

Ink Stings.

Atlantic City is fast dropping into line as a Pittsburgh suburb.

President ROOSEVELT's summer trip for rest evidently does not include his vocal organs.

"Cousin" SAM dismisses the milk question very much as if he realizes that he will have to continue his job of wet nurse to "cousin" MATT after the election.

If every man in the world who has violated his marriage vows were to be shot there would be millions more widows and orphans than any one dreams of today.

Mont Peles might look like hades with the lid off but we don't know of anyone who cares to venture into the lower regions merely to confirm the story of similarity.

Even a knife and a revolver in the hands of a frenzied drunken man were impotent against WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN. It seems that the silver question is destined to remain a living issue.

Need we wonder at the growing number of criminals and the awful crimes that are being so frequently committed when Justice is juggled with so persistently by courts and juries fail to make examples of men.

The Hon. TOM JOHNSON seems to be running things out in Ohio, even to permitting the children of Cleveland to play on the grass in the parks, but up to the present writing "three cent car fare" has stood out as his one Shibboleth.

The game of war that is being played between the army and navy off the New England coast does seem to furnish exhibitions of the water cure and anti-biting torments so frequently resorted to in the real thing in the Philippines.

Sir THOMAS LIPTON is about to challenge America for another yacht race. His last experience was not enough to convince him that the cup cannot be taken over the seas. If it can we know of no better sport to whom we could acknowledge defeat more gracefully than to Sir THOMAS.

A man with a false nose almost drove fashionable Newport into hysterics at Mrs. VANDERBILT's twenty-five thousand dollar party, a few evenings ago, which goes to show how easily pleased some people are. Many of the snobs of that aristocratic resort are about the shallowest vessels that float on the great sea of life.

If no one but Democrats were to vote for PATTISON he would not have the slightest chance of election, but thank the Lord, there are enough honest Republicans who will vote for him in preference to giving their approval to a regime that is disgracing their own party, to make his success far more than a remote possibility.

In the new State of Washington they have sent a bank wrecker to the penitentiary for ten years, but the honest citizens of that Commonwealth are not eastern broke yet. In the old State of Pennsylvania there is a very large element of people trying to elect a man Governor because a bank wrecker says he must be Governor.

If President ROOSEVELT should enter the Pennsylvania campaign in support of "cousin" PENNYPACKER he would find such campaign issues as the price of oats, corn and milk entirely too mild for his strenuous mind. "Cousin" PENNYPACKER's bovine gush at Fogelsville, a few nights ago, was even more ridiculous than his assertion that "QUAY is a greater man than was either WEBSTER or CLAY." And with such texts to preach from TEDDY would have to talk trusts exclusively or brand himself as much of an ass as the man who wants to pull QUAY's chestnuts out of the fire in Pennsylvania.

The announcement that the legislative board representing the one hundred and twenty five thousand rail-road employees in Pennsylvania had endorsed PATTISON, at their meeting in Harrisburg, on Monday, is not calculated to prove a very healing salve to QUAY's burned foot. The rail-roads look at the case from the high plane of public necessity and do not consider politics as entering it at all. While their action is not necessarily binding on the individual members of the several unions they represent it will have a moral effect that will inure greatly to PATTISON's chances of success.

The real losers in the anthracite strike are the miners, themselves, and the consumers. The former are losing wages that they will never again have an opportunity of earning, while the latter will have to pay the advanced price for coal which the cupidity of the operators and transportation companies will prompt them to charge whenever the mines are again in operation. So far as the operators having losses is concerned that is a groundless assumption, because their coal is still in the ground, it is not consuming anything and, as a matter of fact, will be even more valuable for a while because of the scarcity now.

Little else was to have been expected than that QUAY thugs would try to break up the Union party convention in Philadelphia on Wednesday. The black-legs who broke into that meeting are only part and parcel of the vicious system QUAY represents in Pennsylvania and their effort to keep the Union party from endorsing PATTISON was evidently made at the behest and under pay of QUAY's organization. That the Unionites were not to be balked in their honest endeavor to co-operate with the Democrats in securing honest government is seen by their adjourned meeting at which they carried out their intention of placing PATTISON and GUTHRIE on their ticket.

