

Ink Slings.

No more he'll go the pace that kills In this social, sporting strife A panacea for such ills He's found in the simple life

-MIS. CASSIE CHADWICK ought to be an expert pianist, she has such an artistic touch.

-- The President says "disarmament is i mpracticable." Of course it is as long as he keeps brandishing the "big stick."

-The had little boy of a month ago is no more. Christmas time approaches and there are no bad little boys.

-Up in the air went the fond hopes of a number of Bellefonters when Amalga- have the National government paramount mated copper took that big drop the other | in everything. He wants Congress to legisday.

very much as if the fellows who failed to labor, the freight rates on railroads, the sell at eighty-two were leading the simple size and architecture of the bouses in life.

-If PHILLIE KNOX isnt a good little boy in the Senate Santa Claus PENNY will put a bunch of switches in his stocking on Christmas eve.

-Uncle SOLLY DRESSER could make a ten stroke by introducing a bill in Congress appropriating a hundred thousand or more for a public building in Bellefonte.

in Pittsburg is certainly doing all he can to cultural Department has nothing to say help ANDY die poor. He is drawing a salary of four thousand dollars a year.

-What a blessing it would be if Bellefonte could only deliver the water that it is unwise and contemptible for "a nation is daily flowing away from her bounteous spring to the districts in the country that claim its purposes, unless supported by are actually suffering from drouth.

-The President's message says "Philipphine independence is hoped for." The puzzle of course is to be found in which side hopes: The Filipino or the President.

-CASSIE CHADWICK, Mr. THOMAS the simple life.

would from ODELL.

-The President on Tuesday sent the conquest of arms. na me of JOHN GOWLAND to the Senate for confir mation as postmaster of Philipsburg. It is up to ANDY BOLGER and HARRY WARFEL to "take and tell" the people how it happened.

play his strongest card against Copper to- certain conditions. That is to say if the day. Judging from the panic his letters



What Roosevelt Wants.

President ROOSEVELT's message, read in Congress on Tuesday, is characteristic. It expresses two thoughts, centralization and paternalism. The President would late so as to give him authority to regulate -With copper back to fifty-nine it looks the terms of agreement between capital and which the people live and the domestic affairs of every family. He wants to determine the age at which children may be employed and prohibit women from working in factories altogether.

Since the foundation of the government no President has written as ROOSEVELT has written in his annual message this year. He touches every question of personal or domestic interest and except a -The janitor of the CARNEGIE library long rigmarole about the absurd Agriabout the affairs of the government. He wants a big army, of course, and a vast navy, for the reason, as he states it, that to use high sounding language to propotential force." In other words he is of the opinion that a bully should have a big in the prosecution and much bluster and the evils and vices of QUAYism and adds stick, which is probably true. A bully needs physical strength.

But what's the use of being a bully, except for the fact that posing feeds the vanity of ROOSEVELT. This country got along well and made vast progress without LAWSON and J. EDWARD O'SULLIVAN bullying or bantering anybody. During a ADDICKS constitute a trio that has done century of achievement we had only a in question is the statement that every man of the Legislature or at any other time. much towards helping other people to lead nominal army and a meagre navy, but within that time we vanquished the world -Governor ODELL, of New York, says in the arts of peace and made all nations of "PLATT talks too much." However that the earth look to us for food. But that sort may be the public generally believes that of victories don't suit ROOSEVELT. He it takes a great deal more talk from the wants to hear the rattle of the spurs and the "easy boss" to tell what he knows than it jingle of the scabbard. He wants to kill, and burn, and devastate. He wants the

Mr. Cochran's Mistake.

