# Democratic Matchman.

#### BY P. GRAY MEEK.

#### Ink Slings

-Another hard freeze Tuesday morning very likely frosted the budding hopes of the apple trees.

-CARUSO is making a great hit in London. He hasn't struck his monkey-house gait yet over there.

-Mr. BRYAN will have hard work to satisfy himself that the friendship of JOHN TEMPLE GRAVES is genuine.

-If this weather continues much longer prospective strawberry festivals will be chased back to the oyster soup stand.

-Congressman DALZELL is of the opin-Secretary basn't started to squeal yet.

-The Philadelphia Inquirer asks the WAS.

-General KUROKI having visited Boston the question naturally arises as to lic and impose on the credulous. whether they served him with baked beans or puffed rice.

-Eliza furnace has been trying to become the Mt. Pelee of Pittsburg again. Her latest eruption on Tuesday cost the lives of five men.

-The President's tour of inspection Waters.

that JAKE FROM didn't kill DALE. The tion of other people's money to ROOSEdetectives are about "at MCGARVEY'S VELT'S party. Point" unless they are confronted by a human cock-robin.

KNOX has CANNON, TAFT and FAIRBANKS bite of a house fly would have on the epiall skinned in the presidential race. How dermis of an elephant. He has talked he skinned FAIRBANKS is a mystery. He much about restraining the trusts and is so tight and cold.

-ROOSEVELT Lemonade is the new Boardwalk drink at Atlantic City. It is a paign corruption funds as he thought they glass of lemonade with a stick in it. If it might, he has threatened things which is "a big stick" the terrors of "dry Sundays" at the shore will all be driven off.

-The New York base ball umpire has an unhappy lot. When it requires policemen with drawn pistols to get them off the grounds unbarmed it is time the great national game be made less attractive for riotous rowdies

VELT to help him out of his present trou. patronage which he has always used to pay bles. SCHMITZ tried to help the President personal debts. GRAVES is probably one plies that what BOURNE does is satisfac a few months ago and one bad turn de- of those metcenary Southerners whose itchserves another.

who is never permitted to buy a suit of thinks or says about Democratic policies is cool weather, in fact, quite cold, and by for another year Margaret Potter Kent, of people for ratification, and once so declar-



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Mr. Graves' Absurd Statetement.

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Mr. JOHN TEMPLE GRAVES, of Georgia,

VELT, notwithstanding the traditions of calls it "a second elective term" of the one and the wrong way is the easier. the country against a third term and of his office. party against paternalism, because of the

-The latest reports are to the effect that had no more effect on their affairs than the for favor for ROOSEVELT. when trust magnates have not responded

as quickly and liberally to the call for camwould have been juimical, and did impair the value of stocks. But he has not in a single instance interferred with the operations of trusts while he has called off investigations which might have led to inter-

ference. Mr. GRAVES wants ROOSEVELT for President because neither of them is now or ever was a Democrat and GRAVES imag-

----- Mayor SCHMITZ, of San Francisco, ines that by taking such an absurd posiing palms make them forget the political

-If the man in the upper part of town principles of their fathers and what he

The public will watch with enrious in-Thank heaven for BOURNE, of Oregon. takes nearly four columns in last Sunday's BOURNE, according to Webster, is a bab- terest the treatment of the appropriation New York World to tell the public why he bling brook, and the Senator for Oregon bills by Governor STUART. The aggregate corporations to urge upon the next confavors the nomination of ROOSEVELT for acts the part. Ever since he reached Wash. of the appropriations is considerably in ex- gress repeal or aubstantial reduction of the ion ROOSEVELT is hurting TAFT. The big President by the Democratic party. He ington with his senatorial credentials in cess of the probable revenues for the next might have made the matter much clearer his inside pocket he has been bubbling two years. This is the grave fault of the in a few words. If he had simply said over with enthusiasm for ROOSEVELT and Legislature which should have made the ity at reasonable prices, which would conquestion : "What is a Demosrat ?" Ans : that he is a crazy fool yearning for notori- babbling for a third term. Nothing else appropriations less or the revenues more. What DAVE HILL was when he said he ety at any cost, everybody would have un- will satisfy him and every day he pipes a There were plenty of opportunities in eithderstood. Instead of that he employs a new lay to that music. BOURNE is re- er direction. But the Legislature adopted vast forest of verbiage to confuse the pub-lic and impose on the credulous. The great monopoly new phrase in which to express his hopes, to the Governor and compelling him to is protected by a duty of \$7.84 a ton on new phrase in which to express his hopes. to the Governor and compelling him to The substance of Mr. GRAVES' long Less adroit advocates of the third term call make the best of a bad case. How he will drawn out explanation is that he is oppos- it by its right name and frighten the timid solve the problem is the subject of coned to predatory wealth and favors ROOSE- worshippers of tradition. But BOURNE jecture. There is a right way and a wrong

