

Ink Slings.

Get out the vote. Don't vote often, but be sure to vote early. Don't leave a single vote at home next Tuesday.

The price that was paid for one of the spittoons in the new State capitol would furnish several rooms in the Bellefonte hospital. Think of it.

If elected to Congress Capt. BARCLAY'S affiliations would all be with the corporations. Col. TAYLOR would be with the masses. Vote for TAYLOR.

A stream can raise no higher than its source. Neither could Mr. QUIGLEY as your Senator surmount the taint of the gang that made him one of its candidates.

Take no chances on having PENROSE for United States Senator. Vote for DIMELING who has made a public declaration that he is against the gang, from PENROSE down.

Col. H. S. TAYLOR is an educated man, well versed in the doings of the State and the needs of the country and would make an able representative in Congress from this district. Vote for him and do justice to yourself and your neighbor.

Consistency than art a virtue. HOMER L. CASTLE and Dr. SWALLOW [the Prohibition leaders are working for the election of STUART. At the same time the Pennsylvania Whiskey League has endorsed STUART and has been piling money into his campaign funds.

Mr. QUIGLEY would probably have been beaten had he not allied himself with the machine, but that action has lost him the votes of many personal friends who would be pleased to support him were it not for the fact that he represents the very element in politics that they are striving to eliminate.

We are waiting to hear from the honest farmers of Centre county. Next Tuesday they will have opportunity of proclaiming to the world what they think of a gang that steals millions of the dollars they earn by the sweat of their brows only to pour into the State Treasury as taxes to be squandered in \$500 spittoons, \$800 flag poles and \$2,000,000 chandeliers.

All Bellefontes remember how hard everyone worked and begged and plead for the six nights of the Midway that was held in the armory in September. Every one felt that the earnings quite repaid the remarkable display of ingenuity and labor; yet have you stopped to think that all that was made there wouldn't pay for five of the spittoons that the gang had to have for the new capitol.

What a god send it would have been to the sick and injured in this community if there had been one chandelier less in the new capitol at Harrisburg and enough less in the treasury to give our hospital five or ten thousand dollars. Patients are lying in the halls and in the nurses' rooms all because the hospital is too small, yet PENNYPACKER cut a thousand dollars off the institution's appropriation last year so that the gang could have that much more to waste.

Voters should get to the polls as early as possible on election day. It helps the men who are burdened with the duty of getting the vote out. A man who waits until the last minute to go to the polls is often the cause of the loss of several votes. Thinking that the election might have slipped his mind the party watcher sends some one to hunt him up, thus reducing his force of workers until sometimes there are no persons available to send for others. Vote early in the day, if it is at all possible.

The Gazette thinks that because wheat sold at 50c a bushel in 1895 no one should vote for EMERY for Governor in 1906. Such twaddle is only natural from such a source, but we want to give you something to put in your pipe and smoke. If Capt. BARCLAY should happen to be elected to Congress and the editor of the Gazette doesn't get the Bellefonte postoffice in 1907, we'll bet the salary of the postoffice against one of those little German books that the Gazette won't be tearing its tympans off for BARCLAY in 1908.

You are not a Democrat or Republican this fall. You are a Reformer, casting your ballot for civic righteousness. You might have warm personal friends on the ticket but if they are not for reform the greatest service you can render them is by voting against them. The lesson of defeat will teach them to be more careful of the company they keep and better men for having been driven from allegiance that are neither for the State's good nor their own. In their own personalities Messrs. QUIGLEY and FRYBERGER are estimable gentlemen, but as apologists for the gang they are black as it is.

Mr. CHARLES EMORY SMITH, the editor of the Philadelphia Press; having been sued for libel by Dr. SWALLOW, doesn't display much alarm over the predicament he finds himself in. In fact when the attorneys for the prosecution offered some little courtesies in order to save the distinguished gentleman the annoyance of the preliminaries in such suits he promptly thanked them, and suggested that inasmuch as he purposes saying worse things about the preacher than he had already published it might be wise for them to delay action for a few days in order to save themselves the burden of instituting a multiplicity of suits.

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General Carson's Failure.

