

BY P. GRAY MEEK.

Ink Slings

He weighs three hundred-then some more Does TAFT, our Pres-i-dent So when he drop'd in TEppy's chair Its legs, they must 'a bent,

The screws and glue were fractured so

The chair was safe no more And Wednesday, when our Bill sat down He landed on the floor.

-The flittings have started.

-Have you made your onion hed yet.

-About three weeks more of peace for the trout.

-There is nothing worth while at Oyster Bay now but the oyster and the bay.

-TEDDY sailed on Tuesday and nothing in the nature of a phenomena occurred. mitted that the object of the bill is less to That will probably be saved for his home relieve the country of the onerous tax burcoming. dens under which we are suffering, than to

-Look out for LINCOLN CARTER'S maintain the principles of protection, and thrilling dramatization of the abduction of that his bill is essentially a protective WILLIE WHITLA. LINK ought togbe on measure. In this he is right. While it reduces the rates in a few instances and that job already.

-The nice thing about being a WHITLA puts hides and some kind of ores on boy must be having a dad who has ten the free list, it makes an average increase thousand dollars to get you back when in the duties of twenty per cent. and leaves all the essentials of the poor on the some one steals you away. taxable list. For example, wool is just as

-TEDDY will need to keep his gun it was under the DINGLEY schedules and cocked and primed all the while in Africa. wool is the staple of the poor in this latifor there will be no towers over there to catch any C. Q. D. signals. But there is not much use in the Demo-

-A machine for detecting liars has been invented, says the Pittsburg Times. If it is a success the suspicions of the defeated candidate for office should be at an cratio members of the House Committee on end. Ways and Means have clearly indicated.

-Ex-president CASTRO, of Venezuela, is Bas the Republican machine has detersurely in a bad way. He is a very rich mined that no Democrat shall make an man, but all of his riches are tied up in amendment and there is no chance of im-Venezuela and he can't go back there for provement. The most experienced steel fear of arrest.

-When Senator GEORGE T. OLIVER was DREW CARNEGIE, has declared that there sworn into office about noon last Friday he is no necessity for any tariff tax on steel. was literally covered with flowers. "How But the PAYNE bill puts a heavy tariff tax natural he looks" would scarcely have on that commodity. It is known to every been a remark fitting the occasion.

ure is acquired at the cost of suffering," tax on all forest products. But no amendwhich leads us to think that JOHN may ment correcting these faults will be enterhave received inspiration for this clever tained. The remedy for these evils is in the conshought immediately after having had a gressional election next year. The Retooth pulled.

publican majority in the present Congress -The State Legislature is getting down was maintained by the promise of Mr. TAFT to business ; that is, if you call passing that in the event of his election the tariff hills at the crack of the whip and not paying serious heed to what they mean, business. It is business for the bosses, no doubt, but not for the people.

-Last fall it required votes for TAFT to revive business. Now wage reductions are said to be the necessary panacea. The wage earner who believed the story last



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No Use in Resisting the Inevitable. The debate on the PAYNE tariff bill was act promptly.

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one that there is no necessity for a tariff

Didn't Begin at Right Place.

opened by Mr. PAYNE on Monday but we fail to see wherein he enlightened the country on the subject. He frankly ad-

madcap. But that course is unworthy of his reputation as a lawyer. He ought to

tion to the Presidency. His enterprise is scheduled an expedition in search of big game in Africa and he himself states that he is the head of an enterprise of the Smith-before the House notice has been served sonian Institute to explore Africa for scien- that no Democrat will be permitted to even 000 to \$50,000,000 aunually. This is the tific purposes. But he deceives nobody with such a transparent subterfuge. The is rank partisanship. It has neither in-tariff. It is another bunco game, pure and Smithsonian Institute has no such enter- telligence por honesty in its make up. It simple. prise in mind and has no authority to dis- is the response of a party to the demand At first blush, when considering a list of patch such an expedition, besides, for a decrease in the tariff sobedules. As some eighteen or twenty articles upon which a reduction of duty is made, the bill ROOSEVELT is not a hunter of big game. a matter of fact it increases the average So far as the public knows he has never tariff rate some twenty per cent. and gives but a closer examination of the variou

in the Yellowstone Park, at a great ex- There are some meritorious provisions orats in Congress making a prolonged fight against the enactment of the PAYNE bill. It is a fraud and a humbug, as the Demo-cratio members of the House Committee on

