



Ario Pardee, one of Pennsylvania's greatest coal operators, died in Florida on Sunday last.

In some quarters General Beaver is named in connection with the United States Senatorship to succeed Quay.

Wheat is on the decline, with no prospect for a rise. Crop prospects being favorable cause the decline.

Pennsylvania's richest man, Ario Pardee, is dead. His age is about 80 years, and his wealth about fifty millions.

Quay is getting away with some of the counties for senator—Armstrong, Union and Snyder went for him last week.

He picked up a revolver. He did not know it was loaded, and did not know his funeral was to come off three days after.

It is reported that Hill will not be a candidate for President, and will favor the nomination of Governor Palmer, of Illinois.

The Phillipsburg Journal talks in favor of having an electric railway in that town. When Phillipsburg makes up her mind to have a thing, she will have it.

Walt Whitman, the "Good Gray Poet," died at his home in Camden, N. J., on last Saturday evening. He had been lying on the brink of eternity since last December.

The Philadelphia Press, the leading Republican organ of this state, is working with its coat off and sleeves up, to defeat Quay for a re-election to the senate, and in favor of Mr. Dalzell.

James Kennedy, who for months had been exhibiting himself as the "Human Ostrich," and devouring glass, tacks and nails, died at St. Louis a few days ago. An autopsy made today revealed the fact that his body was full of such articles. One fool is dead, but the fools are not all dead yet.

Melting snow in the up-river region is causing a flood sufficient for rafting in the Susquehanna and tributaries. Log drives are being started and the rafting of square timber has begun. There will in all probability be a good run of lumber in a few days. Dispatches from Clearfield state that several timber rafts passed there.

The Logan Iron company's blast furnaces at Greenwood furnace, in the northern part of Huntingdon county, have been closed temporarily by reason of dullness in trade. The suspension will extend over a period of four months. A large number of men are out of employment. This is the first suspension in twenty years. And this under the McKinley bill!

Senators Vilas, of Wisconsin, has introduced a bill to amend the general pension laws, which provides that the pension of any invalid pensioner who deserted his family should be paid to his wife and children, and that in case of insane pensioners and pensioners imprisoned for crime a like course might be followed.

Spreckels, the sugar king, has had to yield to the Sugar trust, now more powerful than the Standard company since its trust arrangement has been disintegrated. For years Spreckels fought the trust, but at last yielded to the blandishments of \$7,000,000 and went out of business in Philadelphia. The profits of the trust have been fabulous. Up to July 1st, 1890, it had cleared \$27,400,000 net. At the last annual meeting, on January 27th, it was decided to increase the capital stock by \$22,000,000. This was placed on the directors. Before the absorption of the Franklin and Spreckels refineries the capacity of the trust refineries was about 65 per cent of the total refining capacity of the United States. The trust has 14 refineries in operation, besides five closed refineries in New York, Boston, New Orleans, St. Louis and San Francisco.

The Atlanta Constitution remarks: "Because certain South American countries and Hayti will not go into the reciprocity business, President Harrison, without the consent of the Democratic House, goes ahead under the Republican Legislature of the last Congress and taxes the American people 3 cents a pound on their coffee. It is alleged that he has issued this taxing proclamation to retaliate upon Columbian, Venezuela and Hayti, but the burden falls on our people."

"Viewed in any light, the President has exercised an oppressive power not possessed by any European despot. He is taxing us without the consent of our representatives, and making the robbed like hand of his administration felt deep down in every poor man's pocket. It is not retaliation; it is punishing ourselves."

SILVERBILL MEETS A DEFEAT.

The free coinage bill met a defeat in the lower house of congress last Wednesday night, by a tie vote.

This was a great surprise as both sides looked for a large majority in favor of the silver bill, and the result took the breath out of the silver men—who were confident of a victory—so completely, that for the time being they were bewildered.

The one congressman who expected just such a result, was Mr. Harter, of Ohio. The bill was made a special order beginning with last Tuesday.

On the morning of that day the editor of the REPORTER, in an hour's interview with the Ohioan, and as to what he thought would be the outcome, was confidently told by Mr. Harter that the anti-silver men would gain the victory. Said Mr. Harter, "I tell you Kurtz, I expect to see the silver bill go overboard; at least we will get a substitute passed instead, and that will be a great point gained."

