

-KUBOPATKIN and KUROKI both begin with K, so does killed and the accent is on the K.

-The Russians might hire BARNEY OLDFIELD'S automobile. It could kill a few Japs, maybe.

-The Water committee of council has joined the average farmer of the county in an earnest supplication for rain.

-September is here and with it comes the oyster and the theatre. The lobster and the ham are ever among us.

-Scandal will flourish in any community as long as gossiping prevails. But to suppress gossiping! Ah! There is the rub.

-For once since the opening of the war the Russians have succeeded in doing something. During the fighting at Liao-Yang on Wednesday they forced the Japs back with serious losses.

-The business in children's tin soldiers having increased about fifty per cent within the past three months all that remains is for Mr. Strenuous Teddy ROOSEVELT to rush out onto the stage and claim the credit.

-CHRISTIAN BEEKER, the New Yorker who has just been sent to the penitentiary for masquerading as a woman for the past twenty years, was probably a very virtuous woman, but the judge evidently questioned his virtue as a man.

-The balloon race from St. Louis to Washington, D. C., has been called off, principally because the balloons hadn't been made familiar enough with the topography of the country to know that the goal was east of the starting point. They all sailed west.

-The Republicans of Centre county would hardly confer the chairmanship of their organization on Mr. QUIGLEY, just at this time, and should they forget so soon the memory of their dead chieftain we doubt if Mr. QUIGLEY would even consider accepting the office.

-Now where is the Republican paper that will be mean enough to ascribe Senator D. B. HILL'S announced intention to retire from politics on January 1st as an effort on his part to bust the corner that breakfast food manufacturers are trying to make in peanut shells.

-If the Republicans are looking for a county chairman, really in search of leaders who could lead, why don't they persuade Col. JIM COBURN or the Hon. A. O. FURST to take the helm. They were politicians before some of those other fellows were out of their long slaps.

-The Pennsylvania farmers will lash themselves into a fury of indignation over the outrageous manner in which they have been set before the world at St. Louis, but they will continue to vote for the party that makes just that sort of misrepresentation possible. Watch them endorse it with their votes next fall.

-Chairman HALL'S letter of advice to Democratic workers in Pennsylvania points out a few pleasant possibilities that have not been generally thought of. He urges that it is possible for the Democrats to elect seven Congressmen, seven Senators, and seven Judges. There ought to be luck in this series of seven. And as to the latter we are going to get one of them right here in Centre county.

-The appearance of the Hon. DRESSER in Bellefonte on Wednesday was the signal for a host of Republicans to swarm about him so thick that the poor man actually had trouble in getting air. He wasn't feeling well, either, and it is needless to remark that he would have felt much worse had he staid here any longer. This thing of being a Congressman aint what it is cracked up to be; especially when the seeds are to be sent out and the constituents in other counties are to be visited. Why they were actually so enthusiastic over "Uncle SOLLY" on Wednesday night, that some of them insisted on sleeping right in his bed.

-The struggle for the chairmanship of the Republican county committee has been in earnest. Rumor has it that JOSEPH L. MONTGOMERY could have the place, if he wants it, because Uncle SOLLY DRESSER prefers him and, you know, Uncle SOLLY'S wad talks loudest these days when there are no more HASTINGS to foot the bills. Aunt CLEMENTINA DALE could be "it," 'tis said, but she has the rare good sense to take care of a very profitable law practice just now and let the fellows who forgot her when she was a candidate for Congress run things. PHIL FOSTER, the county treasurer, could have it, and might accept because Judge LOVE is said to prefer him, but it is not probable that PHIL has so soon forgotten the man who made him what he is politically. HARD P. HARRIS is spoken of, though it is not known whether he could have it or whether he would take it, if offered. Certain it is that of all the men mentioned he would be best adapted for the detail work, as well as for doing the "glad hand" act when "the boys" come to town. After these four rumors run riot among COLONEL CHAMBERS, tom barter, J. THOMAS MITCHELL and G. WASHINGTON REES, but it is not likely that the latter would accept because the ink on that letter about the little school board matter hasn't faded sufficiently to permit of his mixing in much.