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Deverysm in Pennsylvania.

Several New York clergymen took occasion to discuss what they called "Deverysm," in their pulpits last Sunday. Deverysm is a local malady which has attacked the body politic in the metropolis recently with great malignity and proved an interesting theme for pulpit exploitation. Mr. DEVEY was formerly chief of police of New York and was dismissed from office by the reform Mayor. Then he made up his mind to go into politics in order to be able to do the Mayor more harm than would have been possible in his capacity as a private citizen and he scattered the money which he had acquired by protecting vice as chief of police with marvelous generosity. That is what brought him to the notice of the clergy and one of the more strenuous referred to him in his sermon as "one who stands for all that is vicious and corrupt."

Deverysm in New York is precisely the same as Quayism in Pennsylvania. It represents corruption in all forms. It means iniquitous legislation, venality in public life, fraudulent elections, purchased titles to high official place and everything that is atrocious in government. It puts a premium on rascality and makes criminal conduct a passport to public favor. It selects men from the ranks of the vicious to occupy places of honor and distinction in the official life of the country and flaunts its indecency and immoralities in the face of those who are outraged by such things. It prefers the society of the abased to that of a better element and strives to make crime respectable and venality endurable. It is a running and noxious ulcer on a community and deserves the most emphatic reprehension.

Referring to Deverysm in New York, which is the same as Quayism in Pennsylvania, the Rev. Mr. Robert L. PADDOCK said: "Think of the shame—the of the well deserved taints from friends in other districts. Think of the disgrace of living in a district where Deverysm prevails by the vote of the people. Think of the good citizens who lived honestly in the last decade and have died. How they will look down on us with shame, knowing that we have perpetrated these things. Think of having it said that we voted for Deverysm; or what is almost as criminal in my mind, that we kept quiet when we might have worked against it. It is a question of keeping or breaking the Ten Commandments." What have the Christian citizens of Centre county to say for themselves if they support the Deverysm of Pennsylvania, which is Quayism.

Imperialism Revealed.

It would require a sanguine mind indeed to hope for anything in the Philippine policy of the government which will approach anywhere near to the requirements of the fundamental law of the land in view of what Governor TAFT said in a speech the other evening. We shall hold the archipelago permanently, he declared substantially, and in the course of time can determine whether to give the people a government after the fashion of our territories or a colonial system similar to that under which Great Britain holds Canada. This is imperialism pure and simple and a destruction of the principles asserted in the Declaration of Independence to the effect that all people have the right to select the form of their government.

If such a statement had been made by any one high in authority at the time that President McKinley was talking about "benevolent assimilation," the public conscience would have been so outraged that the party responsible for the perversion would have been driven out of power promptly and permanently. The people don't want a change in our form of government and would resent an open declaration that such a thing was contemplated with righteous indignation. But we are gradually leading up to it and the people appear to be unconscious of the alteration. The facts are before us and from the benevolent assimilation of a couple of years ago we are now revealing, through the medium of the Governor of the Islands, the imperialism expressed in Great Britain's government of Canada and India.

It is not an enticing feast to set before the patriotic people of the United States who still cherish with pride and veneration the memory of the fathers of the Republic and the glorious traditions of the first century of our national life. It is a culmination, however, to which we have been led by easy stages and the climax of which is the imperial edict, the army and the pomp and circumstances of a royal court. When it is discovered it will be too late to retract the steps for the emperor, if he is a strenuous man, will not permit any trifling with his divine right, but will enforce it at the point of the bayonet. It can be stopped now, however, and if the people of Pennsylvania are just to themselves next November the peril will be past.

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An Important Incident.

The determination of the Legislative Committee of the several organizations of railroad employees of this State to support Hon. ROBERT E. PATTISON and his associates on the Democratic state ticket, expressed at a meeting held in Harrisburg last Monday evening, is easily the most important incident of the campaign. The committee is composed of some of the most intelligent and conservative men in the industrial life of the Commonwealth and represents a constituency numbering 128,000 workers. Their determination was not reached by solicitation, coercion or undue influence of any sort. It was the spontaneous expression of honest minds reached after careful deliberation.

