# Democratic Watchman.

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#### Ink Slings.

-Its beginning to look as if Quay's outside, Alone ! Alone ! And he'd better sneak back to Beaver to hide, At home ! At home ! He's a "dead one," it seems, and that is no joke

He's bought a bad big. In a Senator's poke And the game of his Governor has done, gone and broke, Poor Stone ! Poor Stone !

-The South African boar seems to l playing horse with the British lion.

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as it has been presented.

want?

from ?

That its enactment into law will lessen

the amount of money there will be to do

mit. Is there a man in the country, no

financial affairs, who does not realize that

and insure panics? Are these what we

And then as to a legal tender. The pro-

posed bill makes no provision for this. At

present greenbacks are the only legal tender

provisions of the law about to be enacted.

are to be redeemed and retired. When

they are retired how in the name of all

that is fair to business, or just to the people,

are men to pay their debts? When green-

backs are not to be had, the creditor will

demand gold, and where is that to come

To-day, with all the greenbacks that are

in circulation and all the gold that is held

by individuals and banks, there is not

enough in any community to pay the one-

fourth of the debts within it. When one-

half of this is retired and the demand is

made for gold alone to liquidate these debts

can any one point to where it can be had

without paying an enormous premium

And it is to make a premium on gold

To Make Money Scarce.

If we were to think of political effects

only we would feel like praying that the

-Centre county bear stories are taking a back seat these days, so as to give the Wall street bears a chance.

-The foot race in the Philippines is still being run and AGGIE seems to have all of our Generals "distanced." might become a law by the solid vote of

-Besides (getting licked at Stormberg the Republican membership and that no Gen. GATACRE stands an excellent chance Democratic ballot would be cast in its of getting relieved of his commission. favor.

-If they are really out of beer and There can be no doubt about what the whiskey at Ladysmith the Boers ought to ultimate results of the passage of this pro- that it was simply "greed for place" that again. This has been the program for build a fence around the city and present posed measure must be. Any legislation it to the Good Templars of the world. that shortens the supply of money among

-Should France and Russia declare war the people; that scarcens the circulating on England the last bit of our peaceful old currency or that adds to the difficulties of goose would be cooked. Our warlike Presiobtaining a medium of exchange, must sion in the organization of the last Legisdent would get mixed up in it sure as fate. bring disaster to business and distress to the people. These will bring dismay and neglect until the time had gone by when and speak for the Grangers.

-The efforts of the window glass trust to force the outside factories into their defeat to the party responsible for that fusion could be made. legislation, and it is because we hope and clutches by pounding down the price of glass is calculated to give the consumer a pray for that defeat that we would, if political results alone were looked to, the way of complete political fusion. government than any other body of citizens. cheap pane. hope for the speedy passage of the bill just In the first place there are honest men on, whose interests are identical, within the

-The man or woman who does or says aught to disillusion a child concerning the dear old mythical Santa Claus commits a crime against one of the purest, noblest, happiest traditions of childhood.

-If the officers commanding the British forces in South Africa look anything like the pictures that are being published in the daily papers as likenesses of them they deserve to be licked by the Boers.

-The similarity between the New York Journal and the Philadelphia North American is growing so rapidly that soon the only dissimilarity will be that the one is called the Journal and the other the North we have excepting gold. These, under the American

-Oh, Tommy, Tommy Atkins You're a good one, 'eart and 'and, But your trouble seems to be You've bad leaders for your band.

-If the Boers keep on killing and capturing the English, as they have done within the past few days, the Queen won't have to buy as many cups of chocolate as she contracted for as a Christmas present to each of her soldiers in South Africa.

-"Benevolent assimilation" is a lovely way to put our appropriation of the Philippines, but when it requires a peptonoid of 1,236 lives and \$150,000,000 to aid such assimilation it is time that Uncle SAM consults another doctor than McKINLEY.

