

Ink Slings.

Who said that he would show them how To run their poly-dies Who wants to have his finger in All of the dis-ty tricks Who did not get the post-office Nor food in-spector's berth Who is the big-gest blath-er-skite That's liv-in on the earth.

Why it is tom Yes it is tom He is the man that killed poor Harry P tom tom Why it is tom Yes it is tom Who rakes with COLONEL-C. Our pri-va-te tom.

152.....private tom. —Death has been President ROOSEVELT's most powerful ally in politics.

—The fact that Panama elected three vice-presidents makes it look like some one expected to do a little killing down there. —Radium being quoted at \$700,000 a pound we are constrained to say that it is not yet up to the value of consolidated Lake Superior water.

—We always did think that when "Taisy and Tash" died all the brains departed from the editorial room of the Gaazoo. Now we are convinced of it. —It doesn't matter much how March comes in like a lion or a lamb. This winter has frozen all our sensibilities so hard that no one cares any more what happens.

—HANNA's death is a matter of genuine regret. While we never could endorse his political views we always did admire the fair and square spirit of manhood in him. —Had "Taisy" or "Tash" been alive on Wednesday morning they would probably have paved a few tears out of their eyes and sobbed: And the blow almost killed "Me".

—Last week we announced that "Jo Jo" the dog faced by is dead but private tom still lives. Inasmuch as the latter has not been heard from since Tuesday we imagine he has gone to hunt Jo Jo. —If we only had a few gold mines along the banks of Spring creek the Klondyke wouldn't have so much to blow about after all, for when it comes to weather—Well, we can frost the mercury, too.

—QUAY's deft didn't scare Justice J. HAY BROWN very much, but the "old man" let it be known that if he wants to put his PENNY on the Supreme bench he'll do it, notwithstanding the wishes of the people of Pennsylvania. —The Japs have crippled or captured about all the boats Russia has in evidence in oriental waters. Their latest feat was a daring dash into the harbor at Port Arthur on Sunday, the result of which was the torpedoing of two more Russian boats. —Do you suppose Taisy and Tash will know tom when he meets them in the hereafter? He'll have to do better than he has been doing lately or he will be so little that the friends of his earlier days in the ink keg wout be able to see him at all.

—"I'll show them who runs the Republican party," said the editor of the Gaazoo a week or so before the election. Election day brought conclusive evidence that the Snyder county carpet-bagger has about as much to do with it as one of JOHNSON's mules. —One of the best reasons for not taking up any of the men who have already shown an eagerness to succeed the late M. A. HANNA, in the upper house of Congress, is because they have not had the decency or good sense to curb their ambition until after the departed Senator has been laid to rest.

—Can you imagine what would have happened if tom had put himself on the ticket for treasurer. It was too bad that he had all those tickets and county statements to print just at the time the people would have hailed with delight the opportunity of giving him a complimentary vote in the neck. —Judging from dispatches in the Philadelphia papers on Sunday COLONEL chambers carries the judicial and congressional favors in this district around in his vest pocket. That is—judging from the dispatches. Judging from the results of the election here on Tuesday what COLONEL chambers carries any place would scarcely result in one vote.

—The real meaning of the result of Tuesday's contest in Bellefonte has probably soaked through the enlarged skull of private tom by this time, for it is hoped that he has come to realize that men who were good Republicans long before he knew what he was are quite capable of running their party's affairs yet. It was not so much a victory for the Democratic nominee for treasurer on Tuesday, as it was a setback for the blithering bombast whose party loyalty is measured only by what there is in it for him. In a recent screed, devoted to the writer, he claims that he has never asked for an elective office, the reason of which must be patent to everyone who knows him well. This is about the only bit of good sense we can give him credit for having, for he knows, too well, what would happen to him in Republican Bellefonte if he were even to run for high county against the meanest rascallion in the town. We would as soon think of stealing a witted cabbage leaf from a blind cow as to deprive him of any of the glories that are rightfully his own, therefore we congratulate the monumental ass that made Tuesday's victory the largest we have ever had in Bellefonte.

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A Candid Lecture.