Hon. BURKE COCHRAN. of New York, introduced a bill in Congress, on Monday, making it a misdemeanor to contribute -Mr. THOMAS LAWSON says he will money for political tampaigns, except on ady caused in copper trading he contribution exceeds \$50 the contributor

Shame of the Salter Case. The Philadelphia Ledger of last Sunday publishes a history of the infamous SAMUEL SALTER trial in that city, a few years ago, which reveals conditions there that should make every Philadelphian blush with ernor PENNYPACKER to the Philadelphia Democrats wish to invade the Socialist shame. It shows that Insurance Com- preachers who solicited him to co-operate missioner DURHAM not only controls the courts but that under his direction juries are made up of crooks and criminals and lature. The Harrisburg Star-Independent public officials are forced to perjure themselves at his command At the time of the trial, according to the narrative in question, present Mayor JOHN WEAVER was District Attorney and DURHAM told him elections. They might as well declare that he had packed a certain jury and that that the energy of a burglar is the best the SALTER case must be called to trial sign in the world that he is a worthy and before that jury. WEAVER said it was awful but he submitted.

When Insurance Commissioner DUR-HAM made that proposition to the District willingly do anything to promote ballot Attorney any other than a confirmed reform legislation. He knows as well as held the case for another jury. But WEA- completely as if they were dead. PENNYcall the case before the court selected by product of ballot frauds. PENNYPACKER-DURHAM, for trial by the jury fixed by DURHAM, and after a false pretense of zeal finitely more detestible. It embraces all braggadocio, permit perjured witnesses to that most despicable of all reprehensible prove an alibi even in the face of the testi- characteristics, hypocrisy. QUAY openly mony of SALTER himself that the alibi was confessed his iniquities. PENNYPACKER

his criminality had told "the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth." rewarded for his perfidy. WEAVER was cause bad government helps him to get almost immediately promoted to the office of Mayor. Assistant District Attorney absurd vanity. Our credulous contem-VON MOSCHZISKER has since been placed on the bench. MALONEY, the star witness in the carnival of perjury, has been made PACKER, but they are accomplishing no Harbor Master, a lucrative state office, and good by their course. On the contrary, SALTER has been appointed assistant chief they are helping the Governor to practice

clerk in the office of the City Commissioners. Each member of the bogus jury has for him to fool the public with his false been provided for in some substantial way pretenses. That is a poor way to conduct and the man of the lot who was allowed to a newspaper. suffer is the one who plead guilty and was sentenced to punishment.

For Credulous Contemporaries. We have been somewhat amused recently at the credulity of some of our esteemed Pennsylvania contemporaries as revealed in their comments upon the reply of Govwith them in an effort to get ballot re-

form legislation from the coming Legisand the Wilkesbarre Record, for example, interpret the rather discourteous reply of the Governor so as to make him mean that he is cordially in favor of honest thrifty citizen.

Governor PENNYPACKER is not in favor

of honest elections and he will never VER didn't do that. What he did do was PACKER and PENNYPACKERism is the dividual freedom and initiative. ism is different from QUAYism and infalse and that the witness who testified to practiced them under a cloak of virtue. No, PENNYPACKER won't help the clergymen of the State to get ballot re-Another strange feature of the narrative form legislation during the coming session TER except one has since been generously of reform. He wants bad government be. ferociously opposed to "interest," office and office feeds his inordinate and poraries may mean well in thus deceiving the public as to the intention of PENNYhis hypocrisy or at least making it easier

> ---- If the W. C. T. U. Star course of entertainments in Petriken hall keeps up to the standard of the opening attraction

From the Great Falls (Mont.) Tribune: Some Republican papers are predicting that the Democratic party will be swallow ed by the Socialist party. Others are say ing that Mr. Bryan and other radical party for campaign issues; an assertion sed on the delusion that public ownership of natural monopolies is socialistic, and that one who advocates public ownership of city lighting plants, waterworks, street and steam railroads, etc., is a Social-

The trouble is more than half of the editors who bawl "socialism" at what they do not like or do not understand, don't know what socialism means. The whole philosophy of socialism rests upon this demand;

Public ownership of all the means and instruments of production.

No such idea is to be found in the Democratic philosophy. The Democrat believes in individual freedom; he would leave the individual a free field, without Attorney any other than a confirmed criminal would have promptly sent him to jail. But WEAVER didu't do that. Any other than a peripred villain would have is a natural growth.

The Socialist would take away in-He would organize society on a sort of military basis. He would make all the means and instruments of production public property. The laborer would be compelled to work under captains of industry chosen by "the government"-as they are now chosen indirectly by the government when it enacts tariff and other special privilege laws.

