



## ARMY OF CRANKS

TO MARCH TO WASHINGTON 50,000 STRONG.

An Ohio Crank's Method of Gaining Notoriety.—Demands to be Made from the Government.

A new species of crank has developed in Ohio, in the coming to the front of one named Coxy, a crank, who is organizing an army of the unemployed, to march on foot to Washington, and have several bills introduced by congress.

The army of cranks is to start from Massillon, Ohio, and the project has been agitated for several weeks by the leader, Coxy, who is a citizen of Massillon. The army is to be called the "Commonweal."

This army of cranks is no longer looked on in the light of a joke by the citizens of Massillon, and they are becoming greatly alarmed at the gathering there of cranks, tramps and unemployed laborers, Coxy is a rich man and fully able to carry out his crank-brained scheme. He has been joined by a long haired crank named Browne, who was driven out of Chicago last fall by Mayor Harrison for making an incendiary speech to the bread rioters.

On Easter Sunday, 25th, the army 500 strong will leave Massillon for Washington, and it is expected by Coxy he will have gained enough recruits on the line of march to enter the National capitol with 50,000 men. Their first stop will be at Reedurban, four miles out, where they will take refreshments and organize. Canton will be reached by evening, where a mass meeting is to be held on the public square. The army will then bivouac, probably on the fair grounds.

Then the line of march will be through Stark and Columbiana counties into Beaver Falls, P., where Coxy says the unarmed army will spend its first Sunday on its way to the national capitol. The Mayor of Beaver Falls says not. Pittsburg is to be entered on Tuesday, April 3, and there, according to Coxy and Browne, hundreds will fall into the ranks behind the banner of the "Common Weal" army. It is said Cumberland, Md., will be reached the following Saturday, Hagerstown a week later and Washington on Tuesday, April 17.

The officers of the army will ride horses, furnished from the stables of Coxy, who used to own a stock breeder's farm in Kentucky. The common soldiers will walk. Arms are forbidden, and Coxy calls on all who come out to see the army to bring baskets of provisions and give them to his soldiers.

On their arrival at Washington, Congress is expected to take care of the mob. It will also be asked to pass a bill compelling the Secretary of the Treasury to issue Treasury notes on demand from any state, city, town or other municipal body which deposits a bond therefor. The money to be used on public improvements.

Coxy is a "good roads agitator," and wants the Government to issue \$500,000,000 in legal tender notes, to be used at the rate of \$20,000,000 a month, pro rata with the number of miles of roads in each state and territory, for the improvement of highways. Laborers are to receive \$1.50 a day; teamsters, \$3, and eight hours to constitute a day's labor.

Coxy says this will settle the greatest question before the people today, giving work to the unemployed all over the United States. He has issued a bulletin, in which he calls on his army to remember Washington in the snow at Valley Forge, and if necessary to suffer like them in a good cause.

How earnest this agitator is in his huge scheme is seen by an inspection of his headquarters, which disclosed in readiness for the march a round tent sixty feet in diameter, used by a circus last year, two smaller tents, a commissary wagon, an ambulance wagon, with medical appliances and numerous smaller articles for the accommodation of the army.

The big circus tent is to be used for sleeping quarters at night, and for the meetings en route, when the weather is too inclement for the open air. An engineer corps is to travel in advance of the army to prepare camp grounds.

Picturesque badges are to be worn by the members of the army. All bear the inscriptions "Peace on Earth" and "Death to Bonds." Sashes will be worn by the officers of the army to indicate their rank. In addition, every officer and member will wear a badge in his or her hat or bonnet, giving the number of the group, the letter of the commune, the sign of the canton and the name of the community to which he belongs. Coxy's son is to ride at the head of the army. He will wear a combination suit of blue and gray and carry the white flag of peace.

Arrangements have been about concluded for 7000 acres of land in Wash-

ington, owned by Senator Stewart, of Nevada, upon which the army is to camp. When the army reaches that city Editor Redstone, the advance agent, will meet it with the unemployed of Washington and vicinity, and escort it to the Capitol. When these pilgrims have surrounded the Capitol with a hollow square, they will separate into groups according to their Congressional districts, and will call on their Representatives to come out. They will be petitioned to feed the army during its stay.

