Democratic Watchman.

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INK SLINGS.

-This is All Fool's day and in all probability many of them are abroad in the land.

-A cold wave is reported as being on the way. The sooner it gets here the better it will be for the fruit.

-If we should happen to get our March weather in this month; don't be unmindful of the beautiful April weather we had in March.

-Never mind, if meat does keep on dies will be able to pick up lobsters at separates the reactionaries from the prothe Shore for a song. -Pittsburg councils had a regular

meeting Monday night. They forgot to open the session by singing that touching little song "The Vacant Chair."

-The Republican's double column editorial attack on Lew Emery sounds very CLAY's ear on the Bellefonte postoffice.

from the other. -Temperance advocates say that New prices of the necessaries of life.

York will be dry in ten years. My, but trophe in such a short time. -Over ninety-two million bacteria are

is a consolation to know that such a little bit of money will go such a long way; even if it is in a bad direction.

-"What is ginger ale?" is a question that a satisfactory answer is being sought for just now by the government. Strange that no one has thought to tell Uncle SAM that it is one of the seducers in the seductive "Mamie Taylor."

-In the light of recent happenings at Washington we imagine that the fellows who once called Uncle JoE "The Watch Dog of the Treasury" are now consoling themselves with the thought that he is one of the dogs that has had its day.

-Prof. FROST, of the William's Bay, Wisconsin, observatory, has discovered by LODGE was that in the ELKINS resolustrange eruptions shooting out from the sun. Maybe old Sol has heard of the relation of the tariff to high prices and in conquest of CANNON and is celebrating the other it wasn't. Senator ELKINS the sole right that remains to him of frankly charged that "the Senator from making it hot for the Insurgents in Wash- Massachusetts and the Finance commitington.

with having said that ours is the model resolution. He declared, moreover, that nation of the world. The rest of the na- Senator Aldrich had forced the tariff cepted an expense fund, in violation of the ment by their votes. tions will not get jealous over this an bill through Congress and that he, ELKINS, constitution, that looked like a bribe for Meat prices and all other prices will figure that the Dane's judgment is not tain Dr. Cook visited him.

Princeton University, is at least a pleasing of the tariff bill, but now he has "a little the Democratic party to power and the cise the liberty of individual action. reincarnation of the great principles of Democracy. Hasten the day of fulfill- ry out his implied threat with respect to trusts and defended crooks after they ment-for the sake of the country, and, incidentally, the boys who haven't been at the crib for so many years.

-Egypt is divided as to whether TED-DY is the whole cheese. His speech at Cairo pleased one crowd but made another terribly sore and as a consequence the Nationalists made a demonstration against him. As the demonstration consisted merely of derisive howls TEDDY was probably not alarmed because he is a little long on that kind of thimg himself.

-The Pennsylvania railroad company seems to be the first of the great corporations to help its employees solve the problem of making ends meet under the problem of the ers were to adopt this policy there would be less strike mirmurings in the air and a more rapid approach to that condition of prosperity that was vouchsafed us two years ago.

-The Republicans, themselves, are becoming disgusted with this idea of reform within the party. It can't be done. The only way to reform a party that has become infested with such parasites as trusts and corrupt leaders is to carry it out of power for a few years then those who have been hanging to it only for what they can get out of it will flee like rats from a sinking ship.

-Senator JONATHAN P. ALLDS, of New York, has been found guilty by his colleagues of bribe taking. As a consequence he has resigned his office to escape expulsion. It is only another instance of the general cleaning up that is going on everywhere in official life, and one for which the public is properly thankful. As soon as it becomes a certainty that graftbut not until that time arrives.

ocratic votes on that account, but he pre- of the ALDRICH tariff bill and thus con- not because of factional difference but on Fusionists think he had left his party. duced high prices. is fully acquainted with these facts, therefor the intelligent reader can only look strength of the opposition to the Repub- be no question of the result. The up-last week as the veriest buncombe.



STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

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Senator Elkins "Rampaging."