-The New Haven, Conn., man who is for it? building an ark in anticipation of another



ture. That was a case of indifference and take the place of those who now represent

Under any circumstances and at all farmers of Pennsylvania receive fewer

both sides who don't believe in it. Then Commonwealth. They know and feel this,

there are honest men who are so wedded to and, year after year, meet in annual session

won't subscribe to all of them. Then there to redress their grievances. They ask for

## STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

### **BELLEFONTE. PA., DEC. 15, 1899.**

#### A Matter That Should Not be Delayed.

prevented fusion at that time.

to get in its work.

its greatest danger is to come from.

As to Cecil Rhoads.

Perhaps he's still at Ladysmith.

Guarded with Briton care : Perhaps he's up in his balloon

A sailing through the air.

For the Parisian show.

Perhaps he's dead, perhaps he's not,

Perhaps he' lyin' low, To snatch Oom Paul, and Joubert too,

In speaking of the benefits that would

#### The "Old. Old Story." When the Century Ends.

The annual meeting of the Grangers of From the New York Sun.

arise from a fusion among those citizens of the State is being held in Lock Haven this The "Sun" has received so many evidences of confused minds regarding the proposed currency bill might pass and be- the State who are opposed to the rule of week. What will be done by them of come a law without delay, and we might the ring, and the chances of the success of course cannot be proclaimed for a certainty it will present a proof that the twentieth add to that prayer the request that it such a fusion, the Philadelphia Record ex- before it is done, but one is almost safe in century begins after the year 1900 is presses a fear that such a movement would assuming that the same old complaints ended in the shape of a little conver sation :-fail because of the "greed" of both sides will be made, the same old resolutions to

Question :- What is a year? for the offices and glory that would come better conditions be passed, and then these Answer:-Three hundred and sixty-five out of it. In proof it cites the organiza- over-taxed and generally wronged farmers days.

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tion of the last Legislature and declares will go home and vote the same old way What is a century? One hundred years. When did the year No.1 end? many years. It is likely to continue to be December 31 of the year 1. When did the year No. 2 begin ? To some extent the Record is right, but the program until a more independent it is to a very small extent. Greed for class of citizens are grown; and men who January 1, of the year 2. When did the year 99 end? December 31, A. D. 99. place had nothing to do in preventing fu- mean what they say, and who have the Did that complete a century?

When was the century completed? At the close of the year following 19, or at the close of the year 100. When did the second century begin? times there are many things that stand in benefits and less protection from their state January 1 of the year 1 of the secon-century, that is, January 1, A. D. 101. When did the 19th century end? At the close of the nineteen-hundreth vear, or at the close of 1900. When does the 20th century begin? all their political beliefs that they refuse and demand that this condition of affairs A. It begins on day No. 1 of year No. 1 of the 20th hundred years—that is, on January 1, A. D. 1901. business with its warmest advocates ad- to have anything to do with those who be changed. They petition the Legislature A Dream.

Spawls from the Keystone

-Montour county teachers opened their thirty-fourth annual institute Monday. -An appeal to the workmen of Reading to aid the City hospital resulted in contributions amounting to \$763.

-Near Maytown, Lancaster county, Emanuel Ebersold had a hand chopped to shreds to the wrist, in a fodder cutter

-While Rev. R. S. Arndt, of the United Brethren church at Mount Carmel, was preaching Sunday evening, thieves secured \$100 worth of jewelry and other articles from his house

-While a little son of Henry A. Ott. a armer living near Selinsgrove, was playing in the barn near the horses Sunday, one of the animals kicked in the boy's skull. The surgeons have no hope for his life.

-Judge Metzger has appointed Lawyers Jonathan Streiby, John Reilly and Horace Shale to represent Wm. Hummel, who will be tried at Williamsport in March for the murder of his wife and three children.

--- Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction Stewart will soon announce the program for the reunion of the members of the Constitutional Convention in 1885, which will be held in Harrisburg after the Christmas holidays.

-There will be three eclipses during the year 1900, two of the sun and one of the moon. The most interesting one will be of the sun, May 28th. In this State it will be nearly total and in most southern States it will be total.

