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**Fish stories will be in season after April 15.**

The anti-Quay fever is beginning to run high among Republicans.

It is too early for the liar about snakes—they won't wriggle yet.

Wages have gone down in all industrial centres. Charge it to the McKinley tariff act.

From different sections of the Northwest come reports of persons frozen to death in last week's blizzard.

If the tariff question and free coinage of silver were settled, the country could get along right well for five years without a session of congress.

England has a great coal strike on hand. Over 100,000 men have gone out, and many of the great iron works have been obliged to shut down. Much distress will result, among the middle and lower classes.

The other day the New York customs authorities discovered a clever device to convey goods into this country.

One of the cabin passengers on the steamship Saale, from Bremen, had a quantity of diamond jewelry under a porous plaster on his back.

The Philadelphia Times closed its 17th year a few days ago. It is proud of its success and has a right to be, for its a power in the state and nation, a favorite with all, and displays first-class ability in its editorial department and elegance in its typography.

That would be a good law introduced in the senate by Senator Allison to compel railroads to equip their cars with automatic couplers within a certain time. The bill makes it unlawful for any railroad to use cars not so coupled and imposes fines for violation of the act.

Auditor General McCamant's report on finances for the past year states that the receipts were unusually heavy, being an increase of \$5,200,000 over the preceding year. The greater portion of this increase comes from the refund of the direct tax by the United States Government an increase of tax on corporations.

There was an increase of more than \$900,000 in the State tax on personal property. There was also an increase of \$500,000 on the collateral inheritance tax, \$40,000 from foreign insurance companies, \$72,000 from bonus on charters, and considerable from liquor licenses.

This is not a free country any more—there is no use in talking. Just see: A fellow gets a cramp in his stomach, a gripping of the bowels or the United States belly-ache, and if he goes to the druggist for a half-pint of whiskey to cure himself he must first be fortified with a prescription from a doctor before he can get the cure. Another fellow only feels a little dry in the throat and does not have any of the above ailments, he can go into a saloon or tavern five times a day, and get a half-pint without any prescription at all. The equality of the citizens is destroyed—this is no more a free country. The Declaration of Independence is set aside. The druggist is not the equal of the saloonist, and the thirsty one has rights not enjoyed by the fellow with the belly-ache.

The Philadelphia Ledger says Pennsylvania's Ballot Reform law has many faults, due in part to the necessity of reconciling the Australian Ballot law to the numbering provisions of the State Constitution, but the opposition to it started by the Prohibitionists appears to be unreasonable.

**GREENLAND IS THE MAN.**  
He Gets the Appointment of Adjutant General of Pennsylvania.  
Governor Pattison Tuesday afternoon appointed Colonel Walter W. Greenland, of Clarion, as Adjutant General to succeed the late William McClelland, and O. E. McClelland, superintendent of the middle division, Pennsylvania railroad, as Quartermaster General on the Governor's staff to fill the vacancy created by the appointment of Colonel Greenland.

He was born in Cassville, Huntingdon county, but at the time of his appointment he lived in Clarion county, and has quite a military record.

Colonel Greenland was among the first to respond to the call for aid during the terrible calamity at Johnstown in 1889, and remained there six weeks rendering valuable aid to Adjutant General Hastings.

**The Sixton the Winner.**  
A Lancaster church gives a medal to every person that misses neither a church nor a Sunday school service during the year. Only one was awarded for the past year, and the sexton got that one.

## The Tariff Debate Opens.

The debate upon the free wool bill began in the House, the participants being Mr. McMillin, of Tennessee, and Mr. Dingley, of Maine. The report of the two speeches shows that they were not confined to the subject actually before the committee of the whole, but took a wide range, covering the whole general subject of the system of revenue from duties upon imports. Summed up in a sentence, Mr. McMillin's speech was an elaborate exposure of the unnecessary high rate of duties levied by the McKinley bill, and Mr. Dingley's an elaborate a defense of it as could be made under the circumstances.

