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 at Aloomsburg, the County seat of c
County, Pennyylvanti.


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THURSDAY, APRIL \&, 18

There is a bill now pending in the
House at Harrisburg providing House at
simple form
system, ins system, instead of the bothersome,
unsatisfactory blanket batllot now in
use. There should be no hesitation in passing it. The bill was prepare
by the Ballot Reform Association o
Pennsylvania. The chief merit of the bill now
pending is that it does away with an
indefinite number of party columns on the ballot, grouping every candi-
date for each office to be voted for, and requiring the voter to mark every
candidate for whom he wishes to vote.
No name appears more than once No name appears more than once
upon the ballot, although all the party
designations for each candidate are
printed are simple and easily understood, and
independent voting is made just as easy as straight party voting
A bill so sensible in its purpose and
so simple in its so simple in its application to the im-
portant requirement of securing a fair
vote and an honest count should com-
mand the support of every member of mand the support of every member o
both branches of the Legislature. I
is just to all parties and interests, is just to all parties and interests, and
it enabbes each voter to declare his
unbiased choice among the candidates presented at any election without
danger of being deceived or misled. find the names of the candidates o
his choice and those who cannot read The bill is so great an onmprovemen
upon the existing ballot law upon thi existing ballot law that ther
should be no question of tis enact.
ment. It should be among the firs

## Haste and Greed.

 The method by which the DingleyTariff bill has been rushed through
the House of Representatives the House of Representatives with
out even a pretense of deliberative out even a pronsideration
conendment is
amen amendment is made the theme
enthusiastic commendation by som
of the more radical Protections journals. They will find littection sym
pathy in their rejoicing among Whose partisan zealotry does not get functions conferred upon it by the Constitution the House of Representa practical condemnation tamount to a system. There was no necessity for haste. The immediate need of more enough money in the Treasury, with customs and internal taxation, to dem fray for a year to come, without a
dollar of added taxation enormous expenditure authorized by
the Fifty-fourth Congress. nary excuse for extra-parliamentary
pressure, growing ance of parties in the House, did not
exist. There was nothing behind the extraordinary means adopted to push
the Dingley bill unshaped and gested upon the statute The measure as it
dutiable articlese percentage of tax upon rates imposed by the McKinley act There never before was such a mons country. Its monstrosity or any other he method adopted to "jants through," and for the brazen attemp
to make it operative before delivery begin business and declare diviste to It is now apparent that while the
"Concert of Europe" was shedding ing to the Turks with the risht wink Armenia; and now the same game Armenia; and now the same game
is going on in the Island of Crete,
where the "Concert of Europe," the Christian army and starving Christian women and children.
President McKinley has sent
"Little Breeches" alias "John Hay" the Court of Queen Victoria, and for the next four years he will have no
"better business than loafing round "better busi

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fEEDIEG TRAMPS.

| A woman living in Anville, |
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| village of Lebanon County, in orde |
| to find out how many tramps | feeds has been keeping count of them them she

and March 1896, to March 1897 s
furnished meals to no less than weary walkers.
The statics bring up anew the
everlasting problem of what to do with ablebodied tramps. If they have the
ability to ovor it is an outrage that
they remain charge upon a com-
munity with no retrun tor munity with no return for the charity.
But on andequat and satistatory sys.
ten of compelling them to eary
tivelionod anywhere. Thas et been put in in practice
have recently entorcedies of altoona compels every tramp caught begging
within the city to serve a term at hard labor at he muncicipal stone pile, but
other cities have similat the evili is not checced. Ar rigid en.
forcement of the law may protect Arcement of the law my protect
Altoona, but it will foist this undesiratowns, which will thereby suffer so
much the more.
Iteen is ohen hard to discriminate bepoer and unfortunate, and tender-
pearted atter class for fear they may be denying the former. But if every com.
munity had a workshop for strong and lame and halt, this indiscriminate
charity would cease and the tramp problem would cease and partiane soramp
For the tramp will live just as long as
For le can impose on the people. He
will die when he is compelied to work
or go hungry. The above may be nteresting to
those who have been reading the prtices contributed by citizens and
pulioshed ine Daily hast week.
Blomslurg, as every one knows, gets more than its share of this class of
people, and they will continue to gather, here just as long as they are
iven a warm place to slee Sreak ast in the morning, and about
hen only way to get tid of them is to
Silow Altoonn's exam dillow Altoona's example.
The "Concert of Europe" puts one
mind of "Six Shanghai rosters" Jaring a little Bantam.
Six bandits, ready to dispatch the
victim so soon as they can agree upon a division of the spoils.
Six gamblers at a game of cards in
which the peace of $E$ Eurdpe is the Which the peace of Europe is
stake, and Turkey keeps game.

W. J. BRYAN VISTTS YouK.
Addresses a Large Crowd From His Hotel
Window. William Jennings Bryan arrived at
York Saturday afternoon from Lin
 pot cheered. Mr. Bryan. He left for
Wasthinton, D. C., on Montay.
Mr.
day even held a reception Satur. day evening at the Colonial Hotel
He also addressed a large crowd people in Centre Square, from the
hotel window.

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four years experience, and a resulting
knowledge of the immediate neds o
school administration in Pennsylvania
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To disturb him in a nonpolitical office
because he happens to be a Demo-
crat would be piece of stupid blunder-
ing. The State ought to hold fast to
him as long as he shall behave him
Scrofula
Makes life misery to thousands of
people. It manifests itself in many people. It manifests itself in many
different ways, like goitre, swellings,
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