Ink Slings.

-Rain or no rain the Republican fight throughout the county continues to grow. -Mr. President, can you tell us how or

when we will ever have sweet peace again. -Very little is heard of OLGA NETHER-SOLE'S clinging kiss, since the Hobson smack has come to be the style.

-The Republican who doesn't get a big fat slice of the swag that is going around now must be virtuous indeed.

-Judge Love and his forces are very likely to discover where the Governor's mines are planted, to-morrow afternoon.

-It is dangerously close to the firing line that both the Republican "ringsters" and the Republican "wreckers," in the county, are at this time.

-The best of evidence that all of the hungry horde have not been fed is to be seen in the fact that there are already ten thousand applications for census bureau jobs. Their slogan is: We are the hungry and we must be fed.

-Financial statistics report that there are \$180,000,000 of German capital invested in American railroads, not to say how much there is in American breweries and how much we invest in this German brewed American beer.

-Dreyfus seems to be getting gay since his return to France. He now proposes to appear before the court of cassation as the accuser, instead of the accused. Whether the change will do the prosecuted Jew any good remains to be seen.

-Its not what Governor HASTINGS did for him the last time he was a candidate that Judge Love need bother about now. Its what he'll do to him the next time that thought, when his thinker gets to working ment of a wrongful or illegal act. Both properly again.

-The sad(?) sad(?) news has just been made public that Secretary ALGER intends to resign just as soon as he has made a report on the conduct of his department. We suppose that some great lime or white washing trust is about to be formed and he has been offered the presidency of the cor-

-Don't you see, brothers Love and CHAMBERS and DALE, that all that glitters is not gold; The former Governor wants you to see with his eyes, if your own are blinded by the gilded rays of that old QUAY gold brick. He went after it, himself, once and they say that a child once burnt has a mortal dread of the fire.

-Granting that it be true that Populism is dving out in the West, what is there in that to indicate that Mr. BRYAN is not as can arise, except through an order from the official blundering subject them to, but popular as ever? He never was a Populist. court, under which the Secretary of State for the reason that the time for the presi-His attitude toward Democracy has always could submit the amendments, as is his dential election is approaching and Mcthe Populists were able to endorse him the authority to veto them. In this matfor President only goes to prove that he was ter the Secretary was consulted and it is a man capable of inspiring the faith of all

bug that springs into life every time the sign. The commonest kind of political osculatory organs of two persons come amenities would require this, and he is not in contact, have been considerably put going to resign. The only other thing for out to find just what class in which it him to do is what the Governor wants and might be properly classed for biologists of demands, and he demands the recognition the future. The name for it seemed to of his veto as final and conculsive. come without thought, for with one accord all persons said its name should be HoB-

-The visit of the German Emperor, to that French training ship is hailed by the nations of Europe, as a truce to the French, who have been fawning over the Germans for years, with the hope of making up their differences of the past. Whatever may have been the real motives of the bumptious young war lord of Germany in doing as he did it looks very much as if he were really paving the way to visit the Paris ex-

-President HAVEMEYER, of the sugar trust, still maintains that trusts are the offsprings of the tariff and now Senator JONES, of Nevada, has come out with the few newspapers, referred to, presume they announcement of his discovery that they are the progeny of the gold standard. While the two distinguished men have mine. Presumptions have no right to settraced the origin of this pernicious growth tle so important a matter. It is the duty upon our institutions by different dams publican party is the sire.

McCain made to the gold brick swindle out. If they violate precedent, deny the took the trouble to study him, and wherein his now famous letter to the Philadelphia Press concerning Centre county politics was probably inspired by the bitter ex- and determine that mandamus proceedings perience the former Governor had when he thought he was going to be made a United States Senator. Experience is a dear teacher and it is little wonder that the former Governor is solicitous about judge Love and Mr. DALE now, though he is the last man in the world who ought to point the finger of scorn at them for playing for an evanescent glittering treasure.

