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WHAT IS TO BE GAINED BY DEFEATING QUAY?

The Philadelphia *Inquirer*, one of the staunchest Republican organs in the state, and one of Governor Hastings's most ardent supporters at the last election, in a recent editorial has the following to say of the Republican fiasco:

We would like to put a few sober questions to the Republican voters of the state who are about to engage in the election of delegates to the State Convention. Senator Quay is a candidate for Chairman of the State Committee in place of Chairman Gilkeson. The franchise-grabbing political rings in Philadelphia has its eyes on the state. Mr. Magee, of Pittsburg, whose manipulations of the Legislature are a scandal, is naturally in sympathy with the ring. The combination must first get rid of Quay, before it can lay violent hands upon Pennsylvania. It has been working with the Governor with such results that the Governor has declared that as Gilkeson is a part of his official family the candidacy of Senator Quay is an attack upon the administration, notwithstanding the fact that the Senator has offered no objection whatever to the candidacy of the Governor for chairman of the State Convention.

Pennsylvania ought to be up in arms over the attempt to humiliate Quay in such a cause. His genius made it possible for the McKinley bill to be adopted. It was Quay, working day and night on the floor of the Senate and committee rooms, who saved to Pennsylvania the iron and steel schedule. The Wilson bill would have ruined the state. The amended bill, by Quay's influence and his masterly political ability, was so changed as to make it possible for the great iron plants to go on, and their success of today is a monument to his watchfulness over the interests of the commonwealth. Now it is proposed to defeat this man on the eve of a great Presidential battle, when his genius is needed. Why? Because Gilkeson, with a fat office in Harrisburg, especially created for him, must be vindicated and the Hog Combine of Philadelphia and the Lobbyist Brigade of Pittsburg must get their hooks upon the state as they have upon the two cities. It matters not what Quay has done for the state and that he has saved untold millions to it, so long as the franchise-grabbers are satisfied.

And could he be defeated what would they get in place of Quay? Well, there is "Dave" Martin. And who is "Dave" Martin? A politician thriving off politics. The owner of the city's Council's. The master of an army of city employes put at his disposal by a Mayor who is under the most sacred pledges to the people. Mr. Martin is rich. Where did he get his money?

Then there is "Charley" Porter. And who is "Charley" Porter? A contractor who has drawn since 1888 five million dollars for himself and partners out of the city for contracts. A contractor who was so afraid that some one else would get a contract that he forced Martin to submit to the red-hot brand of a traitor.

And where do these men find their friends? In the Electric Light Trust, that banded organization of extortionists that is costing the city one thousand dollars a day in profits that should go to the city itself; in the water gas syndicate that is charging two prices for an inferior article and has its grapples out for the entire control of the output, while the twenty-million dollar gas plant of the city is going to ruin; in the Traction grabbers of franchises, in all the corrupt buyers and sellers of dishonest Councilmen and the raiders upon the treasury. You have seen their trail in the electric light monopoly bills rushed through the Legislature.

Then there is "Chris" Magee, the Pittsburg end of the combination. And who is "Chris" Magee? A lobbyist about the Halls of Harrisburg looking after most valuable grants for himself and his friends, and getting them, too, with aid from the Philadelphia contingent and the signature of the Governor.

And it is proposed to defeat Quay so that these men may come into absolute power in the state.

They have a practical ownership of Philadelphia and Pittsburg between them. In Pittsburg the newspapers are outspoken in their denunciations of the Magee legislation, which is so detrimental to the city but which has been so obsequiously accepted by the Governor. In Philadelphia an investigating committee has been appointed to get at the secrets of bribery and corruption, and when that committee gets to work the Hog Combine will go to pieces like chaff before the wind.

Are the honest people of the State willing to submit to the rascality that

Philadelphia has been suffering under? Are they willing to defeat the man who has saved the great industries of the State for the sake of a gang of men living on what they can get out of city and State? It is no fight on the Governor that Senator Quay is making. The "Inquirer" is leading no opposition to him as Governor. He wishes to preside over the State Convention and is a candidate for Chairman. It is a most singular thing to do. He is lowering the dignity of a great office before the exigencies of the most contemptible and picaresque politics. But that is his business. If he wants the Chairmanship, give it to him by all means. We have yet to hear of a suggestion on the part of Senator Quay that he should have opposition. Quay, then, is not fighting Hastings in any manner. He is simply standing up for the right that any Republican has to aspire to the Chairmanship of the State Committee and on the eve of the Presidential battle every Republican in Pennsylvania ought to be thankful that he can be induced to take such an office.

We do not believe that Quay can be beaten. His personal following is something remarkable. Besides we do not believe that the Republicans of the counties are yet ready to accept "Dave" Martin, "Charley" Porter, "Chris" Magee and the corruptionists and political traders that follow in their wake just for the sake of agreeing with the Governor that Mr. Gilkeson, put into office at Harrisburg with a large increase of salary, should be re-elected chairman of the State Committee.

COST OF STATE JUDICIARY.