The Times says: Mr. McMillin's strongest point was his challenge to the Republicans to show that the farmer had received more for his wool or the laborer any advance in wages since the passage of the McKinley bill. Even Mr. Dingley did not meet this challenge. The second charge that the cost of the laborer's home, the tools he works with and the clothes he and his family wear have been increased, while his wages have remained stationary, was likewise unanswered. The single benefit to the masses contained in that measure—free sugar—was shown to be much more than offset by the increased price of other necessities. Mr. McMillin's figures showed that the farmers had not been benefited, as American wool is cheaper than before the passage of the bill and the number of sheep decreasing rather than otherwise, while shoddy as an ingredient of the clothing of the masses had taken the place of the fleeces of 29,000,000 sheep since the adoption of the high duty on wool.

Mr. Dingley's reply was ingenious, but hardly argumentative. By deducting the duties formerly levied on sugar and other articles now on the free list he claimed that the average duty on all imports was but 21 1/2 per cent, against 32 per cent. under the old law and 27 per cent. under the Mills bill of 1888. Mr. Dingley evidently has a genius for figures that mislead. Hardly more convincing was his reference to our increased exports, which everybody knows were due to our big crops of wheat and corn and a crop failure in Europe, and not to the McKinley bill at all. When the logic of facts is against the orator, however, he must resort to sophistry and misstatement or acknowledge himself beaten, and Mr. Dingley credited to the McKinley bill the blessings of Providence probably because Providence failed to have a representative on the floor of the House to expose the fraud.

## Cleveland Will Run.

Grover Cleveland has written a letter stating that he will be a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination at Chicago.

The letter was in response to one from Hon. E. S. Bragg, who asked Mr. Cleveland his intentions.

In the course of the letter Mr. Cleveland says:

"I cannot, however, refrain from declaring to you that my experience in the great office of president of the United States has so impressed me with the solemnity of the trust and its awful responsibilities that I cannot bring myself to regard a candidacy for the place as something to be won by personal strife and active self-assertion."

"I have also an idea that the presidency is pre-eminently the people's office, and I have been sincere in my constant advocacy of the effective participation in political affairs on the part of all our citizens, consequently I believe the people should be heard in the choice of their party candidates, and that they themselves should make nominations, as directly as is consistent with open, fair and full party organization and methods."

## Big Fire at DuBois.

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**Cold Snap.**  
Monday was cold with high winds; at night, much colder and fiercer winds. The fields, thank Providence, are protected by a good mantle of snow.

**To Meet in Bellefonte.**  
The Methodist conference adjourned at York, Pa., this week, to meet in session next year at Bellefonte.

**Died.**  
On the 5th inst, near Moyer's mill on Pine Creek, Mary, wife of David Korman, aged 40 years, two months and 22 days.

If there were no session of the Pennsylvania legislature for ten years, the people would not miss it.

## Getting Ready for Pulverizing.

It is apparent from cablegrams giving the latest advices from Moscow and St. Petersburg that the Czar of Russia is making preparations to do a little "pulverizing" on his own account if necessary. Mobilization and equipment of troops with new firearms is going on at military stations in Russia in preparation for the transfer of an increased force to the western boundary of Russia. Since January, if reports are true, a quarter of a million infantry, ten thousand cavalry and a heavy artillery force have been moved to the line of fortresses along the German-Austrian frontier, and as many more are likely to be sent thither in the next few weeks. War between Russia and Germany is not anticipated in the near future, but there can be no question but that the Czar intends to be ready for war, either defensively or aggressively.

The German Emperor in a recent speech made the remark that he would pulverize Russia.

## Wiser But Poorer.

A Uniontown, Pa., dispatch of the 3d details the fact as follows: Jacob Prinkey, a wealthy farmer of Wharton township, this county, is wiser, sadder and \$2,000 poorer than on Tuesday. Three days ago a man of good address came to his place and represented that he was connected with a railroad being built through that section. Yesterday morning he told Prinkey that it was foolish and yet a strange thing that for the last three nights he had been at his house he had dreamed each night of a certain tree on Prinkey's farm that was filled with money. The stranger described the tree minutely and Prinkey recognized it and said he could lead the way to it. The alleged railroad man persisted that there was nothing in his dream, but Prinkey was interested and took him to a tree which they cut down. When the tree fell great heaps of shining silver rolled from the hollow in the tree. Prinkey was greatly excited and procured sacks and baskets and the precious metal was taken to his house. When counted there were \$4,000 in all. The agreement was that they should divide, but the stranger said he could not carry his and asked Prinkey to give him paper money. Prinkey did so and the man vanished. Last night Prinkey became suspicious and when a test was made of his silver it was found to be bogus.