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The Indiana Campaign.

The friends of the late BENJAMIN HARRISON in Indiana may be set down as supporters of Judge PARKER in the pending campaign. It will be remembered that before his death General HARRISON had expressed opposition to the colonial policy of his party. In one of his public addresses he stated "we hold no command from God to police the world."

This statement is so generally expressed among the HARRISON element of the Republican party of Indiana that there is no longer ground for doubt that Judge PARKER will carry that State by a substantial majority. Republicans have frequently conceded this in their effort to enlist the services of the corporations, railroad and industrial interests in behalf of ROOSEVELT. Chairman CORTELYOU recently stated to the President, that so far as the corporations could control the election in Indiana, the result would be favorable to the Republican candidate.

It has been arranged that HENRY G. DAVIS, Democratic candidate for Vice President, will deliver a number of addresses in that State. There is great demand for his presence at meetings and the purpose of the party management is to put him in the industrial centers, where his satisfactory record among labor men will prove effective.

At this time the Democrats are entirely confident of the State and the indications are that they are justified in their confidence.

The President's Change of Habit.

The marked difference between the conduct of the President now and a year ago is beginning to attract public attention. Then he was leading a strenuous life and breathing the spirit of war, doing all sorts of stunts in athletics and commanding public notice by his extravagances. Now there is no one so demure. He works ten hours a day, six days a week and has no time to give even to his intimate friends, he is so anxious to serve the public.

Last year in the early spring the President made his famous excursion into the swamps of Mississippi in pursuit of bear. During that trip he slept in the open and entertained his friends at a sumptuous dinner on bear claws. Afterward, in Virginia, he rode wildly through a drenching storm to show his contempt for the elements.

This year the President is spending no public money, wasting none of the time for which he is paid out of the treasury and is assiduously cultivating a reputation for industry and fidelity to the public. This change naturally sets people to thinking. ROOSEVELT'S record ever since his first conspicuous appearance in public life shows him to be a man of violent passions and extravagant purposes. That he has changed from these life customs to others diametrically opposite can hardly be possible.

Reciprocity with Canada.

The Canadian government has a curious but effective way of equalizing things. Some days ago the Canadian Pacific railroad purchased from the American steel trust large quantities of steel rails at \$21 per ton. The same trust charges American consumers of the same material \$28 a ton.

Of course the Canadian government was not influenced by a desire to injure the Canadian corporation or discriminate against Canadian industry. If the rails had not been bought from the American steel trust it would have been necessary to purchase them in Great Britain or Germany, so that there was no incentive for complaint that Canadian industry had been damaged. But the Canadian government has been for more than a dozen years appealing to the government of the United States for a restoration of the reciprocity treaty which formerly existed between the two governments and the American steel trust has been the most strenuous opponent of this policy.

On the other hand there are many products of Canada which we could use to great advantage and procure it at a much cheaper rate if the impost was removed. Lumber, for example, is abundant and cheap in Canada, while in this country we are getting perilously close to the famine stage.

Democracy and Tariff.

The main contention of the Republican Press is, that in the event of Democratic success, the tariff fabric will be completely destroyed. It suits their purpose to convey the notion that the Democratic party is antagonistic to all tariff taxation. As a matter of fact, during the sixty years of Democratic control, previous to 1861, the entire revenues of the government were raised by tariff taxation.

The Democrats have always favored tariff for revenue. The first tariff was proposed by JEFFERSON and during all the period from the beginning of his administration until the close of that of BUCHANAN'S there was no other form of taxation. Even the war tariff of '61, though far in excess of any previous tariff, was not opposed by the Democrats because it was recognized as a war measure and national necessity.

The Democratic platform faithfully represents the Democratic attitude on the tariff question. It declares that protection is robbery, because the money drawn from the people through the protective feature of the tariff law is not appropriated to the legitimate uses of taxation. Long ago a famous writer and statesman said that taxes collected from the people for purposes other than the actual expenses of the government is robbery.

