-There'll be trouble, sure, if Judge GRAY and Senator KNOX both get into the presidential race on the same platform.

-Jamestown! Jamestown! Let me see. Isn't there supposed to be some sort of a celebration going on at a place called Jamestown.

-Back to Schwenksville for yours, SAM-UEL. That story about your saving the State eighty thousand dollars while you were letting the gang rob it of five million won't carry you over this time.

-The St. Joseph, Missouri, man who was convicted for constructing a trellis for struction of the State capitol the other day. his wife's sweet peas on Sunday will very His obvious purpose was to influence the likely see to it that the pea business is out out hereafter on the Sabbath day.

seventy-six pounds of sugar per year and it He delivered himself of a carefully thoughtscarcely seems possible that so many of out homily to justify his right as a member

-Poor old PENNYPACKER! It is pahas seen the light. According to the latest this result he quoted Section 12 of Article statement the "ills not worthy of mention" in Pennsylvania have turned out to be dictionary, legal and legislative definitions, "enormous, vicious and wicked fraud."

-The two young ladies who went on a wading expedition in the supposed little stream that flows down the gap from Point McCoy must have been direct descendants of the woman who once told her daughter to hang her clothes on a hickory limb, etc.

-Scientists have estimated that the sun will be able to supply the present amount of heat for the next thirty million years. The information is certainly reassuring, that though his suspicions were aroused he but we would like to have them dope out how we are going to have a more seasonable distribution of it.

greatly by announcing that his recent ill- of from three to four million dollars and ness in the west, instead of being serious, then in October, 1906, signed a written "was just stomach ache." Just stomachache, indeed. If TAFF had an ache all had been completed within the appropriaover that prodigious stomach of his he tion of \$4,000,000 and was in every re-

buildings one thousand feet high for that tion perpetrated in the light of knowledge. city. His name is HORNBOSTEL-not | He knew in December, 1905, that the ap-Hornblower. And he says they will stand propriation had been vastly exceeded and two hundred miles of wind per minute. assisted in "railroading" additional bills This latter must be in anticipation of hav- through to payment during the time being TEDDY present at the dedication of the tween the election of Mr. BERRY and his

-While not impugning Mr. SHEATZ'S honesty it is altogether probable that his oath in giving his testimony and is probaturning back into the treasury the unex- bly not amenable to punishment for perjupended balance of the appropriation made ry. The attorneys for the Commission for expenses of his committee would not were exceedingly lenient with him, morehave been accompanied with such a flour. Otherwise they might have compellish had be not been a candidate for State Treasurer.

-Remember that in this excessively hot weather you should take more care of yourself than usual. Don't overload yourself with work. It is better that a few things remain undone than that you should work yourself into a condition that would make it impossible for you to do anything during the rest of your life.

-The pomp and ceremony of Ambassador REID's entertainments in London are said to surpass all others than those of the King. It is a great thing to be great, but we will be in a discredited position should it ever be necessary to send a man with more brains and less money to represent us at the court of St. JAMES.

-If Auditor General SNYDER really important facts. thought that his duties were merely to verify figures, not facts, then he should not matter in mind by the fact that too much have excused himself for failing to proper- has been said already in praise of Governor ly audit the capitol graft bills on the PENNYPACKER's honesty by our esteemground that he received only four thousand ed contemporaries. The people have been dollars a year. A thousand dollar man deceived into the idea that he is a man of

-The Hartford clergyman who gave the Theological Seminary in that city a legacy of one million dollars and then provided for it by turning over fifty dollars with the requirement that it be invested until the interest accrued would amount to a million has set the most remarkable example of faith in futures that we have ever seen displayed by a man of the cloth.

-The Altoona Tribune remarks that "the one thing that grieves them is that they have been able to find nothing against Senator PENROSE except that he aspires to re-election." Sometimes concerning some things the Tribune reveals some evidence of some brains, but when the above paragraph was written-Well, that wasn't one of the times we have reference to.

