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## THE CENTRE REPORTER.

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The Independent Republicans are preparing to organize against Quay. No honest Republican or anti-monopolist can support Quay. How can Centre county Republicans in their county convention denounce discrimination and then in the same platform endorse Quay?

Germany don't want Cuba. The North German *Gazette* describes as a fable the recent statement made that Germany was coveting Cuba, but admits that in the event of war between Germany and Spain Cuba could be an important object of attack. It ridicules the idea of a permanent annexation by Germany.

Mr. Conrad B. Day, Democratic candidate for State Treasurer, accompanied by State Chairman Hensel, is making a tour of the state just now in order that he may cultivate the acquaintance of the Democratic people of the state who expect to vote for him an opportunity to see what manner of man he is. He no doubt will visit our county too, which will give him a big majority because our people favor an honest man for state treasurer.

Democrats should remember that unless they pay their taxes on or before October 3 they cannot vote in November. Young men who voted on age last year must pay a State and County tax this year on or before the date specified above, or they too will be debarred from voting. There should be no chances taken. The loss of one or two votes in each voting precinct or township, by inattention to this plain provision of the law, may cost the loss of the State.

The Pittsburg *Post* finds a grave inconsistency in the Centre county Republicans. In referring to their County convention it says: The Republicans of Centre county adopted anti-discrimination and anti-railroad deal resolutions in their County convention, by a vote of 60 to 2; but at the same time they endorsed Quay, who lobbied to defeat the anti-discrimination bill in the last Legislature and the anti-discrimination resolution in the last Republican State Convention.

The Democrats of New York in their convention last week, nominated Gov. Hill for governor on the first ballot. Gov. Hill succeeded to the chair on the election of Cleveland and has made a good governor. For Lieutenant Governor the Democrats nominated Roswell P. Flower, who has since declined.

The Republicans, of the same state, in their convention nominated Ira Davenport for governor, who is represented as being one of their strongest men.

The School Department of the State has decided that the law making physiology and hygiene a part of the instruction to be imparted in the public schools is compulsory, and hence that pupils are obliged to learn what the teachers are obliged to teach. It says that a pupil who under the instruction of his parents or guardian refuses to accept the sort of physiology and hygiene dealt out to him must be suspended, and that the School Directors have no authority to excuse a pupil so instructed. Nine out of ten of the teachers who are to teach physiology and hygiene themselves know nothing about the science of physics and the laws of health. Yet a parent who pays his school tax and wants his children taught the rudimentary branches of education intended to be imparted at the public schools must have them crammed with physiology and hygiene, which the children cannot be made to understand, or go without necessary instruction. If the department is right in its construction of the law it cannot be too soon repealed.

### THE CAMPAIGN IN OHIO.

Edgar M. Johnson, who is Judge Hoadly's law partner, was chatting with a group of politicians, and said: "We're getting some sense out our way nowadays, and putting the right foot forward every time we make a step. I don't think there is the slightest doubt about a Democratic victory in Ohio this fall. The Democratic campaign is an aggressive one and the Republicans have had to take up the bloody-shirt issue as their only defense. My own opinion is that it has done them more harm than good, and that Senator Sherman's speeches are about the best campaign documents for the Democracy. The Judge has been making some telling speeches lately and they have had great effect. You know the Judge isn't sick this year, as he was during his first campaign. We are going to roll up a big majority in Hamilton county. The Republicans have about the weakest local ticket they could possibly select in the field, while the Democrats have nominated an unusually strong and popular one."

### BEECH CREEK DIRECTORS MEET.

A meeting of the directors of the Beech Creek, Clearfield and Southwestern Railroad took place in New York, on 23. The business transacted was purely with reference to the operation of the road and the injunction suit pending at Harrisburg was only referred to in a casual way. The resignation of Cornelius Vandebilt as treasurer was presented and accepted. A meeting of the South Pennsylvania syndicate took place in New York a day later, at which time all matters pertaining to the injunction suit was discussed.

### MUTTERINGS OF WAR.

Severe fighting has occurred between Turks and Albanians at Djakovo. Both sides lost heavily.

