Democratic Matchman.

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings. -Help to get out the vote, Democrats, This is an important election and you will be expected to lend a hand.

-After Nov. 5th the political ambitions of Mr. EDWARD C. McKINLEY, of Milesburg, will be found on the counters at the great rummage sale in this place.

-The Turko-Bulgarian brigands still have Miss STONE, the American missionary, and we have the \$125,000 ransom they ask for. The question now is : Will we get Miss STONE, if they get the money ?

-It is said that judge LOVE announced that COBAY would be knocked off the ticket several days before it actually occurred. How did he know? Did he have his ear at a telephone, too, and was there some one leaking in Harrisburg?

-CZOLGOSZ asked for a spiritual adviser on Tuesday, but he declined to renounce his anarchistic beliefs and says he will believe them rather than christianity. After the electric spark has done its work this miserable wretch will discover that anarchy will avail him not against the red the Democracy except to try again. fires of hades.

-The Pan American is to close next week and it will go down in history as the most gorgeous and wonderful display in many respects ever seen. It will not need the sad thought that our lamented President received his death wound there to give it a place in the world's memory throughout time.

SANTOS-DUMONT, the young Brazilian balloonist, has made his dirigible air ship sail over a prescribed course in Paris, within a prescribed time, and now the French committee is withholding the Deutsch prize of 25.000 francs from him, on a mere matter of technicality. It is quite evident that they have been treating SAN-TOS very shabbily, but he is not likely to go up in the air again for them.

-The Republican Johnstown Tribune says : "Suppose the Bulgarians had kidnapped Mr. Governor STONE instead of Miss Missionary STONE, would there be such an effort to raise ransom money ?" What a question ! Why the very first time that old brigand chieftain would have poked his nose into civilization to [suggest such a thing as a ransom all of Pennsylvania would have yelled in one voice : "Go way back and sit down," and the incident would have been regarded as closed.

-HARRIS, the one candidate for State Treasurer, voted for the unconstitutional Philadelphia "tax ripper" bill when he CORAY, the other was in the Legislature.



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Fusion Now Complete. The renomination of Hon. ELISHA A. CORAY as the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer by the state central committee of the Democratic party is substantial evidence of the earnestness of that party in the cause of political reform. Every possible obstruction has been put in the way of that result. On the 11th inst the committee met and with singular unanimity nominated Mr. CORAY. So far as human understanding was able to penetrate the future, no blunder had been made. Every the QUAY ticket. precaution to fulfill the law had been tak-

en. But a partisan Republican court decided on a technicality that the nomination was invalid and there was nothing left for

Taking advantage of the points of objection raised to the first nomination the steps to the supplemental action were made with great care. Every defect in the first action was avoided in the second. The Philadelphia members of the committee who by design or otherwise were not invited to the first meeting were cordially urged to attend the second. No detail was neglected, however unimportant it appeared, for the reason that the Democratic managers had made up their minds to make the second effort a success. That their expectation was fulfilled is shown in the fact that no attempt has been made to overthrow the second nomination. Even the Democratic hirelings of the QUAY machine, with their intellects sharpened by the hope of plunder, have not attempted to overthrow the second

nomination. For this reason the elements in the politics of Pennsylvania which stand unmistakably for decent politics and better government are confident of the issue of the campaign. If the opposition had not been doubtful of the result the stultification involved in the effort to prevent the nomination of CORAY would not have been assumed. But the danger of defeat and the peril of the consequences certain to follow made the ring managers desperate and they conthose of defeat. For that reason certain it is only one of many and, unfortunately and defending against their assaults. It is Democrats were employed to question the it seems to be about the only one that Mr. a war to the knife between these singularly

Make Gardner's Majority a Rousing One. The Republican pulled itself together yesterday morning and tried to pay Mr. ED-WARD C. McKINLEY, of Milesburg, a compliment of some sort or other and all it last, must have caused considerable suprise could scrape up was that that gentleman is throughout the State. Of course Senator not the candidate of a party or faction. It MARTIN will not be accepted by the was a left handed compliment at best and thoughtful and observant citizens as a looked very much as if the candidate for prothonotary is being left to the tender mer- fact it would be difficult to overstain his cies of some one else in this campaign. If political crimes. As JOHN WANAMAKER, no party nor faction is to own him the question naturally arises: What is he doing on

As a matter of fact Mr. McKINLEY is not the representative of the Republican at the Republican county conven-

crow over the HASTINGS wing because they had beaten PHIL FOSTER, of State College, for the place, therefor he is the candidate try to locate Mr. MCKINLEY, for few people regard his candidacy as serious. He is a know the truth.