There is no element in the industrial life of the country more deserving of just consideration than the railroads. A hazardous employment it attracts only men of splendid courage and an exacting occupation it requires alert minds and active bodies. Such men rarely make mistakes in their estimation of men and measures and in concluding to vote for Mr. PATTISON it may be confidently assumed that they took into the account every element of merit on both sides of the subject. The environment naturally received due consideration and the character of the QUAY machine and the relations of that organization to monopoly had as much as anything else to do with the action.

No intelligent and unprejudiced man, we assume, will question the wisdom of the committee which determined the matter. If Judge PENNYPACKER represented himself, he would nevertheless be lacking in the elements which ought to commend a man to the favor of industrial workers. He has no sympathy with labor and on the bench has invariably shown a predisposition to favor corporations and monopolies. But in view of the fact that he doesn't represent himself, but is the servile instrument of the QUAY machine, the reasons for working men to vote against him are multiplied. Every man conspicuously associated with that aggregation of rascals is an agent of monopoly working for corporation legislation.

The Offices of the Republican Ring Want.

The Democrats of the county must not think that because we are going to win in the county it can be done without work. The fact is that it is only by every one doing his duty and by earnest and active effort on the part of every one that a victory such as is anticipated can be won.

The same ring that we have had to fight for years and years is still in control of the Republican party, and will put forth every effort to elect its ticket. That ring is headed by ex-Governor HASTINGS, marshalled by his mouth-piece, Col. W. F. REEDER, and backed by a few individuals who glory in being stool-pigeons for the boss. Their county ticket was made up by them in Col. REEDER's office and they are already boasting that, come what will, they intend to capture the office of County Treasurer and the control of the Commissioner's office in order that the county money and the county finance can be controlled through, and for the benefit of the bank of which Governor HASTINGS is the chief beneficiary.

It is not very long since this same ring had control of the Commissioner's office. The tax-payers have not forgotten how it was run and how county expenditures increased during the three years it was managed by Col. REEDER as commissioner's attorney. We doubt if they desire another experience of the kind, but if they do not it will be necessary to awaken to the fact that this will be the objective point of the campaign the ring will make this fall, and that no effort on its part will be left untried to accomplish its purposes.

Quay is in Charge.

Senator QUAY assumed personal direction of the Republican campaign and unless something happens to his feet, or hands, or head, he will remain at headquarters, Saturdays excepted, until the 15th of November. The Senator is singularly unfortunate this year, however, and there is no telling what may occur to him. The least disappointment upsets him entirely, and when under the strain of such circumstances he is likely to boil his feet or freeze his hands.

But QUAY's presence at headquarters isn't as important an event as it used to be. The luck or whatever else it was which made it possible for Cousin SAM to say that QUAY had never been beaten appears to have deserted him for he lost the first skirmish in the fight through which he hoped to reward Cousin SAM for his fulsome and foolish panegyric. That is to say he undertook to capture the Union party convention by the same process by which he stamped the Republican convention. That was as fair and square a defeat as any man ever sustained. Still the "old man" will probably do better at headquarters than any of his lieutenants and it is just as well that he puts his time in there as some where else. In fact it is probably better to keep him employed in some such way for though he stands a chance of nervous prostration any day that is better than boiled feet or frozen hands and a nervous man with too much leisure on his hands is likely to get into trouble, for according to the complement "Satan finds mischief for idle hands."

The Monroe Doctrine.

President ROOSEVELT for some unexplained reason has been giving a good deal of his time and energy to the discussion of the Monroe Doctrine during his New England tour. If one didn't know better he would be justified in suspecting that the cherished policy of the Democratic party was in imminent peril and that TEDDY had made up his mind to save it at any expense to himself. As a matter of fact, however, it is in no danger at all from outside agencies. It has, with the consent of all the leading countries of the civilized world, been incorporated into the code of international law and it will remain there and be properly respected by all nations unless we, ourselves, make that impossible.