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Senator ELKINS, of West Virginia, apgoing up. Summer is coming and the la. proached perilously close to the line which gressives of his party the other day. Senator ELKINS has always been among the most steadfast of the regulars but he is ambitious to retain his seat in the Senate and probably realizes that the policies of CANNON and ALDRICH are likely to defeat his party in all except the pocket borough States like Rhode Island, where commerce much as if some one else has had BAR- in votes is regarded as legitimate enterprise, and the Standard Oil company is -If things don't change in Washing- willing to pay the price of victory. The ton very soon Big BILL and big bluff will occasion of the West Virginian's surpris! be so nearly synonomous that there will ing break from his party organization remain only that smile to distinguish one was during the consideration of a resolution to investigate the causes of the high

Senator ELKINS had introduced a resothey will have to "lick up" a lot of it over lution for such an investigation some in Gotham to bring about such a catas- weeks before and it was buried in combeen necessary to appoint the author of said to be able to live on a dollar bill. It the resolution to the chairmanship of the committee and as Senator BAILEY, of lar. It may be doubted if he is generally they do here. hardships and these high prices, he will frankly say so." The ALDRICH-CANNON feeling is manifest. machine doesn't want such a confession even than Senator ALDRICH'S declaration to. So Senator LODGE was induced to in-

his resolution was promptly reported and passed.

The difference between the resolution introduced by ELKINS and that offered tion it was proposed to inquire into the tee wanted to avoid the question of the -The king of Denmark is credited tariff and other questions," raised by his tor ALDRICH

> Of course Senator ELKINS will not cartrusts to take chances of giving the Democrats a chance. But it is interesting the single term Presidents. and wholesome to see such men assert themselves occasionally even though we know they don't mean anything. At the psychological moment ALDRICH or LODGE or TAFT will take the West Virginia Sen the esteemed Philadelphia Record that Pittsburg's self-confessed councilmen ator by the ear and tell him what to do the Democrats of Pennsylvania get to- and how to do it. But he has set a good gether. "There are upward of a half mil- criminals have not been revealed either criminals have not been revealed either promise to make our currency more surgents" may be encouraged to go clear over and make a good deal of trouble. For that reason we are glad that ELKINS

Unwise Labor Leaders.

poses are accurately expressed in the irrespective of party affiliations. prints that a labor party is to be organiz- performances of the Democrats in Conmade and an ambitious political organi- against CANNONism. "Harmonious and been recommended to them. McNichol gotten, and the Democratic Congressmen soil for their future cultivation.

and all other communities ought to do is ment find encouragement. Our esteemadopt the most effective methods of de- ed Philadelphia contemporary is confifeating the Republican machine and to dent that similar results would follow achieve that they must vote for the Dem- similar conditions in this State. -If the Hon. Lewis Emery Jr., had resentatives in Congress for this State to the polls. We had an admirable tick-

ing so rapidly that its only hope lies in a majority.

the division of the opposition and this is Meat Prices in New York and London. precisely what the Philadelphia labor accordingly.

Changed Estimate of Taft.

Texas, remarked, the machine managers respected. The high office he occupies But they encountered a different state were afraid that if ELKINS should find is revered, of course, and criticism of him of affairs in London. The authorities the tariff responsible "for any of these is modified, if not actually withheld, in there favor the people rather than the

to be made. It would be more damaging trying to soothe him with the false state- Beef trust and competition was preservthat the government is costing nearly a cise him and only Democrats have chang- price of meat down to the just level cremillion dollars a day more than it ought ed their opinions of him. The fact is, ated by the laws of supply and demand. troduce a resolution on the subject and Republican newspapers of the better sort don aim to conserve public interests rathopenly express their disappointment with er than special privilege. his administration and Republican states. The Republican machine exercises the regrets at his failure to make good. It board of governors enjoy in the London gress has been abandoned.

conditions made himself ridiculous. He achieve the result. packed his cabinet with emissaries of the getting "off the reservation." He is too had been exposed. Because of this closely associated with the industrial thing public sentiment has reversed itself and TAFT has made himself one of sulted in the condemnation of the accust to the force and value of the platform

An Excellent Suggestion.

