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EDITORIAL.

EDITOR HARTER has gone to the woods for two weeks to hunt deer. While out in the mountains he can devote considerable time to figuring out how the republicans lost Centre county. this afternoon.

a large one, in some ways, but it is rather unsatisfactory to our old-time democrats to see these majorities drop to such narrow margins. We are thankful for what we got and very hopeful for more.

THEY say that Abraham V. Miller has taken the Centre Democrat's advice, that he would make a better sheriff than prothonotary, because he could fill the latter place better, and is already working for that position. An office ! An office! My kingdom for an office!

THE Howard Hornet promises to have something of interest to say about the "clique of republicans, whose headquarters are in Bellefonte, that knifes our ticket when it is their personal interest to do so." According to this there were some republicans independent enough to vote as they please, without taking orders from the Hastings gang, who control the republican party in Centre county. We expect to see the Hornet plunge its stinger deep.

THE election was a benefit to the democratic party in several ways. It has deposed of several bad elements from power and prestige. Brice, the millionaire monopolist from Ohio, is thrown overboard; Gorman, the political blackleg, is reduced and humiliated; the straddling on the money question, as was done in Kentucky by the democrats, was cowardly and a serious blunder. Tammany and corruption in New York, are not an entire success, either. These are some of benefits of the last election; let us profit by them in the finine.

The vote on superior court judges shows that Judge Rice, of Luzerne, who presides over the court, leads the ballot with 457,782 votes, beating Judge Orlady the lowest on the Republican ticket, 9, 465 votes, and Judge Smith. the highest ent as on Monday. The entire session was

INVESTIGATION BEGUN. Philadelphia's Municipal Corruption to be Exposed.

MONSTER INCREASE IN EXPENSES.

It Costs \$29,000,000 a Year to Run the City Now, While in 1887 the Cost Was Only \$8,000,000 -- Contracts Invariably Violated.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 19 .- The senate investigating committee appointed to in-quire into the workings of the municipal government under the new city charter met yesterday in the Hotel Metropole, and, after a partial mode of procedure had been laid down by Lawyer Angelo Freedley, examined one witness and adjourned until

The members of the investigating com-A SMALL majority may be as good as | mittee are: W. H. Andrews, Crawford county; Samuel J. McCarroll, Dauphin; John C. Grady, Philadelphia; E. B. Hardenberg, Wayne; Arthur Kennedy, Allegheny, and C. Wesley Thomas, ex-officio, as president pro tem. of the senate.

Every member of the committee was present except Senator C. Wesley Thomas, of Philadelphia. Silas W. Pettit, counsel for the committee, was also absent, but it was announced that he would be on hand in a few days. In the meantime Mr. Freedley will examine the witnesses. He rep-resents the Citizens' Municipal associa-tion, the organization which urged the passage of the resolution and which furnished the \$20,000 necessary to conduct the inquiry.

Lawyer Freedley opened the business of the day by addressing the committee on the powers and jurisdiction rested in it by the resolution. He spoke of the necessity of the investigation, stating that since the new charter went into effect, in 1887, until the present time the cost of maintaining the various municipal departments has increased from \$8,000,000 per year to over \$29,000,000. In conclusion he referred to street cleaning, collection of garbage and ashes, etc., and said he would direct the investigation towards that department before touching elsewhere. He then offered in evidence the annual report of the city controller from 1887 to 1894, showing the expenses of the city government.

T. B. M. Addis, general agent of the Citizens' Municipal association, was then sworn. He said he was familiar with the contracts and specifications agreed to by the contractors in these branches of the city work. He showed that the amount bid by contractors for 1894 was more than doubled the amount bid for 1890. He then gave figures of the amount bid for 1895, which showed a much less figure, notwithstanding there was much more work to be performed this year.

Mr. Addis then referred to the specifications accompanying contracts, and said they were invariably violated. While he was testifying to some items in such specifications Senator Grady moved to adjourn. Before doing so Chairman Andrews said that an effort would be made to obtain more commodious quarters for

the remaining sessions. PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 13 .- The second day's session of the senate investigating committee was held yesterday at the Hotel

THE INDIANAPOLIS ELECTION.

Full Credit Should Be Given Calamity Howlers For Republican Defeat.

The Republican organs find it hard to explain the Indianapolis election in their bewilderment over the result, says the Philadelphia Record. They say that the Republican candidate for mayor was not popular, that the people took the first occasion to resent the tyrannical Nicholson liquor law, and that the "Dutch" refused to support the party. All this is true, but the unpopularity of the candidate for mayor does not account for the defeat of all the rest of the Republican candidates. Nor does it begin to tell the whole story of this Republican disaster in Indianapolis.