The most disappointing figure in the public life of the period is HAMPTON L. CARSON, Attorney General of Pennsylvania. He came to that office a trifle less than four years ago with a fair reputation for ability as a lawyer and an enviable character for integrity. His first venture in public affairs was in the splendid fight against the machine in which JOHN STEWART, now Justice of the Supreme court, was the capable and courageous leader. Subsequently he participated in the various campaigns for civic righteousness in Philadelphia and crowned his services in behalf of decency in public life and constitutional integrity by appearing before the Committee on Elections in the United States Senate in opposition to the preposterous claim of QUAY to a seat in that body by appointment of Governor STONE.

With such a recommendation to popular esteem Attorney General CARSON might have earned enduring fame in the office to which he had been called. In fact his appointment was accepted as a promise of good from the PENNYPACKER administration. As one of the great Governors of the Commonwealth has said, the Attorney General is "the right arm of the executive," and the appointment of CARSON indicated that PENNYPACKER intended to keep within the law and be obedient to the constitution. But this pleasant expectation enjoyed a brief existence. Before he had been in office many months he revealed "the yellow streak." His affirmation of the validity of the Judicial Salary bill proved the insincerity of his professions of fidelity to the constitution. It showed that he was guided by the exigencies of the machine rather than his conscience.

But that and the other palpable errors might have been forgotten and forgiven if the scandal concerning the construction of the new capitol had not developed. Errors of judgment involve no turpitude but complicity, even as accessory, in crime, cannot be condoned in a public official. There is no escape, however, from the conviction that CARSON was necessary to the grafting operations. As Attorney General he must have known that the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings was exceeding its authority and violating the law. Even a layman with common sense and average reasoning power would have known that. But he sat silent during all the period of grafting operations and since the exposure of the crime he has used his official position to shelter the criminals. CARSON has simply written himself down a humbug.

The Governor's Explanation.

Governor PENNYPACKER'S defense of the graft in the capitol building operations leaves no doubt of his moral turpitude and proves his mental delinquency. The charges are made, he declares substantially, by men who won an election last year by misrepresentation, and are therefore unworthy of consideration. Moreover, he adds inferentially, even if they are true, the people don't have to pay the expenses. The corporations pay the State taxes, according to the PENNYPACKER notion, and therefore it's none of the people's business whether the State Treasury is looted or not. The first proposition is false and the other idiotic. Together they indicate that the absurd old egotist who was counted into the office of Governor by fraud is both a knave and a fool.

While real estate is not taxed directly for State purposes in Pennsylvania the owners of real estate pay a vast proportion of the taxes for the maintenance of the State. The corporations don't present the State with the several millions of dollars they pay annually into the State Treasury. They pay the money for the consideration of legislative and executive favors and then reimburse themselves through the medium of increased and we might say excessive charges for service. This proposition is proved by the fact that almost as soon as the machine, with which the corporations bargained for the favors, was defeated in the election the corporations reduced the rates for their service. Passenger rates on railroads have been cut down half a cent a mile already. The evidence of graft in the construction of the capitol, already abundant, is constantly multiplying. It has been practically proven that duplicate payments were made in some cases, that money was spent by the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings in violation of both the constitution and the statute for completing the building and that inferior and bogus materials were used in many instances, the charge being in all cases for the genuine article. This is plain criminality and every man concerned in it is a criminal. The flippant answer of the Governor under such circumstances is an insult to the intelligence of the people of the State and marks him as a venal public official who hopes to escape the consequences of crime by impudence.

Vote for TAYLOR for Congress.

Dave Lane's Amster Hope.

DAVE LANE, of Philadelphia, expressed the sincere desire of every machine politician in the State, the other evening, when he said, in a public speech, "let us end this talk about civic righteousness." That kind of talk doesn't sound melodiously on the machine ear. Talk of ballot box stuffing, stories of slum life and achievements in crime are more in their line. When Mr. LANE was instructing his associates with respect to their civic duties by the admonition that an officer holder who couldn't vote five times at one election would lose his job, he was more in accord with the prevailing sentiment among gangsters. "To hell with civic righteousness," is the prevailing view of that crowd and Mr. LANE was loudly and enthusiastically applauded when he voiced the sentiment.

