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Minority Representation.

The Republicans of Greene county have been up to Harrisburg on a fool's errand. The Democrats of that region are in a sufficiently strong majority to elect all three county commissioners, and some of the Republicans have been so aggrieved at this exhibition of greediness that they applied to the attorney general for a quo warranto against the solid Democratic board of county commissioners to show by what authority they exercise their office. Of course the attorney general sent them off with a flea in their ear. The law recognizes no parties in this matter of minority representation. While the constitution says that for the office of county commissioner "each qualified elector shall vote for no more than two persons," and the effect is to give the minority a representation in most counties, the constitution just as explicitly says that "the three persons having the highest number of votes shall be elected"-regardless of their poli-

This is the rule of minority representation everywhere; and must be, for there may be as many parties as there are individual whims and preferences. Here in Lancaster, where the rule prevails in the election of school directors, the Democrats once chose a majority of the board, and subsequently the Republicans gained a like advantage at the general election. In some districts of this county the Republicans take both inspectors; and the Greene county Republicans can find ample precedents for their luckless experience. They must grin and bear it.

Juggling With Figures.

A great deal of injury is done to sound public judgment and to our commercial stability by inflated figures of the general wealth and prosperity of the country. The statistics of the census and other agencies whose concern it is to gather these data, are interesting and important, and in a general way approximate to the condition of things. But there is no doubt that much of this sort of information is inaccurate and mere guess work. After the last census

how the manufacturing statistics of Philadelphia had been swelled by practically false coloring and over statements; the same men were credited to a half dozen different vocations, because their handicraft combined different branches of a complex trade, and all the remotest attaches or agents of manufacturing establishments were set down as "employes" and made to swell the aggregate. Now Mr. Schoenhof, the well-known statistician, exposes the manner in which the figures of the last census were swelled to magnify the annual product of our manufacturing interests. He illustrates this by citing the example of a coat which sells for \$5 entered once as wool at \$1, next as cloth at \$3, and finally as a product worth \$5, the whole summing up \$9 in the census report. A machine that sells for \$7 by successive counts for ore, pig, bar iron and finished product, is made responsible for \$16 in the total. Of the \$9,813,321,361 affirmed by Mr. Nimmo to have been our product in 1880, as much as \$3,396,823,549, it is held, is imaginary.

There can be no doubt that this fallacious system of computing the results of our industrial activities is demoralizing and dangerous. Like an unfair system of protection, it unduly stimulates investment which will not only be unprofitable itself, but choke out established interests and work general stagnation, undue competition and prostration, if not ruin. Tell the

Smells of the Dark Ages.

We are glad to find a few clear, honest voices raised outside of Lancaster county against the iniquitous and unjust bill now before the governor for his signature, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of olcomargarine in this state, under penalties of the criminal law. The Pittsburg commercial exchange has sent its protest against the bill to the governor, and the Philadel phia produce exchange, by committee and counsel, has appeared in the same inter-

This is no question of good and bad butter; nor of real and bogus dairy products, the advocates of the bill try to make it appear. If an attempt were made to rule out of the market all butter that fell below the gilt-edged standard of Delaware county dairies, or to prohibit the sale of any but freshly laid eggs, a howl would soon go up from the farmers and produce dealers of the state, who know very well that most of the butter that gets to the market is not what it should be and that vast quantities of eggs sold in the cities are not above suspicion. "Carcat emptor" applies particularly to this class of commodities. But the proposition is to ohibit and punish the sale of a substitute for butter, simply because as such substitute it competes with the sale of dairy butter. This is an attempt at amercial tyranny that is not to be tolerated by an enlightened commonwealth. As the Pittsburg Leader none too strongly says, it is " a law sayoring strongly of the barbaric legislation of the dark ages." At this time when every

Parted Company.

The Prohibitionists are discovering the nigger in the Republican wood-pile. Mr. Blaine's friend and cousin, Gail Hamilton, has been scoring them with her virulent pen; and out in Illinois the Republicans of the legislature voted almost solidly the other day against granting the use of one of the legislative halls to St. John to lecture

The situation has strangely changed. A few years ago the Republicans had only honeyed words for the temperance folk. They patted them on the back and made all sorts of promises, which they kept to the ear as long as the Prohibitionists voted with them, and broke to the hope whenever they had a chance to realize them for their temperance allies.

