Ink Slings.

-Fashion decrees that today is the time to lay the straw hat up on the shelf.

-JOHN C. ROWE has made a good Recorder and he is entitled to another term.

-The war between Japan and Russia ended officially on Wednesday. Its effects, however, will live forever.

-What will the rich people get to ride in when the price of automobiles gets within reach of the poor?

-A girlless telephone exchange might work all right, but what is to become of the fellow who lets off all his extra sass'on versary of the organization of the Repub-

-There was frost in some parts of the Fairbanks. The celebration of Saturday county Wednesday night; a fore runner of the opening of the campaign for MILLER and BAILEY.

-The Commissioners of Centre county are not burning any bridges behind them. They will need all they have built for their retreat in November.

Recent developments disclose the fact that the New York Life Ins. Co., has been manipulated on the frenzied finance basis as well as the Equitable. -Wouldn't it he nice if the President

were to be awarded that NOBEL peace medal, with the \$40,000 in cash that goes with it. He needs the money.

-The Pittsburg Post expresses it exactly when it says "the one issue in this State is between the honest men of all parties and It was neither the time nor place to disthe grafters." Which side are you going to stand with?

-HARRY JACKSON has never had an elective office in his life. He is as reputable and competent as it is possible for a man to be and deserves your support for Reg-

-There are a lot of loafers in Bellefonte who should be organized into a choral society and given that new ballad "Don't Worry, Father, Mother's Got a Job." They could sing it with such feeling.

-Candidate PLUMMER is beginning to find out that there are a number of Republicans in Pennsylvania who have the manhood to stand up and declare that they will not support the kind of a Republican he is.

-Artists are criticising the design of the new twenty-dollar bill recently put in circulation. Really we are not in a position to comment because we must confess that we would be anxious to get them were they ugly as the "Toffee Kings" post-

-The man who devoured a buckleberry pie five days old and then went into the sea at New Rochelle and drowned left a mystery that will be hard to solve. Was it the pie that carried him to the bottom Only for the revolt against CAMERON he and, if so, was it one of the kind that would have secured the nomination." mother used to make.

-If you want to find out how much there is in Mr. LINCOLN SWARTZ, the man who aspires to fill the important office of Treasurer of Centre county, just try to pin him down to a sober, serious sensible talk some day when you meet him. After he shakes your hand he will wink several times then grin a little and it is all off.

-The sinking of Admiral Togo's battleship, the Mikasa, and the loss of six hund red of her gallant sailors is one of those strange chances of fortune that no one can account for. After going through the greatest naval engagements of modern times, practically unscathed, the boat was sunk in a peaceful harbor by an explosion in her own magazine.

-Chicago was not long in producing a woman whose escapades quite give the capers of CASSIE CHADWICK the distance flag. Chicago always was a busy place, but then it could scarcely be imagined that it was too busy to discover a woman who led the social swim on one of the smart streets and married her daughters to the best catches in the city while she was boss madame in one of the notorious joints in another section.

-When the tax payers start the political house cleaning in the court house it should be remembered that it is quite as important to make a change in the Treasurer's office as it is in the Commissioners. A new Roard of Commissioners can only go part way in getting to the bottom of the charges that are openly made against the present Board, they must have a Treasurer in office who will assist them. This Mr. SWARTZ could not be expected to do, therefore Dr. WHITE must be elected in forder that an investigation may be fully made.

-Mr. LINCOLN SWARTZ seems to be the MU NCHAUSEN of local politics. His stories are so absurd that no one will believe them, but he keeps on telling them just the same. The latest specimen comes up from Walker township, to the effect that hel is telling the people down there that Dr. WHITE has arranged to pay \$100 and ten gallons of whiskey for the delivery of that township. Such a silly tale would [scarcely be told by an imaginative school boy. In the first place Dr. WHITE isn't peddling either money or whiskey to secure votes, in the second place the gentleman Mr. SWARTZ is said to have named as his partnerlin the he never will answer that letter. When deal is above any such trickery and, in the | a criminal is caught the first admonition third. Walker township will record a of his counsel is "don't talk." The coungood old majority for Dr. White just as a sel for the Republican machine has rebuke to the man who intimates that its given PLUMMER the same advice and he voters can be bought with anything.



STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

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Pennypacker's Moral Obliquity.