Mr. LANE and his associates in the machine are pursuing the right course, more over, to accomplish the purpose they have in mind. If EDWIN S. STUART and those associated with him on the Republican ticket are successful at the polls next Tuesday it is safe to predict that the talk about civic righteousness will be ended. There will be no further effort to stamp out vice in the big cities of the Commonwealth or to improve the public and political moral of the people. Ballot reform will be no use in that event and graft will be encouraged instead of reprobated. In other words if the machine ticket is successful next Tuesday the old machine will resume business at the old stand and civic virtue will become a memory. DURHAM will come home and McNICHOLS and SALTZER will be restored to favor and power.

We can hardly believe, however, that a majority of the people of Pennsylvania are in sympathy with the hope expressed by DAVE LANE. For fears the politics of Pennsylvania was a disgrace not only to the country but to the civilization of the age and even the best of our citizens suffered in public estimation. But a year ago the shackles of vice and crime were stricken off and decency began to hold up its head in confidence. The election of the machine ticket would destroy this better condition, not because STUART is venal, but for the reason that the machine which is stronger than any man would be restored to power and would instantly resume the methods and practices which were condemned last year. DAVE LANE will be disappointed.

Stuart's Strange Recommendation.

In a speech at Scranton last Saturday evening EDWIN S. STUART, Republican candidate for Governor, earnestly implored the Republican voters of that county to bend their energies in behalf of THOMAS H. DALE, Republican candidate for Congress. He even went so far as to recommend that they trade off the State candidates in order to get votes for DALE. He would willingly have himself sacrificed, he said, to secure the election of Mr. DALE and his audience paid him the equivocal compliment of generously applauding the sentiment. If he is indifferent to his own success, they let him know, they have no cause of quarrel with him on that account. They will lose no sleep because of his defeat. If he can stand it, they will try to survive the blow.

There must be some great reason for STUART'S solicitude for the election of Mr. DALE. He said that it was because he was anxious to have ROOSEVELT'S policies supported. But that is obviously a subterfuge. The opponent of Mr. DALE is THOMAS D. McNICHOLS, District President of the United Mine Workers of America who has publicly declared that he is a ROOSEVELT Democrat and will support the President in all his cherished policies. So far as the President is concerned, therefore, it makes no difference which of the candidates is successful. As a matter of fact it may be said that he would be surer of support if McNICHOLS is elected than if DALE secures the victory because McNICHOLS will be controlled by no machine.

There are only two other reasons which might have influenced Mr. STUART in his recommendation of sacrifice. One is that he knows that he is doomed to defeat anyway that the election of a Congressman in a doubtful district would be sort of saving part of a bad wreck. STUART is not an overly ambitious man and probably reasons that a nomination for Governor is quite as high a compliment as he deserves and therefore he might well afford to sacrifice himself for a machine Congressman. The alternative is that in common with other members of the machine organization he has a bitter antipathy against labor organizations. W. B. Wilson the Democratic candidate for Congress in the Fifteenth district is an officer of the same labor organization and he is being fought with equal virulence.

Your duty as a citizen is to vote. No matter which way you vote go to the polls next Tuesday and exercise your right of franchise. There can be no question in the minds of honest men as to how they should vote in Pennsylvania this fall.

Evidences of Graft Multiplying.

The evidences of graft in the new capitol building are multiplying and the sources of it increasing. The latest exposure comes through our esteemed contemporary the Harrisburg Patriot and like everything else which emanates from that source, it is complete. The Patriot alleges that on the metallic filing cases of which two million dollars worth were taken the State paid Congressman CASSELL'S phantom company nine times the actual price of the cases. Our contemporary leaves nothing to conjecture in the matter either. It supplies complete and overwhelming proof of its assertion.

