



### THE CENTRE REPORTER FRED KURTZ, -- EDITOR

The snow has been too deep to tell snake stories.

Ingalls having pronounced against the Force bill the woe of the Philad. Press must be unbounded.

When the legislature gets thro printing the "bird book" and Legislative Record, it might adjourn.

When Pattison vetoed the bill to print his inaugural address he showed that he can not be fed on taffee.

Imagine Jimmy Fiedler, the slanderer and vile traducer of Democrats begging of the Democratic commissioners to give him patronage! We have two stout men on the board, and the unanimous sentiment of the Democrats who elected them is, give Fiedler a taste of soleleather for his impudence.

An estimate of the suppression of the Sioux outbreak has been made in Washington. In round numbers it is not less than \$5,000,000. Fully half of the expense was necessary for the transportation of troops to the scene of action and their return to their former posts. It cost at least \$300,000 for extra clothing and camp equipage for a winter campaign.

The President of Michigan University has just taken ground against the Western mania for founding new colleges, and has given notice that during the next fifty years no more of these institutions will be needed between Lake Erie and the Rocky Mountains. In the State of Ohio alone there are thirty-four public colleges, yet that State is but little better off in this respect than Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin, and several others. Many of them are unworthy of the name which they bear, and as President Angel says, learning would be better promoted if there were fewer of them.

Office farming is nicely done as told by the Harrisburg Telegraph, the Republican organ, it says: "Some of the sub-employees of the legislature are in the habit of farming out their positions for a much smaller sum per week than the State pays them. One man who gets \$35 per week hired another man to do his work for \$10 per week while he went home for the session. Subsequently he and another employe hired one man at \$14 per week to do the work of both. There is trouble ahead for somebody." Is it possible? and they not Democrats?

Its awful! that the Fiedler-boycott combine would have us boycotted and tarred and feathered. Perhaps Fiedler could get the tar and feathers that were in readiness for him when he had the elopement affair and kept out of good old Miles township for a year. We are promised a complete chapter of this episode, by one posted on it, and who says it will be mighty interesting reading. The difference comes in here—the REPORTER is not in the least danger of tar and feathers, being in excellent standing, while Fiedler kept steady a year to avoid such a decoration. It will let his Swoosh and Phillipsburg sprees deeply in the shade. The Fiedler-boycott combine can't play any gag-cloture on the REPORTER.

It will not be advisable for the legislature to adjourn without doing something to relieve the farmers and laboring classes of taxation.

We should have a lopping off in useless offices, and the unnecessary stove-pipe hat statements, about the state and national governments should be ordered home, and away from the public crib. This will save a big sum.

Let the liquor licenses go to the local treasuries, and thus go part ways to lessen the road and school taxes.

Let all live stock in use on a farm be exempted from taxation the same as a mechanic's tools.

Let our law makers understand that the agricultural interest, above all others, needs a lift.

The Williamsport Sun says: Judge Metzger is entitled to the thanks of every citizen in Pennsylvania is so ably stating the law concerning the acceptance or demand of unlawful fees by justices of the peace. There is no reason why all litigants should not fully understand just how much justices of the peace have a right to charge for their services, the amount of which is regulated by the law.

The imposition of the penalty of \$50 upon Alderman Shoemaker, which that official is now compelled by law to pay to the man he charged some seven dollars more than he had a right to charge—will have a salutary effect, no doubt, if the case be given the publicity that it should have to inform the public of their rights.

### "Untrue"

Our amiable neighbor on the banks of Logan's branch gives us a call which is duly appreciated even if uncalled for, and we can quiet his apprehensions about "a better feeling" by the assurance that the Democracy in all these parts feel good, except four or five, who have had bad training under him and strangely too they constitute Fiedler's body guard.

When our neighbor hastens to deny that bro. Leonard is asking for an office, it may all be true in spite of other assurances to the contrary.

We have it from what would be accepted as undoubted authority that our senator, in some way, informed Gov. Pattison "that it would not do to give our good friend an appointment." We know this to be our senator's private opinion, and he deserves thanks for giving the governor such information.

This would seem, if true, that the brother in question was seeking for a sop, else why send such word to the governor? We agree with our neighbor that it would be an honor to hold an office under Pattison, but it would not be an honor for Pattison to appoint some fellows. Expressing again our appreciation of the uncalled for and kindly intended advice from our neighbor we remind him that Ingalls' speech has the old saying that the streets of Jerusalem are kept clean by each one sweeping before his own door; now in view of the ugly rumors that are spreading—which we trust are unfounded—relative to the senatorship, we do trust that "untrue" can be stamped upon that, so that the missing fowl in the Bird book of Pennsylvania will not turn out to be a native of Centre county.