-The Cubans are learning Republican methods fast. At Bayamo the merchants combined to raise the price of food stuffs to an unreasonable figure immediately upon learning that six thousand of their fellow patriots had arrived in that place to lay down their arms and be paid off. This is the first evidence of studiousness on the part of our new acquisition and is sure to the dirt and disgrace of local politics, exgo a long way toward carrying favor with Gov. HASTINGS has no such scruples. He the Republicans. Any people who catch onto the idea of trusts, monopolies and and for that matter anything else he has syndicates so readily are surely ripe for ad- on, through any dirt that he can find, and



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Put Them on Record.

A few of our cotemporaries, that have expressed an opinion on the suggestion of a mandamus to compel the Secretary of State to advertise and submit, to the voters of the Commonwealth, the amendments to the constitution proposed by the last Legislature, are of the belief that such a proceeding would prove futile. Possibly, with the machinery of the State government, the courts and the judges, all under the control of the QUAY machine, it

But this is not the reason given by these papers for their belief. They assert that because the Secretary has not avowed his purpose not to do his duty, in this matter, no mandamus would issue, for the reason that the offense, which such proceeding was purposed to prevent, had not been committed. It is the same reason Mr. CLINTON RODGERS WOODRUFF, who advertises himself as attorney for the Business Men's League, gives as his excuse for failing to begin such proceedings.

To the writer, who knows little about the technicalities of the law and less about the rules of the courts, this seems like queer reasoning. If a mandamus means anything at all, or is of any use, it is to require the performance of a duty, just as an "his honor" will have reason to give some injunction is to restrain from the commitare legal proceedings recognized and resorted to to prevent the commission of wrongs. Both are based almost wholly upon the INTENT. If the duty has to be neglected or the wrong committed before proceedings can be had to enforce the one, or restrain the other, then both proceedings are the verriest farces. Such an interpretation of the authority of the courts would render them powerless to prevent the commission of any crime; it would prevent all arrests on suspicion and stay all legal proceedings until the wrong had been perpetrated or the crime committed.

Surely no sane lawyer or no just judge would hold to such a dangerous doctrine. This question of a mandamus on Secretary GRIEST is one of intent-and the intent in this case is as clear as could be duty. His superior officer has arrogated said coincided. But whether he was consulted or not he is bound to accept the au--Entomologists, having discovered a new | thority of the power that made him, or re-

That there will be no amendments submitted, unless the courts are called upon to interfere and compel their submission. is just as certain to-day as is the fact of the Governor's interference by veto. That veto meant that the people should not have the opportunity to change or amend their organic law. It was a monstrous assumption of authority on the part of the Governor, but he arrogated it; and he must be a gullible citizen, indeed, who imagines that the Governor's action will be over-ridden aud rendered null by one of his appointees, and especially one who wants to hold the place for what there is in it.

Possibly the courts, which are largely the creations of the State ring, would make the excuse that lawyer Woodruff and the would, and refuse to grant a mandamus. But that is a question for them to deterof some one-and we take it to be that that for having voted against QUAY the other there is no gainsaying the fact that the Resonme one is the Democratic State Committee day, but that impressed nobody. Any day -The allusion which Mr. George Nox they stultify themselves that is their look- manner revealed the fact to any one who rights of the people, commit an outrage that other outrages may be perpetuated, can only be instituted after the wrong they are intended to prevent has been committed, let them do so.

It is a record they will hesitate to make.

---From the way the Republican congressional steering committee had to fight during the absence abroad of Senator FLINN. it out up at Narraganset Pier a few days When the Senator returns he will probaago it is beginning to look as if they are bly spank his impudent henchman, and that not going to have as smooth sledding on will be the last of his pretensions to indethe currency question as they thought they were. The Democrats are unalterably for remonetization of silver, but the poor old Republicans are just beginning to discover that they don't know where they are at.

-No matter how others may object nate insurgents for Justice of the Supreme to dragging the judicial ermine through is willing to drag Judge Love's ermine, That will bring your insurgents to the line. particle to its defilement.

Alger Will Resign.

