Ink Slings.

-The greatest speakers under the sun. Whether preacher, teacher or wit, Are the ones who know when they've said

And the proper time to quit. It's the quitting biz that tries us all With the fellow whose thoughts are few, And mark it down he is one of the kind, Who never knows when he's through.

-Pittsburgers have no kick coming if other people call it FLINN-burg hereafter. -It is the retired pugilist who can rightfully pose as an ex-pounder.

-If MATTHEW STANLEY QUAY keeps falling out with his lieutenants about the first thing he knows he will tumble clear over into the Union camp.

-An Ohio Adventist has figured it out that the world will come to an end, for sure this time, on the 17th of December, 1999. How thankful we ought to be. This will give us all time to get through with the President's message.

-Who says we have nothing to show for our efforts to conquer the Philippines. Bishop THOBURN reports a single mission that is caring for over 8,000 orphans. As orphan makers we are proving an unbounded success.

-More than three thousand bills were introduced during the first day's session of Congress, which will give the public a pretty fair idea of how some of the fellows expect to get in their hooks on the treasury during the life of the fifty-seventb.

-And now we have the evidence of the correctness of the report sent out a few weeks ago that members of the cabinet shed tears over parts of the President's message. It takes the reading of but very few paragraphs to appreciate how thoroughly the whole document has been watered. -If you will notice, not a single anti-QUAY post-master has been decapitated in this county, since the rumor got around that that Superior court judgeship is to be given to a Pittsburger. Possibly judge

promise of an oats bag ahead. -The Hon. THOMAS V. COOPER may swing his red lantern and shake his red head in alarm before the Republican party of Pennsylvania, but the better element of that organization do not propose to he side tracked in their great run for reform, nor will any of them be caught asleep at a switch that would ditch either the QUAY

Love has grown tired of keeping up his

end of the doubletree when there is no

or the STONE-FLINN combinations. -Tyrone wants a band, which is not an abnormal or depraved want, at all. The town is rarely heard of any more and since the Indians all have wigwams of their own

-While we have no desire to get mixed up in the controversy that reflects anything but credit upon the parties concerned we are forced to the conclusion that our Methodist brethren who have proscribed Dr. SWALLOW from all church gatherings and work until the meeting of the Central Pennsylvania Conference next March have put a very strange interpretation upon the MASTER's last mortal act of pardoning the thief on the cross.

children may cause comes from Bane, N. Y., where a widow, already super-sensitive about her name of DAMN threw herself into a cistern and was drowned when her children returned from school in tears, because their play fellows had teased them about their undesirable name. Children will be ever thus, but what appears nobler than the little boy or girl who refrains from laughing at his less fortunate companion's clothing or who stands in defense of some little cripple whose deformities are being made the subject of the rude jokes of young bullies.

-A bill is to be introduced in the French chamber of Deputies making it an offense, punishable by both fine and imprisonment, for girls under thirty years of age to wear corsets or stays of any sort. MARECHAL, the eminent French scientist, says stays are dangerous, that heavy skirts shorten the legs and heavy hats contract [the craniums of women and if they are not stopped in their foolish indulgence of such dress fads we will degenerate into a race of puny, scrawny scrubs. Such a condition is not at all unlikely. For when woman can use stays to push all of her "innards" up around her neck or down almost to her -there must be something loose, some-

the flag in the Philippines. Chief Justice first law of nature and QUAY will take no FULLER, of the Supreme courts, has just chances of defeat on sentimental grounds. handed down a decision in the famous "fourteen diamond rings" suit in which he declares that the Philippines are domescollect duty on imports from those islands. This is exactly what the Democrats declarsquadron to the bottom of Manila bay. head.