### Down go Tariff Bars.

Free trade having been virtually established between the United States and Brazil by a proclamation issued by President Harrison, Secretary Blaine is no doubt overjoyed. He has said, it will be remembered, that the McKinley bill would not open a market for another bushel of wheat or another barrel of pork but that reciprocity or free trade would furnish an outlet for the surplus products of this country. He spoke the truth, says the Harrisburg Patriot, and it must be gratifying to him, as indeed it must be to all tariff reformers, to see the president of the United States ordering the removal of some of the tariff bars that interfere with the natural trade between the United States and other countries.

Now if free trade with Brazil will benefit the people of this country, and the president of the United States seems to think that it will not it plain to every intelligent person that they would derive more benefit if it were not a commercial crime for them to trade, for instance, with the people of the countries of Europe? Manifestly it must be, and in fact the result of the recent elections held throughout the country fully justify the statement. But let the opponents of tariff robbery be patient. They have not long to wait before there shall be a realization of their hopes.

The two smallest acts of meanness, on the part of a newspaper man, fall to the credit of Fiedler. When the late Republican board of commissioners took their places, he demanded of them to cut the Democratic papers of our county out of every cent of advertising, altho Democratic boards had previously recognized the Republican organs so that Republican tax payers could see what was going on. But see him now. The board of commissioners is Democratic and he is creeping in the dust to have one of the Democrats to side with Strohm and secure him some jobs! Jim will be foiled—for if we understand Messrs. Adams and Goodhart, they will very properly give the sycophant a dose of his own medicine, and thus show that they know the respect due the slandered Democrats and their organs.

### Show us deeper littleness!

What Senator Ingalls is going to do after the 4th of March is an interesting topic just now. He has hundreds of offers to lecture, to edit newspapers and magazines, to write syndicate letters, and to enter various law firms. The gossips locate him many and varied positions each day. The latest is that he will locate here as a pension attorney, but, as a matter of fact Senator Ingalls himself probably does not know just what he will do.

He does not want to abandon Kansas, and probably will not! Right now he is of the opinion that it would be best to resume the practice of law in that State, but he has so many tempting offers from all parts of the country that he is almost bewildered. Perhaps no man in the country has such a versatile mind as Ingalls'. Those who know him best say if he will entertain no hopes of political future and will simply go in to make money, he can earn an almost unlimited income. At present Senator Ingalls' financial status is as low as any Southerner in the Senate. He has practically nothing outside his Senatorial salary.

### The Cokers' Strike Begun.

The strike of the 17,000 employees of the coke regions for an increase of 12 1/2 per cent in wages, a reduction of working hours of day men from nine hours to eight, the placing of scales for weighing the coal on all tipples and against a counter demand of the operators for a reduction in wages of ten per cent., was inaugurated. Pittsburgh Feb. 9, and all through the region the miners remained away from the pits. By to-morrow evening the last of the ovens charged on Saturday will have been drawn and then the shut-down will be complete.

The struggle promises to be long and bitter. The workmen are thoroughly organized. They have had reasonably steady work for three years, and are members of the Knights of Labor and United Mine Workers of America, and through the latter organization of the Federation of Labor. The demand that coal shall be weighed instead of measured will be the point most vigorously insisted upon, as the miners claim that by the system of measuring coal they have been defrauded out of a large sum of money ever year. They say they will be content to remain idle three months if at the end of that time they can gain their point.

### OPERATORS WILL STAND FIRM.

The operators say the demands of the cokers are unreasonable; that the selling price of coke is 25 cents per ton less now than it was a year ago, and that compliance with the demand for the erection of scales at each tipple would involve large expense. The H. C. Frick Company of which Andrew Carnegie is the head, controls 10,000 of the 16,000 ovens in the region. It has a large supply of coke in stock and will wait until this is exhausted before moving for a settlement.

Ingalls, the ablest Republican leader on the floor of the senate—the pride of the party—has pronounced against cloture and the Force bill.

