Aemocratic Watchman.

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings

The preacher men are working hard, To run the town just right, They're looking now for po-lice-men Who won't be out sight Everytime they're needed for a Gamblin⁵ raid or fight. They'd like to get a mayor, too, Who'd help along a mite. We reckon there ain't many left-The kind they're lookin' for This ain't the sile they vegetate, They're all gone "on before,' So if our preachers really want Good men, and nothing more, We think they'll have to look them up Upon that golden shore.

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President TYLER as " a politician of mon-

victory of even greater significance, by

stifling nullification and enforcing the

laws throughout the land. But ROOSEVELT

denounces him as "ignorant and head-

strong." How much further could temer-

Newspapers denounced ROOSEVELT as a

gypsy when he siept in a blanket on the

bank of a lake and cooked his own break-

fast in the morning and later dined on

bears' paws in a wilderness off of tin plates

and without knives and forks. But

ity go?

umental littleness."

-Special train episodes are not to be a feature of this session.

-The effort of the ARMOURS to corner the butter market we hope will not lead to plaints against his predecessors in ofa variety of embalmed butter.

-It is not to be wondered at that most people look hopeless now-a-days. Both Congress and the Legislature are in session. -If Mr. ROOSEVELT desires to give the country relief, we would suggest that he allow his press bureau a reasonable vacation.

-The new county officials are all settled down to their work now and the next thing heard of if he had governed his actions by to be done will be for the county to settle up.

-Old Omnibus Bill is setting out a grove of plum trees for QUAY in the three new territories he is carrying to Statehood.

-From the way General GREENE is turning the police department of New York upside down we are constrained to remark that there isn't so much in a name | He conceived a policy which without war after all.

-CARNEGIE wants to send up another kite in Philadelphia, but that city is expected to supply the usual handsome tail that ANDREW alway insists upon being tacked onto his gratuities.

-MATTHEW STANLEY QUAY will be responsible for the work of the present session of the Legislature and the Republican party of Pennsylvania is responsible for MATTHEW STANLEY QUAY.

-With Congress and the Pennsylvania Legislature in session both at the same time it is little wonder that prophet COLES reads such direful things in the horoscope for the first few months of 1903.

-The recent election in Honduras resulted in the polling of 30,000 more votes than the entire population of that State. Evidently its politicians have been taking lessons in Philadelphia methods.

--The nice little steals have begun already at Harrisburg. The first thing they did was to rush a bill through that will squander several hundred thousand dollars every session for something that is absolutely useless.



BELLEFONTE, PA., JANUARY 9, 1903.

Too Creduious Contemporaries.

Criticising Presidents. Whatever others may say or think, the Some of our esteemed Philadelphia con-President himself and those who worship temporaries, like the Municipal League of him have no just right to complain of critithat town, are too credulous by far. For cisms of Mr. ROOSEVELT. In other words example they have accepted the most col-President ROOSEVELT has been a severe critossal political trick of Insurance Commisic of the Presidents and in some of his comsioner DURHAM's devious public life as a concession to political morals and a step in fice he has not even taken the trouble to the direction of decent government. We be just. For example in his biography of refer to the selection of District Attorney THOMAS H. BENTON, one of the most am-JOHN WEAVER as the Republican candibitious literary efforts of his life, he dedate for Mayor of Philadelphia, which our scribes President MONROE as "a gentleman too simple minded contemporaries have inof no especial ability but well fitted to act terpreted as a sign of unexpected political as a presidential figure head." He devirtue. But as a matter of fact it is nothnounced ANDREW JACKSON as "ignorant ing of the kind. It is simply another proof and headstrong." MARTIN VAN BUREN. of the complete dominion which Mr. DURhe declared, "never would have been HAM exercises over the people of Philadelphia and their absolute helplessness in his a high moral standard, " and he referred to grasp.

