ink Slings.

-Sterm clouds continue to hang over Bellefoute's council chamber.

-The bituminous miners are again to profit by the troubles of the authracite

-Will the Pike at the next great exposition we have substitute its "Great Johnstown Flood for the recent Johnstown fire?

-ALICE and NICK certainly are on the toboggan to obscurity. They are good for only two or three inches in the great dailies these times.

-The water will likely be cold and high on the 15th. All the more reason why your bottle of "bait" should be a little longer than usual.

-The Pittsburg Dispatch, a Republican paper, refers to the Philippines as "our white elephant." Surely the Dispatch is an audaciously independent paper.

-If you didn't have the spring fever Monday and Tuesday you must be a ing effects of the first really spring days.

this summer. Strange it didn't have a single session while war was wasting and LEY's view and KNOX didn't even refer to The 19,000-ton battleship is therefore an tearing at the vitale of both Russia and the matter. Japan

-The Delaware Judge who has just handed down a decision saying that it is not a crime to steal coal must have been earthly use. Everybody knows that every country interpreted it as a challenge to running a railroad at some time during a rate made by the Commission will be held "do as well or better." On rational minds

-If the striking miners become obstreperous --- and we hope they wont --- the public will have an opportunity of finding out what the new state constabulary is being paid for.

-Some people move to save paying rent, some move in order to get new wall-paper, some move because they like it. But why the latter class no one but themselves will ever be able to figure out.

-The Bellefonte Methodists have a new preacher, thank you! Not that they didn't love the old one, but fate decreed that they should not be clear out of all the hub-bub LEY's proposition. That is to say, they the Secretary of the navy. We would be that is being raised about new ones.

-The Russian elections, the first they have ever enjoyed, passed off quietly. The man with the bar'l hasn't had time to get into Russian politics yet, but he'll be there ere long leaving his trail of corruption behind him.

branches of Pittsburg's newly organized lege, the courts are created by the consticouncil, but then it is hard to tell what tution and comprise a co-ordinate branch subdues men when all other things fail. the word Republican really means when of the government equal in power with applied to the ki the Smoky city.

-The News startles us with information that council has reduced the horough bonded debt from \$118.00 to \$110.00. Verily this is cutting it down some, but w hat became of the balance of \$109,890 of bonds we thought we had to pay.

-It long has been a popular epigram that "nothing is sure but death and taxes." Judging, however, from the amount of the latter that remain unpaid in this town there must be a great many people who have their doubts about taxes being sure

-IDA GRACE MACOMBER, a patient in the Norfolk insane asylum, has been con- take the lead in declaring for them. It ducting such a flourishing and profitable will be supported by a record of contention matrimonial agency there the U. S. for years. postal authorities have had to interfere and stop her business. ...n insane discerned signs of a political revolution asylum is no place for such a woman. She should be on Wall street.

-Gen. BLANCO, who succeeded "Butcher" WEYLER as Governor General of Cubs. is dead. He wasn't such a bad old Spaniard after all, and he was immensely amusing in his reports to his home government of how completely he was putting "the bug on" the American troops that were taking his island right out from under his very nose.

licked. On Tuesday one of their torpedo tion of deceiving the people again with "a At that time a snow squall broke and the hope." cowardly sailors ashore were afraid to put out to the rescue of their comrades. They all drowned, of course. But they wouldn't ed the evils of political piracy as long as had Capt. CASTRO of the Atlantic City fishing fleet been there.

carry Governor PENNYPACKER and his pectation. The surest and hest way of delightfully located, is fitted up with all paper soldier staff South, while the old boys who survived the awful carnage of Vixburg had to ride in "straight-backs" and eat out of lunch pokes. The Governor never mingled with the Vets, nor did he appear at stations where crowds had assembled to greet and cheer them and now the papers are saying he acted as if ashamed of them. However that may have been it is probably much nearer the truth to say that he was ashamed of himself.