A year ago the industrial elements in Indianapolis as well as in other portions of the country were smitten with panic by the insensate howls of calamity over the new tariff. But the manufacturers and workingmen of that city have not only discovered the extent of the partisan fraud that was practiced upon them, but they are justly apprehensive of an attempt to revive tariff agitation. They feel ashamed that they yielded so readily to misrepresentation, and in their contrition they have turned upon their deceivers. While many Republicans in Indianapolis absented themselves from the polls in their disgust with the party of calamity many more voted straight for the Democratic party and for industrial peace. The Republicans are destined to realize a good deal more of the same kind of experience as long as they threaten the country with a restoration of McKinley duties upon the raw materials of American industry.

There is no doubt that the people of Indiana are much disgusted with the game which the Republicans of that state have been playing under the table with the A. P. A. Nor is there any of raw wool in the 12 months ended question that they have deeply offended the German-Americans and all other liberal citizens by the cunning malig- in the previous year, and the imports of nity of the Nicholson liquor law. But it would be wrong to deny to the calamity howlers their full share of the credit for the signal Republican defeat statistics for previous years, make an in Indianapolis.

SELLING WOOL TO THE ENGLISH.

Worth More In England Than It Is In the American Market.

It appears that a Boston firm has sold 500,000 pounds of Montana wool for export to England because the English manufacturers are willing to pay more for it than it is worth in this market, says the Philadelphia Record. On the strength of this transaction the advocates of a high tariff tax on wool argue that foreign manufacturers will soon monopolize the business of making our woolens, which they will send back to us in spite of our 40 to 50 per cent duties. This argument ignores the fact that our manufacturers are importing over 200,000,000 pounds of foreign wools in addition to the domestic wools they use. As long as the necessities of

RAW WOOL IMPORTS.

SIGNIFICANCE OF INCREASE FOR THE PAST YEAR.

It Simply Means That Trade Has Returned to Normal Prosperity-Misleading Figures of Protectionists-Manufacturers Are Not Complaining.

The very large increase in the imports of raw wool and manufactures of wool since the reaction from the panic period commenced has been seized upon eagerly by the protectionists as an evidence of the damage that is being done to American interests by the present tariff law, says the Philadelphia Record. It is worthy of note, however, that those who undertake to use the figures of wool imports to bolster up protectionist theories go back no further in the history of our foreign trade than the panic year of 1893-4, when all industries were stagnant and when the consuming power of the great mass of purchasers was at its lowest point in many years. The transition from this year of depression to the following period of great activity is about all the protectionists care to include in their tirades against the free wool features of the present tariff.

Mr. Theodore Justice, who is one of the most prolific producers of these protectionist arguments, has recently prepared an extended statement showing the increase in the imports of wool and manufactures of wool during the 12 months ended Aug. 31, as compared with the previous year. This period was chosen in order to show the course of trade during the last 12 months in which the high wool duties of the McKinley tariff were in force and during the first year of the present free wool schedule. This comparison shows that the imports Aug. 31, 1895, amounted to 249,496,-058 pounds against 58,678,677 pounds manufactures of wool increased in the same time from \$15,884,260 to \$45,-858,428. These figures, separated from apparently striking argument with which to persuade American wool growers and woolen manufacturers that their interests are being disastrously effected by free wool and reduced duties on woolen goods. But the showing which these isolated figures make, and which Mr. Justice and his fellow protectionists point out with such enthusiasm, is entirely misleading, as may readily be seen by considering the imports of the

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past two years in their proper context. As Mr. Justice has selected an odd period upon which to base his argument, it is feasible to present earlier statistics for corresponding months, but the figures for the government fiscal years ended June 30 answer equally well both for Mr. Justice's theories and for the argument by which to refute then

The imports of raw wool in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1895, amounted to 465 votes, and Judge Smith. the highest ent as on Monday. The entire session was on the Democratic ticket, by 121.67. Taken up with the examination of General indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith leads the Democratic side according to the Citizens' Municipal indge Smith



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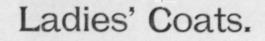
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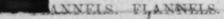
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rith 286, 103 votes, which is 12,778 ahead f the vote received by Judge Bechtel and Ir. Moorhead, who tie each other at 3,325. Judge Smith leads Judge Verkes 64 votes, and Judge Magee 9.334. vote of the leading Democratic cante is in excess of the vote for Mr. B. leyers for state treasurer 4,579, Judge Rice's vote leads that of the blican candidate for state treasurer 6. Not much more than one-half the vote of the state was cast at the elec-

Will Drill for Oil at Clearfield.

