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BY P. GRAY MEEK

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-It is baul water for many of the Centre county farmers just now.

-Well, we have won a game at last. We hope it will not be the last.

-Thursday seems to be the only day on which the rain maker even tries to do any work.

-Three men in a boat seem to have run aground off the Schuylkill county bar of instice.

-Tomorrow you may legally fish for trout. After that it must be bass or suck-

mus just now -Every movement has its ups and

to be always up.

of the heat as yet. -And somebody told us that there was

a lost of good, sturdy backbone behind that genial smile of TAFT's. -The price of wheat is getting back to a point where it is really possible for a the Supreme bench affirmed that obviously

poor man to put white bread on his table. that he killed STANDFORD WHITE. But permanently relegated to obscurity. sorrow doesn't bring back the dead archi-

signed. At least that is the polite way of He had demonstrated his fidelity to the in agricultural life and decreasing the exsaying he gave up a job he could no longer machine and his service to the bosses. But pense of them is a consummation "devout-

a spring chicken no longer that no one has had been mixed up in some sinister operagiven him the ax.

-A few of the finer points of the game are all our team needs to make it as smooth a working base-ball machine as one can hope to see in a bush league.

-WILLIAM J. BRYAN is credited with having determined to move to Texas. If it is true it means that he really wants to go to the United States Senate.

-The Democratic State Convention will meet at Harrisburg next Wednesday and other office. Probably Von Moschzisken tariff tax on hides. Notwithstanding that name the ticket that everyone should vote wouldn't have been nominated for Gov- tax American shoe manufacturers have for. A great many won't do it, how- ernor.

lish channel in an airship on Sunday and shown by the party actions in the cases of the people is the abomination against England is scared silly again. Right away cited. If QUAY had believed it possible which popular indignation justly asserted she has placed orders for four super dread- to elect ELKIN to the office of Governor in itself. Blankets and wraps made of shoddy

-A Burrowstown, Lancaster county, farmer lost a leg by getting it caught in to ELKIN at the time that he served notice the family washing machine on Monday. He was helping with the washing. The moral is plain.

-Talk about it being hot in Washington just now for some of our national lawmakers. Why the capitol is a cold storage warehouse compared to the homes of some of them when they get there.

-"Pigs is pigs" in Wilmington. The Board of Health won't even permit educated ones to remain in that city. The order is very hard on the four footed variety but the others have not started an exodus from Wilmington yet.

-According to the auditor's statement of the borough's finances the borough is now \$103,017.79 in debt ; counting every available asset, good and bad. During the year the water department appears to have netted \$3499.31.

-JOHN W. GATES, once protectionist, is now a free trader. John W. is a man of gether." The Republican leader was quite affairs, finaucial and otherwise, and he willing to put hides on the free list but the may think he is looking a long way into the future but he has only seen what others saw long ago.

-Georgia is to have a new law prohibiting women from riding astride. It is very comprehensive as to what they may not ride as it includes "horse, mule, ass or other animal of either sex." But it makes it a misdemeanor only for women to ride astride in public places.

-Senator STONE, of Missouri, slapped a Pollman porter and was arrested but discharged by the justice before whom the case was tried. If the Senator were to make a general round of the Pullmans slapping all the fresh porters it might add to the comfort of the traveling public.

-A dealer in a card game once remarked to a foolish player, "I can give you the cards but I can't give you the brains." Someone has given the Bellefonte baseball team the physicial requisites to play splen- new tariff bill. Senator ALDRICH appears did ball but the man who dishes out the to be unable to discover anything wrong baseball brains hasn't been 'round among in this manifest violation of the constitu-'em quite enough yet.

-Rev. Demetrius Silas Constanstinstinzoias Vishauhoff, M. D., a Macedonian complete subversion of that instrument. missionary from Thessalonica, is now in All legislative power is vested in Congress this country seeking aid for the spread of "which shall consist of a Senate and House the gospel in his native land. Mr. Con- of Representatives. The "getting together" stanstinstinzolas may be a very good mis- of special interests, therefore, and agreesionary at home but to be compelled to ment upon certain schedules of taxation, passed at the last meeting of borough counspeak his name would make the average essentially legislation, is a usurpation by supplication.