In the prothonotary's office it requires entirely different qualifications from those It is entirely too important an office for the people to run any risk at all with. Mr. GARDNER has been tried for three years his own weapons.

and his superior the county has never had as a public official. He has been courteous prompt to attend to every duty of his office. These are the qualifications that Mr. GARDNER presents to the public and he would be unable to show them were he not equipped from an intellectual stand point to carry them into execution.

Senator Martin's Attitude. The speech delivered by DAVID MARTIN to the Nineteenth ward Republican committee of Philadelphia, on Monday evening model of political virtue. As a matter of of Philadelphia, can justly be charged with

having introduced the present system of political corruption in the State, so Senator MARTIN is properly chargeable with most of the evils of the machine political methods party of Centre county. He is the candi- in vogue in Philadelphia. But that is no date whom the QUAY people nominated reason why his present professions of reform should be discredited, or the results session of the state central committee. tion and they lost no opportunity to of his change of heart underestimated. Senator MARTIN was for many years the head and front of the corrupt political machine in Philadelphia. In fact it may be of that faction and there is no doubt about said that he practically built up the corit. It is, however, altogether needless to rupt organization which during recent years has been controlling not only the politics but the government of the city by fraud. very nice man, but he is not the kind of a But that fact only makes him the more valman, needed to fill the office of prothono- uable ally of the reform forces now that he tary. He is not competent in any way to has determined to antagonize the plans of fill the office and for that reason it is well the machine. A man who was less familiar that the voters of Centre county should with the methods of the machine would be less efficient in the fight against it, and for that reason there is the basis of hope in his declaration that he will fight the machine that are needed to be a good flour miller. to the death. "When rogues fall out honest men come by their own" is idiomatic. The surest way to fight an enemy is with

We would not have it understood that the reform party intends to resort to ballot always, accurate with his records and frands and other expedients common to the machine in order to compass the defeat of that organization. On the contrary we prefer to believe that in his new relations Senator MARTIN will refrain from all illegal and improper methods. But his acquaintance with the plans and systems of In the prothonotary's office it requires the crooks will make him the more formidsomething more than a nice man. Of course able antago ist and it is safe to predict that that is a qualification that never comes he will avail himself of every available amiss in selecting men for any office, but means of attacking their citadel of fraud validity of the nomination of the part of MCKINLEY possesses. Mr. GARDNER is a constituted forces and the friends of good the ticket in court and the reformers only nice man too, in addition to his intellec- government will hope that that which

state committee held a special meeting in this city to-day to fill the vacancy on the ticket created by the decision of the Dauphin county court declaring invalid the nomination of Representative E. A. Coray Jr., of Pittston, for State Treasurer. Mr. Coray is the nominee of the Union and Municipal League parties and was nominated by the Democrats at a recent meeting of the state committee to fill the vacancy created by the withdrawal of Representative Andrew J. Palm, of Meadville. the same meeting the six Philadelphia members of the committee were expelled for party disloyalty on recommen the Hasson committee appointed by the recent state convention to inquire into party affairs in that city and their places filled by others.

Mr. Coray Has Been Nominated.

Former state chairman Garman and Patrick Donahue, one of the deposed mem-bers, brought suit in the Dauphin county court to test the legality of Mr. Coray' nomination. They contended that his nom-ination was illegal, because the meeting at which he was nominated was illegally con-stituted and that the Philadelphians had been regularly deposed. Their contention was sustained by the court and to avoid further trouble the deposed members were given notice of to-day's meeting. A con-ference of party leaders was held last night, at which it was agreed to renominate Mr. Coray and to take no further action for the

present in the Philadelphia matter. The meeting was held in the board of trade rooms and was attended by seventyfive of the eighty-one members, including the deposed members from Philadelphia. The meeting was called to order at 2 o'clock by state chairman Creasy. After the meeting was organized, Mr. Creasy ex-plained that the purpose was to fill the va-cancy created by the withdrawal of Mr. Palm, no mention being made of Mr. Co-ray's candidacy or the rejection of his cer-tificate by the court. John B. Head, of Greensburg, moved that the withdrawal of fore. Mr. Palm be accepted. The motion was unanimously adopted. Charles Donnelly, of Philadelphia, inquired of the chair if there was not a meeting of the committee held in this city on October 11th. The chairman stated that the court has ruled that that meeting was illegal and no notice could be taken of it.

