Democratic Watchman

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Ink Slings

-Things have grown so quiet that the usual talk about how it happened has about died out.

-NAT GOODWIN is matried again, but as it is his third venture it looks like another case of on again, off again, HOOLIGAN. -Philadelphia, without a stuffed ballot

box, would be about the surest sign of the approach of the millennium as any we can imagine.

-Old Gen. PROSPERITY may be on the march again but his lieutenant LITTLE RED ROOSTER hasn't as yet put the hens of tion have subsided sufficiently to get at the land on full time. Its eggs we need.

-The drought is taking on most serious racy, in place of being "blotted from the form in Scottdale where the Baptists can't

-The man with his cellar full of coal, several barrels of potatoes and a few fat hogs to butcher after Thanksgiving, doesn't have much concern about when winter is going to set in.

- If the Republicans were to chop up "the big stick" and make a bonfire of it in the White House grounds on the night of TAFT's inauguration prospects would be better for four years of peace.

-The cabinet makers are all working States in the Union. over time these days but when the psychological moment arrives TEDDY will announce who will be TAFT's advisers and there will be an end of the dreams of many. but HOWARD don't seem willing to stand for it.

-The big bats our sisters are wearing these days bear about the same relation to of four years ago is out down over 200,000. the tidy little affairs now out of vogue that they used to wear that the sloppy, stringy English sparrow's nest bears to that of the

-According to President-elect TAFT the tariff is to be revised and postal savings banks are to be established. How is President elect TAFT to have any say about the tariff when "Uncle" JOE CANNON is in the so on over the entire country. House.

--- The way they settle political disputes in Tennessee is decisive, to say the least, but up here in Centre county both sides need their men too badly to put them clear out as they did Senator CARMACK on Monday.



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A Doubtful Endorsement.

teen years.

tion of eight.

Since the fuss and fury, the claims The great blow that Republican newspapers have been making about the return inaugurated an interesting and energetic and counter-claims of the recent elecof prosperity, in the event of the election campaign for President ROOSEVELT for the real facts, it is found that the Demoo- of Mr. TAFT is already bearing its fruit. United States Senator for New York to Every incoming steamer is loaded with the succeed Senator PLATT. It says that in face of the earth," as was proclaimed by cheap labor of Europe and reports from the suggesting Mr. ROOSEVELT for the office find enough water for an immersion and the Republican papers last week, comes out old world give promise of a greater influx, "it withdraws no word or sylable of the have to go to Connellsville for that sacred of the fight stronger and in better position of those who come here free of all tariff taxfor future contests than it has been for six- ation to compete with the honest labor of tration, of his policies, of his methods and

Don't Count Too Much On It.

In addition to the States comprising the many, many years. It may be that some of the now idle fur- that "he lacks balance ; he lacks poise ; "Solid South," in every one of which it either maintained or increased its former naces, abandoned factories and silent mills, he lacks dignity ; he lacks a sense of prostrength, the Democracy elected the Gov- will be put into operation at an early day, portion ; he lacks a sense of his responsibut the resumption that is promised with bilities ; he lacks judgment ; he lacks all ernors, and will control the State administrations in Ohio, Indiana, Nebraska, North such gosto and paraded with so much ef- the elements except energy and determi-Dakota, Minnesota, Colorado and Nevada, fort, on the part of those who have never nation that go to make up an administraadding six to the number it has beretofore besitated to deceive the public if a politic- tor of the first rank." Not satisfied f with claimed and making twenty-two in all-or al point could be made, is neither so gen- that our esteemed contemporay continues : within one of being one-half of all the eral nor so near. Hereabouts we have idle "His jingoism ; his demagogio tendency to industries that give no show of getting appeal to passion and class hatred ; his

in all of the different States are not yet ac- and unworked ore mines that are as quiet his excessive restlessness ; his excessive cessible but from those that we have the as the cemetery. Machine shops without vanity ; his excessive ambition * * * loss shown for the Republicans, as compar- orders, and business stagnation as complete help to disqualify him for an office which -In her divorce suit Mrs. HowARD ed with the last presidential election, is so and general as it was six months ago, and demands more of the spirit of the judge GOULD states that a lady in her standing great that another vistory (?) of the same no word of hope to the unemployed labor- than the spirit of the crasader." can barely exist on seventy thoutand a kind would wipe out the Republican party or that work will be given bim. And it is Nevertheless our New York contempor year. Her standing might be all right, in every one of the forty-six States com- so elsewhere. It is the few manufactories ary would commission this delinquent to prising this government, with the excep- that are starting up. The many are still represent the imperial State of New York idle.