### The Largest Map in the World.

The giant of the map family is now in course of preparation and construction at Washington, D. C. It was begun over twelve years ago under the supervision of the United States Geological Survey corps, and it will not be more than half completed at the end of the present century. Some idea of the gigantic plans upon which this map is being constructed and of the magnitude of such an undertaking may be formed by considering the fact that the portion which delineates the little state of Connecticut and the northern tip of Long Island is 8 feet in length and 5 feet wide. When this wonderful map is finished it will indicate the exact location of every brook, creek, river, hillock, mountain, valley, farm, village, schoolhouse and city in the land, and will show every public and private road and highway as perfectly as the surveyor's map gives them in the townships. When completed this map will cover almost an acre in superficial area. This being the case, it cannot be either hung up or spread out, and in order to make the information it contains available it will be issued on the sectional plan.

### Figs and Thistles.

The man who will steal chickens is often found hiding behind a hypocrite in the church.

The glory of love is that it delights in doing for nothing what others will not do for pay.

You will miss it if you attempt to measure a man's religion by the length of his face.

The only giving that has any meaning in the sight of God is giving that costs us something.

It never takes much talk from a theater-going professor to kill a prayer meeting stone dead.

The road to heaven is very steep to the man who is trying to get there without doing any giving.

The pastor who tries to carry his whole church on his shoulders will soon be very lame in the back.

The man who howls at the passing of the hat in church will pay a big hotel bill with a smile on his face.

When a man says amen right it always means that he is willing to be put down for his share of the expense.

The only reason why some people are considered religious is because they make a good deal of noise in church—Ran's Horn.

### 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.

### Agencies Established.

I have established agencies for the Imperial Plows and repairs this season with the following parties: Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills; M. L. Emerick, Centre Hall; John Beaver, Centre Hill; Mrs. Wm. Keller, Linden Hall; T. Wilson Way, State College, where these plows can be purchased.

W. L. GOODHART, Millheim, Pa. mar 15-3t

### Late News Items.

CHIEF clerk Kerr, of the House, is favorably mentioned for the sub-treasurership. Certainly a good man.

W. Fisk Conrad has been appointed postmaster at Tyrone.

The next Central M. E. conference will meet at Tyrone in 1895.

Surveyor Meek took charge of his position this week.

### Changes in Faculty.

William H. Walker, assistant professor of chemistry in the State College, has resigned and will be succeeded by Franklin E. Tuttle.

### Recent Decision.

At Wilkesbarre Judge Rice decides that corporations cannot make township roads and deduct the same from their taxes. Make a note of it.

—Subscribe for the REPORTER.

## M. E. APPOINTMENTS.

Assignments of Ministers for the Altoona District.

The Central Pennsylvania Methodist Episcopal Conference concluded its twenty-sixth annual session at Harrisburg on Tuesday morning, when the following appointments for the Altoona district were announced.

David S. Monroe, Presiding Elder. Altoona—Allegheny, Harry K. Ash; Asbury, James H. McCord; Chestnut avenue, John W. Ruyey; Eighth avenue, J. Ellis Bell; Epworth Mission, to be supplied; Fifth avenue, William Moses; First church, Martin L. Ganoe; North, Crawford L. Benscoter; Simpson church, Emory T. Swartz.

Ansionville and Mehaffey, Charles W. Rishell.

Bellefonte, James H. McGarrah. Bellwood, James B. Stein. Birmingham, John W. Glover. Centre, Samuel Lower (supply). Clearfield, Wm. A. Stevens. Coalport and Irvona, Asbury W. Guyer.

Curwensville, J. Patton Moore. Duncansville, George E. King. Glen Hope, Emanuel W. Wonner. Half Moon, Robert L. Armstrong.

Hastings, Chas. W. Wasson. Holidaysburg, C. V. Hartzell. Houtzdale, Herman H. Crotsley.

Howard, Nathan B. Smith. Karthaus, Bruce Hughes.

Lumber City, Freeman S. Vought. Martinsburg and Woodbury, Jeremiah B. Breneman.

McKee's Gap, Geo. F. Bogg. Milesburg and Unionville, George Warren.

Morrisdale, Curtin G. Roop. New Washington, Job Traux (supply).