The marvelous moral obliquity of Gov-

ernor PENNYPACKER was strangely reveal-

ed in his West Chester speech on Saturday

last. The occasion was the fiftieth anni-

lican party in that town and the other

conspicuous speaker was Vice President

was under the auspices of the machine

having celebrated the event some time ago.

It is said, however, that both party and

factional lines were disregarded in the af-

fair of Saturday and machine Republicans.

reform Republicans and Democrats joined

in the anniversary celebration of an his-

toric event with equal enthusiasm and

e arnestness. The Vice President, it is

added, appreciated the conditions and re-

frained from any reference to the factional

differences while PENNYPACKER with his

customary unaccountable fatuity plunged

into the dirty pool as if he enjoyed filth.

If the Governor had adhered to the facts

his plainly expressed admiration for politic-

al iniquity wouldn't have been so bad.

cuss factional politics or laud political im-

morality. But Governor PENNYPACKER

is so completely absorbed in his own

absurd self esteem, that he has no concep-

tion of the proprieties. In fact it is not

improbable that he imagined on Saturday

that the hosts who had assembled to cele-

brate what to them seemed an important

event, was in reality an ovation to himself.

Now that QUAY is dead he actually thinks

that he is the only thing within the broad

borders of the Commonwealth that is worth

while. Under this strange delusion he

struts about like a peacock in a barn yard

and really imagines that he is admired,

whereas, as a matter of fact, there is not

an intelligent man in the State who would

extend to him the ordinary courtesies if he

were not, unfortunately, Governor of Penn-

But the point to which we desire to call

attention is his obviously willful misrepre-

sentation of the facts in relation to the

nomination of the late Governor HART-

BANFT for President of the United States.

"A Pennsylvanian of wisdom, genuine and

clean of character,"he said, "failed to secure

a nomination for the Presidency of the

United States through a case of mistaken

judgment. I mean JOHN F. HARTRANFT.

That is a deliberate falsehood, the pur-

pose of it being to deprecate revolts against

political bosses. HARTRANFT never had

a chance for the nomination and there was

no revolt against CAMERON in the Penn-

syl vania delegation. CAMERON was against

the nomination of GARFIELD and he set

up HARTRANFT as a straw candidate to

prevent friends of GARFIELD from voting

for him and thus making his nomination

c ertain. PENNYPACKER must have known

this for it occurred before he was taken

with QUAYfobia and until that affliction

overtook him it is believed that he enjoy-

That Unanswered Letter.

More than two weeks ago HENRY C.

NILES Esq., a distinguished lawyer and

ard ent Republican of York, addressed a

letter to J. LEE PLUMMER, Republican

candidate for State Treasurer, which is

still unanswered. The letter alleged cer-

tain grave delinquencies on the part of the

Republicans," and asked Mr. PLUMMER to

pledge himself, in the event of his election,

to renounce all relationship with the

atrocious political machine. It ought not

to have taken long to prepare an answer to

the letter. A categorical reply to each

question might have been made in a few

Then why has the Republican candidate

for State Treasurer failed to answer? Sim-

ply for the reason that the accusations are

literally true and that PLUMMER can't

di vorce himself from the machine. He

owes everything to the bosses and is under

obligation to continue in their service. If

he would pledge himself to the people he

would be no further use to the machine

and the banditti would drop him. A

State Treasurer who will not use the office

as a source of "graft" for the bosses is of

no value to the machine and the machine

But PLUMMER is stopped from answer-

ing the question of Mr. NILES for the reason that his own official record would con-

fute any false pretense of contrition which

he might allege and he knows that it is

better to be silent than to give an oppor-

tunity to prove the charges and expose

why Mr. PLUMMER has not answered the

letter of Mr. NILES and for those reasons

other iniquities. Those are the reason

type to a Republican in the place.

'criminal combination masquerading as

ed a reasonably healthy mind.

BELLEFONTE, PA., SEPT. 15, 1905.

The Only Issue.

There is only one issue in the present campaign, Mayor BERRY, the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer, said in a speech the other day, and that is "graft." In other words, the question to be determined by the ballots in November is whether the government of the State is to be administered by the people and for the people or by the machine for the bosses. faction of the party, the better element During recent years, as the records of State and municipal governments will show, the benefits of government have gone exclusively to the political managers and the burdens have fallen as completely on the people. This is manifestly unjust and the purpose of the pending contest is to equalize burdens and benefits.