The greatest disappointment of ROOSE-VELT'S life was his failure to get the Re-tax on steel at all and putting it on the of the government. While this may be publican nomination for President last year. He had been scheming for it for three years and like NAPOLEON had been building operations throughout the counmanufacturer in the country, Mr. AN- during all that period weeding out of the try. But what could CANNON and PAYNE army all men who couldn't be relied on to and DALZELL do under the circumstances. respond to his call for any sinister service They are all on the pay roll of the Steel and filling their places with his sycophants trust and have to do something to earn the and time servers. The coming of the pan- money that is paid to them. Limiting the ic disconcerted his plans. It made his out to fifty per cent. was, therefore, as -JOHN FOSTER once wrote "every pleas- tax on lumber but the pending bill puts a election impossible even with the army and much as could be expected of them. If the vast force of officials ready to join in they had done less they would have been any proposition be might suggest. So he condemned by the people. Doing more was obliged to relinquish his nefarious would have cost them their fees.

scheme of empire for if he had been reelected last fall there never would have all its iniquities, but it will not settle the been another election. We believe he was question. LINCOLN once said that no fully determined to establish an empire. question in settled finally until it is settled He has the ambition of CAESAR.

would be revised downward. The Repub-His trip to Africa is for the purpose of lican platform promised tariff reform but keeping himself in the limelight for the ed that the excessive schedules of the DING- dustries will continue as her it didn't satisfy the people for the reason next opportunity. With an army guides LEY law robbed the wage earners of the that it was ambiguous. TAFT's promise and hunters he will keep the country in a country of a million dollars every day. An was specific, however, and the people ac- foror until he returne. Nobody will be increase of twenty per cent. on the average cepted is, not because they had faith in permitted to tell of the exploits of the ex- will add to this upjust burden on the peo-TAFT but for the reason that they had pedition except himself and he will be the ple and the protest which forced the Rethis spring. Both are based on the same will return to enter upon a campaign for integrity, and that encouraged people to the fulfilment of his ambition and unless accept TAFT's word. If there had been the people are alert and conrageous he will they used to be and at the next congresmore faith in BRYAN there would have succeed. For that reason the trath and sional election the returns will show a been less confidence in TAFT. the whole trath concerning him should be vastly different result. But TAFT won because his promise was told. His ambitions schemes should be accepted and now that it has been betrayed exposed that popular execration may have and apparently with his consent, or at full opportunity to defeat his plans. THEleast with his acquiescence, the people will ODORE ROOSEVELT is a dangerous recreant demand a reckoning at the next congresand conspirator.

The Payne Tariff Bill.

and read in the House of Representatives

The bill will be passed, however, with right. President VAN CLEAVE, of the American Manufacturers' association, statWorking Another Banco.

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The PAYNE tariff bill has been reported From the Johnstown Democrat. The Republican members of the ways Reconservent's Hunt for Office. Former President Roossevent sailed on Former to basis his hart for another eles. Tuesday to begin his hunt for another elec- moreover, and nobody appears to fully un- law exactly as it now stands, would be, ac-

