



What has become of the rain maker and his machine?

The Hill boom went off with a bang, and is still off.

A Sherman presidential boom is the latest and like the rest will "peter out."

California Democrats are for Cleveland for President and he will get their delegates.

The latest combination formed is the Wall Paper trust. This combine is bound to go to the wall.

The Republican bosses are making things look a parcel doubtful for Harrison's re-nomination.

The State appropriation for the school districts this year is two and a half times more than it was last year.

The Anarchists are getting in their work in several of the European countries and bomb throwing and dynamiting of public buildings has become almost a daily occurrence.

The crop of embezzlers of bank funds is steadily growing. The latest addition to the ranks is President Hunter, of the Phoenixville National bank, who now lies in jail for want of bail.

Harrison will surely receive the re-nomination from his party from appearances at present. Several states have instructed their delegates for him and indorsed his administration.

John Anderson, who is on trial at Cleveland for bigamy, is said by a correspondent at that city to be claimed by 121 women as their husband. Golly but he must have been blessed with honey in his day.

The Chinese exclusion bill passed the house and President Harrison did not lose any time in signing it. China it is now supposed will retaliate by placing restrictions upon its commerce and sever diplomatic relations with the United States.

For the first time in twenty years the Republicans have carried St. Paul. This is decidedly encouraging.—*Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.* It's about time they took to carrying some respectable fellow like St. Paul, having carried old Cloty so long.

The Philadelphia Press is prosecuting a vigorous war against Senator Quay, to defeat his reelection to the senate. Quay during his thirty year period of office holding has received \$500,000, and the Press thinks he has had enough, and so he has.

The anti-Harrison men are still without a man who can be brought forward in opposition to the present administration. The leaders, Quay, ex-speaker Reed and several others are determined to find a new man if there is such a one, to run against Harrison.

In passing the Chinese exclusion bill the United States has fairly begun a labor which should be completed by prohibiting the rest of Europe from making a dumping ground of the United States of its paupers and criminals. Such action must be taken or the country will be over run by the aliens.

In Virginia there is a lively straight-out Hill contest for delegates against the supporters of Cleveland. It is one of the few States where such an issue has been raised. The Richmond State of Saturday prints a table showing results in the election of delegates in 57 counties and 11 cities, and the summing up is as follows: Cleveland 457, Hill 203, uninstructed 219. The probabilities are the Virginia delegates will go to Chicago uninstructed.

There was once a time in the history of the Republican party when a tariff of 22 per cent was considered burdensome, and in 1857 this tariff was reduced by the first Republican congress, of which N. P. Banks was speaker, on the ground that the revenue was excessive. A tariff then was a tax and a burden on the people, to be reduced to the lowest possible limit. But what a change has come over the spirit of its dreams since 1857. It now maintains a tariff of 60 per cent, that breeds, protects and maintains trusts and monopolies.

The senate joined the house in a free trade departure from the navigation laws, by passing the bill granting an American register to certain foreign built steamships. If this law should have general we would see a revival of American shipping on the ocean. It is the most significant back-down the Republicans have ever made on the tariff question. It is an object lesson, teaching just as free trade in sugar, coffee, ten and quinine teaches.

WILL NOT HARM WORKINGMEN.

Democrats are accused of trying to impress workingmen with the belief that with lower tariffs they would be enabled to secure articles of consumption more cheaply than now, and all workingmen are warned against falling into such error because in that event "the cheapest thing in the United States would be the labor of the people."

This would be astounding but that it is designedly incorrect says the *Patriot*. The first result of a reduction of tariff is a decrease of the price of the commodity that had been subject to duty. That this is true is abundantly shown in the cases of sugar and binding twine. Immediately after the removal of the duty on sugar there was a great drop in its price acknowledged by all Republican papers to have been due solely to the removal of the duty—and they took upon themselves great credit for the fact. The duty on binding twine was reduced from three and one-half cents to seven-tenths of one cent a pound, and the price has fallen from seventeen cents a pound to seven and one-half cents. A reduction of duty is followed by a reduction of price.