-Inasmuch as Mr. NIKOLA TESLA, the wireless telegraph expert, has just announced that he can talk to Mars we think JIM SCARLET had better have him find out whether Joe Huston, John Sanderson and BURD CASSELL are up there. They have mysteriously disappeared from their familiar haunts in Pennsylvania since the capitol probe has been going on and it may he necessary to know where they are e're

the late MARY McBRIDE, of this place, to do well and so far as the Auditor Genasked the Presbyterian church to become eral is concerved that is probably true. trustees of a fund she had set aside for the But so far as the testimony of the wit- result. The Republican machine can't reaid of the crippled children and the Pres- nesses is taken as a guide, neither PENNYvisable for it to accept the provisions of self much with the duties of a member of her will there was no one running around the Board of Public Grounds and Build- leaving and the Ohio. Literally the party is lettered to the deep sea but shouting about the unholy ends of the ings during the period that the capitol dead benefactor".

STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

BELLEFONTE, PA., JUNE 28, 1907.

Defent Mr. Sheatz.

ed. The Auditor General didn't audit and the Governor didn't govern. Huston was "the whole cheese," and be worked his phia was stirred to its centre by what was opportunities to the limit. Until Mr. works. The gas plant of that city is a BERRY became a member of the Board, moreover, the State Treasurer appears to municipal asset. Ten years ago it was graced the civilized world in recent years. leased to the United Gas Improvement company for ten years, upon condition that ment can be changed, however, even if the time notice would be given if the city dework is a trifle exacting. State Treasurer sired to abrogate the contract. Two years BERRY is able to find time to perform the ago the machine bargained with the capduties of his office though he is a member tains of industry to extend the lease and about as many boards as the Auditor the community revolted. One of the re-General. No other Governor has ever sults was the election of Mr. BERRY and a emplained of being overworked or suffer. victory for civic righteousness in municipal

The other day councils of Philadelphia put it, we are almost compelled to think did precisely what the people said, two that probably the complaint is without years ago, they shouldn't do. That is to foundation in fact. At any rate there is say, the municipal legislature of the city refused to enact the necessary legislation to serve for a revocation of the contract which gives the United Gas Improvement com-The City party of Philadelphia has re- pany control of the gas plant indefinitely fused to endorse the Republican candidate and so far as we are able to discover the for State Treasurer, Mr. JOHN O. SHEATZ. people have made little if any protest. What was a great crime two years ago is a matter of indifference to-day, or has been condoned. This is the lamentable condition of affairs which menaces the perpetuity of the government. It implies that the spirit which two years ago was paramount in the popular mind has already been si- | chine? lenced and that there is now no objection to spoliation.

This reaction on the part of the people of election of JOHN E. REYBURN to the office of Mayor. Mr. REYBURN is a scrupulously honest man. But in office he is agent of the machine and does whatever he is told. The latest order is that the gas works shall continue under the control of the machine. Notwithstanding its proved incapacity and dishonesty the monopoly is to continue in control of the gas trust and the people are to continue paying excessive rates for gas. Mayor REYBURN could have prevented this outrage but he was too busy with his personal quarrels to give such a trifle attention and councils have practically renewed the lease of the gas works indefinitely.

Mr. JOHN O. SHEATZ has no more valid other words he hasn't a schoolboy's conception of the duties of a fiscal office of the or REYBURN stood as high in popular esteem as Mr. Sheatz ever aspired to. Yet That he is intensely patriotic and means the election of Mayor REYBURN has worked the forfeiture of every advantage gained for civic righteousness through the uprising believe that it would have been far better of the public conscience two years ago and the election of SHEATZ to the office of State Treasurer this year will have the same effeet throughout the State. Therefore it is

> Saving at the Spigot and at the Bung.

Governor PENNYPACKER is palpably proud of his achievement in reducing the commission of architect HUSTON from five to four per cent. The architect vielded reluctantly to the pleading of his ex-excellency. "A letter was written to the arch. itect," the Governor declared in his testident ROOSEVELT is certain to come into mony before the probers last week, "impressing upon him the importance of econer admits of doubt. The rank and file of omy. His demand was for five per cent," the party in Pennsulvania will have to continued the illustrious witness, and "his argument with me was that if he accepted less than five per cent, he would lose his standing among architects." That defeat. In his address to the grad- was a potent argument but Mr. HUSTON yielded. "By that step alone," remarked the ex-Governor, "\$80,000 was saved to the State-twice as much as my salary for the four years I was Governor."

