Of making him believe they are When ferninst him, just the same Then some recall each little thing He's ever said or done, And frankly make him feel as if He didn't want to run; But of all the proposition That the hustler has to chase The meanest, most despicable Is the one with double face.

-Mr. Doblin seems to be an artist as liar, but there are others.

-1903 seems determined to out do her

predecessor in rail-road horrors. than ever when little cupid takes the

chaffeur's seat in the automobile.

-There is no doubt about honesty being the best policy, but the trouble with most oath to office and his conscience. The cormen is that they make too much of a policy rupt managers had a good deal of difficulgame out of it.

-The soft weather of the past few days has been taking the snow very fast, but the early gardener basn't begun to shine up his spade yet.

-The blockade of Venezuela is to be raised, but the blockade of QUAY's omnihas state hood hill shows no sign of being broken in the Senate.

-When courtesy costs so little and accomplishes so much it is surprising how few people number it among the necessaries of their personal habiliment.

-The campaign for local offices is progressing so rapidly in Bellefonte that the a verage man commences to grin as soon as a candidate approaches him.

-Cousin SAM isn't going to let the cartoonists of the country make a parrot out of him any more, if the Pennsylvania Legislature can be used to prevent it.

-Next Monday his hog-ship will have a look at the weather and tell us how much more winter we will have. Let us hope that he hasn't entered the coal and rail-road combine.

-With all the advance there has been in surgery and medicine within the past fifty years there seems to be less danger than ever of the undertakers being driven out of business.

-When the war in Venezuela, the coal stringency, Congress and the Legislature at Harrisburg are things of the past we'll all have to fall back on the weather as the old reliable topic of conversation

-The independence of America might PACKER was secured through the same agency.

-It is said that if China is duly economical she will be able to pay off all the indemnities she owes the allied powers. Does this mean that the poor celestials will have to get down to something even cheaper than rats and rice.

-The Republican says "we must have some changes in our ballot laws" because it was promised the people during the campaign last fall. How surprising that the Republican should make such a demand, when it knows that Mr. QUAY has promised Pennsylvania so many reforms that never have been made.

-The Philadelphia Record is of the opinion that Senator MORGAN has lost his battle for the Nicaragua canal unless he can throw doubt as to the existence on the map of the Panama route. And that isn't so much of a joke either, for if one or two of the volcanoes or earthquakes get into action down there it might be up to more than the Panama lobbyists to prove that there is such a place.

quite an alarmist turn. He says there is to be an European invasion of America. felt that he was immune from punishment. gretted, nevertheless, for Judge PORTER That is, he says the foreign countries are about to concentrate on a well defined course that will disrupt and disintegrate nated by the machine for the more impor- ment are, therefore, worthy of consideraour Republic entirely. How interesting. Why bless your soul, General, it wouldn't matter how completely they broke us up any one of the particles left would be strong enough to lick the stuffin' out of all the European and Asiatic powers combined.

-LAMBRO FRANCESCO, an Italian, undertook to rob the postoffice at Gallitzin a few nights ago and when caught in the act he pulled out a revolver and shot himself in the ear, with suicidal intent. FRANCESCO is not dead yet and explains his act by saying that he understood that the penalty of the crime was shooting and he wished to impose it himself. Poor, misguided dago that he was, not to know, as the "Hon." SAMMY SALTER, of Philadelphia, does, that the laws of this country seldom go to extremes of punishment and-someti mes-don't punish at all.

-The bill before the Legislature that proposes to impose the costs on the defendant, the prosecutor or the magistrate them, when a bill is ignored by the grand jury, will have a tendency to keep many petty cases out of court. Under the present system justices too frequently give law sympathize with him now in his agony. to individuals for the sake of the fees accruing from their action and if there were do not exercise good judgment many of entitled to admission as States in the research. The present Legislature ought service into a generous source of profits,



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They Owe an Explanation.