What has JOHN WEAVER done to justify

the prediction that his election to the office They were some of the great Presidents of of Mayor of Philadelphia will give the peo-United States. They are among the cherple of that city honest or just government? ished idols of the American people. Presi-When he entered upon the duties of Disdent MONROE promulgated the doctrine trict Attorney SAMUEL SALTER and his aswhich made the American Republic a sociate ballot box stuffers were fugitives "world power" without an army or navy. from justice. But as soon as possible after that event they returned and he allowed or sacrifices of any kind checked the adthem to be acquitted by default, though vance of the "holy alliance," composed evidence that was overwhelming was acthen of the three most powerful nations of cessible against them. Later three or four Europe in a contemplated invasion of hundred other ballot box stuffers were dis-South America. Yet ROOSEVELT dismisscharged from custody on his own motion, ed him cavalierly as "a gentleman of no though his predecessor in office had them especial ability," acting simply as "a presso completely involved in a web of adverse idential figure head." JACKSON preserved testimony that they didn't dare go to trial. the nation when it was invaded by an Are these evidences of fidelity to duty or a overwhelming foe by his genius as a milidisposition to justice in administration? tary commander at the battle of New Or- Hardly. leans, and subsequently won a peaceful

One contemporary refers to the fact that not long before he was chosen as a machine candidate for Mayor he refused to allow the cases of some political favorites go to trial before a fixed jury. If that had been followed by putting them on trial before a

jury that wasn't fixed there would have been some reason for the claim. There was another criminal court in session at the time the jury in which had not been tampered with and it was his right to call the cases in question then and there and the conviction of them would have been ineviwasn't the criticism just? Are such things table. Did he do that, however? CertainAn Improbable Notion.

The Philadelphia Ledger expresses the belief that Governor-elect PENNYPACKER will appoint HAMPTON L. CARSON, of Philadelphia, to the office of Attorney General, the opposition of the machine to the contrary notwithstanding. It may be said, however, that the wish is father to the thought and that our contemporary's statement ought to be put in the shape of a doubt that the Governor-elect would like to appoint Mr. CARSON. He is an excelcongenial companion to the amiable Governor-elect during his residence in Harrisability, or rather his courage, to gratify his to be present. nclinations.

Governor-elect PENNYPACKER will not break with QUAY at the beginning of his administration. If he were thirty years younger he might do that, for we are prepared to believe that the society of the average machine politician is distasteful to him. But he knows that a quarrel with QUAY now would condemn him to a life of wretchedness which would be simply intolerable during the entire term of his administration, and he won't take such chances. QUAY would hardly prevent the confirmation of his appointees for that would bring the party into ridicule and reproach. But he would nag him at every point, aunoy him at every turn and force even those whom he had appointed to turn against him and sting him with the cruel "javelin" of ingratitude.

And QUAY has reasons for objecting to the appointment of Mr. CARSON. That gentleman has never concealed his abhorrence of the methods of the machine and probably within a dozen years he has not voted the machine ticket once until last fall, when he turned in and supported PEN-NYPACKER under the belief, which now deceives the esteemed Ledger, that the amiable old man would have the courage and strength to do just such a thing. Besides. Mr. CARSON made the argument which influenced the United States Senate to refuse QUAY a seat in that body under the appointment of Governor STONE. We should becoming to the dignity of Presidents? ly not. He allowed the cases to go over very much like to believe with our contem-Newspapers denounce him as a clown until counsel for the accused would have porary that PENNYPACKER will appoint CARSON but it is improbable. QUAY went court, and as a matter of fact they have not to Philadelphia the moment he heard there was danger of such a calamity for the ma-

Citizens Movement on Foot. Ministers Issue Call for Public Meeting of Voters-

Cleaner Administration of Boro Affairs Desired.

NO. 2.

Resolved, by the Ministers of Bellefonte, that we favor the calling of a public meeting of the voters of our town, without respect to political party, but who favor a clean moral as well as economic and business like administration of our borough affairs, for the purpose of determining the advisability of nominating a Citizen's ticket for all the borough offices to be elected hope rather than a belief. We have no next month, men whose qualifications shall be, business capacity, good common sense and high moral conviction and courage. And that, in order to give form to this lent lawyer, a charming gentleman who movement, we hereby take the initiative "has a taste for books," and would be a congenial companion to the amiable Gover. and issue a call for such a meeting to be held in the court house on next Monday evening at 8 o'clock for the aforesaid purpose, and that we earnestly urge all our burg. But we have grave doubts about his citizens who favor the purpose of this call

WILFORD P. SHRINER, P. MCARDLE, Catholic church H. C. HOLLOWAY, GEORGE ISRAEL BROWN, St. John's Protestant Episcopal church T. W. PERKS. U. B. church WM. H. BROWN, United Evangelical church. T. J. ASKEW, A. M. E. church. AMBROSE M. SCHMIDT, **Reformed** church R. CRITTENDEN, L. B. HINDMAN, General Secretary Y. M. C. A Lady is Rather Indefinite in this

Country.