In Pennsylvania, ROOSEVELT'S majority And yet the olatter about a general re- reason that with all these faults and weaksumption goes on and cheap European la- nesses he couldn't do a great deal of harm bor is induced to flock to this country in because he would be "only one member of The total vote for Mr. TAFT is over 100,-000 less, and the Democratic vote over 50,- such crowds that even should there be a a body which clings with great tenacity to 000 less, and the Democratic vote over 50,-000 greater than they were in 1904. In Obio Mr. TAFT's majority is 215,000 less manufactories into operation, the labor Obio Mr. TAFT's majority is 215,000 less manufactories into operation, the labor than was Mr. ROOSEVELT'S. In Indiana market will be so overstocked that it is the greatest deliberative body in the it is 80,000 less ; in Illinois it is 120,000 doubtful if American workmen will be world," our esteemed contemporary adds, less ; in Minnesota 60,000 less ; in Iowa much better off than they are at the pres- and consequently his genius for evil would 50,000 less ; in Wisconsin 40,000 less, and ent time. Some may secure work but it be held in restraint. And why would our In not a single State in the Union did

as many votes as it did four years ago. And what does this mean ?

Simply that the policies of that party, a pay-roll are very likely to find a greatly for himself and family as best he can. known as the ROOSEVELT policies, and reduced wage rate and a continuation of "The circumstances which forced GRANT the enemy realize what a crop of dragons' which Mr. TAFT has promised, and is the excessively high price for every neces- to go into a bank, CLEVELAND to become pledged to continue, have lost to it the sup- sary of life that has been ruling for over a the trustee of an insurance company and port of over a million of voters ; have lost year past.

FORAKER is down and out in Obio are reck- that heretofore have been reliably Republi- look conditions in the face as they already make a Senator of ROOSEVELT. oning without knowledge of the kind of can; have lost to it the overwhelming ma- exist. The disappointment will be less to 12 As President of the United States THE-

Out of the Ashes of Defeat will An Outrageous Proposition. Come a Constitutional Democracy. The esteemed New York World has From Statement of Governor Elect Marshall, of Indiana.

"It seems to be the fate of great reformers like Mr. Bryan to live in history rather than in office. Disheartening as is the result in the Republic, the increased vote of Democratic principles in many of the States leads me to hope that the moneycriticism which it has made of his adminismad magnates will yield to treatment rather than die the death which inevitably this country, than has been known for of the manner in which he has discharged overtakes all those who grow arrogant. 'The business interests will surely see the duties of his high office." It adds that our party 18 not the enemy of vested

rights. We strike only at vested wrongs. I hope they may be peaceably wiped out, for I fear if they are not they will be forcibly. These evils would have been cheerfully eliminated under Mr. Bryan. I hope they will be under Mr. Taft, though grudgingly. "The light has been worth the making. There are now no discordant elements in the white heat of persecution and a spirit

of mutual trust restored, which augurs well for the arising of a constitutional democ-racy out of the ashes of defeat. The figures showing the total vote cast busy ; we have smokeless furnace stacks intemperate, intolerant, violent speech ; elieve that the people and not the offices should rule. "In Indiana it is not to be made a par-

tisan victory by my using patronage to rein the Senate of the United States for the "If you will only keep up the cry "Back to the fathers !" we will get there

some day, and the sooner the better ; for

From the Pittsburg Post, will be in competition with that foreign la- esteemed contemporary load up such a bor that is induced and encouraged to bazard? Because the dignity of the office In not a single State in the Union did bor that is induced and encouraged to bazard? Because the dignity of the office publican politicians, the artificial, or at the Republican party hold its own, or poll come here by the magnified reports that are is shookingly lowered when a President of least artifically timed, resumption of industhe country. And those who do get upon thrust into private life to shift for a living