The Pittsburg capitalists who are developing mineral lands at Clearfield will drill a test well for oil. The drill will be put down a distance of 3,600 feet if it is found necessary to go that far.

Largely Attended.

The funeral services over the remains of the late Samuel Gilliland, of Oak Hall, Pa., were largely attended on last Wright, of Milesburg, officiated.

Married.

Morris-Ward, by Ira C. Mitchell, minister of the gospel, at Milesburg, Centre Co. Pa., on Thursday November 7, 1895, James Irvin Morris, Esq., of Milesburg, and Miss Mary Ellen Ward, of forward testimony which, for the first Lancaster, Pa.,

They Wore Bloomers.

Saturday was field-day at Vassar college and 600 girls clad in bloomers ran races, jumped, turned hand-springs and chased the pig-skin. No men were allowed on the field.

Another Game.

On next Saturday another game of foot ball, between the Bellefonte Academy and the Williamsport High School, is booked for Bellefonte. No ground has as yet been secured for this game.

Deer Hunters.

Since the election is over the deer hunters will take to the mountains for an outing. Several parties from Bellefonte will be in the Alleghenics until the close of the season.

Very Low.

The Susquehanna river was so low at Clearfield last week that a young man named White rode across the bed of the stream on a bicycle without getting wet.

-Men's heavy weight black and blue cheviot suits, strickly all wool, made by the best makers in the country. Our price \$7.50. You will find it hard to duplicate these goods elsewhere for less than \$10.00.

ation. The testimony given related to the contracts for street cleaning, collection of garbage and street paving, and also the non-compliance with specifications by contractors and non-enforcement by the authorities. Lawyer Freedley conducted the examination.

Agent Addis said that the contracts for street cleaning were generally violated, and referred to the collection of ashes by saying that the carts, despite the regulations requiring tight lids, had none at all. As to garbage he said the general complaint was that it was not incinerated as required by ordinance of councils.

Referring to street paving, he said that ouncils' ordinance of April, 1893, required that close fitting blocks should be used. This, he said, was not done. During 1893, he said, the property owners paid \$140,000 more than they should have paid, as fitted instead of irregular blocks should have been used.

The committee then adjourned until today, when Mr. Addis' examination was renewed.

It was announced around the lobbies of the hotel that the committee had determined to have but three sessions a weekon Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. It was also stated that the quarter sessions room in the city hall had been secured for Saturday. Revs. Hepley, of Lemont and future meetings through the good offices of District Attorney Graham.

Says Byrnes Got His "Divvy."

NEW YORK, Nov. 12 .- The commissioners of accounts, who have been investigating transactions of the dock board for some time, turned yesterday into the field covered by the Lexow committee, and brought time, implicates Thomas Byrnes, the noted ex-superintendent of police, in the blackmailing scandals. Christian E. Schaeffer, for many years a keeper of gambling houses, testified under oath that for "protection" he made an agreement with Byrnes, then a captain of police, that the latter should receive one-fourth share of the profits of the business, which was keno. The witness regularly paid Byrnes personally each month a fourth share of the profits. The partnership continued

for ten months, during which he paid not less than \$2,000. He also testified to paying money which went to other police officials, including ex-Inspector Williams.

Many Lives Lost in a School Fire.

GRANA, West Indies, Nov. 13 .- A school building here in which 150 children were present caught fire, and before anything could be done the whole building was ablaze, and in spite of heroic efforts the building was destroyed. Thirty-one charred bodies, including that of the teacher, have so far been taken out. The fire is believed to be of incendiary origin, and two boys who had been severely punished by the teacher and suspended from school are believed to be the authors of the crime. They have been arrested, but so far have not confessed.

A Ten-Year-Old Murderer.

CROSBY, Tenn., Nov. 13 .- A 10-year-old son of George Dennis deliberately shot his 15-year-old sister through the head on Sunday night, killing her. Recently while the boy was sick he asked his sister to give him something to eat, but she refused having instructions from the attending FAUBLES, Brockerhoff Block. Physician not to give him feed except as directed. The boy grew angry, and told her if she did not feed him he would kill her when he got well.

going out of business. In fact, they have just commenced to do business on the sound basis afforded by unlimited access to the world's supply of this raw material.