No amiable man will begrudge the extamely submit to such an indignity from a Governor the moment of exaltation which he plainly revealed as he cast his eyes over toward the table at which the newspaper reporters sat, when he made that statement. It was the moment of his life. Few men do as much for the Commonwealth in which they live and none make greater sacrifices than the architect would have made if he had really given up the money and "his standing among architects." Happily, however, he was not called upon to lose either. He simply charged four per cent. for specially designing \$2,000,000 worth of metal filing cases and furniture which he didn't design at all. That amounted to the \$50,000, exactly reimbursing him for the money loss and squaring him with the architects' association, because it rounded up the five per cent. on what work he actually performed.

Besides architect Huston charged four per cent, on the nearly two million dollars worth of chandeliers, according to SAN-DERSON's invoices, which makes another \$80,000 received but unearned and increasing Huston's percentage on the work performed to more than six instead of four. Thus the saving which gave Governor PENNYPACKER such infinite satisfaction was like closing a trifling leak at the spigot while the other head of the barrel was com- possessed of limited means.

pletely knocked in. The Governor might better have employed an honest and cap-Just two years ago the city of Philadel- able architect at ten per cent. than Hus-TON at four for such an official would have characterized as an attempt to steal the gas saved the State millions in treasure and the most humiliating scandal which has dis-

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A Rare Bird.

From the Lancaster Intelligencer. The interesting and childlike innocence of ex-Governor Pennypacker, as guilessly displayed in his story of the capitol finishing and furnishing, invites careful and de-liberate consideration, and in particular, a matching of present with past impressions and statements. His story of blissful con-fidence placed in Huston, and of astonishment when Auditor General Snyder so gently broke the news that between three and four millions of dollars had already been paid out on a job that was to have cost, when finished, only some five to eight hundred thousand, is quite in character; and so is his narrative of his easy recovery from surprise, and of the ready accommoda tion of his mind to the pleasant and proper aspect of a dozen millions as the approxi mate total, assuming all the while, and even now entertaining as a possibility, the utterly ridiculous notion that the state was getting something like fair value for the millions. A man so simple-minded as to 4,000 brass tags for the Tioga county dogs, make a hero and patroit of the notorious Matt Quay might be capable of almost any degree of blindness, any climax of absurd-ity: but how about his political masters and backers? How about the astute and wily managers of the great political ma-

And how about his own outraged sense of honor, now that even the most childlike mind is made to see file case and metallic furniture frauds, loaded chandeliers, and Philadelphia is the logical result of the other stealings, in all their revolting nato shoulder and his shoes were almost torn

There is even yet a marked restrain from his feet. about the ex-governor's carefully conditioned indignation. "If" the state has been defrauded, he is ready to wax indignant at the treason of those who bave defrauded her; but with ample ground for Sunday morning; loss \$25,000. The entire suspecting such treason he was more intent | tankage was in great danger of being deby his own showing, upon a dignified procedure than upon a cry of "stop thief," which might have been unseemly, and might have stopped the work.

Merely as an example of his sort, Pennypacker is a rare bird.

The Presidential Succession.

From the Altoona Gazette (Rep.)

The Gazette regrets that it is impossible for it to be in full accord with President concede that he has done a great work. well. That he has corrected abuses that only had the good sense to stop there, we and son come from a family of teachers. for the future of his name and fame. We believe that in a number of matters he has gone entirely too far and that neither individuals nor newspapers however well they dignified and unwise. His position in regard to the succession to the presidential nomination is one of the instances in which we think he is decidedly wrong. He has gone out of his way to compel the Republican party to take Taft. He has singled him out repeatedly and loaded him with honors and services, apparently with the hope that it would make him popular. He has threatened and cajoled those who have honestly disagreed with him in order now asserted, with some show of evidence to sustain it, that a news bureau is at work at the National Capitol to insidiously poison the minds of the people against all other likely candidates. And yet, the people have not warmed up to Taft. If anything, he is weaker today, than when his boom was first launched. The Gazette is not opposed to Secretary Taft. He is undoubtedly a clean, man but let him win the nem. ination in a fair fight on his own merits against the field and not as the protege of President Roosevelt. It ought not to be possible for the president of these United States to practically dictate his successor.