For example, it will be valid for the Gov-

The Governor's Predicament.

That BOURNE "knows his onion" is ernor to veto any appropriation bill or any successful fight which ROOSEVELT has amply proved also. Other friends of the item in any appropriation bill "embracing made against that evil. As a matter of President are protesting that he is not a distinct items." That is an appropriation down the Mississippi was more likely de- fact, the only thing which ROOSEVELT has candidate for re-election and would not for a hospital containing an amount for signed as a search for votes than as an op- doue against predatory wealth thus far is under any circumstances accept a re-nomi- maintenance and a separate item for importunity to get wise on the Father of the calling of Mr. E. H. HARRIMAN a liar nation. But BOURNE goes on with his provements or construction may be vetoed and he didn't do that until after HARRI- propaganda like a never failing stream and in either item and approved in the other. -It seems to be generally conceded now MAN had refused to make another contribu- visits the White House every day to get Governor STONE made the innovation of inspiration and possibly other kinds of en- outting each item to reduce the total and couragement. His persistence in refusing "electioneered." the Supreme court to sus-Up antil the present time ROOSEVELT'S to accept the President's word would be re- tain him. Governor PENNYPACKER folbombastic bullying of the corporations has sented by most men, probably. It in no lowed the example. But one of these ofrespect impairs his standing with the Presi- ficials is indifferent to moral obligations dent, however. That receptive gentleman and the other is incapable of discerning treats him with increasing affection every them so that it can hardly be said that the day that he gives a new variety to his plea action of either formed a precedent. What Governor STUART does, however

If there were any doubts of the desire of will mean something both for the present the President for another term this inci- and the future. If he cuts the appropriadent dissipates them. BOURNE couldn't tions in the legal way some deserving inhold confidential relations with the White stitutions will suffer almost irreparable in-House and insist on a third term for the jury. On the other hand if he cuts them President if the idea were not agreeable to after the fashion of his immediate predthe man most concerned in it. Nobody eccessors he will prove himself as unconwould advocate a third term and make scionable as STONE or as great an imbecile daily visits to the White House if the prop- as PENNYPACKER. He is figuratively "beosition were distasteful, for in the nature | tween the devil and the deep sea," and the of things the President would insist on the Legislature deserves the severest condemnacessation of the talk. But each day con- tion for putting him into such a predicatributes to the already overwhelming evi- ment. He has taken an oath to "support, might call on his friend President ROOSE- tion ROOSEVELT will give him some of the dence that BOURNE is the most cherished otey and defend" the constitution which visitor at the White House and that im- denies him the power of legislation, and constitutional way would be legislating.

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The Duty on Steel Rails. From the Philadelphia Record.

Significant hints are thrown out that a movement is on foot among the railroad exorbitant duties on steel rails. By thus inviting competition the Steel Trust would be compelled to deliver rails of better qualsideraply reduce the expenses of the great carrying companies. But the Steel Trust rejoices in the special favor of the Roosevelt administration and of the "stand pat" down rails at a profit of \$15 a ton in Liverpool, Hamburg or Antwerp. The same kind of rails, or better, are sold by European manufacturers at this time for \$21

Even if it were true that the great railroad corporations and the trust are so closely allied as to make a disagreement between them improbable, is it not high time that the people themselves should move for the repeal of the high duties on steel rails? Is not theirs the first interest in the quality of rails for the greater safety of travel and for the greater safety of travel and for cheapening transportation of freights? Why, then should they hesitate to demand of their representatives a removal of this tar-iff while accidents are increasing from defective rails, and while the corporations are unable to renew their roadbeds because of the protective duties on their materials? When the Roosevelt adminstration is resolved that the railroad corporations shall give the public a "square deal,, equity de-mands that the administration and the majority in congress shall no longer impose tariff obstructions upon the right of these companies to obtain the best materials in the best market and on the best terms.

