Aeurocratice Matchman.

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings.

-It is evidently a very bad combina tion, those three lawyers and two gentlemen of leisure.

-The men who run the pool rooms in Philadelphia are being punished very severely for their nefarious business.

-Ten years is a long time for a man to hold office, particularly when that man has been guilty of trying to use the office as a political sinecure.

-ELLIS L. ORVIS has never been a politician, nor aspired to party leadership, therefor he would make a much safer Judge than a man who has

-GEORGE E. LAMB is a very nice fellow but his ability as a drink-mixer into Pennsylvania after he had reached the doesn't qualify him for the office of Prothonotary.

-The United States pays nearly a million dollars a day to foreign ships, for carrying its products, yet there are those who say Republican administrations are all they should be.

-The completion of the south Water street walk is convincing the public that the WATCHMAN was right when it urged Senator QUAY was dealing in that sort of conneil to lay stone on north Water street, instead of granolithic.

-With the Republicans fighting the way they are in Delaware and Wisconsin it is next to a certainty that two heretofore doubtful States will have to be moved over into the Democratic column.

-If there were no other reason for it we would still be justified in demanding Judge Love's retirement on the sole ground of his political activities. But there are many other reasons.

-Fortunately for Bellefonte it takes a the interests of the people but in order to few lawyers, contractors, and gentlemen of leisure who are not afraid to put some money into enterprises to keep the old town from getting the dry rot.

-In Japan they don't have fences around their farms because [they take up too much of the ground. In the United States many farmers don't have fences, but The interests of Centre, Clearfield and it is principally because they don't have Cameron counties are analogous. They the boards or wire.

-Few as the political Judges are in Pennsylvania there are too many so long as there is one left. They should be promptly retired. No district can hope to have an honorable, a dignified or a useful bench with a political judge.

-While praying at the grave of a relative in a Brooklyn cemetery a few days ago a Polish girl was killed by the tombstone falling over on her. What a suspense would be ended if there were only some way of finding out what she said in the

-It is said that the most remarkable themselves to select a Representative in of the Star of Hope, the prison paper published in Sing Sing. He is there for burglary and has been a lawyer, reporter, confidence man, secretary to a Khedive of Egypt, preacher, forger and politician. It a statesman whose broadened intellect gave is not stated wi ether he followed the latter | him a knowledge of the wants of all the profession in Philadelphia or not.

-ARTHUR KIMPORT is out in his canvass to work until the polls close. It ought not to be necessary for him to do a bit of campaigning, when he has every qualification for the office and his opponent none. He is taking no chances, however, and will call on everyone possible in order that he may personally solicit support. His reputation is known all over the county, even better than he is himself and it seems as if campaigning ought to be a very pleasant job for him.

-In the Century Magazine for February, 1888. THEODORE ROOSEVELT said of the wild cowboys of the West: "They are much better fellows and pleasanter companions than farmers or agricultural laborers, nor are the mechanics and workmen of a city to be mentioned in the same breath." What will the farmers, agricultural laborers, mechanics and workmen of for ROOSEVELT because the SPOONER fac-Centre county think of this when they come to vote on Nov. 8th. Possibly they will tell Mr. ROOSEVELT to go and get the cowboys to vote for him.

-The question that many are asking themselves now is: What motive could Judge LOVE have bad in granting a license to HARRY WASHBURN, a man who had been a resident of the county scarcely more than a few months before he applied for license. WASHBURN had become notorious as a hotel keeper in Clearfield county and when it became apparent that he could not get license there any more he sold out and moved over into Centre, where Judge Love granted his first application, notwithstanding the fact that hundreds of well-to-do, respectable and responsible men who have been life-long residents of Centre county have been rejected by Judge LOVE.

-With only a little more than three weeks for the finish of the campaign there appears to be a lack of aggressive work on the surface in Centre county. This does not indicate an indifference on the part of the voters, however. In fact, it is quite must keep up his fight against LAFOLETTE the reverse. In all the history of local political contests we have never known tions. If he keeps up his fight LAFOLETTE of deeper thinking about an election. The ticket is such an important one to us all that even the excitement of a presidential year has been utterly unable to eclipse it. the election of the Democratic candidate The people are especially cognizant of the fact that men, more than party principles, are to be weighed in this campaign and The latest development was the recognithey are going deep into the records of all to of the LaFolette State committee by of them and will vote accordingly, without making any ado about it.

STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

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No Claim for Support.

at present investigating the claims of

SOLOMON R. DRESSER, of Bradford, for re-

not likely to be satisfactory to Mr. DRESS-

age of maturity and located in the oil

device invented by another, according to

common report, and "has developed a large

business," the biographical section of the

Congressional Directory informs us. What

is meant by that is that he has accumulated

a large fortune which enabled him to buy

a congressional nomination when the late

But the closest scrutiny fails to reveal

anything that Mr. DRESSER has ever done

for the people of this Congress district.

We venture to declare that before his nomi-

nation for the office two years ago less than

a score of the citizens of Centre county had

ever heard of him and that up until the

present time no man can point out a single

beneficence he has ever bestowed on any

citizen of the county outside of some ap-

pointments which he has since caused to

promote his own political interests and

personal aggrandizement. His demand for

another election is a piece of impudent

assurance. Instead of popular approval he

This district is composed of Cameron,

Centre, Clearfield and McKean counties.

are essentially Pennsylvania communities

and the combined population of them is,

according to the census of 1900, 130,556.

McKean which is barely linked to the two

populous counties of Centre and Clearfield

by touching Cameron which in turn only

touches Clearfield, has a population of 51,-

343 and is as widely separated from the

other counties in character, industry and

disposition of the people, as if it were at-

tached to the extreme end of the State in

which Mr. DRESSER was born, Michigan.

There is no fraternity between this county

The people of Centre county owe it to

Congress who is in closer relationship to

them than Mr. DRESSER. If he were con-

spicuously fit for the office the difference

between his interests and those of this

county, might be over-looked. If he were

people, his environment might be over-

looked. But as a matter of fact he has no

such claim on the consideration of the peo-

He was rich enough to buy one nomi

nation and election and the people should

teach him that if he had the purse of

CROESUS he can't get another election by

The Wisconsin Comedy.

The decision of the Supreme court of

Wisconsin affirming the regularity of the

LAFOLETTE faction of the Republican party

puts the President, as well as the Republi-

can National committee, in an anomalous

position. Before that event the committee

declared that Wisconsin was absolutely

certain to elect ROOSEVELT electors any-

way. After the event it was announced

that the decision made the State certain

tion would acquiesce, whereas if the deci-

sion had been the other way the Democrats

would have carried the State because the

LAFOLETTE faction would have kept up

the fight. Now it transpires that the

SPOONER faction intends to keep up the

But that isn't the most embarrassing

onsequence of the decision. The fight

against LAFOLETTE is a corporation fight

and SPOONER represented the corporations

in it. Because of corporation opposition to

LAFOLETTE, SPOONER induced the Presi-

dent and the Republican National com-

mittee to enter the conflict in opposition

to LAFOLETTE and in obedience to the

wishes of the corporations the President

ordered the Republican National conven-

tion to refuse the LAFOLETTE delegates,

whom the decision declares were elected.

admission to the convention. The deci-

sion, therefore reverses the President and

arms LaFolette with a just cause of war

against the President and the SPOONER

Under these circumstances there can't

be the shadow of a doubt as to the result

will retaliate by fighting ROOSEVELT and with the party thus divided it is safe to

predict that the Democratic electors will

have not less than 50,000 majority while

the same process.

fight.

deserves a severe rebuke.

be made, not with the idea of conserving

commodities.

region. There he acquired title to a patent

BELLEFONTE, PA., OCT. 14, 1904.

Mr. Cortelyou's Gall.

The people of this Congress district are Mr. GEORGE B. CORTELYOU, chairman of the Republican National committee, is said to have given President ROOSEVELT election as Representative and the result is ostentatious assurance the other day that no promise has been made or pledge given ER. He was born in Michigan and came to any corporation in consideration of campaign subscriptions.

