Ink Slings

-The tracks of the Wabash are not so far away from Pittsburg now.

-This Venezuela affair is fast passing the stage where it can laughingly be referred to as a joke.

-If QUAY is to have a monument on Capitol hill nothing but brass will fill all the ideals of the public.

-The ground hog saw his shadow and skinned back into his hole, but the shadow didn't scare him half as bad as the price of

-The father of the eight hour a day labor bill is a gentleman and a scholar, but if some fellows had to work one hour they would raise an "awful holler."

-It might be well for Germany and England to read a little of the late doings in the Philippines before they run the risk of having us benevolently assimilate them.

-The contemplated expenditure of \$275, 000,000 for improvements during the year by the various rail-roads of the country comes too late to relieve the coal situa--Senator WELLINGTON's proposition to

have the wealth of an individual restricted to \$10,000,000 is all wrong. Why with such a law in force half the country newspaper men in the land would be idlers by the time they reach middle age-maybe.

-The German Emperor's personally drawn diagram showing the relative hand, aims to make the poor man a beast of strength of the German and British navies explains why WILLIAM is so anxious to him out of reason in order that his fellow hold hands with EDWARD in the Venezuealan embroglio.

-JOHN C. DELANEY has been given a job at the expense of factory inspector JAMES CAMPBELL, who has to step down and out a year before his term expires because PENNYPACKER wants to reward DE-LANEY for securing the WATRES delegates for him.

-If Dowie is to follow the BARNUM show in Madison square Garden, New York, his advance men had better get to word. And if he imagines he is going to christianize that great city with a one week's stand he had better give his marble maker another job.

-Young men don't take HORACE GREE-LY's advice and go west. But stay at home and read law and then go to the United States Senate. Sixty-one of the eightyeight members in the upper house of Congress are lawyers-and some of them not very good ones at that.

-The DURHAM-ELKIN-PENROSE push in the Legislature gave Mr. QUAY and his cousin SAMUEL a decided set back on Tuesday night when they voted down the CAM-ERON statue bill on final passage. It is beginning to look as if there might be some fun at Harrisburg after all this session.

-In the House, Monday night, chaplain MCNALLY prayed for "the protection of the Commonwealth from all those, who, like Balaam of old, would hold up to ridicule the constituted authority." No one heard the Honorable Pusky, but it is very probable that he joined in the "Amen."

-The proposition to increase the salary of the President to \$100,000 per year is a good one---for the President. While \$50-000 per year seems ample remuneration, and there is no likelihood of our running short of Presidents because of the paucity of salary, the fact that many corporation presidents receive more than that and good lobbyists and bunco steerers turn up their noses at such a paltry sum we had better raise the President's salary before it gets to be looked upon as a thirty cent job.

-The bill that was introduced in the Legislature on Monday requiring that \$40 be the minimum salary paid school teachers in districts receiving state appropriation would prove a blessing in certain parts of Centre county, if passed. There is no denying the fact that salaries are too low to secure the best instruction for the scholars in the schools of our rural districts and the State would do well to step in and put a stop to the present misapplication of the funds it gives for the betterment of the schools, rather than to reduce the taxation to practically nothing.

-Representative MOYER, of Lehigh, wants the State to treat golden rod and daisies as it does Canada thistle, that is, put a penalty on permitting them to grow. What heartlessness. To think that a Democrat would undertake to rob the fields of Senators imagine that we of Pennsylvania the beautiful fall flower and the hay fever | can apologize for such a condition is beyond victims the object of their choicest our comprehension. anathemas. Then, too, what would the love-sick maidens do for the floral witchery the daisy plays for them while they pick its petals off, one by one, in expectant eostasy of finding "he loves me" or the cruel disappointment of "he loves me

-Lieutenant Hobson, of Merrimac and osculatory fame, would like to resign from the navy because he believes that he is being badly treated in the matter of assignments. Inasmuch as the construction corps to which he is attached is very short of men an effort is being made to in- other things in which there is an opporduce the young lieutenant to reconsider. If nothing else will prevail we would sug- long there. We are likely to become a gest that Uncle.SAM import a few of the government of commissions for the politi-Sultan of Suln's ladies as an inducement for him to remain in the service. Since that old scalawag's death they probably haven't denoy is to create patronage for politicians been kissed once and, in any event, they'd to use in corrupting voters and debauching tach themselves to him in consideration of be something new for even a Hobson.