-Arthur Wilson, aged 18 years, was huntng near Picture Rocks, Lycoming county, Saturday. While leaning on the muzzle of his gun the weapon exploded, the contents entering Wilson's arm near the shoulder. The arm was amputated.

-The Doylestown town council has been ordered under arrest by Judge Yerkes for naintaining a nuisance, and for having taken some spiteful action at a recent council meeting. Each councilman was put under \$300 bail for appearance at court.

-There is already unusual interest being aken in the next Republican nomination for Congress in the Twentieth district. Alvin Evans, Cambria; J. L. Hartman, Blair, and Congressmen Joseph E. Thropp are all after the prize, and their friends have actively started work for them.

-It is said with reference to the Steel-Doty judicial contested election case from Westmoreland county : "As a matter of fact the popular impression is that the object of the contest is not so much to unseat Judge Doty as to reveal how certain gentlemen in the district voted at the election."

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-Jason F. Williams, a stone mason of Du-Bois, was killed by a passenger train on the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg rail Mr. Williams was walking on + tra tra stepped from the path of a fre stitra. SW mediately in front of the pas r t He was instantly killed. A wife d 1 children survive him.

-An order to the effect that Ridgwa 2111 have free mail delivery has been made by the office department at Washington, and the service will go into effect on Thursday. March 1st 1900. Three regular carriers will be wiployed and one substitute, and fifteen street letter boxes will be placed in different

tor from labor to reward. He had served the people faithfully and well; had gone to charges and waited patiently for his pay; had sympathized with them in their afflictions, mourned with them in their sorrows, health. Before leaving for Heaven, the doctor asked if he could visit the regions below. Permission being granted, the doctor went in to look around, while the

From the New York Tribune.

changed in an instant, nor controlled by the make them "hewers of wood and drawers in all kinds of weather; had made moderate days of the year, and then on the three and rejoiced with them when restored

### The Cost of the Automobile

From the Medical World. An angel had been sent to call the docsee them at all hours of the day and night,

Having been gone an unusual length of wait until after party lines are formed; until after aspirants have announced their years than they have been complaining of look of supreme bliss lighted his face. The and watching a lot of people burning in one With a

its greatest danger is to come from. To avoid this, the work should be sys-tematized and well under way at this time. To avoid this, the work should be sys-that mistake that sympathy grows less for We doubt, if anything, looking toward it, him. If he continues on willingly or blindly cost of maintaining one would bankrupt parts of the town.

matter how little thought he gives to are others, just as honest, who believe that the equalization of tax laws. They send whenever fusion is attempted it demoral- their committees to Harrisburg to beg that to lessen the supply of money is to cripple izes the voters and destroys party discipline they be relieved from the burdensome business, decrease values, destroy confidence and party organizations. These are honest taxation that is bearing them down. They beliefs of honest men which cannot be make just complaint of the unfair laws that dictation of any one. They must be over- of water" for other interests. This goes come by reason and it takes time for reason on during three hundred and sixty-four

The principal reason why political fu- hundred and sixty-fifth day, when they sion has proven a failure, is that it has could cure these evils, they either stay at never been undertaken until too late to home and do nothing or go blindly out and make it a success. There is a time for all vote to continue the same party and the angel waited outside. things and the time to plant a crop of fu- same men in power, that have brought, and sion, that will be worth harvesting, is be-fore any other political crop is sown. To them. fore any other political crop is sown. To them.

courage to act as their interests demand,

There is no denying that, as a class, the

candidacy ; until promises have been made these wrongs, the Republican party, for angel looked, and over the door was this and prejudices aroused, is simply to wait which so many of them continuously vote, sign: "These are the people who did not pay the doctor." The angel touched him until such obstacles have been placed in has promised to correct them, and upon and said, "Come, let us go." the way of making a fusion that it is every occasion has failed or refused to do radiant smile the doctor replied, "You go impossible to overcome them. This is so. This the Granger knows, and if he is on; this is Heaven enough for me." where the great weakness in this move- honest with himself will admit. ment is most likely to crop out, and where