We cordially endorse the suggestion of crats," says our esteemed contemporary.
"United and harmonious throughout the balance of the present year," it continues,

of New York, is done for, of course, as "took the bit in his teeth" the other day. "they can win the next election in this he ought to be and the self-confessed greater supervision and control over the mation most devoutly to be wished for. They are simply pimples on the face of It will not only guarantee restitution of nature. The labor leaders of Philadelphia are graft taken in the past but will secure

What the labor leaders of Philadelphia and in which all believers in good govern- the Pittsburg councilmen are guilty.

leaders propose to promote. If instead American meat sells in London for of organizing a separate party they would thirty per cent. less than in New York. invest all their energy and ingenuity in The cattle are killed in Chicago, Kansas an effort to elect Democrats to the vari- City or other Western packing houses ous offices to be filled, there would be and shipped by rail to the sea board. such a political revolution in the State as The meat costs the same in New York through the recent improvement of the would forever bury the Republican ma- whether consumed there or forwarded to chine and its benficiaries. We hope those London. The expense of the ocean carconcerned will ponder these facts and act riage is an addition to the value of the product in London. The cost is nearly one-third less, nevertheless, in the Eng- be allowed to proceed on its legislative lish metropolis. What is the reason for this discrimination?

Thirteen months ago President TAFT The fact of this difference in price beentered the White House the most popu- came embarrassing to the American Beef lar man in the country. He was believed trust and the managers of that horned to be an amiable, capable and conscien- and hoofed monster set about, a few to be an amiable, capable and conscientious gentleman. He had had vast experience in public life. Learned in the monopolize the British market as they weighing frauds and other recent crimes law, of judicial temperament and just im- have already monopolized the markets of pulses, he was accepted by the country this country. They went into the princias a deliverer from the reign of riot and pal London meat market, bought out mittee for the reason that it would have the administration of passion which had most of the meat dealers and rented all preceded him. But a vast change has the available meat stalls. These results occurred since. TAFT is no longer populachieved they proceeded to fix prices, as

> many instances on that account. But the trusts. The board of governors of the London market refused to confirm the Some of the President's flatterers are transfer of the stalls to the American ments that only Democratic papers criti- ed. The competition there keeps the however, that the change is universal. Those who control such things in Lon-

> men of the better type whisper their control in American markets which the was expected that he would restore the market. But the Republican machine party to public confidence and add to its never interferes with the operations of security of future victories. But they monopoly. On the contrary monopoly is see that under the malign influence of favored here because the monopolists his weaknesses the party is going to the contribute liberally to the corruption fund dogs and hope of carrying the next Con- of the Republican party and keep the machine in power. "The people be d-d," TAFT got in bad in the beginning and has is the watchword of the Republican masince gone from bad to worse. When he ac- chine, and the voters endorse that senti-

nouncement, however, because they will was compelled to vote for everything in signing a tariff bill that he knew was in-continue high as long as monopoly conaltogether to be relied upon since a cer- in order to "get what I did for my State." that inspired contempt. He had sworn as the Republican machine remains in He added that he was afraid to break to "obey and defend" the constitution power. The people have the power to -President Woodrow Wilson, of from his party during the consideration and within six months had outraged it. alter these conditions at the coming elec-Then to avert suspicion he pretended to tion and if they have as much intelliprophet. He predicts the restoration of more sea-room," and is inclined to exer- admire the tariff bill and in the face of gence as they have strength they will

Big and Little Grafters.

The investigation in Alabany has reed Republican leader, who resigned his solemnly subscribed to by the Repubseat, before the announcement of the lican party in convention assembled in the summer of 1908. Not one of the matvote, in order to put himself beyond the reach of real punishment. Under the promise of immunity from punishment with the pledge. It is hardly necessary to repeat that the Republican tariff enlion men in Pennsylvania who are Demo- in Pittsburg or Albany. Possibly there promise to make our currency more tion in Harrisburg." That is a consum-

Graft, in this country, is under the not correctly reading the lessons of recent events if the reports of their purpromote the interests of all the people official station. When the President of injunction. No conservation laws have the United States accepts emoluments been passed. A bureau of mines has not been established, no extension of the newspapers of that city. That is to say The esteemed Record is inspired to its forbidden by the fundamental law which it has been announced in the public commendable proposition by the splendid he is under sworn obligation to "support, been made, and Arizona and New Mexico" obey and defend," it is absurd to protest against the trifling graft of a Pittsburg councilman or a New York legislator.