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Shaw's Curious Notion

In a speech delivered in New York the other day Secretary of the Treasury SHAW are without salaries other than the "actual lication of which Mr. HERBERT WELSH is expressed the opinion that "free trade is expenses will be paid," as the projectors theoretically correct but protection is prac- term it. But even at that there are plentically correct." In other words according to that public functionary theory which is the base or science of a proposition is less desirable than the practice which may be a perversion of the science. Take medicine, yield something in the shape of an unfor example, the science is the theory. That is to say the knowledge which teaches that existing conditions may be changed by the application of certain remedies is of less consequence to the afflicted than the skill in applying the remedies, in the estimation of our Secretary of the Treasury.

Free trade expresses the economic principle that all men are equal under the law. One man endowed with certain mental faculties, but without prominence or wealth, is entitled to precisely the same opportunities, privileges and liberties that another similarly endowed but the possessor of more property. Protection, on the other burden for the benefit of the rich. It taxes being, no more deserving, may be paid an unearned bounty through excessive charges for the necessaries of life. One represents equal and exact justice among men and the other the payment of unearned bounties to

Protection is practically advantageous to those who get the benefit of its operation. That is the few who enjoy the unearned bounties and exercise the exceptional privileges of protection are helped by it. But the business of government is not to serve the purposes of the few at the expense of the many. It is to treat all precisely alike and giving them equal privileges while exacting equal fidelity enables all to work out their own destinies. This being true it is not easy to conjecture how Secretary SHAW reaches his conclusion that protection is practically correct except upon the hypothesis that according to his notion government is for the benefit of the favor-

Quay and the Democratic Senators.

Senator QUAY is still striving for the passage of his omnibus Statehood bill and with the old disregard for rules or order. Last week he had it attached to two of the direct conflict with the rules and a reference which was as absurd as it was impudent. But so far as the signs indicate that scurvy trick didn't promote his purpose in the least. It gave the opposition a scare for a brief period and aroused QUAY's hopes to the extent that he took strichnine pills instead of calomel a night or two later and had to be pumped out. But after be had carefully inventoried the facts he discovered that he was no further on than before.

We can't understand what fatal folly influences the Democratic Senators to follow QUAY'S leadership in this matter. It is true that QUAY helped the Democrats in the territories embraced in his bill and altogether likely that he has promised to give them half and probably more of the United States Senators to be chosen in the event the bill becomes a law. But nobody who knows the "old man" puts any dependence on his political promises. After he has achieved his purposes he doesn't care how much others are disappointed and his promise of help to the Democratic Senators will be like his promised ballot reform to the

people of Pennsylvania. The right course for the Democrats to pursue is to cut away from QUAY. No party gains strength by association with such men in politics or anything else. If New Mexico and Arizona bad been admitted to the Union during CLEVELAND's administration they would probably have become Democratic for the first election would have been conducted by the Democratic territorial officers. But if they come into the Union now they will be Republican and the six Senators elected will be of the QUAY variety, with "Bull" ANDREWS as the bell wether. How the Democratic

## Kill the Commissions.

The Legislature appears to be running wild on commissions. Bills have been introduced to create commissions to do almost every conceivable thing. If one bill is passed the roads will be built by a well paid commission. Another provides for an expensive commission to codify the corporation laws. Still another provides for a commission to manage barber shops. The horse-shoers must be examined by a commission and commissions are wanted for all tunity to obtrude a nose that doesn't be

The main purpose of this strange ten-Legislatures. It is not only vastly the party patronage.

safest but infinitely the cheapest way of bribing men. Many of the commissions ty of men in every section of the State who will sacrifice their conscience, honor and manhood to earn a place on one of these commissions and take chances of making it earned bounty. This is strange but true.

The safe thing for Legislators to do is kill every bill which has a committee attached to it. The founders of the government never intended that such subterfuges should be introduced to loot the treasury and Senators and Representatives in the Legislature are faithless to their obligations if they permit such legalized robbery. Laws ought to be passed by the Legislature and executive duties performed by those properly chosen for the service and not by commissions. We trust that not a single one of the many measures introduced which carry a commission with them will be enacted into law.