may appear to be a revision downward, killed an animal bigger or more formida-ble than a jack rabbit. When he builted is the Valloration Park at a great er. There are some maritarians provisions not an adequate out on steel. Mr. CAENE-the plea that the increase is made necesontinuing its policy of extravagance, its big expenditures for keeping up the great military arm of the government, and all the other reckless waste of public funds. The Payne bill, therefore, means, if it means anything, that there is to be curtail-ment of gigantic expenses during the pres-ent administration, and that in order to keep up these expenditures the tariff must be revised so as to produce more revenue. At the same time the framers of the measure are anxious to have the impres-sion made that the bill is a "revision downward," and to this end they have seen fit to emphasize the reductions which have been made upon certain articles. The fact remains, however, that upon the great majority of imports there is practically no change from the existing schedules, and the exactions of the highly protected in-

stofore. In short, it has been the policy of the tariff makers to disturb no special interest in the exercise of the privilege which it has under the tariff. It is a notable fact that, gener-

Spawls from the Keystone.

-One hundred and twenty eight destitute families are receiving relief from Coates ville's charitable organization.

-The Pennsylvania highway department has issued 4,000 more automobile licenses thus far than were applied for during the same period of 1908.

-The effort to largely increase the en. dowment fund of Dickinson Seminary, at Williamsport, has been very successful and it is expected that the entire sum asked for will be secured within a short time.

-Charles Kenyon,a contractor and builder residing in Clearfield, has just taken out a patent on a new device for a paving block which he is confident will inaugurate a new era in the history of road building.

-Judge Fuller, of Luzerne county, has declined to issue an order requiring all hotels and saloons to close their bars at 11 o'clock p. m. He says there is no law to that effect and he doesn't believe in judge made law.

-Mercer county has a productive district in the Cool spring township oil field. Since it was opened thirty eight wells have been completed, of which twenty-eight are good producing oil wells, eight gas wells and two dry holes

-Brook trout from the Bellefonte hatchery are now being distributed in the streams in Central Pennsylvania. Some 81.000 trout have already been sent out and placed in the streams found between Hollidaysburg and Newton Hamilton along the Juniata river. -A special telephone has been installed on the pulpit of the Lutheran church in Indiana and also one in the hospital department of the county home, by means of which the inmates of the latter institution may have the pleasure of listening to the religious services on Sunday.

-Luman C. Mann, the son of a wealthy resident of Chicago, who was arrested in Philipsburg last June on the charge of murdering Mrs. Francis Gilmore Thompson in a boarding house in that city, was acquitted last week by a Chicago jury, the defense proving an alibi

-Some time Saturday night burglars of fected an entrance to the Farmers' Nations bank at Exchange, Montour county, shattering the vault and getting away with an unknown amount of money. The bank is one of a chain established under the direction of the State Grange, Patrons of Husbandry.

-The ministers of Huntingdon want Judge Woods to issue either a command or a request to the hotels of the city to close their bars during Old Home Week. The men se lected from the different denominations met. last week, and another meeting will be held at Juniata College. Petitions will be circulated

-The commissioners of Cumberland county, alarmed by the rapid growth in bills of costs. have issued a notice to magistrates in the county in which they declare that hereafter they will pay no costs for any hearing except when they have been convinced that said hearing was held in pursuance of the criminal code.

authority.

----- "Trimmer" SANDERSON is reported as being very ill at his home in New York. in fact so ill that he does not want to appear for trial in Harrisburg on April 5th. With the consequences of that great capitol graft staring him in the face it isn't any wonder that he is too ill to appear for trial.

-Lientenant SHACKLETON, of the English navy, is a hero just now. He succeedsional election. Mr. VAN CLEAVE has ed in approaching within one handred and eleven miles of the south pole. Science will make a great fuss over this achievement, while the public will wonder what to the tariff taxes of twenty per cent. the good would have been accomplished had the Lieutenant actually approached close and a quarter dollars a day. This outrage enough to have climbed the pole. will be resented and unless the signs are

-A friend told us once, after the arrival misleading the next Congress will be Demoof his first child "I would not take ten oratio and the iniquities of the PAYNE thousand dollars for this one, but I tariff law will then be corrected. The peowouldn't give ten cents for another." As ple can't be fooled all the time but there such things usually happen another came is no use in trying to stop the present plans and since the WHITLA kidnapping incident of the majority.

we have wondered several times whether this particular dad wouldn't have done the same as Mr. WHITLA did, even though the one he wouldn't have given ten cente for had been stolen.