**New Silver Coinage.**  
The new silver coinage added to the old gives plenty of small money, five, ten, twenty-five and fifty cent pieces, to business men, relieving them from the inconvenience which they suffered for a while, because of its scarcity. The dime saving tubes, which withdrew so large a quantity of the old ten cent pieces from circulation are too small to admit the new piece of that denomination. Unless a new tube is produced to do this the new ten cent piece cannot be hoarded in this way.

## Divided into Three Precincts.

The viewers appointed for the erection of three precincts in Miles township, have reported in favor of same. The west precinct will have Madisonburg for its capitol; the middle precinct Rebersburg, and the east precinct Wolf's Store.

## Public Sale.

William Holderman will offer at public sale on the Mrs. Curtin farm, near Linden Hall, on Monday next, March 21st, at one o'clock, live stock, farm implements, household goods, etc.

## Good News for the Depositors.

The statement is made that Receiver Emerson Collins, of the defunct Muncy National Bank, says he will pay off the depositors in full within the next ninety days.

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## SPRING MILLS.

**A Peculiar Mania Developed Among the Young Folks. Other Interesting Happenings the Past Week.**  
C. P. Long now lives in the mansion. The new meat market was opened on Saturday.

J. D. Long has bought the Hanna farm in Georges Valley. Sue Long and Lillian Krise crossed the mountain on Tuesday to Bellefonte.

J. R. Snyder and wife were to their home over Sunday, in Centreville, Snyder co.

Miss Sadie Breen is staying at Aaronsburg this winter, taking care of a professor and a sick aunt.

R. B. Bartges, who is now working at Centre Hall, has become the father of a bouncing baby.

Centre Castle, No. 169, K. G. E., initiated two candidates and reinstated two members last Saturday night.

A party of town are going to Bellefonte on Saturday. It is said that they are all going to stop at the Hotel de Ishler.

Samuel Waits' sale was largely attended, and a number of the horses were bought by persons living in this end of the valley.

Rev. J. H. Hertz, who will be the Evangelical minister for Spring Mills next year, will move into town soon. He will occupy the house vacated by Rev. Kenneley.

Our friend and townsman, M. A. Kenneley, has lately become a full-fledged minister. He will take charge of a circuit at Milesburg, whither he will move as soon as his school is finished.

Our young folks are having a mania for making maple sugar. Some one tried to get the sap out of the old tree on the hill that has been dead 10! these many years. Our town prophet predicts that soon every hitching post in town will have a spout in its side and that the present price of maple sugar will be reduced one-half.

## METHODIST APPOINTMENTS.

The List of Appointments Showing Where the Ministers Go For This District.

The following appointments have been made for this the Altoona district, by the Methodist conference, in session the past week at York, Pa.:

B. B. Hamlin, Presiding Elder.

P. O. Tyrone.

Allegheny, Supply, (L. L. Logan).

Altoona, Asbury, J. H. McCord, Supernumerary.

Chester Avenue, A. R. Miller.

Eighth Avenue, H. R. Bender.

Fifth Avenue, William Moses.

First Church, D. S. Monroe.

North, L. F. Smith.

Simpson Church, R. E. Wilson.

Bellefonte, W. A. Houck.

Bellwood, J. B. Stein.

Birmingham, J. B. Brenneman.

Clearfield, G. D. Penepacker.

Coalport, L. M. Brady.

Curwensville, L. M. Smyser.

Duncansville, G. E. King.

Glen Hope, Supply, (Job Truax).

Half Moon, A. P. Wharton.

Hastings, Supply, (W. H. Closson).

Hollidaysburg, E. T. Swartz.

Houtzdale, W. F. D. Noble.

Howard, N. B. Smith.