Grosvenor in the Shadow of Scandal. General C. H. GROSVENOR, of Ohio, who was known as the mouth-piece of the administration during the Presidency of Mr. Mc-KINLEY and aspires to the gift of prophecy in political matters, has gotten himself mixed up in a nice little scandal. It appears that he has written a book entitled "The Book of the Presidents," which consists of sketches more or less carelessly written, of all the Presidents from WASHINGTON down to ROOSEVELT. It was to be bound in any style and illustrated in such manner as the purchaser desired and sold by subscription for any price from \$25 to \$250, according to

of the binding and illustration. During the past several months wealthy gentlemen throughout the country have been receiving what appeared to be autograph letters of General GROSVENOR, urging them to buy a copy of this very ambitious publication. The letters were writ- the reward for his perfidy. ten on congressional stationery and had every appearance of genuineness. Soon af- The ter they were received a book-agent would call upon the gentlemen and solicit their subscriptions, suggesting as a spur to liberbrick house. Most of the tariff pensioners of the country feel under obligations to the General, and as a rule they bought a book giving checks for the amount made payable to the General himself.

Now it appears that the whole thing is a swindle and GROSVENOR is doing all sorts of things to clear his skirts of the scandal. He admits having written the sketches, but declares that he was paid for that service at the time and has no further responsibility for the work. The investigation throws at least the shadow of doubt on that, however, for some of the checks have been enlorsed by him, and it is known that the publisher of the book is an adventurer whom GROSVENOR himself once unsuccess fully defended in a criminal court on the charge of obtaining money under false and fraudulent pretenses. In fact it looks as if the old man had been toying with the fates in order to get a little ahead.

A Pretty Fight.

If Governor PENNYPACKER is sincere and determined in his purpose to enforce such provisions of the state constitution as present Legislature may yet take on an interesting form. The Governor can hardly recede from his purpose, either, for his oath of office to "support, obey and defend" the constitution, must spur him on. It is almost equally certain, moreover, that the leaders of the QUAY machine will resist the purpose to reapportion the State into Senatorial and Legislative districts. The present unjust and unequal apportionment is, tion that many might emulate who profess next to the bad ballot law, potential in preserving their power.

Berks county has 300 more population than Lancaster, yet Lancaster has two Senators and Berks only one at present. This sublime. is an aggravated case, it is true, but in almost the same proportions there are inequalities in other sections of the State. These discrepancies in the Senatorial ratio enable the Republican party to maintain its vast majority in the Legislature or at branch the injustice is almost if not altogether as potential and DURHAM and his vantages and opportunities without a strug-

Governor PENNYPACKER may not care for such unjust political advantages and if QUAY is really satisfied with respect to political ambitions he may be content to et the Governor bave his way. But DUR-HAM and ELKIN will not be so complacent They will insist on holding every advantage possible until their ambitions are also fulfilled and that will be a long time in the future. But we may have a very pretty fight over the affair. PENNYPACKER oesn't know much about the use of forces in such political contentions but he can learn and there will be plenty of willing teachers among those who are ready to atOur Views Endorsed.

City and State, a high class weekly pubthe editor, coincides with the views expressed by the WATCHMAN on the matter of the endorsement of District Attorney WEAVER by the Municipal League for the office of Mayor of that city. Mr. WEAVER has done nothing before or since his election to his present office, that journal says, to entitle him to such an endorsement but has done many things, both before and since, which deserve the opposition of all who pretend to stand for honest administration and better government. This is precisely the view that any sincere supporter of reform measures must entertain.

In the first place Mr. WEAVER would never have been district attorney of Philadelphia if he had believed in rewarding fidelity to the interests of the public and integrity in the performance of public duties. Mr. ROTHERMEL could have been district attorney all his life if he had agreed to allow the cause of the people against M. S. QUAY, when that gentleman was charged with the unlawful use of the public funds, to go by default. But because he proseouted QUAY just as he would any one else charged with crime the machine managers determined to defeat him for re-election and they found JOHN WEAVER a ready instrument in their hands to accomplish the wretched work.