HARRISON to practice law are abhorrent to ington, on Wednesday, those who think to it the control of half a dozen of States It is best that the workingmen should our contemporary and therefore he would for

man FORAKER is or of the kind of friends jorities it has had to boast of for the past them when they find that there is no such ODORE ROOSEVELT violated the constitutries so ostentationsly resuming now Philipsburg. tion which he had taken a solemn oath to would doubtless have done the same had "preserve, protect and defend." He usurp- Bryan won out. About the time the Reed powers which belonged to other de- publicans get the country trained to the idea that they alone can give prosperity to the Democracy to weaken its hold upon or yet here, notwithstanding the fact that partments of the government and tried by partments of the government and tried by the land, they will be required to show every available expedient to subvert the why they should not keep it up indefinitegovernment and convert the Republic into | ly and prevent it from those fluctuations a military oligatchy. He maligned men which human experience shows are all but inevitable. and women and deliberately falsified to The starving unemployed whose under-

Spawls from the Keyston

-Eleven cases of trachoma have been discovered in Butler and considerable fear is entertained that the dread eye disease may spread throughout the city. All the victims are foreigners.

-A corporation was organized in Couders port, Potter county, last Thursday, with a capital of \$100,000 for the purpose of building a new glass plant. It is proposed to start up on March 1st. 1909.

-The mayor of Wilkesbarre and thirtywo councilmen have entered bail for court trial on the charge of maintaining a nuisance. The alleged nuisance consists in not keeping the streets of that city in repair.

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-As the direct result of the crusade against illicit liquor traffic in Schuylkill county by the Schuylkill Law and Order society, the court on Monday revoked seven saloon keepers' licenses, for various violations of the law.

-The Hawke Bros., contractors, of Lewistown, began work on Thursday with a large force of men on the trenches for the pipe line for the Salitillo water works. The concrete reservoir has had a force of men on for some time and it will soon be complete.

-A foreigner who was taken to the Latrobe hospital nearly lost his life as a result of his stubborness. It took all the powers of persuasion his relatives and the mine superintendent possessed to get him to consent to the amputation of a horribly mangled limb.

-Six members of Clay Hill ladies' aid society, in Franklin county, met at Henry Barr's on last Monday at 9 o'clock and husked corn until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. our party. Factions have been blended in They husked 150 bushels. This was done because Mr. Barr was disabled recently in a serious accident.

-Fifteen skilled workmen are now en gaged at placing two carloads of machinery "No such partisan warfare was ever waged as in Indiana, and yet we have a direct appeals to men of all parties who pany. The new industry will be started in about three weeks and will give employment to a number of men.

-After continuing for five weeks, the evangelistic meetings in the rink at Latrobe, ward at the expense of the interests of the people. If I know how, I am going to give the State an old-fashioned constitutional conducted by Davis and Mills, were brought to a close on Sunday night with a meeting of administration, which means equal rights for all and special privileges to none. progress of the meetings.

> -The Lehigh Valley collieries Nos. 1, 2 3, 4 and 5, Susquebanna Coal company, William Penn and North American and Mc-Turk's washeries, were again compelled to suspend operations on Saturday, on account of the scarcity of water, throwing 9,000 men and boys out of employment.

-Burgess Oler, of Everett, has received a As a part of the bargain and conspiracy communication from the Elk Tanning cometween certain business interests and Repany, saying that the Tecumseh tannery, destroyed by fire some months ago, will not given out daily by the newspaper press of the United States at the end of his term is try after the election has begun. There be rebuilt at present. This will be a open connection made in Republican serious loss to Everett, as the tannery gave papers between this opening and the elec-tion results of Tuesday. Do our friends employment to upwards of two hundred men.

> teeth they are thus sowing and what a war-like brood this crop is likely to be? -Rev. I. L. Kephart, D. D., editor of the Religious Telescope, Dayton, O., the official organ of the United Brethren church, who What is the difference, in thus teaching enterprise to look to the Government died from a cancerous affection of the stom. for help, between the socialism of Debs and the paternalism of the Roosevelt-Taft ach on October 28th, at his home in the latadministration, aided and abatted by ter city, was born in Decatur township, Clear-business conspiracy ? Many of these indus-field county, only a few miles southwest of

he has in the Buckeye State.