Professor CHARLES ZUEBLIN of the Chicago University lectured before the Society for Ethical Culture in the New Century hall, Philadelphia, on Sunday and he told his audience some wholesome if not altogether pleasant truths. "Philadelphia," he said, "was formerly stationed on the line of the Pennsylvania railroad. Now that road runs around your city and I am shocked at the complaints against the method. You have no right to complain."

The eminent western scholar is not well informed on the main proposition. That is to say he is in error in his statement that the Pennsylvania railroad now runs around Philadelphia. As a matter of fact it goes closer to the business centre of that city with all its trains, including those said to be "side-tracked," than that of any other city of large population in the country. But he is well informed and thoroughly intelligent in his statement that the people of Philadelphia have no right to complain. They have forfeited their rights in every respect.

Philadelphia "corrupt and contented," has isolated itself by its own overwhelming iniquity. As we stated last week it has forfeited the profitable friendship of the South by deliberately injuring the material interests and disturbing the social tranquility of that section. It has forfeited the respect of decent people in other sections of the country by its corrupt political methods. In every intelligent community it is known for its political venality and official corruption. Throughout the entire country the name of Philadelphia is a synonym for corrupt politics. For years the governing agents in the city have been in partnership with the purveyors of vice and the people make no protest.

Philadelphia is now asking Congress for a thirty-five foot channel in the Delaware at a vast expense to the people of the country. Not long ago, in order to give employment to colonizers for use in stuffing ballot boxes, an island of considerable dimensions in the river between Philadelphia and Camden was removed and thrown into the channel. The purpose of the present scheme to dredge the river is to give employment for men for the same purpose in the coming election and if the Democrats are wise they will not vote a dollar to Philadelphia until substantial evidences of political reform have been given.

Superserviceable Judge Rebuked.

The Supreme court on Saturday, by unanimous vote, reversed the decision of Judge MARTIN of the Fifth court of Philadelphia to the effect that the Independence party there had no right to "file certificates of nomination," and occupy a separate square on the ballot as a party designation. The court of last resort not only thus rebuked Mr. DURHAM's very superserviceable instrument, but put it in a humiliating form. That is it plainly declared that Judge MARTIN had no right to pass on certain questions upon which he predicted his absurd opinion, but that in usurping the right he revealed something like ignorance or subserviency to the machine.

MARTIN is one of the "hand-made" Judges whom DURHAM has recently put on the bench in order that he might prostitute the courts to the base purposes of politics and graft. The Fifth court was created for the purpose primarily of making political patronage and with the other notion of getting control of the courts through the board of judges. Among the older Judges there are a few men who are far beyond the reach of the machine. There was no way to get rid of them. The only course open, therefore, was to multiply the number of Judges so that those who are guided by conscience and governed by principles of honor would be greatly in the minority. MARTIN was put on as one of the majority.

When the Mayor of Philadelphia announced that he would stand for an honest election this spring the machine jumped to the conclusion that it was in danger and that it would be necessary to take precaution against a strong opposition vote. We don't believe that there ever was any danger but "a guilty conscience needs no accuser" and the machine became panto to shriek. The Independence party, composed of respectable Democrats, had formed an alliance with the Municipal League, mainly respectable Republicans and the machine got frightened. Accordingly it appealed to the court to have the Independence ticket declared invalid and Judge MARTIN made the decision wanted. But the Supreme court promptly reversed him and ordered the Commissioners to put the ticket on the ballot. The order of the court was not carried out but the rebuke to Judge MARTIN is none the less severe on that account.

The E. Alfred Danieux grand opera company did not appear in the opera house here Saturday night, as advertised, being hemmed in at Berwick by the ice gorges and high waters of the Susquehanna valley.

Quay's Curious Ebullition.

It is no exaggeration to estimate Senator QUAY's recent address to "the Republicans of Pennsylvania," as a political sensation of the season. It is probably the most open defiance of decent public opinion ever promulgated by a public man. More than that, it is the most audacious assault upon the dignity of the Supreme court ever uttered by a citizen of the State. It not only holds the court up to popular ridicule, but it assails the integrity of the election of at least one of the judges. "There is no reason within my recollection," the Senator writes, "why the bench should distinguish him (Justice BROWN), as its especial representative to prevent our Chief Executive from passing between the wind and their nobility."