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Those so-called reformers of Philadelphia who have so hastily abandoned their professed purpose of improving the political morals of that city in order to give their support to district attorney JOHN WEAVER for mayor owe some sort of an explanation to the public. A little -The course of true love grows rougher | more than a year ago the odious machine of that city determined to punish district attorney ROTHERMEL because of his fidelity to the people and his obedience to his ty in putting their plans in execution. They couldn't find a reputable lawyer at the bar who would take their nomination for the reason that it clearly implied a complicity in a nefarious conspiracy to punish a man for doing his duty. After a considerable search, however, Iusurance Commissioner DURHAM dug out from among the lower strata of the legal no-

> By the skillful operation of ballot box stuffing, false counting and various other forms of ballot frauds, Mr. WEAVER was declared elected by a comparatively meager majority. He entered upon his duties a year ago the first of this month. At that time SAMUEL SALTER and three of his companion ballot box stuffers were fugitives from justice and between four and five tion of \$20,000 to pay half the expenses of hundred other political criminals were under indictment for ballot frauds of one kind or another. The evidence against SALTER and his companions in crime was overwhelming. They knew that they hadn't the shadow of a chance of escaping the penitentiary if the case against them was honestly tried and they remained in concealment. The other criminals had data. managed by perjury and subornation of perjury to postpone their trials until after the expiration of ROTHERMEL's term of into the office. An honest prosecution field of the Civil war, it is certain that the meant certain conviction and they all

bodies Mr. JOHN WEAVER and he under-

took the work.

knew that. On the first Tuesday in January, 1902, friend behind the proceedings then and differences ought to have disappeared. felt secure. They impudently strutted But it may be predicted that Colonel into the temple of justice and stared the MCCLURE has over estimated the magna- Secretary of State. Judges out of countenance. Their bail nimity of theaverage Republican Legislator was renewed with the consent of the dis- of Pennsylvania. A few veterans of the trict attorney and though the forfeit had war like Colonel Cooper who bear on their not been paid they dared to meet honest bodies the scars of rebel bullets fired in men and claim to have been wronged. In | manly encounter each striving for what he due time their cases were called for trial believed to be right, may forget the en-

The district attorney had failed to make a case and providing an alibi by obviously vermin like Representative CHAMPAIGN perjured evidence they were acquitted. who tried to prevent Colonel McClure For that miscarriage of justice the district attorney ought to have been sent to to a magnanimous movement and, unhap-

Subsequently the four or five hundred sylvania Legislature. other ballot box stuffers were discharged from custody on motion of district attorney WEAVER with out trial and his debt to the own honor and the interests of the public. -General McArthur has developed Last fall it was done in the open because the integrity of the judiciary will guaranand strangely enough the reformers, the But as a matter of fact they deserve the sepulchers who have been hypocritically gation anyway. posing as political Saints have come out in Judge PORTER states, in commenting on are incapable of self-government.

Senator Quay's Great Time.

Senator QUAY is having the time of his life in Washington according to the newspaper reports of the proceedings of Con- tinue the sacrifices in order to serve a not statehood bill through, it appears, but truth than poetry in the judge's statement tive property in one or more of the terri- give it attention. tories is drawing to a close, probably, and he wants to realize. But everything gets for the seat of the judicial branch of the in his way. All the various cunning little government being at the capital of the tricks of his cunning but varrow little State as there is for executive and legislasending the case to court, or all three of mind which he has used in the past are tive branches being there. The subordibeing invoked now to confuse him and he nate courts are properly located in the sevscarcely knows how to turn. If he weren't eral counties but the courts of review-that

sincerely hope it will be. There was a offers to the attorneys the advantage of some way to get back at them when they time when New Mexico and Arizona were the splendid state library for purposes of to SIMON CAMERON who turned his public the spite cases that take up the time of Union. But that was when the congres- to alter the laws governing the judiciary died the possessor of a colossal fortune ac- ed three quarters of a mile from the Esk.

against their admission then, however. He imagined at that time that they would elect Democrats to the United States Senate and they probably would during CLEVE-LAND's administration when the territorial officers were Democrats. But those political agents are Republicans now and of given the chance to increase the QUAY kind of men in the United States Senate.

to admission as States, moreover, QUAY'S Paris to purchase the franchise from the omnibus bill ought to be defeated. That manner of legislating is against the snirit of the constitution. It is a device of the ditch provided the government of Columlobby to ride bad legislation into the statute bia would consent to a transfer of the books on the back of good legislation. We believe that Oklahoma and the Indian French company to build. At that stage Territory ought to be joined together and of the game Secretary HAY took charge of erected into a State. Probably New Mexico and Arizona might be properly admitted since. by a similar consolidation. But in the omnibus form the very idea of passing them is abhorrent to political morality and we are glad to believe they will be defeated.