Irvona, Supply, (G. P. Sarvis).

Lumber City, C. A. Biddle.

Martinsburg, and Woodburg, A. W. Guyer.

McKees Gap, Bruce Hughes.

Milesburg and Unionville, George Warren.

Morrisdale, C. W. Rishel.

Mountaineer, H. K. Ash.

New Washington, George Trach.

Osceola, M. C. Piper.

Penn's Valley, R. W. Illingworth.

Phillipsburg, T. S. Wilcox.

Pine Grove, J. W. Glover.

Pleasant Gap, F. W. Leidy.

Port Matilda, J. C. Young.

Ramey, F. S. Vough.

Roaring Spring, F. M. Welsh.

Shannock, Hugh Strain.

Snow Shoe, J. W. Forrest.

Tyrone, First church, R. H. Gilbert.

" Second church, William Brill.

Wallacetown, E. W. Wanner.

Warriorsmark, J. W. Ely.

West Clearfield, E. H. Witman.

Williamsburg, H. N. Minnigh.

Woodland and Bradford, G. W. Bouse.

## Services During the Week.

Rev. Baskerville, pastor of the Presbyterian church, every evening this week will have services in the church. Communion services next Sunday afternoon at the usual hour.

## Bring Low Prices.

Horses are low, because nobody wants any. Pigs are high, because everybody wants 'em.

The reason we lead the shoe trade is because we best satisfy the people for a genuine bargain.—Mingle, Bellefonte.

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

—Apples wanted.—G. O. Benner.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, March 14, 1892.

Mr. Harrison certainly has not favorably impressed the majority of the republican Senators by his manipulation of the Behrings Sea matter in such a way as to create a war scare, whatever effect it may have had in other quarters. Senator Sherman, who is chairman of the Senate committee on Foreign Affairs, expressed his opinion in very few words by saying: "A war, or even a contention between the United States and Great Britain for a cause so trivial as one year's fishing for seals, would be a crime against civilization." A prominent republican, who is a warm personal friend of Secretary Blaine, said to-day that this whole affair had been directed by Mr. Harrison without the knowledge of Mr. Blaine, who was for nearly a week too sick to attend to any business, and that when Mr. Blaine learned what had been done his first impulse was to take advantage of his illness, make that an excuse, and tender his resignation to take effect at once. He was persuaded to change his mind, but it is not at all certain that he will consent to remain in the cabinet. He is going South as soon as he can travel, and the date for his return is very uncertain. Naval officials are dropping mysterious hints about sending a naval force strong enough to fight to stop the poaching in Behrings Sea, but nobody here believes that there will be any fighting, or any occasion for fighting.

The democrats of the House held a caucus Saturday night and authorized a committee to select the House members of the Congressional campaign committee for this year. Representative McCreey, of Kentucky, will probably be the chairman of the committee, which will begin work at once. The United States Government has profited directly to the extent of \$4,000,000 by its dealings with the inventors of the country, that being the amount of the surplus earnings of the Patent Office now lying idle in the U. S. Treasury, to say nothing of the indirect benefit the country has received by reason of the inventions upon which it has granted patents. This makes it seem all the harder that on account of the failure of Congress to authorize the expenditure of a portion of the surplus earnings of the patent office, to provide necessary room, the Commissioner of Patents has been compelled to stop furnishing copies of patents issued. This is a hardship, not only to inventors, but to manufacturers, owners of patents, and other business men who for one reason or another often find it important to have copies of certain patents.

Great business pressure is being brought to bear on the House committee on Rivers and Harbors, in favor of the proposed ship channels connecting the great lakes, and more than one hundred Representatives, from Northern, Central and Western States have signed a letter addressed to the committee, strongly endorsing the scheme and asking that it be reported to the House.

The House committee on Territories will take a formal vote on the bill for the admission of New Mexico, on Wednesday of this week. It will be favorably reported, and it is believed that it will certainly pass the House, but the indications are that it will be "hung up" in the Senate. Senator Hill's southern trip appears to be giving the republicans a lot of trouble. He goes in response to warm and pressing invitations, and he is certain to meet a welcome worthy of his distinguished services for, and his prominent position in the democratic party.