In the last campaign the Prohibitionist refused to be gulled. As the old Abolitionists kept aloof from the Whigs, St John and his followers struck out on their own book, and are held responsible for the defeat of Blaine, who played double with them in Maine. Now curses are beaped on their heads and they are denied fellowship with their old partners. The Republican party, weaker than ever, casts them off. The temperance people can stand it. The Republican party must go.

THE war excitement between Russia and England has drawn attention from the ignominious retirement of the Briton from the Soudan. John Bull should keep very quiet at the mention of the names of El Mahdi or

JUDGE COOKE, of Florida, pays the foliowing beautiful tribute to the ballot box and its sanctity: "It is the ark of the American Covenant. The law is in it and the fate of the nation; the virtue, the moral and social rights of a free people, the physical prosperity and Christian existence of the American people as a nation, rest upon its purity and preservation. Like the ancient Ark of the Covenant, it should be touched only with pure hands. Therein is our national grandeur and happiness, as well as our perennial prosperity, in our social, individual and national relations to all we hold dear, and which, as a free and ever favored libertyloving nation, and through the wise, prudenjust and honest use of which we can only preserve and protect that liberty which will continue to guarantee unto us such pros-perity as we have enjoyed." If Judge Cooke beheld some of the recent elections that have been held in Lancaster, he would come to the conclusion that the ballot box is sadly in need of regeneration.

Ir is proposed to play base ball by electric light. At present this would throw into too strong relief the diminished patronage of the national game.

It had been thought that by no possible ombination of circumstances postmistresses could be brought under the designation of offensive partisans." Yet it is found that Mrs. Long, the incumbent of the office at Charlottesville, Va., is very properly described by this term. It is soberly declared that she has been a more active partisan than any follower of Mahone in puntaloons. It was her wont to attend Mahone conferences; which in itself was not a very serious offense, though exhibiting extremely bad taste. But her crowning malfeasance was the prevention of the delivery of Democratic newspapers and campaign literature. Lovely as woman is in the abstract, this concrete specimen of the sex must go.

LOGAN says in explanation of his victory: 'The Lord was on our side." This statement is timely, for it was believed from the result that old Nick had been doing the wire-pul-

ILLINOIS may have had some difficulty in electing a senator, but it seems to get along amazingly well in its corporation legislation The Senate of the Sucker state has just passed a most stringent bill for the licensing of tele graph companies in the state. It requires that the companies shall make an annual report to the auditor of public accounts on or before the 10th day of January, 1886, and each year thereafter, which report shall state -first, the name and locality of the person, company or corporation; second, the number of miles of telegraph operated by said person, company or corporation in the state. and the location of its lines therein; third, the amount of gross receipts from all sources of their business received within the state for the year ending the 31st day of December preceding such report. And it is further-more necessary that a certificate of license be obtained annually from the auditor, which shall recite that all the provisions of the law have been observed. Finally to obtain such license each company must pay into the state treasury the specific sum of 3 per cent. of the gross amount received for the year included in the report, which sum may be recovered in any court of competent jurisdiction at the suit of the state. The Illinois legislators are evidently of the opinion that corporations are not above and beyond the authority of the state. Would that it were so in Penn-

JOHN SHERMAN will not run away if the senatorial mantle falls upon him. Did any one ever think he would?

PERSONAL.

mee in the West and abusing the Republican

BRET HARTE is at work upon a new Cali-JOHN P. St. John is lecturing on temper-

EDWARD S.SHQINER, mayor of Allentown, is the latest name moutioned in Republican circles for the state treasurership. EX-SENATOR J. GAY GORDON has been ar-

guing before the governor against the con tutionality of the anti-oleomargarine law. JOHN ROACH says the American ship has no friends in America. If John means the Dolphin, he is tuning on the right key.

C. W. HAZZARD, of the Daily Republican at Monongahela City, has resigned his position as postmaster there after a service of twenty years, His term would not have expired until January.

THOMAS E. OWENS, a brother of John E. Owens, with whom he played *Dromio*, died yesterday in the Edwin Forrest Home, of which he had been an inmate. His brother John is now sick at Charleston, S. C.