The Lee Monument.

Colonel A. K. McClure made a very nteresting address in the ball of the House of Representatives in Harrisburg on Tuesday evening in behalf of his own bill introduced by Colonel THOMAS VALEN-TIME COOPER providing for the appropriaa monument on the Gettysburg battlefield in commemoration of the services of the late General ROBERT E. LEE for the Confederacy on that historic and sanguinary field. The bill provides that the State of Virginia shall bear the other half of the expense and Colonel McClure asserts that the purpose is to establish accurate historic

Whatever good might be achieved in the way of marking the positions and lines of the two great and heroic armies which office and the induction of JOHN WEAVER were in blood contention on that pivotal proposition of Colonel McClure fulfilled would contribute to the elimination of any remnants of bitterness between the North Mr. ROTHERMEL retired from the office and South which may still exist. It is and WEAVER took his place. Within a probably not going too far to say that there office of the district attorney for trial. defense of a common country and the flag and powers." An epoch-making fiddle-

and there was no evidence against them. mities of a past generation, but the small spirits which fill the hearts of narrow from being heard will never be reconciled pily, they are in the majority in the Penn-

Fix the Courts at Harrisburg.

The resignation of Judge PORTER from machine was paid at the expense of his the Superior court bench is less to be regretted now than if it had occurred a month Since that ballot box stuffing in Philadel- ago, for the reason that it may be assumed phia has become more common than ever. that Governor PENNYPACKER'S regard for every scoundrel who practices the crime tee a fit successor. But it is to be re-As a reward for this vile service to the has proved a capable and conscientious jurmachine JOHN WEAVER has been nomi- ist. The causes which led to his retiretant office of chief magistrate of the city tion on that account, if for no other reason. municipal leaguers, and the other whited closest scrutiny and more careful investi-

support of him. It is the most disgraceful his resignation, that the duties of the office proceeding that has put a stain on the were agreeable to him but that he was conpolitical history of Pennsylvania from the strained to resign because he couldn't enbeginning. It proves that Philadelphians dure the labor and trouble of the movements of the court from one seat to another. Such flittings, he said in substance, are not only distressing but actually dangerous, and as the compensation of the office i much less than he is able to earn by practice at the bar, he was not inclined to congress. He is impatient to get his omnibus too appreciative public. There is more makes no headway. His option on specula- of the case and the Legislature ought to

The truth is that there is as much reason such a despicable creature one might is the Supreme and Superior courts ought to be in Harrisburg, which is accessible to courts and pile costs on the taxpayers sional ratio was less and the population of the territories greater. QUAY was dead would never be heard of.

Absurd Praise of Hay.

Some time ago negotiations were opened with the government of Columbia for the right of way to construct an Isthmian canal on the route of the practically abandoned Panama canal. For some reason the President preferred that route to the Nicaragua the QUAY type and they ought not to be line which had been recommended by a commission composed of the most illustrious civil engineers of the country and Even if all the territories were entitled the Attorney General was dispatched to company which owned it. He made a provisional bargin to pay \$40,000,000 for the authority which had been given to the the affair and has been pressing it ever

> To the first proposition the Government of Columbia demanded a bonus of \$10,000,-000 and an annual payment of a quarter of a million with a few other things such as a guarantee of its own sovereignty over the across the country, and Secretary HAY pronounced the demand as absurdly and outrageously high. The \$250,000 a year, he said was all right and the other things were within reason, he added but the \$10,000,000 cash was out of the question and would never be considered. Then he began bluffing and blustering. We will never allow anybody else to build a canal across the Isthmus he declared and your poor little government will be deprived of packer. the revenue which it would produce. Last week, however, he signed the treaty as originally proposed by Columbia and it is now in the Senate for ratification.