What keener sarcasm could be invoked against the court. But the Senator doesn't stop there. "Even in his case," he writes, again referring to Justice BROWN, "there were evil disposed persons who said he was not selected for pre-eminent qualification, nor in obedience to the clarionous demands of the people, but that he was, so to speak, taken by the scruff of the neck and the seat of his inexpressibles by a friend or two and catapulted over the sacred pale which divides the Supreme court from common mortals." Thus in one sentence the capability of Justice BROWN is impugned, the character of his election brought into question and the court again accused of pretentiousness by an ill concealed and most pointed innuendo.

Of course Senator QUAY has a right to his own opinion of a tribunal which he has practically created. He may think as he likes of men whom he has catapulted into positions of honor and under the new salary law, considerable emolument. But unless his amiable and somewhat vain cousin, the Governor of Pennsylvania, is gravely mistaken in his estimate of obligations to high official dignitaries, in presenting his views to the public through the medium of an address to "The Republicans of Pennsylvania," he has grossly libeled the gentlemen who compose that "honorable court." We have no complaint against his estimate of some of the members of that court, moreover. But publicly aspersing the character of men for whom he is alone responsible is had form, to say the least.

Death of Senator Hanna.

The death of Senator HANNA which occurred in Washington on Monday evening inflicts a great loss on the Republican party and has caused a widespread feeling of regret among the people of all parties throughout the country. He was a man of vast power and great resources. He probably fell far short of the standard of great statesmanship, but his practical common sense and immense mental and physical energy gave him a force among men and in affairs that went a long way toward taking the place of the higher quality of statesmanship. In other words he was a man capable of making the most of his opportunities.

There is an old proverb and one worthy of respect as a rule, to the effect that "nothing but good should be spoken of the dead." Senator HANNA had many good characteristics and much might justly be said in praise of him. But it can hardly be said that his influence on the public life of the country was for the best. During the last two or three years he has revealed ed symptoms of an ambition to promote the common weal and the sordidness and selfishness which characterized his first political movements were disappearing. But the predominant trait in his political operations was in the line of commercialism and that is an element of public danger.

Senator HANNA's first election to the Senate was achieved under circumstances that wouldn't stand the lime light of close scrutiny. In fact an investigation followed which led perilously close to a scandal. Some of his subsequent political operations were scarcely less censurable. He believed in the power of money to accomplish results and wasn't too careful about the methods of using it. But of late he seemed to have acquired a broader and better understanding of the obligations of citizenship and if he had lived a few years might have developed into a public man of great usefulness, as well as vast power.

While Hublersburg is an old, old town, it will have its first brick house erected next summer. The dwelling will be constructed for the use of Miss Rooley, by her representative, S. P. Hookman, of Hedla, who at one time lived on the Krape farm in Gregg township. The contractors for the wood work are the Hagen brothers, of Farmers Mills, while Al Osman, of Centre Hall, will do the brick work.

Tuesday was another cold day, the mercury registering from 5 to 10 degrees below zero in Bellefonte, according to location of the thermometers.

An Interesting Scandal.

There is a new and interesting scandal in Philadelphia. Mr. WILLIAM SELLERS, a very wealthy and very influential Republican accuses two of the machine councilmen of attempting to blackmail him. The accused councilmen are close friends of Insurance Commissioner DURHAM. One of them is ex-sheriff CROW and the other a man named PENNYWELL, equally influential. Mr. SELLERS wanted one of the city streets vacated for his private use and appealed to the councilmen in question for the necessary legislation. They were entirely willing to sacrifice the public interests and give away the public property, but wanted something for their services. They fixed the something at \$36,000.

According to Mr. Sellers' story he was willing to give that amount of money to the city for the property he needed. Indeed it may be inferred that he regarded the price as something in the nature of a bargain. But when he asked Mr. CROW what would be done with the money that candid gentleman replied that it would be used to "grease the machine." Mr. Sellers had always been a generous contributor to the grease fund himself and objected to being held up in that way. Therefore he appealed to Commissioner DURHAM who promptly ordered the legislation to be enacted without expense to Mr. SELLERS. Afterward SELLERS told the story of CROW's demand and now it is likely to become the subject of investigation.