WILLIAM H. WELSH, formerly editor of the Philadelphia Age and later of the Balti-more Gazette, has been tendered and ac-cepted a position in the treasury department and will content nd will enter upon his duties in a fe REV. PATRICK TONER, formerly of Ply

mouth, Pa., and now representing the Cath-lic mission of Central Africa, has recently won distinction in Naples and other Italian cities by his eloquence and ability as a pul-

JOHN KELLY, the youngest son of Mr. Eugene Kelly, the New York banker, was drowned in the Sabinas river, at Lampazos, Mexico, on Monday, while bathing with his brother-in-law, Daniel Metueo. Mr. Kelly had recently married in Mexico. MRS. MARGARET E. CROCKER, of Sacre

mento, Cal., believes in doing good with her riches in her life-time. She has recently presented to Sacramento a valuable art gal-lery, having previously built and endowed a home for old ladies and a beautiful conservatory.

PROF. W. B. HALL, of this city, who ha PROF. W. B. Hall, of this city, who has been giving lessons in voice culture to the young folks of Trinity Lutheran and First Reformed churches, Reading, for the past six months, brought his labors to a close Tuesday evening. During his stay in Reading he made many friends in and out of musical circles.

the dark ages," At this time when every interest of trade calls for extension of privileges and freedom of opportunity to have enacted such a law shows an ignorance and preversity only to be expected of a Peansylvania legislature. We cannot believe that the governor will approve it.

ROBE, H. SAYBE has been re-elected president of the South Pennsylvania railroad, with the following directors: William H. Vanderbilt, William K. Vanderbilt, H. McK. Twombly, William C. Whitney, Henry F. Dimmock, George J. Magee, Franklin B. Gowen, Goorge de B. Keim, D. Hostetter, James Duffy, Lyman D. Gilbert, William T. Sanger.

HERE AND THERE.

I had fervently believed for some time that the final overthrow of the Republican party was direct retribution for the great electoral fraud of 1876-77. But a special circumstance that has lately come to notice suggests to me that the enguling of Pharach and his hosts was hastened by the Nemesis that avenged a gross act of partisan vandal ism in the late presidential campaign over in York county. On a lofty eminence in one of the Codoruses, overlooking a country in which Republicans are about as scarce as Democrats in our West Earl or Pequea, had stood for over a century a proud hickory tree, from whose summit old Solly Zartman, away back in the Jackson campaign had unfurled the starry banner of undiluted Demo-cracy and undefiled patriotism. From the topmost branches of this living mast for sixty years had floated in every campaign the standard of Codorus' political loyalty. Under its shelter, as often as the years came had gathered the faithful Democrats of that region to renew their vows, and many a tyro on the stump had there had his baptism in the true faith. To the last old Solly gathered with his brethren and it was prom sed him, as of direct revelation, that he should not see death until his eyes had looked upon the renaissance of Jeffersonian principles and Jacksonian practices. He kept the faith, but a short time before the ides of November came, full of fate for the Republicans and their knight of the White Feather, some miscreants put dynamite under Solly Zartman's hickory tree and utterly destroyed it. In the returns from New York the old man had his atisfaction, and the hickory timber will be made into walking sticks that will be handed down in the homesteads of York's Demoracy to generations yet unborn.

York county, by the way, has long since redeemed itself from the scandalous manage men of public affairs which afflicted it some years ago; and it would now be entirely out of debt but for the big flood that swept down he Codorus valley last year and took away its bridges. The county has replaced then in town and country with new and better structures and shoulders up about \$140,000 debt for them with the air of contentmen that indicates a feeling of money well spent

On Judge Black's splendid tarm, Brockie which sweeps from the very summit of Webb's hill, across orchards and woods and hedges and hillsides and meadows, to the edges of the lazy Codorus, there is a little Schweizer barn, a model of the big Pennsyl vania German barns, which were the deligh of the venerable granger-advocate. When the story of his life is written, if it shall contain one-half of the good stories that were told of him and by him, his will be one of the most entertaining biographies ever pub-lished. His love of the English poets and bis familiarity with them were among the most striking of his many characteristics. When he sat in the constitutional convention listening to the frequent misquotations of Shakespeare made by its members, his great soul was much vexed and he was wont! correct the stenographer's notes so that the bones of the dead might not be moved by these assaults upon him. And one day, who he was compelled to get leave of absence for himself for a few days, he solemnly called leorge M. Dallas to him and gravely charged him, "in my absence, to protect the reputa-tion of my friend, William Shakespeare, from