We have no particular fault to find with the treaty. In view of the recent incidents in the neighborhood of Venezuela we need the waterway and it is cheap at any price or may be if Emperor WILLIAM gets too gay. But we most emphatically protest against lauding Secretary HAY to the skies as a genius of diplomacy as the administration organs are doing for if there was any diplomatic victory in the affair it was achieved by the little South American Reour national progress to world-wide power perfunctory duty which any clerk in the office might have done quite as well as the

-If the parrot is to be cut out of "Consin SAM" what more will be left than those ancestral boots?

A Matter of Monuments.

The proposition expressed in a bill introduced in the House of Representatives in Harrisburg by Democratic State chairman CREASY, on Friday morning, and in the Senate by Democratic Senator HERBST, on Monday evening, to erect a monument at an expense of \$150,000 in the capital park at Harrisburg, to the memory of the heroism, valor and patriotism of the Pennsylvania soldiers who participated in the Civil war, deserves the gravest consideration. Nearly every State in the Union has already expressed its appreciation of the courage and manhood of the soldiers of that great conflict, but through all the years which have since intervened Pennsylvania has been silent, though the dominant party in all the time has professed a

guardiauship of the soldier's interests. This year appears to be an era of monuments, however. Under circumstances which indicate orders from the machine manager a bill has been introduced appropriating a considerable sum of money for to commemorate the services of the late to be passed. SIMON CAMERON. Among the conspicuous acts of that gentleman was the bribery of Seems to Be Acquainted With Them. members of the Legislature to vote for him for Senator in Congress and the payment of a large award to Indians in notes of the Middletown bank which were subsequently bought back at a vast discount, thus yielding an immense profit. We recall nothing else except his services in the War Department at the beginning of the Civil war under circumstances which almost led to a public scandal.

To our mind it would be infinitely better to spend the amount designated in the bill of Representative CREASY and Senator HERBST, or even twice that sum, in erecting a memorial to the courage and patriotism of the soldiers who offered their lives for the preservation of the country than to visit St. Pierre, had a narrow escape from time—indeed, it is a noticeable fact that give one-hundredth part of it to the erect- death due to the sudden eruption of Mount ion of a monument to SIMON CAMERON. | Pelee. We owe much to the soldiers and the failure to repay that debt of gratitude is a QUAY's bill ought to be defeated and we litigants from all sections of the State and present reproach to the people of the Com- the rescue. After 40 minutes of excite monwealth. But there is nothing coming ment, all the passengers were brought back

As Others See Him

From the New York Post

Governor Pennypacker might yet indicate some desire to better political conditions in Pennsylvania, it must now have received its death blow. If Pennsylvania is ever to be raised from the low estate into which she has fallen under the domination of Quay and his gang, the first step must be a reform of the ballot law. This is common knowledge in Pennsylvania, and indeed so patent that both parties, in their platforms last year, promised modern registration laws and other measures to prevent frauds on election day. The necessity for such enactments, moreover, was rendered more clear than ever before by the very election which made Judge Pennypacker Governor. The most barefaced frauds in Philadelphia were exposed by the election figures. quoted at the time the returns from several Philadelphia wards, where, according to the official tables, the total vote more than doubled that of the year before, the increase being made up wholly of alleged Republican votes. Of course, no such votes were ever cast. Surely, with his party platform before him Governor Pennypacker should have had the scant courage required to say something about these frauds. But not a word does he utter. He territory covered, a zone of six miles wide does not say that the present law is "cumbersome and inefficient," and suggests that it be changed, but he bastens to add that 'the thought that something ought to be done by means of the law to encourage independent voting and to make it difficult to vote a full party ticket is mere vicious theorizing." What can the cause of decent government hope from a man, however respectable his antécedents, who thus ex-hibits himself on his entrance into office? Quay is laughing in his sleeve, and he has a right to, over his sworn enemies who supported the learned and virtuous Penny