Advance in Prices.

From the Pittsburg Post.

According to a report sent out by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor, 25 articles imported into the United States have advanced on an average during the ten months of the present fiscal year, as compared with a similar period of the preceding year, no less than 55.21 per cent. The materials showing the principal increase are those used in manufacturing. Our own manufacturers bave so put up the prices of their products that foreigners engaged in supplying them with material have taken advantage of the fact to also greatly advance their prices. Thus to clothe and feed him. A complete new the American consumer is compelled to outfit of clothing was purchased for the not only pay the high duties on foreign lad. material, but also a large profit to the foreign seller of such material in addition to that taken by the American manufac-

Those prices are primarily due to the excessive duties imposed by a tariff law enacted ten years ago when conditions of prowere vastly different from what they are at present.

While we are paying on an average more than 50 per cent. higher for 25 articles imported from abroad than we were a year ago, it is a notorious fact that in not one of our industries has there been anything Kutztown, Pa. The National Educational like such an increase in the compensation of the workers engaged in it. Prices of all articles of general consumption have, daring the last few years, advanced much more rapidly than wages and incomes, and C. Schaeffer as president of this Association. the fact is known to every householder The state should send a large enrolment to

Spawls from the Keystone.

-The annual fair will be held at DuBois this year on August 27, 28, 29 and 36, Races will be a specialty in the list of attractions.

-An unknown fiend recently slashed off the ears and tails of a drove of pigs owned by Albert Leider, of York township, York county.

-A massive and beautiful Young Men's Christian association building, erected in Lebanon at a cost of \$75,000, has just been dedicated with appropriate services.

-There were 563 deaths in Philadelphia last week, an increase of twenty-five over the preceding week. There were seven deaths from typhoid fever and sixty-eight

-York county farmers are cutting their hay, despite the lateness of the crop, held back by the cold weather. They claim that lack of height is amply made up by thickness of growth and stem

-For the first time since last fall the ban

was taken off the Scranton water supply and permission given to drink it raw, on Saturday. But the advice is given that it is safer yet to boil it first. -The proposition now for the new hotel

at Harrisburg to be built on the grand opera house site, is that it shall cost \$900,000 in order that a larger banquet hall and other features for social events may be provided. -Under the direction of the board of trustees of the state asylum for the chronic

insane at South Mountain near Reading 2,000 trees are being planted on a tract of land adjoining the asylum grounds recently purchased for that purpose. -A flying squirrel created a panic in a York barroom by entering the room and fly-

ing around the ceiling. The men who were engaged in hoisting beers and glasses of the hard stuff were thrown into the wildest alarm because of the queer spectacle. -The county commissioners have ordered there being nearly that many assessed; but

it is estimated that there are 10,000 dogs in

the county, the assessors for one reas on and

another failing to get them all on the assess. ment lists. -Michael C. Moyer, of near Selinsgrove, was so anxious to replant his corn field that he kept on working during a heavy storm. He was struck by a bolt of lightning and killed. His body was pierced from shoulder

-Several large tanks of oil on the grounds of the Valvoline Oil Refinery company, at East Butler, were destroyed by fire early on stroyed, but by hard work the spread of the

flames was prevented.

-An unprecedentedly severe rain strom passed over Blair county Saturday afternoon, doing much damage to crops and property and being the cause of one fatality. Mrs. Margaret McIntyre was in the act of closing a window at her home in Newry when she was struck by lightning and instantly killed. She was 75 years old and the mother of nine children.

-One of the interesting and novel features who was defeated by Mr. Berry. His follow unreservedly wherever he leads, at the commencement of Bucknell univerreputation for integrity and probity is no For a long time we mingled our praises sity just closed was the graduation of father greater than that of the average man. May- him as the civic hero of modern times. We of Chester, and his son, Elkanah Bance Hulley. Both received degrees from the college of liberal arts and for four years had come to be crying evils. If he had studied and recited side by side. Father

-Miss Clara Rupp, of Swatara township, Dauphin county, was attacked by a maddened cow on her father's farm and knocked down by the enraged animal. She was bemay regard him, are instified in subser- ing trampled upon when a large collie dog the obvious duty of the people to defeat | viently tagging on bebind, lauding him | came to her rescue and succeeded in getting for conduct, which they believe to be un- the infuriated animal to change his attention from his mistress to himself and thus she made her escape. She was hadly bruised and cut.

