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The new mercantile law which goes into effect on January 1st, 1900 will materially change the mercantile list. Under the old law any business under \$1,000 per year was not compelled to pay a license. Under the new law no business, however small, is exempt. This will be a hardship on the many small store keepers of the state.

The Everlasting Shame of the Republican Party.

There probably never has been a time in the history of our State when the people have been so aroused over the debauchery practiced in the nominating conventions and at the polls. At the late election the abuses were so pronounced in various parts of the State as to bring forth denunciations from even the partisan press, and in Philadelphia such abuses culminated in the arrest of important manipulators of voters and most unprincipled ballot-box stuffers, effected, it is true, by the sturdy newspapers of the city. Here were men caught red-handed in the crime of prostituting the people's rights, without the possibility of a chance of denial, and testimony is piling up day by day going to show the wide extent to which these frauds were being engineered and in many cases carried through.

To the everlasting shame of the Republican party in that city, the culprits have been proved to be the agents of the Republican organization there, and the evidence so far adduced shows that these ballot-box stuffers were under pay to ply their nefarious calling.—Pottsville *Miners' Journal*, Rep.

JUDGE SAVIDGE'S OPINION.

His Honor Defines the Act Regulating Hawking and Peddling.

The following is the opinion handed down by Judge Savigde in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Hanco and Keith for hawking and peddling in Northumberland Co. :
 "It seems to me that Commonwealth vs. Eichenburg, 140, P. 259, rules the principal question in the controversy and puts an end to the prosecution. The Act of Assembly on which the case was based is identical with our act of 1851. The alleged infraction was the same. In that case, as in this, the merchant having a fixed place of business, solicited, took orders, and delivered the goods afterwards. The defendant was not a peddler within the meaning of the Act of 1869," says the Supreme Court. "On the contrary he kept a store in the city of Allentown and merely solicited orders through the county of Lehigh for his goods. When such orders were given he subsequently delivered the goods. We do not understand the Act of 1869 to interfere with a merchant, having a fixed place of business, soliciting orders from persons, either in the town where his store is located, or elsewhere."

"What was done in that case is precisely what happened in this, and they are alike in every essential feature, with the sole exception that in this case the place of business is without instead of within the state."

"The undisputed facts are that the Citizens' Supply Company kept a store in the city of Columbus, Ohio, and merely solicited orders in the borough of Sunbury for goods. When such orders were given the company subsequently delivered the goods."

"In the Allentown case the goods previously ordered were taken from the store by wagon direct to the purchasers, but it could have made no difference had they been shipped by rail to Catasauqua and there loaded on a wagon for delivery."

"The law being settled, as we have seen, that a resident merchant may solicit orders in the town and county where his store is located or elsewhere, we are bound to permit non-residents, with fixed places of business without the state, to pursue the same course, otherwise we convert a police regulation into a trade regulation, and do violence to the borough of Sayre vs. Phillips, 148 Pa. 482, and a long line of like cases."

"The motion is sustained and a new trial is granted."

"C. R. SAVIDGE, P. J."

QUAY SHOULD NOT BE SEATED, SAY THE DEMOCRATS.

Minority Party Organization in the State Sends Memorial to Democratic Senators.

The memorial of the Democratic organization of Pennsylvania, signed by the members of the State executive committee of the party, requesting the Democratic United States Senators to oppose the admission to the Senate of Colonel M. S. Quay, under the appointment made by Governor Stone, has been forwarded to Senator J. K. Jones, of Arkansas, who is chairman of the Democratic national committee.

LEGAL GROUNDS URGED.

The text of the document is as follows:
 To the Democratic members of the United States Senate.
 Gentlemen:—The Democratic committee of Pennsylvania in meeting duly assembled respectfully submits the following reasons for your consideration against the seating of Mathew S. Quay as an appointed Senator from Pennsylvania.

A vacancy arose on March 4, 1899, in the office of United States Senator from Pennsylvania by the expiration of the term of Mathew S. Quay.

The Democratic members of the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania unanimously, in connection with almost one-third of the Republican Representatives in the General Assembly, and representing more than a majority of the membership thereof, continuously for seventy nine days and until adjournment voted against the re-election of the said Mathew S. Quay as United States Senator. He failed of an election as Senator by the Legislature of our State. Whereupon William A. Stone, Governor of Pennsylvania, undertook to appoint him Senator notwithstanding the provisions of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, article 2, section 4, which reads as follows:

"In case of a vacancy in the office of United States Senator from this Commonwealth in a recess the Governor shall convene the two houses by proclamation on notice not exceeding sixty days to fill the same."

And the Constitution of the United States, which thus provides, article 1, section 3:

"And if vacancies happen by resignation or otherwise during the recess of the Legislature of any State the Executive thereof may make temporary appointments until the next meeting of the Legislature."

And this, notwithstanding this vacancy in the representation of Pennsylvania in the United States Senate happened during the session of the Legislature of this State, to wit: March 4, 1899, and that the Legislature adjourned April 20, 1899, more than six weeks after this vacancy occurred.

It is plain under the Constitution of Pennsylvania, the Governor is required to convene the Legislature to fill a vacancy within sixty days. This authority to convene the Legislature to fill a vacancy cannot be lawfully construed that because the Legislature failed to elect that therefore the Governor is vested with the power of appointment; because, first: The Constitution of the United States only authorizes the Governor to make such appointment during the recess of the Legislature. Second, because the Constitution of Pennsylvania provides what the Executive shall do, to wit: Convene the Legislature.