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The President's Message

We will hardly be considered ungenerous in criticism when we say that the first VELT will be a disappointment, both to his political friends and foes. A great public under the circumstances. With comparatively little experience in public affairs demand from him a paper of the standard created by some of his predecessors in office, even if he had been called to the duty of creating it in the usual way. But within less than two months from the moment that he was unexpectedly and through the medium of a national tragedy summoned to the grave duties of the high office, it became his duty to prepare the message and so considered the success he has achieved must be not only surprising but gratifying to the public. It reveals a splendid literary equipment, as well as a fairly well

But those who expected the President to the courage that he disclosed in his military operations, or the intelligence with which he entered upon the less exacting duties of his office must be disappointed. Consideration must be given to the fact that the document was written "under the shadow of a great calamity." But even that fact will not make plain the mental der the REED rules. gymnastics which made it possible after declaring that "we need every honest and efficient immigrant fitted to become an should be excluded who are below a certain can labor." With such demagogues as POWDERLY to determine the qualifications a round the boundaries of the country.

Another inconsistency, manifestly the consequence of lack of courage, is shown in truthfully states that "American wageand Col. PRUNER has been elected mayor workers work with their heads as well as ends. the only people who talk of it are the bums | their bands. Moreover, they take a keen who have been in his calaboose and the pride in what they are doing; so that intheatrical people who have played his dependent of the reward, they wish to turn of our success in competition with the labors of foreign countries." When he wrote that he was temporarily free from the slavery of the tariff mongers. But it perchance, he should decide to fight for was only for a brief period, for within the space of two pages removed from that obvionsly correct view he adds "nothing could be more unwise than to disturb the business interests of the country by any general tariff change at this time." Clearly MARK HANNA got a line on him and frightened him out of his bester senses. -A sad case of what thoughtlessness of Such faults run through the message and yet it is not all bad.

A Gubernatorial Mix up.

Unless the stories which come from Washington are glaringly false and strikingly misleading, Governor STONE'S "ripping" operations in Pittsburg have comtion next year. That is to say some of the leading Republican newspapers of the State and Porto Rico. allege that Senator QUAY has declared in in the political life of the Commonwealth,

but not this year. as STONE's folly has since stricken proba- It upholds the constitutionality of the first of June. bly 20,000 from the legitimate total, it is FORAKER act, however, which authorizes ernor who is in any way connected with is not willing to take the chances of a de- Shiras, White and McKenna concurred of the "oldest inhabitant" the convention toes—as fashion decrees her form must be feat. In fact, it may be said that he is not and in the other Justices PECKHAM, HAR- was held as early as February. Then the to public inspection, and much as he is in--It was a little late in getting there but debted to ELKIN and greatly as he would the constitution has finally caught up to like to serve him, self-preservation is the

stand who will not be nominated for Governor by the machine, we are still not pertic territory and that we have no right to mitted to take a peep at the man who will questioned." the same must be true of be chosen. There is only one man who would have a ghost of a show, but it may territory of both was acquired and by vired in 1900, but the proposition was regard- be safely said that his nomination is im- tue of it is now occupied. Moreover, if the ed as buncombe by the Republican Congress possible. We refer to Lieutenant Govern- premises of Chief Justice Fuller are that had ratified the treaty and appropri- or WATRES, but naming him would operate correct the taxing of goods sent ated the \$20,000,000 to pay Spain for the on the mind of CONNELL as the sight of a from New York or any other port Archipelago. The learned Justice fur- red rag does on the brain of a mad bull. in this country to the Philippines ther says that when we bought the islands General MILLER could hardly carry half or Porto Rico would be a direct we also became heirs of all the insurrections the vote of the party and what the public violation of the provisions of the federal that had been harrassing Spain for hun- would do to Don CAMERON is plenty. The constitution which forbids the taxation of dreds of years before DEWEY sent her sins of the father would be visited on his exports from any State. The court would

A Trickster or a Fool.

Representative HEPBURN, of Iowa, is message to Congress of President Rose- trickster. That is to say if he is in earnest in his profession of a desire to amend the rules of the House of Representatives document could hardly have been expected in Congress then he is exceedingly silly in presenting his petition to the Republican caucus at the beginning of each session. previously it would have been unjust to If on the other hand his pretense is false and fraudulent, made for the purpose of preventing a movement in the same direction by some other member, then he is a consummate actor, for he throws so much deceived.