The system of the Socialist contemplates nothing but a despotism, democratic in form and as absolute in substance as that of Russia. The Socialist would destroy the "wage system" and would substitute in question is the statement that every man connected with the orime and trial of SAL-He won't help anybody to get any kind nothing else could be established. He is hecause he does not understand that interest is part of the natural law.

While there is nothing common between socialism and democracy, there is a great deal in common between the Socialist and the Republican who follows Hamilton, however little there may be in common between Socialists and Lincoln Republicans-or Jefferson Republicans like Lincoln

Hamilton Republicans and Socialists have a grudge against the natural law of competition. The first would wipe out such competition as interferes with privi-leged classes. The second would utterly destroy competition, because he believes competition is a failure when, in fact, the

Hamilton Republicans have chained it. Socialists and Hamilton Republicans are alike in classing monopolies and capi- bled to death Monday from an injury caused

Spawls from the Keystone.

-A party of nine Pittsburg hunters were recently fined \$800 for running and killing eight deer with the assistance of dogs on Medix Run.

-The Clearfield Methodists have sold their parsonage to John Dimeling for \$9.500. It is a fine property. but its site didn't suit the congregation.

-The Cambria Steel company, of Johnstown, was awarded another order from the Pennsylvania railroad for 1,050 steel cars of the hopper pattern.

-A large number of young black bass were put into the headwaters of the Juniata river a week ago by the Blair county branch of the League of American Sportsmen.

-The three cases of diphtheria in the lower end of Nittany valley are on the road to complete recovery as a result of the antitoxine treatment administered by the attending physician.

-The largest deer taken in Central Pennsplvania this season, was a nine prong buck, dressing over 200 pounds which William Wagner, of Lycoming county, brought in on Wednesday, the last day of the season.

-A Philadelphia magistrate has decided that a man has no right to search his wife's pockets without her permission. But how many men are there who would be able to find their wife's pocket even if they wished to?

-C. S. Gibson, of Keating Summit, and James Johnson, of Mt. Jewett, two lumbermen, were hit by a freight train at the Tyrone station, last Thursday, and were badly injured. They were taken to the Altoona hospital.

-The campaign for the enactment of a general local option law for Pennsylvania by the next Legislature took definite shape at a meeting of the board of directors of the State Anti-Saloon league at Harrisburg, Monday.

-The coroner's jury in the case of Grace Spiker, the little girl killed at Cresson on Thursday, recommended that the Pennsylvania railroad company do away with the grade crossing and build a subway or an overhead bridge.

-The Clearfield Fire Brick company has received an order from the government for the making of all the brick necessary for the inner trimmings of the battleship "Maine," which is being built to take the place of the Maine sunk in Havana harbor in February, 1898

-A large corps of surveyors are engaged in running a line from the Beech Creek near Patton through Chest Creek and down the North branch to Wilmore. It is said that the surveying is being done for the New York Central railroad, which intends to invade the territory so long held exclusively by the Pennsylvania.

-Miss Sarah Petriken, of Williamsport, is in a Norristown hospital in a serious condition from the effects of accidentally swallowing a corrosive sublimate tablet. She was suffering from a severe headache Wednesday night and took what she thought was a headache tablet but soon found out her mistake and was taken at once to the hospital for treatment.