This has and can have no appreciable effect upon wages, for there are in protected industries only five per cent. of the workingmen of the United States and in the unprotected industries 95 per cent., who cannot possibly be affected by tariff legislation except in so far as it fixes the prices of the products they consume. There are in this country not more than 1,000,000 persons in the protected industries; there are not less than 63,000,000 consumers. Even if low tariffs reduce wages (which is denied; there is no hardships among binding twine makers) is it not right that the 63,000,000 should be relieved of taxation for the support of this 1,000,000—that 98.4 per cent. should not pay tribute to 1.6?

If reductions of duties make smaller the burdens of the people, which they are known to do, the Democratic party will never cease to demand them. It is impossible for that policy to be harmful; it has shown itself to be beneficial, and has been more than once endorsed by the voters of the United States.

"Prince" Russell Harrison is mixed up in another deal that he should have kept out of for his father's sake, if for no other reason. In the congressional investigation at Washington it was shown that he was to get \$5,000 for his influence in behalf of the Yellowstone Park Company, and failed only because the president of the company sat down on him. He was cruel enough to declare that Russell hadn't any influence worth speaking of at the White House, or anywhere else for that matter. The testimony goes to show that the prince was perfectly ready to sell his influence whether he had any or not. He doubtless argued to himself that there was not much use in being a President's son if he could not make an honest penny occasionally out of the fact.

A Six Legged Calf.

William Dotson, of Cresson, Cambria county, has a calf, born last week, that has six legs, says the *Johnstown Tribune*. Four of these legs are in the rear the animal having double hips. Only two of these rear limbs are however used for walking, the other being too short for pedestrian exercise. As if six legs were not enough the calf also has a double tail, and altogether it is one of the oddest specimens of the animal kingdom ever set forth.

His Second Offense.

Noah Confer, who was arrested last week near Bellefonte, for committing an assault upon a nine-year-old girl, has just served his time in the county jail for committing a similar crime, and it is likely when he comes up for trial, Judge Furst will not be lenient with him, but give him the full extent of the law, as the brute deserves.

Put Himself on Record.

Robert Pitcairn, General Agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad and Superintendent of the Pittsburg Division, in the course of an address before the Railroad Men's Christian Association in Pittsburg on Sunday, took occasion to put himself on record as against the running of Sunday trains.

Bellefonte's Bonded Debt.

The auditors report of Bellefonte which was recently published shows the total indebtedness of that town to aggregate the enormous sum of \$144,340.41. Of this sum, the municipal government is in the hole \$102,840.88, school, \$40,000, and poor \$1,500.13.

At Mingle's shoe store, Bellefonte, all the latest styles in foot wear are kept in stock and at prices lower than elsewhere.

THE TWO-THIRDS RULE.

Some of the leading newspapers have been discussing the wisdom of the next Democratic National Convention repealing what is known as the "two-thirds rule." This rule was first adopted by the National Convention that met at Baltimore in 1832, and it has prevailed in all Democratic National Conventions from that time until the present. It requires two-thirds of the votes of a National Convention to nominate candidates for President and Vice President. Although the soundness of the rule has often been questioned, and repeated efforts have been made to change it for the majority rule it still remains as a part of Democratic policy.

Commenting on the suggestion that the National Convention to meet at Chicago on the 21st of June may be asked to overthrow the two-thirds rule the Philadelphia *Times* pertinently remarks: "Some apprehension has been exhibited in quarters unfriendly to Mr. Cleveland, lest his friends may attempt to revoke the old rule to assure his nomination. All such apprehensions are surely unwarranted. Whatever may be the merits or demerits of the rule that has prevailed in every Democratic National Convention held in the country, it is reasonable to assume that Mr. Cleveland's friends are quite too sagacious to reverse the common law of the party to assure a particular nomination. That would be very bad politics and would give the best possible pretext for disgruntled Democrats to oppose Cleveland's election."

"It has become one of the generally accepted laws of the Democracy that a Democratic candidate for President is entitled to the necessary two-thirds when he commands a clear majority vote; and there is no probability of Mr. Cleveland, or any other candidate before the coming Chicago Convention, being defeated for want of two-thirds after he shall have been given a majority vote. Upon the whole, therefore, we assume that the repeal of the two-thirds rule will not be seriously attempted at Chicago, and that the choice of the majority of the Convention will be reasonably certain to be given the requisite two-thirds vote."