Perhaps not a half dozen men in congress would have believed Mr. Harter's prediction. But the vote thirty-six hours thereafter proved that he knew what he was talking about. Mr. Harter was in the lead against the bill, and is receiving many messages of congratulation upon the successful fight he made.

The defeat of the silver bill shows that a great many in and out of congress have changed their minds upon this question within the past four weeks.

POCKET FULL, AND OUT OF DEBT.

State Treasurer Boyer's statement of the condition of the State finances shows a plethoric condition of the Treasury. There was a balance on hand December 1, 1891, of \$6,979,852. The assets of the Sinking Fund are sufficient to provide for the total extinction of the State debt by the time the last loan fall due, in 1912. Under the tax laws as they now stand the State will this year pay \$5,000,000 for the public schools. This is equivalent to the remission of \$4,000,000 of accustomed local taxation; and if to this amount shall be added \$2,750,000 poured into the county treasuries from liquor licenses and \$1,800,000 from the personal property tax the money diverted from State to county uses will be \$8,550,000 in excess of previous appropriations of State tax to the relief of local burdens.

The load thus lifted from the shoulders of tax-payers has been laid mainly upon corporations. This system of taxation has two advantages one of them real, and the other only apparent. There is a real economy of collection, and an apparent shifting of the burden. The tax-payer pays his tax readily when he doesn't know that he is paying it, and when he has no tax collector running after him and making him pay for the cost of the running. The disadvantage in collecting the taxes from corporations and allowing them to reimburse themselves as best they can is the tendency toward extravagance inevitable in ever system where the final payment of tax is indirect.—Philadelphia Record.

Soldiers' Orphans

The soldiers' orphans will celebrate in Harrisburg on the 6th of May, by holding the second annual meeting and banquet the Sixteen Years club. Those eligible to membership in the club are male soldiers' orphans who have been members of any of the Pennsylvania state soldiers' homes and who are of good moral character. Meetings of the club are held each year on the 6th of May.

A Majority for Quay.

The Snyder county Republicans at their primaries pronounced in favor of Quay—Quay 924, Dalzell 116, Robinson 15. The contest was a hot one.

Focht was nominated over Ritter, in Union county on Saturday, by 300 majority. The vote on the Senatorial question resulted in a large majority for Senator Quay. There was a red-hot fight and Quay and Focht came out ahead.

Centre County for Harrison.

So far as heard from over the county the Republican primaries Saturday afternoon and evening were quite largely attended. Instructions were voted in every precinct reported indorsing J. A. Fiedler as delegate to the National Convention with instructions to vote for President Harrison.

Minnesota has instructed for Cleveland. The run seems to be in that direction of late, and it is likely Mr. Hill will bow to the voice of his party, like a good Democrat, put in his best work for the election of the Democratic nominee, be he Cleveland, or some other one.

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

THE MCKINLEY BILL A FAILURE.

The McKinley high tariff is a failure. It promised the working man an increase of wages. Not one has received higher wages.

It promised a boom to manufacturing interests all over the land. From every part of the land come reports of manufacturing establishments shutting down and men thrown out of employment.

It promised higher prices for the farmer's grain. Yet every farmer is found complaining, and justly too, of grain being low in price and getting still lower.

Deny these facts if you can.

CENTRE COUNTY REPUBLICANS.

National Delegates Chosen and President Harrison's Administration Endorsed.

The Centre county Republican convention assembled in the court house at Bellefonte Tuesday afternoon. Colonel Austin Curtin and W. L. Malin of Bellefonte, were elected delegates to the state convention and George M. Boal, G. P. Matten and H. G. Harris were chosen conferees to meet in conference with the several counties composing the congressional district to elect delegates to the national Republican convention. Resolutions were passed heartily endorsing President Harrison's administration.

YOUNG CLEARLY MUST HANG.

The Supreme Court affirms the verdict in the case.

The Supreme Court approved the decision of the court of Oyer and Terminer of Clinton county in the case of the Commonwealth against Cleary. Chief Justice Paxson filed the opinion of the court, and a dissenting opinion was delivered by Judge Sterritt.