-With fifteen splendid places for spiritual gatherings in Bellefonte and four commodious chapels within half a mile of the borders of the town it seems almost like "hauling coals to Newcastle" to bring a are neither so good that we have overcrowded any of the permanent places of worship nor are we so bad that we might not be made good by attending any of them. Why, then a tabernacle?

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Party Men and Morals.

unjust decision, he violated the moral

on him that he wouldn't do. The iniqui-

public conscience reflected the morals and

purposes of the Republican machine. His

subsequent election to the Supreme bench

indicates that the party had no objection to

his record but was afraid of its effect on

the public mind. The nomination of Vox

MOSCHZISKER was made in the same

spirit of defiance of public conscience.

Meantime the public may have awakened

to the fact that there is no office more im-

portant than that of Justice of the Su-

preme court. A corrupt court is the great-

Senator Aldrich's Idea.

During a discussion of the question of

Senator ALDRICH remarked that it would

be necessary for those interests to "get to-

cattle men of the west protested that it

would be unjust to do so unless there was

a corresponding decrease in the tax on

leather products, to which the leather men

strenuously objected. The votes of both

the representatives of the cattle men and

those of the leather manufacturers are

necessary to pass the bill finally and "get-

ting together is ALDRICH's idea of settle-

That is precisely what the wool growers

of the west and the manufacturers of

woolens in the east did last fall. While

the Presidential candidate of their party

was promising tariff revision downward,

they were in conference, or conspiracy, in

Chicago, agreeing with the Republican

Congressional committee that there would

be no change in consideration of a generous

contribution to the campaign fund, which

was subsequently subscribed, the DINGLEY

schedules would be incorporated into the

As a matter of fact, however, it is a

impaired to posterity

est of all public evils.

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The Tax on Hides.

The President's insistence, with respect No man in public life is either better or worse than his party. If he is better, he to tariff revision downward, has finally fails to fulfill the purposes the managers been refined down to a demand for free had in mind when he was chosen, and he hides. It has been asserted, and practical -The new municipal bydro-electric is dropped. If worse he becomes a burden ly proved, that free hides will benefit noplant seems to have a bad case of moras- too heavy to carry and is abandoned. This body except the manufacturers of shoes proposition is proved by two notable recent and other leather goods who compose one incidents. When Judge Von Moschzisk of the great trusts. In fact the shoe manudowns, but tariff revision and that seems ER decided, in defiance of the law and the facturers have themselves said that there facts, that Judges in commission had a will be no decrease in the price of their -A rapidly traveling spot has been dis. right to an increase of salary, under an act products in the event that hides are put on covered on the sun. It hasn't shut off any of the Legislature passed during their term the free liet. Profits have been very small of service, he expressed the moral measure in the recent past, they declare, and they of his party and has been rewarded by a ask for free hides, not for the public good, nomination to the bench of the Supreme but for their personal advantage. But the court, the highest judicial tribunal of the President has substantially said that if the State. When SAMUEL GUSTINE THOMP- conference committee will agree upon free

son, representing the Democratic party on hides, he will be satisfied. Free hides could only work public beneficence if they would give the people shoes -HARRY THAW says he is sorry now ethics of his party and was promptly and and other leather products at a lesser cost. Shoes are essential to public health and When Justice ELKIN aspired to the office comfort and making them cheaper to the of Governor a few years ago his ambition consumer is a most desirable purpose. Har--President REYES, of Colombia, has re- met with the cordial approval of his party. ness and other leather goods are necessities the late Senator QUAY, cautious as he was ly to be wished." But putting hides on -Dr. Osler has passed his sixtieth cunning, apprehended that he was too the free list and leaving the present pracmilestone and it is probably because he is beavy a burden for the party to bear. He tically probibitive tariff tax on shoes and tions too atrocious to be condoned and he the hopes of the people. As heretofore was dropped. In other words QUAY esti- indicated, we are very much in favor of mated bim as worse than his party and free hides as we sincerely believe in unconsequently unavailable as a candidate taxed raw materials of all kinds. But free for Governor. He was subsequently nomi- hides without cheaper leather products are

