INK SLINGS.

Fine weather for seeding, isn't it? -Congress has adjourned and the country will enjoy the rest quite as much as the Congressmen.

-Maine is not worrying us. It went overwhelmingly Republican in September, 1892, and in the following November Grover Cleveland swept the country for President.

-Judging from the looks of the Governor's tourists as they passed through Bellefonte Tuesday afternoon they must have been collecting samples of all the soil stratas through which they had passed.

-When the Governor and the members of his Agricultural touring party went through Bellefonte on Tuesday afternoon the car in which the Governor was riding did not take the route that most of the others took through Allegheny street. He rode north on Spring to Linn and thence out of town, leaving nothing but disappointment and dust in his wake Disappointment was writ all over the countenances of a large crowd of admirers that was not gathered in the also much less than the average for Diamond to applaud the triumphant the last twenty-five years. passage of the Governor.

-We can't imagine why some of the promotors of the Granger's picnic candidate for Governor on Monday at Centre Hall should have gotten as and few locked for as small a majoriexcited as they are reported to have ty for the Republican candidate as is been over the determination of the reported at this time. It was widely State Health Department to exclude believed that Johnson might be electchildren under sixteen years of age ed Senator for the reason that one of from the grounds. Surely they knew the Republican candidates was unthat the ruling had been in effect for several weeks prior to their picnic, that Sunday schools, picture shows, schools and every other gathering cause of his personal popularity. The place of young people had been notified to exclude those under the age of sixteen. While the ruling undoubtedly caused disappointment to many it means that the party lines were was made for the purpose of conserv- drawn harder than usual and that ing the public health and where the public health is concerned the individual's pleasure must be foregone.

-Congressman Rowland wasn't present or voting when the eight hour law was passed to avert the railroad strike. No matter what his attitude should have seized the opportunity to go on record on such an important measure as that. He is a candidate for re-election and his constituents have a right to know where he stands on questions in which they are vitally have voted he would have been criticised, which probably explains his ducking it.

-Just how the management of the Granger's picnic at Centre Hall can reconcile its refusal to permit the anti-suffragist advocates to open headquarters on their grounds with the broad gauged, tolerant policy that we had always believed to be pursued by the Grangers, we are at a loss to understand. It has had regular days devoted to the exploitation of Demand many other principles upon which the thoughts of men diverge and we More crocodile tears have been shed fail to see why the anti-suffragists on this account within the last month should have been denied the same up- than would be necessary to float a portunity to spread their propaganda that was accorded to the suffragists. come the laughing stock of the camps. The "Watchman" was the first paper The hearty, healthy and well cared in all this part of Pennsylvania and for Guardsmen ridicule such foolish one of the very first in the county to talk. positively advocate equal suffrage, privilege of speaking through its columns.

the work of trying to discover whethnaturalized or not. Williamsport had has been as glibly rolled on the tongue of every resident of the Lumber city in recent years as was that has been the fellow who has been starting things down there for some time and just because all these things are true he was elected Mayor in a forming that service. most spectacular fight. Then it was discovered that there was doubt as to whether Jonas had ever been naturalized and those who couldn't lick him at a popular election set about to oust him because of the contention that he is not a citizen of the United States. We hope that, even if Jonas can't find his papers in the cafe where he claims to have them locked up, he gives the ouster proceeding a fight such as he is capable of doing, for that will teach the voters of Williamsport a lesson that they very sorely need. Men who are candidates for public office should be thoroughly dissected before election, not after-

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Result of the Maine Election.

Though the result of the election in Maine on Monday may be disappointing to over-sanguine Democrats it will hardly afford unalloyed satisfaction to the Republicans. It indicates that most of the Progressives there have gone back to the Republican fold as most of them were drawn from that source. But the majority is not up to what it ought to be with the party united, to guarantee a Republican victory in November. In other words the Republican majority this year is considerably less than it was in 1892, the last time the Democrats elected a President against a united Republican opposition. It is

No conservative Democrat expected the election of the Democratic popular. It was likewise hoped that McGillicuddy would be elected to Congress in the Second district befailure of these expectations was disappointing, of course, but it does not imply a party weakness. It simply the Republicans of Maine have partially recovered in strength.