About the time that the metallic filing cases were being dumped into the capitol the esteemed Patriot was equipping a new office and with characteristic enterprise was getting everything of the best. The steel filing cases in the capitol "looked good" to the Patriot folks as a receiptable for the files of the paper and it was decided to buy one and application was made to the Penn construction company, the concern which was supplying the State capitol. The price was given as \$278, and nothing was said about cubic feet measurements. It is thirteen feet long, eight feet high and two feet deep. At \$11.87 1/2 a cubic foot the price paid by the State it would have cost \$2,470. The order was for a single case moreover, and the order of the State for thousands of them.

There could be no more convincing evidence of graft than that transaction involves. Mr. CASSELL, Republican candidate for Congress in Lancaster county, entered into a corrupt bargain either with the architect of the capitol or with some of the members of the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings and charged the State nine times as much for the filing cases as was asked from individual customers and every man associated with the transaction ought to be sent to the penitentiary. "Places of trust for honest men and prison stripes for grafters," should be applied in this case and after the election of EMERY and the entire Fusion State ticket we have no doubt there will be something doing in that line.

Senator Knox's Bad Break.

Obviously Senator KNOX has no heart in the work that has been forced on him by the Republican machine. As Senator in Congress by the grace of the machine, for Mr. CASSELL operated on PENNYPACKER through PENROSE, it may be assumed he could hardly refuse to do something. But what he is doing he is doing badly if it is to be measured by his speech in Philadelphia the other night. For example, after condemning all that the machine has done in years and promising that it will do nothing wrong in the future, the distinguished orator added: "The great reformer who drove out the money changers did not find it necessary to pull down the temple."

We take it as a self-evident proposition that one should never quote scripture unless he is sure of his point. The average man takes such things very seriously and if the quotation happens to strengthen the opposite to what it is used to prove, the gravest consequences are practically certain to follow. That this is the result of Senator KNOX'S quotation admits of no doubt. He said that the great reformer turned out the money changers but "did not find it necessary to pull down the temple." Of course not. But if the money changers had refused to go out the chances are that the temple would have been tumbled in a very unceremonious manner.

Now as a matter of fact LEWIS EMERY, and those who are associated with him in the laudable movement to rejuvenate and reform the Republican party of Pennsylvania have not contemplated the pulling down of the temple. All they ask is that the grafters who have been despoiling the temple get out and leave it to those who will properly use it. If they will do that as the money changers did on the occasion referred to by Senator KNOX there will be no destruction for the reason that none will be necessary. The evils of which the Reformers complain will be ended and the Lincoln party men will resume their old places in the political contention.

What Will We Be?

It is an old saw that "politics makes strange bed fellows." Major H. S. THOMPSON, of East Waterford, Pa., writes us as follows: P. GRAY MEEK Esq., Dear Sir: If you and I both vote for Emery, which, I presume, we will do, will you be a Republican or will I be a Democrat? I would like to know. Respectfully H. S. THOMPSON.

While this does look a little like that "How old is Ann" puzzle and it would probably take columns to explain it to the satisfaction of the Major and ourselves we want to assure him that it doesn't concern us at all as to what we will be or what we have been. The point at issue now is that we are both for civic righteousness, standing on the same platform, without thought of political principles, and fighting for the honor of our State. More power to the cause.

The Ship of State.

From the Columbia Freeman. The worst enemies of good government are the men who refuse to split their ticket where an important issue is involved. Many Republicans this year, realizing into what depths the State of Pennsylvania has fallen with Republican gangsters at the helm, and ashamed of the past, will vote for the fusion candidates because they have grown tired of disgraced Ring Rule, and desire to see the ship of state once more steered on its true course. If you were aboard a ship at sea during a storm, with an incompetent pilot at the helm, would you for a single instant feel safe? Would you not escape from danger to safety at your first opportunity? And if that ship had frequently been grounded and wrecked upon the shoals, would you not regard the ship's captain and his crew as incompetent and unworthy the confidence of those aboard? And having been thus convinced, would you feel like entrusting yourself to the care of that ship's crew a second time after having once escaped with your life? You would not. When Captain Matthew Stanley Quay went down, one fully as wily and incompetent stepped into his place, in the person of Boies Penrose. And again the ship of state was grounded and wrecked upon the jagged rocks, and a gang of pirates pilfered the wreckage of his treasure. And now comes Stuart, second mate, after Governor Penneyacker, who promises to "investigate" the wreck. Promises and "investigations" will not exonerate the disaster which has already occurred. The only safe remedy is to take the ship of state out of the control of this unscrupulous gang and install a new and reliable crew.

