

General Alger has announced that he will be a Republican candidate for President.

Centre county is for Cleveland, Cleveland first and last, but will support any other Democrat of Jeffersonian principles, and tariff reform.

There is strong evidence that the Pennsylvania and Reading railroad companies are entering into the fiercest competition that they have ever had.

There is some talk that the Pennsylvania Republicans will present the name of General Gregg for President. The General is a native of Centre county.

The Quay uprising in the state is still increasing in force and we hope and expect to see a man with brains represent Pennsylvania in the United States Senate.

Two men who started an incendiary fire in St. Louis were burned to death. They wanted to get an insurance of \$2,500. It is seldom that retribution follows so closely on crime.

The Gettysburg town council has passed an ordinance taxing all non-resident drummers, who sell to private families, from one to three dollars per day. Salesmen for grocery and shirt houses are rated highest.

The Patriot claims the administration is entirely too slow in taking action in the late Reading deal. Probably it is, but if the constitution has been violated, as it undoubtedly has, the wrong will be righted.

The question now troubling the Republican party leaders is just who owns the party at present; whether it is the Administration or the Quay followers. Some one is bound to get licked in the fracas to come.

Our restless neighbor, the Gazette, is offering a heavy premium to run up its list of subscribers. A copy of the postoffice Guide is offered as a bait. This postoffice Guide costs just one (1) cent a month, at which price any one can get it.

The Republicans in this state are beginning to get hot on the question of re-electing Quay. Quay and anti-Quay sides are looming up in nearly every county, and the Florida fisherman is in real danger of losing his seat. When Quay spits on his bait he may have those of the Republicans bite who stand indifferent.

Tyrone is making a strike for a new county. Next Philipsburg will ask to be the capital of a new county, and a handsome one it would be too. We heard an old and prominent resident of Bellefonte say the other day, that Centre Hall would have been the most suitable place for Centre county's capital, and he's sound there.

Recent polls of the Democratic legislatures of Missouri, Texas and Arkansas show in every instance a strong lead for Cleveland. The same fact is indicated by a canvass of the Democratic editors of Maryland and Virginia. Of 70 specific expressions of opinion regarding popular sentiment among Democrats in the communities heard from in the two States 56 replied that Cleveland was the choice of the people.

The Philadelphia Press, the leading Republican organ of the state, a few days ago printed a cartoon of the Pennsylvania representatives in the United States Senate. The desks stood side by side, both chairs empty and covered with cobwebs. There was only too much truth in the cartoon, we are sorry to say. The Press is endeavoring to defeat Quay and we hope, as will all conscientious Democrats and Republicans, that it may succeed.

On last Sunday night, in New York, Father O'Conner, the leader of the Reformed Catholic church addressed a large audience in Christ mission hall on the subject of the Blaine-Nevins marriage. He stated that Secretary Blaine had blundered in attempting to make a scapegoat out of Father Ducey who married the couple, and the entire blame rested with Bishop Corrigan who granted the dispensation for the marriage and authorized Father Ducey to perform the ceremony.

Attorney-General Hensel will test in the Dauphin county Court, as soon as the necessary papers can be prepared, the constitutionality of the leases by which the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company has assumed control the Lehigh Valley and New Jersey Central Railroad.

A bill in equity, including an application for a permanent injunction to restrain operations under the lease, will be the proceedings adopted.

WORK AND WAGES.

From all the manufacturing centers of the North we hear reports of reduction of the wages of workmen, and the full force of what seems likely to be a general movement in that direction will not be made manifest for a month or two. The protected industries, having secured what they wanted in the McKinley law, are now falling back on the principle that as there is an excessive supply of labor in the market, wages must come down. The McKinley law will not keep them up. It was only intended to make certain increased profits for capital. We could fill a column with reports on our exchanges of reductions in wages accomplished in the last few weeks, says the Pittsburgh Post, or of which notice has been given to go into effect in the near future.