Take the case of Philadelphia, for example. Within a week the facts have been revealed that in the items of sand and gravel alone the favorite contractors, Mc-NICHOL & DURHAM, have overcharged the city in the sum of \$550,000 in connection with the construction of the filtration plant. That is a vast sum to be taken from the pockets of the taxpayers and put into the hands of the contractors. But it is a trifle compared with the sum total of the similar robberies of the people. In the road building operations and the sanitary, charity and corrective construction throughout the State precisely the same system of "graft" has been employed and the aggregate of the robberies is bevond calculation.

There are other forms of "graft," moreover, which will be stopped if Mayor BERRY is elected to administer the finances of the Commonwealth during the next two years. At the close of business on the 31st day of August there was in the treasury a surplus of \$10,911,883,97 which is being "farmed" among favored banks, the "rakeoff" going to machine leaders. This money belongs to the people and is taken from their earnings for the use of the political pensioners who enjoy the proceeds of its investment. Mayor BERRY pledges himself to stop this prolific source of "graft" and that achieved and possible economies introduced there will be a vast decrease in taxation.

A Troubled Contemporary.

The esteemed Philadelphia Press regrets that the record of J. LEE PLUMMER, the candidate of its party for State Treasurer, justifies the animadversions upon him exssed by the resolutions of the LINCOLN party conference. Our esteemed contemporary would like to support the Republican ticket. It has always done that in the past, so far as State candidates are concerned, and yearns to do so in the present and for the future. But PLUMMER's record is so forbidding that it just can't reconcile its conscience to the work and its suffering is excrutiating.

Our contemporary needn't worry its life out over this matter. The nomination of an unfit candidate absolves even a faithful organ from supporting the ticket and PLUMMER is notoriously unfit. If the convention had been held after the "graft" exposures in Philadelphia instead of before that event our contemporary declares substantially, PLUMMER wouldn't have been nominated. But he was nominated and is the candidate and the fact that the convention was held at one time rather than another makes no difference in the fitness of the candidate. But the fitness of the candidate makes a vast difference in the moral obligations of the voters.

In the first place PLUMMER is not the candidate of the Republican party. He is the nominee of what President ROOSE-VELT'S Secretary of State designated as "a criminal combination masquerading as Republicans." That being the case neither the Philadelphia Press nor any other Republican newspaper nor citizen is under obligations to support him for a non-political office such as State Tresaurer. Therefore it is the plain duty of the Press to obey the mandates of its conscience and give its earnest and active support to Hon. W. H. BERRY, the candidate of honest men of all parties.

Loomis is Out-Thank Heaven.

The President has been compelled, final-Secretary of State LOOMIS. He has at last yielded to decent public sentiment suffima nagers would prefer a Democrat of that ciently to recognize the fact that a man who appears to be a centre of scandal can't be endured in the public service. Loomis ing. has been involved in so many sinister transactions and has made so poor an effort to extricate himself from them that his continuance in government employ must soon have had a demoralizing influence on the service.

When the BOWEN-LOOMIS scandal was under investigation the preponderance of evidence was against LOOMIS but ROOSE-VELT ordered the summary dismissal of Bowen and bestowed special favors and marked distinctions on Loomis. He was sent as special Ambassador to France to attend the ceremonies incident to the transfer of the remains of JOHN PAUL JONES

from the civil authorities of France to the naval squadron of this country. That service completed Loomis was subsequently dispatched to several European capitals to inspect American embassies. In other words, he was made a sort of censor of the diplo-

matic stations of the country abroad. The downfall of Loomis was brought about not by the vigilance of the administration but through a quarrel between members of a syndicate of adventurers who had been exploiting in Venezuela. An incident of the quarrel was the discovery of correspondence which involved Loomis in their operations and a complaint to the their operations and a complaint to the government of the United States from those injured by him. ROOSEVELT couldn't defend him against such indubitable proof of his culpability and the result is that he is now out of a job. He would have been out long ago if the President were less tenacious in his favoritism or more regardful of decency in official life.