nated and elected to the Supreme bench. of no use to the people. He had shown no signs of repentance or If the President is willing to concur in improvement, but the boss reasoned that the iniquity of overtaxing woolens' and cotpeople take less interest in Judges than ton fabrics in consideration of free bides, they do in Governors and he could be he is either a fool or a knave. The public elected to the bench though unfit for the protest has not been especially against the been able to invade the markets of the The highest aspirations of the Republi- world. But the tax on woolens which -A Frenchman sailed across the Eng- can party is the spoils of office. This is prevents the proper and healthful clothing 1900, he would have preferred him to any and other inferior materials have contributany other cause and the overtaxing of woolens is the cause of the death of milties which QUAY feared would arouse the lions, annually, in this country.

West Favors Income Tax.

One of our esteemed metropolitan contemporaries remarks that "the western States are for an income tax." Naturally. The western people are for justice. They ask no special privileges, as a rule, and prefer to take equal chances with their competitors under the inexorable, but uniform law of the survival of the fittest. They have never been accustomed to unearned bounties. Such things are for the trusts and monopolies which have their homes and habitations in the east. They are intended to create largesses out of the earnings of industry, mostly in the west, for distribution among the favored of the east, the tax on hides and leather, the other day,

through the channels of Wall street. The fairest tax that has ever been con ceived in the human mind is a tax on incomes, graduated, of course, so that it will burden the meagerly recompensed as little as possible. An income of less than \$1000 a year should not be taxed at all for the reason that such an amount is required to pay the ordinary expenses of the average family. An income law which exempts amounts less than \$3000 would be better, for under existing conditions the necessaries and a few comforts of an average family absorb that amount. But all over \$3000 is velvet, except in the case of very rich folk and out of abundance it is easy to pay small sums. The graduated income tax, with a

limit at \$3000, is therefore an ideal tax. But the east is not in favor of such a tax. That is to say the portion of the population of the east which controls politics and elects representatives to Congress and the Legislature is opposed to an income tax for the reason that it would tax wealth instead of poverty and put a fair share of the burdens f government upon those who derive the reatest advantage from government. Senafor ALDRICH admitted during the tariff discussion in the Senate, that he is willing to accept any alternative, but everlastingly opposed to an income tax. That is because he represents the plutocrats rather than the people and is willing to sacrifice the public

WATCHMAN will be found the ordinance oil relative to the licensing of livery busses it is our bounden duty to transmit it un- omnibuses and motor cars used in carrying persons or property for pay, and not to the and convenience

Discouraging Home Building.

It is impossible to even conjecture the reasons which influence the Republican managers to their policy of opposition to home building. From the beginning of home building. From the beginning of dance cloths rivaling the best fabrics of civilization the encouragement of homebuilding has been a fundamental feature of and imported, was consumed then in this social and political economy. Owning homes is the sheet anchor of citizenship. A man who doesn't own his home may be as good a citizen and as helpful to the community as one who does. But the ownership of the home fastens a family to the locality in which his home is situated and makes him a thrifty as well as a permanent resident. The home-owner is both independent and conservative, moreover, and a safe guard to the public.

in view of these obvious and admitted facts it is strange that the policy of the Republican party has always been to make the acquiring of homes as difficult as possible. In other words every material which is essential to the building of homes is tax- ahatement of the iniquitous duties on wool ed to the utmost limit with the result that the cost is so enhanced that even men of comfortable fortunes are scarcely able to ing merchants, who constitute no Trust build homes, and mechanics and working have shown how deleterious is this barbarmen find it absolutely impossible to build or buy homes. If the taxes on such materials were necessary to raise revenue for pathetically for some mitigation of duties the maintenance of the government, they on these materials, and have been brutally the maintenance of the government, they might be endured. But they are for no other purpose and achieve no other result have determined the progressive Republithan to foster trusts and fatten monopolies. can senators to vote against the tariff bill

We have watched with absorbing interest, during the special session of Congress, the efforts of the Republican managers to duction of 5 per cent. in some of the duties maintain the prohibitory tariff taxes on is a cruel mockery. lumber, glass, nails, roofing materials and every other article that goes into the building of a home. Only the other day the said that the Pennsylvania Senators, PEN-ROSE and OLIVER, are responsible for this it will greatly enhance the expense of home building and it is in line with the policies and traditions of the Republican party.