But in either event the REED rules will never be revoked or materially altered as long as the Republican party has a majority in the House of Representatives. They were conceived in sin and brought forth in iniquity. Their purpose was to curtail the liberty of speech and retain the digested understanding of the duties of his right of action in the interest of monoply. They take out of the hands of the House all legislative power and lodge it in the treat every question of public interest with hands of the Speaker and the committee on rules, appointed by the Speaker. If corporate authority is able to secure the individuals. Of course they will do that Speaker of the House, it is able to control all the legislation of Congress because concurrent action is necessary to pass laws and without the consent of the Speaker action in the House is absolutely impossible un-

If Mr. HEPBURN were sincere in his effort to amend the rules, the chances are more than even that he would succeed. American citizen," to add "all persons He is among the ablest men on the floor and far and away the most effective orator. standard of economic fitness to enter our He has had plenty of experience to make industrial field as competitors with Ameri- him a masterful parliamentarian. He has courage, tenacity of purpose and skill in disputation. But he will never achieve such a regulation would be as effective to the result by appealing to the Republican keep out all kinds of immigrants as if a caucus, His only hope is in addressing Chinese wall a thousand feet high, with a his efforts to the House when the question coping of barbed wire, had been erected of adopting the rules is under consideration. Then the new members of his own party and the minority will be sufficient to carry the motions to amend. But the time his treatment of the labor problem in its is past for this Congress. The REED rules economic aspect. In one paragraph he were re-adopted on Monday and will remain in force until the present Congress

> Judging from the way the Republican commented on the supposed aspiration of A. E. PATTON, of Curwensville, for congress sional honors, last week, former Congressman ARNOLD, of DuBois, need not apply DANIEL'S political undoing in the county.

Confusion Worse Confounded.

Our relations with what are called the further confused by two decisions of the taxes cannot be levied and collected on Islands here and the other alleges that tariff taxes can be levied and collected on merchandise sent from here to Porto Rico. The first opinion is predicated on the theory pine islands a part of the territory of the pletely destroyed Attorney General Elk- United States and the other obviously on IN's chances for the gubernatorial nomina- the idea that the FORAKER act dissolved such relations between the United States

to nominate Mr. ELKIN this year. Some been made public. That covering the territory occupied by the United States manifest that no man can be elected Gov- the Legislature of Porto Rico to lay im- tions of the Democratic party were invariposts on goods brought from ports of the ably held during the first quarter of the the odious STONE administration. QUAY United States. In that case Justices GRAY, yet ready to have the accounts submitted LAN, BROWN and BREWER agreed with the Chief Justice. Justice Brown enjoys the it became necessary to hold the state condistinction of being on both sides of the ventions not later than March on presidenquestion.

This is very interesting but promises all kinds of confusion in the future. If, as | lar and the conventions delayed until after But while we are thus given to under- Justice FULLER states, the Philippines were acquired by treaty and delivered to the United States "whose sovereignty is un-Porto Rico, for under the same treaty the better get together.

Rather a Bad Beginning.

The Democratic Representatives in Coneither a very foolish man or a consummate gress began business badly. That is at the caucus on Saturday a lot of extraneous and irrelevant matter was introduced which led to an acrimonious debate and almost dissolved the meeting in disagreement. The nomination of Mr. RICHARDSON, of Tennpropriate. As leader of the minority in the last Congress he proved able, earnest and efficient. The selection of Mr. JAMES KERR, of Pennsylvania, for clerk was equally commendable. He filled the office feeling into his action that most people are during the last Congress in which the party

had a majority and did it well. But having thus admirably completed their work the members felt it incumbent upon themselves to kick up a little row and they proceeded to do so. Mr. Mc-CLELLAND, of New York, led in the matter by introducing a series of resolutions, in the main right enough but altogether unnecessary. For example, one of his resolutions declared that the Democrats of the House are opposed to the ship subsidy bill and will vote against the appropriation of the money of all the people for the use of a few or else they will be faithless to the principles of the party to which they profess al-

legiance. Another member, Mr. BURLESON, of Texas, made an equally Democratic proprepresentatives would best subserve the interests of their party by refraining from soliciting favors from the administration. Of course that is obviously true, but there is hardly any use in talking about it. In fact in doing so they gave FITZGERALD, of cendiary resolutions on the currency question which provoked the bitter debate. There are few enough Democrats in Congress if they stick together and making disturbances is the worst form of folly.

The Monroe Doctrine Will Hardly be Infringed.