The creation of superior court and the change in the judicial districts by the late legislature will increase the cost of the state judiciary \$149,000 biennially. The legislature has set aside \$1,324,000 for the judiciary for the next two years. The cost of this branch of the state government the past two years was \$1,175,000. The superior court gets an appropriation of \$109,000. With the exception of \$11,000 this amount represents the salaries of the seven judges for the next two years. The balance will be used for the payment of the prothonotaries' clerk hire and incidentals.

The estimated cost of running the state government the next two years is \$660,000 more than for the two years that have just passed. The amount set aside in the general appropriation bill of 1895 for the salaries of the state officers, clerks and employes and the incidental expenses of the departments indicated is \$329,000 greater than that appropriated by the previous legislature. This large increase is due to the creation of the department of agriculture, the enlargement of the scope of the state banking department and the increased amounts provided for expenditure by the department of public buildings under new legislation. The increase of the salaries of many officials also figures in the largely increased total.

The fight between the warring Republican factions for supremacy, keeps red hot, and has spread into every county in the state, and there are mutterings of it in our own county of Centre, the home of the governor. The Quayites have now dubbed the Martin-Warwick-Hastings wing the "hog combine," which is illustrative of the love that exists between the factions. Quay has figured up he will have 79 majority in the state convention, and the Hastings people transpose the figures and say they will have 97 majority sure.

The coming woman received a judicial slap in Judge Wilson's divorce court in Cincinnati, the other day. The judge, after hearing the Schubert alimony case, announced from the bench: "Any man who gives all his salary to his wife is a fool. My experience has taught me that the average woman has no idea of the value of money. The exception is the old German market woman."

To show how carelessly things were done by the late reckless legislature, is the fact that a bill, making an appropriation, was presented to and received the signature of Gov. Hastings, although the bill had been defeated in the house. Work like this is inexcusable on the part of legislative clerks and it should be followed by a prompt dismissal of the guilty ones.

You can't get some fellows to say whether they be for Hastings or for Quay in the "campaign of assassination." They are waiting to see which comes out on top, then it will be, "I told you so," and "me and Betsy done up the bear."

In the second legislative district of Scranton and in Westmoreland county, Hastings delegates were elected on Tuesday. In many counties the delegates will vote for Hastings for chairman of the state convention and for Quay for chairman of the state central committee.

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If Quay gets downed in the present "campaign of assassination," Hastings should have the magnanimity to appoint him as one of the fish commissioners, as the Beaver statesman is a boss fisherman as well as a Republican boss.

The Quay-Hastings Contest in Centre.

A Bellefonte dispatch, of Tuesday, says: Until yesterday a great many Republicans here would not believe that Senator Quay, while professing his entire willingness to have Gov. Hastings chairman of the State Convention, was really behind the movement to defeat the Governor as a candidate for delegate in the convention from his home county. They insisted that the opposition delegates here must have been set up by Andrews, acting as he did in Columbia county in 1890, and that Senator Quay would not permit it when he found it out. But yesterday and to-day, following the visit of one of the anti-Hastings candidates to the Quay headquarters in Philadelphia, \$20 and \$50 bills have made their appearance here in hands where they have never been seen before, and it is almost openly boasted that they have \$1000 to fight Hastings with in his own county, "and more if it will do any good."

Centre county wheeled off into the Republican line last year, and soon found it made an awful blunder, and will not do it again soon. Next fall will see her in her old place in the grand Democratic column.

News of the last ten days shows that people are committing murder and suicide much as ever. And we guess will keep at it.

Gov. Hastings, after vetoing four bills, had them recalled and signed them. Whether this action would stand the test of the constitution is a question. We think his vetoes killed the bills beyond a recall.

Close Figuring in Kansas.

It is said a man who won't buy a paper because he can borrow one has invented a machine by which he can cook his dinner by the smoke from his neighbor's chimney. This some fellow sits in the back pew in church to save interest on contributions, and he is always borrowing a ride to town to save the wear and tear on his own horseflesh. Yes, you know him. He's a first cousin to the man who never winds up his watch for fear of breaking the spring. He undoubtedly was a near relative of the man who went into the back yard during a recent cold snap, soaked his hair in water, let it freeze, and then broke it off in order to cheat the barber out of a hair cut.—Topeka Daily Capital.

Notes.

We have barely had summer, and now fall is just a little ahead. My! how time flies.

The weatherwise might begin now to prophesy what kind of a winter we will have next.

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A heavy thunder shower passed over the south side of the mountains yesterday between 3 and 4 p. m.

Were Disappointed.

Last Saturday the ball club had a game arranged with the Millburg team at that place, and the team was at the station Saturday morning with a few friends to take the 7.06 train when a telegram was received from the Millburg team cancelling the game. The boys were much disappointed and chagrined at the lateness of this message, and returned home. Next Saturday two games will be played here. The clubs from Millheim and Boalsburg will meet on neutral ground and battle for supremacy in the morning. In the afternoon Centre Hall and Boalsburg will cross bats.

Trusts to Providence.

An old farmer, in speaking about the crops, said: "I never worry over prospects. I have lived a great many years and always find that things even up pretty well. When dry weather threatens the growing fields disaster, the Lord always comes in on the home stretch with his rain and sunshine. I have always trusted in Providence, and was never very much disappointed."

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