There is a general complaint of dullness and overproduction in the iron and steel markets, the great crops not having been followed by the expected activity. This is unusual; but the farmers of the West seem to be using their money on lifting mortgages, while at the South the immense crops and low price of cotton have been disastrous. More than ever before our manufacturers feel the need of a foreign outlet for their products, but once they get outside the tariff line they cannot compete. Cheaper raw material would help, but that is against the protection gospel. The only way open to them to keep moving is a reduction of wages or, what amounts to the same thing, a limitation in production.

The labor sensation in Europe is represented as terrible, particularly in Germany and Austria. The unemployed are crying for bread and work. In Vienna the unemployed and needy are numbered by tens of thousands. One account says that in Austria as "an alleged result of the McKinley law 12,000 pearl workers were thrown out of employment and are now classed as unskilled workmen, the Austrian laws preventing their embracing a new trade without serving a new apprenticeship, which is impossible in the case of adults burdened with families." What is said of Austria is true of Germany. In France and England the conditions are better, but in the latter country a strike of 460,000 miners is looked for next week against a reduction of wages.

These conditions in Europe will speedily affect the labor market in the United States. Immigration is the first impulse over there, and transportation to this country is easy and cheap. The tide of arrival is steadily increasing, and when the threatened big strikes are on a month or two hence, there will be an overflowing labor market. When there is only one day's work for two men wages are sure to come down. There is no protective tariff on labor. It is only on the products on labor. There is free trade on the necessities of life.

The Philadelphia Press says the statement made by a hotel manager that 10 per cent. of the drinks that go over the bar are lost because the saloon men do not care to raise a row over the matter may or may not be true. It is probably exaggerated. The saloon business is not exactly a losing one and is not run on the losing principle. If the shrewd barkeeper has learned to note a loss of 10 per cent. through "beats," he has also probably solved the problem of how to make it up some other way. The interesting point of it all is that the saloon keeper of high and low degree is terribly afraid of a fight or dispute in his place since the Brooks law went into effect. This quiet pressure for better order which the high license law forces on those who in the past were ready to abuse their patrons on slight cause, is strong testimony in favor of the measure. In making saloons less the scenes of rowdism than was the case in the past the Brooks law has brought about a great reform.

Thought He Should Have a Specified Salary.

The newly elected Chief Burgess of Tyrone, David T. Caldwell, refused to take the oath of office unless the council voted him a salary for his services. His explanation being that he lost money and time by attending to his duties. The council did not agree to give him any salary and he refused to take the oath of office. It is customary in some boroughs to allow the Chief Burgess a salary of from \$100 to \$500.

Petitions Rolling In.

Hundreds of petitions, containing thousands of signatures were received by Governor Pattison in the matter of the Reading deal. The petitions are similar in form and ask a speedy determination of the proceedings to test the legality of the leases. It is set forth that the consideration will be a benefit to the people of the coal regions.

To Break the Conspiracy.

Attorney-General Hensel has patiently given "hearings" to the attorneys of the coal conspiracy. He has examined the documents that hold the conspirators together in their league to despoil the people, and has satisfied himself that their combination is in flagrant violation of article 17 of the Constitution of Pennsylvania. He now proposes to bring the matter before the court by a bill in equity, praying for an injunction to restrain the whole proceeding.

This is the orderly and proper course. If it is vigorously pressed, as there is no reason to doubt that it will be, it ought to prove effective.

There is no room for question that the combination is illegal. The authorities cited in the sugar trust case and the decision of our New York Court of Appeals in that matter make it perfectly plain that "any combination to raise the price of merchandise" is illegal, and that the doing of any illegal or unauthorized act by a corporation is a just and legal cause of the corporation's franchise.

This combination is not only illegal at common law and by statute; it is in direct violation of a specific constitutional prohibition. It is, as The World has shown, hostile to the public interest and intended to work loss and detriment to the people.

There is law enough to break it up. It only remains to enforce the law with determination.

TO FORM A NEW COUNTY.

A Project to Take Parts of Huntingdon, Blair and Centre, and Form a New District.

The subject of a new county, with Tyrone as the county seat, which has for a long time been agitated, is now to be given a definite shape. An effort will be made by the people of Tyrone and adjacent parts of Huntingdon, Blair and Centre counties to obtain the necessary legislation next winter. The active spirits in the movement say that there is no division of sentiment in regard to it among the citizens of the territory that would constitute the new county. They are unanimously in favor of it.

