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## THE CENTRE REPORTER.

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The *Centre Reporter* has been increased 25,000,000 in the past three years, and so rapidly has it passed into the hands of permanent holders that there is less of the stock in brokers' hands now than there was at any time. The capital stock is over \$90,000,000, in nearly 2,000,000 shares, and the daily trading in it in Philadelphia does not average over 1000 shares. The English are the largest holders of the stock, and at the time of the last dividend about \$1,000,000 was paid on this account to representatives of English holders. About 20,000 shares have been transferred to English account since the dividend. The largest individual stock-holder of the company is a Greek merchant living in London, who holds 15,000 shares. Wm. Thaw, one of the Directors of the company, holds 11,000 shares; J. V. Williamson, a Director of the Reading, has 8000 shares, and H. Pratt McKern is credited with holding nearly as much.

The following account of the Governor's trip is given by a Harrisburg correspondent:

At a late hour, tonight, Governor Pattison returned from his trip to the State College, where he had been with Dr. E. E. Higbee, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to act in conjunction with Dr. Atherton, the President, as a committee to ascertain and report upon the feasibility of combining the studies so that a larger part of the income can be used for agricultural purposes. At the time the committee was appointed it was claimed the agricultural interests of the State demanded a more satisfactory routine of experimental farms in Chester and Indiana counties, and that there was needed at the State College a thoroughly competent superintendent of the practical and theoretical agriculture; also that the college should be made a more thorough agricultural institution. The committee, at a meeting, recommended a decrease of the faculty from seventeen to ten, and that the fund saved thereby be used in the direction indicated and also for needed repairs.

During yesterday the Governor and Dr. Higbee were escorted through the chemical, physical, botanical and zoological departments of the college which were found to be well conducted. They were also conveyed to different parts of the college farm. The 180 plots of ground on the central experimental farm, in care of Prof. W. H. Jordan, on which various kinds of grain are being grown by different modes of cultivation, fertilizing, etc., proved particularly interesting to the Governor, who also inspected the cattle, the barns, the orchards and the various fields of the 400 acres comprising the farm.

The Governor was honored at the college with a salute of seventeen guns, and at Bellefonte, on his return, the citizens turned out in large numbers to greet him.

A Long Island woman lived very sparingly and saved \$1200 so she could have a grand funeral out of the fund. She made a will directing that she should be clothed in a suit of white and that her body should be placed in a solid rosewood coffin, with six silver handles and a silver plate bearing her name and age. The hearse was to be drawn by six horses and there were to be six pallbearers, with white gloves and white scarfs. The interest on the balance remaining after payment of these charges was to be paid to some person for keeping her grave in order.

The Republican talks of a quilt of Mrs. A. S. Walker, up the valley, with 10,000 patches in it, and says the *Centre Reporter* claims it is a Democratic quilt. No such thing—the Democratic party is one patch, a lasting one, all through; the Republican party is all patches and the quilt of 10,000 patches fittingly characterizes it. It has the whip patch, know-nothing patch, anti-mason patch, federalist patch, abolition patch, star-rout patch, Belknap patch, fraud-Hayes patch, third-term patch, &c., &c., until all of Gov. M. S. Walker's patches have a name to sleep under that quilt will bring on night-mare. Democratic ladies don't fool away time putting 10,000 patches on a quilt.

A man by the name of Joice, in Chicago, 80 years old, of stout frame, claims to have drunk 2000 barrels of whiskey in his life-time. He estimates that he drank on an average about 90 drinks of whiskey per day, which, according to his estimate of the size of the portion swallowed each time, must have amounted to about 2,000 barrels. For many years, Mr. Joice has been sober, and even abstemious, his dissipation having occurred at the other end of his long life. He says he drank the best whiskey he could find, but thinks his preservation is due rather to his excellent constitution than the quality of the distillation absorbed by it. He was never drunk in his knowledge, he says, but he often "felt good." He is not sorry he drank it, but if he had to live his life over again he would not touch it. When he began to drink he was keeping a paying saloon in Boston. From that he went into the wholesale liquor business. He is now penniless and dependent.

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## CONSECUTIVE POLYGAMY.

The *New York Times* says "every sixth Protestant Rhode Islander has been divorced" and "practices polygamy of the consecutive type." This state of things is astounding. It shows that the type of polygamy which prevails in that New England State is much more generally practiced there than the scarcely more odious kind which prevails among the Mormons in Utah. This great abuse demands the attention of Senator Edmunds, who has given the subject much attention. The *Times* indulges in the following bitter sarcasm:

"In the absence of any political issue that can be safely touched by a cautious statesman, it becomes a duty incumbent upon all decent people to put an end to the Rhode Island scandal. Congress alone can deal with this matter, for it is idle to suppose that Rhode Islanders will voluntarily give up freedom of divorce. Some high-minded Senator should bring in a bill disfranchising all Protestant Rhode Islanders who will not swear that they have never been divorced and never will be. The bill should further provide that the control of the various Protestant sects shall be taken from the members thereof and vested in a board of supervisors to be appointed by the President. The Rhode Island relic of barbarism is a disgrace to the Nation, and it must be wiped out at any cost. Let us first try disfranchisement, confiscation and other comparatively mild remedies. If these fail, Mr. Sheridan must be sent against the Rhode Islanders with orders to put them to the sword with as little mercy as any right-minded man would show to a community of Mormons."

This may be looked upon as a sort of fire in the rear of the party which has for twenty-five years stood pledged to exterminate the "twin relic" in this country.