One's sympathies are with the man who makes his first mistake and has to suffer for

deluge could give our friend BRYAN that the effort to change the currency laws present solace for future happiness if he would decide to take no gold-bugs into the hance its value and benefit the few who hance its value and benefit the few who hance its value and benefit to be herein at once. There is what he wants and works for. deluge could give our friend BRYAN that the effort to change the currency laws except the publication of opinions and ark to stock up the earth with after the such legislation may not be felt at once, no time for delay in this matter.

water subsides and he finds his Ararat. but they are as sure to come as the sun is -It is a question whether the KENDIG to shine on a cloudless day or the waters and JACOBS scheme to despoil the currency are to continue to run down hill. When of the United States with their counter- they do come they will be the beginning of feits, if carried out, would have been any the end of the party that was responsible worse than the attempt of Governor STONE for them. Mark the prediction.

to despoil the people of Pennsylvania of their rights, in trying to seat QUAY in the United States Senate.

-With a rare sense of qualifications for State-hood New Mexico comes to the front with a list of the cattle and sheep on her ranges. When all is said and done they would do far less harm in the enjoyment of citizenship than many of the two legged specimens that have been counted up to make stars out of other Commonwealths in the country.

-If WASHINGTON only knew that on the one hundredth anniversary of his death a successor in his presidential chair was trying to break down the last vestige of republican government he would have rebuked the people of the country for observing yesterday with special services. WASHINGTON gave his life to found a free government, not an empire, and he would be in scant sympathy with the men and methods of to-day.

lent place for the next meeting of the Republican national convention. No better patiated for the wrong he had done. The place for an assemblage of Republicans other, when the evidence of his crime was could be found. They are past masters in | made apparent, sneaked under cover of the the art of padding registry lists, voting re- limitation laws and, while virtually adpeaters and making dishonest election re- mitting his guilt, defied the courts to punish turns down there and ever since the Re- him. The former of these two, who was publican party stole a presidential chair for duly and legally elected, Republican con-RUTHERFORD B. HAYES it has been keen sistency says is unfit to represent a conon just such manipulations. Philadel- stituency in Congress. The latter, who phia is certainly a Mecca toward which the makes no claim to an election, this same Republican leaders should march, for there Republican consistency would force into they could find things more to their liking the United States Senate to represent a great than in any other city in America.

-The Philippine rebels are to abandon ed him. organized warfare and resort to guerilla tactics until their rights are conceded. At least that is the latest utterance of their If it is moral character, moral standing or Junta at Hong Kong. So far as the dis- the enforcement of moral principles these organizing of their armies is concerned our Republicans are after, in their efforts to oust boys have attended to that for them al- ROBERTS from the seat to which he was ready. But the guerilla methods can't be elected in Congress, what moral principles stopped so easily and we fear that we are do they expect to strengthen, or what entering upon a new era in our history, moral lesson do they hope to teach by forevery page of which will be dotted with cing QUAY into the Senate, in violation of the blood of some innocent American who the will of the people and against the prohas contracted to uphold the flag only to test of those who have the constitutional die by a Filipino bolo, while trying to right to elect? stretch its stars and stripes to cover Mc-

KINLEY'S new empire twelve thousand miles away.

A Brazen Job.

The shameful inconsistency of Republican pretense, for favoring a high moral standard in public officials, is plainly exem surns which gave Governor TAYLOR the plified in their conduct in the cases of Congressman-elect ROBERTS and that of woulddisappointments that the Republican windbe-Senator QUAY. In the former they claim great ciedit for the position they have taken in demanding the expulsion from the House of Representatives of a man as to whose legal election then is no ques-

tion, but who is charged with an offense that the law fixes as a misdemeanor. In the other case they insist on the admission to the United States Senate of a man who has no title to the seat, whatever, and who, within less than a year, saved himself from in Kentucky for years. a sentence to the penitentiary, by pleading the statutes of limitation for an offense, much graver, under the law, than that with which ROBERTS is charged.