Colonel Frank J. Fitzsimmons, of Scranton, was then recognized to present the

name of Mr. Coray. Mr. Fitzsimmons made a brief speech, after which Mr. Coray was nominated by a vote of 73 to 0. His nomination was promptly certified to the State Department and was certified to night to the county guard. commissioners throughout the State for printing on the official ballot. The chairman was directed to appoint a committee of five to notify Mr. Coray of his nomina-

Spawls from the Keystone.

-Miss Jennie Rheem, of Clearfield, died in a hospital at Buffalo Friday, where she had been taken for an operation.

-Miss Effie J. Kepner, aged about 38 years, residing with her sister, Mrs. Neufer, at Fribley, Lycoming county, fell dead at a table, where she was kneading bread, Friday afternoon

-Clearfield is about to celebrate the first anniversary of the purchase of its steam fire engine and rejoices over the fact that the machine has never once been called into service.

-Burglars entered I. B. Smith's store at Mount Pleasant early Saturday morning, but were detected and driven away by Dr. Duncan, who opened fire on them and wounded one. HABRISBURG, Oct. 22 .- The Democratic

-Word was received at Clearfield on Saturday that another negro had been shot by a comrade-who managed to get away-during a quarrel which ensued after several kegs of beer had been consumed.

-A brood mare, valued at \$1,000, belonging to Albert Lockhart, living near Black Lick, Indiana county, was shot and killed in a field. It is supposed the bullet was fired by a hunter.

-A dispatch from Ebensburg says that not for years has there been such a lot of fine game bagged in that vicinity as this year. Especially is this the case with turkeys and pheasants. All game except squirrels is plentiful.

-One day last week while Michael and Joseph Riffle were taking out stone for the oil tank at New Florence, they unearthed a den of twenty snakes, every one of which they killed. The largest one measured three and one-half feet.

-At a wedding at the home of Miss Maggie Craig, at Newton Hamilton, all of the guests, sixty in number, were poisoned by eating ice cream that had been packed in a galvanized can. Some of the party are not yet over the effects of the poison.

-John Wertz, a Newport merchant, lost his pocketbook, containing \$100. Mr. Wertz laid his purse on the rear step of a wagon from which he had purchased some apples and forgot all about it. Some other fellow did not forget to pick it up however.

-Wallace A. Morris, of Curwensville, was killed in the Harbison-Walker clay mines on Wednesday by a blast. He was 27 years of age. The day before he was killed he acted as casket bearer for his cousin, Henry Morris, who met death at La Jose a few days be-

-Scott W. Hemphill, Johnstown, dropped dead between 12 and 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon as he was about to receive the check for his pay at the time office of the Cambria Steel company's plant in Franklin borough. He was about 55 years of age and died from apoplexy.

-A counterfeit half-dollar, freshly minted, bearing the date of 1814, was passed in Lock Haven Tuesday morning. Some of the merchants fear that a fresh lot of counterfeit pieces may have been shelled out in this community and urge people to be on their

--Robbers entered the homes of more than a dozen residents of College hill, the fashionable residence part of DuBois, Wednesday night. At several places they succeeded in making away with money and articles of jewelry, which in some cases amounted to considerable loss. -Henry Miller, a resident of Williamsport, was stricken with paralysis last Tuesday morning and the next day undertook to commit suicide by swallowing a lot of tablets containing strychnine. It is now believed that he will recover from both the strychnine and the paralysis.

candidate for the same office, voted against the bill, because he knew it was unconstitutional. The Supreme court has just declared it unconstitutional and, ipsi facto, HARRIS is convicted of violating his oath of office. Here is a matter that you should not fail to remember when you walk into a booth to vote for a State Treasurer on the 5th of November.

as great a showing as possible in Centre good, clean canvass. He has a right to excounty. They are going to speak by ballot to the QUAY machine and insist that their work on November 5th will be only a forerunner of what is to come in the grand struggle next year to redeem Pennsylvanians from corruption. The result in Centre county will necessarily be looked for with interest by politicians in all parts of the State because of the fact that this is former Governor HASTINGS' home and he being in the fore-front of the reform movement it will be expected of him to show considerable strength, else the proposition will be regarded as hopeless.