It is worthy of remark that no one interested in the scheme ever gave a thought to the interests of the people. Mr. SELLERS didn't care a tinker's cuss for the effect of abandoning the street on the value of other people's property. He has a very extensive manufacturing plant and needed more ground. CROW and PENNYWELL didn't mind the inconvenience to the public which the closing of a public street might entail. They wanted \$36,000 to divide between themselves to "grease the machine," and DURHAM gave as little thought to the people. He wanted to oblige Mr. SELLERS who had probably frequently "helped him out" when he was shy on campaign expenses. We hope, however, that there will be a complete exposure of the affair now, that it has become public.

A Political Contrast.

We desire to call particular attention to the vast difference between the course adopted by a Republican member of Congress for this State and that of a Democratic member of Congress, from Colorado, under similar conditions. In other words, we would invite a comparison of Representative WILLIAM CONNELL, Republican, of Soranton, Pennsylvania, and JOHN F. SHAFROTH, Democrat, of Colorado, in their estimate of moral obligations in connection with a disputed title to a seat in the House of Representatives. We will not go so far as to say that the conduct of each gentleman is characteristic of the party to which he belongs. But it is fair that it is characteristic of them.

Mr. CONNELL, a multi-millionaire and a jobber in political patronage, was defeated after an extraordinary campaign by a man whose pecuniary possessions made the purchase of votes an impossibility. Notwithstanding his defeat, however, Mr. CONNELL laid claim to the seat on the ground that in certain portions of the district fraud had been perpetrated, and that under the law such frauds vitiated the polls of the districts in question. Throwing them out, however, wouldn't serve his purpose, for it left his antagonist with a majority still. For that reason he asserted a proposition that some of the ballots in the district which had been cast for him be counted, giving him a majority and that absurd and immoral claim was allowed by the majority in the body.

On the other hand Mr. SHAFROTH was returned as elected by a majority of nearly three thousand but his seat was contested on precisely the same grounds as those alleged by Mr. CONNELL, namely, that frauds in a district vitiated the poll and therefore the vote of the district should be thrown out which would leave the contestee without a majority. When the evidence showed that some frauds had been committed, Mr. SHAFROTH relinquished the seat. If the honest votes cast for each candidate in the district had been counted SHAFROTH would still have a considerable majority. But in Colorado, as in Pennsylvania, the law vitiated the polls because of some frauds and Democratic Mr. SHAFROTH gave up his seat rather than wear a tainted title.

Rev. A. R. Lambert, a former member of the Central Pennsylvania conference has been tendered the pastorate of the First M. E. church in Chicago at a salary of \$8,000 per year. For the past couple years he has been pastor of a Methodist church in Spokane, Washington, during which time the membership has been increased from 900 to 1800.

Senator Morgan's "Cellar."

From the Washington Post. Senator Spooner keeps a very close eye on what he calls "Senator Morgan's cellar." He can tell more accurately than any other man in the Senate when the Alabama is getting ready to speak and how prolonged the effort will be.

This "cellar" is in the depths of Mr. Morgan's mahogany desk. As the latter prepares to speak he literally fills his big desk full of papers of many descriptions bearing on the subject in hand, which just now is the Panama canal and pending treaty. Day by day he accumulates a stock of manuscript, which is carefully stored away for use. When the desk is nearly full, Mr. Spooner knows that the time for a speech is approaching. As Mr. Morgan proceeds he reaches down into the "cellar" and brings out packages after package. When the last comes to view Mr. Spooner knows that the "cellar" is exhausted and that Mr. Morgan's speech is near a conclusion.

Deal Will Be Closed.

From the Altoona Times. The deal by which the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke company will secure control of the Beech Creek Coal and Coke company which has enormous mining and smelting interests in this country, will be closed within the next two weeks and will go into effect Feb. 15. It is said there has been a slight hitch as to the price, which has delayed matters thus far, and that part of the consideration will be taken by the Beech Creek owner in stock of the Pennsylvania company. The coal mine in the Cambria and Clearfield district is picking up, many of the mines that were running on half time having resumed almost steady operations. The demand for the bituminous product is almost as great as it was before the general depression in business set in.