-The war between MATT SAVAGE and JOHN SHORT, editors of the two leading Clearfield papers, has culminated in a seem-Mr. BRYAN is the cause of it all. It appears that SAVAGE'S paper charged SHORT with scalping tickets to Mr. BRYtrust that this particular case may be set- of defendants on the rack. men have been carrying on. While we hope when it is concluded they will turn within their own lines.

-It is a very grave question as to naping capital punishment is a wise pro- New York World, and Mr. DELAVAN Now the time has come when the ques but it doesn't always prevent and, as was without process of law. the severity of their punishment anyway self by even seeming to give sanction to recommendation of the Legislature withso, in our opinion, it would be wiser to such proceedings. He is probably waiting out paring it one cent.

leave the penalty as it is and take greater until ROOSEVELT gets out of the country precaution in preventing kidnaping.

The Daty of the Governor.

Announcement was made yesterday that the appropriations committee of the House had practically decided on the amount of appropriation it would recommend for The Pennsylvania State College. While the specific amount is \$769,000 considerably less than was asked for it is understood that it will prove entirely satisfao-tory to the trustees of the College, though ing plans, not for tariff revision, but to hint from the committee that if its sugges-tions for greatly reduced duties are adopted that it will prove entirely satisfaonot enabling them to carry into effect all of prevent tariff revision. the plans they had formulated for the de-

velopment of various branches of learning at that institution.

The relation of the Pennsylvania State Attorney General WICKERSHAM has College to this Commonwealth is peouliar. already ordered the dismissal of a lot of In fact it is parallel with that of a guardian suits instituted by his imbeoile predecessor and a child. By an aot of Congress a cerin office, BONAPARTE, but he hasn't as yet tain amount of public lands was set aside struck at the crowning folly of that assinine for the endownment of Colleges of agriculindividual. To serve the purposes of ture and the mechanic arts in every State oriminal libel suit aud-strauge as it may ROOSEVELT BONAPABTE was constantly in the Union. In 1863 this Commonwealth barrassing corporations with trifling prose- | ratified a compact with the federal governoutions. It was never intended that they ment in which it "accepted with all its should be brought to trial. BONAPARTE provisions and conditions and the faith of The result is that he asks for an amend-AN's lecture in that place a few weeks ago and SHORT has had its editor arrested. It would be a blessing for the Clearfield De-Bat he may able to institute pro-Bat he may able to institute pro-trust Pennsylvania came into a share of the trust Pennsylvania came into a share of the The constitution of the United States de-

mooracy if this should prove the end of the peace. But he was able to institute pro- trust Pennsylvania came into a share of the mocracy if this should prove the end of the long and relentless war these two gentle-men have been carrying on While and While and While and While and this concern or that until he had hundreds the income from the proceeds constituting the endowment of the College. Thus it

trust that this particular case may be set-tled to the satisfaction of each of them we of ignorance rather than malice. BONA-pays nothing in the way of endowment to PARTE imagined that he was fooling the the College. All of that is received from continue the disastrous policy of firing people in every instance and he was going funds that the State holds in trust from into the courts as ROOSEVELT goes hunting the federal government for it.

with a brass band and a kodak. They But the faith of the State is pledged by were conceived in malice. We refer to the the laws of 1863 to support and take care whether a law making the penalty for kid- cases against Mr. JOSEPH PULITZER, of the of this institution.