-It doesn't matter much whom President ROOSEVELT entertains at dinner, whether he be white, black, brown or red man and we can't see the reason of making so much fuss because Hon. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON was recently asked to dine at the White House. One negro taking dinner with the President has nothing to do with the amalgamation of the races, but it ought to be an inspiring example to Mr. WASHINGTON'S fellows, pointing to them, in numistakable signs, that their place is exactly what they make it. He has often said that the "negro of to-day has all he knows how to take care of" and if his race men would only profit by the knowledge of this one of their number, who has attained great eminence, it would be for the truth. Race prejudice led to a conspiracy better of all of them.

-It mattered not how much Sir RED-VERS BULLER marched his soldiers up the hill and down again in South Africa, nor how badly he was defeated at Colenso he kept moving right up in promotions until he got to making speeches and then it was different. He has been deprived of his command and placed on half pay and the whole affair shows that there wasn't much truth in the humorous outburst of a stuttering recruit one time. When told by the recruiting officer that he couldn't enlist, because of his stoppage of speech, he exclaimed : "Oh h-l, its orators you want, is it. I thought you were after soldiers." Poor BULLER has found out, like many another, of the men behind and before the guns, but that the less talking he does the happier he will be. The only soldier we know of who could talk with impunity was Col. TEDDY ROOSEVELT, of the Rough Riders, and he could only do it because everybody knew tre county on election day. that he didn't care a bobee whethe, he got fired or not.

escaped the penalty of neglect or ignorance by rare good luck. But the result is satis- perience in the office. factory. The fusion of all the reform elements in the politics of the State is now campaign being made this fall, but everycomplete and the election of the ticket eems certain.

-GARDNER is defaming or belittling

no oue in his candidacy for prothonotary. -The Unionists are determined to make He is a good, clean man and is making a pect your vote, because he has been a careful, efficient public servant and you should bear this in mind when you go to the polls on election day.

Schley Will be Vindicated.

The testimony in the SCHLEY inquiry at Washington is drawing to a close and the indications point strongly to a result adverse to the expectations and hopes of the bureaucrats of the Navy Department. The testimony of those who were actually engaged in the battle which resulted in the destruction of the Spanish fleet on the fated or famous third of July, 1898, is practically a unit in favor of the capability and efficiency of the hero of that great event. That he will be fully vindicated by the judgment of the court can bardly be doubted.

It will be surprising to most of the Americans who have not been in the habit of inquiring closely into the events of their day and generation to learn that the same influences which led to the persecution of Captain DREYFUS in France have determined the effort of the bureaucrats of the Navy Department to try to rob Admiral SCHLEY of the honors which he had justly acquired by service in the United States navy. But as a matter of fact that is the to destroy an honorable officer in the French army and the same prejudices have been present and influential in the persecution of Admiral SCHLEY.

But as malice o'er lept itself in the case of DREYFUS, so prejudice has defeated its purpose in the case of Admiral SCHLEY. The fact that he was being attacked by the bureaucrats who during the period of danger sought seclusion in places of safety on shore has finally aroused the spirit of justice in the bosoms of those who shared the dangers and perils of the battle, and men have come forward and testified to the facts who otherwise might have remained silent. SCHLEY will be vindicated and he will owe the triumph to the innate justice

always in danger.

-A vote for GARDNER and a vote for SPANGLER will be the proper thing in Cen-

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tual attainments and his three years ex-Remember that there is not much of a

one will be expected to do his duty and that will be to see that Mr. GARDNER gets every vote possible.