#### Initiative and Referendam.

#### From the Connellsville Courier.

The initiative and referendum would undoubtedly be useful on occasions if it made it possible to permit the voters to express their will with binding effect on wobbly members of the lawmaking body; if, for example, it had been invoked to ascertain the levity-loving members of the legislature would not have dared to treat as a joke the demand for their enlightenment outting appropriations other than in the as to the rules of couduct they must observe under penalty of loss of property or of liberty.

We do not feel we can jed to be the wishes of the people they would not likely be treated lightly. Platform pledges are what political leaders judge to be the popular sentiments of their particular party, but it does not follow that they Monday night, which prevented frost, and without it and it will ever be our aim to accurately represent those sentiments, though for all practical purposes it may be assumed. The use of the initiative and referendum in such cases would be more particularly for emphasis than for ascertainment, but it would enable each legislator accurately to gauge the sentiments of his constituents, not only as to platform pledges but also as to all other propositions, and for that reason alone it should be welcome by him and them.

#### Spawls from the Keystone.

-Monroe county has joined Pike county for the distinctive honor of not having a prisoner in the county jail.

-Sixty thousand salmon from the state hatchery at Erie have just been placed in Peun's creek, near Selinsgrove.

-Harry S. Schoeller, aged 29 years, a "steeple jack" while painting the stack of the Keystone furnace in Reading, last Friday, fell 100 feet to the ground and was instantly killed.

-The commissioners of Indiana county have purchased a farm of 180 acres, situated near the county seat, on which they propose to erect a county home for the indigent poor. The land sold at \$100 an acre.

-Walter C. Madera and C. O. Foust, of Pottsville, in a three days' fishing trip through the wilds of Schuylkill county, caught over 400 fine specimens of trout, measuring from eleven to eighteen inches in length.

-Mrs. Elizabeth Lehman, of Mount Joy. Lancaster county, who is in her 103 year and enjoys excellent health. on Wednesday visited a life long friend, Mrs. Elizabeth Brubaker, aged 99 years, also of Mount Joy, who is ill at present.

-A movement is on foot having for its object the immediate extension of the trolley corporation has testified that it could lay county. This projected line would pass county. This projected line would pass throught Kishacoquillas valley, one of the richest sections of that part of the state.

-Ralph Cowder, while at work in a clay mine near Bigler, Clearfield county, last Friday morning, was instantly killed by a fall of clay which struck him on the back of the head and crushed his life out. He was about 35 years of age and leaves a widow and several children.

-Robert K. Taylor, a druggist of Shippensburg, was on Wednesday convicted of carrying concealed deadly weapons, stealing a horse, killing a horse and arson, in the Cumberland county court. Taylor has already served fourteen years in prison for various offenses.

-As a result of a heavy fall ten days ago, when she tried to keep her child from running toward the railroad track. Mrs. John Garrison, wife of Station Master Garrison, of the Pine street Reading station, Williamsport, died at her home Saturday morning. The accident caused internal injuries.

-A lot of dynamite, enough to demolish a big building, was found by some boys secreted near the Lehigh Valley railroad water tank, not far from Hazleton, on Thursday. It is believed it was stolen from some mine and placed there with the view of demolishing either the Lehigh Valley or the Pennsylvania pay train.

-Robert H. Grier, an ingenious young man of Oriole near Rauchtown, has installed the will of the people concerning the bill requiring the publication of the laws the tirely satisfactory and cheap. He reaches up answer would have been so emphatic that from his chair and presses a button, in a flash the house is illuminated as brilliantly as a theatre When he retires he turns a button and he is instantly in darkness.