-It is rather late to talk about it but how weak was the opposition charge that "the Demogracy is the party of promises." For the lan' sakes! What else could it be. We haven't had a chance to do anything else for the past sixteen years.

-The Rev. FRENCH E. OLIVER, the courage those who are trying to rescue the evangelist, thinks BRYAN should become a government from the rule of the trusts and preacher and states that "the BRYAN of the power of predatory weaith. the twentieth century would equal the PAUL of the first century. "Perhaps he would and perhaps he wouldn't, but even if he did he would not be given oredit for his work nor his greatness.

-Fortune telling has become so popular with Bellefonte women that the local clairvoyant is being worked nearly to death. Armies of ladies sneak to the little house along the mountain almost as if they were guilty of committing orime and then sneak away again buoyant or despondent according as she has told them that they are to grow rich and beautiful or remain single, homely and poor.

adviser J. THOMAS MITCHELL were busy fixing up who should get the places that directing force in the present and the next fall from the newly elected county officials | Congress. Commisionsers elect WOODRING and ZIM MERMAN got together and actually selected their own attorney, clerk and janitor. Of course they thought they had a right to do the monopolistic trusts. TAFT will fulfill this, but the leaders think they did it so the talk that is being passed around in into special session soon after his inaugu-Temple Court these days isn't the kind to ration "for the purpose of revising the tarbe found in the Sunday school library iff." But there will be no revision in the books.

-The new board of County Commissioners did a commendable thing in appointing CLEMENT DALE Esq., their attorney. For years Mr. DALE has been a consistent worker in his party and though he has long sought political preferment of some kind he was never given a nomination for any office unless it was when his chances for election were practically hopeless, and naturally resulted in his being heaten. Hence the County Commissioners were justified in making him their attorney as a slight reward for his constancy at all times.

ing President SAMUEL GOMPERS, of the elect the Republican candidates and the American Federation of Labor, in his list of invitations to labor leaders to confer on needed legislation is not unexpected though with the shipbnilders' trust to guarantee a it confirms the opinion that THEODORE subsidy in return for corruption funds. ROOSEVELT is about the narrowest, most vindictive man who has ever occupied the whether made by HANNA or HITCHCOCK presidential office. According to his ac- they are intended to deceive. tions we judge that he regards all who are not for him as being against him and forthwith starts out to punish them even at the at eight o'clock instead of 8.45 and the cost of bedraggling his high office in the borough police have been instructed to see

a boom in business and in work as s four years ; and have lost to it the confidence that millions of voters had that it the newspapers would make believe.

endanger its control of the government. Surely such a victory (?) is not one that | cials can feed at the public crib for the thinking;men would find much in to re- coming four years. joice over, nor is it one that should dis-

Promises to Divide.

The Hon. SERENE E. PAYNE, chairman

of the House committee on Ways and Means, apponces that hearings on the subject of tariff revision will be begun at once with a view of discovering what changes may be made in the DINGLEY schedules without interfering with the progress of returning prosperity. JOHN DALZELL, the agent in the House of Representatives in Washington of the Steel trust, adds that the only changes in the DINGLEY schedales which will be made during the extra session of the Sixty-first Congress will be -While chairman HARRY KELLER and such as will serve to correct existing incongruities. These gentlemen compose the

Thus the campaign pledges of the Repub lican party are to be set aside in the inter-

est of the predatory corporations and his promise to call the Sixty-first Congress interest of the people. There will be no

reduction in the schedules which will work a reduction in the price of blankets, shoes or other necessaries of life to the people. The trust lobbyists in Congress will take care of that and TAFT will complain as ROOSEVELT has done that Congress is obdurate and intractable.

As a matter of fact there was never any intention of revising the tariff in the interest of the people. When the Republican National convention which nominated TAFT few years will equal in amount the annual declared that in the revision of the tariff account should be taken "of the fair profits of the American manufacturers," the scheme to fool the people was planned. -The action of the President in slight- The tariff mongers put up the money to commerce is as obvious now as it was when MARK HANNA made an open bargain Republican promises are delusions and

----- The curfew whistle is now blowing mire of personal venom and spite wor ?" I that the law is strictly observed.

was impregnable and beyond the power of The millenium for laboring people is not TAFT has been elected and Republican offi-

> A Problem for the Postoffice Depart- injure the reputation of men who are citment.

disreputable politicians to promote selfish With an empty treasury in Washington and a deficit that, had it come under a interests to the prejudice of the common Democratic administration, would have gaod and he used the authority of the but which on favorable occasions will been heralded as the bankruptcy of the

Government, those in charge of the looted vance camp followers over the heads of veterans who had earned the gratitude of if the laborer and the consumer find the money bags of the treasury, are now seemingly greatly disturbed as to the whys and the people by faithful and hazardous serv- favor now reserved to the manufecturer wherefores of the condition they find them - ice in the army. Such a man is entitled selves up against.