> -Real estate owners are alarmed over a mine cave-in in the centre of Pottsville seventy five feet deep. This town was supposed to be free of danger from underground workings, but the unexpected cave-in has led to the discovery that many houses are to make them conform to his will. It is built over old mines. As the coal companies reserved the mineral rights when they sold the surface deeds, they are not liable for damages that may be caused.

> > -Four-year-old Willie Patton was killed by electricity in a peculiar manner Saturday night at Duryes, near Pittston. With his father, William Patton, the boy was returning home from a shopping trip, and crossed Main street just as a street arc light broke from its fastening. The lamp fell on the head of the father, who had hold of his son's hand. Passing through the father's body to his son, the current killed the lad instantly. Mr. Patton was thrown to the ground, unconscious but suffered only slightly from the

> > -Having no money, and too proud to beg food, George Hall, a boy fourteen years of age, was found nearly starved in an open box car in the railroad yard at Sunbury. He was scantily clad, having only a pair of ragged trousers and an old torn shirt to cover his body. The lad had a bright, intelligent face, and his condition appealed to the sympathy of the generous-hearted railroaders who found him. Taking the boy under their care, it was only a short time until sufficient money had been raised

> > -The fifty-first session of the Pennsylvania State Educational association will be held at Greensburg. Westmoreland county, July 2, 3 and 4. The State Teachers' association is of the highest professional value to teachers. Many school measures found upon our statute books are traceable to the influence of its organization. All members will receive a bound volume of the proceedings. The enrolment fee, which is \$1.00, may be sent to Prof. Davis S. Keck, treasurer, Association will meet in Los Angeles, California, July 8-12, 1907. Pennsylvania has been honored in the choice of Dr. Nathan this convention.

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Governor Pennypaekers's Evidence.

Governor PENNYPACKER was hardly candid in his testimony before the Legislative Commission charged with the investigation of the charges of graft in the conpublic to the opinion that he is a very honest, unselfish, patriotic and an exceedingly -According to statistics every man, simple-minded citizen. On the analytical woman and child in this country consumes mind he failed to produce that impression. them could be so sour visaged under such of the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings, to spend money not appropriated by the Legislature, and contrary to the prothetic to note how the innocent old dolt visions of the constitution. To accomplish 3 of the fundamental law and by the aid of misconstrued it to work the result he desired. That was literally dishonest as well

vy trick of a scheming sophist.

But he did worse than that. He deliberately falsified the facts. For example, he admitted that in December, 1905, the Auditor General notified him that at that time payments on furnishings of the capitol had been made to the extent of between three and four million dollars and declared could discover no fraud or overpayment. Yet during the interval between that time and the induction of Mr. BERRY into office -Secretary TAFT has relieved his friends he approved additional bills to the amount statement to the effect that the building must have had an ache of a colossal kind. spect honest and worthy of the expense. -A Pittsburg architect is talking about | Manifestly that was a deliberate falsifica-

induction into office.

Governor PENNYPACKER was not under ed him to admit that soon after Mr Buppy became a member of the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings the fraudulent character of certain bills was pointed out by Mr. BERRY and he nevertheless approved them and procured their payment notwithstanding the protest of the State Treasurer. We have reasons for believing that counsel for the Commonwealth were fully informed of these facts and might easily bave brought them out, but refrained out of consideration for what Mr. PENNY-PACKER would probably designate as his "mental anguish." But the fact that the Governor took advantage of this obviously dence of his duplicity. He was invited to tell the whole truth and dodged the most

We are moved to this plain speech in the defeated. could have done just as well, if not better. exceptional probity. As a matter of fact, all the evidence is on the other side of that question. His admiration for QUAY, his exultation over the achievement of fraud, his preference for the society of men of devious methods and his delight when he has succeeded in "fooling" people, all combine to show that he is anything else than a

> man of honor and honesty. He probably got no share of the graft because he preferred payment for his sinister services in coin of another kind. The promise of an election to a seat on the Supreme bench was the currency that filled his heart with delight and it may be freely and confidently assumed that he got all he wanted of that "flattering unction."