vision. Of course everyone will feel that SMITH, of the Indianapolis News, for lese tion is practically up to the Governor. It hanging is none too good for such offenders, majesty. These cases were laid on lines remains for his act to say that Pennsylvabut the stolen child is the matter of first which were intended to subvert the prin- nia does not regard her statute pledge to consideration. The theory of law is to ciples of the government. The scheme the federal government as a serious obliprevent crime through fear of its vengeance, was to deprive men of liberty and property gation. The Pennsylvania State College needs more than has been recommended for the case with the WHITLA child, after the Attorney General WICKEBSHAM ought its use. There is no doubt of that. It is House and Senate. While this does not kidnapers have gotten away with their to have put the seal of his reprobation upon a State institution and is, in consequence, prey how will they act with it? If the these suits first. They are absolutely with- not the recipient of vast private legacies

> ----Subscribe for the WATCHMAN. so as to avoid the boisterous protest of that

reduction is entirely discounted. ple will not be fooled by this subespecially true of the steel schedule, for the great Steel Trust is absolutely free from fear of foreign competition, with or with-out a tariff ; it is also true of other large terfuge. They are better informed than industries to a lesser extent.

Taft's False Adviser.

President TAFT has made Senator AL-

DRICH his "friend, philosopher and guide" reform. He is the agent on the floor of the Senate of the stand-patters. He will in-Yet upon every question with respect to the tariff, upon which President TAFT is in doubt, he summons ALDRICH to advise

The latest scheme of Mr. ALDRICH in this connection is to inject into the PAYNE bill a provision authorizing the President

to determine whether the minimum or maximum tariff rate shall be imposed. The From the New York World. The most censurable thing Mr. Taft has PAYNE bill vests that power in the courts yet done in his repetition is his inaugural where it would, in all probability, be regulated by judicial processes. But ALDRICH has convinced TAFT that it onght to be expenditures, he talked at length about left to the executive. No doubt this idea "a proper navy," "suitable fortification, "our coast defenses," "a direct attack." flattered TAFT. It added to his prerogatives and while he has been fair, as a rule, "a modern navy," "a strong navy" and all he is not unmindful of the value of power. the rest of the jargon of jingoism. This The result is that he asks for an amend- message of war has been shrieked into the cars of the American people for so many years that even Mr. Taft cannot forget it enough to deliver an inaugural speed

The constitution of the United States declares that "all legislative power is vested in Congress." Congress and the courts From the Huston Post.

bave always held that fixing tariff rates is legislation. If that interpretation is cor-rect the fixing of the minimum or maxi-mum rates by either the courts or the Pres-ident is a violation of the organic law. But and frapped flimflammer, every glaciated aud gale-gigged galoot, every blizzard-buffeted and Boreasticated booster, every sleet-swatted, and snow snifted snoozer, to investing this dangerous prerogative in the executive is more offensive than placing it in the hands of the courts and hence AL-DRICH's desire to put it in the hands of the President. If the PAYNE bill is made tarn to the first page of this paper and read in the weather report about yesterday's temperture in Houston. unconstitutional the DINGLEY schedules will remain. That is what ALDLICH

The pension bill for Pennsylvania soldiers will be reported out of committee, within a day or so, in such shape as will probably meet with the approval of the

Governor will sign it, if passed, it will be -The base ball season in Bellefonte brime is made one for capital punishment out reason and their presence on the court that some other institutions that are seek. of interest to our old soldiers to know that will be opened on Saturday, April 3rd ey in the home of Mrs. Lavina Swinehart, and they are pressed too hard by the offi- calendar is a menace against the country ing state support are receiving. Its only something is being done in this direction. when the Bellefonte Academy nine will at Treverton, two burglars beat her into inpers of the law, would not the first impulse and a reflection upon the administration. support is the State of Pennsylvania and The important changes made in the bill play a picked team from State College. The be to take the most effective means of re- We firmly believe that Mr. WICKERSHAM the State has made a solemn yow to main- as it was originally read are: Pensions will Academy boys have been practicing at moving all evidence of guilt by doing away will ultimately thus dispose of them. We tain that support. Therefore it is the duty be paid only to those whose annual income every opportunity and are in good shape so with the child. A murder couldn't add to can't imagine that he will stultify him- of Governor STUART to approve the from other sources does not exceed five hun- that an interesting game is assured. The dred dollars. Those who served sixty days Academy team, by the way, will take a will be included. Pensions will date trip during the Easter vacation on which from December 1st, 1909, and the first pay-ment will be made January 1st, 1910. the Princeton preps.