A COUNTY WITHOUT FUNDS.

Huntingdon Commissioners Will Have to Levy an Extra Tax to Meet Expenses.

Huntingdon county is now without a single cent in its treasury and the County Commissioners are in a serious quandary as to what means to devise to meet the county's running expenses.

The prospects are that the two weeks' May term of court which will convene on Monday, will have to be conducted with an empty treasury. The present legal limit of assessments on real estate, 10 mills, has been reached.

The Commissioners, however, in order to decrease the county bonded indebtedness of \$106,611, have decided to lay a special tax. The increase in the county indebtedness is ascribed by the Commissioners to the rapidly growing criminal business in the courts and to building of expensive bridges.

Memorial Day.

Samuel Shannon Post, G. A. R., met in their room on Saturday afternoon to make arrangements for Memorial Day exercises. A committee was appointed having the matter in charge and a speaker was to be secured by them, and up to this time action has not been taken by them. All arrangements will be published in the *REPORTER* and the doings of the committee made public.

Death of an Infant.

Clyde Frederick, an infant child of Emanuel Fye, died April 17th, 1892, aged 6 months and 17 days. Is Clyde dead, and must it be that we his smiles no more can see? But surely is the promise given, That we can see him up in Heaven.

For Coffee Stains.

To remove coffee stains from your table linen, apply the yolk of an egg mixed with a little wine and warm water. Rinse thoroughly with clear warm water after the application has been made.

No Decision Rendered.

The Supreme Court has rendered no decision in the case of George E. Mensch, of Millheim, who lost an eye while in the employ of the P. R. R. The case was argued by Judge Orvis.

Counterfeiters Arrested.

Two Altoona counterfeiters who have been flooding the Clearfield region with counterfeit money, were arrested at Houtzdale on Friday and placed in the Clearfield jail to await trial.

Carpets, cheap, 15, 20 and 25 cents. Cotton Ingrain carpets 35, 40, 45, cents. All wool Ingrain carpets 50, 55, 60, 65, 70 and 75 cents per yard at LYON & Co's.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Commander Palmer's Order to the Old Veterans.

Commander-in-Chief John Palmer has promulgated his Memorial Day order. It reads:

The memory of those trying times of long ago grows more vivid as each recurring spring decorates the landscape with nature's choicest colors. As our thoughts journey backward through memory's halls, how lovingly we recall those who shoulder to shoulder with us stood in defense of the nation's life, and who have since crossed death's dark valley to the unknown mysteries of eternity. A hope that it is well with them fills ever comrade's heart and a desire to again "touch elbows" when the final muster out shall come animates and thrills our every pulse. Flowers are emblematic of the resurrection and life to come, therefore how fitting the custom of our organization established by our late comrade and commander in chief, John A. Logan, to assemble within the numerous God's acres that dot our country over wherein lie all that is mortal of our absent comrades and garland their graves while paying tribute to their valor and work.

Every mound which covers the remains of a Union soldier or sailor should receive its crown so emblematic on our day of blessed memory, Memorial Day, Monday, May 30, and each and every post of the Grand Army of the Republic should hold a solemn memorial service on the preceding Sunday. With great regret is noticed a growing inclination on the part of many to observe this day in a manner frivolous and entirely at variance with its intent and design. Every comrade should use his best efforts to have it celebrated with the solemnity befitting its character and purpose. Department commanders will forward this order with whatever instructions they may deem requisite in their departments to secure a proper observance of the day, and insure that the exercises shall be such as will tend to instill in the breasts of all observers a deep and lasting love of and patriotic devotion to country.

A RAIL ON THE TRACK.

A Horrible Accident Barely Averted at Spruce Creek.

At noon on Wednesday of last week, as Way Passenger train was emerging from Spruce Creek tunnel, the engineer discover an obstruction on the track ahead. The train was stopped just in time to avert an accident that would probably have been attended with disastrous results.