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Women as Mail Carriers.

More flattering and more indicative of their claims to consideration in all fields of work than any editorials attempting to decri their inefficiency and weakness, are the columns, in the last week's dailies, devoted to women as mail carriers. The very fact that one large daily devoted half a page to a caricature and another two columns to the action of JOHN MCKAY, postmaster of Des Moines, Iowa, who has requested permission from Washington to appoint women as letter carriers, is evidence that woman is a factor, important and felt, in business today.

The struggle to be recognized has been a long and bitterly fought one for woman, but that it is a winning one is proven by the importance accorded this pertinent move of Mr. MCKAY'S. The Des Moines postoffice ranks nineteenth in the country in volume of business and the opinion of its postmaster is worthy of consideration. He says that in his sixty years of business experience he has found women to pay stricter attention to any assignment than men. They are more ambitious, appreciate more the wages that they earn, have a higher sense of honesty than the average man, will over-work to please, are more loyal to their task.

"Give a woman the same experience in business life that you give a man, and she is much steadier. She learns quicker what she must avoid. She has a better memory. She has a clearer mind, and she is not unduly inquisitive."

I wouldn't pick out a woman under 25 for the work. I have learned this about women, that when they do command respect they are masters of a larger world than men can master. The average citizen will give to a woman of character greater respect than he will to a man.

There is no danger that the kind of woman I would pick out for letter carriers would be insulted. They would not have to listen to "ouss" words. They would go straight ahead about their business and return to the office promptly on time. I am confident that kicks on the routes would be very few."

Don't forget that on Wednesday, Sept. 7th, will be the last day on which voters can be registered in time to vote next fall.

Campaign of False Pretense.

The bread line at a New York bakery, according to the New York World "now nightly contains 400 men." The bread line is an assemblage of hungry men who have gathered to obtain bread through charity to save them from starvation. They are not tramps. They are mechanics, laboring men, clerks, and men of one occupation or another, willing to work if work could be obtained.

The Port Arthur garrison has slain its thousands, but the Che-Foo correspondent has slain his tens of thousands. Mr. Roosevelt never held the same office twice. He has held numerous offices, but was never reappointed or re-elected to one of them. And he has rarely retired from one without a rumpus with his official associates.

The Republican campaign is predicated on falsehood and maintained in fraud. Senator LODGE is only a fair sample of the orators of that party. The Democratic congressional conference for this, the twenty-first, district will be held in DuBois next Wednesday, Sept. 7th. It is announced that Mr. Geo. Dimeling, of Clearfield, will not be a candidate before the conference for the nomination, which will likely go to Mr. Lewis Emery, Jr., of Bradford, McKean county.

Saturday, Oct. 8th, will be the last day on which you can pay taxes in order to secure a vote next fall.

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Blood Money and the Tariff.

From The Harrisburg Patriot, August 29. In discussing the riches left by William Weightman, popularly supposed to have been the wealthiest man in Pennsylvania when he died, the Philadelphia Press says that his fortune was a mere by-product and that the real work of his life was in providing work for other men. As a matter of fact, Mr. Weightman's fortune was the direct product of a most iniquitous tariff—the tariff on quinine.

During the Civil War, when quinine was the chief medicine demanded by our soldiers in the field, and for a good many years, afterward, Powers & Weightman, the principal manufacturers of quinine in this country, were piling up millions at the expense of the Government, and of all the sick and suffering who needed that medicine, because that firm was protected by a practically prohibitive tariff, which enabled it to demand and get from the consumer a price outrageously in excess of the cost of manufacture. The fact that the scandal finally became so great and the demand for reform so persistent that the tariff on quinine was taken off, does not affect the issue. The great Powers & Weightman fortunes had then been made.

Where That Procession Fell Short.

