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Kerr's chances for election as clerk of the House at Washington, seem to be best.

President Harrison is making strenuous efforts to be nominated, but his efforts will all be in vain as he doesn't stand in with the bosses.

New York City and San Francisco are putting forth efforts to secure the Republican and Democratic National Conventions next year.

The report that the Pope would leave Rome is unfounded.

The report that Kuseia had forbidden the export of wheat is not correct.

The Philadelphia Press is greatly concerned as to the legislature of New York. The Press should stick to its policy of "no jurisdiction"—New Yorkers will be competent to look after their own legislature.

The Presidential campaign is warming up and the chances of the different candidates for the nomination are discussed pro and con. The Republicans are looking up a candidate and are undecided, while among the Democrats throughout the country there is a growing sentiment of renominating Cleveland with Boies.

David A. Wells is a statistical wonder, and he has just worked out an article showing that the government has now stored away enough silver to make a column one foot in diameter and six and one-half miles in height. Mr. Wells should be careful. The Chicago exhibition needs just such a lightning rod, remarks the Philadelphia Times.

In some quarters they are slating Gen. Hastings for adjutant general under the next state administration, should the governor be a Republican. What General Hastings wants is to have the appointment of the next adjutant general. The general must see that his party does not get mixed—there is a wide difference between the appointment and appointing.

The idea that New York should roll up 50,000 Democratic and not have a Democratic legislature, is preposterous. The Republicans of Pennsylvania have stolen the money from the treasury, and we trust the Democracy of New York will be equal to the occasion and not let the Republicans steal the legislature of the Empire state. Having stolen a president, several United States senators and scores of members of congress by the tumbling out process, it will be a grand spectacle to have the Democracy of New York call a halt upon that kind of thieving and see that the legislature of that great state falls where it legitimately belongs—to the Democrats.

The grand jury of Cumberland county, in the course of its investigations, discovered that there are sixty abie-bodied tramps confined in the county jail and that all, or nearly all, were committed for some trifling offense. There is no doubt that the great majority of these vagabonds are exactly where they wanted to be, that is, with a roof over their heads, comfortable rooms and a sufficiency of good food. Thus they will spend the cold winter months in idleness while the industrious taxpayer will support them and maintain his own family also. There is something radically wrong about any system of government which shelters and clothes and feeds an idle vagabond at public expense while an honest poor man's family is in danger of starvation should he be taken sick.

The abolition of the poll tax in Massachusetts by the adoption of a constitutional amendment at the late election will be worth a great many voters to the Democratic party. The poll tax hitherto in the Massachusetts cities has been \$3, and no one has been allowed to vote until he had shown a receipt for it. This necessarily cut off a number of the poorer voters, and the Democracy was the principal sufferer by it. The poorer voters could not or did not pay the tax and surrendered their ballot in preference. Occasionally the party came to their assistance and paid it for them, but this was a heavy burden and was generally done only in close districts, where the votes were very much needed. The calculation is that fully 20,000 votes have been lost at the elections because of the poll tax provision, and these from 15,000 to 18,000 were Democratic. Most of these voters were in the cities, which contain the bulk of the Democratic votes, the rural districts being largely Republican.

Anti-Quay Republicans.

The Pittsburg Post of Monday says referring to the movements of the various anti-Quay Republican organizations in Pennsylvania to prevent the re-election of the boss to the United States senate next year, the New York Times says "the fight against Quay within the party in Pennsylvania is not a very hopeful one, for the party is not so much what Quay has made it as Quay is the product of the party. He seems to represent it very fairly." There is a great deal of truth in this undoubtedly, but still there is a moral subsoil in the Republican party that, if well ploughed up, will make his re-election a very doubtful matter. Certainly there are stronger reasons why he should be defeated, by the extreme measure of a bolt, than operated against Mr. Harry Oliver some years ago. The principal ground of opposition against Mr. Oliver was that he was the nominee of the Cameron machine. No one questioned his personal integrity, while there are not many persons who do not question Quay's or are at least suspicious of it. In point of ability Mr. Oliver is far ahead of Quay, save on the qualities of wirepuller, corruptionist and a certain genius for political intrigue. Senator Sherman the other day paid Mr. Oliver the high compliment of stating the tariff bill largely framed by him as the masterpiece of the tariff commission of 1883 was the best tariff bill that had seen the light in his (Sherman's) day. Quay is so profoundly ignorant of all economic questions that in the great debates in the senate on the Mills bill in 1888 and the McKinley bill in 1890 he took no part, although the interests of his State were involved to a greater extent than those of any other State of the Union. If Mr. Oliver had been in his place he would have taken rank on his said with Aldrich of Rhode Island.