Penn's Valley, Ralph W. Illingworth.

Phillipsburg, Alexander R. Miller. Pine Grove, John W. Forrest. Pleasant Gap, John C. Young.

Port Matilda, Gideon P. Sarvis (supply).

Ramey, Chas. A. Biddle. Roaring Springs, Edwin H. Witman.

Shawmut, David E. Phillips (supply).

Snow Shoe, Henry N. Minnigh. Tyrone—First church, Richard H. Gilbert; Second church Vaughn T. Rue.

Utahville, L. L. Logan, (supply). Wallaceport, Geo. Trach.

Warriors Mark, Hugh Strain. West Clearfield, Lyons M. Brady. Williamsburg, Frank W. Leidy. Woodland and Bradford, Richard H. Wharton.

Samuel Blair, city missionary, member of the First church, quarterly conference, Altoona.

Supernumerary and Superannuated preachers, John A. Woodcock, Geo. B. Ague, Jesse R. Akers, John W. Olewine.

### P. R. R. Figures for '93.

The operations of the Pennsylvania railroad system east and west for the year 1893 are represented as follows:

Gross earnings, \$135,056,787; operating expenses, \$95,491,559; net earnings, \$49,565,228; tons of freight moved, 135,514,383; passengers carried, 85,152,089.

These figures, however, large as they are, show the following losses compared with 1892: In gross earnings, \$3,914,733; net earnings, \$1,054,209 (operating expenses having been reduced \$2,860,524); freight moved, 5,857,463 tons; passengers carried, 4,538,222.

The fact that the number of passengers fell off more than 4 millions, notwithstanding the World's Fair business, shows how severe was the effect of financial depression.

A Large Number of Conversions.

At the first day's meeting of conference at Harrisburg, the following conversions were reported from the various districts: Altoona district, 2,000; Harrisburg district, 2,000; Juniata district 3,169; and Williamsport district 2,500. The Danville district had not yet reported. It will be seen by the above statistics that the last year has been a most successful one in the matters of conversions at least.

### The Best Medium.

The circulation of the local country weekly is generally larger than that of its competitive daily. Nearly every copy of the local weekly paper enters the household of probable buyers, and each copy is undoubtedly read by four to a dozen different persons, raising the printer's circulation to many times the actual number printed. There is nothing equal to the local weekly as an advertising medium.

### Buff Leghorns.

The undersigned will have Buff Leghorn eggs for hatching, during the present season. This is the best strain and heartiest chicken known. Price per setting of thirteen eggs, one dollar, two settings \$1.50.

Wm. MOYER, mar 8-4t

Centre Hall Station.

## CAPITOL GOSSIP

WILL THE PRESIDENT SIGN THE BLAND BILL.

The All Absorbing Silver Question to Disturb the Peace of Cleveland.—The Revised Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—What will President Cleveland do with the Bland bill for the coinage of the seigniorage, now in his hands? There is more anxiety among Democrats to have this question answered than has been observable for a long time. It involves a great deal more than the mere coinage of 55,000,000 silver dollars, for which it provides. It will decide whether the attempt now being made to unite the Democrats in Congress and the administration on a basis of let-by-gones-be-by-gones shall be a failure, or a success that will enable the party to go into the Congressional campaign with a reasonable hope of retaining control of the House. It may also decide the fate of the tariff bill, as there are many Democrats in both House and Senate whose constituents are more directly interested in silver than in the tariff. A number of eastern Democrats who did everything in their power to prevent Congress passing the Bland bill are now advising the President to sign the bill, or at least to allow it to become a law without his signature if he feels that he cannot conscientiously sign it, and silver Democrats who have not been to the White House since the big silver fight at the extra session have gone to Mr. Cleveland and urged as a matter of party policy that they be allowed to become a law. The silver Democrats of the west and south—how numerous they are in Congress may be seen by referring to the vote on this bill in both House and Senate—many of whom supported the administration against their own convictions in securing the repeal of the purchasing clause of the Sherman silver law, say that the veto of this bill will be accepted as proof positive by thousands of their constituents that President Cleveland is unalterably opposed to silver, and that the result would certainly be disastrous in the Congressional elections.