The news from the east is more warlike. The Serbian army is being mobilized and troops are being sent to protect the southern frontier bordering on Macedonia and Albania. Fears are entertained of a rising in both the latter places and grave troubles are anticipated in the event of such an occurrence. It is stated that King Milan, in an interview with a number of diplomats, declared that if the Macedonians rose in a revolt against Turkish rule he would act with them, as otherwise he would be deposed. This news comes from Belgrade. By way of Paris comes a rumor that owing to the excited state of affairs in the Balkan States the Austrian army is also being mobilized. From Sophia comes the information that a levy of all the able-bodied men in Bulgaria, between the ages of 18 and 40 years, has been ordered. A dispatch from Philippolis says that General Dragalska, commander of the Roumelian militia, has been arrested. There is public rejoicing in Odessa over the uprising of Roumelia. The combined forces of Roumelia and Bulgaria amount to fifty thousand men. The Turkish forces have not yet crossed the frontier, but the authorities are greatly excited and active preparations are being made. Panaret Rascheff, the Metropolitan of Bucharest, has sent a dispatch to the *Daily News* in behalf of the Bulgarians thanking that paper for its humane support of the lesser nations and saying that reliance upon English sympathy assures the Bulgarians of freedom.

The Ohio campaign is proving quite lively, with indications for the election of Hoadly, the Democratic candidate for governor, and we expect to announce a Democratic victory in the Buckeye state to the readers of the *Reporter* in a few weeks.

Both parties are at work and the two candidates for governor, Hoadly and Foraker, are on the stump. There are other able speakers enlisted on both sides. John Sherman—Eliza Pinkerton's sweetheart—seems to be the main gun on the Republican stump, and is waving the bloody shirt as lustily as tho' he had spilled some of his blood when the time was, over 24 years ago, to spill blood. The bloody shirt has been washed since then, and we do know that even if it were to be stained again, Mr. Sherman would take as precious good care to have none of the poke-berry juice that courses through his veins to stain it again, as he did when the war was in actual progress.

John Sherman is both a coward and a knave. A coward because he cries war and kept at a distance when there was war. A knave, because he was the ringleader of the presidential steal, and used perjured material like Eliza Pinkerton, Cassance, Wells, and such, to help him in that great crime against the American people.

The campaign in this state is not very lively—not even in the large towns. Still, we believe the people are thinking, and that is just as well, if their thoughts are backed up by their votes in November.

The *Reporter* feels confident that the thoughts of the people are all right and that they do not mean that the prince of the Pennsylvania gang of bosses, Mr. Quay, should be endorsed in his history of bribery, pardon-board iniquity and corrupt machine politics in general. Mr. Quay is the champion of the monopolies of the state—the oppressors of the laboring masses.

Mr. Day, the Democratic nominee for State Treasurer, is a gentleman of the strictest integrity, and belongs to the business class of Philadelphia. The people will be true to themselves by electing him over boss Quay.

The colored men of Virginia will support Lee, democrat, for governor, and a convention of colored men is called to meet in Lynchburg on Sept. 30. The convention will, it is understood, come out squarely for the Democratic ticket, will declare that the negroes have been following the Republican party long enough, and that it is now time to ally themselves with the white men of Virginia, whose interests are the colored man's interest as well. They will lay special stress on the colored man's living in harmony with the whites, and will urge the colored voters to come out boldly for the Democratic ticket. The convention will comprise about 300 delegates.

### TWO CHILDREN BURNED.

Point Pleasant, W. Va., Sept. 22.—Wm Winter and his wife left home and locked their two children, aged three and five years, in the house yesterday morning. They came home last evening and found their house in ashes and their children burned to death. The mother said that the little ones had begged to be allowed to play under the trees while their parents were away, but were refused.