Current and fairly well authorized reports indicate that Secretary of War Rusoffice on the first of January next. This promise was obtained from Secretary ALGER by the importunities of Secretary of State JOHN HAY and Secretary of the Treasury LYMAN J. GAGE. Mr. HAY and Mr. GAGE pointed out to Mr. ALGER that there is a great deal of adverse criticism of the administration on his account and that the President is greatly embarrassed by it. Mr. ALGER that he ought to resign, and he, unless the reports are false or misleading, reluctantly consented, that is to say he agreed, that if he is allowed to continue

Under these circumstances the country must submit to another six months of ALGERISM with all the blunders and sacrifices and humiliations it implies. Until the first of next January the lives of our citizen soldiers in the tropical trenches faults of an incapable Secretary of War.

And why? For the reason that President McKIN-LEY doesn't dare to compel him to resign

And why? Because ALGER bought and paid for the place he occupies as much as he has the clothes he wears or the furniture of the

ALGER contributed to the payment of McKinley's personal debts in consideration of the opportunity to reimburse himself by army contracts, and though ALGER's blunders and venality "have embarrassed the President," as Senators HAY and GAGE state it, he was unable to relieve himself because the mortgage on his manhood is "still alive," as the legal phrase puts it.

Meantime the country must suffer the consequences of ALGER's incompetency because of McKinley's obligations to him. Happily, party exigencies force relief at the end of six months, for HAY and GAGE have interferred, not in the interest of the people, not in order to secure the soldiers shown in any case. No condition of affairs in the Philippines against the perils which KINLEY wants to be re-elected. How ALGER has been influenced to resign has not been stated. Maybe he has been promised a reappointment after the election, and possibly somebody else has repaid him the money he expended to relieve Mr. McKIN-LEY of financial obligations. In any event the selfishness of a political huckster is revealed in every step of the transaction.

> Since the above was in type, ALGER has been induced, by vice President HOBART. to send in his resignation at once. He has done so. It is to take effect at the pleasure of the President. Now let McKinley follow his example

The Extra Session Talk.

The rumors of an extra session of the Legislature have been revived though in a form that will hardly deceive any one. That is as published the story is so manicertain to be discounted at sight. The Philadelphia papers had it dated Pittsburg and representing a change of sentiment in the interest of QUAY in the Western counties, while the Pittsburg papers of the same day published a Philadelphia dispatch indicating a change of opinion to the advantage of QUAY in the Eastern counties.

The truth is that there has been no change of sentiment on the subject at all. WARD R. BLISS, Representative for Delaware county, publicly declared his regrets -to present this matter to the courts. If during the last month of the session his ever the alleged QUAY boodlers were gathered together he walked past them with both hands behind his back. But no attention was paid to him then by the QUAY folks or none will be paid to him now by the others. Representative McElvany has indicated a change of heart also, he has no mind to change, but that is the result of a little liberty he is indulging himself in

pendence. There will be no extra session of the Legislature unless assurances are given in advance that QUAY will be elected, and the only chance for that is in the plan sugby the WATCHMAN some time ago That is for the QUAY convention to nomicourt, Judge of the Superior court and State Treasurer and then show them that they can only be elected by harmonizing the party through the election of QUAY. There is nothing so grateful to his heart as party spoils, and when there is such a thing mission to this monopoly dominated Re- then wouldn't think that he was adding a but principle to the dogs and rally around the old flag and the appropriation.

Some Washington Secrets.

Mr. SMITH D. FRY, the Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Times, SEL A. ALGER has consented to resign his has been writing a good deal of history lately. Mr. FRY probably doesn't aspire to be known as a historian and sets up no pretense at all to being a maker of history, but he is where history is being made, and evidently not only a close but intelligent observer of events, and he has, what all form, and it stands to-day just where it newspaper men ought to have, the courage to tell what he sees. Because of these facts Mr. FRY has been giving the public a good That being the case the gentleman warned deal of light on the dark places in Washington. He has been revealing some of the secrets not only of the Navy and War Departments but of the White House itself. ble by

Among the revelations recently made by in office for six months longer, he will Mr. FRY is the statement that RUSSELL A. ALGER is not responsible for the snubs and humiliations put upon General NELSON A. MILES, commander of the armies of the seems to be determined to take away from United States since the beginning of the Spanish war. Not the least of the public do this they intend, if they secure the was that he was responsible for these outabout Manila, must be jeopardized by the rages. Even MILES himself shared in the opinion. But Mr. FRY shows that it is an erroneous view of the case. President Mc-KINLEY is himself responsible for every incident of the kind that has offended the public sense of right and justice since the event at Santiago about a year ago.