The London Chronicle, in commenting down on that portion of the President's message referring to the MONROE doctrine says

idea of it ever since JAMES MONROE, the for conferees in Centre county. Unless, fifth President of the United States, promulgated the doctrine that we should keep them, as he did once before, much to free from foreign embroglios and allow no western hemisphere. The Chronicle hints that they will all be glad enough to grab a "insular possessions," have been still ment they imagined themselves strong enough to do so with impunity, thereby Supreme court handed down on Monday. failing to show a proper appreciation of One of these decisions asserts that tariff the fact that our government has stood back of the doctrine since 1825. During commodities brought from the Philippine long periods of years, when both our army and our navy were more creations of paper than anything else and if they were afraid to try the grabbing then how can they hope for any more courage, in the face of

Early Conventions Proposed.

ing up here now.

There is talk of early conventions this year and the leaders of both parties are party may be held as early as March, which other year the faithful follower of the ma- Philippine case was written by Chief Jus- would be without precedent in recent years. former power. chine may hope to reach that high altitude tice FULLER and holds the islands are not except when preparations for a presidential convention were in progress. Those but "such as has been granted by treaty in the Democratic party who have been There is plausibility in the Washington and delivered to the United States, whose talking of an early convention have refrainticket this year by a majority less than BROWN and dismisses the complaint on to be held before midsummer and probably the illegal votes cast in Philadelphia, and the ground of insufficient cause of action. as early as the last week in May or the

Before the civil war the state convenyear and once or twice within the memory national conventions were held early and tial years But after the party fell into a minority the FABIAN policy became poputhe Republicans had named their ticket. It was believed that in that way advantage could be taken of any mistakes the enemy

might make. Last year, for the first time in two or three decades, the Democratic convention was held first. It was reasoned by some of the party managers that such a cours would indicate a confidence in results that would have a good influence on the vote and it is not certain but they were right meet as early as March it will be impos

call their convention at an early date.

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A Comparison With a Point.

From the Mount Vernon (Tex.) Herald. The able editor of the Courier-Journal, Col. Henry Watterson, wrote a most read able and spicy editorial several weeks ago in which he recorded his belief that the democratic party was now in its "Valley Forge State." If the able Kentucky editor is right the Herald mildly suggests that the reason why we are now camping out in essee, for Speaker was both wise and ap-the cold and snow was a modern repetition of the field of Monmouth, where Lighthorse Harry disobeved his commander and ordered a retreat. History has repeated itself, for another hot-headed southe mander from over about Louisville led a small squad in nankeen uniform outside the democratic camps, and we have been fighting greater odds ever since than the brave old George Washington and his handful of frost-bitten continentals ever had to face. In view of the fact that many of the yellow uniformed squad have commis-sions from "Lord Howe," and the further fact that the gallant Kentucky cavalier has been roaming around in the woods since 1896, may we not hope to touch elbows with him again at the storming of York town

Government Control of Railroads.

From the Hartford Times.

ong enough?

Government control of the railroads means a federal guarantee of the interest on all the bonds that Mr. Morgan and his friends are issuing, including this latest batch in the Northwest. Is there a large railroad bondholder in the country who will object to having the indorsement of Uncle Sam added to the guarantee which already adorns his securities? Well, hardosition. He suggested that Democratic ly. The only thing that concerns these representatives would best subserve the inamount of bonds into legal existence before Uncle Sam walks in and says that he really must insist on making the property of Messrs. Morgan, Hill, the Vanderbilts, the Goulds, the Rockerfellers and all the others a part of the national debt.

Railroad stocks the Government might Massachusetts, and some other fellow from buy at an appraisal, as could any other purchaser. But railroad bonds, the "first lien," with the sacred right of foreclosure, cannot be appropriated except with the as-sumption of the obligation to pay interest

Nobody will be more ready for Government control, when it shall come, than the organizers of great railroad "combines" and the manufacturers of the billions of three rabbits and one raccoon. One of the dollars' worth of rairoad bouds with which turkeys he shot on the wing. Mr. Burns the great railroad systems are being loaded

Marked Up Fifty Per Cent. From the Hartford Times.