We are pained to say, however, that though President ROOSEVELT talks freely about the Monroe Doctrine, he doesn't appear to know much about it. That is to say in referring to it in one of his Vermont speeches the other day, he declared that it means merely that as the "biggest power on this continent" we are bound to see "that this continent must not be treated as a subject for political colonization by any European power." Subsequently he added, in the same speech, that it will be recognized by Europe only so long as we have an army and a navy strong enough to hold the European nations in fear. A school boy who would thus define the Monroe Doctrine to an intelligent teacher would be spanked, or at least ought to be.

The Monroe Doctrine was promulgated as an admonition to certain European powers known at the time as the "holy alliance," to not undertake to re-establish the sovereignty of Spain over the South American Republics whose independence had been recognized by the government of the United States. It was incidentally stated that any attempt to introduce or extend European, meaning monarchical, systems of government or institutions in the Western hemisphere would be construed as an act of unfriendliness toward the United States.

But in the same cherished instrument we assured the world that we would not interfere with European systems where they already existed, or with affairs of any kind in the Eastern hemisphere, and as our operations in Asia are in subversion to that pledge, we have hardly a just right to claim obedience from others to a doctrine which we have violated ourselves.

Over Taxing Public Credulity.

President ROOSEVELT put an unusually heavy tax on public credulity in his Boeton speech the other evening, but he put himself on safe ground so far as being found out is concerned. That is to say in discussing the trust question on that occasion he declared that according to his notion the only remedy for trusts is a constitutional amendment authorizing Congress to do something with them that it is impossible to do under existing conditions. In other words the best our strenuous executive has to offer to the trust-ridden people of the country is a remedy which would take four or five years to put in operation, even under the most favorable circumstances.

Less than two months ago in Pittsburgh the President assured an interested public that he was about to begin instantly a war of extermination against trusts, inferentially declaring that the present laws on the subject are entirely adequate. Just two days previously Congress had adjourned after failing, with his consent, to pass additional legislation on the subject. He has probably since discovered that his pledge was rash, for men even with short memories would hold him to account for a promise of instant action allowed to go indifferently unfulfilled. The suggestion of yesterday, therefore, was probably an after thought, for as it requires four or five years to adopt a constitutional amendment he can say from time to time that the movement is progressing.

Nobody knows better than ROOSEVELT that Congress can provide an instant remedy for trusts and promises to suppress trusts by any other process are plain but deliberate falsehoods. The remedy for trusts is the repeal of the law providing for a tariff tax on the products of trusts. Probably the strongest trust in the country and certainly the most harmful is the steel trust and it wouldn't survive the passage of a law putting its products on the free list sixty days. But the steel trust and other trusts are needed to supply funds to debauch the ballot in the interest of the Republican party and ROOSEVELT will not consent to anything which will impair their revenues or jeopardize their lives until after the next presidential election.

The very complete account of the BECKWITH murder trial that appears in this issue of the WATCHMAN needs some explanation because it is not the custom of this paper to go into details of such cases. This one, however, was of grave importance. A murderer was caught red-handed in his crime and the public should know why he has escaped the full penalty of it. If by reading the evidence you can conclude that a just verdict was rendered then you will be better satisfied than to remain in wonderment as to how a person who has taken the life of another in a clearly premeditated manner can escape giving his own life as an amend to the law.

The President in an Accident.

The Carriage in Which He Was Driving Destroyed by a Trolley Car Wednesday. Secret Service Men Killed. Driver of the Carriage Badly Hurt, but the President Escaped With Slight Injuries.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., September 3.—The President of the United States escaped a tragic death by only a few feet in a collision between his carriage and an electric street car in this city to-day, while one of his most trusted guards, Secret Service Agent William Craig, was instantly killed and David J. Pratt, of Dalton, who was guiding the horses attached to the vehicle, was seriously injured. President Roosevelt himself was badly shaken up, but received only a slight facial bruise. Secretary Cortelyou, who occupied a seat directly opposite the chief executive in the landau, sustained a minor wound in the back of the head, and Governor Crane, who sat beside the President, extricated himself from the wreck practically without a scratch. The carriage was demolished by the impact of the rapidly moving car and the wheel horse on the side nearest the car was killed outright. The crew and passengers of the car escaped injury.

