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A DO-NOTHING POLICY.

Thos. B. Reed in his inaugural speech as Speaker of the House, intimated that the Republican majority in the lower branch of Congress will make no effort during the present session, to pass laws that might replenish the treasury of the government, or relieve the stringency that exists in the business world. In other words, they will not attempt to make laws for the benefit of the people, for fear that business might revive during the incumbency of a Democratic President. And the flimsy excuse given for this unpatriotic and unstatesman-like attitude, is that it would do no good to pass such bills, as the President would veto them anyway. The same excuse that the boy gave for not washing his face; it would get dirty again. The motive of this do-nothing policy is the desire to keep the country in a state of business stagnation as much as possible, in the hope that in the Presidential election of next year the people will vote for the Republican electors, and thus produce a change of administration and put every branch of the government in the hands of the Republican party. Now as ever, they put party ahead of duty, and are willing to sacrifice the public good to gain a political point.

But we take it that the people are in no mood to be trifled with. They have been told for the past two years, by every Republican newspaper and stump speaker in the land, that the Democratic party is responsible for whatever stagnation in business the country has suffered, and that the law of supply and demand is a matter that can be regulated by legislation. If it be true that a political party can make business slack, it must be equally true that a political party can bring prosperity. The Republican majority in the House is over one hundred, and they can pass any law they see fit in that branch. If it be true that they possess all the brains of the country, now is a good time for them to exercise that portion of their anatomy, and show the people what they can do as prosperity makers. The fear of the President's veto or the non-concurrence of the Senate will not excuse their inaction. The treasury needs money and the people want prosperity. Let us see what a Republican House of Representatives can do toward relief.

SEED TIME AND HARVEST.

Youth is the seed time and manhood the harvest of life. "Whatever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." This proverb applies to the natural seed time and harvest equally as well as it does to the moral and spiritual seed time and harvest. Now is the seed time for the whole juvenile world. They have ample opportunity to sow bountifully, for their harvest will come by and by—yes, before they are ready for it. Whatever they sow, that shall they after a while, reap. If they sow idleness and vanity, they shall reap poverty and disappointment. If they sow light literature, novels and fiction, they shall reap a bountiful harvest of vain imaginations. If they sow prevarication and deception, they shall reap falsehood and shame. If they sow vice and malicious mischief, they shall reap the whole catalogue of crimes. If they sow truth, honesty, fame and knowledge with all the means in their power, they shall reap all the honors that the world can bestow, which includes contentment, happiness and prosperity. Nothing can be truer than the proverb: "Whatever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

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CHRISTMAS.

Again the season is at hand when the world is reminded of the birth of a Savior who is Christ, the Lord. It is a joyous time especially for the little folks who believe in Santa Claus, and who hang up their stockings in the full faith that the good old saint comes down the chimney and fills them with sugar plums and toys. Kris Kringle is a good spirit who comes to the world once a year and brings joy to the hearts of all civilized nations. His visit is typical of the coming of the Savior who brought with him "Peace on earth, good will towards men." The giving of presents is in commemoration of the visit of the wise men of old who saw the star in the skies and brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the infant Christ.

While there is universal rejoicing at the redemption of the world by the birth of Jesus, there are many homes among us that are darkened by a cloud of sorrow in spite of this glad season. A family tie is broken; there is a vacant chair at the Christmas table; a loved one who greeted us last year at this time, has been called away, never again to meet us around the family hearth. In one home a child has been taken, in another a parent, a husband or a wife, and to those who have the consolation of religion, it is a blessed thought that redemption has come to the departed through the blood of him who was born at this time in Bethlehem of Judea.

As we expect to eat our Christmas turkey and plum pudding, let us not forget that many are not blessed with this world's goods, and that our Christmas will be all the happier if we can feel that we have made others happy also. Give to the poor. See that they are supplied with a good dinner, and as many other things as you can afford to give. "He that hath little should give little, and he that hath plenty should give plentifully," and then the usual salutation of "Merry Christmas" will not be a mere empty form.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC.

The vested choir of St. Paul's Church is rehearsing some fine music for Christmas. The program includes the following:

Te Deum.....A. W. Mackant.
 Jubilate.....J. W. Elliot.
 Anthem, Blessed be the Lord God.....Williams.
 Kyrie Eleison.....Gowood.
 Gloria Tibi.....Peares.
 Sanctus.....Vincent.
 Gloria in Excelsis.....Tours.

The anthem is a beautiful selection, and of a high order of music. A full choir of twenty four voices is expected to participate. Services will be held at 10:30 a. m. on Christmas morning. All are welcome.

We are sorry to announce the serious illness of Rush Zarr, Esq. He was seized with appendicitis and it was thought at one time that an operation would be necessary. At the present writing he is somewhat improved, but not able to leave his room. His many friends hope that his recovery may be speedy and permanent.

THE READING'S REORGANIZATION.