Democratic Local Tickets.

The Democrate of Pennsylvania never approached a campaign under more auspicions conditions than those which now confront it. At this time in 1905, the year in which our candidate for State Treasurer was elected by an overwhelming majority, there were no signs of the political revolution which subsequently developed. But at this time this year, the indications all point to such a result. Both in Philadelphia and Pittsburg the Republicans are distracted and the element in each community which stands for good government is ready to join with the Democrats in an effort to resone the State from the spoliators who are in control of the Republican organiza-

Even so auspicious a condition doesn't guarantee success, however, unless victory is deserved. In other words the Democratio State convention which meets in Harrisburg next Wednesday must nominate good candidates and the Democratic voters must perform their fall duty in order to achieve the election of the candidates nominated That is to say the Democratic citizenship of the State must be both alert and vigilant, not only during the campaign but on election day and if they are equal to these requirements, there can be no doubt of the justice of the Supreme court, Auditor General and State Treasurer are certain to be figured confederates of the fighters. eral and State Treasurer are certain to be fingered co elected.

The surest way to accomplish this result have the votes." All through the deliberais to form a perfect alliance between the tions in the House and Senate the purchase State and local organizations. So far as our of support by trading methods has been information goes the local tickets of the Democracy throughout the State are admirable. This year, at least, so far as the Democratic party is concerned, the uniform primary election law has produced the best possible results. Candidates of the highest merit have been nominated in every coun-

ty. That being the case there is no excuse for indifference as to the result or lethargy in the campaign anywhere. Active work for the local ticket will bring out a full vote for the State ticket and that guarantees victory all around.

-The stone foundation walls for the new High school building are practically completed and a large number of the steel beams and girders have already been -In the advertising columns of today's placed in position. Messrs. Miller and Wallace, the contractors for the completion of the building, expect to begin work on the brick part of the structure early next week. A large force of bricklayers will be as fast as it will be possible to do and tractors it will take three months at least pancy much before Thanksgiving day.

> -A number of farmers throughout prop is not yet ripe enough to out.

spawls from the Keystone

-In spite of the fact that there is much talk of a falling off in the coal trade, the Blacklick line of the Pennsylvania railroad has shown heavy increases in shipments lately in coal. Conditions towards Hastings are not so favorable.

-Mrs. Jean Rich Sterner, of Philadelphia, while driving near Lock Haven, was stepping from her buggy, when she fell on her neck and broke it. She died in a short time. Beside her husband she leaves a ten month's old infant.

-Coleman & Co., of Williamsport, have started lumber cutting on a 300 acre plot near the Bloom farm, north of Ebensburg. Twenty men are working on the plot. In other places in Cambria county much of the remaining timber is being cut away.

-The troiley tracks between Kylertown, dent had the courage to put wool on the free list American mills produced in abun-Clearfield county, and Winburne have been taken up. The people of Winburne feel very badly over this but as the line never paid well, the tracks are going to be used

through some better paying territory. country than now, notwithstanding the ad--Harvey Henderson, a miner employed dition of millions of men, women and in the Bear Swamp district of the Scootac rechildren to the population. For pure wool, cotton and shoddy since then have been gion, on Friday killed a rattlesnake five feet largely substituted in the manufacture of in length and which had 18 rattles. The clothing for the American people. In reptile put up a gamey fight and Mr. Henspite of doctored statistics, the domestic derson had some difficulty in dispatching it. production of sheep is declining more and more, despite all the tariff bounties to the

-The plant of the Northbend Illuminating company, of Northbend, Clinton county, is getting in readiness for September 1, a 1.000 electric light plant, that will supply the people of the home town together with the nearby places. Farwell and Gleasonton.