The President and party was driving from this city to Lenox, through South street, one of the principal thoroughfares of Pittsfield, which was lined with cheerful people, and the catastrophe occurred in the plain view of hundreds whose happiness at the advent of the nation's chief, was suddenly turned to grief. Secret Service Agent Craig, who throughout the New England tour, has been almost constantly at the President's elbow, was on the driver's box beside coachman Pratt.

Just at the foot of Howard Hill the road bends a little and teams are compelled to cross the street railway tracks to the east side. The trolley approached the road crossing under a good head of speed with gong clanging just as the driver of the President's carriage turned his leaders to cross the tracks. On each side of the chief executive's carriage rode two mounted troopers of the local cavalry company and the horsemen on the left of the landau had turned onto the track with the trolley car immediately behind them, though some yards distant.

Alarmed by the clanging gong, they both turned in their saddles and waved vigorously to the motorman to stop his car. Almost at the same instant Governor Crane, who quickly perceived the danger, rose to his feet and likewise motioned to the motorman. The latter in great excitement, desperately tried to stop his car, but it struck the team and Craig fell in front of it and was crushed to death. Driver Pratt was found unconscious on the road, his body badly bruised. He was immediately placed in the carriage and taken to the House of Mercy, where he was attended by Drs. Flynn and Paddock, who to-night say that he will recover.

They immediately placed under arrest the motorman of the car, Enold Madder and conductor James Kelly, and they were later taken to headquarters in this city. They remained in the station house from 10 o'clock this morning when they were taken under arrest until 6.30 this evening, when bail was furnished. The charges against them are man-slaughter.

A Little Fable.

Which Concerns the Class That is Always Ready to Hollar, but Slow at Doing Anything Else.

Once there was a People who realized at last that they had been getting it in the Neck. This fact was impressed upon their minds by a long train of Circumstances, chief among which was that they were compelled to yield up about all they had to certain Corporations. "We must arouse ourselves!" exclaimed the People. "What shall we do to get Justice?" queried one. "We must organize," replied one. "We must overthrow the ring!" said one. Thus various schemes were proposed.

At last it was decided that the only way to secure Relief was to enact a few stringent laws and elect officers to enforce them. Having thus decided upon a date for the Primaries the People went home. The morning after the Primaries the People awoke and rushed out to get their morning papers. They were almost Prostrated when they discovered that the Corporations had nominated Willing Tools for all the offices.

Then began loud Wailings and Gnashing of Teeth. "Alas, we are again undone! It seems that we are cinched proper by these Corporations, and that we can never get Loose. Wee, wee be unto us."

As they thus Spake the People gathered upon the street corners and wept until the street sprinklers took a vacation. "Why weepst thou?" Queried a stranger in their midst. "We struggled to break the yoke of oppression," replied one of the People, "but, alas, the yokemasters cinched us again and nominated all the candidates."

"Because your yokemasters are in the majority, I presume," said the stranger. "Alas, so it seems."

"Rats!" ejaculated the stranger. "How many of your Fellows took time to attend the Primaries?"

The People gazed into one another's faces for a moment and then sneaked off home.

Every Mother's Son of them had been too busy to attend the primaries in question. Moral: The Corporations make politics a business and always attend strictly to business.

Spawns from the Keystone.

The York Adams Democratic congressional deadlock remains unbroken after a fourth session.

Four more cases of small-pox, all of a mild form, are reported at Jersey Shore. This makes a total of twenty-two cases in that place.

Mrs. Maud Stoner, wife of S. B. Stoner, of DuBois, suicided Sunday by shooting herself in the head. There was no known reason for the act. She was 23 years old.

The Keystone Nitro-glycerin factory, near Emporium, was blown to pieces Wednesday by an explosion. Alonzo Chesbro was killed, and George Dickinson has not been found.

A crew of men started operations on the Jersey Shore street railway Tuesday. The line will run to a point in the western part of the town. It will not be constructed to Oak Grove for some time.

James Mansel, of Williamsport, was nominated for Congress Thursday by the Prohibitionists of the Fifteenth congressional district, composed of the counties of Potter, Tioga, Clinton and Lycoming.