From the Honesdale Citizen. The female teachers of Chicago are no longer to be rated as ladies; the school agement committee having decided to change their official designation from "ladies" to "women." This is to be commended. In most European countries, the words "gentleman," "lady," and "gentle-woman" have a fixed and definite meaning, while in this country they have none that is generally recognized, and every one is at liberty to fix a standard by which to test the claimants to these designations. "May I ask, sir," inquired the hero of one of Dumas's novels, of a stranger, "if you are a gentleman?"-an inquiry per-But fectly proper and natural in France. time and place of the inquiry, had a clearly defined meaning. In this country, at the present day, at least, it would have me.

-While drilling a car in a stone quarry at Redington, William Pierson, of Easton, fell under the wheels and was cut to pieces. -Eight Wilkesbarre policemen have sued

open, but it was almost empty.

wages.

Luzerne county for a day's wages each for attending the execution of wife-murderer Lutz.

Spawls from the Keystone. -Easton's painters, bricklayers and hodcarriers have made demands for higher

-The safe in the Northern Central, station

at Halifax near Harrisburg, was blown

-It cost \$154,000 to run Lehigh county last year in addition to \$145,000 damages to bridges by the spring flood. The balance in the treasury is \$73,000.

-Judge Scott, at Easton, revoked the hotel license of Thomas A. Kocher, of Klecknersville, against whom there were 57 counts for violation of the liquor laws.

-Despondent because of an impediment in her speech. following a stroke of paralysis. Miss Amanda Gerhart drank carbolic acid at her home in Weatherly and died.

-A stranger, walking through the Lycoming county bridge above Williamsport Monday, was caught by the east bound Buffalo flyer. He jumped to the side of the bridge and clung to the iron supporters until the train had passed.

-As a result of a collision between a passenger train and the rear end of a freight rain on the Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania railroad, Wednesday night, at Cochrane seven men are dead, one is dying, five others injured.

-Samuel Clark, of Lock Haven, has a relic in his possession in the shape of a pair of handmade leather baby shoes that were made by Daniel Eakens at Clintondale in 1850. The shoes are in excellent condition and show no signs of wear.

-While returning from school Monday. near Paxinos, at Shamokin a crowd of girls boarded a bob sled and started down a steep hill. Near the bottom the sled was upset. and Ruth Miller, 15 years old, was fatally injured by being hurled head first against a pile of rocks.

-The DuBois Morning Herald, a new daily which was to revolutionize the newspaper business in that city, after a brief existence of three months has been absorbed by the DuBois Courier. We have known other dailies, which were to knock the spots off their competitors, die young.

-The building owned by the Kiester heirs, and occupied by Harry Ball, the cigar manufacturer, at Lamar, was burned recently. About 31,000 cigars, ready for shipment, and \$260 worth of tobacco leaf were burned. Mr. Bail's loss is about \$900; he is insured for about \$600. The origin of the fire 1s un. known

-On Monday while A. S. Kulp and H. H. Crispen, of Lock Haven, were driving to Ferney they saw a vellow and black stripped snake crawling on the icy road near the residence of Robert Simcox at Queens Run. The fancy one American asking this question snake was about two and a half feet long of another ! An affirmative reply, at the and was as lively as if it were a day in July.

-It is announced that William T. Hill, worthy master of the State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, will make an effort to be ap-

-Gen. MILES, the head of the United States army, is a great figure abroad, but he will no sooner get home than the "carpet knights" about the War Department will great office to which he succeeded by a get at their old job of trying to make him look like a plugged two cent piece.

-There is a young woman at Centralia, Ill., who has been asleep for one bundred days and hids fair to out do RIP VAN WINKLE. A lovers' quarrel is said to have been the cause of her peculiar trance, but the usual "kiss and make up" outcome of such affairs has utterly failed to arouse her.