We, therefore, submit as a reasonable and legal proposition that when the Constitution of Pennsylvania expressly provides how the vacancy shall be filled no other method can be lawfully substituted. The people of Pennsylvania, in their fundamental law, have said that the Legislature shall fill the vacancy in the office of Senator and not the Governor.

We respectfully appeal to you to oppose the seating of Mathew S. Quay, not only for the legal and constitutional reasons herein briefly set forth, but also because he is the head and front of a "political machine," which has continuously through the office-holders elected by it violated the Constitution of our State in refusing to make a Senatorial and Representative appointment of our State; that he has degraded our public life and debauched our elections, and passed election laws that are but means of practicing fraudulent voting and counting and has denied the constitutional rights of the people of the State to vote for the adoption of amendments to the Constitution necessary to secure the purity of our elections.

We, therefore, protest against the appointment of Mathew S. Quay as Senator from Pennsylvania, and request that you oppose the seating of the said Mathew S. Quay, and that you adhere to the precedents and construction of the Constitution of the United States since the forma-

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tion of the Union of States. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. RILLING, Chairman.

J. W. MOYER, Secretary.

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 J. L. SPANGLER,
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 CHARLES P. DONNELLEY,
 GEORGE FRANK BROWN,
 W. M. HENDERSON,
 HERMAN BERG, JR.,
 JAMES T. MULHEARN,
 CHARLES J. REILLEY.

Executive Committee.
 A memorial signed by nearly every Democratic member of the State Legislature has also been sent to the Democratic Senators. The names of Hon. William Chrisman, and W. T. Creasy are among the signers. This document protests against the seating of Quay.

Resolutions Adopted by the Teacher's Institute.

The following resolutions were adopted at the close of the Teacher's Institute last week

WHEREAS, the teachers of Columbia County, in institute assembled, have enjoyed a profitable and pleasant sojourn in Bloomsburg, be it therefore

Resolved: That we do hereby extend our thanks to Supt. John K. Miller for his earnest and successful efforts in securing most excellent talent as instructors and entertainers, thus affording to the teachers of this county a varied, exalting, and highly educational program.

Resolved: That in view of the financial benefit arising therefrom to this institute, we heartily commend the course of Supt. Miller in holding the sessions in the Normal Auditorium, and that we further thank the principal and the trustees of the Bloomsburg State Normal School for their kindness courtesy and co-operation in making the convention a success.

Resolved: That our thanks are hereby extended to the good people of Bloomsburg for their hospitality; to the officers of the Institute for the efficient discharge of their duty; and to all who by word or deed have contributed to make this session a success.

Resolved: That we most kindly and respectfully request our members of the Pennsylvania Legislature to secure free such volumes as are intended for gratuitous distribution and to place a goodly number of them in the hands of Supt. Miller for use in the public schools of this county.

Resolved: That we do most heartily recommend the establishment of school libraries in the various districts of Columbia county as provided for by act of Legislature.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be published in the Bloomsburg Daily, THE COLUMBIAN, and the Republican.

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 ANNA FOLLMER,
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Loans and discounts..	\$196,876.84
United States bonds ..	50,000.00
Columbia County and Bloomsburg bonds..	64,400.00
Other bonds and securities	158,539.39
Banking House	31,830.30
Due from Banks (not reserve).....	12,374.93
Cash and reserve.....	65,322.49
	\$579,343.05

LIABILITIES.

Capital and surplus ..	\$162,500.00
Undivided profits	8,191.30
Nat'l Bank circulation	45,000.00
Due Banks	5,942.39
Deposits	357,709.36
	\$579,343.05

E. W. M. LOW, Pres.
 J. M. STAVER, Vice Pres.
 E. B. TUSTIN, Cashier.

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They Ring True.

We planned for some very exceptional value giving during the next few days. Bargains? Yes, bargains, and bargains that you'll appreciate, too. By the way, that word "bargain" is often misused, and oftener, badly abused. It has been made to stand for many a humbug, many a sham—not here, though. It possesses a sense and dignity when used in our store news columns. Here it will always be given its broadest, most liberal meaning. Hence, when we say these bargains "Ring True," you can depend upon the statement.

Famous Jacket Offerings.

We have taken (3) small lots of ladies' and misses' jackets. It was all they had of them, so we bought them away down. Black Kersey Jacket, all wool, trimmed throughout with silk, trimmed with cloth and stitching, and the lapels trimmed with silk, would be cheap at \$12.00. Our price, \$7.50. A lot of misses jackets we sold at \$5.00 reduced to \$4.00.

More About Dress Goods.

Yes, and again more, if we had space to print it. We cannot too strongly emphasize this fall and winter dress goods equipment. The storm serges, in all colors, 42 ins. wide, sponged ready to cut into, at 50c. Cheviots, 50 ins. wide, in all colors, at 80c. Camelshair goods, 56 ins. wide, at \$1.00.

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A lot of the best blue calico we can buy, at 5c per yard.

Thanksgiving Table Damasks.

Lots of look-ahead housekeepers will be glad of this chance to buy a table cloth or two from

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The Victor machine—you all know what it is—price, \$4.75 for a short time. Regular price, \$8.00

Groceries.

We don't claim our groceries are cheaper than any other's, but we do think that there is not another store in town has as good or fresh and clean a lot as we can give you. If you want the best pears you ever ate, try our 2 cans for 25c.

Hamburg string beans are yellow in color and as nice as new beans. 2 cans for 25c. Tomatoes, 3 cans for 25c. These are the Sunbeam goods—you well know the brand. Corn, we can give you at all prices. The best corn is 2 cans for 25c. New dried fruits of all kinds. Prunes, raisins, currants, citron, orange and lemon peel, to make good mince meat, or we can sell you good mince meat, ready to make your pies.

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