Three members of the cabinet—Secretaries Gresham, Smith and Herbert—have advised Mr. Cleveland to sign the bill. It is believed that the delegation of New York bankers who are here asking that the bill be vetoed are adding to its chances of becoming a law. In fact, there has been a change in public opinion within a week, and a majority now believe that the bill will become a law, with or without the President's signature.

The revised tariff bill will be reported to the Senate this week, and the debate will begin Monday, April 2. This is authentic and official. No one can possibly regret the unexpected delay in getting the bill before the Senate more than the Democratic members of the Finance committee do. They have worked until they are almost in a state of exhaustion, but fresh obstacles have constantly confronted them, and as they could not be avoided they have had to be overcome. Since the bill has been before the full committee the Republicans have taken advantage of every opportunity to add to the delay, and owing to the absence of Senator Vance, these opportunities have been frequent. The fact should not be forgotten by critically inclined Democrats that when all of the members of the Finance committee are present the Democrats have only one objection. With one Democratic absentee the committee is a tie politically.

It was the absence of Senator Vance that enabled the Republicans on the committee to stave off the beginning of the debate until April 2. Unless all indications are at fault the administration will soon start a program that will cause the working Democrats to enter the Congressional campaign with enthusiasm. I cannot without violating confidence enter into particulars, but if this program be carried out by the Republicans who still remain in federal offices, outside the classified service, would better be looking around for new jobs, unless they have money enough to spend the summer in idleness. Those Democrats who believe that the offices under a Democratic administration should be filled by Democrats will be pleased with some things that will occur in the near future, unless my information is wrong.

Representative Tucker, of Va., although not yet forty-one years old, has a right to feel proud of the part he has taken in shaping the legislation of the present Congress. Although there were several other bills providing for the same thing it was his bill for the repeal of the federal election laws that was reported, passed and which became a law. Another compliment has just been paid the skill of Mr. Tucker by the House committee on the election of President and Vice President and Representatives in Congress,

which selected his joint resolution providing for a Constitutional amendment by direct vote of the people, although there were several others of a similar nature before the committee; to be favorably reported to the House. The House has been working faithfully on the regular annual appropriation bills and it has been making a good record, both in the quantity of business done and in the amount of money appropriated—every appropriation has been reduced materially.

### To the Democrats of Centre County.

A grand Democratic or county meeting will be held at Bellefonte in the Court house, on Tuesday evening, the 24th day of April, A. D., 1894. This meeting will be held for the purpose of ratifying an amendment to the Rules of the Democratic party of Centre County, passed by resolution at the last County Convention, whereby the time of holding the annual County Convention was changed from the month of August to the month of June. Other important matters and measures of great moment to the organization, management and welfare of the party, will be discussed and voted upon at the said meeting. All Democrats are cordially invited and requested to be present. Come from every section of the county. Let no precinct or school district be unrepresented in this gathering of Democratic citizens. Able public speakers will be present to address the meeting, and the result will be one of profit and pleasure to all who participate.

ELLIS L. ORVIS, Chairman of the County Committee. N. B. SPANGLER, Sec'y.

### Dots of County News.

We were misinformed when we stated last week that Rev. Baskerville had moved—it should have been, that he contemplates moving.

Licenses were disposed of last week with commendable promptness by Judge Furst.

Ex-Register John Rupp will move back to Oak Hall this spring; it is reported he will take charge of Gingerich's roller mill.

Dr. Christ of Lemont has been appointed a delegate to the National encampment G. A. R. at Pittsburg, next September.

Grass and grain show signs of growing under the fine weather had the past three weeks.

Thomas Brungart, of Miles twp., is improving from a serious illness of erysipelas.

Our stores are only paying 25 cents per bushel for potatoes.

### A Headache Cure.

A lady who claims to know about nervous headaches writes that she finds a cure in an old-fashioned remedy. She says: "Hold some freshly scraped horse-radish in the hand a minute or so till it is a little warm and then sniff it with energy. This requires courage, for the sensation is as if the pungent odor passed right through the brain; but it seems to drive the pain before it, and the consequent relief makes it worth while to endure a pang for a moment."