-Governor STONE's message is notable only for its length. The time for him to have done something was while in office. Parting advice and suggestions come with bad grace from the famous "post-script" artist who has been holding down the gubernatoial chair in Harrisburg for four States Senator was fitly conferred on Colvears.

-A young farmer in Lancaster county expired the other day from joy because he had unexpectedly obtained a ton of coal. And now everyone thinks it is a frightful thing that a country that is built on coal should come to such a pass. But stop and think for a moment. Suppose he hadn't found the coal. He would have frozen to House caucus on Representative IKELER. death anyway.

-Of course it was not to be expected that an effort to curb trusts could be made the public. Cononel GUFFEY is so well without creating a lot of new offices with which to buy support for the President for | that eulogizing him is a work of supererorenomination. He and Attorney General KNOX have decided that trusts can be curbed but a special court, with a lot of in weal or woe has been ready to give time high salaried judges and over paid accessories will be needed to sit on cases arising principles and interests. Two years ago under the proposed anti-trust law.

-The real horrors of the recent great mine strike in Pennsylvania are just beginning to coze out through the great mass of other evidence that has been presented to the arbitration commission. With families without food for days and the homes of workers shattered with dynamite while wives and babies were asleep therein there is ground for question as to where our individual rights and personal liberties do come in anyway.

other things to look after.

like Buffalo Bill and howling like a Dervish for something to kill. Do such performances comport with the dignity of the crime, which attained the proportions of a calamity. It might be said that it is giving him a dose of his own medicine

which is nauseous, but that is hardly true, for he maligned great men and against him only the truth has been told.

An Exc. llent Beginning.

The Democrats in the Legislature began well and if they will adhere until the end of the session to the policy expressed in the character of the gentlemen upon whom the complimentary honors were bestowed they will reflect credit on their party and honor on the State. The nomination for United onel J. M. GUFFEY at a caucus held on Tuesday evening, and the organization offices had been equally well dispensed by caucusses held on Monday night. That is the complimentary nomination for president protempore of the Senate was given to Senator HERBST of Berks; that of speaker of the House on Representative CASTNER, of Lycoming, and that of chairman of the These gentlemen represent the best im-

pulses of the party and the best hopes of known to the Democrats of Centre county, gation. For years he has been an uasel fish but assiduous leader of the party and and money to the promotion of Democratic he was similarly bonored and with equal unanimity and we hope that he will al-

ways be held in the highest esteem by the Democratic people. Mr. CASTNER is serving his third term and though passing through the ordeal of the iniquitous sessions of 1899 and 1901, the finger of suspicion has never been pointed toward him. Mr. IKELER is equally deserving of the favor of his colleagues in the House of Representatives. He begun his Legislative career with the last session and during the sessions of that body he was the one man

has made public his district committee- MARSHALL. A lawyer of excellent ability men for 1903, a list of whom will be found and an orator of surpassing force he had in another column of this issue. Now is the courage as well as the integrity to asthe time to commence to perfect the organ- sail every iniquity which was offered durization and every member of this commit- ing the session. A ready debater and a tee should begin to get his precinct so man of wide and varied information he was picked men who will name obedient serthoroughly worked up that when a cam- ever ready to strike with vigor and accurpaign approaches it will be an active, ef- | acy and however much the bosses tried to ficient machine; ready to support the party create confusion while he was on the floor, ticket. If a good preliminary organization the Members listened to him. In the is made now that work will not have to be character of the men favored the best asdone at a time when there are so many pirations of the Democratic party was expressed

ample time to fix the jury in the other been tried yet.

In fact fewer political criminals have been convicted and punished under the administration of JOHN WEAVER, as District Attorney, than under that of any prosecuting attorney that Philadelphia has had in the past twenty years.

No, the selection of JOHN WEAVER as the Republican candidate for Mayor of Philadelphia by Insurance Commissioner DURHAM was not for the purpose of giving the people good government. It was obviously for the purpose of perpetuating the power of the machine over the city by fooling the public. JOHN WEAVER as District Attorney has served the machine so well that Mr. DURHAM has come to the conclusion that he is entitled to promotion and with the view of thus rewarding him he was chosen as the candiate for Mayor.