-In the Westmoreland county This is Monday morning Judges Doty and McConup and questioned. The list will be handed down on Saturday.

> -Warren H. and Chester A. Reed, coal operators in the Clearfield district, have entered suit in the United States circuit court. to recover \$50,000 damages from the Pennsylvania railroad company, charging said corporation with rebating and discrimination in favor of the Berwind-White and the Keystone Coal and Coke companies.

-Eighteen cars laden with aliens passed through Harrisburg on the Pennsylvania railroad Monday. There were two special sections of Pacific Express, arriving there at 2:30 o'clock, and there were four extra cars attached to train No. 33. The trains carried more than 1,000 of the foreigners and almost every European nationality was represented.

-Latrobe's health officer on a recent tour of inspection found a calf, a dog, three women, three children and one man living in one room of a house in that town. The calf was found tied to the bedpost. When asked for an explanation the women said it was too cold for the calf to be in the stable and it had been brought into the bed room that it might live and grow in comfort.

-Forty-six coons were slaughtered during the past season by E. W. Kelly, words superintendent for J. E. DuBois on the Hicks Run lumber operation. Mr. Kelly killed five bears since last fall and had three of the skins made into fine rugs. In his opinion trout will be very scarce in this section the coming spring and the sport will be trying on the nerves of the anglers.

-An unusual state of affairs for these days of business depression is reported from Wilkesbarre. There has been a congestion of freight in the yards of the Delaware and Hudson railroad in that city and in order to break it and get things in good running order again the Pennsylvania railroad company has agreed to loan twenty five of its big freight engines. They were sent from Harrisburg and Sunbury.

-Meadville school directors have taken advantage of an act of assembly and have provided half pay for teachers who have taught for 30 years, 20 years of which service must have been for the city. Under the plan adopted each teacher is to be taxed two per cent. of her salary till she has taught for ten years, and then she is to be taxed three per cent. Teachers receiving less than \$45 per month are exempt.

-Enraged because they did not find mon sensibility and then placed her on a bed, tumb led a lighted kerosene lamp on it and fled. The lamp exploded and the bed was set on fire. Neighbors who had heard the woman scream when she was first assaulted hurried to the house and with considerable difficulty extinguished the flames, but not before she

The Soldiers' Pension Bill.

From the Chicago Record-Herald. Mr. Roosevelt will have two rooms,

stenographer and a private telephone in the office of the Outlook. It is probable that he will also have a rug on his floor Nevertheless, he will find it necessary to be exceedingly respectful to the foreman of the composing room.

mean that it will be passed or that the

Proposes More Than it Favors. From the Washington Post. The reduction in the steel and iron

on the tariff question. ALDRICH is not duties, the removal of the duty on bides, now and never has been in favor of tariff the halving of the duty on lumber, and the change in the wool schedules go further in the way of "revision downward" than reductionists boped or standpatters feared. voke every expedient to defeat tariff re- But the committee leaders are old hands at form to which President TAFT is pledged. the business, are well aware that their bill s nothing more than a mere suggestion Being a suggestion only, and not committing the house to any legislation, the com ting the house to any registrating to propose mittee may have been willing to propose him. There is scarcely a day that AL-DRICH is not at the White House suggest-tificate indebtedness may be taken as a

the country must be prepared to go further into debt.

The Jingolam of Taft.

George Bailey's Invitation.

There Are Limits

nell heard 227 applications for license in one hour and twenty-five minutes. Only the new applicants and some of those against whom remonstrances were filed were called

said that the present tariff sohedules rob the wage earners of the country of a million dollars every day. With an addition robbery in future will amount to a million