terials necessary for the production of warm and wholesome clothing of the -Glassburner, the young man arrested in American people is nothing less than a legislative crime, no matter what plausible Philipsburg for forging notes on a couple of Curwensviile business men, was taken to Curwensville where he was given his liberty after making good the amount of the checks. Glassburner had gone to Curwensand woolens appear to have made as little impression upon President Taft as upon

ville posing as a base ball player. -The Jamestown, Franklin and Clearfield and the Geneva, Corning and Southern railroads were formally leased to the New York Central road by a vote of ninety-five per cent of the share holders. It is rumored that the stations on the Franklin and Clearfield division of the first road will soon be officially determined.

-H. A. Orwin, who conducted the National hotel at Mt. Union as a boarding house, and who recently disappeared, has left behind him bills amounting to about \$500, which will be a total loss. His household goods had been seized by the sheriff for other debts. Among those caught in the trap are grocers, butchers, bakers and furniture dealers.

-According to the report just issued of raised the tax rate on structural steel from about six to sixteen dollars a ton. It is broke the required rules and have been returned to the prison. One returned voluntarily, for the same reason, while another who violated the regulations is still at large-Another died in the hospital.

-There have been rumors in Huntingdon gdon. Officials will not verify the reports, but they do admit that the Long Siding shops at Huntingdon will have to be enlarged, and to meet the new conditions many of the trainmen now living in Saxton will have to move to Huntingdon.

-There are a dozen morphia fiends among the inmates of the Berks county almshouse and quite a sensation was caused when County Controller Rhoads in withholding the payment of the bill, brought to light the fact that 30,000 morphia pills had been consumed during the last six months. It is estimated that this is the largest consumption of this deadly drug by any institution of the same size in the state.

-The Rittenhouse farm, near Lewistown, has been bought by the Knights of Malta bureaucracy and buncombe would take on and they will erect a hospital and asylum on new gravity when Congress would have to the plot. The grounds contain 135 acres and vote the cost of it out of the pockets of the cost the society \$6,000. The proposed home and bospital, which will shelter aged and sick members, as well as the orphans and widows of deceased members, will cost about \$100,000. This sum will be raised by assessing the different lodges throughout the state.

> -The work of laying track on the Shade Gap branch to Neelyton, Huntingdon county, is nearing completion. The road was graded in 1884 to a point near Burnt Cabins, but when work on the South Penn road stopped, the construction was stopped at Shade Gap. Now, however, the people hope to see the road extend to Burnt Cabins, and as there are valuable timber tracts, as yet untapped, along the route, the company cannot lose by the extension.

-John D. Smith, of Jersey Shore, who was buncoed out of \$1,200 by green goods men while visiting Howe's circus, has had his money returned. The man followed up the itinerary of the circus and after shaving off his whiskers took the police into a car and pointed out the thieves. The men showed fight but were quickly vanquished and in the end John Smith not only had his money back but the officers had all their costs and traveling expenses paid.

-Peter Seel, a resident of St. Marys, met part of the general scheme to dissemble. It is yet possible for ring statesmen of even the smallest calibre to make themselves state, Thursday night, which resulted in his death. He retired about 10 o'clock that night. Less than an hour later it was discovered by a member of the household that he was not in bed. A search disclosed him Jawing each other about the respective merits of their districts and States will serve to blind their constituents to the fact that nobody who should be is giving a were marks on his forehead showing where His neck was broken. He had evidently stepped or fallen out of a window. There he had alighed. The distance he fell was not over six feet.

> -The situation in the Hastings-Barnes boro-Spangler coal region is very gloomy. Only about half the mines are in operati The poor condition of business is said to be caused by the inability of the local operators to meet the prices ruling in the markets, and the fact that many of the best contracts were gobbled up early in the year by operators from other districts. There seems to be no prospect that the miners will consent to a general reduction, although it is said that some of the smaller mines may make an arrangement with their men which will amount to practically the same thing, although it will not have the appearance of a violation of the scale.

No Exemptions in Income Tax.