From the Lincoln (Neb) Commoner. It was eminently fitting that "Philippine Day" at the St. Louis exposition should have been made the occasion for a great military pageant. It is reported that 5,000 soldiers were in line in the parade. Doubtless the parade was beautiful to behold, but it must have called up sorrowful memories to thoughtful Americans who witnessed it. The 5,000 soldiers in the parade about equalled in numbers the soldiers that have been sacrificed upon the altar of imperialism; about the number that succumbed to fever and bullets and disease in the "colony." But the military showing was not sufficient to point out all of this miserable Philippine business. It included no division showing the \$600,000,000 worth of squandered in attempting to engraft the un-American doctrine of colonialism upon our system of government. "Philippine Day" at the exposition was not fully taken advantage of by those who insist upon holding the islands for commercial reasons and attempt to excuse themselves upon humanitarian grounds.

Ten Dollars a Day for Repeating.

From the Elmira Gazette. A very respectable citizen of Elmira, who was working temporarily in Philadelphia, relates that he thought he would find out what their election laws were worth down there. He had not lived in Philadelphia long enough to vote. Nevertheless, he secured an engagement to ride about the city and vote at as many polling places as a good cab horse could reach in the day. A list of names under which he was to vote was supplied him. His compensation was to be \$10. But he did not do the voting, despite his solemn compact and the fact that the voting was perfectly safe. That is the system which the Republican party protects in Philadelphia by failing to provide legislation to check it. The result is that Philadelphia has a phenomenal proportion of "voters" to population.

Never Twice in Same Office.

From the Troy Press (Dem.) Theodore Roosevelt never held the same office twice. He has held numerous offices, but was never reappointed or re-elected to one of them. And he has rarely retired from one without a rumpus with his official associates. Mr. Roosevelt's whole career emphasizes the fact that he is essentially a one-term man, a fact likely to gain greatly in impressiveness by the result of the next election.

Pen Mightier than Sword.

From the Chicago Chronicle. The Port Arthur garrison has slain its thousands, but the Che-Foo correspondent has slain his tens of thousands.

Bolt Roosevelt for Parker.

NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Two influential Republicans have come out for Parker—Theodore Cox and William G. Choate—both of them life-long members of President Roosevelt's party. Mr. Cox has been especially prominent in Republican circles. He has been president of the New York State League of Republican Clubs and Republican candidate for Congress. Mr. Choate is a brother of Joseph H. Choate, American Ambassador to Great Britain, and is head of the noted law firm of which his brother is also a member.

Mr. Cox has announced his political change in an open letter, in which he says, after condemning Roosevelt for his disregard of constitutional limitations: "As to Mr. Parker, all I can say is that his career shows that he is not a poser in any line, who, while claiming no virtues above those of the majority of his fellow-citizens, has filled his place with unassuming honor and credit. Moreover, his gold telegram shows strength of character of a high order, and his speech of acceptance reveals a safe and sane man, who appreciates the responsibility of his position, and who, if elected, will give the country an administration whose purpose will be a continuance of the steady growth that has gradually and surely, and not by any firecracker war in Cuba, brought this country to its present position, and not simply tease the great colossus into roaring so that the wondering world may hear a 'Roosevelt' or a 'Parker' in the rumbles.

Spawls from the Keystone.

-Lebanon Valley college, Annville, has added to its faculty professors J. Karl Jackson and Harry E. Spessard of Harvard and Washington.

-Two valuable horses belonging to Andrew Miller, of Chambersburg, were maliciously poisoned on Saturday night; paris green having been scattered all over the racks and trough.

-Eighteen cases of small-pox have been reported at Edna, No. 2, a mining town three miles southeast of Irwin. Edna is perhaps the model coal town of the entire bituminous region of western Pennsylvania.

-Notices were posted at the Rankin plant of the American Wire and Steel company, Monday, ordering all employees to report for work to put the plant in shape for immediate resumption. The resumption will affect about 4,300.

-Perry Snyder, a young man of Entaut, was bitten on the index finger of his left hand by a spider or mosquito and a form of blood poison resulted, due according to the consultation of physicians, to the bite having been on a vein.

-William W. Smith on Joseph McGuire's farm in Wayne township, Clinton county, threshed last week, he reports, 416 bushels from seven acres. Almost 60 bushels to the acre. Mr. Smith is the champion oats raiser along the west branch.