Described TAST not only accepted such ed, nominations for State and local offices gress during the recent movement against the trifling graft of a Pittsburg zation launched. If they had gone to the unanimous action has marked every move President TAFT not only accepted such ting since December 6. It has almost political contractors, whom Mayor ReyBURN declares created the strike, for adthe Record observes: "Past differences ed during the extra session of the present propriation bills—as well as some that are not necessary. "Why is a Republican are not necessary." vice, precisely that course would have and personal animosities have been for- Congress, but in various other ways. The payment of his household expenses and and the VARES will be delighted with the have been standing as one man." The the use of government property in arrangement. It will be fertilizing the result was an achievement of which all his private and social life is graft the Democrats of the country are proud more reprehensible than that of which

Graft first became a recognized element in the public life of this country during the administration of ROOSEVELT who was the most insatiate grafter of all. ing will surely meet the punishment it ocratic candidates. Republican policies The Democrats could have carried the It began under the protection of privilege deserves there will be an end of grafting, are essentially antagonistic to the inter- election in this State, last year, if ninety when the railroads shut down on passes ests of labor. Of all the Republican Rep- per cent. of its voting strength had gone Previous to that ROOSEVELT simply "held up" the railroads and compelled them to ally understood, but also the highly paid not persisted in beginning every one of his ambitious trips. his speeches, when he was the Fusion his speeches, when he was the Fusion his appearance of the issues were clearly defined by the expenses of his ambitious trips. Our antagonists had a weak ticket and his speeches, when he was the Fusion by the expenses of his ambitious trips. Our antagonists had a weak ticket and his speeches, when he was the Fusion by the expenses of his ambitious trips. Our antagonists had a weak ticket and his speeches, when he was the Fusion by the expenses of his ambitious trips. Our antagonists had a weak ticket and his speeches, when he was the Fusion by the expenses of his ambitious trips. Our antagonists had a weak ticket and his speeches, when he was the Fusion by the expenses of his ambitious trips. Our antagonists had a weak ticket and high trips had a wea nominee for Governor against STUART, labor legislation. The same is true of with the declaration: "I am a Republi- Senators and Representatives in the Leg- the Democrats failed to fulfill their party believed in many quarters that his exaction whether he would islature. Every Pennsylvania Republi- obligations We had a considerable in the control of the discontinuous distribution to victory was cordial. But the invitation to victory was cordial. But the invitation to victory was cordial. But the fact that the declaration: "I am a Republi- senators and Representatives in the Leg- the Democrats failed to fulfill their party believed in many quarters that his exaction whether he would islature. Every Pennsylvania Republi- obligations we had a considerable in the control of the discontinuous di can," it is a question whether he would islature. Every Pennsylvania Republi- obligations. We had a considerable inhave been defeated. He lost many Dem- can Congressman voted for every feature dependent element with us but we failed, stop giving passes. At any rate the to the value of the natural opportunities order was issued shortly after ROOSEVELT which the Steel Trust had monopolized ferred to lose them rather than have the tributed to the causes which have pro- account of apathy on the part of Demo- had forced that corporation to pay his ex- this trust, but to the people. Few of us a barb wire fence. Then plunging into the river cratic voters. The lesson of this exper- penses to Yellowstone Park. But he lost think of the Steel Trust as a landlord, The editor of the Bellefonte Republican

A labor party in this State can have no ience is that we must not only harmonize nothing by it. He simply made the gov-but it is one of the most stupendous landlords in the world. Its rents are constructed with these facts there of the rest other effect, therefore, than to divide the but energize and if we do both there can ernment pay what the railroads refused.

MAN always pays.

NO. 13.