Mr. Stuart promises to "investigate" the \$13,000,000 state capitol steal. It has already been investigated thoroughly enough to place the responsibility where it justly belongs. What the people of Pennsylvania now demand is that prosecution, convention, penal stripes and cold iron bars, follow these investigations. We do not need elect Stuart to fill Mr. Samuel W. Dollaraecker's place before this can be done. Stuart in, Penneyacker out, means the same "investigations" by a bunch of Penrose gang-controlled factors who will have to sit and be good. Mr. Penrose will take care of his implements' promises to their people. Who are the people, anyway!

All this struggle for reform in Pennsylvania will avail nothing if you don't get out and vote for it.

Call the Counts.

From the Philadelphia Public Ledger. If State Treasurer Berry is not telling the truth about the overcharges and duplications in completing and furnishing the capitol, there is a very easy way to refute him. That is for the auditor general to publish the details Carson has called for, showing all of the expenditures of both the commissions, the sums paid to each contractor, and for what they were paid, and the items under the building contract that were substituted or supplemented by similar items provided as furnishing.

It would still require an expert to determine whether the prices paid were reasonable, but we should at least have an official statement of what eight millions or more was spent for, and we could then call on Mr. Berry to point out where the expenditure was wrong. No doubt he can get at the sums paid from the treasury book, but the officer who kept the accounts of the contracts, and presumably has all the vouchers on file, is the auditor general, and he remains silent as the grave.

If the Republican advisory committee, so called, instead of writing silly letters for Berry to read to tatters would address themselves to the really responsible official, they could learn the truth without waiting till after the election. Did it Pay to Elect Berry? From the Philadelphia Press. The closing week of the campaign, State and city, finds the voters daily seeing the result of the election, by independent votes, a single State officer a year ago, Treasurer Berry, whose revelations upon the State Capitol are changing votes by tens of thousands. But for his revelations the gigantic graft involved in the expenditure of \$13,000,000 would have come before the public. The plowshare needs to be run deeper. More needs to be uncovered. Every voter ought to ask himself whether he is satisfied with the result of electing Treasurer Berry, and, if he is, on all others, State and city, he must cast his vote so as to place official power in the hands of those who wish to purify the government of the State, and to make it certain, both by exposure and punishment, that graft like that of the State capitol shall not be repeated.

As He is Known in Clearfield County.

From the Clearfield Republican. Colonel Hugh Taylor would prove an active, useful member of Congress. He would be the servant of the people and zealously safeguard the best interests of the people on all questions. He is able, forceful and earnest. He is a great friend of the old soldiers and likewise the wage earners. He came up from the ranks of the toiler himself and has not forgotten that fact.

Who Pays?

From the Carlisle Sentinel. Governor Penneyacker repeats the assertion that the State taxes are not paid by the people but by the corporations. It is entirely an untruth; the people pay the bill. The great common people, who are the patrons of the corporations, and the consumers of the product of the farm, the workshop and the mine, are the ones who pay the bill.

Spawns from the Keystone.

Cumberland county has 14,085 registered voters.

The postoffice and store at Snyder'sville were robbed of several guns and a valuable dog.

According to the census of Carlisle, taken by the board of health, there is an increase of over 200 in the population over that of last year.

The postoffice at Jersey Shore is 100 years old, having been established April 1st, 1806. The first postmaster was Samuel Donnell.

Peter Mann challenged a fellow laborer at the Bethlehem Steel works to fence with shovels, and is now at a hospital with part of his face sliced off.

Martin Moore, of East Bradford, has shot forty-eight ground hogs this season. He should leave at least one to see his shadow on ground hog day.

Mauch Chunk householders are signing pledges not to pay more than six cents a quart for milk. Dealers have announced that the price will be eight cents after November 1st.

The building of the immense stack for the Railway Steel Spring company's plant at Latrobe is progressing. It is now about 100 feet in the air and when completed will be 300 feet high.