If Mr. WEAVER had been a scrupulously honest and honorable man as the half dozen others who were approached before him on the subject were, he would have refused to become a candidate for the purpose of defeating ROTHERMEL. But he isn't of the metal of men who do such things. On the contrary he accepted with avidity the servthe liberality of the purchaser and the style ice of the machine and as he was little known and not under suspicion he was accepted by the people on the promise that he would do what ROTHEBMEL did. But as a matter of fact he did in the SALTER case just what ROTHERMEL refused to do in the QUAY case and his nomination for Mayor is

augura ted.

In the presence of a large and fashionable audience the magnificent pipe organ ality that the proceeds of the sale would go which the BEEZER Bies., of Pittsburg, to buying General GROSVENOR, who is very have placed in St. John's Catholic church in down easy. was inaugurated on Wednesday evening.

> The program that had been arranged to given critical attention, with the result that much pleasure was derived by all who were there. While most interest naturally centered in the organ itself and the master manipulation of Dr. D. D. Wood, the blind organist of St. Clements in Philadelphia, Mrs. Wood's exquisite singing, and the other numbers received the appre ciation they deserved, but over and above the swelling symphonies of the organ and the sweet songs of the singers the greatest significance of this auspicious event in Bellefonte was hinted at by Rev. MCARDLE, in his closing words of thanks.

The organ is a magnificent gift, but more magnificent is the character that its gift reveals in two young men, MICHAEL and LEWIS BEEZER, twin brothers, who left this place not more than fifteen years ago, hearts, houest purposes and a determinarelate to the question of apportionment the tion to succeed. They were sober, industrious, christian boys and in the very first flush of their success as architects they bring back this beautiful tribute to the dear old parents whose humble training had inspired them with the highest ideals.

Rich men are dying all about us and are leaving nothing to suggest to coming generations that they are of any value to their communities, but here we have an illustrato be more than these modest young architects ever hope to be.

The BEEZER memorial organ is grand, but the spirit in which it was given is

-At a meeting Monday night the council of Jersey Shore voted to banish all tried, and if convicted, hung. hogs from that borough. Of course only the four footed variety is proscribed. The others will still be permisted to stand on east in that branch of it. In the other the street corners and swear as ladies are passing, pollute the pavements with spit, scratch matches on the woodwork and walls crowd are not likely to give up such ad- of public places and damn every self-respecting person who has any ambition to be more than they are. And Jersey Shore is not the only town that has banished the most preferable of the two classes of hogs.

> A bill has been introduced in the Hopse by Representative Wetzel and in the Senate by Senator Patton, asking for an appropriation of \$10,000 for the Bellefonte ospital.

> county will meet in the office of John J. Bower, in the Eagle block, this evening at

Nothing but Some Rumors After All

From the Lincoln, Neb., Commoner.

Doubtless you have heard it stated
Knox would prosecute combines,
Well, it's nothing but a rumor after all.
And that greed would do full justice to the
men who work the mines.
Well, it's nothing but a rumor after all.
It may be that Rockefeller will reduce the

price of oil

As an answer to the people's earnest call.

But you'd better not believe it as your plans
I'll have to spoil—

It is nothing but a rumor after all.

Once we heard that civil service was the love of Roosevelt.

Well, 'twas nothing but a rumor after all.

That a hate for crooked workers we must all suppose he felt.

But it seems 'twas only rumor after all.

With a Clarkson put in office then sent over southern States

Civil service seems a virtue rather small.

Once 'twas told he wanted good men, but his action indicates

his action indicates
That twas nothing but a rumor after all.

Once the g. o. p. was quoted as a friend of once the g. o. p. was quoted as a friend of true reform.

Well, it seems 'twas only rumor after all.

That for honesty and justice it had friendship true and warm,

But 'twas nothing but a rumor after all.

"'Twill reform the Dingley tariff and deal equal justice 'round,"

We were told from early spring till late in fall.

But since trusting it to do it to our sorrow we have found
That 'twas nothing but a rumor after all.

Doubtless you have heard the story that

'tis peaceful in Luzon.
Well, it seems 'tis only rumor after all.
That it was a peaceful picture which we
ought to gaze upon.
But' was nothing only rumor after all.
When we've got to bribe the datos and go
hiking for Ladrones
Through the trackless jungle timber
thick and tall. All this talk of peace we're given in such bland and oily tones—
Well, it seems that it is rumor after all.