The Olcott-Earle plan of reorganization of the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company and the Philadelphia & Reading Coal and Iron Company, which was issued last Monday proposes the following:

"The protection of the present general mortgage, the reduction of the fixed charges to a limit safely within the net earning capacity of the reorganized properties; adequate provision of cash working capital for future requirements; the payment of the floating debt, and provisions for the existing car trust obligations; such control of the reorganized system until the earnings of the properties shall have placed them in a satisfactory financial position, as shall render additionally secure the new general mortgage."

Having these objects in view a plan has been prepared with the cooperation of Messrs. J. P. Morgan & Co., and the committee has selected J. P. Morgan & Co., of New York; Drexel & Co., of Philadelphia, and J. S. Morgan & Co., of London, as managers.

Unless the acceptance of the plan shall be so general as in the opinion of the managers to obviate the necessity of foreclosure, the properties of the existing Reading companies will be sold and successor companies will be organized under the laws of Pennsylvania; and the stocks and securities of these successor companies will be vested in a new company, formed or to be formed under the laws of Pennsylvania or of some other State. In the plan, it is stated, there is no serious difficulty in the way of a reorganization by foreclosure, and the plan has been prepared on the assumption that foreclosure will probably be necessary.

MEDICAL SOCIETY MEET.

The Columbia County Medical Society, had its regular meeting at the Susquehanna Hotel, Catawissa, last Tuesday afternoon. There was a large attendance and a great deal of interest manifested. Dr. Brown of Bloomsburg, read a paper on the dangers resulting from malpractice, Dr. Bruner, of the same place, one on abortion,—its causes and treatment, and one was read by Dr. Kline of Catawissa on Hypnotism. The next meeting will be held at the Exchange hotel, Bloomsburg, on the third Tuesday in February.



Examination —and— Consultation Free.

Will be at Sunbury Central Hotel, Jan. 1-5; Feb. 26; Mar. 25; April 22; May 20; June 17; July 15; Aug. 12; Sept. 9; Oct. 7; Nov. 4; Dec. 2-5.
 Will be at Shamokin Hotel, Jan. 3-30; Feb. 27; March 26; April 23; May 21; June 18; July 16; Aug. 13; Sept. 10; Oct. 8; Nov. 5; Dec. 3-31.
 Will be at Bloomsburg, Exchange Hotel, Jan. 3-31; Feb. 28; March 27; April 24; May 22; June 19; July 17; Aug. 14; Sept. 11; Oct. 9; Nov. 6; Dec. 4.
 Will be at Danville, Montour Hotel, Jan. 4; Feb. 1; March 2; April 3; May 2; June 3; July 3; Aug. 13; Sept. 12; Oct. 10; Nov. 7; Dec. 5.

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THE TRAMP QUESTION.

The strength of the Republican party is now and always has been because they have leaders, bosses if you please, and the rank and file follow and obey them, and stand by them, through thick and thin. A political party cannot retain its supremacy without leaders any more than an army can be victorious without generals.

The weakness of the Democratic party to-day lies in the fact that as soon as men of ability have risen to the position of leaders, they are denounced within the party by those jealous of their ascendancy, and thus their influence is weakened, if not destroyed, and factional strife and personal enmity are engendered, resulting in party disruption and defeat.

The Democratic party is not dead, and never will die, but it needs re-organization upon new lines. There must be a few generals, more captains and lieutenants, and a vast army of privates; and the latter must recognize and sustain their leaders. As long as every private wants to be a general, there will be no better state of things than we have now.

History in Eight Words.

Chairman W. F. Harity has issued a call for a meeting of the Democratic National Committee, to be held at the Arlington Hotel, Washington, D. C., on Thursday, January 16th, 1896, at 11 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of fixing the time and place for the meeting of the Democratic National Convention of 1896, and for the transaction of other business.

When so moving a tale as the following can be told in eight words, there can be no reason for being prolix.

Mary Ann,
 Kitchen fire;
 Kerosene can,
 Golden lyre.

If you take a county paper, you want the best one for the news. The COLUMBIAN fills the bill in every particular, and you should include it among the papers you take for 1896.

Mr. Hainer, member of Congress from Nebraska, proposes to pension prisoners of war.

Among the many beautiful windows this week, that of Hess Bros. jewelers, displays extra ordinary taste in its arrangement, and the costly goods exhibited, is but an index to the enormous stock they have provided for the Holiday trade.

Always at this time of year Clark & Son's store is a pretty place and a busy place. Their advertisement on page 5 gives a few hints at their innumerable lines of goods. You have been there, of course, but if not, you will not complete your Christmas purchases without a visit to their extensive store.

There is no occasion to send away from home for fine candies, when you can get them just as good, and very cheap, right here at home. Stop in at I. G. Detrick's, and you will find all kinds, and at any price you want. He also has nuts and fruit of all kinds.