He had been opposed, he said—unalterably opposed—to the adoption of the cloture for many reasons sufficient and satisfactory to himself. There were those present who knew that many months ago, while occupying the chair in the absence of the vice president he registered many urgent impertinencies and many strenuous solicitations to co-operate in that direction by methods which he then believed and now believes were revolutionary and subversive of the fundamental principles of constitutional government. He had not since seen any occasion to change or modify his conviction.

He was now, and always has been, in favor of a just and impartial election law directed alike against force and fraud, nonpartisan and applicable equally to all parts of the nation. The measure under consideration, however, did not, in many of its details, receive the sanction of his judgment. It appeared to him to be cumbersome, complicated, obscure in many of its provisions and difficult of application. It subordinated the judiciary to political control, and opened the treasury to indefinite expenditure, without requisite supervision and in violation (in his judgment) of the spirit, if not of the letter, of the provision of the constitution that declared that no money shall be drawn out of the treasury except in consequence of appropriations made by law.

An important political movement looking to the fusion of the Democrats and the Farmers' Alliance in Minnesota is under way, and probably forecasts what may take place in other States of the West. It is part of the plan to run Ignatius Donnelly for governor two years hence and elect Thomas Wilson, who was the Democratic candidate for governor at the late election, United States senator in place of Senator Davis, Republican. In case the Alliance nominates a national ticket, a division of the electors on the basis of four to the Alliance and five to the Democrats will be made. The argument used is that they are agreed on the tariff and silver question at least in the State, and win by fusion where they would fail utterly in fighting single handed. The vote in the State in November was: Republicans 87,000, Democrats 85,000, and Alliance 58,000, giving a fusion majority of over 50,000.

While a number of wood cutters were cutting wood on the side of the mountain near the village of Ruetli, an avalanche rushed down the mountain side and overwhelmed twenty-one of the men. Every effort was made to recover the bodies of the dead, but so far only three have been found.

Do not fail to read notice and advertisement of Simon Loeb in this week's issue.

Give Lewins, Bellefonte, your order for a suit. He has one of the most experienced cutters to be had. A fit is guaranteed.

### Silver Question Settled.

That seems to be the meaning, for this congress at least, of the vote in the house yesterday. Mr. Bland, despairing of getting any report from the coinage committee on the senate free silver bill, moved it as an amendment on Thursday to the sundry civil appropriation bill. This was in conflict with one of the rules of the house which forbids amendments to appropriation bills not germane to the bill and which changes existing laws. The silver men considered themselves justified in overriding the rule by refusal of the coinage committee to report the senate bill. But the chairman of the committee of the whole house, Payson of Illinois, ruled the amendment out of order, and the deciding vote was on an appeal from his decision. The occasion was one of great interest had been reversed the free coinage amendment would have been sent to the President as part of the most important of the appropriation bills. But the house by a vote of 135 to 127 sustained the ruling of the chairman. Seven Democrats voted to sustain the decision, including Mutchler and Vaux of this State. Ten Republicans voted to reverse the decision. As the decision was undoubtedly correct under the rules, the close vote indicates that if the coinage bill could be brought squarely before the house it would pass.

Mr Bland's statement is probably correct that the free coinage bill for this session has been smothered by the dilatory action of the coinage committee, notwithstanding a majority would vote for the measure if it could be brought before the house on its merits.

### An American Pope.

In consequence of existing circumstances there have been of late frequent rumors that the next Pope would not be an Italian. Over that question the present Pope can exercise no positive and direct authority, but any sentiments which he may be known to hold will doubtless have great weight; and, inasmuch as his successor will be elected by the College of Cardinals, the appointments soon to be made by him will be taken as indicating in a measure the bent of his mind. The Papacy has today nowhere on earth any more zealous supporters than in such Protestant countries as the United States, Great Britain and Germany. He can if he chooses create ten new Cardinals at once. If most or all of them prove to be selected from among non-Italian archbishops there will be strong reason for thinking that a non-Italian Pope will, before many years, take his place in the long line of Sovereign Pontiffs. Those who are even now prophesying that his secular name will be James Gibbons of Baltimore may live to see their predictions, wild as they now seem, fulfilled.

Senator Meek will introduce a bill providing that from and after its passage in the poor districts of the State there shall be assessed upon and collected from each unnaturalized person over the age of eighteen years within these districts an annual tax of \$3.