Four years ago the Republican party in Maine was split, the largest proportion going to Roosevelt who also received some Democratic support. The return of these elements to the may have been it seems to us that he old parties is revealed in the gain of thirty-five per cent. on the vote of 1912 by the Republicans and of seven per cent. of the Democrats. An unusually active campaign brought out a full vote but it failed to restore the Republican party to its former majorinterested. The eight hour law is not ity. The influence which worked this a political measure. It is an econom- result in Maine is not likely to be ic proposition which will affect every found in other States, moreover, and ficent provisions and greater contentone way or another. Opinion is divid- not indicative of a similar result ed, both as to its efficacy and its jus- throughout the country. Maine is tice so that no matter how he would different from the more progressive sections.

Guardsmen on the Mexican Border.

The malignant charges that the National Guardsmen were badly treated in transportation to the Mexican border and insufficiently provisioned after their arrival there have been discontinued. General Funston's emphatic declaration upon the subject stopped them at once and forever. But Justice Hughes and others are ocracy, Republicanism, Prohibition still lamenting that it is an outrage to keep them away from their homes. warship. The lamentations have be-

The National Guardsmen on duty and it has never denied those who on the Mexican frontier are willingly were opposed to the principle the performing a most important and valuable service for their country. They are securing residents, citizens -Williamsport is all het up with of the United States, in their lives and property. The government of er the Mayor of that city is really Mexico is legally and morally bound to protect residents on the border known Jonas Fischer many years be- from raids by banditti and others, fore he aspired to preside over her citizens of Mexico. But the governdestinies as Mayor. Jonas' name ment of Mexico is incapable of fulfilling this obligation. Its resources are inadequate for the purpose. For that reason the duty of protecting of Peter Herdic two decades ago. He American citizens on the border devolves upon the government of the United States. The National Guardsmen of the several States are per-

Is Justice Hughes and are those who joined him in denunciation of the President for sending and keeping the Guardsmen on the border of the opinion that it would be better or wiser to let the border citizens suffer from raids of Mexican bandits? They pretend to be very anxious that the property of men who have acquired acquisitions from Mexico be protected but are willing to allow the lives of residents on the border to be sacrificed. This is neither consistent nor rational. The presence of the Guardsmen under direction of the Council of Lonon the border guarantees the safety of citizens in constant joepardy and government may have to explain why there the complaints are puerile.

One Question Upon Which They Agree.

The one question upon which Justice Hughes and his party managers junkets for the alleged purpose of inare entirely agreed is that the eight specting the highways and encouraghour day is an atrocious iniquity. ing the agriculturists of the State. Ever since Congress enacted the law There are twenty-four or more automaking eight hours a standard for mobiles in the caravan and more than railroad trainmen, Mr. Hughes has a hundred persons. In advance of the been hammering at it and all other event the promise was given that stump orators and the press of his party are equally active in the same speeches. This tip was issued as an direction. "It is a great blow at gov- inducement to others than partisan ernment," Justice Hughes declared in Republicans to attend the meetings, Maine on Saturday evening and in no doubt, and seems to have accom-Chester county, this State, on the plished its purpose. The orders forsame day, former Secretary of State warded in advance to employes of the Knox advanced the same proposition. Highway Department and other ser-Presumably they would heve preferred a nation-wide railroad strike and ernor by cordial receptions were amuniversal business paralysis. That ply obeyed. would have been better for their

just but there was not sufficient time they felt they had been tricked. Their day, a feature of his plan, was enacted, however, and the strike, with its attendant horrors, was averted.

Wage earners compose not only the vast majority of the voters of this and persuasion of President Wilson ment and happiness will ensue. Justice Hughes and Mr. Knox may find cause is safe to say that they will not carry such an impression to the mind of the average voter.

Increase of Appropriations Justified.

The appropriations made by the Congress which has just adjourned its first session are unquestionably large. In the aggregate they amount to nearly a billion and a-half. That is five hundred million dollars more than were appropriated at the time that Sepaker Reed declared that we are a billion dollar country. But if the money is wisely and honestly disbursed the amount is a matter of insurance policy in proportion to the expansion of his property value. That crooks who control the machine. is simply a wise measure of self-protection. Even the increase of hazard will influence prudent property owners to increase insurance.