Many of the people of the three counties from which parts would be taken now have to come to Tyrone to reach their respective county seats. From Philipsburg, Osceola, and Houtzdale they come to Tyrone and get to Bellefonte, and from Warriorsmark to get to Huntingdon. These are the arguments used in favor of the project. The opposition to it will come from those parts of the old counties that will not be included in the new. It is not expected that Huntingdon county will be willing to lose three of the wealthiest and most fertile and populous townships, nor that Blair and Centre will be satisfied to have many of their heaviest taxpayers taken from them.

A Thrilling Experience.

The Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin gives the following item: A brakeman on the Beech Creek railroad, whose name was not learned, had a thrilling experience at Jersey Shore junction Tuesday afternoon. In passing along over a freight train he fell between two cars and alighted on the ground below between the rails. The train had just started up and the man found himself in a perilous position. He reached up, threw one arm over the brake-rod and put his feet on the axle. In this manner he passed the station, shouting at the top of his voice to attract attention. When the man's position was discovered efforts were made to attract the engineer's attention, but he did not look around until another engine tooted the danger signal. When the brakeman crawled out from beneath the cars he danced, shouted and prayed for joy at his escape. He sustained no injury and was soon again at work.

Will Leave the Vicinity.

Mr. David M. Henney, the veteran blacksmith of Potters Mills, will make public sale of personal effects on Tuesday, March 29th, and intends removing to Latrobe, Pa., where he has secured employment. Sorry to have Mr. Henney leave our valley, but hope he will prosper in his new venture.

Triplets Born.

The wife of John T. Mallon, who resides near Sandy Ridge, this county, recently gave birth to triplets. All of them were girls. One died, but the others are doing well.

Curtin and Lincoln.

The Philadelphia Times of Sunday contained an able article by Colonel A. K. McClure on the "Old War Governor, and President Lincoln," in their official capacity during the late civil war.

The Reporter at \$1.50 is the cheapest paper in the county. Subscribe and get in the swim.

IMPORTANT TO SOLDIERS.

Pennsylvania Three Month Soldiers Can Expect Pensions.

A special from Washington states that Secretary Bussey has made an important decision in the pension case of Rudolph M. Manley, of company I, Forty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Militia. On June 15, 1863, President Lincoln issued his proclamation calling upon executive of the state of Pennsylvania for 50,000 volunteers to serve for the period of six months, unless sooner discharged. In pursuance of this proclamation the governor issued a general order calling for volunteers to repel the threatened invasion of Pennsylvania. In compliance with this order the Forty-seventh regiment was raised and mustered into the state service for ninety days, instead of "six months," as designated in the call.

The record of the war department shows that Manley was mustered in on the 27th of June of 1863, and was mustered out, with his company, on August 13, 1863. During this service evidence on file shows that the soldier suffered a sunstroke at Hagerstown, Md., from which he has never recovered. Upon his application he was, in 1884, granted a pension of \$24 a month, but on June 13, 1891, his name was dropped from the pension roll upon the ground that it had ascertained that the regiment to which he belonged was not in the United States service, but in the service of the state of Pennsylvania. This is the position taken by the judge advocate general of the army in a decision rendered September 12, 1890. Assistant Secretary Bussey, however, after an elaborate review of the law and evidence in the case, concludes that it comes within the first subdivision of section 4,693 of the revised statutes, which includes among those entitled to the benefits of a pension "any officer of the army, including, volunteers and militia, or any officer in the navy or marine corps, or any enlisted man," etc. The pension bureau contended that Manley's case came within the subdivision of that section of that act. The assistant secretary, however, does not take this view of the case and directs that Manley's name be restored to the pension roll. This decision restores to the pension statutes the 50,000 soldiers who served in the militia of Pennsylvania about the time of Lee's invasion of that state.

The Under Dog Sometimes Does the Fighting.

