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#### ELKIN IN A STATE OF DOUBT.

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Quay scores one in Philadelphia polities by having McMichael appointed postmaster. McMichael is an avowed stalwart, or Quay Republican, and ing the campaign just passed. Now, probably, he wishes he hadn't spoke.

were before Judge Enblich, of Read. party. ing, applying for naturalization. To one of them the Judge put the question, "If somebody offered you \$5 for your vote would you take it?" The man hesitated a moment and then faintly answered yes. As a matter of course, the application for naturalization was promptly refused

Conscience has not deserted all mankind according to the government reports. A conscience fund account was opened in the Treasury Department in Washington during 1811, and up to sum of \$18,669, duty on a necklace pur- the ways and means. chased abroad by his wife.

continued its serenade in front of the appreciation.

## HOPE DEFERRED.

S. W. SMITH. . . . Editor and Proprietor. November 28, 1901. TERMS.—The terms of subscription to the Reporter are one dollar per year in advance. ADVERTISEMENTS.—20 cents per line for three insertions, and at the same time so many low tariff men, that both sides were glad to adjourn a day earlier than had been intended in order to insertions, and a test vote upon specific agreements with foreign countries. In this way the delegates were enabled to arrive at a harmonious result. Both parties claim the victory, and they are welcome to as much satisf. Both parties claim the victory, and they are welcome to as much satis-

The fact remains that the convention was called to find out if there were not some common ground upon which manufacturers could stand, a little in advance of that they had earlier occupied. As the presiding officer, Theodore C. Search, declared in opening the confer-ence, the manufactures met to investigate reciprocity and find out "what there is in it." So far as their proceedings express their tion on the solid difference is in it."

if he proposes to run for the guoerna-torial nomination, which there is little doubt, as he has been in training for several years. But he must make choice of which master he will serve. choice of which master he will serve. choice of which master he will serve. cal application of the principle of reciprocity as between this and other countries. It was made equally plain that other interests, particularly with his wordy declaration that he in the textile trades and in the great steel trust, are implacably hostile to tariff reduction of any kind. They are emphatically in favor of what they call "letting well enough alone ..., How, then, is reciprocity repudiate Stone and his belongings by ever to be realized as a feature of Republican policy ? Manifestly Congress does not intend to reduce the duties this winter, unless it be by treaties with Cuba, in which a question of nationality and patriotism enters, and with a few of the British West Indian Islands. On confession of the party leaders they will pursue a purely negative course regarding the tariff until after the Congressional elections next year. They have their ear to the ground. If they had heard a distinct rum-Hick, who was ousted took an active bling in the distance at Washington this week the French treaty and part in the anti-Quay movement dur- others might have been ratified. As it is the rumbling as it comes through the manufacturers is indistinct and confused and the great question of to be or not to be in the matter of revision of the tariff is passed on to the American people. The tariff issue is the present issue, and it The other day a number of persons daily becomes a larger and more ominous danger to the Republican