Wherever two or three judges and lawyers are gathered together around the board, David W. Sellers tells that charming storyas only Sellers can tell a story-of the time he hungrily accepted Judge Black's invitation to dine with him at a famou's restaurant in Harrisburg, for the excellence of whose cuisine the judge vouched. And how after he had whetted his appetite on some of Judge Black's stories, and walked around many squares with him Judge Black suddenly recollected that "that restaurant was in Balti-

I think it is Sellers who tells the remarkable story of John Hanton, who was hanged some fifteen years ago in Philadelphia for the murder of little Mary Mohrman. The case has been revived in the public mind by the alleged confession of some scalawag in Boston that he, and not Hanlon, was the real murderer. But the chain of evidence forged by Hanlon's own confession, was too strong to be broken by this sensational "confes It was Hanlon, the story goes, who atter he had committed and confessed this atrocious crime, obstinately refused to make an affidavit—for the purpose of a legal appeal in his case—that he was doing so "not for the purpose of delay." He declared that he had that purpose in view and "would not take any false oath." So his case never got be-yond the lower courts and he was hanged by the neck till he was very dead. And if the law made a mistake it is too late to repair it even by hanging the right man now,

Among the rare good story-tellers of the tate, besides Sellers and Black, is ex-Gov. Curtin. He can keep the boys up all night, around the camp-fire or before the open grate, where the cannel coal makes shadow pictures. One of his heroes is Capt. Kersey, who was a teamster in the Revolution, but fought with the borse dragoons" at the battle of Monmouth, where men fell at every stroke of his stout sword until the headless stroke of his stone sword until the headless trunks lay piled about him like cord wood and his shoes overrun with gore. It was amid such scenes, Capt. K. would gravely re-late, that he felt a hand laid upon his shoulder and looking up saw the stately form of General Washington. "I shall never forget the gravity of his manner nor the solemnity of his speech. 'Young man,' he said. 'restrain you impetuosity. In the name of God don make a slaughter house of the battle field.'

And there was Geo, Gallagher, famous as small politician in the Juniata valley two gen erations ago. After Jackson was inaugurated he went down to pay his compliments to the pride of his political efforts. He was kindly received and had a drink with the host of the White House. When he took his leave he took occasion, too, to tell the presiden with what gratification he would go back to his people and report that he had not only ns people and report that he had not only seen and conversed with the head of the nation, but had two drinks with him. "That, however," interposed Gen. Jackson, "would not be strictly correct," "Ah!" said Gallagher, "I know the great Andrew Jackson will not allow me to depart from his presence without asking me to take the second." He got it.

It was this same George Gallagher who having failed in business, found himself subsequently without the credit in Philadelphia necessary to lay in a stock of goods. He returned home; it was about the time of the discovery of anthracite coal, and the ensuing speculative excitement over coal lands; but there was no such land within miles of where Gallagher lived. Next week's issue of the local paper, however, came out with a flaming notice of great coal discoveries or some lands in that region, and appended to

N. B.—We understand this mine of wealth longs to our esteemed fellow-citizen, Geo. (agher, esq. An extra edition of the paper was printed that week. Copies of it with the account of this great discovery carefully and conspicu-ously marked were received by the Philadel-phia merchants. Soon after Gallagher went down to buy goods and got his work in.

I think this is a new story of Lincoln. It was in the campaign of 1836, and George Forquer had entered upon the task of "taking Lincoln down," at a political meeting in Springfield, Ill., where, after the fashion of the day, the discussion was conducted by joint debate. Forquer assumed an air of superiority throughout his speech. He had recently been converted from the faith of the Whigs by appointment to an office, and had otherwise astonished his fellow citizens by building a new frame house and erecting over it the only lightning rod to be found in that entire region. When he had finished his attack on Lincoln, that individual arose and said : " It is for you and not for me to say whether I have been taken down. The gentleman has alluded to my being a young man. I am older in years than I am in the tricks and trades of politicians. I desire to live and I desire place and distinction as a politician; but I would rather die now, than, like the gentleman, live to see the day that I would have to creet a lightning rod to protect

guilty conscience from an offended God."