What a supreme exhibition of gall! Mr. CORTELYOU had been for nearly two years before his appointment as chairman of Republican National committee, head of the Department of Commerce. In that position he has been able to acquire the secrets of all the so-called 'combinations in restraint of trade." Possessed of those secrets he has gone to the corporations and demanded whatever be wanted of them and they had no recourse but to comply.

It is the most iniquitous exhibition of governmental robbery in the history of the world.

When a western bandit holds up a train and with a pistol at the head of a passenger demands his money, he doesn't have to explain what he proposes to do with the spoils or what may happen if the request is not complied with. That is entirely obvious to the victim. The bandit isn't there for fun and the pistol isn't anything like an olive branch expressing sentiments of fraternity. The victim knows that he must pay or be murdered. The handit has taken chances which are multiplied in hazard if he doesn't succeed. Mr. CORTEL-YOU occupied precisely the same position. Morally he is on exactly the same plane. Both are dastardly criminals and ready to go to the same extremes. If CORTELYOU were driven by necessity he would promptly take the place of SESSE JAMES and is

morally as guilty as that outlaw. But he thinks he can fool the people by his declaration to the President that there has been no coercion in his preditory raid on the corporations. A political mercenary without principles of character, a man who is a Democrat or Republican accordingly, as one or the other party contributes to his ambition, has the impudence to assume that his word will be taken in the face of such overwhelming evidence to the contrary as the circumstances present. On his oath no intelligent man would believe such a tale in view of the facts and under no other circorporations under tribute and bleed them as he has in this matter. Therefore, he insults the intelligence of the people when he declares that no pledges have been made. Everybody knows that he has mortgaged the administration to the limit.

-Of all the balder-dash that has ever been heard of none surpasses the shallow argument of the LOVE people to the effect that Mr. ORVIS, being interested in much litigation in Centre county, would have to call in outside Judges to try many cases, should he be elevated to the bench. Mr. ORVIS is a prominent attorney, of course. If he were not he would not now be a candidate for Judge. But wasn't this same Judge Love a prominent attorney ten years ago and hasn't he had Judges WHITE, BELL, ARCHIBALD, McCLURE, GORDON, and others here to try cases for him. But the people of Centre county are not concerned about that little matter just now. What they want is a man who will be a judge-reasonable, impartial and not a petty politician.

John Noll's Candidacy.

The drift of sentiment seems to be strong for JOHN NOLL for the Legislature. Everyone realizes that Mr. KEPLER ought to be sent back to Harrisburg because he can he of so much more use this year than he was in the last session and it is being generally agreed that Mr. NoLL is the right man to send with him. The reasons are

In the first place a more conservative, better balanced more dignified gentleman would be hard to find. As a soldier of the Civil war his record stands without a blemish. He was never away from duty, either by leave or sickness, and draws no pension. He has been a hard working, honorable citizen who knows the needs of the masses and has the back bone to stand up for them, and he is a representative of a large and useful Centre county family. His opponents are not the choice of the Republicans of the county. They were forced on the ticket against the wishes of many who recognized in Messrs DALE and DALEY men who had more claim to the nomination. Mr. KNISELY's candidacy can be looked upon as scarcely more than a joke, while that of WOMELSDORF is the result of an apparent attempt to give the friends of the late Governor HASTINGS a

slap in the face. Mr. Noll once before sought the preferment of the voters of Centre county. At that time he was unsuccessful in his attempt, but since then there has been a growing feeling that a great injustice was done him and on all sides we hear the LETTE now demands an apology for delay. amends.

Making Senator Hill Popular.

Our Republican contemporaries are exceedingly bitter against the Hon. DAVID B. HILL of New York. That gentleman is not deporting himself in the present campaign according to their notions of propriety. He is abusing ROOSEVELT they speech delivered in Baltimore, the other evening, he actually declared that in the earning \$3600 a year, laboring eight hours a day, have had their wages out to \$2400, appointment of his private secretary to an office which revealed all the secrets of the trusts to him and subsequently designating him, armed with such secrets, to the chairmanship of the Republican National committee, the President simply made Cor-TELYOU a sort of a highwayman, and himself the custodian of the spoils obtained in his predatory operations.