### WHY QUAY IS REPUDIATED.

The *Pittsburg Post* says: We are not at all surprised that so distinguished a Republican as the venerable Judge Pearson, of Dauphin county, has declared his purpose to reject Quay's candidacy for State Treasurer. The Judge presided at the trial of Kemble and his associates, and passed sentence on them. In the pardon that Quay doctored, with a stump speech in its belly, it was declared that the Judge had sentenced Kemble at "hard labor," and this was assigned as the cause for the pardon. When the pardon was presented to Judge Pearson, prior to the release of Kemble, he declared the word "hard" an interpolation of the Pardon Board; that he did not use the word in the sentence, and then directed that it should be stricken from the pardon before it was filled. This shows the smartness of Col. Quay, who had the pardon job in hand, his approval of the secret way it was put in Judge Pearson's mouth that he never uttered, and which he repudiated at once on its being brought to his attention. In an interview at the time, telegraphed from Harrisburg to the *Pittsburg* papers, Judge Pearson declared: "The Pardon Board had concluded to pardon the prisoner before the sentence was known. I had information to that effect. I don't think it would be advisable to try the other cases. It is probable that they were included in the pardon promise, but if not it would not seem right to have them punished."

District Attorney Hollinger, of Dauphin county, in a letter printed immediately after the pardon in the *Philadelphia Press*, showed the Board of Pardons worked, and declared that "the Board of Pardons was defeated. Mr. Milliken then renewed his motion to adopt his substitute, which motion was also defeated, and the resolutions as originally read were adopted."

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Three senatorial delegates were chosen viz: Wm. Allison, H. S. Thompson and John T. Fowler.

John T. Fowler was unanimously elected by acclamation chairman of the Republican county committee for 1886.

### THE RAD. CO. CONVENTION.

We copy from the *Republican* the main features of the radical convention held in Bellefonte on Tuesday, 22:

D. S. Keller, Esq., was called to the chair. Messrs. H. M. Kephart and Wm. M. Allison were chosen secretaries and John I. Rankin, Esq., reading clerk. Addresses were made by Chairman Keller and Hon. James F. Coburn.

The following gentlemen were appointed a committee on resolutions: Col. D. H. Hastings, Bellefonte; Capt. Austin Curtin, Boggs; S. Sheffer, Spring; T. J. Fowler, Taylor; D. H. Ruhl, Potter.

Resolution 4 nominates Beaver for governor. On the anti-discrimination resolution below there was a lively tilt:

3d. We declare our opposition to all discriminations by railroads, or other carrying companies, in freight or otherwise, and are in sympathy with all measures employed to enforce the laws and give equal rights and privileges and exact justice to all patrons of such corporations. We heartily approve all lawful efforts made in good faith to enforce the State constitution forbidding the consolidation, leasing, purchasing, owning or controlling by any railroad corporation of a parallel or competing line of railroad.

Resolution 3 endorses Quay and that fellow is opposed to what is well said in the resolution. Somebody is playing possum here. Mr. Milliken wanted to modify—Quayify—the resolution, and on his proposition the report says:

Mr. Milliken spoke earnestly in favor of his substitute which Col. Hastings replied in vigorous language. John T. Fowler also took part in the discussion and was followed by further heated remarks from Messrs. Milliken and Hastings. Mr. Milliken moved, after the debate, that the whole subject under discussion be laid upon the table, which motion was defeated. Mr. Milliken then renewed his motion to adopt his substitute, which motion was also defeated, and the resolutions as originally read were adopted.

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### PENNSYLVANIA STATE FAIR—NOVELTIES EXHIBITION—EXCURSION RATES AND SPECIAL TRAINS.

The grounds of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society, at Germantown Junction, Philadelphia, were opened to the public on the 23d, and the exhibition is the best ever held under their auspices. The space for display has been largely increased, the accommodations of all kinds improved, and the arrangements made for special exhibitions and races there are sure to be attractive. The departments are all filled, and exhibits both from home and abroad form a collection of unsurpassed excellence. The livestock department is particularly notable, as it contains some of the most famous horses identified with the American turf. Entries for the races promise fine sport, and the dog show has representatives of the choicest breeds of the world. The display of flowers and fruits is larger than ever before and the ladies department unusually attractive.

The Novelties Exhibition is well under way. The large buildings are filled with all descriptions of machines, models and appliances of advanced machinery, novel exhibition of insular kinds, and special displays of curious objects. It is better opportunity to study the progress of industrial science and machines could be afforded nor does any other exhibition afford so much that is interesting and instructive to the general visitor. Afternoons and evenings are enlivened by fine music.