-Don't think that because Mr. SPANG-LER has no opposition for district attorney that there will be no need of voting for him. He needs your vote to complete the compliment bestowed by the opposition in naming no one against him. Make it as strong as possible. He deserves it.

All for Politics.

It is not difficult to conjecture the reasons which influenced the Justices of the Supreme court to decide the Philadelphia "ripper" unconstitutional. But it will bother most lawyers to account for the fact that the same court some time ago decided the Pittsburg "ripper" valid. They declare that the Philadelphia case is "special legislation" and that the Pittsburg case isn't. As a matter of fact both laws are predicated on the same principles and are intended to subserve the same purpose. The only reason we can conceive that they Pittsburg case Judge POTTER "electioneered" the court and in the other case he

didn't. The Philadelphia "ripper" removed from office men appointed by the court as a board of revision of taxes, under an act of the Legislature. It was a special act, it is true, but it has been held that the legislation affecting the courts is not special. In fast power of that party or at least extends its when the point was raised during the last session that a bill creating a new court in Philadelphia was special legislation the chair promptly decided the point not well if the Philadelphia "ripper" is special legfor it rips out of office the officials legally elected by the people in a particular city. and go into robbing in the open. What else is that than special legislation. The truth is that both decisions may be

public congratulation.

-The oldest bell in Clinton county, the one that called the Evangelicals to church in Mackeyville ever since 1844, was sold to Messrs. Fortney and Bechtol at at least, inconsistent. sheriff's sale last Friday morning. They paid \$50 for it.

in the test of strength between them.

-Do you know Mr. McKINLEY one of the nominees for prothonotary. If you do stated that it was in proper form. you will agree with us that he is a very Corav's nomination," said Mr. Garman, nice man, but it takes more than a nice man to be prothonotary of Centre county. ocrats have to being forced to vote the It takes qualifications of another sort and you know that Mr. McKINLEY does not possess them. He is not competent to fill

Folly of the Prohibitionists. The most unaccountable incident of the

the office.

pending campaign is the fact that the Pro-

hibition party maintains a ticket in the field and urges voters to support it. Except for that it might justly be said that all the moral elements in the politics of the State are arrayed in a common cause against the QUAY machine. The Democrats, the Independent Republicans and whatever portion of the People's party which stands for principles have joined together for improvement in the administration of the State but the Prohibitionists remain away from the union and insist on a separate ticket. The plain result of such should be decided differently is that in the action is giving assistance to the machine. Suppose the Prohibition party polls 20,000 votes for it candidates for Justice of the Supreme court and State Treasurer and the QUAY machine ticket is elected by one-

third, one-half or even two-thirds that much plurality. The election of the QUAY machine ticket practically guarantees the same result next year and perpetuates the tenure for a period of two years. Who can measure the calamitous effect of that result on the affairs of Pennsylvania? During the last two years corruption in office has tiken and the House sustained him. But become more common than ever before. The immunity which the gang enjoys islation the Pittsburg "ripper" must be too, makes them bold, and a victory this fall will encourage them to strip off all masks What Prohibitionist in Centre county is

willing to take upon himself responsibility interpreted as political and though the for such a condition of affairs? Yet that court has reversed itself in the present in- is what he does when he votes the ticket of stance political exigencies required it and his party. There are no party politics in the stultification has no effect on the small the contest this year. The election of minds of those on the bench of our highest YERKES and CORAY will not be construed tribunal. That the Philadeiphia decision as a partisan victory. In fact Mr. COBAY is right we have no doubt, but the other has never been a Democrat and his only decision is just as certainly wrong. Public claim for support by the voters of that sentiment has been respected in the present party lies in the fact that he stands for case, however, and that it is a matter of good government in the future and in the past, as a member of the Legislature, he proved his faith by works well performed.

In character and habits he is worthy the vote of any man and the reformer who fails to support the Union ticket is a derelict or,

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eeting adjourned. Mr. Garman was here to-day, but he did not attend the meeting of the state com-mittee. He made an examination of Mr. Coray's certificate after it was filed and

"I have no further objections to Mr. "except the objections that all good Dem-Republican ticket."