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Lincoln ran for the legislature that year, and Sangamon county, uniformly Democratic before, went for the Whigs by 400 majority, Lincoln leading the ticket.

—This story, with hundreds of others of Lincoln's early life, is told, I find, in Ward Lamon's life of Lincoln, which brings it up to his inauguration. Offensive as was the style of this book, it is certainly one of the most remarkable and valuable biographies ever written, and in years to come will possess inestimable value. I picked up a clean copy in a second-hand book store the other day for \$1.75. It will be worth \$10 before many years. The circulation of the book was checked by interested parties. The Lincoln family, of course, never forgave Herndon and Lamon for writing it, though they had rich material, long acquaintance and faithful friendship for Lincoln to draw from. It was Lamon whose house in Washington Stanton proposed to confiscate for the uses of the war department; and when he

persisted in his purpose, against Lamon's remonstrance, the latter threatened to cut the secretary's throat if he did it. Stanton carried to Lincoln his complaint, and the only comfort he got was Lincoln's advice to him not to take Lamon's house; for he said, "if Ward said he would cut your throat he will do it."

This was the Stanton to whose defense Hon. Wm. D. Kelley is about to rush into print; the Stanton who wrote to Mr. Bu-chanan after the Lincoln administration had been in office thirty days: "The first month of the administration seems to have furnished an ample vindication of your policy;" and a little later: "No one speaks of Lincoln or any member of his cabinet with respect or regard;" as late as July 26: "An irretriev-able misfortune and national disgrace never to be forgotten are to be added to the ruin of all preaceful pursuits and national displacements. peaceful pursuits and national bankruptey at the result of Lincoln's running the machine for six months." The whitewashing season is at band, and Judge Kelley may have a long-handled brush, but is his supply of lime adequate for the task he has undertaken?

A Honeymoon That Was Very Brief.

The suburb of South Chicago is much ex cited over the death of Mrs. Thomas Morgan, an old resident, which occurred in Chicago under circumstances of a somewhat sensational nature. Thomas Morgan, for a number of years a resident of South Chicago, died about two years ago, leaving a widow and a stepson, William Walton, aged twenty-two years. Morgan left about \$20,000 invested in years. Morgan left about \$20,000 invested in real estate and buildings, and his widow and stepson carried on the business of collecting rests and keeping a boarding house and salcon. About two months ago a young man named Stephen Dowling came man named Stephen Dowling came to South Chicago from a small town in Indiana. He went into the tailoring business, and not long after his arrival he became acquainted with the well-to-do widow. Dowling at once became quite attentive, and they were much seen together. Last week, it is said, they left South Chicago together and went to Chicago. Last Friday alternoon they are said to have been married by a Roman Catholic priest. Mrs. Morgan's by a Roman Catholic priest. Mrs. Morgan's death occurred Monday, and a South Chicago attorney took possession as custodian of all the widow's property in Chicago, acting under orders from Dowling. Dowling in the mean-time had not announced the death of Mrs. Morgan to her son young Walter to Morgan to her son, young Walton, who, learning it by accident, went to Chicago and had the body brought to South Chicago by an undertaker. The great disparity in the ages of the parties, the clandestine visit to Chicago and the alleged secret marriage, the sudden and the alleged secret marriage, the sudden death of the woman, and the fact that she had a comfortable fortune, all combined to mak the affair the talk of the town.

A good old Kentucky Democrat, who has A good on Rentucky Democrat, who has been awaiting twenty-five years for a post-office, owns a fine dog, which is his constant companion. The other day the dog had been having a run in the sunshine and was rest ing on the porch with his tongue hanging "That's a boss dog," said a traveling ma-

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way ?"
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"Polities? How ?" "Wby, sir, that dog knows Cleveland is elected, and he knows I want a postoffice, and he's got his tongue out ready to begin

He Felt Better. A Texas editor, whose name it is not necessary to mention, as everybody knows who is meant, was recovering from a spell of sick-ness. As soon as he was able to sit up the ness. As soon as he was able to sit up the doctor, who had studied the patient's consti

take a toddy or a glass of beer." "Every fifteen minutes, or every half hour, doctor?" asked the journalist, who began to feel like himself again.

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