At a public sale on Saturday, at Tusseyville, two citizens of the south side had a little personal difference and they indulged for a while in what the Indian calls "talk damn," and at last agreed to settle the feud a la Sullivan. One of the combatants we understand, is a man of no small proportions and prided himself of the fact. Preparations were begun for the mill and while the one was divesting himself of his overcoat, the man of no small proportions concluded if he wanted to come out on top, now was his chance and he jumped and grabbed his opponent by the throat, throwing him backwards to the floor. By this time the man in under had cleared his deck for action, and though he was the under dog in the fray, proceeded to give his antagonist a good thumping and he soon yelled enough, which goes to prove that it is not always the under dog that gets licked.

Will have Electric Light.

The borough council of Lewisburg have accepted bids and awarded a contract to light that burg by electricity, to a Washington, D. C., firm. There are to be twenty-five arc street lights and to run all night. Before many days the plant is expected to be in operation.

A Sale Every Day.

Every day this month except Sunday, a public sale will be held in some section of the valley, and some days there will be two, but will be located so far apart as not to interfere with each other.

A Memorial Service.

Rev. Fischer, pastor of the Farmers Mills Lutheran church, will deliver a memorial sermon for the late William Luse and three daughters, on Sunday, March 20th. All are invited to attend the services.

Important.

Such of our subscribers as change their postoffice address this spring, should notify us—give us the name of the office they change from as well as the office to which the change is to be made.

Will Vote for Cleveland.

The five delegates to the Democratic state convention from this county will vote for Cleveland. Their names are John Noll, Charles R. Kurtz, P. J. McDonald, William Peeler and Judge Reilly.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 7, 1892.

Mr Harrison is engaged in engineering another gigantic war scare, with the same old object in view, but as Secretary Blaine is having a fight with the grip, the little man in the White House is trying to run the machine alone, and there is danger that it may not work as it did in the Chilian business; it certainly will not if similar ultimatum buncomb is used by Mr. Harrison. Details are scarce as to why the country is in the great danger of war with Great Britain that the administration people say it is. All that is known is that lord Salisbury has notified the Department of State that he approved of the arbitration treaty that was signed by Mr. Blaine and Sir Julian Pauncefote last Monday, but that he declined to renew the modus vivendi for the coming sailing season in Behring Sea, and suggested in lieu thereof a close season within thirty miles of the Pribylov Islands.

There's no booming of cannon or sounding of the charge in that, so far as ordinary folk can see or hear, but it was enough to bring Mr. Harrison tearing home from his hunting trip and to cause him to call his cabinet hurriedly together for a night meeting which was of itself enough to start the most sensational stories agoing over the newspaper special wires, and the mysterious hints dropped by those close to Mr. Harrison, of impending danger to the American Eagle, did the rest in a manner that was probably highly pleasing to that gentleman; but now that he has his war scare fairly on its feet, what will he do with it?

Do Treasury officials make a practice of withholding payment of contracts and other public expenditures between the middle and last of the month, in order to make a better showing than actually exists, in the monthly statement issued at the close of business on the last day of the month? Evidently Representative Butler, of Iowa, believes there is something in the charge that they do, for he has offered a resolution calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury for a detailed statement of the requisitions for money for the public service presented to the Treasury between Feb. 15 and 29, and of payments made on the same prior to March 1.

The legalizing of his "counted quorum" by the Supreme Court so puffed up the ex-Czar with impudence and conceit that even the patience of so even-tempered a man as Speaker Crisp was at last completely exhausted and the man from Maine found himself being artistically flayed by the Speaker, to whom he had been trying to dictate. And the general verdict, joined in by many republicans, is that it "served him right."

The anti-Harrison republicans are somewhat at sea as to who to take up for a candidate, and the names that are constantly being put forward in that connection are but feelers of the public pulse. The latest feeler is in favor of J. S. Clarkson, chairman of the republican national committee, the man who was backed by Quay and the entire national committee for a place in Mr. Harrison's cabinet, and yet was most peremptorily turned down. There is little doubt that Mr. Clarkson would take great pleasure in taking the nomination away from Mr. Harrison, if he could; but Mr. Clarkson's mental caliber is hardly large enough to make him a Presidential nominee, even of the republican party.