An iron rail was found tightly wedged on the track. Suspicion fell on W. H. Cornelius, aged 25, of Spruce Creek, who had disappeared suddenly. Early Thursday morning Cornelius surrendered himself to Sheriff Wilson, of Huntingdon.

NOW AND THEN.

The Number of Days to Fetch a Ton of Coal.

A reader of the *REPORTER* interested in our "Now and Then" articles, says thirty years ago he and others, in winter, made trips to Snow Shoe and Phillipsburg, for soft coal, for blacksmiths and school houses in the valley. Two horses, sled and one man were the requirements to bring one ton, and the time two and one-half to three days. Now a ton of coal is landed at any station in the valley at from ninety cents to one dollar per ton, railroad freight.

Gets Damages.

Mrs. David Lohr, formerly of this place, now of Phillipsburg, about a year ago, sustained some injuries from a defective board walk in the latter town, and sued the boro for damages. The case was tried at Bellefonte last week, and Mrs. Lohr received a verdict for \$925. Let all boro, Centre Hall too, take warning—damages have run into thousands of dollars for injuries received from defective walks. The damages finally fall-back upon the lot owners for payment.

Public Sale of Real Estate.

Dr. C. E. Emerick, executor of estate of John Emerick, decd., late of Centre Hall, will offer the real estate of said deceased at public sale on Saturday, June 11, at one o'clock. The estate is composed of a fine farm about 2 1/2 miles east of Centre Hall, and a dwelling house and lot on Church street, Centre Hall. See ad. in another column of the *REPORTER*.

A New Election Law.

Under the new election law which went into effect on the first of March all township nominations must be made ten days prior to the election and borough primaries seven days previous. The result of the primaries is submitted to the township and borough auditors who must have the tickets printed for the election.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, May 9, 1892.

The anti-Harrison republicans are jubilant over what they say is the certainty that Mr. Harrison cannot be nominated at Minneapolis. They point exultingly to the nearly six hundred uninstructed delegates, and sneer at the fact that only four States that the republicans have any reasonable hope of carrying—Illinois, Indiana, Nebraska, and South Dakota—have instructed for Harrison and some of them do not hesitate to say that the majority of the rest of the instructed delegates, all from the South, could easily be taken away from Mr. Harrison by cash purchase, if it were necessary to do so to defeat him.

Quay, Platt, Reed and a large number of the most influential republican bosses met here to congratulate themselves on the result detailed in the election of delegates to the Minneapolis convention, and, what is more important to them, to agree upon the ticket to be nominated. The meeting was, of course, a secret one, but it is whispered that it was practically agreed to hold out hopes to Sherman, McKinley, Alger, Depew and other dark horses until the last minute, in order to keep them and their personal followers from going into the Harrison camp, and that when the convention meets Blaine and Rusk are to be sprung upon it with a rush and enthusiastically pushed through before the friends of other candidates have an opportunity to pull their wits together.

Mr. Harrison is reported to be contemplating a withdrawal in favor of Senator Cullom. In fact it is said that he told Senator Cullom before the Illinois convention was held that he would do so, as soon as it became apparent that he could not be nominated on the first ballot, and that it was that promise that caused Cullom to get the convention to instruct for Harrison.

Having compelled the department of Justice to begin legal proceedings against the sugar trust, the House will now do the same for the National Cordage company, the trust which controls binding twine, by adopting a resolution offered by Representative Scott, of Illinois, the same gentleman who introduced the sugar trust resolution, which the House passed last week. It may be that the Sherman anti-trust law, which enacted by the billion dollar Congress, is entirely worthless, as was charged by democrats when it was passed—there are reasons for believing that it was intended to be more anxious to see it put to a practical test. If it fails, the House will pass a bill that will not fail, and leave the responsibility for its becoming a law with the trust-loving republican majority in the Senate and the republican President.

Representative Bailey, who is member of the House sub-committee engaged in investigating the affairs of the Yellowstone Park Association, thinks Mr. Russell Harrison may find himself in a very unpleasant position before the investigation is over, owing to his readiness to loan his "influence."

The House committee on Post Offices has agreed to report favorably a bill appropriating \$100,000 for the extension of free mail delivery in agricultural districts, and providing for the issue of fractional postal notes.