-John A. Lawyer, aged 54, part owner of the Altoona Times, and a prominent Knight Templar, mysteriously disappeared while on a business trip to Newport, Perry county. Foul play was feared, but later reports led to the belief that he is still alive, but has wandered away in a fit of mental derangement.

-Emily Malm, a Swedish woman of Coal Run, near Osceola, was accidentally shot last week by her son, a young man, who is nearly crazed over the affair. He was cleaning the revolver, and not knowing it was loaded discharged it. The ball penetrated the forehead and came out near the temple of his mother.

-The peach belt in the vicinity of Macon, Pa., is all right. Jacob Stine's young orchard will yield 2,000 baskets, Daniel Diehl's, 500 and George Rohrbach's 700. In Boyertown Dr. John H. Funk's three orchards will yield 2,500 baskets. Peaches this year bring from 75 cents to \$1.25 a basket, according to quality, in the orchards.

-Judge Bittinger, of York, in his charge to the Grand Jury, Aug. 29th, recommended to them the enlargement and repairing of the jail at a cost of from \$50,000 to \$60,000. The judge called attention to the \$700,000 debt of the county, saying that the county could not afford a new jail, while it could afford alterations that would provide a jail good enough to last 50 years.

-Representatives of the great industries, the business interests and the social classes of Great Britain will be among the fifty or more members of the British House of Commons, who will visit Pittsburgh the latter days of September. They will be accorded every opportunity to inspect local points of interest. Englishmen, Scotchmen, Irishmen and Welshmen will be included in the personnel.

-The police have discovered, after two years, that the Bradford county valley, in which the towns of Sayre and Athens are situated, is infested with a gang of Mafia bandits, and that the members of the blood-thirsty set have been levying tribute right under their noses. An Italian who "squealed" on the bandits is now in the Parker hospital at Sayre with two bullet holes and five stiletto gashes in his body and he will probably die.

-A Justice of the peace in Wilkes-Barre has fined a young woman \$1.34 for uttering two profane words in the privacy of her home "against the peace and dignity of the State of Pennsylvania and contrary to the statutes thereunto printed." An appeal has been taken to see whether a lady may swear a little on her own account at home or whether profanity is only an offense against public morals when uttered to the distress of unwilling auditors.

-Dr. Reed, president of Dickinson college, has received a definite offer from a wealthy and philanthropic gentleman to give to the college the sum of \$50,000, when he shall have completed the raising of an equal amount for the reconstruction of the Denny Memorial building, destroyed by fire, March 3rd, 1904. Dr. Reed has already obtained in cash and valid subscriptions a little more than \$30,000 of the \$50,000 required. The remaining \$20,000 must be secured within the next two months.

-The ponderous machinery in the great million dollar power plant on the banks of the Susquehanna river, at York Haven, was set in motion Monday for the first time for commercial purposes. A special train from Philadelphia and New York brought a large party of bondholders, bankers and other interested capitalists to York Haven to witness the initial operation of the plant. Most of the large industries in York will be connected with the current and operated by the power generated at York Haven.

-One of the biggest celebrations of Emancipation day ever held in Johnstown was that of Monday, when about 500 of the colored residents of the city and vicinity joined in merrymaking in honor of the proclamation which freed the slaves. The orator of the day was Bishop George W. Clinton, of Charlotteville, N. C., a noted negro divine, who delivered a brilliant address on "Thoughts for the Occasion." The whole celebration is said to have been most creditable to the colored people of Johnstown.

-William Weightman, of the firm of Powers & Weightman, manufacturing chemists of Philadelphia, who died a few days ago at the age of 91 years, left his entire estate, valued at more than \$500,000, to his daughter, Mrs. Annie M. Walker, of Williamsport. Mrs. Walker becomes sole proprietor of the extensive chemical works, which makes her one of the richest women in the world. Mrs. Walker will assume active management of the business, besides looking after the real estate left her by her father, who was one of the largest holders of real estate in the country.