-JOHN ALEXANDER DOWIE, the false prophet of Zion, has at last been dethroned and stripped of every vestige of power be Longwell, who resigned when he moved to Last Saturday there were fifty-two kegs but a legitimate business enterprise that has held in the city he has spent twenty years West Virginia. There was a little contest in building. All manner of stories are be- for the place but as the vacancy was caused ing told about his gross immorality and by the resignation of a Republican the fraudulent business methods so that noth- board evidently believed it but right to ing is left to those who contributed to his elect a Republican as his successor. Mr. fanatical scheme but the gall of disap- Harris served three years as school director pointment and regret. He has been for- and will be just as capable a man now as bidden to again enter Zion City and even be was during his regular term of office. his wife and son have turned against bim. What an old rascal "Elijah II" must have been, but what a cute rascal not to have been found out before.



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An Absurd Extravagance

Senator KNOX made an able speech on the rate question the other day, but it was ship Congress has touched the limit of abdisappointing. That is to say, he failed to surdity. There is no more use for such a refute Senator BAILEY's assertion that the monster than there is for two tails on a pet lower federal courts are creatures of Con- dog. We have no war on hands and none gress, and that is what he set out to nation on the face of the earth making war Inter-state Commerce Commission would talk about a war between a mother and the chronic loafer and immune to the enervat- the Senate denied this proposition, and one declaration of war against this country

Senator Knox Disappoints.

the face of such facts what help could a ton battleship.

from ill-treatment by the railroads. bave expressed a willingness to put some as little in danger of war if our floating In other words, the power to regulate cautions. But as far as we are concerned, -The Republicans will control both ist at all. If, as SPOONER and KNOX al- to consume revenues and keep the people an't regulate it at all. But if it can regulate in part it can altogether.

Call the Convention Early.

Toat the consensus of Democratic opinion favors an early State convention this year admits of no doubt. It is expressed in most of the newspapers of the party faith and endorsed by the party leaders with practical unanimity. The reasons for this pablic sentiment are obvious, moreover-The Democrats stand now and bave stood for years for the reforms that are so generally demanded by the people and it is not only eminently fit, but entirely expedient that the convention of our party should

In 1895, when the late Senator QUAY against the iniquities of the machine he compelled his State convention to make a false pretense of ballot and other reforms and completely fooled the people. When the Democrats, a few weeks later, declared for civic improvement and condemned political immorality the answer was that the Republicans had "turned over a new leaf" and having promised the reforms were entitled to an opportunity to fulfill the pledges. The machine hopes to turn the same trick this year. It will promise -It is no wonder the Russian navy was everything that is desirable in the expectaboats struck a reef and was about to sink. promise to the ear to be broken to the

> The people of Pennsylvania demand improved civic conditions. They have endurpossible. They are determined to look to the Democratio party for the reforms and our party should be ready to meet the exachieving this result is to hold our State convention in advance of that of the Republicans and make our declarations with such a platform and a ticket worthy the resort hotel proprietress. party there can be no doubt of the result. The experience of last year will be repeat-

--- At a meeting of the Bellefonte school regular spring election in place of Thad.

--- The Centre county wheat fields are said to be looking much better since the brutally selfish, immoral that really de- went into effect or, if not, where they were bers they now have in the House. They snow has gone than they did before it fell. cent persons couldn't tolerate.

In the matter of the 19,000-ton battlegress and amenable to restraint by Con- in prospect. There is no possibility of any achieve. Senator BAILEY based his con- on the United States. This country has tention that an act of Congress forbidding come to be the granary of the world. It the lower courts from exercising the pow- supplies the food deficit of all nations of er of injunction against a rate deal by the the world. It would be as reasonable to be constitutional. The railroad lawyers in helpless babe feeding at her breast. A after another undertook to prove the point. would bring any other to the verge of -The Hague Peace Congress is to meet FORAKER failed absolutely, SPOONER starvation. No people can endure without practically admitted the accuracy of BAI- our food.