The one manfully admitted his guilt and the Susquehanna river," and ascertain -Yes. Philadelphia would be an excel- stood up and took the punishment the law whether Spring creek is really a public prescribes for it, and to this extent exhighway or private property it will set a finding out that it is a public highway we might then have a little something for the improvement of it included in the river and to clean out the Delaware. Why shouldn't we have Spring creek cleaned out too, if it is a public highway?

State and a constituency that has repudiat-

### Has inconsistency ever shown its shameless face as plainly?

tail to one kite or the other.

-Subscribe for the WATCHMAN.

the wrongs that are crushing the life and country.'

-The action of the Democratic leaders hope out of the farmers in Pennsylvania. Kentucky in quietly accepting the re-

certificate of election, was one of the sorest It Would Have Been More to the Point.

The anti-QUAY papers of Pennsylvania ammers have had for some time. They had been predicting all manner of unlawful and outrageous actions on the part of the disappointed Democrats and had been doing their best to excite northern bitterness toward southern Democrats, but none of their prophecies were fulfilled. Governor TAYLOR was inaugurated. Tuesday, be-The "Call" is published as a result of a fore a smaller and less demonstrative crowd than has witnessed such a public function

State, who are anxious to see QUAY remov-----If council will investigate the old tradition that Bellefonte was once legally ed from the control of their party organization. declared to be "the head of navigation on

As to whether this anxiety for the removal of QUAY is inspired by motives of jealousy or an honest desire to have their great many minds at rest. In the event of party purged of the destroying elements in it is of considerable consequence. The fact uniting of their party men to accomplish narbor appropriation bill. Philadelphia their reforms. has the nerve to ask the federal government

"Call" are those of men whose honesty of wily chief's capture, though he's a slippery

-Cyrus E. Woods, a native of Boals- who must very recently have changed their only a few bands of insurgents remaining burg, this county, has announced himself ideas of what constitutes "honesty and together. It's been a costly business this, as a candidate for the Republican nomina- purity of elections," if they are now in real of establishing our supremacy in those far tion for Senator in the 39th senatorial dis-earnest in this movement. Notably the very away Islands, but what it has already cost isn't a marker to what it will cost to maintrict, which comprises Westmoreland first name that is signed thereto. That of tain our supremacy and establish good govcounty. Mr. Woods is a practicing attor- the former Governor of Pennsylvania. If, ernment there. The man is hardly born torney in Greensburg and is said to be instead of putting his name there, a picture identified with neither one of the Republi- of him, as he could have been seen in the A Rapid Gate In the Wrong Direction can factions in that county. Honors are corridors of the court house in Centre couneasy in Westmoreland between QUAY and ty at the last Republican primaries, had former Congressman HUFF, the leader of been substituted the whole effect of this cated our taking the Philippines as a gift the antis, so that if Mr. Woods hopes to be plea "for the enactment of adequate regis- from Spain, even with the consent of the successful he will have to make himself a tration laws and statutes governing primary natives. The man who would have sug-

-The people of Minnesota are going to point than the plain signature, unless there be for the ultimate advantage of both this fix DEWEY with a gift that he won't be has been an entire change of hearts and country and the natives would have been

committing the same error we finally con- to choose from," he remarked, "with

wrongs they have to complain of. They tent of finding out how much it cost to evening most of the strikers had returned to helped to make them by helping the Re-publican party into power. They help to it is about as follows: Gasolene, \$87.50; Indicating oil \$5.45; repairs to carriages be no change in the effect. And so long as tion, \$150; tax, \$50; servant, \$200. That they go on voting the Republican ticket, they can expect a continuation of all the second sec they can expect a continuation of all the ed upon the actual experiences of a friend woes they annually complain of, and of all of mine. But they can't vary much in this