But while the country may well rejoice that LOOMIS is out it is not certain that the public is to be felicitated on his sucessor. ROBERT BACON, who succeeds him in the office of Assistant Secretary of State, is a partner of J. PIERPOINT MOR-GAN and as the change comes at a time in which Mr. MORGAN is engaged in exploiting some of his enterprises in China and other Asiatic points it may be merely a transfer of the scandal centre from South America to Asia. In any event it is certain that Mr. MORGAN isn't acting for

Berry Nominated Again.

The LINCOLN party has nominated W. H. BERRY, of Chester, as its candidate for State Treasurer. At a conference held in Philadelphia on Monday, in which representative Republicans of forty counties participated, he was unanimously chosen as the standard bearer. A convention will be held later, it was announced, in which every county in the State will be represented, and by which the action of the conference of Monday will be ratified. It is a movement of the better element of the Republican party of Pennsylvania for regeneration and reform. The "criminal combination masquerad-

ing as Republicans," have been repudiated by this body of reputable citizens. "The pirates of the Barbary coast had as much right to call thenselves Christian missionaries," the gentlemen declare in their resolutions, "as these political pirates have to stop this false pretense the LINCOLN party has been organized. "The whole power of the State," the resolutions continue, "was used for the plunder of our larger cities to enrich a sordid combination of political contractors and their weak and vile retainers." The LINCOLN party is a protest against such perversion and W. H. BERRY has been chosen as the fit leader of

In the nomination of Mayor BERRY by this force of well meaning citizens the righteons effort of the Democratic party to redeem the State from the clutches of the despoilers is greatly strengthened. It may be said that the result might have been attained better by individual desertions from the machine party and support of the Democratic ticket, admirable in every respect. But we all know that party attachments are strong and the desire of those earnest and sincere Republicans to support the fit candidates of their own party for Judges of the Superior court must be respected. The only political office in contention is that of State Treasurer and for that office they are with the Democracy.

What the Registration Indicates.

The Philadelphia Republican machine sustains a net loss of say 40,000 votes by the registration last week. That is to say, the machine managers themselves insist that the loss will be considerably less than that and the agents of the City party declare that it will be much more. But conservative estimates adopt; the ffigure named and it is safe to say that it will not be far from the official return. Of course it means that that number of votes will be lost to the Republican party for it is a notorious fact that every bogus name registered was voted. But that is not all it ly, to appoint a successor to Assistant means. The vigilance which purged the registry lists of 40,000 names illegally entered will prevent the personation of as many other voters who, though legally registered, have not been in the habit of vot-

> Thus the Democratic party starts out in the pending contest with a gain of 80,000 over the last normal return in one city Citizens' party and other independent organizations develop the strength which present estimates indicate, the aggregate gain of the Democratic candidate for State Treasurer in Philadelphia will be equal to the average majority of the Republican party in the State in off years. Under such party in the State in off years. Under such circumstances the gain in other parts of the State will represent a clear majority and will guarantee a victory for good government and political morality which will completely extinguish the iniquitous QUAY Machine and all its votaries. There will be no recovery from such a blow.

Graft and High Finance.

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From the Kansas City Times. Bryan is quoted as saying that the exploitation of the people through the opera-tions of "high finance" presents a new problem to the voters of this country. And so it does, and if there were some way to make it a political issue on which the voters could act with intelligence, there would be no question as to the result. But the spoilation of the stock jobbers, the grafters, the corrupters of legislation and of those who prey on the public generally, cannot be suc

But what the people can do is to give greater heed to the character of men they elect to public office, from the minor elec-tions to those of first importance, and especially in filling vacancies in the United States senate. With a gradual improve-ment in the character of public men, there will be better laws, a stricter enforcement of the laws, and a finer code of morals in the business world. But little progress can be made against boodle and graft unless the laws in existence are enforced and betthe laws in existence are enforced and bet-ter ones supplied where old ones are inade-quate. The real problem lies in the United States senate, which body is largely owned by the money interests, and which blocks the way to reform by presenting specious arguments on behalf of the "business in-terests" and the "working classes." The greatest graft the world has ever known is in the shelter that the protective tariff gives to monopolists and extortion-

at least theoretically opposed to these things, and each party stands for honest

things, and each party

government and honest officials.

tariff gives to monopolists and extortion-ists in this country, yet congress, especially the upper branch, is so under the control of the men who benefit by this shelter that it will be to blame if the reform is not ultimately wrought.