Job at Foolin' People That Wont

rom the Harrisburg Star-Independent. "The mountain labored and brought forth a mouse." That is after all th bluster and promise of legislation to re-strain and control the trusts we have a last got what? Why a measure upon which the President, the Senate and the trus magnates are agreed. It provides for a Commissioner of Corporations at a salary of \$5,000 a year and an assistant at \$3,500 and they shall investigate corporations and report to the President who may recom-

mend legislation to Congress now and then What a farce all this is? All that i amounts to is a few new offices to be used in discharging political debts mostly to the trusts, who will get such men as they want to make the kind of investigation they desire and such reports as will close the public eye and deceive the public eye and deceive the public mind. Naturally the trust magnates are pleased wit the arrangement. It is about what the would call a pudding. The President also pleased, the papers state. It lets him

has been playing the demagogue on this trust question. We will put them under control, he said, by such a method one day show the possibilities of the great organ and by a different process another, but he was most artistic and every number was never intended to put them under control. He is quite as much the servant of the trusts as any of the trust officials and his pretense of a desire to control them is false and fraudulent. He imagines that he is fooling the public, but he is only fooling

A Big Job for Pusey.

From the Philadelphia Record. It is no worse to depict a man as an human animal" than to describe him as such, and from Aesop to Uncle Remus "unhuman animals" have been used to typify human characteristics. F. T. Pusey. Delaware county, will have to expurgate English literature if he would eliminate all references to men who are as wise as owls, brave as lions, crafty as foxes, fierce as tigers, vain as peacocks, treac snakes, garrulous as magpies, imitative as monkeys and parrots, or stupid as asses Putting the thought into a cartoon or cari cature does not make a man more an ob ject of hatred, contempt or derision than endowed with nothing more than stout putting the thought into words, and the or caricature is without effect un less it reflect the sentiment of a large part of the community. The Governor says there are too many laws; why make anoth-

Hanging is What He Deserves.

rom the Columbia Independent. Henry E. Youtsey, who is serving a life sentence in the Kentucky penitentiary for complicity in the Gobel murder, has made a confession, in which he says that "James B. Howard, of Clay county, fired the shot that killed Goble," and that he was em-ployed by Gov. Taylor to do the deed, in nsideration of a pardon for murder and \$1,600 in money. And this Gov. Taylor is the same man who received a magnificent ovation in the Republican National Convention that convened in Philadelphia i 1900 and which nominated McKinley and Roosevelt, and is to-day a fugitive from his State. He ought to be kidnapped,

An Underlying Cause.

From the Philadelphia North American Down in Delaware things are getting exciting they are said to be sitting on a volcauo. It's easy to see that Addicks would prefer a seat in the Senate to a seat

Hits That Nail on the Head. From the Louisville Courier Journal.

The Philadelphia Press is whooping for election reform in Wisconsin. The further from home election reform is the better it

Bill to Pension Ninety-Day Veterans.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 2.—Representative Hemenway, of Indiana, today introduced a bill to pension all soldiers and sailors who served at least 90 days in the Civil war, at the rate of \$12 per month, and all widows of such soldiers and sailors married prior to June 27, 1890.

Spawls from the Keystone.

-York robbers like canned fruits as well as more merchantable plunder.

-At a South Bethlehem dance \$400 was cleared for the building fund of the new

-Miller George Schaffer was caught and ground to pieces in the machinery of his ce-

ment plant at Nazareth. -Kate Mickley has hiccoughed for 10 weeks at Virginia Mills, near Hanover, and

has nearly starved to death. -At Carlisle Charles Dent and George Kelly were convicted of robbing Alexander Duncan, a rich farmer, whom they bound and gagged with his wife.

-The Renovo News is urging the residents of that hustling town to petition Congressman Deemer to secure for them free mail delivery. Get a move on, neighbor, what's worth having, is worth striving for strenu-

-The Williamsport Clutch and Pulley company, is the latest industry secured by the hustling board of trade of that city. The company is capitalized at \$100,000 and will give employment to about 100 men at the

-William Smithman, a 17-year-old boy, was locked up at Williamsport Monday night for repeatedly cutting a freight train which was leaving the yards, because the conductor refused to allow him to ride in the caboose He is also accused of throwing switches.