expression of senseless braggadocia. It is It may as well be edmitted that a rate the JOE CANNONization of Congress. Engbill which allows the inferior courts to land built a 17,000-ton battleship and the suspend the rate by injunction is of no CANNONS in Congress and throughout the up indefinitely by the courts and complete the incident would have had no influence. ly nullified. Once suspended in that way They would have known better. There is the slow processes of the law will drag a story of two envious children who were along until patience is exhausted. There trying to "put up a front." One said, is a case now pending in the United States "our house has a portico on it." "That's District court for the Eastern district of pothing," replied the other, "our house this State, which was begun seventeen has a mortgage on it," and neither knowyears ago and is likely to run for some ing the meaning of the words, both felt tritime yet, because of failure to get service umphant, and with quite as much reason on JOHN D. ROCKERFELLER to testify. In as we have to feel elated over the 19,000-

rate bill be to a citizen who is suffering We have no reason for such fighting machines. We have no reason for any war Besides, the railroad lawyers in the Sen- ships other than such as are necessary for ate have practically admitted Senator Bar- the yachting purposes of the President and restraints on the courts or at least put a armament were reduced to a half dozen limit on the time within which an injunc- pleasure boats. It may be different with tion may hold. Now, if Congress has pow- Europe and powers who are not dependent er to do that it certainly has power to do but are envious of each other. Preparedthat for which Senator BAILEY contends. ness for war may be in these cases wise precourts is either absolute or it doesn't ex- big armies and vast navies are only useful

Japan has just emerged from a success ful war with a signal victory. Recent ex-From beginning to end of the operations prosperous people. But they are far from has passed upon its merits. that. According to published statements victorious country who are starving.

ing stomachs and the wretchedness such gives up in despair. things entail.

drifting toward the militarism which leads my and navy and the chances are that in ness and in the arts of peace. The experience of Japan should serve as an admonition.

-Bellefonters who usually migrate Atlantic City-wards during the summer season will be interested in learning that Mrs. J. D. Hall has moved from the Hallwoode, to the hotel Pitney, on New York avenue, near the beach. The Pitney is modern conveniences and has a capacity of two hundred guests. The change is a most desirable one in every way and Mrs. Hall such directness and vigor as to command is to be congratulated on this evidence of not only attention but confidence. With her success and prosperity as a summer

Bellefonte. Since we have no wholesale phones to a brewery and gets a keg of beer. ordered by telephone at one time, that we

-What GERTRUDE APHERTON lefts unsaid about New York society must certainly be things upfit to print. In her article in the April Cosmopolitan she quotes authors Tuesday afternoon and evening, there was do something for the party, they will put from the inside to prove her statement that cause for deep speculation as to whether up for Congress in all the districts their what is known as "society" in New York they had been able to lay in a supply of is a body of people so arrogant, ignorant,

Good Democratic Doctrine.

The Granger's platform to which we referred last week is not far removed from good Democratic doctrine and might well be adopted in whole or in part by the Democratic state convention.

The enforcement of the constitution has always been a Democratic tenet. Strict construction of the fundamental law as against a too careless interpretation was among the early differences between the parties and the Democrats held to the literal observance. Therefor the enforcement of the seventeenth article of the constitution "by appropriate legislation" is a

Democratic policy older than Grange. The other propositions expressed in the Grange platform are developments of the new economic and civic conditions, but have been from the first accepted as Democratic policies.

The proposition to authorize trolley railroads to carry freight, for example, has been of action among a considerable percentage of former reliable partisans. Then again urged on the Legislature by Democrats for new leaders are almost necessarily inex-the last ten years. "Farmer" CREASY, of perienced and inefficient leaders. They don't know the tricks of the crafty old-timers who spent their lives in building up Columbia county, has been the champion of this policy from the start and during the last two regular and the special session be had the unanimous support of his party ssociates on the floor in his contention. The failure to adopt that proposition by the Democratic convention would, therefor,

be a step backward and a sort of recreancy. Upon the question of a just division of the resources between the State and county governments there can be no doubt of the attitude. Vast treasury balances have always been abhorrent to the Democratic mind as needless tax burdens have been reprobated. Ever since the policy of piling up big surplusses in the State Treasury has been the policy of the Republican party Democrats, in and out of the Legislature, have been protesting and there is no reason why the protests should not be officially and emphatically declared in the Democratic platform this year.