A Republican View of It.

From Leslie's Weekly. The Republican party has everything to ain and nothing to lose by a frank and full acknowledgment of the truth that for many years the policies and the fruits of Republican rule not only in Philadelphia, but throughout Pennsylvania, have been a reproach to the good name of the party elsewhere and a stumbling-block in the way of its progress. The curse of Quayism has hung like a heavy cloud over the record of a party that puts forward the claim of of a party that puts forward the claim of being a leader in all civic and political re-forms, and whose history, as a whole, fully justifies that claim. But Republican domi-nation in Philadelphia has been no whit better than Tammany domination in New York York, and no honest Republican anywhere who is frank with himself will deny the fact or fail to confess that it has been to him a cause of shame and confusion.

And what is true in this respect of Phila-delphia has been true to a deplorable ex-tent of other cities in Pennsylvania and of the State as a whole. Republicans who stood for honesty and morality in politics and public life have no reason to be proud of their party history in Pennsylvania for the past thirty-five years. It has been neither honest, straight nor clean.

A Pious Pennsylvania Protest. From the Charleston News and Courier.

It has recently been disclosed that there are 63,000 illegal names on the Philadelphia rolls. This is a larger number of "voters" than usually participate in a general election in South Carolina. We suppose that this magnificent fraud is intended by the Pennsylvania the Pennsylvania Republicans as a pious protest at the suppression of the ballot in the South. The old complaint of the Crumpackers and Lodges is that a Northern Congressman represents four or five times as many voters as does a Southern Congressman. If the Philadelphia plan is not exceptional it is likely that Northern representation at Washington will keep pace with that of the South unless Southern ingenuity shall invent improvements upon the "Grandfather Clause."

If Plummer Recants.

From the Harrrisburg Patriot. The Press, which has fought the Gang in Philadelphia with ability and energy, says that unless a substitute, against whom no criticism can be made, is put on the ticket in place of Plummer, 'only one recourse is left, and that is for Mr. Plummer to make such public declarations as will remove the objections of these who now hesitate to place the custody of the State Treasury in

But what would the promises of a me with Plummer's record be worth? For what reason would they be entitled to more respect than the present promises of Dave Lane and Jimmy Miles to work for the passage of a personal registration law, next time?

Outside Republican Opinion. From the Providence Journal (Rep.)

Taken at large the Democrats of Pennsylvania are no better than the Republicans of that State, but the Republicans bave been in power during a long term of years and they have fattened at the public crib until some of them are scandalously sleek. The Democrats have made an excellent nomination for the State Treasurership, and the ratification of this nomination at the polls would be not only a rebuke to the corruptionists, but a warning of a more radical revolt in the campaign for Governor next year.

Missed the Main Question. From the Pittsburg Times (Rep.)

The speech delivered by J. Lee Plum-mer, Republican candidate for State Treasurer, at the Grangers' pionic, has a very familiar sound. It is reminiscent of some familiar sound. It is reminiscent of some of Senator Penrose's platform efforts. Every farmer in Pennsylvania knows very well, and has known for 40 years, that he pays no State tax on real estate. The question before the people today is, what is being done with the taxes they do pay, and is or is not the Republican State organization in the hands of corrupt men?

Spawls from the Keystone. -Louis Hildebrant, of Bloomsburg, has been arrested and committed to jail charged with refusing to pay his taxes.

-By the blowing up of the Rand Powder company's plant, at Fairchance, on Saturday, twelve men were instantly killed, thirteen injured and six more are missing.

-Caleb Firmin, aged 60 years, mail carrier for ten years between Doylestown and Buckingham, dropped dead at the latter place Saturday night after depositing the mail.

-John McCullough, aged 17 years, son of Brady McCullough, a farmer near Newville, Cumberland county, disappeared Wednesday and the family fear he has met with foul

-While being rushed to the State hospital for treatment for a crushed leg, sustained by an accident at Maple Hill colliery, James Lockley, of Mahanoy City, died in the am-

-The annual convention of the Clinton County Sabbath School association will be held in the Presbyterian church at Beech Creek on Thursday and Friday, October 5th

-Negotiations are on between the State and the Central Pennsylvania Lumber company for the purchase, by the former of 20,-000 acres of land at the head of Fishing creek, in Sullivan county, to be kept as a forest reserve.