Since 1905 the Postoffice Department has of an office acquired by the help of an shown a shortage each year, running into assassin and the dignity of such a man the millions, until the annual deficit now is wouldn't be lowered if he became dealer greater than the entire expense of that de- in a faro bank or bar keeper in a dive. From the Washington Herald. partment was yearly up to 1850. How Oar New York contemporary insults the these enormous expenditures are to be re- public conscience in proposing him for

duced, or the income increased, is what is Senator. worrying those who are charged with its administration. To cut down the service, or to increase the rate of postage would be will make their pilgrimage to the woods dangerous experiments to make, and might tomorrow to be on the ground for the legal be the foundation for objections that would opening of the season Monday morning. grow into serious opposition to Mr. TAFT'S Owing to the fact that deer have been readministration. And yet it is only through ported very scarce in the mountains the one or the other of these methods that a number of hunters will hardly be as great remedy can be found. this year as usual, but withal that, there

It is possible that some relief could be had by a reduction of the padded pay-rolls daugerous for both deer and man, unless and the elimination from the postal service great caution is observed in regard to the of the thousands upon thousands of useless latter. The Panthers will leave early toofficials who draw their monthly stipend morrow morning over the Central Railroad from the Treasury, without any return in of Pennsylvania for their hunting grounds service. But that would be going tack in the Scootac region and this year upon the fellows who are depended upon to they will make a strong effort to get one or howl for the administration and Republimore deer. In this connection we repeat can rule, and of course could not be enteronr request of last week, that hunters send tained. So that the matter falls back to to the WATCHMAN a list of all deer killed the original propostion of a decrease in the during the season, and by whom. service given the public, an increase in the

postal rates, or an unlimited interest bearing debt fastened upon the people that in a tailed for duty at Philipsburg arrived in that town last Saturday and had their first army or pension expenditures of the councall of duty on Monday. A lot of hides try, and which now exceed that of many of had recently been stolen from a dealer in the governments of Europe. Osceola Mills and two foreigners who lived Some people may think it is a blessed

in Philipsburg were suspected. Three of thing to have a Republican administration the troopers made a search of the quarters to take care of governmental problems, but occupied by the foreigners and when they most of them will waken up eventually to displayed their badge and search warrant learn that the "costliness" of such rule, is the men grabbed both and started to run. away above the value of the blessings it They were caught and put under arrest brings. but not before both of them were some-

----Muskrats are so plentiful in the what cut and battered up. They were dam and old canal at Curtin that one man given a hearing the next day and fined five at that place has captured one hundred of dollars each and costs. them in the last few weeks. As muskrat -----Wednesday's rain was sufficient to pelts are worth twenty-five cents each, his catch will net him twenty-five dollars; and ing on the mountains the past week. he is not through yet.

standing has been warped by the fallacious izens of the Republic. He conspired with full dinnerpail argument may not be as wonderfully patient as they have been recently. Socialism is sowing the seeds of discontent which may long lie dormant. commander-in-chief of the army to ad- spring up quickly and spread fast and far. If the present benefits of protection, con fined to the wealthy few, are distributed, alone, we shall have stability and content ment, but the tariff will then be Demo cratic and for revenue, rather than Repub-

A Very Far off Contingency

Sowing the Wind.

"The Democratic party is left in a chaotic con-dition. Ont of the wreckage a new party may be formed. If it was Mr. Hearst's plan to hasten this consummation, he surely did his share of the work during the campaign. Many Democrats are likely to reach the conclusion that the time has arrived to jump from the derelict to the new craft called the Independence party."—Washing-ton Post.