Roosevelt Backs Down

The President has failed again at the crucial moment. That is to say, just at the time that a rate bill, that might tent among the Republicans at the contemptuous treatment accorded the demands to tariff revision and reciprocity by the stand-patters. There is no doubt some lawyers of the Senate and given his con
New England industries are in serious line company and accepted a position in Palo

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Alto, Franklin county. Cully worked as a sent to a provision which will nullify the measure. In other words, he has agreed perience reveals no more signal triumph. to the proposition of Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania, to amend the measure by she never lost a battle or even sustained a incorporating a court review provision with serious delay or reverse. In the nature of the unlimited right of injunction and the things the Japs ought to be a happy and bolding up of the rate bill until the court

Of course this will make any rate adopted there are a round million of people in that by the Interstate Commerce Commission an absurdity. In other words, no such rate While the war was in progress the force will ever become effective unless it has the necessary to cultivate the soil and produce approval of the railroad managers concerned harvests were withdrawn from that field of in advance, and no rate which is for the labor in order to maintain the ranks of the benefit of the shipper will ever have such army. They were making history and approval. It may be set down as a cerwinning glory for the Emperor and the na- tainty, therefor, that the railroads will aption. But they were achieving these re- peal from every rate made by the Commissults at vast expense. The neglect of the sion and the courts will hold the question farms and the incidental failure of the crops under consideration until the patience or are now bearing fruit in the million stary- purse of the shipper is exhausted and he

The reason which influenced the Presi-In this experience of Japan there is a dent to this abject surrender to the railesson which the people of this country roads is that he has been led to believe ought to study with great care. We are that in the event of the passage of an efficient rate bill the credit of the achievement to misery and want. We are spending would go largely to Democratic Senators with a profligate hand in building up ar- Even Republican papers had begun talking of the able speeches of Senators BAILEY and striving to equal the military prowess of RAYNER and the importance of their work Europe, we will forfeit the opportunity to for the measure. This was too much for exceed all other countries in productive- ROOSEVELT. He wants all the credit, himself, and if he can't get it the people's interests can go hang.

> -A delegation of millers from Blair in the next Congress will be six or seven county visited Bellefonte on Tuesday for the purpose of interesting Centre county millers in organizing a local millers asso-Democrats control the State government and there is war to the knife between the ciation which shall have for its object the establishment of uniform prices to be paid for grain of all kinds and rates at which flour and feed stuffs shall be sold. The prespect of Democratic gains in this fall's congressional elections than in Obio. One-balf the delegation to the next House proposition was favorably received by the millers of Bellefonte and another meeting will be beld here on Tuesday, May first, when it is likely an organization will be perfected.

--- The West End Finance Co., whose -The railroads and express companies advertisement appears in another column are already beginning to reap a harvest of this issue, has a rather novel proposition from the traffic of beer kegs to and from to offer persons who have small amounts of tre about Representative Babcock, the bigmoney to lend. They guarantee 11 per cent board Monday evening Hard P. Harris was license or no brewery agency, every Tom per annum and so far as we have been able to elected a director to serve until the next Dick or Harry, whether of age or not, tele- find out have been making good on it. The concern is not a get-rich-quick operation, been established for years and has shown a natural, healthy growth. If you are interested you might write for particulars.

> -From the reeling condition of the usual crowd lounging around on the streets, "Oh, be joyfal" before the no-bottle ruling getting it now?

Spawls from the Keystone.

-Norristown's new \$75,000 government building was thrown open to the public on Monday.

-The Susquehanna Sportsmen's association, of Northumberland, is arranging for a big spring tournament, on May 11 and 12. -Joseph Boccia shot and killed his child

wife, Mrs. Annie Boccia, thirteen years of age, on the streets of Easton, Saturday

-Paralyzed for twenty-three years by an injury in the Civil war that developed twenty years thereafter, Solomon Derk has just died at Shamokin.

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Sizing Up the Situation.

Maurice Splain, Washington Cor. Pittsburg Post.

and managing political machines.

THE DISRUPTION IN NEW YORK.