"Whether the European nations are likely to respect this American prohibition much longer, when the desirable colonizing grounds of the world are being snapped up in a headlong race, must depend ultimately upon the ability of the United States to enforce their prohibition."

During the ten years pilot to 1898, the annual expenditures of the government never exceeded \$384,000,000, and the average was less than \$350,000,000. Last year the expenditures were close to \$500,000,000, and they will be almost as the property of the prohibition."

tain to be more. The estimates sent in to Congress from the executive department foot up \$610,-827,688. Of this amount \$100,000,000 is free from foreign embroglios and allow no asked for the army, \$73,000,000 for the foreign power to gain a foot-hold in the navy and \$140,000,000 for pensions. More than half of this vast contemplated ex-

penditure is for the military service. that they will all be glad enough to grab a "Expansion," following the Spanish war, slice of South or Central America the mothis country \$150,000,000 a year, or nearly 50 per cent. What is the average American man getting for his taxes now that he did not receive in 1897? Is his national government worth 50 per cent. more to him than it was four years ago?

Where the Trouble Is.

From the Harrisburg Star Independent. The Democratic state leaders, it is said. are soon to have another meeting with a view of getting together the fragments that the treaty of Paris made the Philip- the new greatest world power we are build- and fractions of their party. as well as to determine upon a line of action on the subject of fusion with the Independent or Union party. Such conferences might do a great deal of good if the petty ambitions of people who are in politics only for what they can get out of it could be suppressed. It is that class of politicians which makes allege that Senator QUAY has declared in unequivocal language that it will not do text of the decisions as far as they have cans indicate that the convention of their which is, therefore, responsible for the failure of the Democratic party to reassert its

The Way of the Courts.

From the Lincoln, Neb., Commoner. The court of last resort has finally decided that the express companies must furstory. With fraud and force and false pretense the machine was able to elect its decision was handed down by Justice freely expressed among them that it ought ticket this year by a majority less than Brown and dismisses the complaint on to be held before midsummer and probably nue stamp to express receipts was removed some time ago. It will be noted that the express companies managed to stave of the decision until it was useless. This is a way the corporations have. But the man who entions this interesting fact in a tone of criticism is at once dubbed an "anarchist and accused of "attacking the courts."

Very Much on Both Sides. From the Philadelphia North American.

Mr. John D. Long's incongruous position as Secretary of the Navy and President of the American Peace Society has subjected him to much embarrassing criticism during his service in the Cabinet. But it so hap pens that his zealous followers in the Peac Society, unmindful of the difficulties of his dual role, are chief among those to cause him annoyance. Within a few days Mr. Long has approved estimates for the navy for the next fiscal year aggregating about \$100,000,000.

Still Hope for the Dutch.

From the Concordia (Kas.) Kansan Born a Britisher we have been inclined to have a feeling of pride for the sturdiness of In any event, it is tolerably sure that there is no advantage in waiting until after the Republicans have acted. Of course if they physicians to King Edward have ordered under construction. The Canoe Creek extends from a point on the Pennsylvania and Northern near Ebell to Rossitur, Indiana him to refrain from smoking cigarettes. A sible and probably inexpedient to get in ahead. But without respect to the time of what do you think of that, anyway? Go it the Republican convention we believe it Mr. Boer, you've got a fighting chance, yet, would be good policy for the Democrats to if the English have gone to smoking

Spawls from the Keystone.

-Karthaus, the first time in many years, hasn't an empty house within its scope. Many more would locate there if they could obtain houses to live in.

-At the last meeting of the Renovo council, there were five petitions favoring a curfew law read. The council referred the matter to their solicitor

-As a result of slipping on a cabbage leaf lying upon the pavement, J. Monroe Novinger, of Williamsport, received injuries in that city Monday which caused his death. -Jesse Francis, while hunting near Haneyville Saturday, saw two deer on a full run. He fired fifteen shots from his Winchester rifle and wounded them so badly that they

-At Danville Thursday, Mrs. Hambach was gathering coal, when a spark from a bonfire ignited her clothing. Before help could reach her she was so badly burned that she died in a short time.

-The United Brethren, it is said, will build a new \$4,000 church in East Clearfield. where they have a small place of worship. Work on the new Mothodist church in the same place is progressing.