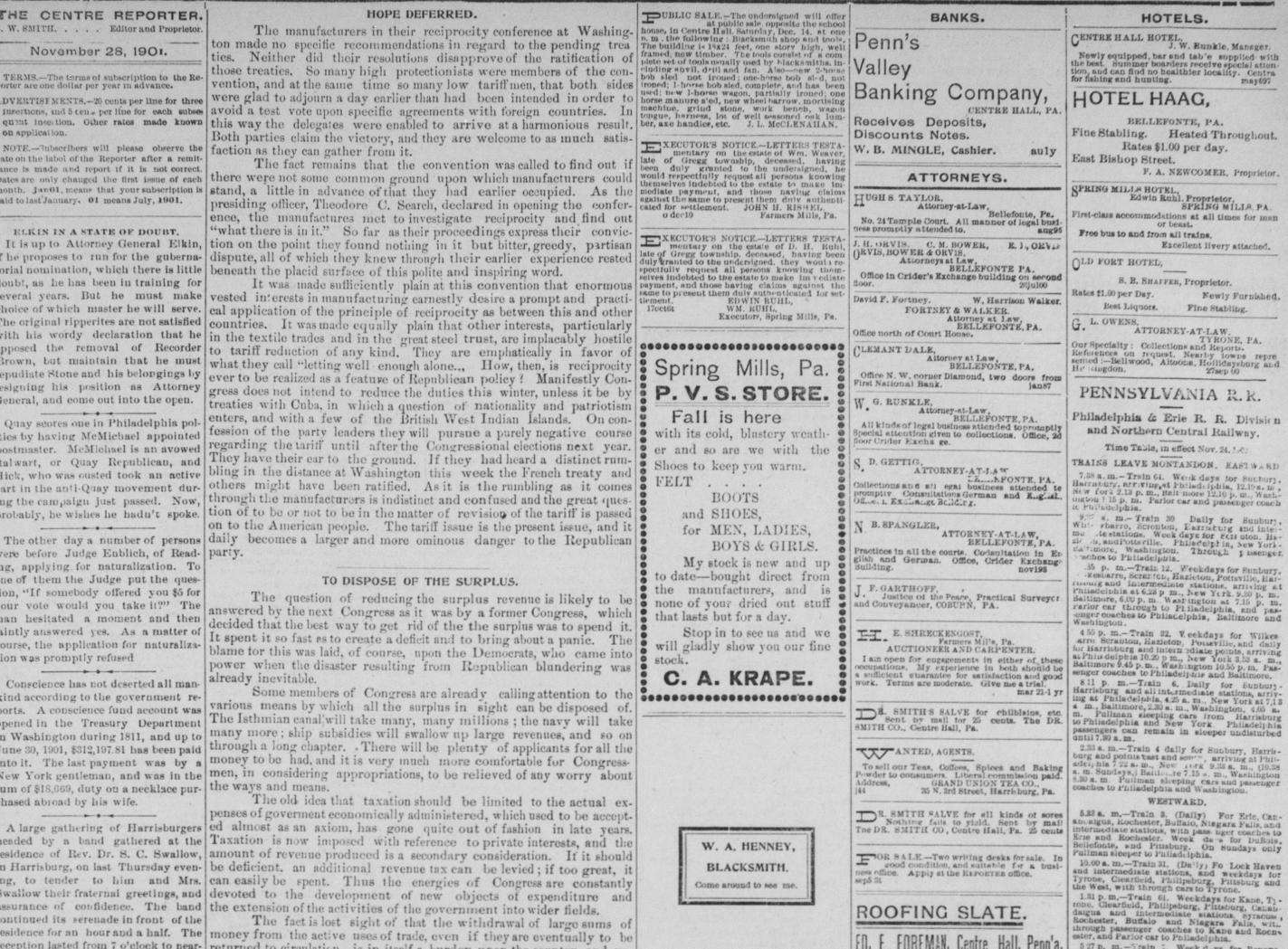
### TO DISPOSE OF THE SURPLUS.

The question of reducing the surplus revenue is likely to be answered by the next Congress as it was by a former Congress, which decided that the best way to get rid of the the surplus was to spend it. It spent it so fast as to create a deficit and to bring about a panic. The blame for this was laid, of course, upon the Democrats, who came into power when the disaster resulting from Republican blundering was already inevitable.

Some members of Congress are already calling attention to the various means by which all the surplus in sight can be disposed of. The Isthmian canal will take many, many millions ; the navy will take many more; ship subsidies will swallow up large revenues, and so on June 30, 1901, \$312,197.81 has been paid through a long chapter. . There will be plenty of applicants for all the into it. The last payment was by a money to be had, and it is very much more comfortable for Congress-New York gentleman, and was in the men, in considering appropriations, to be relieved of any worry about

The old idea that taxation should be limited to the actual expenses of goverment economically administered, which used to be accept-A large gathering of Harrisburgers ed almost as an axiom, has gone quite out of fashion in late years. headed by a band gathered at the Taxation is now imposed with reference to private interests, and the residence of Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow, amount of revenue produced is a secondary consideration. If it should in Harrisburg, on last Thursday even- be deficient. an additional revenue tax can be levied; if too great, it ing, to tender to him and Mrs. can easily be spent. Thus the energies of Congress are constantly Swallow their fraternal greetings, and devoted to the development of new objects of expenditure and assurance of confidence. The band the extension of the activities of the government into wider fields.

The fact is lost sight of that the withdrawal of large sums of residence for an hour and a half. The money from the active uses of trade, even if they are eventually to be reception lasted from 7 o'clock to near- returned to circulation, is in itself a burden upon the country, and unly midnight, during which time hun- der our financial system may easily become a menace. Unquestionadreds of people passed in and out, ex- bly, the only thing to do with an existing surplus is to spend it, or pressing to doctor and his wife use it in the payment of debt; but it would be very much better to their high esteem and warm avoid the accumulation of a surplus, by ceasing to exact from the country any greater sums than are needed for legitimate public uses. If the coming Congress refuse to recognize this trath, as it pro-Fennsylvania Congressmen are ge- bably will, another Congress may have still more serious and pressing problems to confront.