Senator Hanna's Career.

Marous Alonzo Hanna was born in New Lisbon, Columbiana county, Ohio, September 24, 1837. In 1852 he removed with his father's family to Cleveland and was educated in the public schools of that city and the Western Reserve College, of Hudson, Ohio. He was engaged as an employee in the wholesale grocery house of Hanna, Garretson & Company; his father being senior member of the firm. His father died in 1863, after which date he represented his father's interests in the firm until 1867, when the business was closed. Mr. Hanna then became a member of the firm of Rhodes & Company, which engaged in the iron and coal business. At the expiration of ten years of the firm, he was associated with M. A. Hanna & Company, which is still in existence and very widely known. Mr. Hanna had been identified with the lake-carrying business, having been interested in vessels on the lakes and in the construction of such vessels. He was a director in the Globe Ship Manufacturing Company, of Cleveland; president of the Union National Bank, of Cleveland; president of the Cleveland City Railway Company, and president of the Chapin Mining Company, which has mines on Lake Superior.

It was in 1885 that Senator Hanna, then a wealthy man, began his political career. Then he was appointed government director of the Union Pacific Railway company by President Cleveland. He was a delegate to the national conventions of 1884, 1888 and 1896. It was in the campaign just before the 1896 convention that he gained renown for his remarkable gathering of delegates for President McKinley. In 1896 he was elected chairman of the National Republican committee, and on March 5th, 1897, he was appointed to the United States Senate by Governor Bushnell, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John Sherman, who resigned to accept the position of Secretary of the State in President McKinley's cabinet. Immediately after being appointed Mr. Hanna took his seat. His term of service under the appointment expired in 1898. He was then elected for a full term, which he served with such satisfaction as to cause his reelection last month by the Ohio Senate and House, by the largest majority ever given a Senator from that State.

Going After Britain.

Russia Preparing to Move on India Unless England Keeps Out of the Scrap. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 16.—Lieutenant General Ivanoff, governor general and commander of the troops in Turkestan has gone to Tashkend, with General Sakharoff, chief of the staff of the military district of Turkestan. It is said in high military circles that General Ivanoff has been instructed to prepare for the contingency of military action in the direction of India, in the event of Great Britain adopting an attitude openly hostile to Russia, or attempting to prejudice Russian interests in Persia or Tibet.

Public opinion in Russia even among military men, is strongly opposed to Viceroy Alexieff, who is accused of incapacity. A movement is on foot in favor of the immediate appointment of General Kuropatkin the war minister, to command the Russian and forces and to give Admiral Shrydlaff command of the sea. A meeting of the council of the empire was held today. It was attended by the heir presumptive, the Grand Duke Michell and other grand dukes. Vice Admiral Makaroff, the ice breaker specialist of the Russian navy, and until recently commander in chief at Cronstadt, has gone to the far east. The spirit of patriotism at Moscow among the muscovites has resulted in the rough handling of a number of persons who failed to take off their hats while crowds were singing the national hymn. It is even reported that some of the offenders were killed, but this is not confirmed officially. The bourse, after being steady yesterday, slumped badly today.

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Spawls from the Keystone.

—While Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kreider, of near Lebanon, were butchering, a few days ago, their four-year-old son, Clarence, fell into a stand of boiling lard and was scalded to death.

—Five business men of Williamsport, sold a tract of timber land in the west recently for \$1,500,000. One of these men was J. W. Crispen, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Ira Fox, of Lock Haven.

—The two Italians from Smoke Run, Clearfield Co., who were on trial for murder, were found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to the penitentiary for eight years and \$100 fine each.

—The channel in the ice in Lycoming creek has been blasted a distance of about 4,000 feet and will be continued until it reaches the county bridge at Williamsport. The work may cost about \$1,000.

—The hotel at Gazzam, owned by Zenes Ardery, which was refused license by Judge Smith was destroyed by fire on Sunday morning with all its contents. The loss \$5,000, is fully covered by insurance.

—A crowd of about 25 boys and young men armed with guns and revolvers, chased a supposedly mad dog belonging to John Sager about Salona Tuesday and peppered away at the animal until he dropped over and died.