So many members of the House wish to make speeches on the free wool bill, now before the House, that it will be necessary to hold night sessions this week in order to give even a few of them a chance to have their say before the vote is taken, next Monday. The present arrangement is to have the debate closed by ex-Speaker Reed, for the republicans, and Speaker Crisp, for the democrats.

Two things will occur on Tuesday, March 22, in which democrats everywhere are deeply interested. At Washington the House will take up the Bland free coinage bill, and Austin, Texas, the legislature in special session will begin balloting for a Senator. There are three candidates here—Senator Chilton, who holds the position by gubernatorial appointment; Representatives Mills, and Culbertson, who declined the position of Interstate Commerce Commissioner to which ex-Representative Clements of Georgia, has since been nominated, because of his desiring to enter the Senatorial contest, and it is greatly to their credit that all three of them propose remaining here and attending to their Congressional duties while the contest is being decided.

**SAD DEATH.**  
Farmers Mills Again Visited by the Grim Messenger.

The vicinity of Farmers Mills was again visited by that grim messenger, Death, on Monday, and from its midst was plucked a fair flower. The victim this time was Miss Elizabeth Ream, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ream, whose death occurred on last Monday. She was aged only about 22 years. She had not been in the best of health for some time past, but her condition was not at any time considered serious until a few days previous to her death. She suffered from heart trouble, which with other complications ended in her demise. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning, Rev. Fischer, officiating.

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Representative Springer is slowly recovering but his physicians do not hold out much hope of his being able to take any further part in the work of this session.

The bill for the admission of Arizona will be favorably reported this week, and it will in due time be passed by the House.

## The Pennsylvania as a Disburser.

(Editorial in Philadelphia Press, March 16th, '92.)

The speech of President Roberts at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Railroad was interesting in giving a novel and striking idea of the importance to business interests of the community of a great corporation. The public, except that portion of it employed by the railroads, is apt to regard them as a tremendous concern which simply moves freight and carries passengers and as a great absorber of money. They do not know, or they forget, that the railroad company pays back to the community in cash promptly the larger portion of its earnings in wages, and that it is, besides, a large purchaser of manufactures and a patron of every department of trade. A purchasing agent in this city recently bought for his company some sewing needles and an anchor on the same day. It would be difficult to mention any article of commerce in which a railroad company in its capacity as a consumer does not deal.

In his speech, Mr. Roberts pointed out the extent of the Pennsylvania Railroad's operations as a purchasing and consuming portion of the community. He showed that during the last decade that corporation had absorbed the productions of Philadelphia alone to the extent of \$15,800,000, or at the rate of \$1,580,000 per year. The man or corporation which adds \$5000 per day to the business of his city, and does it for ten years, ought to be cultivated. This sum, it is understood, includes only the money spent in actual improvements—in terminals, wharves, warehouses, shops in the city, &c., which indirectly tend to make further increases in commerce and trade in many directions.

The total expenditures of the Pennsylvania Railroad are, of course, much larger, and after showing what the road had done for the city, President Roberts took up those figures. In the single year of 1891 the Pennsylvania Railroad expended in this Commonwealth the enormous sum of \$52,000,000, or at the rate of \$1,000,000 per week. There are not three railroads in the United States whose gross earnings are equal to this sum, a fact which, after all, gives but a small idea of the immensity of the Pennsylvania's disbursing capacity, as we believe forty other millions were spent on portions of the line outside the State. The figures do not need elaboration. They demonstrate at once how much and how important a part of the community the Pennsylvania Railroad is, and point out its intimate relations to all matters pertaining to business in a most striking way.

The ultimate effects of these large, constant, and timely expenditures cannot be contemporaneously known or pointed out. We of this generation can only see that they have added largely to the convenience of the public, that they have made the city more accessible to freight shippers, that they have increased our coastwise and foreign trade, that they have added to our manufacturers, and in a hundred ways built up and promoted the stability of the city and Commonwealth. President Roberts and his able lieutenants are to be congratulated on having done so much toward the development of commerce and the promotion of all that tends to a broader and more beneficent civilization.

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