Rainey Proposes Test. From the Johnstown Democrat. Has Cannonism really been stamped

Has that unseen power which sorts out the legislation that shall pass and that which shall be throttled, received a death thrust or only an irritating pin scratch

house committee on rules? Or, in other words, will proposed legis and murdered in the committee on rules when Speaker Cannon was chairman,now journey and come before the House for a vote, so that the entire membership of the House can do the legislating instead of the committee on rules?

A test of these questions is to be made and promptly. Representative Henry T. Rainey of Illinois has introduced a resoof the sugar combine. Although the Sugar Trust acknowledged its guilt by returning the stolen duties, the government has done no more than send a few punished. A congressional investigation, it is contended, would at least reveal the identity of the really big thieves, who, if in the Altoona shops, after being laid up for five in the Altoona shops, after being laid up for five there is no investigation, will in all likeli-

hood get off scot free.

If the new committee on rules will report the Rainey resolution and allow the House to take the responsibility of passing or refusing to pass the measure peculiar situation will present itself.

The point can not properly be raised that the proposed investigation is a partisan question, as Representative Campbell of Kansas (Republican) has introduced a resolution that is almost a duplicate of the Rainey resolution.

Nor is the argument which President
Taft made last December to the effect
that a congressional probe might give immunity to the men "higher up" now
tenable, as three months have passed and
tenable, as three months have passed and tenable, as the tenable as the tenable, as the tenable as t no move has been made by the govern-ment prosecutors in New York to bring the "higher ups" to trial. It is contend-ed, in fact, that the "high up" sugar thieves are getting far more "immunity" through the failure of Congress to inves-tigate then they could possibly enjoy with

The treatment of the Rainey resolution by the new rules committee and the House will be a test of the question wheth-

Pledge Unfulfilled.

News from Washington is to the effect that great pressure is being brought to bear to have President Taft's views on the railroad regulation question enacted into law. Indeed, this proposed legislation seems to have been given the right of way, for some unaccountable rea-

This situation leads one to inquire as elastic, except to keep Mr. Aldrich and "more accurately" define rules of pro-

Steel Trust Capitalism.

From the Chicago Public. Last year's report of the Steel Trust shows its net earnings for this year to have been \$131,491,413, after the payment of \$151,663,394 in wages and salaries. The proportion, therefore, of all wages to net profits was about as 53 is to 48. In other words, for every 53 cents that went to employees, 48 went to the owners of employees included not only the poorly paid "workingman," as that term is usucealed in its dividends, its land values in its capital stock.

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SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

The big encampment of the State G. A. R. will be held at Harrisburg in June.

-The Wigton, Centre county, postoffice will be vacant soon and an examination of applicants will be held in Philipsburg on April 28rd. Last year the office paid \$285

-Bruce Kurtz, of Hyner, Clinton county, is in trouble with the law because he has a pet deer in his possession, it having been run into his place by dogs and having remained there ever since.

-Charles Lesher, who for sometime had been uperintendent of the Philipsburg fire brick works, has succeeded W. B. Wigton as general ndent of the plants at Philips Wallaceton and Retort. H. G. Iams, of Woodland, takes Mr. Lesher's place.

-When the excavation was being done for the foundation of the Mt. Joy Union National bank, which is being erected on the old roadbed of the Pennsylvania railroad, the old tracks laid by the State years ago were found. The rails consisted of strap iron nailed on long sleepers, laid length

-J. J. Hoblitzell, of Meyersdale, recently sold to D. B. Zimmerman a tract of 2,000 acres of valuable coal property at Husband, near Somerset. The reported consideration is \$100,000. The property is rendered doubly valuable by the fact that the new line of the Baltimore and Ohio runs

-Parties are negotiating with Hon. P. E. Womelsdorf, of Philipsburg, agent for James E. Clark lands east of that town with the view of opening up and developing the fire-clay deposits underlying the surface. This property is better known as the New York land, and is said to be rich in fire-clay deposits

-The purchase of one hundred acres of land in Berks county, one mile east of Hamburg, for a State tuberculosis sanitarium, has been an by Stale Health Commissioner Dixon. The tract is situated in a beautiful place at the foot of the view of the Schuylkill valley

-Baltimore and Ohio railroad land agents are having considerable trouble in securing the nec underlings to the penitentiary. It is pointed out that the men who would have pocketed the \$2,000,000 of plunder had not their crime been discovered have not been called to the bar of justice, much less is said, if the company is not able to secure the

years with rheumatism, Charles Tobler, aged 21 met with a great misfortune, losing both his hands. The belting of his machine got out of order and he climbed up to repair it. While clinging to the track of the crane the crane ran over his hands, mangling them.