In New York practically all the old

leaders of the Republican party are on the toboggan slide, discredited or disgraced.

Senator Platt, for more than a generation

master of the party in the State, was dis-placed by the malodorous Odell, one of the

worst of his own creatures. Odell in turn

has been marked for the scrap-heap by the followers of the national administration.

turn on the party and knife it in the bac

at the first opportunity, for the party has meant nothing to him but a chance to en-rich himself and his friends at the public

expense. Its achievements and its tradi-

Republican or any other party to him and

other New England states there is discon-

straits because of the high price of raw ma-

might disturb businesses that are prosper-

facturers and workmen who are agitating

that is going to cause the Republicans of New England serious trouble in the elec-

tions this fall. They are going to find it

doesn't pay to try to fool the people all the

MIDDLE STATE MACHINES BUSTED.

them are furious at the reform elen

and if the Democrats put up strong men against them, the latter will gain two or

There is the best of reasons to believe that the Democratic membership from the State

instead of the one it is now. In Ohio and

Pennsylvania conditions are paralleled. The old leaders are gone or discredited, the old machine is almost a wreck, the

reform faction of Republicans and the old

machinists. There is no State with a finer

FACTIONAL FIGHTS IN THE WEST.

struggle between the La Follette faction and the remains of the stalwarts, who are

in cauger of utter extermination. The

fight will be a desperate one. It will cen-

La Follette men will make a desperate at-

tempt to eliminate "Old Bab," and the

chances are they will succeed, notwith-standing all the help the corporations can

give their old-time servitor. The Demo-

Iowa the fight between the Cummins a

Shaw-Hepburn-Hull factions of Republi-caus will attain its maximum of vicious-

ness. Each side is now out for blood and

if the lowa Democrats have any skill in political maneuvering and a real desire to

very best men and support them with vim.
In Missouri the Republicans will be almost certain to lose six of the nine mem-

practically concede this themselves.

erats are almost certain to gain Babcock's

eat and one or two more in the State. In

In Wisconsin will come this fall the final

In New Jersey there is a condition of af-

didn't know it. Now it is this condition

ons and whose managers are content.

men of his type?

If he is thrown out he will undoubtedly

-The Bedford Hardwood company is a new industry which is about to start in the town of Redford. The object of the company is to manufacture locust tree nails.

A glance over the political field shows -Titusville, it is claimed, will have a there is good reason for the anxiety of the Republicans and the hopefulness of the Democrats at the outlook for this fail's conwireless telegraph station. It will be completed and in running operation for the receipt and sending of messages by July. gressional elections. Everywhere there are

-Mules are in great demand among the signs of political unrest, which always tells signs of potitical unrest, which always tells against the party in power. In several of the most important States, like New York, Ohio and Iowa, there are bitter factional quarrels within the Republican party. Old leaders have passed away or are being displaced because of their bad management of party affairs or as a result of scandals in which they have become involved. farmers of Lancaster county, who prefer them to horses, as high as \$575 being paid for a team at a recent sale, while very few teams bring less than \$400.

-The town of St. Benedict, Cambria county, has been passing through the throes of which they have become involved.

The attempts to inaugurate a new deal have disgusted or alienated the adherents of the old leaders and the old regime. It does not matter if the object of the new leaders is to cleause and elevate party stanan epidemic of diphtheria. Fortunately the disease has not been particularly fatal, only two deaths having occurred. It is thought that the worst is over.

-Mount Pleasant, Westmoreland county . dards and eliminate the grafters and comis to have a new industry known as the mercialists who have brought discredit on Wonder Manufacturing company. The prothe name of Republican. Reform means unrest, recasting of lines, weakening of party ties and a tendency to independence posed plant will cover two acres of land and it is estimated that it will involve the expenditure of \$300,000.

> -Two more coal plants are planned for Indiana county by the Iselins. One will be located on Yellow creek, above Homer City, and the other in Centre township. The investment of the Iselin interests in that county aggregate \$10,000,000.

> -The output of Somerset county's famous product-maple sugar and maple syruppromises to break all records and before the season is half over dealers are complaining that the market is glutted with the usually highly prized table luxury.