This money is to be used for the maintenance of the poor and be collectible in instalment of 25 cents per month. Persons employing unnaturalized people as described are required to report monthly to the overseer of the poor or other legally constituted authorities of the poor the name or number by which they are known to their employers, and deduct 25 cents a month from the unnaturalized persons in their employ. In the event of employers not complying with this requirement they shall pay 50 for each unnaturalized employe. The act does not apply to unnaturalized persons owning real estate or other taxable property at or above \$200 and situated in the county in which he may reside or is employed.

A bill like this was proposed last session by some one.

Miss Alice Woodward of Shelton, who hiccoughed herself to the point of death despite physicians' efforts, is now out of danger.

In consequence of the circulation given the peculiar case, remedies have been coming in from all over the country, the receipts for a day averaging at least fifty.

Many were tried, and one has proved effective and has enabled the girl to stop hiccoughing. This remedy was suggested by Frank W. Mack of New York. The remedy is nitrate of amyl, a few drops to be inhaled from a handkerchief.

Get the REPORTER on trial for 3 or 5 months, at campaign rates, eight cents per month. Send a sample copy to your friends outside the county, who formerly lived here; we put the price at less than cost for a trial trip. Let each reader send us at least one name, with the cash at the above low trial rate.

The Philad. Branch is thoroughly reliable, and Lewins has in stock a line of clothing that leads in quality and low prices. Satisfaction always given.

### A Hundred and Forty Religions.

The census announcement that there are 140 religious bodies in the United States, exclusive of many independent congregations, will be received with some surprise by most people, whose knowledge of different sects does not embrace more than a dozen or twenty at the most. In the list as disclosed by the preliminary bulletin issued by the census bureau from Washington, are the General-Six Principle Baptists, the Schwenkfeldians, the Theosophical Society, the Life and Advent Union and others which to a majority of people, will be entirely new. With 140 creeds formally adopted and "many independent organizations with their own notions besides, the task of those who favor church union is difficult indeed. If only the more numerous denominations existed, the labor of effecting a unity of churches with regard to policy and the more essential doctrines, might be easier; but what shall be said when a hundred little denominations, sturdy in their belief and customs, are in the field, both to give them up?

One hundred and forty religions—yet what a happy thought there is only one was to Heaven.

The bill prohibiting coal and manufacturing corporations in this State from maintaining company stores passed the house and will now have to take its chances in the senate, where heretofore it has invariably been shelved. The senate at Harrisburg like the senate at Washington is the stronghold of corporations, and if the working people of the State wish to effectually kill the store order system it will be necessary for them, figuratively speaking to march in force on that body. They should also see that the bill is constitutional in its provisions before it goes on the statute books. To enact a law that will not stand before the supreme court is to waste time and effort and delay an economic reform that should have been accomplished long since.

### Special Announcement.

We have made arrangements with Dr. B. J. Kendall Co., publishers of "A Treatise on the Horse and his Disease," which will enable all our subscribers to obtain a copy of that valuable work free by sending their address (enclosing a two-cent stamp for mailing same) to Dr. B. J. KENDALL CO., ENOSBURGH FALLS, VT. This book is now recognized as standard authority upon all diseases of the horse, as its phenomenal sale attests, over four million copies having been sold in the past ten years, a sale never before reached by any publication in the same period of time. We feel confident that our patrons will appreciate the work and be glad to avail themselves of this opportunity of obtaining a valuable book.

It is necessary that you mention this paper in sending for the "Treatise." This offer will remain open for only a short time.

The late William H. Vanderbilt is quoted as saying a few weeks before his death: "Too much money is a nuisance. The happiest time in my life was when I was worth \$300,000." Then Mr. Vanderbilt, as you are worth \$150,000,000, just take \$300,000 out of the pile and pass the other over to the REPORTER and you will be a happy man again—and we too.

While a young man and his sweetheart were out walking in the Department of Kieff they were attacked by a pack of hungry wolves. He tried to fight them off, but was compelled to take refuge in a tree. The wolves attacked the girl and soon tore her to pieces before his agonized eyes. He was so overcome by the sight that he fell dead among the wolves, who soon devoured him.

A fellow who looked thro the Pennsylvania Bird-book indignantly pronounced it incomplete as he could not find in it a picture of the Harrisburg rooster.

The town of Ashland is threatened with sinking—cracks are beginning to show themselves in the streets and the inhabitants are becoming alarmed.

Gen. Sherman is seriously ill. Senator Hearst, of Cal., keeps growing weaker.