Cleary is the man who murdered Chief of Police Philip Paul at Renovo about three years ago, and has been twice convicted of murder in the first degree. The first judgment was reversed by the Supreme Court upon a technical error in the Judge's charge, and he was again tried and convicted. It was for this second conviction that he appealed.

Putting on Pressure.

"Hugging parties are in vogue in Western localities. For fifteen cents a man after being blindfolded is permitted to place his arm around a woman and put on the necessary pressure. The revenue goes to the support of the church. They played it low down on a man recently who had invested a dime and a nickel in the business, by giving him his wife to squeeze. After the bandage was removed he had a fit—and the church had the wealth."

An Interesting Meeting.

A very pleasant and profitable meeting was held by the newly organized Christian Endeavor Society, on last Sabbath evening. Although their membership at present is not large, yet they all seem to be deeply interested in the good work, and hope by their efforts to increase the number. The next meeting will be held on Sabbath evening, at 6 o'clock, in the Presbyterian church, to which all are cordially invited.

A Wood-Chopper's Nerve.

Henry Herbert, a Potter county woodsman, chopped down a tree on Wednesday, which in falling fell upon him. He was alone and considerably injured. When he recovered consciousness he saw his axe within reach and went to work with a will to chop off the tree where it lay upon his legs. The work was slow, as the tree was eighteen inches through but he finally freed himself.

Killed Two Bear and Captured a Third.

On Monday Robert Wells and John Fulger were hunting for foxes in Green's Valley and instead of foxes found plenty of bear. The Centre Democrat says the hunters killed two and captured a third one alive. The largest bear killed weighed over 250 pounds.

A Deep Cut.

To make room for spring stock on his counters, Lewins, at the Philad. Branch, Bellefonte, is disposing of his stock of winter goods at old prices, and they are cut deeply. A heavy winter suit or an overcoat can be secured at a low figure from him. This is an opportunity seldom accorded the people of this valley.

Death at Lemont.

On Wednesday, 23rd, Mr. Felix Dale died at Lemont. About three years ago he was stricken with paralysis and from that time steadily declined, although pneumonia was the direct cause of his death.

Quarterly Meeting.

Quarterly meeting of the Evangelical church will be held in the Zion church at Tusseyville on Sunday next.

ARBOR DAYS.

Governor Pattison Issues His Proclamation Fixing Two Days.

Monday Gov. Pattison issued his proclamation fixing two days to be observed as arbor days, of which the following is an extract:

"Now, therefore, I Robert Pattison, governor of the said commonwealth, in accordance with custom, which has received the official sanction of our general assembly, thereby the governor is requested to appoint annually a day to be designated as arbor day in Pennsylvania, and to recommend by proclamation to the people on the days named, the planting of trees and shrubbery in the public school grounds and along the public highways throughout the state, do hereby designate and proclaim Thursday, the 14th day of April A. D. 1892, and Friday, the 6th day of May, A. D. 1892, to be observed as arbor days in Pennsylvania."

Either of the above days can be selected, using the day best adapted to climatic conditions.

Union County Deaths.

In Lewis township, on the 14th of March, Bethel Mason, aged 70 years and 18 days.

At Denison, Texas, on the 3rd of March, Jane, wife of Dr. C. Fisher, formerly of Millflin, aged 63 years, 1 month and 12 days.

In Lewis township, on the 3rd of March, Harry Lewis Wheat, aged 4 months and 21 days.

At New Berlin, March 1st, Henry Edman, aged 88 years, 4 months and 14 days.

A Tragedy at Phillipsburg.

George Harris, of Phillipsburg, during a fight at the Lloyd house Monday night either fell out or was pushed out of the door, and, falling head foremost on a stone pavement, sustained injuries from which he died Tuesday afternoon at the Cottage hospital. John F. Bonnor and Henry Humphrey are under arrest charged with having caused his death. Harris was intoxicated and had been very quarrelsome during the evening.

Deserving Praise.

We desire to say to our citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. King's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters and have never handled remedies that sell as well, or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them ever time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, if satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits J. D. Murray Drugist.

The States Receipts.