-Miss Mildred McClain, a 20-year-old school teacher at Washington, Pa., almost in a most neculiar manner. to break a stick of taffy candy, when the brittle sweetmeat snapped, a jagged edge pierced her wrist and entered an artery. Miss McClain fainted from fright and loss of blood and was unconscious when a physician arrived. -More than 1,000 children and greatgrandchildren mourn the death of William Rice, 78 years old, who was buried the other day at New Bloomfield. Mr. Rice was the father of eleven children. Each child married and their families increased rapidly. A number of the grand-children also married and had big families. When a count was taken it was found that the Rice family included more than 1,000 persons. -Abram Lutz, a farmer of Shirley township, Huntingdon county, died last fall, and last week his heirs sold his personal property at public sale. Au old bureau was purchased by Mrs. Charles Ewing, a daughter of the deceased. In examining the piece of furniture she found a strip of board nailed to the back and on its removal she found \$4,000 in greenbacks and \$500 in gold. Lutz never disclosed to his family that he had hid the money. -On Monday, December 5th, a new railroad was added to the Cambria and Clearfield division. It is known as the Cherry Tree & Dixonville railroad and is an addition to the Susquehanna extension. It extends from Cherry Tree to Possum Glory Junction, a distance of 13.4 miles. There are six stations-Cherry Tree, Fleming Summit, Purcase Line, Love Joy, Shanktown and Possum Glory Junction. It will have one train each way daily. -By the aid of an X-ray machine the bullet which entered the body of George W. Young, of Jersey Shore, during the battle of Gettysburg, was located by a Bellefonte physician last week. The machine showed the bullet to be flattened and lodged against one of his lungs. The reason that it has the ballot law to try to force the voter to given Mr. Young so much trouble of late is that the flesh in which it has been embedded became torn loose. An operation to remove the bullet would likely prove fatal. -George M. Bilger, of Clearfield county, proposes to rival the great apple producers of western New York, if such a thing is possible in Pennsylvania. His growing orchard in Bradford township contains 6,000 apple trees, with a nursery stock of 5,000 trees to be transplanted next spring. Four hundred and twenty-five peach trees and 150 pear trees complete the orchard outfit. In the apple line the lowest variety planted numbers any time in the day the writer of this item 150 trees and the highest, the York Imperial,

## Where the Difference Is.

must have held a hand that was stronger than most speculators supposed.

to be good doesn't mean much. If the made the account of it must be published doting old Governor thought QUAY was in two newspapers of opposite politics, and good enough to be left alone there is little failure to comply with any or all of these danger of his seeing anything wrong in conditions is punishable by imprisonment any of Philander's actions in the Senate. for not less than one year or more than

-We endorse our friend TOM COOPER's three years. suggesti on that Pennsylvania return to the old, " vest pocket" ballot. An effective preted the evil which he aims to cure. personal registration law with a ballot that The subject of his complaint and that of will prevent a man from delivering the others like him is that by large contribugoods behind a red curtain will do more tions to the campaign fund of a party the to purify the elections than any other prop- corporations of the country control the osition advanced thus far.

-The fact that Dr. GEO. W. CUBRIER, government to the prejudice of the interthe wealthy president of the Nashua Trust ests of the people. The remedy for that Co., of Nashua, N. H., has sued for an ab. evil is not in making it either difficult or solute divorce from his wife because she embarrassing for an individual to contribtalks in her sleep is a reminder to other ute to the legitimate expenses of the camwomen addicted to this habit, though we paign. What is wanted is a law forbidding presume that most of them would be perfectly willing to have a man to talk back.

The simple life idea seems to be spreading. Everyday we are becoming more and more convinced that the SIMON who once met a pieman while going to the fair was not such an idiot after all; he was simply ahead of his time. At the present day there would have been more in his class and that fabled stunt of his going to see if plums grew on thistles wouldn't have aroused m ore than passing comment.

-The death of CHARLES NELAN, the cartoonist, at the age of forty-five years, brings deep regret to those who are familiar with his work. Of recent years the own money what he likes without being power of the cartoon has become a wonderful factor in the moulding of public sentiment and Mr. NELAN'S work was of the strong est. While death is sad and life is sweet probably it were better that the career of Mr. NELAN should come to a close in the height of its success than that diture for every man, woman and child he should live to have it dimmed by the signs of weakness that have lately shown themselves in HOMER DAVENPORT'S efforts.

-A College song has been substituted for the doxology in the chapel of Chicago University. This is right in line with the sensational lot of Professors they have attacked to that institution. First they come along trying to make the public believe that a person can live on fifteen cents a week, then they call all us fellows, who have to part what little bit of hair we do But unfortunately for those with the least have in the middle in order to make the to protect or enjoy, they are compelled to have in the middlein order to make the best showing possible, degenerates. How-ever we will stand for this tom foolery but when it comes to distorting the good old eight dollars for each of his family without doxology into a song of praise-probably feeling it. It is our system of tariff taxafor ROCKEFELLER—we think it about with the big family and small wages is time for the dog catcher to appoint a new usually the one who votes blindly to confaculty for Chicago.