Among the many beautiful windows this week, that of Hess Bros. jewelers, displays extra ordinary taste in its arrangement, and the costly goods exhibited, is but an index to the enormous stock they have provided for the Holiday trade. The center of attraction is a farm scene. A modern farm house is shown with a beautiful lawn surrounding it, in which a fountain is in full operation. At the bank barn there is a pump from which water is flowing. One of the employees of the farm is sawing wood, whilst another is working at a grind stone. These are all kept in motion by an electric battery. At one of the windows the owner of the premises is surveying his possessions and at another the wife is gazing at the fashions. The barn yard is filled with domestic animals and the whole is a scene of contentment. In addition to this the window contains Gold jewelry, diamonds, and sterling silverware. The other window is filled with hand some maniere sets and other novelties.



Nervous and Weak

All broken down, unable to sleep, distress and burning in my stomach, smothering and choking spells—this was my condition when I began to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have taken 3 bottles and feel like another man, can work with ease, weigh over 200, and am cured. I shall ever be ready to praise Hood's Sarsaparilla. J. L. GRISTINGER, New Grenada, Pa.

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Holiday Excursion Tickets via Reading Railroad.

Christmas Week is the great time for a general home gathering of all the family. The Reading Railroad, to accommodate its patrons, and also to stimulate travel during the Holidays offers special inducements in the way of fares over its lines.

Between all points on its lines (except between Philadelphia and Trenton proper) Special Excursion Tickets will be sold December 21st to 25th inclusive, December 31st and January 1st, 1896. All good to return until and including January 7th 1896. The minimum rates for these Special Tickets will be 25 cents for adults and 13 cents for children.

For information as to rates and arrangements with connecting railroads, consult Reading Railroad Ticket Agents.

Excellent Skating.

Seldom has the ice been so hard and smooth for skating, and every afternoon after school, can be seen a lot of red cheeked boys, and pretty girls with their skates over their arm, wending their way to the race, creek or canal, to indulge in this excellent recreation.

Jacob Boice, who has been attending the Mayville College, at Mayville, Tenn., has, on account of sickness, been obliged to suspend his studies.

He will act as colporteur for the Chicago bible society in this section of the State. He is a worthy young man, and will render the society valuable service.

W. H. Gilmore, always takes advantage of the first opportunity for filling his ice house.

He is getting it off the Iron Dale race. It is as clear as a crystal and seven inches thick. "Gilly" never gets left.

Thomas Ferguson, who will be remembered by many of our readers as working for his brother W. G. during the past summer is now working on a railroad contract in Canada.

When that is completed, he will engage in similar work in Central America.

For a Shave or Hair Out.

For a good and quick shave or hair cut, go to James Reilly's tonsorial room in Exchange Block, first floor, next to Express Office. None but experienced workmen employed.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of writs of Fi. Fa. and Vendes issued out of the Court of Common Pleas, and to me directed, there will be exposed at public sale at the Court House, in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1896,
 at 2 o'clock p. m., all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Jackson township, Columbia county, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Bounded on the north by land of Harvey Creveling, on the east by land of Samuel B. Shultz, on the south by land of James H. Shultz, and on the west by land of John B. Kile, containing

50 ACRES OF LAND,
 more or less, whereon are erected a DWELLING HOUSE, barn and out-buildings.

Seized, taken into execution at the suits of Bloomsburg Agricultural and Iron Works, and to the use of John A. Funston vs. John L. Hess, and William P. Fritz vs. John L. Hess, and to be sold as the property of John L. Hess.

J. B. MCHENRY,
 Sheriff.

C. G. BARKLEY,
 W. H. MAGILL,
 Attys.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphans' Court of Columbia county. Estate of William Miller, deceased.

The auditor appointed by the Court to audit, settle and adjust the first and final account of G. H. Ever and Geo. M. Kline, administrators of William Miller, deceased, and to report distribution of the balance in the hands of the accountants, will meet the parties interested for the purpose of his appointment, on Tuesday, January 14th, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., when and where all parties in interest must present and prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

A. N. YOST,
 Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

The undersigned, an auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, on exceptions and to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the accountants, will sit at his office in Bloomsburg, on Thursday, January 9th 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all persons having claims against said estate must appear and prove the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund.

O. B. MELLICK,
 Auditor.

ORPHANS' COURT SALE

—OF VALUABLE—
REAL ESTATE

In pursuance of an order issued out of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, the under signed administrator of David Achenbach, late of Orange township, deceased, will expose at public sale on the premises, two miles east of Orangeville, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 1896,
 at 1:30 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate to-wit: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Orange township, aforesaid, and described as follows: Adjoining lands of the estate of Jeremiah Hess, Daniel Montgomery and William Achenbach, containing

156 ACRES
 whereon are erected a two-story

FRAME HOUSE,
 22 x 30, with 14 x 16 kitchen. Large bank barn 48 x 64, with straw shed over the entire yard. Two wagon sheds, and a good orchard.

Also AT THE SAME TIME AND PLACE tract of land situate near the above containing EIGHT ACRES whereon are erected a two-story FRAME HOUSE. Splendid spring of water and good orchard.

TERMS OF SALE.—Two per centum of one-fourth of the purchase money shall be paid at the striking down of the property, and the remainder on the 1st day of April 1896, when possession will be given.

ALBERT C. ACHENBACH,
 Snyder, Atty. Administrator.