-A circular letter has been issued from the adjutant general's office, at Harrisburg, Under the initiative and referendum, to Grand Army posts containing the inforplatform pledges could be submitted to the mation that transportation will be issued at the expense of the commonwealth viving honorably discharged soldiers of the Forty-eighth regiment, Pennsylvania Veteran Volunteer Infantry, to attend the dedication of a monument at Petersburg, Virginia, June 20. -Repeated reports have been received that in German valley from one end to the other, dogs have been chasing deer and that in one instance, a fawn was killed by its pursuers. In another instance when an onlooker saw a dog in close pursuit of a deer and he drove the dog away, the deer was so nearly exhausted that it at once lay down to rest. These two cases are but similar to many others. -At the point of a revolver Samuel Wallworth, mine superintendent at Eriton, near Clearfield, was compelled to get out of bed at 3 o'clock Saturday morning, arouse his entire family, and then accompany a negro burglar to the library, where the family was lined up and forced to watch the father open the safe and hand its contents to the boldest criminal ever known to have visited that part of the state. The man secured only \$1.50 for his daring and trouble. -Mrs. Edward DeWalt, of Hughesville, Lycoming county, is lying at her home in a a serious condition the result of a peculiar accident which occurred last evening, while she was assisting her husband in building a fence around their yard. Mr. DeWalt was using an ax with which to drive a post and as the axe descended it broke, the blade striking Mrs. DeWalt on the head. Two deep gashes were inflicted. While the wounds are of a serious nature it is not believed they will prove fatal. -William Niswenter, an independent coal operator, announces that he has made a discovery of ceal on a tract of land in the McAuley mountains, near Bloomsburg, which will yield from 600 to 800 tons of coal daily for 30 years. The veins run almost straight along the meuntain, which will make it possible to mine the coal by means of slopes. Mr. Niswenter has been negotiating for over two years with the owners of the property for a lease, which he finally secured last week. -Frank Smith, who is cutting the timber purchased by him on the John McDowell farm in Graham township, Clearfield county, last week felled to the ground a giant pine tree which measured 7 feet 4 inches across the stump and was 102 feet in length. Several other great pines on this tract, measuring from 100 to 110 feet in length, but not having such a diameter, stand in the viciniadmonishing public officials of the future he imagines he saw and scared at while in ty of this late lamented giant of the forest. This is probably the last bunch of real big pine trees left in Clearfield county. -A few days ago a cow belonging to William D. Kriner, of Wellsboro, gave birth to --- The sporting editor of the Altoona a calf with two completed heads, two tails, seven legs and eight hoofs. The freak was was dead. The freak of nature was given to Mrs. Patterson, who sent it to a taxidermist at Niagara Falls to be mounted. One day last week she received an offer of \$400 for the curiosity from a manager of a museum at Niagara Falls. Arrangements have since been made to place the freak on exhibition ceipts.

clothes or a neck tie just to please himself of no consequence. were to make his wife wear the clothes she brow-beats him into buying for a few days he might have an end of his troubles.

-The Hon. TOADY RYNDER interviewed himself in Wednesday's Daily News and Besides it holds out the hope of the retireshot up a few more sky scraping castles in ment of ELKIN from the Bench and PENthe air. After while no one will have to ROSE from the Senate and that will be a be paying taxes and the State will provide gain to the public life of the country. for us all is the way be pipes it out for the future.

-President MCCREA, of the Pennsylvania railroad, has returned from Europe to make the observation that there is entirely the closing hours of the recent session of too much law making in this country. the Legislature, but thus far we have seen His observation is general, of course, but no oriticism based on the right reason. It his thoughts were undoubtedly concentrat- has been said that a Speaker has no right ed on Pennsylvania.

-Senator KNOX may be the embodiment of the President's policies as the esteemed Philadelphia Press declares, but the President appears to have had a different notion when the railroad rate bill was pending in Congress. KNOX was conspicuous among those whom the President anathematized as railroad lawyers.

-The wine makers in Southern France made a demonstration on Sunday because there is an over production of wine in their country. What it was meant for no one seems to know and we venture that if the one hundred and eighty thousand persons who turned out for the demonstration get which he presides. "The request of the busy themselves for a few days there will be an end of their trouble.

York lawyer, is finding out that the "pen" on Blackwell's Island isn't nearly the at- his subjects. A member who opposes the tractive place he thought it was -judged by the nefarious methods be used to send people there when he was practicing law. is not only natural but essentially human The first day of prison life put "Abey" that an injured man will strive for revenge out. Strange, too, when so many New and if Speaker MCCLAIN got the better of Yorkers "feared only death and ABE HUM- the PENROSE banditti in the game of re-MEL."