Clerk of the United States court, stating

the amount and to whom it was paid, -PENNYPACKEE's injunction to KNOX Two weeks after the contribution has been why of it.

Obviously Mr. COCHRAN has misinterelections and regulate the politics of the

the officers of corporations from contributing any amount for political purposes. The funds of a corporation belong to the stockholders and the officers have no right to contribute them to any purpose other than the legitimate expenses of the conporation. Some corporations have what is called "contingent funds" which are used tice. for sundry unlawful purposes, but all such uses are illegal and criminal, and the best Mr. COCHRAN could do would be to introduce and urge the passage of a law defin-

ing the just punishment for such offenses. Such a measure as he has proposed would be clearly unconstitutional, moreover: for every man has a right to do with his subject to inquisatorial meddling.

## An Eight Dollar Per Capita.

Eight dollars per capita, or that amount collected each year for governmental expenwithin the United States. is not a very expensive kind of government, as our Republican friends would have the people be- tially.

lieve. Possibly to many, in a general way, it is not, but to the fellow with a tenstomached family and a dollar a day income it may appear different. If taxes in this country were levied on the income or wealth of its citizens instead of upon the necessities that must be had to feed and clothe the people, an average of eight dollars per capita might not be extravagant. tinne this system.

ROOSEVELT administration is to be oredited four remaining ones of the season ; that is with the financial prosperity that seems to | if Bellefonte people appreciate strictly high have followed Mrs. CASSIE CHADWICK class, artistic entertainment. The Katharine chain on individual effort. They demand through all his first term of office. He has Ridgeway Concert Co. was one of the finest claimed credit for about every other kind ever seen in Bellefonte; in fact it was deof prosperity that has been going and if cidedly an all-star aggregation and how

there is any particular reason why this the management can present such high one should be left off the list some one class people at the ridiculously low prices should come to the front and explain the prevailing for the Star course is a matter

of wonderment.

Groundless Fear. No Hope.

the next Legislature of this State. Accord-We won't believe there is any reason for the fear expressed by Representative JOHN ing to the official "Directory" of the body SHARP WILLIAMS, of Mississippi, in a there will be ten Democratic Senators out the only speech delivered in Spartanburg, South of fifty and fifteen Democratic Represen-Carolina, a few days ago. Mr. WIL- tatives out of two hundred and four. On LIAMS apprehends the outting down of the the face of the returns, therefore, little is representation of that section in Congress to be expected of the minority. In the and the electoral colleges as one of the Senate, if the committees are made up of fraud at the elections, especially in the consequences of the election of ROOSEVELT the usual number it will be possible to and recommends as a remedy for that evil put two Democrats on each committee. what he calls a "passive resistance." But in the House of Representatives if That is, he suggests that in the event that the common custom prevails there will such a law is passed the Southern people probably be only one Democrat on each pay no attention to it, elect the same committee of fifteen or twenty members number of Congressmen as they do at and each Democrat will be obliged to present and appeal to the courts for jus- serve on every committee if there is to be minority representation on all.

One could hardly imagine a greater neasure of injustice than depriving the the South of equal representation in Congress because ignorant negroes are not permitted to control the elections. When the menace of that condition was present most of the Southern States amended their constitution by inserting an educational qualification for the elective franchise. No concealment of the reason for the acthere would still be enough left to carry tion was attempted. It was within the constitutional province of the people and the dread of negro domination compelled them to avail themselves of the expedient. But it isn't a violation of the Fifteenth amendment to the Federal constitution for it treats all illiterates alike, substan-

But suppose a Congress made drunk by success should undertake to punish the South in that way, retaliation would be an easy matter. In Pennsylvania, for example, the payment of a poll tax is as much a discrimination against a certain element in the voting population as the educational qualification is in the South. Of course by fraudulent processes the total course by fraudulent processes the total out the iniquities of the machine legis-vote of this State is kept up to about what lation and they will do that on every it would be on a fair vote with the restrictions removed. But fraudulent voting is a crime of the gravest character and must be stopped sooner or later, so in the end the heavens fall.' the cutting down in the South would work the same result in the North, for the right of a State to regulate the franchise rabbit hunters were out in force on Tuesis inalienable.

citizens. Meagre But Able. There will not be many Democrats in From the Scranton "Republican.