### Organ on a Plow.

A farmer in Tioga county has rigged up a music box on the order of hand organ, which he has attached to his wheel plow. The gearing is so fixed that by moving a lever the organ is played automatically, and the farmer regales himself with all the popular operatic airs all day long. He says the music has a good effect upon the horses.

### Short Springlets.

Davy Meyer will move to the Sarah Harpster property opposite this office. Spring chickens have begun to peep. Rev. Goodling returned from Conference thinned out somewhat by grip. The cellar for Colyer's big double house is making a big hole, and he means business in several ways about which we will speak later.

### Carpenter to Hang.

On Tuesday the argument for a new trial for James Carpenter, convicted of murdering his father, was heard before Judge Lyons, at Millintown. The motion for a new trial was denied by the court, and Carpenter was sentenced to pay the extreme penalty of the law.

### News from Turkey.

Over 10,000 pounds of turkeys were sold at public sale at the Reading's Cold Storage Company's plant, one day last week, at five cents per pound. The turkeys were placed in storage December 20 last by a Baltimore produce firm, who failed to pay the storage.

### Bargains in Clothing.

New suits made to order, \$15 to \$18. All new spring goods, at Montgomery's, Bellefonte.

## SCIENCE AND AMERICANS.

The People on This Continent are Outstripping the World.

Science is supreme in American production, and the Americans have outrun us all in its applications. They were the first to utilize electricity, not merely in the development of telegraphy and the kindred arts, but as a powerful ally in manufacture. In the welding of metals, for instance, it now plays an important part. It has reduced the price of aluminum from £22 a pound, and the metal has now in consequence passed into common use; it enters into the fabric of the bicycle; it is made into shoes for the horses of Russian cavalry; it is embodied in the enigmatical figure which crowns the Shaftesbury memorial.

In iron and steel, the use of highly-developed machinery, which is no more than the application of science, has revolutionized production. The new drop-hammer has brought down the price of American plows to less than £1, and in the making of all sorts of agricultural implements it is calculated that 600 men can now produce as much as 2,145 a few years ago. Where a single workman could make three dozen pairs of sleeve links in a day, a boy can now make 9,000.

The manufacture of pins still holds its own as an "object lesson;" but whereas Adam Smith notes with astonishment and admiration 10 men turning out 48,000 pins a day, the modern American manufacturer finds difficulty in supplying 7,500,000 in the same time, as the result of the labor of five pairs of hands.

Compare this with the state of things at the time of the war of independence, when imported pins sold for 7s. 6d. a dozen, and when to encourage home industry, the government offered £50 for the best 25 dozen of pins made in American equal to those imported from England.—Edinburg Review.

A Big Fire in Houtzdale.

Fire broke out in the garret of the three-story frame Arlington hotel, Houtzdale. Tuesday afternoon and for a time the destruction of the southern portion of the town was threatened. At one time ten buildings were on fire, including the Pennsylvania railroad station and the Presbyterian church. The fire departments of Osceola and Phillipsburg were called and with the local fire department kept the fire confined to the hotel and the building adjoining, owned by the Houtz estate.

The loss is estimated at \$20,000; insured for \$11,000. The hotel was owned by Michael Burns, of Brisbin, and run by Walter G. Butts.

### 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 every 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. Sold by J. D. Murray, Druggist.

### News Notes.

Att.-Gen. Hensel has informed the district attorney of Washington county that the latter has no authority to regulate theatrical business.

The Clearfield and Conemaugh railroad company, capital \$1,350,000, has been chartered to build a line 60 miles long from Belsina, Clearfield county, to Johnstown.

Mrs. Edith Snyder, wife of Disbursing Clerk J. F. Snyder, of the United States congress, died on morning of 14, at Clearfield, aged 38 years, from consumption.

In an Ohio court Mrs. J. Keon has received a verdict for \$1,500 damages against Francis Quillan, a saloonkeeper who sold her husband liquor after she had warned him not to do so.

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### Will Not Preach.

Prof. Keedy, who is traveling in behalf of one of the Lutheran institutions and expected to preach in the Centre Hall Lutheran church on next Sabbath, will not be able to get here, hence there will be no services by him next Sabbath in this place.

—Lewins, Bellefonte, is making a big reduction in price on all lines of goods. A big chance for purchases.