In his letter to the Philadelphia Times of last Sunday Mr. FRY treats of this question at length. After reciting some contemptible incidents, such as that by order of the President the mail of the War Department is withheld while MILES is acting under the law as Secretary, he quotes an official as saying that "WILLIAM Mc-KINLEY does not believe that any citizen has the right to aspire to the Presidency while he has the bee in his bonnet." In other words WM. McKINLEY has not scrupled to sacrifice the interests of the country, and the lives of the soldiers, in order to prevent Gen. MILES from making such a record in the war as would probably make him a formidable candidate for

President of the United States in 1900. This is putting a low estimate on the character and patriotism of WM. McKIN-LEY. But it is an estimate amply justified by the facts. From the beginning of his course he has pursued a selfish and not alample the facts in the financial transaction which put him under obligations to MARK HANNA and RUSSELL A. ALGER. He whiningly informed the public that he was an innocent indorser, of the paper of the adventurer in the case, and practically solicited popular subscriptions to re-imburse him for his losses. But as a matter of fact disastrous.

In that case he not only obtained public sympathy, under false pretenses, but secured contributions of money by fraudulent representations which is a crime under the law. His partner was given over to public reprobation, with his consent and concurrence, and he made political capital out of the other man's misfortunes and was enabled through it to negotiate with MARK HANNA and ALGER to make him President. That is why ALGER is able to hang festly made to order that its effect could be on to the administration now notwithstanding public condemnation and personal preference the other way. McKINLEY doesn't dare to remove him.

Risking Impeachment.

Mr. Secretary of State, ELWOOD GRIEST, may think there is no way by which he can be compelled to do his duty, and submit to the people the constitutional amendments proposed by the last Legislature. Probably there is not. But Mr. GRIEST should not forget that there is a way to punish for an offense such as his failure to fulfil the plain requirements of the law would be. The constitution is plain and unequivocal on the subject, and he is sworn to obey and defend it.

The organic law of the State, Article 18th, Section one, provides that when any proposed amendment "shall be agreed to by a majority of the members elected to each House such proposed amendment or amendments shall be entered on their journals with ayes and nays taken thereon, and the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall cause the same to be published three months before the next general election in at least two newspapers in every county."

It will be noticed that the Governor's name is not mentioned in connection with the proceedings necessary to amend the constitution. Hence his attempt to interfere, by interposing a veto, was simply an assumption of power without precedent or authority of law. It will also be noticed that the language is mandatory. It does not say the Secretary, may, or can, cause the same to be published, but that he shall

To fail to do that which the constitution requires is to take the chances of impeachment and removal from office.

Is Secretary GRIEST willing to take this

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Against These From Principle. From the York Gazette.

Our contemporary, the Dispatch, seems to think it has made a strong point in charging the Democratic party with really being against protection under pretence of against the trusts. We were not aware that there was any question in any-one's mind about the Democratic party being against protection. It has expressly so declared in more than one national plat-

This issue was so overshadowed by the money question in 1896 that it was deliberately put in the background because no-body had anything to say about it at that time. But now the trusts, or at any rate most of them, afford such fine examples of the species of highway robbery made possiprotection, that it is natural the old issue should again come to the front and

receive the attention it deserves. The Democratic party is against all of the trusts, whether they derive their monopoly from the tariff or not. But it those which flourish by means of the tariff the special privileges they now enjoy. To dead. power, to put every trust-made product on the free list. That seems to be the general trend of Democratic sentiment at this time. In fact it seems to be the trend of the senti-

ment of nine-tenths of the American people. Protection is no longer desired by the very men who contributed most largely to secure the passage of such outrageous measures as the present McKinley law. They want foreign markets now, and they realize that the tariff is a great stumbling block in their road.

In course of time our esteemed contemporary itself will be talking about protection having had its day, being no longer needed, etc., etc., in company with most of the other organs of its party.

No, the Democrats are not against protection under the pretence of opposing trusts. They are against both protection and the trusts, and they are going to try to kill two birds with one stone next year.