In Speaker Reed's time the appropriations of one session of Congress amounted to a billion dollars. That was more than twenty years ago and nobody thought of preparing for war. This year the appropriations aggregate a billion and a-half and nearly seven hundred millions of the amount are to meet extraordinary charges for preparing for contingencies that may never arise or may come upon us within a couple of years. In other words the appropriations of the recent session embody provision for national defence to the amount of our Republican contemporaries say, as many checks as nature applies to the appropriations and the remainder but the price is paid in dollars instead is less than those of the Reed Con- of human lives and that is something

gress of nearly twenty years ago. Will Justice . Hughes or any other man say that the nearly seven hundred million dollars appropriated for preparation for national defence ought not to have been so used? We do not think so. World conditions are changing. Twenty years ago all the defence this country needed was good behavior toward other nations. But draw the "black list" but after the it is different now. Incidents are oc- present naval program has been comcurring every day that may lead to pleted she may take another view of war in self-defence within the period of a Presidential term. If our navy were equal to that of Great Britain no international mails would be rifled don. Within five years the British

Brumbaugh Violates a Pledge.

Governor Brumbaugh is today completing the first of his much heralded politics would not be touched in the vants of the State to honor the Gov- labor.

But on the first day out Governor Brumbaugh violated his pledge to re-Of course these gentlemen accuse frain from politics. At Centre Hall President Wilson of being responsible he encountered a large body of farfor this industrial improvement or mers who were enjoying a Grangers' reform, and in the language of Mad- picnic and he turned his vocal batam Malaprop, "we own the soft im- teries against President Wilson's peachment." The country was on the administration into their faces. Keepbrink of a vast calamity. The only ing the National Guardsmen on the brink of a vast calamity. The only may to avert an impending disaster Texas border is the cause of his comwas to enact such legislation as would plaint and the employment of women is why the managers have exhausted defer the crisis for a time or until at farm work the excuse for his refdefer the crisis for a time or until at farm work the excuse for his ref-reason was restored so that the sub-erence to it. It was a contemptible wast commercial interests back of ject could be considered dispassion- violation of faith though the Grang- them know, that such a breach in the ately. President Wilson proposed ers submitted to it without protest. wall will lead inevitably to the capsuch legislation as would have been But we have reasons to believe that to enact it into law. The eight-hour indignation was justly aroused but properly held in restraint.

Governor Brumbaugh said in his country but an equally large propor- they should be at home here in Pennhas for its purpose and is certain to hearing of his voice knew that they salaries while pursuing pleasures of one sort or another in and out of for apprehension in these facts but it | Pennsylvania are not expected to have mental vision.

-When you are motoring and blow your horn to notify a horse driver ahead that you would like to pass, have you ever noticed that, after whole lot of people are backing Bill hearing your horn, he just has to for the job. look back to see what made the noise before he starts to pull his team to the right side of the road, where he ought to have been anyway. He invariably does it. Why?

---Now the "Coinel" will take courage and make all the speeches they want him to make and they will want him to make as many speeches small concern. No man thinks he is as he cares to make. The "Coinel" is extravagant because he increases his certainly "it" in the Republican party though he refuses to affiliate with the

> -Mayor Smith, of Philadelphia, has done a good many things during the brief period in which he has served that deserve and have received popular execration. But in prohibiting "tag days" he has performed one service which ought to be commended by everybody.

---The suffragettes want to raise campaign fund of one million dollars and as they are all in favor of civic righteousness and political honesty we are at a loss to know how they will spend so much money.

-President Wilson's kind of peace may be expensive, as some of worth while.

-The president of the Santa Fe says he will not obey the eight hour act of Congress but he will probably change his mind on the subject. Wild Western notions are not always permanent.

-Great Britain refuses to withthe subject.

-Probably the pecple of Maine think President Wilson has done too much for the people of other sections of the country.

Labor and the Eight-Hour Day.

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From The Public

It has long been apparent to the observing that the struggle between the railway managers and the trainmen represents but a phase of the eighthour question. It is, indeed, because it is only one phase of a vast question that it is so hard to settle. The indiscretion of the manager who pre-dicted that the President would "hear from organized business of the country" merely confirmed the well grounded suspicion that the business interests whom the managers pretended to represent objected to any yielding to the trainmen, not because of any added expense in railroad operation, but because the granting of an eight-hour day to 400,000 rail operatives would mean the early extension of the eight-hour day to all other

The struggle of organized labor for an eight-hour day has become world-wide. But the organization is not sufficiently strong to carry it in all trades at once. For this reason each advance is made through the organization having the power to win its point. Numerous trades and occupations are now on an eight-hour basis, and the popular sentiment in favor of the move is so strong that should 400,000 trainmen succeed in placing their service on an eight-hour basis ture of the citadel.