Our Mothers

From the Altoona Tribune

While it is true, as a valued contempor ary suggests, that the mothers have not received as much honor from the pen of the historian as the fathers, yet the fact remains that the mothers have been far more influential in shaping character and moulding destiny than the fathers. They have the boys during the formative years of life and impress upon them lessons that are never forgotten and which influence the whole life. It is true that some men forget the mothers who bore them and plunge them into grief, but the majority of mankind never get bad enough to be unmoved by a The independence of America might have been secured by the efforts of farmers but the returns of last fall don't indicate but the returns of last fall don that the Governorship of Mr. Penny- and his fellow criminals had returned to bloody encounter with a foreign analysis and post of the greatest bloody encounter with a foreign analysis and post of the greatest bloody encounter with a foreign analysis and progress to world-wide nower men the world has ever known have been the result of mother love and mother care. The good mother deserves to live forever They were no longer afraid. They had a of which each was equally proud all such stick. It was simply the performance of a on the marble tablet, we admit; but better than that, she lives in the hearts of her children and in the influences which they set in motion under her inspiration. His tory may take little note of her efforts, but the invisible genius of the future holds in sacred trust her eternal fame.

Preserving the Plum Tree.

From the Lancaster Intelligencer. Observing that Governor Pennypacker ecommends a small tax for good roads. The Philadelphia Record innocently asks why not take for this purpose some of the noney loaned to banks at one and a-half and two per cent. With a nine million dollar surplus it seems to think the tax uncalled for

Great Scott! Has the Record forgotten the plum tree? The surplus must and shall be preserved in order that there may be plums to shake in the shape of deposits one and a-half and two per cent. in banks that lend at five and six per cent. Otherwise there would be no pleasure or profit in politics.

It Would Work a Reduction of Court. Expenses.

From the Philadelphia Record.

That is a good bill of State Senator Fox for arresting the industrious zeal of committing magistrates and aldermen in sending petty cases to court for the sake of accumulating fees. In order to check this iniquitous abuse of justice the bill provides that in all cases ignored by grand juries (felonies excepted) the costs may be imposed on the defendant, the prosecutor or the magistrate, or on all three of them. Such a law would exercise a more salutary the construction of a monument in which restraint on the fee business, and it ought

From the Clearfield Republican.

Pennypacker's cabinet appointments, save alone that of Hampton L. Carson, are about the worst ever inflicted. A reform administration with Frank Fuller, Bob McAfee and Jim Shoemaker up close to the throne is neither sublime nor ridiculous to look upon. The unsophisticated who have business with the new top-notchers at Harisburg chould carry deoderizers and leave their valuables in the hotel safe.

Mont Pelee's Cone Blown Off. Big Party of Excursionists had Narrow Escape

CASTRIES, B. W. I., Jau. 25.-Half of a earty of 400 excursionists that went from here on the steamer Esk, on Saturday, to tions can readily be followed at the same

Volunteers from the Esk's passengers who had remained on board, assisted the crews of the ship's boats in hastening to safely to the ship. Apparently about 800 feet of the cone of the volcano has been blown away. Dense clouds of smoke pass

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Spawls from the Keystone.

-A report from Jersey Shore is to the effect that hereafter all southbound coal trains going over the Beech Creek road will go to Newberry over the Pennsylvania road instead of going into Oak Grove and going down over the New York Central as heretofore.

-Clarence Edward Smeal, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smeal, of Coalport, choked to death recently. The family were at dinner and the baby had just taken a drink of water when it began gasping for breath and before the doctor could reach the house it was

-There are now 1,700 cars stored on the Altoona and middle divisions of the Pennsylvania railroad company and nothing can be done with them. Sixty seven were stored on the Petersburg cut off Monday night. Lack If any one had a lingering hope that of motive power and men are the cause of the tie-up.

-The tunnel built by the Pennsylvania Railroad company on the middle division, 2 miles east of Altoona, has been completed. Monday the tracks were connected and trains went through. The tunnel, one mile long, was built for the purpose of eliminating a

-At Milton Friday, Mrs. Margart A. Porter, widow of Rev. J. Frank Porter, leaned too far over the balcony of the residence of her daughter, Mrs. M. H. Barr, and fell to the brick walk. She was picked up unconscious. and expired in a short time. She was nearly 69 years old.