It is a fact that the kind of wool that grows on a sheep's back depends very largely upon local conditions. Upon the same breed of sheep there is a difference in the fiber and gloss of wool brought from different countries. Our fine wools are better for some kinds of cloths than the Argentine or Australian wools, and the Argentine and Australian wools are better for other kinds of cloths. It proves nothing that the English import wools from this country except that our wools are temporarily undervalued in the home market. It is a circumstance of good augury for our farmers that the English are willing to pay more for Montana wool than American prices. The Boston sale may be the beginning of a prosperous trade.

Evans Didn't Get Vindicated.

While the Democrats of Indianapolis have been overturning precedents and breaking records in their big majority the Democrats of Chattanooga have been engaging in a like revolution. They elect their candidate for mayor and five out of eight aldermen, and completely reverse the Republican majority of 1,250 of last fall. This defeat rather destroys the hopes of Henry Clay Evans, the Republican candidate for governor in Tennessee a year ago, for the vice presidential nomination next year. Evans was the leader in the Chattanooga fight and sought a vindication at home in order to improve his political aspirations .---Philadelphia Times.

Indianapolis, 4,000 Democratic.

- Reed-Say, Ben, how's this? By gum, if you Have things in such a fix
 - In your own town, what pull have you To show in '96? Great Cæsar, Ben, if my home town Should do as yours had done, I'd go and saw my legs off short, Before I'd try to run.
- Morton-Dear Benjamin, I'm pained to see Your town in such a plight.
- If this is all that you can do, I'll beat you out of sight.
- I played the second fiddle once, Don't you remember, Ben?
- Well, once was quite enough, dear boy, I'll not do so again.
- McKinley-4,000 Democratic! Gosh. What strange things happen when We have no gun! Say, do you think There's any chance for Ben?
- Take my advice and stay at home, And, Benjie, buckle down To local politics until You've straightened out your town.
- Allison-Dear me! Dear me! Dear Benjamin, What news is this I hear? Have you permitted Democrats To catch you in the rear? And right at home! Weil, I declare!
- But, since the job is done, When will you write a letter to Announce that you won't run?
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this shows an increase of 250,981,321 pounds from the panic period, it was an increase of only 33,700,068 pounds from the fiscal year 1892-3, when the high McKinley duties were in force and when American wool growers were presumably enjoying all the advantages of protection. Omitting entirely the abnormally restricted imports of wool in 1893-4, the increase from 1892-3 to 1894-5 was but little more than the increase in imports from 1891 2 to 1892-3. This is made more clear by the following table of imports of raw wool during the past eight fiscal years ended June 30:

8 9		Pounds.
10 11	105,431,285 129,303,648	240,046,482
2 G	148,070,652 172,433,858	234,734,923
4 6	\$5,152,585 208,133,906	321,104,490

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It should be noted that with the tremendous incentive of the entire removal of the duty and the greatly increased industrial activity incident to the general revival in trade the imports in the past year, as compared with the last previous period of normal business activity, were only about 20 percent. Had the imports of wool increased throughout the period covered by the panic at the same rate as was maintained while the McKinley tariff was in force the imports last year would have been far in excess of the actual figures which are causing so much anxiety to the protectionists. Furthermore, the small imports of 1893-4 and the large imports in 1894-5 taken together were \$60,000,000 less than the quantity of foreign wool landed on our shores during the preceding two years.

Manufacturers are not saying much about the increase in imports of raw wool, for this condition points unerringly to greater industrial activity in this country. But the increase in the imports of manufactures of wool from \$19,439,-372 in 1893-4 to \$36,542,396 in 1894-5 is pointed out by the protectionists as an evidence of the ruin of Amercan wool manufacturing industries by British competition. As a matter of fact, the imports of manufactures of wool in the past fiscal year were \$1,506,119 less than they were two years ago and \$20,-000,000 less than five years ago.

The whole significance of the increase of our imports of wool and woolens during the past year lies in the fact that this country has been recovering from extreme depression in all branches of trade and has returned to a condition of normal prosperity in a remarkably short time. Even had the McKinley duties remained in force there would probably have been an equally notable increase in imports of wool and woolens under

Republicans In Missouri.

such conditions of quick reactions.

Missouri Republicanism is composed of Uncle Filley, anti-Filley and numerous cozeners. -St. Louis Post-Dspatch.

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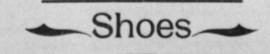
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