### LAPORIE'S TRIAL CONTINUES.

Huntingdon, Pa., Sept. 22.—The Laporte murder trial continues to be the all absorbing topic of conversation here. Five days have already passed since it began, and the very large and protracted attendance at court indicates the deep interest felt in the trial. There is a strongly manifested desire to see the prisoner who seems to feel very keenly the burden of the great crime charged against him. He is restless and apparently takes little interest in the course of the trial. Crowds of people flock to see him taken to and from the temple of justice.

Prominent among the witnesses examined yesterday was the father of the prisoner, a gray haired old man aged seventy-four years, who is one of the associates of this county, and for whom the very deepest sympathy is expressed and felt. In this instance we have a striking illustration of the old adage, "When children are young they tramp the knees of the parents, but when they become older they tramp their hearts." It is impossible to calculate the amount of grief that has settled down upon the old man's heart.

He testified that he was the father of ten children, one of whom had died in the Harrisburg asylum. That he had observed mental unsoundness in the prisoner, and that he was at times melancholy, and his words were often a matter of discussion in the family. He continued to say: "When I first saw Jack, he said to me, 'Hello, pap; how did you get here?' as though surprised. His clothes were very wet, and when informed of the murder he manifested great astonishment, his eyes protruded and he looked frightened. When asked what he knew about the affair, Jack replied: 'I know nothing about the death of James Irwin.' After Jack had changed a portion of his wet clothing witness walked to Squire Kinch's with him, to whom witness said: 'I have brought this man to put him in your custody, and we waive a hearing.'"

The next witness called was the mother of the prisoner. She had observed a large lump on the prisoner's head and a cut on his lip. Other witnesses were examined in the interest of the defense and the testimony seemed to run in the line that the prisoner knew nothing of the killing and to show the mental unsoundness of Laporte. Others bore to the fact that they had known him from his boyhood and that he was a peaceful citizen. The end of the trial is not yet foreseen.

### WORRY FOR QUAY.

[Philadelphia Herald.] It will somewhat worry Colonel Quay for a reply when some inquisitive citizen in his stump audiences asks him a question like this: "What stand do you take on the question of the consolidation of the Pennsylvania and South Penna and Beech Creek Roads, and what do you think of the anti-discrimination issue?"

What if Centre county Republicans sent a committee to Quay to sound him and see if he is square on the 3rd resolution.

### SHOT HIS FATHER.

Chicago, Sept. 27.—Charles McCarty, a North side rough, got into a quarrel with his brother James to-day, in the course of which he pulled a revolver and fired. The shot missed his intended victim, but most instantly killing Jeremiah McCarty, the young man's father, who was near by. The patriote was immediately arrested and jailed.

### CONFESSED A MURDER WHILE DYING.

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 27.—Wm. Heron, a farmer who was fatally hurt by being thrown from a wagon yesterday, confessed that he murdered Deputy United States Miller, and that John Bradley, now in jail on the charge of killing Miller, had nothing to do with the shooting.

### FATHER AND CHILDREN BURNED.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Sept. 24.—Joseph Fisher, a farmer living near Waubeek, was burned to death with his three children in his residence last night. His wife escaped by jumping out of the window.

Augustus W. Erwin, alias "Sheeney" Erwin, who shot his wife and then attempted suicide in New York, several months since, has been sentenced to State Prison for five years and fined \$10,000 in default of which he is to serve a day in prison for each dollar.

Snow fell at Derby Line, Vermont, on Wednesday, 23.

Pneumo-pneumonia has broken out at Falmouth, Ky.

### WAS A LITTLE RUSTY.

A wedding took place in a suburban town where the lady was the widow of an undertaker, and the man—twice a widower—a doctor and apothecary by profession and trade. The ceremony took place in a little church just across the street from the shop of the bridegroom. Everything went well until that point in the ceremony is reached where the minister asks if there is any reason why the marriage shall not be made. In the momentary pause the bridegroom, without any explanation, rushed from the church, but before the others were able to take in the supposed situation he re-appeared in a breathless state and said: "Oh! go right on; I just remembered I had not locked up the store and went to do it." Order was restored, and the ceremony went on until the minister asked for the ring. The bridegroom looked puzzled for an instant, and then began a search through his pockets, remarking to the minister by way of apology for the delay: "I'm a little rusty, you know."