The annual report of Auditor-General McCamant shows the state receipts for 1891 to have been \$15,007,161, 74 and the expenditures \$10,453,952.64. There were large increases in receipts from tax on corporation, gross receipts loans, personal property and collateral inheritances. The direct tax refund of nearly \$2,000,000 from the United States government also swelled the receipts.

Marriage License Granted.

O. H. Stover and Annie C. Marsh, both of Aaronsburg.
J. H. Cornwell, Howard township, and Mary J. Kline, Howard borough.
A. H. Emmehizer and Sadie Rider, both of Spring township.
W. H. Condo, Aaronsburg, and Anna M. Retner, Woodward.
Jacob Harpster and Anna M. Gates, both of Gatesburg.

Notice To Subscribers.

We again would request those of our subscribers who desire their paper changed to another postoffice, owing to removal, to give the old address as well as new. Daily we are in receipt of letters desiring a change but neglect to give past address and it would save great annoyance both to the subscriber and ourselves if our instructions were adhered to.

Struck a Subterranean River.

A ten inch hole was drilled at State College in order to obtain a better supply of water. At a depth of 390 feet a strong stream was struck and the pumps started at once. The flow is now 33,000 gallons per hour.

A Clinton County Elopement.

Miss Josephine Frank, of Flemington, Clinton county, has created a sensation and ruined her own and others lives by running away with Charles Bechtol, her brother-in-law, who deserts a wife and three children.

HOARSENESS.

So as to speak only in whispers; rough scraping sensation in the throat; soreness in the chest; cough from tickling in the throat are cured by HUMPHREYS' SPECIFIC NUMBER SEVEN.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, March 28, 1892.

Speaker Crisp probably wishes as sincerely as any man in or out of Congress that the Bland free coinage bill had been finally disposed of last week, and that there were some honorable way of escaping a renewal of the fight this week. But there isn't. Nothing will satisfy either side but a decisive victory. Mr. Crisp's position in the fight, last week, was anything but pleasant to him. Although it had been some time ago decided that the free coinage of silver should not be made a party measure, he found himself confronted by a majority of the democrats in the House, together with eleven republicans and the Alliance members, who favored free coinage, and a strong minority of democrats and seven-eighths of the republicans, among whom were some of the ablest and most experienced parliamentarians in the House, who were opposed to it. That the Speaker who has always been in favor of the free coinage of silver, found the role of presiding officer a trying and difficult one to fill, to his own satisfaction, to say nothing of others, is not strange; and it is greatly to his credit that no serious fault was found with his rulings.

This week he will have it all to go through with again, as the committee on rules will report another special rule, calling up the silver bill, and it is expected, cutting off debate and filibustering of all sorts. It is probable that the contest over the adoption of this rule will be as bitter and exciting as were any of the fights in Czar Reed's billion dollar Congress, and its result appears to be in doubt. Since last week's surprise the prophets are all laying low and "sawing wood".

The out of town engagements made by the sub-committees of the committees on the World's Fair and on Manufactures, of the House, are off, until the silver bill shall be finally disposed of by the House.

The House Census committee has invited Gen. Francis A. Walker to tell what he thinks of the proposition for establishing a permanent Census Bureau. Mr. Harrison has approved in a special message the bill appropriating \$100,000 for the G. A. R. encampment in this city, next September, but there is a good deal of opposition to the bill, on constitutional grounds. It is held that if it be proper for the general Government to appropriate money for the entertainment of a national organization, it will be the same for all others.

Representative and Senator-elect Mills will not take his seat in the Senate until the free coinage bill and the free wool bill are both finally disposed of by the House.

Certain friends of Mr. Harrison have been making an effort to make an alliance, offensive and defensive, with Secretary Rusk, to whom they have offered the second place on the ticket with Mr. Harrison, but Secretary Rusk, while personally in favor of the renomination of Mr. Harrison, hesitates to do anything that might prevent his accepting the nomination himself, should it be discovered that the convention was not favorably disposed towards Mr. Harrison. Besides Mr. Rusk has been requested by prominent republicans of his State to keep himself free from any entangling alliances with any other candidate, in order to give them a chance to work for his nomination.