The body of Col. Edwin L. Drake, the discoverer of petroleum in Pennsylvania, has been moved from Bethlehem to Titusville, where it will be interred at the base of a \$25,000 monument erected in his memory by citizens.

Lancaster county will have a large tobacco crop this season. Many growers have broken their records in early cutting and large leaves. One farmer named George Hilselman, near Ephrata, raised plants nearly six feet high.

H. Boss halted a runaway team at Lancaster on Wednesday in a remarkably clever manner. The horse, belonging to A. A. Shaeffer, was dashing down Prince street, impelling numerous teams in its way when Boss, with a leap as neat as a circus performer's, landed astride the animal's back and brought it to a standstill.

Stanley M. Shaffer, who stole a boat in Lock Haven with many other articles along the river, and who was arrested in a clump of bushes near Montgomery, pleaded guilty to three of several charges against him in the Lycoming county court Monday. He was sentenced to six years imprisonment in the eastern penitentiary.

The Lock Haven Young Men's Christian Association directors are in a happy mood. They have paid their last mortgage of \$2,000. The present building was purchased four years ago at a cost of \$3,000. Improvements to the amount of \$1,000 were made. Some time ago the indebtedness was reduced to \$2,000, and Sunday the remainder was paid.

All the machinery for the machine and erecting shops at Oak Grove has been ordered, and is expected to be placed in position so that operations can begin October 1st. The machinery is of the latest improved, and will be run by electricity. The temporary station will be removed from the south side to the north side of the tracks.

While William Say, an industrious bachelor, of Barnesboro, was out on the hills gathering blackberries for winter use Monday his modest little cabin near West Branch mine was broken into by thieves, who destroyed considerable of his effects and stole his gold watch and a valuable revolver. Mr. Say is employed at the West Branch mines and works at night.

Employees of the Pennsylvania railroad must pay their debts hereafter or forfeit their positions. They have no alternative in the matter and if they have for just debts is not paid within a reasonable time the railroad will cease to continue the men's names on the pay rolls. Such is an order sent out from Philadelphia. All divisions have received the manifesto and all must act accordingly.

On Monday morning while Cal Jones and Earl Sigfried were painting the cornice at the front street side of the Grant block, in Philadelphia, sitting on a rope scaffold, the rope slipped and if Sigfried hadn't been an expert rope dancer he would have been dashed, to death on the pavement fifty feet below. As it was, he slid down that rope, a bran new one, with a rapidity that burned his hands badly. Jones was in a more secure position and held on until assistance came.

Howard Hicks, aged about 30 years, who resided with his wife in West Huntingdon, was found dead in bed Wednesday morning, and from all the evidence adduced by inquiry and examination Coroner Harmon reached the conclusion that death was due to narcotic poisoning. An empty laudanum bottle was found in his trousers, and the belief is general that in order to get some relief from his soothing effects Hicks had taken an overdose of laudanum. He had been drinking pretty heavily, it is said. The young man's father died under similar circumstances a year or more ago.

Mrs. Schucker, widow of the late Henry Schucker, and about 60 years of age, living at McConnellstown, while on Thursday evening in carrying a lamp which exploded, was terribly burned. The oil saturated her clothing and immediately she was encased in flames. Her son, George, in endeavoring in vain to extinguish the flames, was severely burned himself. Mrs. Schucker, in her frantic efforts to get relief from her intense suffering, rushed out of the house and ran to a nearby spring into which she jumped. After the flames had been put out, she was taken into the house and surgical attention was given by Dr. Bigelow. Her body was seriously burned and it is doubtful whether she will survive this terrible accident.

During the summer forty prisoners have taken leave of the Perry county jail authorities and it was not in the manner prescribed by law. They have literally flown, in the phraseology of their kind, they have "flew the coop." Henry Smith, charged with grand larceny, was the fortieth man to escape. He departed suddenly last week one day, and the authorities know not where he has gone. The new jail is now ready for occupancy. The sheriff declares that hereafter he will land his men by the use of a bloodhound. He has secured a genuine Siberian bound that has chased Eliza across the ice for three seasons in a troupe, and is guaranteed to land every one he goes after. The authorities say there will be no attempts made to catch the forty escaped prisoners.