### SMILING BILLY HOOVER.

Billy Hoover came from the West. He wore a slouch hat and a double-edged knife in his rear trouser's pocket. He picked his teeth occasionally with the knife and told jokes about Mexican greasers. But whether joking, picking his teeth or eating he always smiled. Out West he is known as Smiler Hoover. He put up at a first-class hotel on Broadway two months ago, as soon as he arrived, when he registered:

William Hoover, Cheyenne.  
The clerk smiled, and so did Hoover.  
"Glad you've come, Mr. Hoover. You can occupy the room Roscoe Conkling and Ben Butler occupy when they stop with us," said the clerk, as he winked at the porter to take the luggage up. Hoover smiled and so did the clerk. Hoover went up and remained ten minutes in the famous room and came down. He passed the office and smiled at the clerk and the clerk grinned at him. He went out, got a cigar and returned. The clerk looked at him with that blank mind-is-occupied gaze and saw Hoover smile. After supper the Cheyenne guest got a toothpick and smiled at the clerk. The clerk said:

"Mr. Hoover, I am not feeling well. I can't appreciate a joke. A New York man never can see through a Western man's joke—it is foggy fun."

The Western man smiled walked out and attended the theatre. At 11.30 he dropped in and asked the same clerk for his key. He smiled. The clerk's face turned red.

"I love a chestnut, Mr. Hoover, but a gray headed one in the shape of petro-ficial risibility finds no congenial reception in my humorous nature. Do you pierce beyond the periphery of my circumspection?"

Hoover still smiled and went upstairs. Great beads of perspiration stood upon the clerk's face when he was relieved by the second clerk.

For four days Hoover smiled upon the head clerk. It became intolerable. Finally the clerk thought of a happy expedient to get rid of Hoover. "Mr. Hoover," he said, "Gen. Benny Butler will be here this afternoon to conduct the Hoyt will case and will remain a month. He must have that room you occupy—he likes the exposure to the south where he can drink the saline from the ocean and become fresh."

"The head clerk dodged at the last chestnut, and hoped that Hoover would roar at the wit (5) concealed therein, but the Cheyenne man only smiled and said he would take another room.

"All occupied," promptly said the clerk.

"I can't leave. I am waiting for a check from Cheyenne."

"Leave your valet, Mr. Hoover and when the check comes step in and settle your bill. The Hoffman House, Victoria, St. James and Windsor hotels are open to receive guests."

Hoover smiled and walked out. He walked to a trunk store, bought a fifty-cent valise and started for one of the above mentioned hotels. He met a flashily dressed man.

"Hello, Bill Hoover!" he said, "what racket are you playing now?"

"I have cut a muscle in my face and am smiling for a living. I lived six months in Frisco on it. I paralyzes the hotel clerks and they drive me off before I receive my check to settle. Sabe?"

"I do," said the three-card-monte pal as they walked into a saloon and smiled.

### AN EXCLUSIVE CITY.

An Indian explorer, in the employ of the Indian survey, has returned from four years' journeying in Tibet, during which he spent a year in Lhasa, the capital of Tibet, and the Rome of Buddhism. Before this traveler, only four Europeans in this century have visited Lhasa. Hue and Gabet, the French missionaries, were driven from the city forty years ago, after living there a few months. Moorecroft was killed after he left the city, and another traveler was permitted to remain there only a few days. He says the city is crowded with temples, and has its vatican in the monastery at Potola, where the Dalai Lama lives, who is regarded as the incarnation of Buddha. The building is surrounded by five gilded cupolas, which, when sparkling in the sunlight, present a dazzling spectacle. It contains numerous images, one of which is seventy feet high. During the festivals in the middle of February the Tibetans gather at Lhasa from all over the country to pay homage to all the gods and goddesses who are supposed to be present. These ceremonies last about a month, at the end of which all the citizens are considered to have become purified for another year.

Mrs. Plandam, after looking lone and thoughtfully at the plaster cast of Shakespeare, remarked: "Poor man! how pale he was! He couldn't have been well when he was taken." "No," replied Fogg, "he was dead." "Ah, that accounts for it," said Mrs. Plandam, drawing a sympathetic breath.