Organization of the Legislature.

The QUAY machine failed in none of its expectations in the organization of the Legislature on Tuesday. There wasn't a vote against the slated candidate for Speaker in the cancus and the nomination of Senator PENROSE for re-election was unanimous. The insurgents all turned in and took QUAY'S orders with equal alacrity if not with the same relish as the machine servitors. No protest was made against anything that was said or done by those who represented the authority of the boss in the direction of affairs. QUAY'S control is more absolute than it ever was before in the history of the politics of Pennsylvania. Not much can be said against the personal character of Speaker WALTON. But the manner of his nomination was an insult to the intelligence as well as the manhood of the Representatives in the Legislature. He was the choice of no considerable number of his associates on the floor. Immediately after the election Philadelphia Representatives canvassed the State in search of a Speaker in order to head WALTON off. Country members freely asserted that the big city already had more than its share of the party favors and they wanted to vote for a candidate for Speaker from the interior. But when QUAY declared that WAL-TON was to be the candidate all opposition was instantly withdrawn and Mr. WALTON was unauimously nominated.

The rest of the work of organization wa left to the "slate committee." That is to say the selection of the several clerks and other officers was committed to a group of vants of the machine for each of the various places and if there are not enough to go State Treasury. The situation presents an interesting prospect and the public will Legislature the record of the last session await developments with curious concern. for venality will be broken.

chine. -----Among the Pennsylvania corporations that have enjoyed prosperous times and are not too selfish in the enjoyment thereof to give their employees a share is the firm

of Raine & Raine, lumber manufacturers, of Empire, Elk Co. On Christmas day they sent each one of their sixty workmen a notice that after January 1st, their wages would be increased 5 per cent.

A Bit of Legislative Piracy.

Within an hour of the "call to order" of the General Assembly on Tuesday a neat little job was sneaked through both Houses which will cost the taxpayers anywhere from \$250,000 to \$500,000 a year and give not one farthing's value in return. The measure was introduced in the Senate by Mr. Fox, of Dauphin county, the gentleman who wanted to appropriate \$6,000,000 for the construction of a \$4,000,000 capital building two years ago. Senator HERBST, of Berks attempted to stop it, but the chair turned a deaf ear to his demand for the floor for the purpose of making an inquiry into the purport of the little snake. After it had been passed, the Senator for Berks was recognized, but it was too late. The measure in question was in the shape of a concurrent resolution. It provides that all public documents, such as the Governor's messages, reports of departments, special reports of committees, reports of public institutions, and similar state papers shall be published in the Legislative Record, a sort of journal of the proceedings of the Legislature published in the form of a newspaper and supposed to be issued daily. As a matter of fact, however, it isn't issued with any degree of regularity or with any regard for accuracy. It is usually from a week to ten days behind time and the debates are so badly reported that no man can tell his own speech from that of some one else.

These public documents are published n pamphlet form in great numbers "for the use of the Senate and House of Representatives." There was no more use for publishing them in the Legislative Record than there is putting an artificial tail on a worthless dog. But the contract for printing the Legislative Record has fallen into the hands of a party favorite and it was necessary to provide him with extras in order to swell his profits at the expense of around a few extras will be appointed and the tax payers. The scheme was about as their comfortable salaries will be paid out neat a little piece of legislative piracy as of the sinking fund, unless, as in 1897, an has been perpetrated in recent years. If it indemnifying bond can be worked on the is a sample of what is to be done by the

This Man is Talking Sense From the Wyoming Democrat.

There are a hundred common pleas and orphans' court judges in commission in this State, but schemes are already on foot to create some more judgeships when the legislature meets. There is no need for more, and some of them already in commission could be easily dispensed with without detriment to the public service.

U. S. Steel Earnings Are \$132,662,000. Cash on Hand for Year. After Deductions, Etc., is \$54.724.106.

NEW YORK, Jan. 6 .- The directors of the United States Steel Corporation today declared the regular quarterly dividends of 1 per cent on the common and 13 per cent on the preferred stocks. A financial statement was issued showing net earnings for the calendar year, with December estima ed, of \$132,662,000.