-Isaac A. Brittain, the oldest resident of Jersey Shore and a veteran of the civil war, died Friday evening, after a lingering illness of several months. His death was due to old age, he being ninety-one years and two months old.

-An epidemic of typhoid fever prevails in the town of Nanticoke. Over 100 cases have been reported to the board of health, and so far two deaths have resulted. The opening of public schools has been deferred and pub-

lic funerals have been prohibited. -According to a statement just issued by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Degraw, a steady demand comes from Pennsylvania for the establishment of new rural delivery routes. On September 1 there were 1,816 routes in operation, as against 1,778 on August 1, showing an increase of 38 new

routes in one month. -The effects of the action of the last Legislature in passing a law removing the protection from the blackbirds are being seen in the wholesale slaughter of the birds that is now going on in all sections of Lancaster county. Thousands are being killed, and it is the opinion of gunners that the blackbird will be almost entirely obliterated from that section

before long. -George W. Haggerty, for several years ergeant-at-arms in permanent charge of the Democratic State headquarters, has resigned and will take a position as bank cashier at Lemoyne, in Cumberland county. State Chairman Hall will appoint a man to succeed Mr. Haggerty. George D. Herbert has been appointed an assistant secretary at State headquarters.

-August, an aeronaut, 25 years old, whose home is in Shenandoah, Pa., was instantly killed by falling from his apparatus at Baltimore.on Saturday. When the balloon reached an altitude of about 2,000 feet Angust seemed to become exhausted. An instant later he was whirling through space, his body rapidly gaining momentum as it fell. His right leg was torn off at the knee and his body was otherwise horribly mangled.

-To facilitate the development of about 12.000 acres of rich coal and oil lands recently purchased in the interest of the Buffalo and Susquehanna railroad in what is known as the Plum Creek district of Pennsylvania, partly in Armstrong and partly in Indiana county, the Metropolitan Trust company has accepted a mortgage of \$5,000,000 on the property, and its attorneys are now engaged in working up the titles.

-Rickett's Battery, companies F and G, of the First Pennsylvania Volunteers, that withstood the charge of the Louisiana Tigers on Cemetery Hill at the battle of Gettysburg held its nineteenth annual reunion at Berwick on Friday. At a banquet in the evening addresses were delivered by Dr. Hughes, Frank B. Brockway and Colonel A. D. Seeley. Some of the members present at the reunion had not met since their discharge from the army in 1865.

-Bark loaders at the head of Little Pine creek, while working on a big pile of hemlock bark one day last week, killed nearly 400 copperhead snakes, five woodchucks, three minks and two weasles, which had taken their residence there. As it will require more than a month to load the entire pile, it is quite likely more "game" will be uncovered. Hemlock bark has a peculiar attraction for copperhead snakes, and the oaders expect to unearth a few more.

-Bishop J. N. Fitzgerald, of Ocean Grove. N. J., has appointed the Rev. G. W. Stevens, D. D., presiding elder of the Harrisburg district, Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist church, to be presiding elder of the Danville district, to have full supervision of work until conference. Dr. Stevens succeeds the late Rev. A.S. Baldwin. He will be assisted in the quarterly conferences by the other presiding elders. Dr. Stevens will serve the Danville district without compensation, giving the salary to Mrs. A.S. Baldwin.

-Edward Hays, who has confessed to a number of burglaries recently perpetrated in Milton and Herndon, and who is in jail at Sunbury awaiting trial, Thursday night made one of the boldest attempts to escape from the county prison ever made there. He succeeded in making a hole in the ceiling of his cell and then through the slate roof of the iail, and had he not returned to his cell for clothing he could have made good his escape. The warden was awakened by Hays' steps on the jail roof, and an investigation resulted in his capture. of guno

-The amount of damages Nate Brion, Democratic candidate for county commission er in Lycoming county, demands from the Gazette and Bulletin for the publication of an alleged libelous article reflecting on him is \$50,000. The attorneys for Mr. Brion, Seth T. McCormick and Otto G. Kaupp, late Tuesday afternoon having filed their statement. It is not at all likely the case will come to trial at the October adjourned term of civil court, because it is understood that Judge Hart already has as many or more cases on the list than can be handled.