Pennypacker and Hardenberg Agree.

Former Governor PENNYPACKER and ex-Auditor General HARDENBERG agreed capitol graft probers last week. Mr. HAR-DENBERG expressed the opinion that the Auditor General basn't time to attend to the business of the various boards of which he is ex-officio a member and Mr. PENNY-PACKER intimated that it is beneath the has come to that. dignity of a Governor to serve on boards, President by the Republican State conventhe majority on which may overrule him. tion in a Pickwickian way, and with the The sum and substance of both declarations expectation that it would strengthen the -When the last will and testament of is that public officials have too much to do

byterian church decided that it was not ad- PACKER nor HARDENBERG burdened himchurch in "subverting the last wishes of a building was under construction. Both for State Treasurer would have been beaten appear to have left everything to Architect anyway.

have been equally aquiescent. We don't see how the scheme of governing in dignity on account of service on the affairs. The machine was routed "horse, boards and "taking one consideration with foot and dragoons."

another," as the pirate in the comic opera

Sheatz Gets a Hard Jolt.

HUSTON and whatever he did was approv-

as criminally deceptive. It was the scur- no alternative at present.

A few political bucksters who have been trying to convert that party into a personal asset attempted to procure an endorsement of Mr. SHEATZ but failed. The real reformers in the organization protested that it would be wiser and better to wait awhile and the vast majority of the committee coincided in that view. No good reason was given for the proposition, anyway. Mr. SHEATZ has not acted with the City party in the past. He is simply a machine Republican and not a very high class one at

If Mr. SHEATZ were conspicuously fit for the office to which he aspires there might be some reason in the effort of the political mercenaries who were behind the attempt to get him endorsed by the City party. But as a matter of fact in his relations with the fiscal affairs of the Commonwealth he has revealed a measure of incompetency which must appear appalling to all intelligent business minds. As chairman of the House committe on Appropriations he permitted appropriations to the aggregate of \$72,000 .-000 to be made when the outside estimate of the revenues is below \$52,000,000. In ask them to support such a candidate.

Of course Mr. SHEATZ knew that the ap propriations he was encouraging were far in excess of the revenues. But he didn't mind that. He was using his office to create a legislative lobby in the Republican State convention in his interest and he achieved his purpose. While the Governor was "burning midnight oil," striving to shave the appropriations to a level that wouldn't bankrupt the State, the lobby was shouting for the nomination of SHEATZ for the reason that he is the only chairman of a committee on appropriations in the history misplaced generosity to shield himself by of the Legislature, who allowed every Rewithholding the facts, is corroborative evi- publican Senator and Representative all the appropriations he wanted. If the convention had come after the vetoes things would have been different. SHEATZ would have been measured at his real value and

An Impending Collision.

That the Republican machine of this State and the personal machine of Presiviolent collision in the near future no longchoose between ROOSEVELT and KNOX and upon whichever horn of the dilemma they impale themselves, they are destined to nates of the law school of Yale college the other evening Senator Knox sneered perceptibly at ROOSEVELT's absurd imperialism, and nobody who knows Roose-VELT imagines for a minute that he will man who has the assurance to aspire to the

Presidency. For example what else or who else could Senator Knox have had in mind when he declared that "those who appear to think the Federal government can constitutional ly accomplish everything that seems good for the people are constantly raising expec-tations that cannot possibly be fulfilled." Clearly that is a sneer at the President and when he adds "that the Congress of the on one point in their testimony before the United States has no general legislative powers but only such as are granted to it by the constitution," he added insult to the injury previously inflicted. Roose-VELT can't tolerate such a challenge unless he is ready to acknowledge himself a "molly coddle," and we don't believe he

Of course Senator KNOX was boomed for ticket and do no harm. But Knox has taken it seriously, as he has a right to do, and that means a fight with ROOSEVELT of the bitterest character and most uncertain fuse or even neglect to give him the vote ROOSEVELT will resent that to the extent is between the devil and the deep sea bu