Are Backing Bill.

From the Johnstown Democrat. Billy Sunday blew into Ocean Grove partisan speech at Centre Hall that he don't know why the Guardsmen are "sunning themselves in Texas when they should be at home here in Penntheu should be country but an equally large proportion of the wealth producers. The sylvania." Of course he doesn't. Billy may tackle New York. The eight hour law enacted at the instance What would he know with. But every evangelist should be able to leave man, woman and child within the Gotham with much loot. New York is like every other place. It will pay result in the betterment of the condi- are there in the performance of a enough to tell it that its citizens are result in the betterment of the conditions of wage earners. In its present form the law may be inadequate. But in the course of time it can and will be perfected so that not only trainmen but others will come within its benefit the course of the condition of money. Intelligent men understand but slackers fact that calling a man a liar in a bar room usually starts a fight. Calling a man a liar in a tabernacle, on the other hand, usually starts a collection.

Take all in all New York deserves Sunday. If the evangelist would leave that place with ten million dollars no one would begrudge him a cent. For half a century the American people have been longing to see some man invade Gotham and trim it right. A

The Way Brother Bailey Sees It.

From Saturday's Johnstown Democrat. If Brother Meek of the Bellefonte 'Watchman" has been berating Senator Penrose because the State of Pennsylvania is broken the Centre county sage has the wrong bull by the tail. Penrose would undoubtedly deny that he was responsible for Brumbaugh, and it is Martin G. who must meet the charge that there is no money in the state treasury with which to meet current expenses. The State is broke because Brumbaugh did not take pains to ascertain what the income of the Commonwealth would be. The State is broke because the Governor was not on the job, when it came time to swing the veto ax. The situation that prevails now will exist next year and the year after that unless the Governor gets back from Maine and gets in the harness. Up to the present time Brumbaugh has been the champion absentee executive of this century. Reports from Harrisburg show that for weeks at a time State Treasurer Young has been Governor, attorney general, auditor general and the whole board of public buildings and grounds.

Unvarnished Truth.

B. L. T. in Chicago Tribune. Fear not, little one, there will be no revolution, no Commune. Self-interthe bugs of the field. If organized of her chief beneficiary. The will is conlabor were unselfish, if it really struck for its altars and its fires, it Shore, a grand-daughter of Mrs. Humes, could pitch the government into the Potomac at any hour; and often, dearie, it would find little, unorganized you and me in a mood to help it. But as long as each group is concerned primarily with its own advancement, and the devil takes the hindmost, there will be no debacle.

Defining Americanism.

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw at Chautauqua. There is no word today that is worked harder than "Americanism." And yet they do not know that true Americanism in the hearts of men and women would do away with armies and navies and military camps. The real word Americanism is simply the application of one word "love" as you would have others do unto you, do ye even so unto them. And as they are entirely willing to remain our weakness was taken advantage tion but with less speed than on that tions as we would have other nations SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

.-Bids for the new public building, DuBois, will be received up to October 19. -The bakers of Sunbury have made a twenty per cent. increase in the price of bread, alleging the greater cost of flour as a reason.

-W. H. Albright, whose home is near Wallaceton, Clearfield county, has acquired more or less local distinction from the fact that he is the father of twenty children.

-The solicitor of the Johnstown school board has announced that the teachers of that city are not entitled to their salaries for the month of September. The board awaits the decision of the Attorney Gen-

-A fair showing of oil in a well drilled a half mile south of Corsica, Jefferson county, close to the Clarion county line, has caused considerable excitement in that section, and leases are being taken up on all sides of the new well. -In Williamsport the police patrol

boxes are to be left unlocked from 10 o'clock at night until 7 o'clock in the morning in order that fire alarms may be sent over them or physicians called by citizens in emergency cases. -Choosing the grave of his wife, who

had been dead about seven years, as the place to put an end to his own life, Michael Streb, aged 73, a resident of Philadelphia, hanged himself from the branch of a tree in Northwood cemetery. -By order of the State Sanitary Board, John W. Bower, of Armstrong township,

Lycoming county, has been arrested charged with cutting the throat of a cow that had died and then disposing of the carcass through a butcher to consumers. -Earl C. Kissell, of Lock Haven, died

suddenly in the paper mill there last Friday. A subsequent investigation showed that he had entered the building wearing wet clothing and that a live wire with which he came in contact caused his electrocution.