Again the old cry is raised that Secretary Noble has informed Mr. Harrison that Raum must go or he would leave the Cabinet. This may or may not be true, but, if the charge true that Raum wrote, without Noble's knowledge, the letter declining to furnish the Pension Office investigating committee with the papers relating to the discharge of certain special pension examiners, and Noble, says he did, it would certainly be about what any self-respecting man would do under similar circumstances. The committee through the chairman, Representative Wheeler, asked for these papers and Mr. Raum wrote a letter stating that he was directed by Secretary Noble to decline furnishing them. Now, Secretary Noble says he knew nothing about such a request being made, and that the committee can have the papers or any others on file that they may wish to see. It was well for Secretary Noble that he took so sensible a view of the request, as the committee had determined to take heroic measures by reporting a resolution concerning the refusal to the House, which might have resulted in impeachment proceedings against the Secretary of the Interior.

The thousands of pamphlet copies of Henry George's "Free Trade or Protection", which was recently published in the Congressional Record, that are being distributed through out the country, are being sent out by individual Representatives, and not by the Democratic Congressional campaign committee.

The silver democrats in the House expect to be able to secure the signatures of a majority of the democrats to a petition asking that a new date be set to vote upon the free coinage bill and that a rule against filibustering be reported, indeed they claim to already have a sufficient number of signers.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Whereas, In the Providence of Almighty God, He has been pleased to remove from our midst Alice J. eldest daughter of James F. and Mary Ann Palmer, and

Whereas, In her removal we, her classmates and teacher realize the irreparable loss the class, the Sunday school and the church have sustained. Therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved parents and friends our sincere sympathy in this their sore affliction, and

Resolved, That while we mourn the removal of one so young in life, who was always found where duty called, willing and anxious to do her part for the Master. We bow in humble submission to the decree of an All-wise Father and realize that our loss is her gain, she having assured all that "she was prepared and ready to go." And further

Resolved, That the county papers be requested to publish these resolutions.

MRS. JENNIE STRONG.
MRS. OLIE SHIRES.
MRS. LILLIE BIBLE.

TOO SMALL FOR HEADS.

Local Laconics Dished Up In a Spicy Manner.

Candidates are becoming numerous.

Sunday school picnics will now soon be in season.

The Union county fair will be held October 5th, 6th, and 7th.

A number of residences in town are being improved and beautified.

Garden making is the thing of the day now and all are busy planting.

A long sermon in church these warm Sundays, has a slight inclination to make one a trifle weary.

There are many windows full of flowers and plants in Centre Hall that are delightful to look upon.

A dog with a can attached to its tail to serve as ballast, created no little excitement on Monday afternoon.

Farmers are now very busy with their work, and in consequence town has been rather dull the past week.

Two bag pipers went through town on Tuesday morning. Their tune was one and the same and apparently no end.

Saturday was quite brisk in Centre Hall. The meetings of the Grange and G. A. R., in the afternoon brought a great many people to town.

Centre Hall is without a Chief of Police and an efficient man is wanted for the office. Don't all apply at once as you might embarrass the council.

The meetings of Christian Endeavor Society in the Presbyterian church every Sunday evening, are well attended. The membership is on the increase.

Had fine weather all the early part of the week, though it was a trifle inclined to be chilly. Wednesday morning was rainy, but soon cleared up again.

The shade trees lining our streets are out in leaves, and now the modest young lady can safely walk the streets without fear on her part. The trees are clothed.

Marriage Licenses Granted.

Following is a list of marriage licenses granted during the past week.

John Stoner, and Mary Snook both of Millheim.

James Luziet of Phillipsburg, and Annie Lutel, of Woodward.

Frank Beezer, and Mary Davis, both of Benner twp.

Grant L. Holderman of Lemont and Sarah S. Lora, of Boalsburg.

Election Booths Purchased.

The County Commissioners on April 28, gave an order to the Marietta Manufacturing Co., of Marietta, Pa., for a complete election outfit for Centre county at a cost of \$1,277.55.

Lewins' stock of spring and summer clothing is unequalled in the county. He has a larger stock than ever to select from and of latest styles and cuts. The prices never were as low.