The large frame barn of Jacob Haney on Clearfield creek near Clearfield was burned Friday morning together with all the crops. The horses and cattle were saved. The loss will probably reach \$2,500 and there is no insurance.

Miss Annie Kline, a Lewistown, Pa., nurse engaged as a governess, was married to her employer, deserted, she asserts, by her husband, who retained possession of a check in his favor for \$2,025 which she entrusted to him, all within a week.

Four Jersey Shore dairymen were arrested on Wednesday for watering their milk. The arrests were made by agents of the State Pure Food and Dairy Commission. In some instances the milk was found to be twenty per cent water.

A pumpkin vine on the farm of C. G. Kline, in Penn township, Perry county, bore twenty-four pumpkins, the largest of which was thirty-four inches long, fifty-eight inches in circumference and weighed 100 pounds. Several others weighed fifty and sixty pounds each.

A detachment of the state constabulary, which has been located at Punxsutawney, has been ordered to Heilwood, Indiana county, to run down a gang of outlaws which has recently been terrorizing respectable citizens by employing the methods of the "Black Hand." The object has been to extort money.

Two unsuccessful attempts were made to burglarize the residences of two citizens of Huntingdon recently. The homes which thieves entered were those of J. H. Black and of J. D. L. Lightner. The unknowns were busily engaged when members of the families entered the houses, but made good their escape.

While hunting pheasants Wednesday, Joseph Schrader, of Pottsville, aged 22 years, son of a prominent Reading company official, fell 400 feet down an old mine shaft and was brought forth alive after lying 19 hours in the black depths. Both hips are dislocated, and he sustained other hurts which are not believed to be of a fatal character.

West Berwick has an aged citizen who has recently been looking about the Bloomsburg almshouse to see if he might pick a suitable wife from among the inmates. He has likewise been advertising in some of the Harrisburg papers for a helpmeet. As he is 70 years of age it seems likely that his peculiar methods are dictated by senility.

Because a dog had killed a duck belonging to his father, John Fulton, of Limestone, Lycoming county, got a gun with which to end the canine's life. Lying it at the door he went into the house and upon returning was shot in the neck by a companion who had appeared on the scene and had been handling the weapon. His life is in danger.

Dominick Stevens, a respectable Italian citizen of Patton, Cambria county, has received a note demanding that he place the sum of \$800 on the steps of the Catholic church at that place and threatening that if he failed to do so his house would be dynamited. He was badly frightened but as yet has not put the money where requested and his house is still safe on its foundations.

It is said that the secret of the mysterious land purchases which have been going on for some time past in the vicinity of Selingsgrove has finally leaked out. The Baldwin Locomotive works, which will locate a large plant at that place. It is just possible that the truth is yet hidden, but if the Baldwins are really going to build at that place it will give Selingsgrove a big boom.

J. H. K. Myers, of Lancaster, and J. C. Reed, of Philipsburg, were last Friday at Philadelphia appointed receivers by Judge Wilson of the Langdon Cambria Coal Mining company. The action was taken on the suit brought by Carroll B. Williams and John R. Snyder, counsel for the Northern Trust and Savages company, of Lancaster, and the trustees in bankruptcy of the Thatcher Coal and Coke company intervening plaintiff.

William E. Bell, of the Altoona Road and Gun club, left Saturday morning for Ice mountain, eight miles north of Tyrone, with a wagon load of provisions for Mother Campbell, who lives alone on the top of that mountain. This is the annual donation made by hunters and campers who have been visiting Ice mountain for some years past. Mother Campbell is 89 years old. For fourteen weeks during the winter season her little home is surrounded by snow drifts and she does not see a living soul.

The Superior court has upheld the decision made by Judge Trexler, of Allentown, with reference to the state fishing laws. Five fishermen had been convicted of fishing with a net in a private body of water. An appeal was taken and the act of 1901 was the one which claimed to be applicable in the case. Judge Trexler decided that this act was unconstitutional; that the State had control of the private streams and therefore sustained the summary conviction which had been secured before an alderman. It is this decision that the Superior court has sustained.