The plan of the anti-Quay Republican organizations in this State to defeat the boss is to secure the election of at least a sufficient number Republican members of the next legislature pledged against Quay to hold the balance of power between the Democrats and the Quay Republicans. It is the plan of the Reform league of Philadelphia where it cannot secure pledges from regular party nominees either to nominate independent candidates or give its support to those of the Democrats. The latter is not likely to be a very effective method, for the next legislature will be chosen at the same time with presidential electors and congressmen, and party feeling is likely to run pretty high. The apportionment is in Quay's favor to an extraordinary degree, and with a large Republican majority in the legislature the chances of an effective anti-Quay bolt are diminished.

If the anti-Quay Republican leagues are in earnest they should set about educating the Republicans of the back districts precisely what sort of an institution Mathew Stanley is. The Democrats have done work of this kind, but this is the time of the anti-Quay Republicans. True, he is making a great ado now over certain libel suits he has instituted, and if he is able to get a verdict in any corner of the State he and his lackeys will push it as a triumphant vindication. But these suits involve charges trifling in their character compared with those Quay evades growing out of his treasury operations with Blake Walters, his dealings with the late Auditor General Wilson Norris, his confessions to Mr. C. L. Magee at the Locust hotel, and the fact Senator Cameron made up the defalcations and Wayne MacVeach superintended the legal arrangements as counsel for the Senator. When Quay's State Chairman Andrews rose up last year and declared no man in the State would declare of his own knowledge Quay had embezzled public moneys the Lincoln Republican association of Philadelphia accepted the challenge, on condition Quay would unseal the lips of MacVeach as counsel, and authorize him to state facts within his knowledge. The boss made no sign. His zeal for vindication oozed out like Bob Acres' courage. The New York World offered him choice of tribunals and pledged itself to pay the legal charges and fees of counsel, of his own selection, if he would bring suit to test the truth of the fearful indictment it launched against him. But again Quay's anxiety for vindication oozed out.

The Rome Italic undertakes to call the United States down for its attitude toward Chili, and predicts the time "when Europe will lay aside petty differences and call the United States to a more exact and precise notion of the law of nations." Of course the Italian newspapers are expected to feel a little sore and want to see somebody wallop us. This Italia has the right idea, too, when it admits that it will be necessary for all Europe to get together to teach us that lesson.

Mingle's shoe store receives new stock every day. Prices are always fair and reasonable.

THE SENATE JUGGLE.

Republican and Independent Expressions. It Makes the Judicials Grieve. From the Press, Rep.

The decision of the State Senate on the question of jurisdiction has been foreshadowed for some time. Nevertheless, it is one, to make the judicials grieve. It leaves State Treasurer Boyer without that unequivocal acquittal which is his due. It leaves grave charges against the Auditor General uninvestigated and undisposed of. It settles nothing—not even the question of jurisdiction since opinion will differ on that question until an authoritative decision is rendered upon it by the Supreme Court of State.

HAS SHIRKED THE ISSUE. From the Public Ledger, Ind.

The Senate has not acted with fairness or justice to the people of the Commonwealth, or to Mr. Boyer, or to Mr. McCamant. It has simply evaded a duty imposed upon it by the Constitution of 1873, which clearly provided for the removal of certain elected officers for reasonable cause, or address of the Senate as well as for their removal by impeachment for misdemeanor in office. The Governor did his duty when he called the Senate together in extra session; he gave that body the opportunity to exercise a power conferred upon it by the Constitution; that it has shirked the issue need be no concern of the Governor any more than of other law-abiding citizens of the Commonwealth, who are ashamed and disgraced by the subserviency of the Senate of Pennsylvania to the supposed demands of partisan policy.

Lawyer's Tricks. The scheme to muzzle the lawyers says the Altoona Tribune, of which brief mention is made in another item, doubtless came from an honest heart, whatever it is to be said of the charity of the brain. There is good ground for complaint that the law is perverted and justice delayed by the conduct of lawyers who resort to every expedient to save their client. Take a murderer. No matter how atrocious his crime if his friends can raise a sufficient sum of money the lawyer will exhaust every expedient to cheat justice. At the very beginning he will resort to the expedient of delay. When the day of trial comes he will endeavor to have the indictment quashed because of some alleged technical defect, and, failing in that, he will take all the time possible in securing a jury. Should his client be convicted he will immediately move for a new trial and the argument and final decision take more time. Then there is the appeal to the supreme court and the final resort to the board of pardons. One appeal to the last named tribunal is seldom enough. Upon the pretense of "after-discovered evidence" a second or even a third application is made and by the time the original sentence is affirmed and executed many years have passed and the crime has been forgotten. All this is very wrong and should be curbed. But no lasting good will be accomplished by a law which limits the power of attorneys. For any substantial and permanent reform we must look to the legal profession. Lawyers should unite upon and vigorously enforce a code of ethics which daily protect the innocent and hasten the action of the courts. It ought to be made clear to every member of the bar that it is his chief duty to promote the ends of justice, not to exercise his ingenuity and cunning to defeat them. A lawyer owes a duty to his client, but it is a false conception of duty which leads a lawyer to do all in his power to save a guilty man from the punishment which his crimes demand. It seems to us if lawyers would concede this truth and act upon it there would be a great advance in the right direction.