The net earnings for the quarter ended December 31st were \$31,339,613,an increase of \$1,579.700, as compared with the same period of 1901. The transfer books close for the preferred dividend on January 20th, and for the common on March 16th.

From the net earnings for the year deductions are made of \$24,528,183 for sinking funds, depreciation and reserve funds and for a special fund set aside for depreciation and improvements of \$15,000,000 for interest on bonds of \$3,040,000 on sink-ing funds for bonds and of \$56,052,869 for interest on the stocks. These deductions leave undivided profits amounting to \$33,-841,565 for the year, applicable to increas-ed depreciation and reserve fund accounts, for new construction or surplus. The cash on hand is \$54,724,106.

The board amended the by-laws by increasing, the number of the finance committee, and Messrs. Henry C. Frick and Robert Bacon were elected members of the committee.

The board approved the action of the finance committee in making the purchase of the Troy furnace and steel works, and of the Union Steel and Sharon Steel plants. The board also approved the plan reported by the finance committee for profit sharing and subscription to stock by the employes.

It was reported to the board that the plan for stock subscription was being well received by the employes, and that within three days after opportunity to subscribe was given upwards of 16,000 shares had been subscribed for.

J. Pierpont Morgan was present at the meeting, although it is not his custom to attend meetings of corporations when they are not held in his office

SCOTTDALE, Pa., Jan. 6.-As a result of the meeting of the employes of the American Sheet Steel Company here this after-noon, about 600 shares of the stock of the United States Steel Corporation will be subscribed for by the company's workmen. YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan.-The profit-sharing scheme of the United States Steel Corporation is meeting with favor at the Ohio plant here. Already there have been 500 shares subscribed for by employes of the company.

-The christian crusade is both opportune and fruitful, but when it enters politics it is getting onto ice that is dangerously thin.

pointed secretary of agriculture under Goy. Pennypacker. The present secretary, John Hamilton, of State College, is said to be anxious to retain the place, and the deputy secretary, Algernon S. Martin, of Lawrence, is also after the place.

-Benjamin F May an old and hadly crippled broom-maker, was found lying in his little shop in Beaver Falls Saturday night, sick and unable to help himself and dying of cold and starvation. He refused to go to the hospital, saving it was a ruse to get him to the poor house, but he was taken anyway, although it is expected that he can't live long owing to neglect.

-James L. Settles, said to be the oldest block telegraph operator now in the service of the Pennsylvania railroad, having served in that capacity for a little over thirty-three years, twenty-seven years of which was at McVeytown tower, has kept a record of all trains passing his office for many years. During 1902 there were 51,808 trains, an increase of 2,355 trains over 1901.

-Ira Sides, eighteen years old, died at his home at Bard, Bedford county, on Saturday from a fractured skull sustained by walking into a door at his home in the darkness. He arose early Saturday morning and in his hurry to get down stairs did not strike a light, trusting to his memory to guide him about the darkened house. He collided with an open door, and his forehead struck the edge with such force that his skull was fractured.

-Services commemorating the eighty-third. anniversary of its organization were held in the Presbyterian Sunday school at Lewistown on Sunday. The most noteworthyevent of the meeting was the re-election of D. W. Woods to the office of superintendent, a distinction he has enjoyed annually for the past forty-eight years. He is a son of the Rev. James S. Woods, D. D., who was pastor of the Lewistown Presbyterian church for more than forty years.

-Michael Dell, a Slavonian, committed suicide in the Windber park Friday night and his body was found hanging to a tree about 10 o'clock next morning by his brothers John and Andrew and Steve Polish, who, when they saw the suicide swinging between the branches and the snow, took to their heels and ran to notify the police authorities and Justice M. E. Sell, of Windber. The latter went to the park and cut the body down.

-Howard E. Perry, of Lock Haven, a member of Company H, Twelfth regiment, won a bride while he encamped with his command at Columbia park, at Shenandoah, The love affair, which has its origin during the anthracite coal strike of 1902, culminated in a wedding at Shenandoah on Christmas eve, the bride being Miss Martha Gable, of that town. The marriage was solemnized at 8 o'clock at the parsonage and was followed by a reception and wedding supper given at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gable. Mr. and Mrs. Perry will reside at Lock Haven. They arrived there from their wedding trip on Friday evening last