—The last of the bench of the new Pennsylvania tunnel at Gallitzin has been taken up and the work of concreting the tunnel is being pushed rapidly. It is expected that all the work will be completed and the track laid within the next three months.

—Josiah Shute, township committeeman, of Glassboro, N. J., comes forward with the announcement that he has a flock of hens that are hard to beat when it comes to laying in an egg famine. In the past month his 85 hens have given him 1164 dozen eggs.

—Friday at the old freight depot in Huntingdon occurred the sale of unclaimed or lost freight, which is the accumulation of years on the main line from Altoona to Mifflin and on the Broad Top railroad from Cumberland to Huntingdon. The articles sold were varied and interesting ranging from an empty barrel to an empty coffin.

—At Mahaffey early Thursday morning burglars entered the postoffice and the store of Wrigley Hardware company. They were scared away without getting any plunder by the noise of the explosion when they blew off the door of the postoffice safe, which awoke people in the vicinity, who turned out and attempted to capture them.

—The body of John Schloski, a 14-year-old lad of Glendale, was recovered from the Mansfield Coal & Coke Company's No. 2 mine, near Carnegie, shortly after noon Tuesday. Tuesday the boy and his father worked together in the mine until just before noon, when the slate above came down on the boy and crushed him. The father escaped uninjured.

—The Lock Haven paper mill was compelled to shut down last Friday night on account of not being able to secure water from the canal, which is frozen solid to the sand bars near the Flemington grist mill, being 38 inches thick in some places. A force of thirty men was at once put to work cutting and dynamiting the ice in order to get water through to the mill.

—Patrolman Jasper Fincher, of Williamsport, says that city has the meanest thief he ever heard of and it cost him just \$20 to find it out. The officer lost his pocketbook containing \$20 and papers and Saturday he received a package by mail on which he had to pay the postage as no stamps were on it. On opening the same it was found to contain his missing pocketbook, minus the \$20.

—Mrs. Mary McCormick, of Chester, states that the general supposition that February 2nd is ground-hog day is erroneous. She claims that her husband and sons have made a study of the life of the ground-hog, and that February 14th is the first day on which he comes forth. She says: "I have lived in the country all my life and my sons are trappers. They never think of looking for ground-hog until after St. Valentine's day."

—Roland Mothersbaugh, a 6-year-old youngster of Johnstown, while playing along the banks of Cheny run last Saturday fell into the water and was carried through a sewer 500 feet long and then floated an additional 100 feet in the stream, when he managed to grasp an overhanging bush and pulled himself out. He walked off home none the worse, apparently, for his perilous experience.

—The trial of Mrs. Julia Evans for the killing of Alfred Berger at Coalport was completed at Clearfield Friday afternoon, and in less than ten minutes the jury returned a verdict of guilty of voluntary manslaughter. Berger and others some months ago attempted to enter Mrs. Evans's home in Coalport, and to frighten them away she fired a revolver, the bullet passing through the door, striking Berger and causing death.

—We are going to prosecute constables who fail to turn out to fight forest fires, says Secretary J. T. Rothrock, of the Pennsylvania Forestry Association. We have told constables that whenever they see the county commissioners for their service for fighting the fires, if the lower courts give judgment against them, we will pay the costs of carrying it to the Superior court. The commissioners have been telling the constables that they could not be paid, but there is a penalty for the commissioners, too, which may be enforced.

—Christian Weidler, an old and highly respected resident of Crawford township, Nippenose valley, has been ill for some time and is kindly nursed by Simon Sallada an old friend of the family. Mr. Weidler is about 85 years old and is well-to-do and is the owner of considerable real estate. He resides on his farm about two miles from Rauchtown, where he has lived nearly all his life. He owns a large grist mill at Rauchtown, managed by his son. A few days ago, thinking he was going to die, told Mr. Sallada to go to his mill at Rauchtown and on the ground floor of the mill near the water wheel you will find a few flat stones and underneath one of these, you will find a pot of gold coins. Mr. Sallada immediately left for the mill and going to the place directed, after turning over several stones, he found a pot of gold containing over \$900. The next day it was deposited in the bank at Jersey Shore.