The Convention Vote. In Pennsylvania the proposition for a constitutional convention is overwhelmingly rejected. Only ten counties in the state gave majorities in favor of a convention, and in the 42 counties from which complete figures have been received on the vote on that question, there is a majority of 154,590 against holding a convention. The counties giving majorities for the convention are: Bradford, Carbon, Columbia, Elk, Fayette, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Pike, Warren and Wayne. Late returns show a plurality for General Gregg, republican, for auditor general, off 57,454 and for Morrison, republican, for state treasurer, of 54,488.

The Western coroner's jury that recently declared that a man who was lynched "died of fright" is paralleled by the Pennsylvania jury that found that a boy who died of spasms caused by a wound, inflicted by an unknown person, piercing the brain, died of natural causes.

Get one quick—one of those late style, handsomely made overcoats at the Philad. Branch.

Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Governor Pattison this week issued the following proclamation:

To the Citizens of Pennsylvania: Devout gratitude to the Almighty Being whose blessings have been so conspicuously dispensed in the past, and whose guardianship and guidance we earnestly implore for the future, make it fitting and proper that a people so favored should pause amid the enjoyment of prosperity to gratefully acknowledge and return thanks to the Divine Author of the blessings.

Now, therefore, I, Robert E. Pattison, governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do recommend Thursday, the 26th day of November, in the year of our Lord, 1891, as the day of thanksgiving and prayer. On that day let all secular business be suspended, and let the people assemble in their usual places of worship, and with prayer and songs of praise devoutly testify their gratitude for His goodness and His wonderful works and for all that He has done for us in the year that has passed; for our marvelous exemption from calamity; for our security against the pestilence that walketh in darkness and the destruction that wasteth at noonday; for that health which to an unusual extent has prevailed with in our borders; for the bountiful harvests which have rewarded the labors of the husbandman and contributed to the substantial wealth of the state, for the content which follows plenty and for the signs of prosperity which are manifested on every hand.

And let there be also, on this day thus set apart, a reunion of families friends, that the affection for home may be strengthened and the spirit of good will increased. Being enriched in everything to all bountifulness, let us not forget to crown the day with deeds of charity and kind remembrance of the poor, and so make our thanksgiving more acceptable in the sight of the Lord.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the state, at the city of Harrisburg, this 14th day of November in the year of our Lord 1891, and of the commonwealth one hundred and sixteen.

ROBERT E. PATTISON, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Wedding Bells. On Tuesday evening Rev. Fischer officiated at the ceremony which united in the holy bonds of wedlock James E. Stover, son of George Stover, west of the Old Fort, and Miss Annie E. Horner, a charming young lady of near Tusseyville. The wedding took place at the Lutheran parsonage.

One Cent a Belt. For Wall Paper; better grades, 2c. 2 1/2c. 3c.; gold 3 1/2c.; embossed gold 4c.; gold border, 1c. a yard. Send 2 cent stamp for 100 Samples, Reed, Wall Paper Jobber, Rochester, Pa.

The Deer Law.

The following is the law in reference to the shooting of deer, as now in force in Pennsylvania:

No person shall kill or pursue any wild deer, save only between the first of October and the fifteenth of December of any year, under penalty of \$50, nor have in his or her possession, or offer for sale, any wild deer or fresh venison, excepting from October 1 to November, 30, inclusive.

No person shall, at any time, kill any fawn when in its spotted coat, or have the fresh skin of such fawn in possession, under penalty of \$50. Dogs pursuing deer or fawns may be killed by any person, and the owner of such dog shall be liable to a penalty of \$10 for each deer killed by such dog.

The clause in the old law which permitted the hunting of deer with dogs in the counties Centre, Clinton, Fayette, Lycoming, Luzerne, Schuylkill, Union, and Wyoming has been wiped out.

Past Ninety Years. A correspondent of the Williamsport Sun says: "While hunting over in Sugar Valley, I had the pleasure to meet Mrs. Catherine Snyder, who is 94 years and 5 months old, and who is the mother of fourteen children, eight boys and six girls. Five of the boys were in the war and all came home without a mark on them." She was the first person to come to Sugar Valley and says the wolves and bear were as plenty then as dogs are in the city. The old lady has a good memory and walks all over the house."