Our esteemed Republican contemporaries forget that in this age of reason and era of intelligence, men are loved for the enemies they make and that in the antipathy they are revealing against Senator HILL, they are making him extremely popular among the decent and fairminded people of the country. We will not be construed as enemies of Senator HILL when we say that he was not popular among a class of citizens of the country whose good opinions are highly prized in public life. We have not shared this enmity against the Senator. He is a skilful politician and a tireless and efficient party leader. But he has never used politics for personal gain and his integrity has never been impeached:

But for some reason he has been unpopular among those reputable people who are averse to practical politics. Our Republican contemporaries are rapidly and certainly removing this prejudice, howstatesman without reason, and that sort of thing naturally and inevitably enlists sympathy for the man thus vilified. For example, there is no justice in attacking him because he tells the truth about ROOSEVELT and none of them has attempted to prove that what he has said about the President is not the truth. At least what he said in his Baltimore speech the other night is the truth and nothing but the truth. CORTELYOU'S connection with the robbery of the trusts for benefit of the Republican campaign fund is a scandal which cannot be too severely condemned and if Senator HILL most nearly puts upon it the just and adequate flict with the restoration of good feeling, than blamed. Our contemporaries have 'o'ershot the mark."

-"Seeing is believing," so they say, but if anyone had told us that Col. JOHN A. DALEY would be the main pillar at the rally for LOVE, WOMELSDORF AND KNISE-LY, held here last Thursday night, prior to our seeing him in that position, we would have told them they didn't know how much back-bone the Colonel possessed. In the light of such a recent event, however, we are forced to acknowledge that we were the ignorant in this case.

We Want Tariff Not Robbery.

The hysterical efforts of some of the Republican newspapers and orators to make the public believe that Democratic success in the coming presidential election will result in absolute free trade would be amusing if they were not insulting. Anyone fit to remain outside of an insane asylum must know that there is no possible chance result and that as a matter of fact there is no such desire among the Democrats. That high. Must we really have him? there will be a modification of the tariff rates in the event of Democratic success is, we hope and believe, true. But nothing more than that is contemplated or desir-

THOMAS JEFFERSON was the author of the first tariff law enacted in this country, the purpose being, as he said, to raise revenue and, incidentally, to protect infant industries. The tariff which he proposed amounted to about three per cent. and ALEXANDER HAMILTON, who was classed as a protectionist, expressed the belief that that was ample. Ever since that the Democratic plan of raising revenue was by reasonable tariff taxation and as a matter of fact, during the entire sixty years in which the Democratic party governed the country, all the revenues were raised in that way, and tariff for revenue has been a slogan of the Democracy always. It is a uling idea of Democratic statesmanship.

The present tariff is not for the purpose of raising revenue, however, or even of protecting infant industries. It is for the purpose of creating monopolies, fostering trusts and conferring special favors on political favorites. The constitution of the United States authorizes a tariff for revenue, but not such robbery of the people as enables the steel trust to charge home customers ten dollars a ton more for steel billets than foreign customers are asked to pay, thus giving the foreign manufacturer a vast advan tage over the home producer in the markets of the world. That is what the Republiopinion that now is the time to make cans are doing and that is what the Demo-cratic platform denounces as robbery.

How A Republican Trust Prospers 1t Working Men

NO. 40.

From the New York American.

This is the way one Trust does business. States Steel Company there has been a "readjustment." The wages of all the 4000 men employed have been cut. In say, out of all reason. For example in a many cases the decrease amounts to 50 per cent. Skilled workmen who have and to earn this they must work twelve hours a day.

Expert heaters in the billet mills have

peen given an additional furnace to watel and their salaries have been cut from \$2500 to \$900 a year.

In a department known as the converter In a department known as the converter wages have been cut 35 per cent. the num, ber of men has been reduced and the working hours have been increased. Prior to the "readjustment" fifteen men were at work at the ingot furnaces. Under the "readjustment" nine men do the work.

Old men will give way to young men. The plant gets the same amount of aished product since as before the "readjustment." This is done by increasing the hours and making each man do more

The men must accept the cut or quit. If they quit they cannot work at their trade in any other plant, because the Steel Trust controls all the great iron manufacturing plants.

