Wirtner a suitable location with an excellent ipply of water, and commenced the erec tion of the necessary building.

-It is estimated that the foreign miners in the Houtzdale region send no less than \$50 .-000 a year to their native country through agents. This class of miners, it is gleaned from very good authority, do not spend onethird of their earnings in this country. A family of them consisting of a half dozen members do not spend over six dollars per month at the stores for provisions, etc.

-The auditors of Lackawanna county have surcharged the county commissioners \$8,000. There is considerable excitement in political circles over the affair, the commissioners turned in a bill for \$12,000 for decorating the superior court room in the court house. An expert from New York was called to Scranton, and after inspecting the work, said it could be done for \$4,500.

-While Walter Main's show was giving an exhibition at Westmoreland county, Thursday night the seats on which were seated about 300 people gave way, dropping the occupants to the ground, seriously and perhaps fatally injuring Mrs. David Goodman, whose leg was crushed and she was hurt internally. Several other ladies had their ankles badly sprained and were considerably bruised.

-At Williamsport Monday, P. D. Sayles, while chopping wood, had swung his axe preparatory to delivering a telling blow on a hard stick of wood. While the axe was descending Mr. Sayles' 3 years old son ran towards his father and caught the blow of the implement on the forehead. A gash two inches long was inflicted and the child was felled to the ground. He was taken to a physician, who stitched the wound.

-A few days ago a man was shooting muskrats in Sandy Lick creek near Reynoldsville. Two young ladies stood on an embankment on the opposite side of the creek watching the man shoot when one of them was struck on the leg near the knee by a bullet, the ball of twenty-two calibre having struck a stone and glanced upwards. The young woman walked home and a physician was called who probed for the bullet but could not locate it.

-During a heavy storm near DuBois Thursday afternoon, Thomas Keene, a wellknown lumberman, while sitting in his house, was struck by lightning. Mr. Keene's left leg was torn and the boot and stocking burned. His foot was mutilated and he was rendered unconscious. Frederick Hoover, a 10-year-old boy, residing at Rockton, was also struck. The flesh of the left leg was badly torn and burned from the entire leg and the right foot was badly mutilated and burned.

-Tuesday morning Jacob Olmstead, of near Linden, Lycoming county, saw one of Daniel Miller's cows pasturing in the old canal bed below Jersey Shore. In attempting to catch the cow he caught hold of her tail. The animal started to run when the tail. The animal started to run when man "snubbed" her around the trees. The last time he attempted to snub the tail around a barbed wire fence, the appendage out by the roots. Olmstead was around a barbed wire fence, the appendage out by the roots. came out by the roots. Olmstead was arrested and confessed the deed. He claims that he was drunk at the time.