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ing to be overrun with petitions in behalf of an amendment to the Constitution for the purpose of making Mor. monism anywhere in the United States

The sale of the Pennsylvania building at the Buffalo Exposition for the amount of \$305 closes out another scandal. It seems to be thought at Harrisburg that the price it brought is altogether satisfactory, and that it is really surprising it amouted to as much. The furniture was sold for \$525 31, making a total of \$830 31 return for an expenditure of \$16,300. The building had to be disposed of in some ed for the Charleston building. Of course that would not have given anybody a new job in the furniture line, but it would have saved the State a lot of money.

ful American artist Emma Eames.

A Great Opportunity.

The burned district of Jacksonville, Fia., is to be rebuilt at once, offering New York by the removal of Customs Collector Bidwell and the ap-RED CROSS DOUBLE HEATER. an opportunity for employment to pointment of Senator Stranahan in his place. A row is apprehended workmen, and excellent prospects to similar to that in the Garfield administration, which created the stalcontractors and capitalists. Jackson- wart and half-breed defection of Conkling and Platt. On all sides calls THE SUNSHINE OAK PARLOR STOVE, single or double ville is reached from all directions are heard on President Roosevelt for explanations. Why, if Bidwell is by the Seaboard Air Line Railway unfit, is he permitted to hold on to his office until April ? The mystery System, which offers unexcelled facili- of the case is increased by the fact that no charges have been made no one cares to father, and which the collector, through his lawyers, has explicitly declared to be false. Mr. Bidwell says nothing

Go to Krape's for Arctics and Mult- personally, but his friends claim that the President should explain why These goods are exceptionally fine. All collector to be retired under a cloud, and that it is unjust in the Presikinds of felt shoes.

President Roosevelt may run against a senatorial combination on unconstitutional. For some time these the patronage question as Garfield and Cleveland did, the former with petitions have been in circulation in tragic results to himself, and the latter overcoming it after a stiff fight. various Congressional Districts of the The President's policy in making appointments on merit is already be-State, and they have been numerously ginning to produce signs of bitterness in the Republican party. The signed. There can be but one view of senators have become so accustomed to dictating patronage under Presithis question, of course, but it is not dent McKinley that they have come to regard it as an inalienable right. certain that there will be enough ex- The positive refusal of President Roosevelt to consider the recommendacitement over it to secure immediate tions of senators and representatives in connection with army appointattention. Most of the Pennsylvania ments has caused a general growl among the old stagers, and they are Congressmen, for illustration will be far more interested in finding out Roosevelt in the Senate. We believe the President is unquestionably where they are at than in auy anti- right in the position he has taken, and that the Senate, if it pushes matters to an extreme, will meet a rebuke in which the people will heartily join. On Tuesday President Roosevelt restored a large number of officers in the medical, ordnance and engineer departments of the army to the classified list, out of which they were taken by President McKinley in revoking an order of President Cleveland placing these officers on the merit list. This very sweeping order of McKinley was issued in May, 1899, and was for the purpose of increasing the political patronage at the disposal of Secretary Alger. The new order of President Roosevelt restores about 1,500 men to the merit list, where they had been originally placed by President Cleveland.

The river and harbor bill, which is to go before the coming sesway, of course, but why should there sion of Congress, it is estimated, will get away with between forty and have been any need to sell the furni- fifty millions of dollars. This illustrates one of the dangers of a treasury ture, since the State is now engaged in surplus. Then consider the \$200,000,000 for the Nicaragua canal, the furnishing a building at Charles- \$180,000.000 for ship subsides and the great naval appropriations. The ton? If the furniture was fit for surplus will soon disappear, and there will be no reduction of taxation.

The official estimate of expenditures by the postoffice depart-ment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903, is \$135,885,596. This is nearly \$51,600,000 more than the actual expenditure for the fiscal year 1893, or an increase of over 61 per cent in ten years. Much the largest The J-nuary number of the Woman's item is for transportation, the estimated total for next year being \$65,-Home Companion will contain the set. 500,000 is for carring mails between our own and foreign countries. o d article in the series of Famous Then there is a large increase for the improved country postal service, Singers. It will deal with the beauti- which has become one of the important of the later developments of the postal work.

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