> The Open Door or the Shut Door. From the Milwaukee Journal

We are standing in for the open door policy. We ask to be put on the same footing as to trade within the German or Republicanism published a "Ringing Call footing as to trade within the optimized in the Russian spheres of influence as those from Reform Republicans" on Tuesday, nations themselves. Are we ready to that is calculated to strike terror to the grant like freedom to them? We have acheart of the old rascal who is now in Wash-instruction the interview of the line of the l ington trying to squeeze himself into the dy to open our doors as freely to foreigners United States Senate upon the certificate as to ourselves? Or are we to continue our issued by a Governor, whom he ownes. protective policy and apply it to these possessions? It is simply a fact that trade number of conferences that have been held number of conferences that have been held in Philadelphia, within the past few the height of impudence for us to be demonths, by leading Republicans of the manding the "open door" of foreigners state who are anyions to see OUAV removin China while we are slamming the door

in their faces here at home, and more so, if we apply our restrictive system to our

From the Philippines came the news a it is of considerable consequence. The fact is that eighteen "leading Republicans" of night robes had been captured. More re-Pennsylvania have signed a "Call" for the cently word was received that the mother and the oldest child of the insurgent general, together with \$2,000 in gold, the while some of the signatures to this We may expect to hear ere long of the

purpose can scarcely be impugned there are rather resistance to American conquest, others whose names are attached thereto, has about closed in the island of Luzon, away islands, but what it has already cost who will see the end. We've only begun.

From the Potter County Democrat.

and general elections," would be lost. Such gested that we send an army of 70,000 men to conquer the islands would have been rea picture would have been far more to the garded as crazy, and his claim that it might likely to transfer to his wife. They are going to send him a big black bear a Christ-mas gift. "bolitical nobodies" in this county were made to feel the power of the "real thing." Character and the second second

-Friday morning without previous notice about a hundred of the boys and girls employed at the Altoona silk mill struck. They claim they are not paid enough wages and And so it is with the Grangers and the While in Paris I busied myself to the ex- wages, but the management deny this. By work and all looms are now running with a full force of workmen.

> -Ralph and Clyde Hendry and Albert Shilling, all under 13 years of age, were drowned in a mill dam at Gallitzin on Saturday evening while skating. The boys had been warned the ice was dangerous, but persisted in the dangerous sport. Clyde Hendry broke through first. His brother and young Shilling while trying to rescue him were also precipitated to the water, where all drowned before help could rearch them. The bodies were recovered Sunday morning.

-The third splash dam in Lock Haven was torn away early Sunday morning. The accumulated water that rolled down the river, floated the rear end of the drive to Crane's riffles, which is the head of the backwater of the Williamsport dam. There were over 4,000,000 feet of logs between Lock Haven and Williamsport, and these have now all been floated in. Rafting out was begun Monday, and Tuesday the saw mills in Williamsport resumed operations.

-A new point in the adoption of children has been handed down by Judge Archibald, of Wayne county, in a case before Lackawanna court. He decides that after a child had been legally adopted the court had not the power to revoke the decree of indenture. The original relation of parent and child exists, however, notwithstanding the adopted parentage. The changed name of the old child remains, but there is nothing to prevent the child inheriting from its real parents or they from the child.

-In the town of Torpedo, near Kane, Friday, Joe Houston, of Clarendon, was hauling a 3,000 pound load of nitro-glycerine. He stopped to grease his wagon, and when a wheel slipped he had to hold the load up while he yelled for help. The men realizing that if the wagon dropped the nitroglycerine would have exploded with frightful effect, ran away, fearing that Houston would not be able to hold the wagon up. Houston, however, pluckily continued to yell for assistance. Two women finally rushed to his help. The wheel was put on without mishap.

.-Thomas Scott, a negro laborer at the Spruce Creek tunnel, got on a rampage in Tunneltown Saturday morning and received a severe trouncing by several of his fellowworkmen. In the afternoon the fracas was renewed, and Scott received two bullets in his body, one in his abdomen and the other in the chest. He was removed to the Altoona hospital where he died Sunday morning about 11 o'clock. There is some mystery amid conflicting stories as to how the shooting occurred or who fired the fatal shots. Scott was a native of Virginia and was considered a very bad man.

outlying lands. We've Only Begun From the Fulton Democrat.