-Roy Worthum, a resident of New Kensington, Westmoreland county, was found dead in his bed the other morning. It is said a man named Tholis, with whom he had a heated argument in a pool room the previous night, struck him on the head with a cane.

-At Allentown Judge Garman refused. to transfer a hotel license to Benjamin S. Reinert, saying he heard the applicant had borrowed the money with which to go into the hotel business, and adding that men who berrow capital with which to embark in business invariably get into trouble.

-George Mitchell Woodley, fifty-six years old, of Towanda, Pa., on Saturday was found guilty of voluntary manslaughter, and recommended to the mercy of the court. He shot and killed Warren Decker, of Corning, N. Y., at East Athens last Memorial day. Decker was a "white slaver" and became involved in an altercation with Wooley and was shot. Wooley claimed self-defense.

-Thomas Conlin, 70 years old, a laborer employed in the Braeburn Steel company at Braeburn, near New Kensington, has been left \$1,500,000 by a brother, Frank Conlin, it is alleged. Thirty years ago the two brothers landed in this country, coming from Ireland. Five years later Frank went to Australia, where he made his fortune in the gold fields. He died a few days ago, and his brother has been notified that he is heir to his estate.

The Clearfield-Cambria Coal & Coke company's lands lying in Clearfield county were sold at sheriff sale the other day to satisfy mortgages held by the Jacob Tome Institute of Baltimore. The lands were sold for \$50,000, but the name of the purchaser was not disclosed. The company's possessions comprise 186 tracts of land consisting of several thousand acres underlaid with valuable coal veins. Most of these tracts are in Burnside, Chest, Bell, Greenwood townships and New Washingon and Newburg boroughs.

-Attacked by a bull who objected to the bright hue of the automobile which he was driving, Charles Hassenplug, of Burnham, was dethroned from the driver's seat and his automobile sent to the repair shop with a broken windshield, runningboard and headlight, while one front tire was torn from the rim as the machine was thrown against a telephone pole. Hassenplug was driving a bright red car, on Saturday, when the angry bull attacked him on the road near Liverpool. The animal was only slightly injured.

-A bad accident occurred on the Lewisburg, Milton and Watsontown Electric railway Saturday, as a result of which two employes of the company and several passengers were injured and the two cars, which collided head-on were badly damaged. The accident occurred opposite the Watsontown brick plant, when Hartzel, the motorman on the up car went through the switch, instead of waiting at the switch. Both Hartzel and John Cornelison, motorman on the down car, put on their brakes when they saw that a collision was impending, but were unable to stop the cars, which came together with

great force, smashing in the front of both

cars.

-The will of Mrs. Flora Humes, widow of Hamilton B. Humes, wealthy Jersey Shore banker, probated last Thursday, gives her fortune, estimated to be worth \$400,000, to her daughter, Mrs. William H. Hepburn, Jersey Shore, with the exception of \$10,000, as the sum of \$5,000 is given the Jersey Shore Presbyterian church, and \$5,000 to Floretta Hepburn, daughter for whom attorneys had filed a caveat against the document. The will was admitted to probate, however, by the Register of Wills, and Miss Humes' lawyers have taken an appeal to the orphans' court.

-Capitalists who have invested liberally in real estate in eastern Huntingdon and western Mifflin counties with the Aetna Explosive company and their \$3,000,000 plant as a lure were somewhat shaky on their foundations Monday morning when the plant practically shut down, presumably for repairs. There have been persistent rumors of financial troubles worrying the company, and some of its debts have been of long standing, but when a large number of their experienced workers left for other plants on Monday, the rumor almost crystalized into a reality. Financial institutions at Lewistown, however, say the company is meeting its obligations promptly, a recent increase in capital stock having provided ample funds for present needs.