There is no competition at home. The tariff cuts out the competition from abroad. Protected by a high tariff, the Trust can dispense with skilled men at high wages and make other men do their work. The product may not be so good, but the buyer has no other source of supply.

This is how a trust treats its employes.

What Rooseveltism Stands for.

From the New York Herald. Republican partisans, of course, claim that Mr. Roosevelt's election is essential to national prosperity. Independent certainly removing this prejudice, how-ever. They are assailing the New York demand far better reasons for this audacious assertion than any that his defenders have yet begun to give.

It will be impossible to convince the

thinking masses, who control all elections, that the country can profit by continuing the policies of an immensely costly perialism. An extravagant militarism.

Personal government. Enormous excessive tariff taxation. Fabulous government expenditures. A revival of the distracting race issue. A partnership of the government with monopolies and law-less trusts. And the prostitution of the civil service to political ends.

Harder still will it be for reflecting vot-

ers to comprehend how the author of 'big stick' letter can be a sale constitution

As the antithesis of all that would concondemnation, he will be praised rather the calm and judicial campaign of Judge Parker is bright and big with promise for the country, now sick of the ceaseless and distracting agitations inseparable from an imperialistic regime. For this reason, if for no other, the business interests of the nation may look forward hopefully to the coming election.

> A Presidential High-Roller. From the New York World.

The Roosevelt administration has acquired the distinction of being the most expensive in our history.

The second administration of Madison,

including the war of 1812, cost \$130,543,-The administration of Polk, including the Mexican war cost \$173,299,266.

The administration of Lincoln, includ-

ing the Civil war, cost \$3,347,802,909 in paper money, equivalent to from \$1,500,-000,000 to \$2,000,000,000 in gold. The first administration of McKinley.

including the Spanish and Philippine wars. cost \$1,906,126,611 The administration of Roosevelt in an

unbroken peace has cost \$2,449,228,545 in gold. That is nearly four times as much as was spent under the scandalous first adof putting this country on a free trade basis ministration of Grant, and three times the if there were any desire to compass such a cost of the first administration of Cleveland.

President Roosevelt certainly comes

The Costiveness of It.

From the Johnstown Democrat. It has cost the people of the United States \$81.25 per Filipino head to sell the Filipinos 60 cents worth of American goods per capita a year—or just 5 cents' worth a month. And this is what imperial expansion has done for trade!

Parker not to Tour.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—Chairman Taggart at Democratic national headquarters gave out the following statement :

Shortly after his nomination Judge Parker set about the consideration of his course of action toward the conduct of the campaign. He consulted many men of large experience in such matters and made an examination of the course of every successful candidate. That done, he decided, as it was necessary for him to do, what his course should be, and he caused that decision to be made generally known. It was to the effect that he would not go upon joint. the stump; that such speeches as he should deem it desirable to make could be made at Rosemount, following in that respect the

McKinley precedent of 1896. "That decision made and announced, he proceeded to work along the lines he had marked out for himself. He believed then. as he believes now, that he decided rightly, and no amount of entreating would budge him. His record during all his life proves that clamor will not move him one iota. The incident is closed, and those in charge of the campaign fully approve of the determination of Judge Parker.

Judge Parker has been importuned to speak in various states, and this announce-

Spawls from the Keystone -James Wolfenden and W. E. Nixon, of

Lamar, are now agitating the building of a co-operative railroad through Sugar val-

-The people of Carroltown are now so reduced for water that they are allowed only one tubful a day to the family by the water authorities

-A slight fire in the stable of Thomas J. Calahan, early Tuesday morning, smothered two horses, one a racing pacer "Billy H." with a record of 2:20.

-Windber was the scene of a stabbing affray on Sunday in which one Italian badly njured another. The probable murderer was arrested in Johnstown the next day.

-Fred Hager and William Brotz have been arrested and locked up on the charge of brutally beating Mrs. David Dishong, an aged resident of Morrellville, Cambria coun-

-Clinton county's new railroad town, Oak Grove, will have a weekly newspaper in the near future, so it is reported. An up-todate job office will be connected with the enterprise.