-"'A people without children would face a hopeless future," declared President ROOSEVELT in one of his latest addresses. The quarter sessions records this week exploded his theory in the minds of those who, having owned the children, have to spend the next ninety days of their future in jail. In this case it's the fellow with the kid whose immediate future is most hopeless.

that the average chaffeur commands higher depend on the favor of the Speaker for pay than the average college professor there every opportunity to advance his legislais only one conclusion to draw. That is, tive interests and promote his parliamenthe well established theory that the aver- tary aspirations. For that reason the age college professor don't care a continen- Speaker ought to have no "irons in the tal darn for the money. He goes on with fire." his ologies and his eerings whether the sparker or his carbuceter are working at muffler is never working.

---- The quarrel between PENROSE and ELKIN will be a pretty fight if it develops

to the proportions now indicated by signs.

# Speaker McClain's Gravest Fault.

There is abundant cause for criticising Speaker MCCLAIN for his actions during to express his revenges by discriminating against pending measures of legislation and

that Speaker MCCLAIN did that to the prejudice of bills in which the PENROSE machine had more or less vital interest. We undertake no defence and make no apology for the Speaker on that score. But it could be said in extenuation of his offeuse, if the charge is true, that he was

only following the example of the machine in that matter.

The real cause of complaint against Speaker MCCLAIN is that he had legislation against which the PENROSE machine might discriminate. The Speaker has vast power over the work of the body over King is a command which no man may disobey," is a French proverb, and the

-"Abey" HUMMEL, the convicted New Speaker holds the relation to the body over which he presides that the king holds to Speaker's projects writes defeat across the face of all his own plans of legislation. It prisals we see no sound reason for objection.

But we can see all sorts of reasons for objection to the Speaker baving bills in the body and requesting members to support them, not because of merit, but for the reason that they were "the Speaker's bills." That is a form of coercion that is especially reprehensible and brutal and, according to current gossip, Speaker Mc-CLAIN, amiable as he is and fair as he was during the recent session, in other re-

spects, worked to the limit. Every mem--Investigation having revealed the fact ber of the body understands that he must

-----Even if COREY does lose his job he all, and though he likes to have a little will probably have enough money to hold gasolene in his tank once in a while his the affections of his new wife for a couple of years.

down to within eight degrees of the freez. do without the DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN ing mark, and below the frost line. But fortunately a high wind was blowing all of never come when she will have to do thus nothing was frozen. But it was perhaps the coldest weather we have had on a ter from old Centre to those who have gone twenty-first of May in years.

-Monday brought us another spell of

tory.

### Fit Reward for Credulous Fools.

The obviously systematic movement to make Senator KNOX the Pennsylvania candidate for President is the expected reward of the PENROSE machine to the friends of President ROOSEVELT who supported the ticket last fall. Without such report the machine ticket in Pennsylvania would have had no more chance of election than the Republican ticket in Georgia. Nobody understood this fact better than the mangers of the PENROSE machine. For that reason they called upon the friends of the President to rally to their support "in the interest of ROOSEVELT." They pretended great anxiety for ROOSEVELT.

Nobody except the most credulous was deceived by this false pretense of fidelity to ROOSEVELT. Every intelligent observer in the Commonwealth understood that the election of the machine ticket assured, those who were professing friendship for the President would have let him "go hang." It is not that the corporations are afraid of ROOSEVELT that their lobbyists like PEN-ROSE are opposed to him. They know that whenever it is necessary they can call him off as they did when KNOX, then Attorney General, got "too close in" on his inquiry into the coal trust. As one of the late Presidents of the Pennsylvania railroad said of QUAY, however, ROOSEVELT is too expensive.

If the machine ticket had been defeated in Pennsylvania last fall there would have been no KNOX presidential boom to worry the strenuous TEDDY now. The Republican organization of the State would now be in the hands of TEDDY'S friends and a considerable number of the other fellows would be fugitives from justice. But Roose-VELT'S guileless supporters in Pennsylvania preferred to take the advice of ROOSEVELT'S enemies with the result that the most cherished ambition of ROOSEVELT'S whole life. that of securing his own nomination for a third term or a successor chosen by himself, will be defeated.