Any one sending us a club of six new names and \$7.50 in cash, will get as a premium the N. Y. Weekly World and the Reporter 1 year.

Lewistown pays 90 for wheat, Centre Hall and Coburn pay 93.

The Reporter on a trial trip at campaign rates 3 to 5 months, at 7 cents per month—less than cost, try it.

As we go to press, signs for snow or rain.

### Married.

DINGES-WALTON.—February 3rd, 1891, at Bellefonte, by Rev. A. A. Black, assisted by Rev. Dr. Lantz, Harry W. Dinges and V. Keturah Walton.

### Additional Locals.

Boalsburg has a convention in full blast this week.

The Reporter booked eight new names this week.

What is the matter with nominating Dr. Ritter for Mayor?

Call at Loeb's clothing store; examine his stock and prices.

Freshground buckwheat flour, No. 1, at the Centre Hall mills.

Let every Democrat vote the full Democratic ticket on Tuesday next.

Mrs. James Coldren has been on the sick list the last several weeks.

Shirts, underwear, hats, caps trunks and valises at cost.—S. Loeb.

Mr. A. J. Heckman, one of Penn Hall's leading citizens, favored us with a call.

A valuable horse died for mibe host, W. S. Musser, of Millheim, a few days ago.

Rev. W. E. Fischer will have sermons next Sunday, Feb. 15, at Tusseyville, at 10 a. m., and at Centre Hall 2.30 p. m.

It will not be regretted if you buy your clothing from Lewins, at the Philad. Branch. He guarantees his en tire stock.

James Coldren has embarked upon a new role, that of an auctioneer. Jim will be a success at crying sales, as he is the windiest man in the county.

Our whilom townsman, J. B. Solt, has moved from Frederick, Md., to Northbrook, Chester county, Pa., where he has employment in a large fence factory.

There will be much moving and changing around in our city the coming spring. Almost every house in town is rented, and several new ones to be erected.

Charles H. Raymond, of Gregg township, died on January 29, of a complication of diseases. He was quite a young man and aged only about 18 years.

On Tuesday the Lewisburg nail works were levied on by the sheriff to satisfy a judgment of \$35,000. The property of the firm will be sold at sheriff's sale on the 53d inst.

A neglected cold, often becomes a Pneumonia, Bronchitis or a Consumption. Care it with HUMPHREYS' SPECIFIC No. Seven. Used with perfect success by thousands.

The venerable Mr. John Keller, east of town, is quite ill from a complication of diseases, and has been confined to his bed for several weeks. We hope he will soon recover and be out among his many friends again.

A subscriber paying his REPORTER one year in advance, commends it for its fearlessness in expressing its sentiments and its consistency. That's the REPORTER always. Thanks for your compliment.

Have you been to A. C. Mingle's shoe store in the Brockerhoff house block? Never miss going there when at Bellefonte, he always has something new and offers none but genuine goods which he warrants. For low prices in boots and shoes Mingle's is the place.

Mr. Joshua Potter, of near this place, had three valuable sheep killed on Tuesday night, in order to make room in his stable for horses he turned a cow in the stable with his sheep and in the morning three of his best sheep were dead, having been killed by the cow during the night.

Our venerable friend, Hon. S. Gilliland, of Oak Hall, voted for Porter for governor in 1835, and has kept on voting in the same line down to Pattison in 1890. Across the valley is Alexander Kerr, now in the octogenarian class, who voted for Gen. Jackson and Porter and has kept in the Democratic path on every ticket down to date. May they both live to help elect the Democratic president that is to be in 1892, is the fond wish of the REPORTER.

The lecture by Miss Parry, of Cinncinnati, in the Lutheran church on Friday evening, was quite a treat, and worth every cent of the price. The subject, "Life among the Germans," was handled in a manner to prove that the lady during her three years stay in Germany was a close observer and an apt student, and she can tell all in a pleasant and agreeable way, that does not tire an audience. In an hour's private talk with Miss Parry we found her equally agreeable and perfectly at home upon the subject of Germany.

So far the ground hog is trump, and sang in his hole—he knew from his shadow what the weather would be—up to now it has been cold, ugly, stormy, with snow, sleet and rain to make up a dish of hash. The fellow who had for a sign the last Friday in January as the ruler of the month of February is snowed under—that day was pleasant and February, thus far, has been any thing but pleasant. Next year the groundhog will miss it and the last Friday-in-January man will get on top—turn about is fair play.