-Rumor fays that editor Welch, of the Mount Union Times who was defeated for the state senatorial nomination in the Huntingdon-Franklin district, wants to be made state treasurer

-Members of the Twelfth regiment who served in the Spanish-American war, will hold their sixth anniversary at Milton on October 29th. Special rates have been secured and all members of this regiment are cordially invited to attend

-Michael O'Mally, a resident of Cameron, was killed Saturday morning shortly after 3 o'clock by being struck with a locomotive of eight train, No. 92. The man was 29 years ld and was employed as fireman at the coke

-After winning two straight heats in the 2:14 race on the York track last week and leading in the third by twenty feet, Lyman Reedman, of Baltimore, driver of Noah B., owned by Thomas Buckley, of Arlington, Md., fell dead from his sulky to the track.

-Chester county Republicans are worried ver the fact that the Quakers of that county refuse to vote for Roosevelt because of the insult offered them in one of the President's books, and fear that hundreds of them will remain at home on election day in conse-

-Mabel, the two-year-old daughter of Anzi Transue, of Scott Run, Monroe county, swallowed six morphine pills, thinking they were candy. Almost immediately the mother, who was visiting a neighbor, returned and found her baby unconscious, and after applying remedies the child's life was

-Two huge pumpkins, estimated to weigh 500 pounds each, are the pride of their grower, William Eppley, of Newberrytown, York county. If he had been nominated for sheriff by the Democrats, as he hoped, he would have had a piece of pumpkin pie for every Democrat in the county from these two vegetables.

-Unless there are some objections filed and sustained to some of the groups of electors, the ballot to be voted next November will be nine columns wide, with the followhibitionist, Socialist, Socialist Labor, Independent, Citizens, Roosevelt-Fairbanks, Proectionist and one blank.

-Carrying a naked lamp into one of the old workings of Mount Jessup colliery, near Perkville, Paul Skovera caused an explosion of gas which caught a dozen men at work in the shaft, resulting in the death of himself and John Manoski and the serious burning of nine others. Five of the others are so badly injured that their recovery is doubtful.

-Last Saturday the Clinton county commissioners purchased of the Owego bridge company the superstructure for an 86 foot bridge with a 12 foot roadway to span Fishing creek near Sanderson's mill, in Bald Eagle township. The purchase of this bridge was recommended by the last grand jury. Monday the commissioners and their clerk were on the site of the new bridge conferring with the supervisors of Bald Eagle township who will be expected to construct the abutments for the new structure.

-During the past ten or twelve days not less than five big black bears have been run down and slaughtered on the mountains surrounding Sugar valley. This indicates, says the Journal, that wild "critters" of this kind are rather plenty in these neck o' woods. At the head of the class stands John Rubi. He killed the first two bears below Tylersville. Next is A. D. Kleckner, who shot one near his camp, north of Loganton. Then follows Samuel Matter and John Cooper, credited with having trapped a 150 pounder in Spruce hollow. Last but not least appear Newton Snook and John Feidler, strong and brave, having killed their game with clubs and stone, along Cherry run, after a long and hard fight.

-About 4 o'clock last Friday afternoon Mrs. F. H. Gallagher, of Reynoldsville. went to the hen house to look for eggs. She stepped upon a high cross piece to look into a nest, says the Star, and then stepped off before letting go of the upper shelf with her left hand and after her feet were off the cross piece a ring on her hand caught on a nail and the weight of her body stripped all the flesh off her finger down to the first joint and the end of the finger was torn off at the first joint. Mrs. Gallagher was alone at the time and she picked up the piece of finger and walked up through the lot and across the street to a neighbor's to get them to send for a doctor. The doctors amputated the remainder of the finger above the second

-A couple weeks ago D. Scott Currin, of Loganton, sold his printing office and at the time wrote that "God only knew what he would do now." Mr. Currin is back in the harness again and has sent out the following notice: "After two weeks have passed and a lot of unpleasant experiences we find ourselves back again at the editorial tripod. That man W. F. Seibert, with whom we had entered into articles of agreement for the sale of the Sugar Valley Journal printing office. is a miserable failure, having betrayed the confidence we had entrusted to him, and then iusidiously sneaked away to parts unknown, forfeiting all right and claim to the deal. Probably it is better for us and also the Journal that he did pull out, as he is no good and the town is well rid of him."