The House Committee on Appropriations may decide to abolish two entire divisions of the Treasury department, those on Public Money and Loans and Currency, because the work done by them is but a duplication of what is done by two divisions of the Treasurer's office. All that is necessary to abolish them is to leave them out of the annual appropriation bill upon which the committee is now at work.

Although the Pension Office investigation has but just begun to get into the interesting stage, it has already been shown pretty conclusively that things are not conducted as they should be. It has been acknowledged by official witnesses that men recommended for dismissal, for cause, have not only been kept in office, but actually promoted; it has been acknowledged that the private secretary of Assistant Secretary Chandler has regularly visited the Pension Office to push the claims represented by a certain attorney, and that an employe who feloniously broke the lock of the desk of one of his superior officers in order to see some papers therein was afterwards promoted. And there is more and worse to come. Mr. Enloe has introduced a bill for the protection of witnesses in the employ of the Government, which if it becomes a law, as it should, will add much important testimony which otherwise will not be obtained in this investigation.

Three appropriation bills passed in one week. Where is the man who accused the majority of the House of being slow?

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst, by death, during the latter part of January, 1892, our worthy and beloved school-mates, Cora A., Katie S., and Della M. Luse, three sisters, aged about seventeen, eight and nineteen years respectively, who were earnest and faithful members of our school, and

Whereas, At a special meeting of the Logan school, Gregg township, Centre county, Pa., it was

Resolved, That whilst bowing in humble submission to the Divine will, we yet would express much sorrow for the loss of these zealous school-mates, in whom, not only our school, but the Sabbath school and the church also have lost active and consistent members, and

Resolved, That, to the widowed mother, who is the only surviving member of the once happy family, we extend our heartfelt sympathy in this her specially sad affliction and bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mrs. R. E. Luse, and that some of the county papers be requested to publish them.

GARDNER GROVE, EMORY RIPKA, MOLLIE LONG, Committee.

A School For Voters.

The Pittsburgh Times, in order to instruct the people how to vote under the new Baker law, has concluded to open a school to introduce the system. A room will be equipped with a booth constructed upon the plan officially adopted by the state authorities and all the approaches, boxes and accessories contemplated by the new law. An election board will be in attendance daily, to conduct the election and instruct voters in the operation of the system. This is a good idea and 'twould be well if schools were opened in all parts of the state. The new mode of casting a ballot is more complicated than the old system and it would be a source of much time saving if the voter were instructed before hand in the manner in which his vote shall be cast.

A pathetic story comes from Wilkes-Barre. John Traynor, whose duty it was to examine the chambers in a mine before the men commenced work failed to return to the surface at the usual time. Searchers explored the mine, but failed to find him. On Saturday night Traynor's young wife also disappeared, and the most diligent search failed to discover her. Yesterday afternoon a party of nine surveyors who were examining some old workings found Mrs. Traynor. She was sitting beside the dead body of her husband crooping a lullaby. She is now a raving maniac. How she found her way into the old workings without a light is a mystery. Her husband had been killed by a fall of coal.

Important to Shippers.

All the railroad companies operating in Eastern Pennsylvania have entered into an agreement which will go into effect April 1st, by which shippers holding cars for loading, or consignees for unloading will be charged one dollar per car per day after forty-eight hours.

Insurance Meeting.

The quarterly meeting of the officers and directors of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company was held on Tuesday at Bartges' hotel. All directors but two were present and business pertaining to the interests of the company was transacted.

Measner than the Last Reported.

The meanest man has been found in a certain township of Franklin county. It is said he pumped water on his head let his hair freeze and then broke it off rather than pay a barber to cut it.

Taking a Course.

Philip Bradford, son of William Bradford, of the Old Fort, has become a student under station agent Katherman and is taking a full course in lightning slinging and jerking freight.

Did Good Work.

During a revival meeting at Tyrone, which began on New Year's night and closed on Monday night, one hundred and thirty-three persons professed conversion.

Wedding Invitations, etc.

We have received a fine line of type, suitable for printing wedding invitations, etc., and carry in stock finest grades of paper for same. Our work we guarantee as first-class and at low prices.

Have you seen the new stock of overcoats just received at the Philad. Branch?