From the Pittsburg Sun.

indignation that this somewhat militant body works itself into over the patronatrocity, but whether that be true or not age of the workingman by politicians is Will the workingman generally welcome

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When Clothes Were Cheap.

When a Democratic congress and presi

wool growers. When it is plain, then,

begin to keep pace with the demand, the

schedules of exorbitant duties on the ma-

Yet thus far the efforts to obtain som

ongress. The wholesale and retail cloth

ous schedule to the interests of their ous

tomers. Manufacturers of woolens with

mills all over the land have pleaded almost

told to get into some other business. These

barbarous duties more than anything else

in behalf of 80,000,000 consumers, who are

dumb or whose voice is well-high inartion-

late. In this condition the offer of a re-

pleas may be invented for it.

From the Philadelphia Record.

the chance to pay direct taxes in proportion We hope so, and if the partners of taxes and Top road are to be moved to on personal and real property is any ori- and Broad Top road are to be moved to than his better off fellows.

If there is to be an income tax it will be well, according to the manufacturer, to have no exemptions. They say :

Every man should therefore enjoy a patriotic sense of citizenship and become and be a part of this government and one of its detenders; a condition making for upright, sane and safe manhood and avoiding the present much-to-be-deplored ef-fort to make supporters of one class and weak supplicants of another.

Direct taxation of this all-inclusive sor would make dodging difficult, dangerous and notorious. It would spell the doom of the evil theory of supporting government by indirect levies. The poor man could then save on shoes, sugar and clothing what is now slyly filched from him by proteoted trusts.

Moreover, all this light and airy ex-penditure of colossal sums for battleships.

The taxpayers might be more liberal in many ways than they are now. We think they would be when they were shown and when they do not have to pay profits to the trusts to have their taxes collec

Footing the Crowd

From the Pittsburg Post. Don't be alarmed by these little dis-

plays of temper in congress. Everybody knows the familiar device by which pickpockets get up a fake fight, draw a crowd The tariff bill is unspeakably bad.

open. Fierce personalities between the conspirators, grandstand attacks and repulses and surrenders may, but should not, serve to distract while the general iniquity moves smoothly on to its expected consummation. All of these rows in conference, these portentious frownings by a president whose every act in the controversy has been to help Aldrich should not deceive. Even the little asperities in the House on irrelevant issues are all to be taken as a solid with the superficial of their home districts by flamboyant speechifying, refut-ing some extravagant, irrelevant attack by eagues, who, in return, will expect the ortunity to be made for them.

hang about the general welfare.

The Coming Leauness From the New York World.

Mr. Hill's economic formula is simple enough, but it needs interpretation. If it be true that meat is soon to be beyond the reach of our wage-carners, his meaning is that they must presently subsist upon cereals and vegetables. It is a continuing sentence that he passes upon them. They must move downward in the social scale—not appeared. They are living beyond not upward. They are living beyond their means. The few fat years of American labor have passed never to return. The lean years are at hand and they will be

Furthermore. if Mr. Hill be correct. when meat leaves the workingman's table white bread will accompany it.

American say swear words instead of a pious persons unknown to the constitution, of and automobiles. For backs and carriages prerogatives which belong to Congress. It the license is \$1.00 for one horse and \$1.50 employed and the building will be rushed might be claimed that if Senators and for two horses; omnibusses, \$2.00 and 2-50; Representatives are willing to abdicate express, freight or baggage wagons, \$1.00 make a good job of it. With the best of their powers in the interest of representa- and \$1.50, and motor care from \$2.50 for luck and everything in favor of the contives of a class or classes, it is nobody else's four passengers to \$10.00 for a car carrying tives of a class or classes, it is nobody else's four passengers to \$10.00 for a car carrying business. But that is not the fact. We fifteen or more passengers. Of course the type of the building, while the probability is that it will not be ready for occutent into our midst for such a purpose. We are the guardians of our constitution and above only alludes to those backs, carriages,

> buggy, carriage or automobile owned and Centre county are already ploughing for -You miss a good thing if you don't used by an individual for his own pleasure their fall seeding, inasmuch as the cate