The Senate is going through another violent attack of the newspaper fever, and is pretending to be very much interested in discovering by what underhanded methods the wicked correspondents get the full details of everything done in executive sessions, whereas every schoolboy in Washington knows that it is the Senators themselves who furnish the correspondents with the news. The special occasion of this attack was the publication of what the Senators said in executive session about the arbitration treaty, which they have informally concluded to ratify, but are as yet undecided whether to make a renewal of the modus vivendi a condition of its going into effect. They will decide this week.

There is a curious story going around concerning Mr. Harrison and Mr. Blaine. It says that Mr. Blaine attended the last cabinet meeting, and there for the first time learned the full extent of Mr. Harrison's management of the Behring's Sea business, and that when asked to give his advice he declined to do so, saying in effect that he preferred having nothing to do with it.

It is denied at the Navy department that any orders have been issued concerning the policing of Behring's Sea, but it is well known that there are not enough revenue cutters in the Pacific to do the work, and that naval vessels will have to help if it is to be done.

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APRIL FORECAST.

The Month Will be One of Storminess and Unsettled Weather

A period of storm disturbances beginning in the west the last of March will reach its maximum eastward about the 1st and 2d. The regular rush of higher barometer and cold from west and north will take the place of storms, and storm conditions by the 3d—earlier to the west. The equinoxes of earth and Mars being united in their disturbing power at this time, will cause prolonged periods of storminess and unsettled weather, and the moon's first quarter on the 4th will unite with these causes in producing hard storms and severe weather during reactionary perturbations centering on the 5th and 6th. It will be prudent to anticipate cold bleak weather up to about the 10th.

A centre of "Vulcanian" storms falls on the 11th; the full moon and the equinox of Mars fall on the 12th; the equinox of Mercury is on the 15th. All these facts blended with natural tendency to regular terrestrial disturbances due to vernal equinoctial, call for a period of violent disturbances from the 10th to the 14th. The indications call for an unusual conflict between heat and cold, with marked tendency to cyclonic storms on the southern side of storm areas, with sleet and snow probably to the north. Hail, with lightning and thunder, will be marked features of these disturbances in many localities. Cool to cold weather generally will be the natural order behind the storms of this period. About the 17th and 18th the elements will react into high temperature, low barometer and a return to storminess. Mercury is apt to touch northward sections with parting squalls of sleet and snow and touching these dates. Suppose you watch the weather and the report of the wires.

The cool days and nights following the disturbances of 17th and 18th, will give place to much warmer weather about the 23d, and between the 23d and 29th another period of very active disturbances may be expected. The culmination of the period will most likely occur in connection with the new moon about the 26th. Hail and thunder are among the things to be looked for. Very cool nights with frost and some freezing, need not surprise to the northward, from about the 28th to 29th. The month will go out in the midst of reactionary movements, calling for higher temperature, southerly winds and the usual April showers turning to storms of wider and more serious extent and character. Watch them.

The Boss Snake Story.

A farmer of Marion county says he has a snake which swallowed an eight-day clock in August, 1889. Until the clock run down it struck regular and its ticking could be heard. A short time ago the farmer found some eggs which had been deposited in a hole near the reptile, and on breaking them open found that each contained an open-faced watch in first-class running order. He sold the watches at a big profit and has now given the snake a post auger, in the hope that it will produce sufficient cork screws to enable him to start a wholesale drug store.—Dubuque (Iowa) Ledger.

A Million Friends.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, and not less than one million people have found just such a friend in Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds.—If you have never used this Great Cough Medicine one trial will convince you that it has wonderful curative powers in all diseases of Throat, Chest and Lungs. Each bottle is guaranteed to do all that is claimed or money will be refunded. Trial bottles free at J. D. Murray's Drug store Large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

Not to be Encouraged.

Bedford has recently had a marriage the principals of which never saw each other until two or three days before marriage. They conducted their courtship, as they had formed an acquaintance, by means of letters. This union may prove a happy one, but it is an experiment which young people should not be encouraged to make.

Took the Pledge.

In passing upon the licenses application of Simler & McCormick Judge Furst stated, in open court, that both men had taken an oath to drink no liquor for a year, and if they violated the oath their license would be revoked.

Sudden Death.

W. H. Lucas, a well-known citizen of Blanchard, Centre county, died suddenly on Friday, aged 72 years. He was talking to some friends in a store when he fell to the floor and instantly expired.

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