Death of a Minister. The Rev. C. H. Reitter, a retired minister of the Reformed church, died at his residence in Marklesburg Huntingdon county, Tuesday morning. He had been in declining health for some time and his death was due to apoplexy. He was aged 75 years. Years ago he was pastor of the Aaronsburg Reformed charge.

They Suddenly Disappeared. Otto Barber, a farmer living near Dixonville, Indiana county, saw his team of plough horses suddenly sink through the ground before him. An hour later he led them out of the bowels of the earth half a mile from the point where they went in.

Taste of Winter. A cold wave set in here on Tuesday—having been reported from the far west three days previous. Tuesday forenoon there was rain and fierce wind; in the afternoon it became colder and a blinding snow storm set in. At night the ground froze about an inch, with a clear but cold and windy Wednesday.

A Wrong Idea.

Some people are under the erroneous impression that a physician, when called to attend any case of sickness or injury, is compelled to go where he is needed, by something they believe is in the law. There is nothing whatever in law to compel a physician to attend any person needing medical or surgical attendance.

As with all the other professions, a doctor goes where he chooses, accepts service as he pleases, and selects such patients as he wants, if they seek his assistance. After a doctor takes a case he is of course responsible for its scientific and prudent treatment. But no physician can be compelled to go anywhere to which he objects or serve any person, unless he is willing to do so with the understanding that his services are to be remunerated satisfactorily.

Caused a Sensation. A sensational story was told in court at Pittsburg on Tuesday, by A. V. Carpenter, who testified in the case of some sixteen insurance companies against D. W. Holt, of Phillipsburg Centre county, to recover moneys paid him on his lumber yard insurance. Carpenter swore he had been hired by Holt to falsify the lumber record book and then set fire to the Loch Lomond yards, which he did successfully in three places. Judge Orvis counsel for the defendant, failed in attempting to break down this witness' damaging evidence. Holt secured some \$120,000 insurance from the different companies.

A Girl's Superstitions. The American girl hunts for the four leaved clover, puts wedding cake under her pillow, practices Hallowe'en incantations, pulls a flower apart and murmurs, "He loves me, he loves me not," and throws a shoe after the newly married pair or deluges them with rice. She sticks melon seeds on her forehead and names them after her various suitors, designates the popping corn in the same manner or fishes the tea leaves from her cup, places them on the back of her left hand and hits them a smart blow with the back of her right hand, telling the true lover from the false by the hand to which the leaves happen to adhere.

La Grippe Again. During the epidemic of La Grippe last season Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, proved to be the best remedy. Reports from the many who use it confirm this statement. They were not only quickly relieved, but the disease left no bad after results. We ask you to give this remedy, a trial and we guarantee that you will be satisfied with results, or the purchase price will be refunded. It has no equal in La Grippe, or any Throat, Chest or Lung Trouble. Trial bottle free at J. D. Murray's Drug Store. Large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

Marriage Licenses. Following is the list of marriage licenses issued during the past week from the register's office at Centre:

Grant A. Katen and Miss J. v. Richner, both of Phillipsburg.
W. L. Shuey and E. J. Young, both of Bolsburg.
James E. Stover and Annie E. Horner, both of Potter township.
Wilson Flegal and Mamie Cambell, both of Phillipsburg.

Thanksgiving Service. A union service will be held in the Presbyterian church, at this place, on Thanksgiving day, at 10 a. m. Rev. Eisenberg, pastor of the Reformed church will deliver the sermon. It is to be hoped there will be a good attendance by all the different congregations at this service.

Collided.

The Day express and Niagara express on the P. & E., collided above Williamsport, on Tuesday. The engineer was badly hurt, and some of the passengers slightly injured.

State College Victorious. The State College Reserve foot ball team downed the Williamsport Y. M. C. A. eleven at the College on Saturday by a score of 40 to 5. The game was witnessed by a large crowd of people.

Turn In and Help. The Governor has issued a proclamation calling upon the people of Pennsylvania to turn in and help make the World's Fair a success.

Cleary Case to be Appaled. The Cleary case is to be carried up to the Supreme Court again by the lawyers for the defense, Messrs McCormick and Kress.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Larimer departed Tuesday evening for their home in Nebraska, after a visit of several weeks among friends in this valley. Mr. and Mrs. Larimer formerly resided at Centre Hill and then removed to the west.

Neglected Cold often becomes a Pneumonia, Bronchitis or a Consumption. Cure it with Humpfrey's Specific no. seven. Used with perfect success by thousands.

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