In the history of the Legislature such a disparity has never occurred before. In the committees there will hardly be enough to From the New York World. move a measure out for it requires the motion and a second and when the measare gets out the minority will not have previous question, if exigencies should estly and secretly. recommend such a motion. Moreover

any proposition by a two-thirds vote in the House and nearly enough to achieve the same result in the Senate. Under such circumstances the minority can't be lying on his party's nominations, that is held responsible in any respect for any not only his privilege but his right. Inheld responsible in any respect for any part of the proceedings.

But the meagre Democratic force in the Legislature can and will make itself heard

and felt. The handful of Sepators won't be able to stop any vicious measure which the machine has determined to pass. The small contingent in the Honse of Representatives won't be able to even retard the progress of bad legislation in that body. But the Democratic Senators and Representatives will be alike able to point occasion. There are not many of them, but what there are have the ability and courage to perform their duties on al occasions and they will do that "though

-The first snow of the season in this section, fell Monday afternoon, and the

Hamilton Republicans and Socialists believe together in a strong centralized government. They would put a ball and a strong head to direct the affairs of They would divert industry from its natural channels.

The Hamilton Republican says the government should take care of the few, and let the few take care of the many. The Socialist says the government should take care of all. So there is not so much difference between Socialists and Hamilton Republicans.

## That is Just What it Should Be.

These Philadelphia clergymen are not persons, however, who favor the passage of a personal registration law. Quite on the contrary, there is a considerable sentiment in favor of the enactment of such a measure prevailing all over the State. The belief is that it would prevent large cities. If, therefore, a personal registration act will insure honest voting it ought to be passed. But if such a law is to be placed on the statute books it should be no half-way measure, but to be ef-

fective must be carefully prepared, and above all, be backed by suitable provisions insuring its enforcement and the adequate punishment of those who violate it by voting fraudulently or doing anything else contrary to the law.

## A Correct Understanding of the Ballot.

What the ballot is for, primarily, secondarily and ultimately, is to express the will of the voter. And the only object in drafting a ballot law should be to enable strength enough in the House to move the the voter to express his will easily, hon-

In Massachusetts the ballot law makes it difficult to vote a straight ticket. In New with a third of the majority members absent York the ballot law makes it difficult to vote a split ticket. Neither law is as it should be. There should be no attempt in do anything. If a voter is willing to vote blindly, re-

dependent voting should not be a matter of compulsion but of intelligence.

-During the trout-fishing season, last spring, it was a familiar sight to see one fisherman after another patrol the banks of Spring creek, within sight of the WATCH-MAN office, day after day without getting a fish, perhaps not even a jump. And now can look from the window by which he 1600. sits and see scores of trout, in size rang-

ing from six to fifteen inches, not thirty feet from the building. They are unusually numerous in this part of Spring creek just at this time and almost every stranger that comes to town stops and feasts his eves on them, no doubt wishing

it was only trout-fishing time.

-Subscribe for the WATCHMAN.

-While the Rev. John A. Wigand, pastor of Immanuel Evaugelical church, Reading, was exhorting his flock, Sunday, burglars entered his home and took cash, jewelry and watches amounting to nearly \$500. On the watches amounting to nearly 500. On the study table was a sermon on the text, "Thou Shalt Not Steal," which the thieves do not appear to have touched, although they did carry away a copy of a Universalist discourse on "Must Punishment be Effective?" Mr. Wigand has a sum of Missionary money, which he kept in a refrigerator. The burglars cridently were not hungry and did not evidently were not hungry, and did not find it.