Not of the Resigning Kind. From the Pittsburg Dispatch

While predictions concerning the resignation of Alger may be classed as "extrahazardous" it is a safe conclusion that the President would not hesitate long about accepting his resignation if it were offered. The manner in which the Secretary has recently been ignored in Administration councils is very signifficiant. The calling of Governor Roosevelt for consultation by the President must have been very humiliating to the head of the War Department, if he has any sense of the eternal fitness of things. But as to whether these things will induce Alger to resign, that is another question. The roast-beef statesman from Michigan has displayed, in the past, a remarkable indifference to public opinion, and it cannot be safely assumed that he will not be equally impervious to hints from official quarters. His alliance with Pingree and his subsequent denial of the alliance afford strong proof that his ideas of the fitness of things are far from the normal, though his intention to cling to the Cabinet was not then shaken. In fairness to Alger it may be said, however, that after his mal-admin he was a partner in the business that proved istration of department affairs was overlooked and whitewashed, he had some ground for believing that his lesser faults in the field of politics might be excused.

How Justice Varies.

From the North American

Captain John M. Neall, Fourth cavalry, while stationed at San Francisco, disappeared, and \$1600 of the mess fund, of which he was in charge, was missing along with him. Drink had mastered Captain Neall. When he recovered his sober senses, he found himself in Mexico. At once returning, he refunded the money, with the assistance of friends, and, like a man, faced the consequences of his debauch. court-martial convicted him of conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman, and the President has confirmed the verdict, ordering his dismissal in disgrace from the army.
This is hard, but it serves Captain Neall

right. His life is ruined utterly, of course, but then it is more important that the standard of honor in the service should be maintained than that any man should escape the penalty of misdeeds, even of a kind for which charity can find excuses.

Meantime Captain Carter, convicted by court-martial in 1898 of stealing \$1,600 000-just \$1,598,400 more than Captain Neall took and returned—has not had the sentence of dismissal and five years' imprisonment executed upon him. On the contrary, Captain Carter is still in the enjoyment of his rank, full pay and entire leisure.

Mr. Bryan and New Issues.

From the Altoona Times.

William J. Bryan is the leader of the Democratic party and he fills the position in a brilliant manner, but so far he has not been successful. There is no reason, however, why he should not win success if he will deal in a wise and practical manner with the present conditions and make his campaign for the presidency on issues that will be approved by the majority of the American voters. The silver question is not the great issue now and it may be dropped. Instead of battling for the free coinage of the white metal, at the ratio of sixteen to one, Mr. Bryan should wage warfare on trusts and on that which produces them, a monopoly tariff. These are evils which should be combated. They are closely related, and, as Havemeyer declared, the onopoly tariff is the mother of trusts. Then there is one other issue. It is imperialism and militarism. Mr. Bryan is a nan well-fitted to lead, his personal qualities win support and he is able to a remarkable extent. For the leadership of a the Democracy must be united and har-

-If you want fine work done of every description the WATCHMAN is the place to have it done.

Spawls from the Keystone.

-The York banks have \$4,000,000 on de

-R. H. McGarvey has been appointed postmaster at Spangler. -A bicycle was found in a cesspool at

York, where it had been buried by a thief. -While on duty at York, car inspector Jacob F. Baumeister was run over and

-Work has been commenced on the new \$40,000 boulevard between Bethlehem and Nazareth.

-Harry Lyter, of Halifax, accidentally shot himself through the head Monday evening with a shotgun. He died soon after.

-The corner stone of the new Methodist Episcopal church at Lewistown will be laid Sunday, July 30th, with appropriate ceremonies.

-The new silk mill at Hazleton will be the second largest in the country. It will contain 60,000 feet of floor space and 1,000 hands will be employed. -Everett's school board has contracted

for the erection of a new public school building, the price complete being \$12,210, nearly \$400 less than the architect's estimate. -The furniture and boot and shoe depart-

ment of A. Feldman & Co. was destroyed by fire at Houtzdale Thursday evening. The loss is fully \$10,000, partly insured. -Mrs. Mary Williams, of Tyrone, was

bitten on the hand by a copperhead snake while picking berries. Her life was saved through the immediate attention of a physi--Harry E. Park, of Sinking valley, Blair

county, scorched 30 miles on his bicycle. Tuesday. He then ate a hearty dinner and drank a large quantity of ice water and fell

-The Monastery Coke works, west of Lacrobe, after an idleness of nearly five years, have been fired up. Seventy-five ovens are in full blast. Every oven at Hecla is now fired.