----- The Bellefonte fish hatchery, at Pleasant Gap, is proving a very enticing spot and every Sunday is visited by from one to two hundred people. Last Sunday the crowd of visitors was exceptionally large and among the number was a party of eleven young people from Zion and vicinity who took luncheon with them and spent the evening there.

-JONATHAN, of Oregon, is probably that bourne from which no traveler returns. on a cash system.

Brooklyn, says : in our home." We trust the time will make the paper the ideal weekly news letto other parts to make their home.

Pantsh the Grafters.

The grafters offer to make restitution of some of the loot, according to well authen. ticated rumors current in Harrisburg, if

they are guaranteed immunity from criminal prosecution. They have come to realize that exposure is inevitable and punishment merely a question of the pleasure of the authorities. The evidence of conspiracy and fraud is overwhelming and if presented in court there is no escape from the willing to compromise on the best terms attainable. Probably every dollar acquired by those against whom the testimony

the chances of a penitentiary sentence. If the authorities would enter into such an agreement the State might gain three or or eight millions that were stolen. But sas. the moral effect of the exposure would be lost. The affair would then have no deterrent influence on grafters of the future. tle risk in robbing Pennsylvania for the restitution in part. The State needs money and unless the charity appropriations are out immensely, it is likely to become Texan black fly. insolvent. But it is a question whether bankruptcy ! There are greater evils than

Besides it is not necessary to compromis in order to secure restitution. If the evi- From the Clearfield Republican.

dence against the conspirators is sufficient would be a miscarriage of justice which en's Amalgamated Clubs. can hardly be patiently contemplated.

laundry in this place left Bellefonte on Tuesday, intending to locate either in Wil- teams this year. In figuring out the leadliamsport or Emporium. They gave as ing team in inter-collegiate ball he forgot their reason for leaving town that they had to consider State College, whereas it is trusted their patrons and now could not doubtful if another team in the country collect the money due them, hence con- has done as good. State has lost but two cluded to go somewhere else and start in games out of nineteen played and has scor- and Mrs. Patterson will share in the reed 131 runs to 47 scored against her.

Bug's Great Work. From the Williamsport Sun.

Thank goodness, some good is coming out of Texas. There is a bug war on there, and the agricultural department says it is a great thing. The green bug, or spring grain aphis, which has done so much damage to wheat and other small grains in Texconsequences. For that reason they are as, Oklahoma and in a few of the southern counties of Kansas, already is virtually exterminated by its natural parasite, a very minute black fly. If the favorable weather continues through the present week the runs would he given up rather than take bug will have been absolutely exterminat-

The bureau of entomology of the agricultural department has aided the work by sending hundreds of thousands of the parfour millions of dollars out of a total of six asites from Oklahoma and Texas into Kan-

But Kansas has a bug-killer of its own. Professor J. Hunter, of the entomological department of the state university, at Lawrence, has for the last month been collect-They would reason justly that there is lit- ing and sending free to the farmers of the southwest parasite bees to kill the green felony could be compounded by making it has been demonstrated that the parasite bugs that have been destroying wheat, and bees of Kansas are just as effective in their assault upon the green wheat bug as the

P. S .- It might also be added that the insolvent. But it is a question whether the compromise wouldn't be worse than dollar wheat and raised the price of flour sixty cents a barrel on the poor laborer.

Willie or Ben, Which?

In the contest for county chairman of the g. o. p. between Willie Swoope and Bugaboo Ben Chase both aspirants are as That being true the wise course would be Lach is telling the people he simply wants to send the grafters to the penitentiary first the job for purposes of stepping higher and through the processes of the criminal courts if beaten will be out again next year for and compel restitution subsequently by anything going. Should Bugaboo fail he will probably go on the lecture platform and tell of the "spooks" the "holydays" the "saints" and other "horrible things" against such predatory operations. Ful. Italy at Uncle Sam's expense. If Willie filling only a part of this wholesome result sition of State President of the Old Wom-

----The two chinamen who operated the Tribune ought to keep closer tab on the

victories of the various college base ball

to convict in the criminal court it will he ample to recover in the civil tribunal. civil litigation. That will serve the donble purpose of enriching the treasury and