-The Jersey Shore Water company have egun work on their line crossing Pine Creek. The work will necessarily be slow on account of the high water. Until the work is completed Oak Grove industries will be supplied with water by the use of a temporary pump that has been fitted up for the occasio

-John Packer, was arrested at Huntley, Cameron county, Tuesday by Samuel H. Myers, deputy constable, charged with wife desertion and was brought to Lock Haven. Packer skipped out last September, according to his wife's story, leaving no visible means of support for her or her child.

-James W. Clarke, a veteran Williamsport printer and newspaper publisher, died Tuesday morning after a lingering and painful illness. Mr. Clarke was one of the pioneer newspaper men of Williamsport. of whom only one or two are left. He was married to Miss Packer, a daughter of Gov.

-The Mann Edge Tool company, of Lewistown, have issued a notice to their employes in which they offer them an equal share in all profits accruing to the firm over and above 8 per cent. on the actual paid up stock of the company. They also invite the men to become stockholders of the concern.

-Forty-five school teachers of Logan township. Blair county, have established a precedent which may create trouble for directors throughout that county. They struck for a ten per cent, increase in wages and came out victors. The directors first refused, but afterwards, rather than see the schools closed, granted the increase. The schools were all open Tuesday.

-About 5 o'clock Tuesday morning some one shot a lot of dogs on the Austin porch on Washington avenue, in Tyrone, the bullet passing through a front window of the home and immediately over the head of Miss Mary Austin, who was in the room at the time. It landed against a partition wall and dropabove Miss Austin's head.

—It is said that passenger trains on the Beech Creek and Bald Eagle roads, which leave Mill Hall shortly before 4 o'clock in the afternoon, frequently engage in a race, which affords considerable amusement to the passengers. The speed attained is often close to a mile a minute and it is seldom that either train gains any great distance on the other. Several evenings last week passengers on these trains witnessed exciting races.

-As Thomas Maroney, fireman on the Elk Lick Lumber Co.'s road, was passing a string of loaded cars Tuesday night the load gave way and three logs rolled over him. At the point where the accident happened the snow was deep and Maroney was crushed into the snow practically out of harm's way. Had the ground been bare there could have been but one result-instant death. Fortunately his injuries were nothing more than a few bruises.

-A few years ago, fireman Walker, who was killed in the wreck near St. Mary's Monday morning, was firing an engine on which his father was engineer. At the father's request the men were put on different trains, so that if either one met death while on duty, the other would be left to care for the family. A short time after this, engineer Walker was killed in a wreck, and now the son has met death in the same man-

-A combine of all the manufactures of refactory brick who are outside the Harbison-Walker combine has been arranged with a capital of \$15,000,000 and will be financed by Colonial Trust company. The out-put of the plants will be 2.000,000,000 bricks yearly. The plant of the Reese Hammond company at Curwensville and the Climax Brick company, at Climax, are in the combine, together with others in the Clearfield district.

-The report of the state board of charities on the amount of the state aid recommended for each institution will soon be presented to the Legislature. Among the recommendations are the following: Huntingdon reformatory, \$183,955; Philipsburg hospital, \$22,600; Clearfield hospital, \$2,000; Conemaugh Valley hospital, Johnstown, \$30,000; Williamsport hospital, \$25,000; Altoona hospital \$25,000; DuBois hospital, \$4,000; Lock Haven hospital, \$10,000; Girls' Training school, Williamsport, \$4,000; Williamsport Home for the Friendless, \$12,000; Florence Crittendon home, Williamsport, \$2,500.

-E. B. Thurston, game-keeper at the park of the Otzinachson Rod and Gun club in Grugan township, Clinton Co., was found dead in the woods several miles from camp Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Thurston started out earlier in the day with his two dogs. Some hours later one of the animals returned and barked and acted in such a strange manner that the other men at the park, led by the dog, started out to discover what was wrong. Proceeding some distance, they heard the other dog barking loudly far away. Following in the direction from whence came its sound, they found Thurston lying on the ground dead. It is supposed heart disease caused his death.