In an article which we copy from the *Chicago Herald* it is shown very clearly that the Democrat who can carry New York is the only one that can be elected President. Who is that man? The *Herald*'s opinion is that ex-President-elect, Samny Tilden, can carry it sick as a whistle. Now what's the moral?

Arousing Blaine meeting was held at Look Haven a few days ago. Should like to hear whether any thing was done to send Beaver to Chicago as a Blaine delegate—vide 1880?

The English have met with another obstacle in their attempt to pacify matters in the Sudan, by the fall of Tokar, an interior fortified town between the Red Sea port of Trinkitat and the Nile. The garrison surrendered to the Proprietor's army, on assurances it would be allowed to depart for Lower Egypt, but there are apprehensions in London that the garrison and populace were made way with. The news created the greatest excitement in London and in Parliament.

Coal, clothing and bedding are in great demand among the destitute in the flooded districts. Of uncooked food there has been a surplus, and public attention is now directed to the other needed articles, of which there will be a shortage.

Three survivors of the bark *Aida* Barton state that they cling to the mast five days and nights without food. The third day the dog tried to devour one of them. When rescued they were casting lots to decide which of the three should die to furnish food for the other two.

A mine explosion at Linsenging, Fayette county, last week, caused by fire-damp, killed 29 miners. The scene was a heart-rending one.

The Philad. Branch is putting out clothing faster than ever before. Lewis & Co. have got down the prices of winter clothing so low, that nearly everybody is buying a suit to save money. They are selling low to get rid of stock and make room for the spring trade. Don't miss this chance for a bargain. You can't do so well anywhere in the state as at the Philad. Branch.

## POLITICAL PROSPECTS.

Summarizing the Result of the Presidential Conference.

How Much Depends on New York—President Arthur's Candidacy Practically Resting on the Empire State.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Within the last few days there have been several conferences here of leading friends of President Arthur from different States. These conferences have been held between senators who have not announced themselves for Arthur, business men from different parts of the country, and personal friends of the President, and at some of these meetings Mr. Lincoln of the New York State Republican committee, has been present. The inference from the statements which these gentlemen have made is that President Arthur's candidacy rests practically upon the state of New York. He is to commend himself to the Republican convention, if at all, because he will see to it that the candidate who can unite the party in New York, and give the promise of carrying the state to any other candidate. It has been admitted in these consultations that there are some of the old stalwarts who think they have not been well treated by the President who cannot be relied upon to aid in the Arthur movement, and at the same time it is suggested that these stalwarts, of whom Grant and Conner are the representatives, have practically retired from politics, and are not likely to be counted as an active factor for any candidate. At these conferences there have been gentlemen present from Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, and other states. The chances of Senator Logan were discussed, and it was said that he need not expect to secure delegates either in New England or in New York. The suggestion of the name of Mr. Lincoln for the second place was designed to offset, to some degree, the Logan movement. The objection that was the most strongly urged against Logan in New England and New York was, that he would not have the support of the business element in those sections as Arthur or Edmunds would. One of the nearest friends of Mr. Edmunds has acknowledged that he would accept the nomination if it should come to him with a good degree of unanimity—a fact which has hardly seemed susceptible of doubt.

Substantially the following may be summarized as the result of all the discussions:

First.—That the friends of President Arthur are very confident that he has been rapidly gaining strength in New York state in the last month, and that there is a good prospect that he will secure more than one-half the New York delegates; that there is a general feeling prevailing throughout the state, and that there is a better prospect of real harmony than there has been at any time since the campaign of 1880.

Second.—That those who may perhaps be called the Arthur managers are not so perfectly united upon his candidacy that it will appear in his nomination if it shall appear in the interests of the party, or for the prospects of success would be promoted by supporting any other candidate; that the second choice of most of the Arthur men is Senator Edmunds.

Third.—That those who have attended these conferences would favor Mr. Lincoln for the second place, and that the ticket should be Arthur and Lincoln or Edmunds and Lincoln.

Another Long Island Outrage.

Tally One for the Whisky Men.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The whisky men have scored a point in securing an agreement from the ways and means committee that their bill to extend the bonded period on distilled spirits shall be reported to the house for consideration. A majority of the committee is opposed to the bill, and the members had voted in committee according to their convictions the bill could never have been brought into the house. Why this unusual favor should be extended to the distillers is a matter of comment. The explanation is that the whisky bill will give the Republican Blackbirds a bulwark, the tariff reformers and demand that the house should have an opportunity to pass upon the bill, and according to report, limited that it would be reported to the committee until after the expiration of the session.

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12 shades macramé—Garmans.

Stirring Operators.

AKRON, Mass., Feb. 23.—The wooden weavers have voted to strike this afternoon, owing to the unjustifiable discharge of some of their number. They were to strike March 1st, owing to a reduction. The post office was here burglarized of \$900 in money and stamps.

DANVILLE, Va., Feb. 23.—The wages of operatives in the Danville mills were reduced January 1, but the amount of the cut was not disclosed to them until their first pay day, Monday. Wednesday the boys and girls in the spinning room struck. The sweeping girls, who play very well, were reduced to the same miserable amount as the rest. Much sympathy with the youngsters is shown by the population generally, and the little strikers will probably be substantially aided.

## THE CATECHISM.

The Catechism is a short summary of Christian doctrine that is of inestimable value, and ought to be highly prized by all Christian workers. It is a writer's desire in this communication to present some thoughts on it.

The Dignity, Value and Excellence of the Catechism.

I. The Ten Commandments.

II. The Christian Faith.

III. Prayer.

IV. Baptism.

V. The Lord's Supper.

VI. The Sacrament of Holy Orders.

VII. The Sacrament of Matrimony.

VIII. The Sacrament of Penance.

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