> -Grant Davis, of Milton, sustained, a severe loss a few nights ago when fire destroyed his chicken house and 150 chickens which were in it. It is thought the fire started from the explosion of a lamp which was in one of the broaders.

-Joseph Rager, who was arrested recently for the murder of "Cap" Donahue, at Barnesboro, has been released as the result tions make no appeal to his gross and sordid nature. If he can't get the "stoff," if he is to be shut out from office and the opportunities office-holding affords of personal enrichment and advantage, what is the inal court.

-The Clinton county auditors Saturday placed their report in the hands of Judge Hart. Among the items they refused to NEW ENGLAND SORE ABOUT THE TARIFF. allow were those for bounties on wild In Massachusetts and to some extent in animals other than woives and wildcats, thus saving the county about \$600 under the law

Alto, Franklin county. Cully worked as a terials. This is notably true of the leather lineman eleven years and in that time industry. But the stand-patters will not heed the appeals of the leather people for fear of an all-around tariff agitation which

-Over at Connoquenessing, in Butler county, a man concluded to put an oil well down in his back yard. He did so, and to-They don't want tariff agitation, but day, as well as for ten days past, he has been they would rather the New England manureaping some twenty-five barrels an hour from it. As oil is worth \$1.58 a barrel, that back yard is an acre of diamonds to its owner.

-Edward B. Morgan, aged 23 years, a farm hand working near Eldorado, Blair county, was found early Sunday morning partly submerged in a pool of water near his home, with his skull cracked and numerous fairs in the Republican party similar to the condition in New York. A strong element of reformers has forced the old corporationbruises about the body. He died in the Altoona hospital Sunday night. He is believed to have been the victim of footpads.

serving leaders to make concessions to the new spirit of decency and patriotism. The old leaders have been reluctant and have -The Homestead Business Men's associa tion held a meeting one day last week and decided to cut out programme advertising done grudgingly as little as possible. They and the political degenerates who support and stick to the newspapers. It was shown that some merchants pay \$200 a year in proand will take their revenge when the opportunity offers. On the other hand, the rank and file of the Republicans, having got the taste of better things and learned their power, are dissatisfied at what has

been accomplished, and will punish the old leaders at the polls this fall.

Nearly all the New Jersey Republicans are straight products of the old machine, log ever cut in Potter county was taken to the Austin mill. The log was forty feet in length, forty-six inches in diameter, and from the butt to the upper end it varied only two inches in diameter. It was cut on the Thomas Fee job on Lyman Run, and it is three seats in the State at the November said will produce \$120 worth of timber. election. The way things are torn up in Pennsylvania need not be dwelt on here.

-Thomas and John Keenan, sons of Thomas J. Keenan, a well-known contractor, of Johnstown, formerly of Hollidaysburg. fell into the swollen Stoney creek while playing on its banks Saturday evening and were drowned. The body of John Keenan was recovered, but that of the other child floated down the stream and was lost to

-Luke A. Byrne, who owns the old grist mill at Garman's Mills, received a verdict of \$3,365,83 in his suit at court last Friday against the Clearfield and Pennsylvania railroad companies. Mr. Byrne alleged that damage resulted to his mill race and dam when the defendant corporation ran its road near his place and deflected the course of a stream of water.

-Valuable clay deposits have been discovered not far from Jersey Shore which will likely be worked in the near future. Lewis Metzgar, of East Hill, has been doing considerable prospecting in the vicinity of Pewterbaugh mountain of late and struck a vein of clay of wonderful thickness. The vicinity seems to abound in the clay and there is some talk of a narrow gauge railroad as a means of bringing the clay out of the mountain.

-Robert Pugb, a Baltimore and Ohio railroad brakemam, Sunday evening shot Mrs. Charles Witt at her home on Bedford street. Johnstown, and sent a bullet crashing through his own brain. Mrs. Witt was wounded in three places but will recover. Pugh died instantly. The couple had been schoolmates, and Pugh, it is said, was engaged to Mrs. Witt at one time but was jilted. For some time Mrs. Witt has been parted from her husband.