-The case of the Pardee estate vs. the White Deer Mountain Water company for \$200,000 damages for the usurpation of the waters of White Deer creek, thus preventing the Pardee estate from enjoying the benefits of the water power derived from the stream, which has been on trial

him, Fred Ellman, aged 21, of Wilkesbarre, committed suicide recently by taking carbolic acid. He had told his sister that if the young object of his affections would not change her decision not to marry him within two weeks he would do away with himself, and he did, just when the two week were up. Pinned over his heart was the picture of a good-looking girl bearing the name, "Mary

Brown, South River street, Wilkesbarre. -Work is to be resumed in the Duncann fron company works, which have been idle since er under the new order of thinks chloroform can be successfully administed to
proposed legislation antagonized by the

loron company works, which have been idle since
July, 1908. The plant was sold at receiver's sale
recently to J. G. Leiper. Jr., of Philadelphia, his
bid being \$30,000 subject to a mortgage of \$37,000. will be resumed as soon as possible. The plant consists of two rolling mills, a nail factory, a ma chine shop, store buildings, warehouses, ninety two dwelling houses and over 600 acres of land

-The secretary of the Newton Hamilton Camp association in a circular announces that the campmeeting will begin this year on August 11th and continue twelve days. Rev. W. C. Wallace, of Hastings, will again have charge. The grounds will open July 1st, when tents may be occupi by arrangement with the secretary. In planning for your vacation consider what the Newton Hamilton Campmeeting association offers. A nome in the woods, plenty of fresh air, boating,

-The people of Grove City are up in arms over the fact that stories have been circulated accrediting that town to have an epidemlc of contageous diseases, and in a statement to the newspapers they say that there were but three cases of neningitis in Grove City, in a population of about four thousand and that at the present time there is not a single acute case of disease of any nature whatever in the community, and that the health conditions of the town were never better in its history than they are today?

-Alfred Graham, of Clearfield, who has for years been recognized as one of that county's develop the coal on the Surveyor Run tract, not "among those whose labor contributes of the country." Nothing has been done to land was rich in lumber growth, and still contains several million feet of good timber, but its real value is believed to be the vast deposits of spendid

> -One Italian man lost his mind and John Schurrman suffered a snake bite on the arm as the result of the uncovering of a den of reptiles by a blast in a stone-quarry back of Bluestone, near Lock Haven, recently. Forty-two snakes were killed by the workmen in one day and the poor Italian whose reason may flee was so badly scared that he is ill. It seems from the number of reptiles that were uncovered that all the snakes in a well-populated snake neighborhood wintered in one place. The part of the quarry in which the snakes were uncovered had not been worked

> -Myrtle A. Singley, who was shot by William Shradder, of Lewistown, when she was out horse-back riding recently, had chosen her pall-bearers a few days before her death as if in anticipa of some impending tragedy. The horse on which she was shot appeared in the funeral, riderless, with a band of crape tied across the white star on its forehead. Shradder's parents, old-fashio country people, have announced their intention of sticking by their son. He is an orderly prisoner and talks freely to all who enter his cell. It is de clared that when he is asked why he committee the murder he replies that "he spent all his money on her and she didn't love him enough to keep from running around with other me

-Lockport, near Lock Haven, had quite an exciting time recently when a young bull owned by H. H. Crissman, the butcher, went on a rampage The animal escaped from its stable and rus dren and having a long rope attached. It went into a lot and probably would have been captured by the men and boys who gathered had it not it swam nearly to the middle of the stream and turned around and went back. A young man caught the rope and went through all sorts of acrobatic evolutions, much to the merriment of the on-looking crowd, but fell in a bruised heap at