-The Reading iron company has purchased the Ringsold furnace and the land surrounding it at Pottsvile from the Philadelphia and Reading coal and iron company. It is said the new owners will operate the furnace, which has been cold for the past 25

-Mrs. Isaac Birriolo, who was maliciously set on fire by her husband, Isaac Birriolo, on Wednesday, July 5th, died last evening. She made an ante mortem sworn statement accusing her husband of the terrible deed. Birriolo is in Wellsboro jail. Mrs. Birriolo resided at Blossburg.

-During a severe storm recently, lightning struck the house of Thomas Gleason, in West Clearfield, entirely wrecking it. The house was split from roof to cellar, but the front part, in which the family was gathered, was left standing. A cow in a lot was instantly killed.

-Six revenue officers, headed by deputy collector Dickson, recently captured two illicit whisky stills near Springfield, Somerset county. One of the stills had a capacity of eighty gallons; the other forty. The officers hid themselves and wounded one of the moonshiners, who fled at sight of them.

-At Williamsport yesterday, while Isaac Taylor, aged 60 years, was adjusting an oil on a shaft in the Star mill, his long beard caught, and was rapidly wrapped around the shaft. Mr. Taylor succeeded in jerking his head away, but he tore off his whiskers. His face was badly cut.

-At Hyndman while removing a pile of old cross ties near the railroad station, a few days ago, William Manges killed thirty-nine snakes of different species. They were garter snakes, house adders, copperheads, blowing vipers, black snakes and water snakes. There were as many as four under some ties, and from that down to one.

-Otto Hess, of Clarkstown, went to Hughesville Friday night to deposit \$140 in the bank at that place. He found the bank closed and started back home. While he was driving along Glade Run about 10 o'clock, two men jumped in front of his horse, covered Mr. Hess with their revolvers and took his money. No clue to the thieves.

-In Williamsport Saturday afternoon, Daniel Sholder, Mrs. Mullenkopf and Mrs. John Sholder, all of Lycoming creek, were thrown from a wagon, by the vehicle upsetting, while making a short turn. They were dragged about sixty feet under the wagon bed before the team was stopped. The three were badly bruised and cut. They were taken to the hospital.

-A fourteen-year-old son of John Elkton, of Bradford county, was killed and his body terribly mangled a few days ago by a harrow passing over him. Mr. Elkton was sowing grain and the boy was harrowing it. The team passed over a nest of bees and the insects stung the horses and caused them to run away. The boy was dragged some distance beneath the harrow.

-John Miller, a wealthy farmer of Indiana, who had been visiting his brother near Cessna, about eight miles from Bedford, committed suicide Friday evening. He placed the muzzle of a double barreled shotgun against his abdomen and pulled the trigger with his foot. The heavy charge of shot tore a large hole through his body, killing him instantly. When his trunk was opened \$2,000 were found in it. He was a sufferer from stomach trouble.

-Darius Cupp, while plowing in a field on the John Friday farm in Snyder township, near Tyrone, the other day, unearthed a rare coin. It is an -English shilling of 1775 date, once worth 151 cents in American money, but now on account of rarity considerably more valuable. This coin, though one hundred and twenty-four years old, and likely nearly a century under the ground was as bright as if newly minted. The finder's father, John Cupp, of Tyrone, has already refused an offer of \$10 for it.

-An explosion of dynamite, at Lopez, Sullivan county, a few days ago resulted in the annihilation of one Hungarian and the terrible wounding of another. The two men were engaged in blasting stumps with dynagreat party he is well endowed, but to win mite for a farmer. One of the men dropped some of the dynamite and an explosion fol-lowed that blew him to shreds. All that was found of his body was the back portion of his skull, and his feet, which remained in his shoes. His companion was terribly injured, his eyes being blown out.