-The 3 year old son of August Nelson, of North Braddock, died Monday, making six children of Nelson's who have died within 14 months, all from pneumonia, the last two within the past week. A seventh and the only remaining child of the family is ill with the same disease.

-Mrs. Ellen Ramsey, of Williamsport, died of consumption Monday morning. Sixteen years ago her husband was murdered in the coal regions, leaving her with seven children, the youngest twins three weeks old. Within the last two years five children have died of consumption.

-The body of Carlos Reshaup, the sixyear-old child of Francis Reshaun, of Latrobe. who was drowned Tuesday afternoon of last week, was not recovered until late Thursday afternoon. The little cold hands still tightly clasped the sides of the sled on which he had coasted to his death.

-A stuffed calf's hide owned by William Fisher, of Mt. Union, is quite a curiosity. Some time ago the calf was born at Johns town but died in three weeks, and the skin was stuffed in Buffalo. It is made up of one head, two eyes, three ears, two bodies, two tails and eight legs.

-A dispatch from Coudersport says that Representative Moore is using his influence to have a state fish hatchery located in Potter county. He has been assured of considerable support. A natural park with water courses at Seven Bridges, is contemplated as a site. It is the centre of a good fishing

-Henry McDowell, a colored dyer of Williamsport, during one of the recent cold nights bathed his legs in gasoline to relieve rheumatism. While sitting near the fire, there was a sudden flash and his legs were ablaze. Before the flames could be extinguished, both legs from the knees down were badly burned.

-A bill introduced in the house at Harrisburg Wednesday prohibits the shooting of pigeons released from traps. The bill is aim. ed at the practice of shooting clubs in using live birds as targets, and provides a penalty upon conviction of twenty five dollars or imprisonment for thirty days, or both at the discretion of the court.

-The Methodists of Clearfield are going to build a new church just as soon as the weather permits the tearing down of their present structure. Architect Weaver, of Harrisburg, will have supervision of the work and the new church will be of stone with a tower 100 feet high. The total cost of the building is estimated at \$50,000.

-Professor N. W. H. Schafer, of Shamokin, took a hot brick to bed with him last Monday night, and was nearly burned to death. The brick set fire to the bedding, but fortunately the Professor got awake in time to prevent serious consequences to either himself or the house, although four quilts and a blanket were put out of service.

-The Oak Grove town association is arranging to build 50 houses in that place in the spring, the work to be started as early as the weather will permit. Stone for the foundations of the new buildings are being havled now while the sleighing is good. It is stated that several hundred new houses will be put up at Oak Grove the coming sum-

-Mrs. Rachel Brode, of Altoona, and her nephew, Berry Dodson, were convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the Blair county court on Saturday. While Mrs. Brode was holding a masquerade party at her home a party of boys congregated outside. A quarrel ensued between the masqueraders and the boys, and in the melee a boy named Ambrose Gehl was shot and killed.

-Thirteen men were being taken to their work in the recesses of the Bellevue mine of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Co. on an electric engine Tuesday morning. They had a keg of powder with them. A spark from the naked lamp of one of the men set off the powder and a terrific explosion followed, blowing the men in all directions. William Hughes was terribly burned about the face. hands and feet and will die: Walter J. Needham, John Mangan and Edward Miller were also badly injured, but will recover.

-It is estimated that a half a hundred people in Clinton, Cameron and Potter counties are making from \$4 to \$9 a day gathering rattlesnake oil and ginseng root. The two vocawhere ginseng grows there one invariably finds rattlesnakes. Ginseng root sells for from \$3 to \$5 a pound, according to size and quality, and with rattlesnake oil a remarkable article at the rate of \$2 an ounce, the outlook for the "bushwackers" this season is exceptionally cheerful. A Mrs. Norman, of the vicinity of Keating, in one day last summer killed seven rattlesnakes, from which she obtained eleven ounces of fat. This amount at \$2 an ounce, made her a pretty good day's