-The board of health of Williamsport have decided to cover all dead water ponds in that vicinity with petroleum early in the spring, in order to banish mosquitoes and kill malaria

-Walter Hopkins, aged 20 years, lay down beside a stove containing sulphur gas at the Emporium iron furnace Sunday night. He fell asleep, and when discovered Monday morning was dead from the escaping fumes.

-A shipment of one hundred and seventysix barrels of horse radish were transferred from one railroad to the other at Milton Monin 1904? Haven't you been out in the snow day. Here is a pointer for farmers in this vicinity-what's the matter with cultivating horse radish?

-Refusing to see a physician and steadfastly asserting her belief in Christian Science Mrs. Lydia Musser, wife of Amos O. Musser, a farmer living near Air Hill Church, Franklin county, died of typhoid tever of the most malignant type Saturday evening.

-William W. Rung, aged 35 years, died at his home in Huntingdon Monday from exhaustion, produced by hic-coughs. Last Thursday he was attacked by hic-coughs. which continued with little abatement until his death, although scores of remedies were used.

-Mrs. Mary W. Weis, a widow of South Williamsport, has been ill from erysipelas. Monday morning while temporarily insane, she slipped away from the house and drowned herself in the river. Her body was recovered. She was 38 years old and leaves four children, the youngest of which is 4 years

-George Burns, who is 92 years old, of Selinsgrove, returned from a hunt Tuesday. He had two wild gobblers, seven pheasants, says he used the old-fashioned hatch ball for loading, and thinks the new fangled cartridge

-Overcome by a rush of one while working at the top of a stack at the Lebanon furnace, George Reigert fell into the bell Saturday. In attempting to rescue him George Feiser was also overcome by the gas. They vere about to be dropped into the furnace. with the lowering of the bell, when commuch this year. Next year they are cerpanions pulled them out.

> -Mrs. Eckley B. Coxe, of Drifton, is arranging Christmas celebrations for the children of the miners in the employ of Coxe Brothers & Co., as she does every year. The celebration this year will be on a more elaborate scale than ever before, as entertainments are to be given in every town where the Coxes have operations.

> -William Jackson, colored, was convicted at Williamsport Monday of criminal libel for declaring that when on September 6, news was received of the shooting of President Mc-Kinley, Joseph Hemmerle, an expressman, said that the president should have been shot long ago. Hemmerle brought suit against Jackson. The latter was sentenced to two months' imprisonment and a fine of twentyfive dollars.

-On the request of a large number of citizens, the Everett Republican has started a fund to defray the expense of having a company of the National Guard of Pennsylvania go to Everett to participate in the funeral services of Corporal Thomas E. Baird, who was recently killed in the Philippines and whose remains are now on the way home. Contributions are being made in amounts of from ten cents to \$5.

-Six months ago the Rev. W. E. Karns, pastor of Epworth M. E. church, Jersey Shore, preached a sermon on the "Parable of the Talents." Then he distributed among the members of his congregation 100 new pennies, with instructions to invest the "talents" and return the profits to the church. Thursday night the money was returned, with usury, and the result was that \$800, a sufficient amount to free the church from debt, was realized. The pastor himself led the list as the largest contributor, having made \$60 as the result of investing his one cent talent. The talent itself was purchased by an admirer of the young divine for \$25.

-In a circular issued by J. P. Morgan & Co., offering for sale \$3,500,000 of the \$4,500,-000 Beeck Creek extension bonds official announcement is made of the plans of that company. The extension was formed by combining the Susquehanna and Clearfield, West Branch and Canoe Creek roads to relieve the Beech Creek railroad from the surplus of coal offered from the mines in the region. The extension gives the New York Central practically a two track line for the coal business. The Susquehanna and Clearfield extends from Karthaus to Keating. twenty-three miles, connecting with the Philadelphia and Erie at Keating. The West Branch connects Karthaus and Clearfield, twenty-nine mines. This line is now under construction. The Canoe Creek exof valuable bituminous coal land has been bought in Indiana county. The New York Central owns the entire capitol stock of the Beeck Creek extension and has a 999 year lease on the road.