Chaotic, yes ; beaten to a "frazzle," yes; but going mad, not yet. When Massachusetts turns Populist

New York city goes dry, Pennsylvania de mands free trade, Chicago practices self-effacement, Kansas furnishes free whiskey to the farmers, "Uncle Joe" quits standing pat, the American flag is bauled down in the Philippines, and the Republicane nomiwill be enough in the woods to make it nate John D. Rockefeller or E. H. Harriman for President-then, and not till then, will you see Democrats jumping from the present "derelict" to the "new craft called the Independence party.'

And yet William Randolph Hearst may -and doubtless will-continue in his unique, unpleasant way to be a powerful factor in American life and help mightily to shape, for good or ill, the political des-tinies of this land.

"frazzled" as it is to-day, its hour and its man will some time come, and when they come a clear-cut, burning issue that goes straight to the honest American heart and appeals to the intelligence and the connce of the American mind-one issue, not many-will quickly transform that derelict of to day into a proud, invincible craft of another day-and under the same

-The action of the County Commissiontor and clerk so early may have saved them a lot of trouble with an army of possible applicants, but Chairman HARRY KEL-LER, Captain General J. THOMAS MITCH-ELL and Chief Pusher QUIGLEY are sore as boils because they weren't even consulted.

-Help the Logan Fire company by going to see Clifton Mallory in David Garrick at the opera house next Tuesday evening. The play in itself is well worth seegiving a very good portrayal of it.

-The people of Johnstown are suffering from a widespread epidemic known as buckwheat itch, caused by eating too heartily and too frequently of the toothsome buckwheat cakes. The itch starts with the skin becoming sensitive and easily urritated and the feeling is very annoying. Huntingdon people are similarly afflicted.

-Services in memory of Ira D. Sankey, the noted singing evangelist, who was born and reared in New Castle, were beld in the First Methodist Episcopal church in that city on Sunday, under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association for which Mr. Sankey erected a home there eighteen years ago at a cost of \$40,000.

-After a long litigation in the Schuylkill county courts a valuable estate has been so eaten up with expenses that now, when a settlement has been reached, there is little for distribution. It is the T. R. Haupt estate at Frackville. The receipts and expenditures filed with the register foot up over \$80,000. leaving but \$6,000 to distribute.

-The Standard Steel works company at Burnham, Mifflin county, on Monday started in on full time in the tire mill and machine shop. This is the first time in forty-pine weeks that any of the departments has been running on full time. At the plant of the Logan Iron and Steel works, the twelve-inch mill was placed in operation on Monday, after a prolonged idleness.

-Mrs. William Yearick, of Mill Hall-Clinton county, was found lying cold in death at her home about noon on Friday by her grandson, Dean Bennett, who was returning from work and went into the house. Mrs. Yearick was alone in her home for some time and just how long she lay dead is not known. Deceased is survived by her husband, one daughter and one son.

-A crowd of boys from Huckleberry. Westmoreland county, who attended church at Hillview on Sunday night were stopped on their way home by two masked men who demanded their money and valuables. The boys gave fight and managed to get the bet-As for the Democratic party, chaotic and ter of the highwaymen. William Adams, one of the boys, was used up considerably in the scrimmage. The desperadoes finally made off in the darkness.

-A leaky lantern started a fire in a barn where a husking bee was in progress on Thursday evening and consumed the barn and contents on the farm tilled by Michael Lavery, three miles east of DuBois. A large gathering of young people was in the structure at the time, but so fast did the flames ers elect in selecting their attorney, jani- spread through the hay and inflammable stuff in the stable that nothing could be done. Two adjoining barns and three sheds filled with huy were also destroyed.

-J. C. Murphy, who was convicted in the Westmoreland county criminal court some time ago on a charge of violating the election laws of the state was on Saturday given a sentence of two years in the work house and will have to pay a fine of \$1 and the costs of prosecution. Murphy was the judge of elections for the Port Royal district at the primary election last spring and was also the return judge. The returns as presented to put out the forest fires that have been rag-ing and Mr. Mallory has the reputation of the commissioners showed that many more votes than had actually been cast were on the return sheet.

to no consideration upon the expiration lican and protective.

-The squad of state constabulary de-

-The majority of Centre county nimrods who expect to hunt deer this season