Chairman Creasy has appointed the following committee to notify Mr. Coray of his nomination: A. J. Palm, of Craw-ford county; George R. Dixon, of Elk county; Colonel Frank Fitsimmons, of Lackawanna county; John T. Fischer, of Northumberland county, and Charles E. Ingersoll, of Philadelphia.

Whipping Post Would be a Good Thing Right Here in Bellafonte. From the Philadelphia Times.

In Delaware the new law providing that wife beaters duly convicted shall be whipped has been put in operation in the case of a brute who had maltreated his wife. Throughout Chistendom the tendency has been steadily away from corporal punishment, but in the minds of all good people, even those of the most humane inclinations. the idea has remained that simple imprisonment or a fine is poor justice to a man who strikes a woman, and especially to one

who beats her brutally. A decade ago a law for the punishment of, wife beaters was passed after long discussion in Maryland. It provided for whipping or imprisonment, or both, and the effect of its enforcement was to decrease largely the number of cases in the police courts. The first man whipped was so overcome with shame that he left the State West Jeanette, Sunday morning. He has never to return, but the State did not mourn his loss. In recent years the magistrates have practically ignored the whip ping part of the law, but the fact that it emains on the statute books has its effect. All efforts to repeal the whipping provision have failed.

In this State and in others bills of similar import have been introduced in the Legislatures, but they have not succeeded. It is not that there is greater consideration for brutes who whip their wives, but that the sentiment against bodily castigation become firmly fixed in modern life. At the same time there is a general wish that something more severe than ordinary wrath might be visited upon the wretches convicted of such a crime.

Attracting Little Attention.

From the Easton Argus. Very little is being heard these days of the assassin of President McKinley and it begins to look as if the American people were persisting in an expressed intention of forgetting him until the day of his execution and forever after that. There is nothing that pleases such men and those who rejoice in his act more than notoriety. The custodians of the assassin in the Auburn penitentiary are doing their share towards keeping him from communication with the world and the American people, expressing no desire to know how he is getting along while waiting for death, are doing the rest.

-There is no politics in the campaign this fall. Everyone is going to vote for the best man and that man is GARDNER.

-Another fire brick plant is to be erected at Clearfield. The company is capitalized at \$150,000. Those interested in the project have 236 acres of fine hard clay and 200 acres of soft clay and coal in the vicinity of Curwensville, besides 300 acres of land in another part of Clearfield county.

-The Rev. John A. DeMoyer, formerly pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church at Hollidaysburg, was the preacher on Sunday last in the Market street Methodist Episcopal church, Williamsport, the occasion being old Folks Day. Mr. DeMoyer has been a Methodist preacher for 55 years.

-The drill on the Gummo farm in Clinton county struck a strong flow of salt water Tuesday night, and shortly thereafter pierced the second sand at a depth of 720 feet. These indications are as favorable as can be unearthed for oil. As the pressure has become too strong, the 515 feet of casing will be withdrawn so as to permit putting a wider casing in below that depth to the point now reached by the drill. Drilling will be suspended until the additional casing arrives.

-A sad accident befell J. G. Schnapp, of been suffering with an attack of malarial fever and at 5 o'clock he arose from his bed and wandered outside of the house. Half an hour later he was missed by his parents, with whom he made his home, and search was instituted. He was found, hanging with his head in a rainwater barrel, dead, having drowned. The dead man was about 41 years old and is survived by three small children.

-A well know sporty Hollidaysburg young man is being guyed by his companions at present for being duped in a diamond transaction at the Hagerstown fair by a sharper who purported to be a pickpocket. The diamond was adroitly exhibited to the young man, so that the bystanders could not see it and a hurried offer made to accept \$25 for the gem. I'll give you a sawbuck for it said the young man. Give it to me quick, replied the sharper, so that I can get away. The young man parted with his \$10 note and received a diamond worth just 10 cents.

-A trip over the main line of the Pennsylvania at the present time shows that the 450 odd miles of track are in as nearly perfect condition as the science of railroad engineering can make them. The new ballast which was strewn along the entire line for last week's inspection is becoming settled, but has not yet lost its beautiful blue tint, and the passenger coaches ride so smoothly that they hardly seem to be moving. During these perfect autumn days passengers show a remarkable inclination to travel on the rear platform, and the observation car attached to the Pennsylvania limited is always crowd-