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EDITORIAL.

SILVER AND WHEAT.

ply and demand.

tions adopting the gold standard, the while their fellow farmers abroad will demand for the white meal has decreased suffer in consequence. and down it goes, as certain as a stone will drop to the ground by force of gravi- been going on for years. The silent tation. But this growing difference in forces have been at work so gradually the price of wheat and silver in the year that few detect the causes, but realize, 1897 does not refute the argument that to their sorrow, the effects. The recent these two products have relatively de- commission, appointed by England, to creased in price since and on account of enquire into the causes of depression of the demonetization of silver in 1873. It agriculture declare it to be due to the can't rub away the fact that the open demonetization of silver. That caused a market quotations, since 1873, show their general decline in prices the world over. steady decline since then. It cannot, Put it in another form-an increase in for they are inconvertable, irrefutable the purchasing power of gold, or an apfacts. The variation of prices in excep- preciating dollar. When gold and silver tional years, affected by exceptional were our primary money there was causes, is altogether outside of this propo- double the amount of redemption money sition. During the year 1897 exceptional and prices did not go down and down, causes were at work; it is an exception and distress and privation stalk over the out of twenty-five years-since '73. If land like a dread monster. believe that every sensible, intelligent flect. man would prefer to base his conclusions stead of a single one.

people are not bereft of their reason and decline of wages, has made their occuordinary common sense, notwithstanding pation unprofitable, unbearable—an this point.

This is an exception to the rule, but it to it by dire necessity. gives much consolation to the goldites, who are hard-driven for an argument.

VICTIMS OF THE AXE.

It is not a surprise to find a certain class of rotten republican organs in this state severely criticising Gov. Hastings for the liberal manner in which he applied his vetoe axe to corrupt bills and dishonest appropriations of the recent legislature. These papers are usually edited by a class of corrupt politicians, whose known standing in their respective communities, is all that is embodied in dishonor and disrepute. No matter what the Executive's shortcomings may have been on other occasions; no matter what political advantage may be gained by his recent course; no matter who due recogniton.

NO PRIMARIES.

Down at Milesburg there are about one hundred and forty republican voters in the borough. On Saturday not enough put in an appearance to hold an election to select delegates for Republican County Convention on Tuesday. their old-time political enthusiasm since the appointment of the new postmaster at that place. The party workers think they were given the cold shoulder and are not bothering much about politics.

TARIFF POINTERS.

eloquent on the tariff tell him that the need be alarmed. treasury deficit in the last year of the Wilson tariff was over \$18,000,000, as against \$69,000,000 in the last year ed of late. Many of the necessaries of of the McKinley tariff. For the first life cost the workingman more though, month of the Dingley tariff the deficit since the Dingley bill passed. Keep is \$11,000,000 or more than one-half the these two points constantly in mind. deficit for the last twelve months of the Study the new tariff. Wilson tariff. If he has any intelligence to comprehend the same, he will cool down. If he don't, he should,

COAL MINER'S STRIKE.

At present, thousands of coal miners, throughout the bituminous regions of Pennsylvania and Ohio, have thrown down their picks and abandoned the mines. The western part of the state is in a high fever over the great strike now on, and many fear that dire results may follow before a satisfactory solution of the trouble can be reached.

This takes place because they now declare their condition drives them to desperation. They can scarcely make a decent living for themselves and families by honorable toil at a most perilous oc-At present our republican organs are cupation. They realize that wages have gloating over the fact that the difference gone down and down until hunger, desin the price of wheat and silver has been | titution and poverty are their common growing since last Fall's campaign- fate. They strike to better their conwheat is going up in price, and silver dition. It is their last resort. They are down. This is the present situation of driven to it by force of circumstances. these two commodities in the markets If this is the true situation, and it seems of the world. Like every other commo- to be, it is a sad commentary upon the dity, they are subject to the law of sup- condition of our working people. The same complaint comes from agriculture. The wheat crop is short this year and Depression in markets has been the the price has naturally advanced. Ow. story for years, but a shortage in crops ing to the defeat of the silver party, in abroad, fortunately for our farmers, this this country last election, and other na- year may give them temporary relief,

Now mark you, this state of things has

only one year out of twenty-five is to be We have no political campaign before taken as the guide, and satisfies a lus. There are no fat offices to be filled. gold bug that wheat and silver have not Our people are not influenced by politidecreased relatively in price under the cal harangues. They should be at themgold standard, it shows how much sound selves and in fit condition to make intelreasoning there is in his argument. We ligent observations and seriously re-

Some valuable lessons can be drawn on the result of observations extending from the coal miner's strike. It is not a over a period of twenty-four years in- vain show of numbers. It is not the result of a sudden uprising. It is not the If exceptions upset the rule, and a mi- revolt against the single operator. But nority carries, the gold people are en- it is a serious move, the result of long titled to the benefit of their argument. deliberation. It is a protest from an That time has not yet arrived and the army of toilers that the grinding down, the gush of political demagogues on actual, determined struggle for existence; not a matter of chance, but driven

> every hand. They can not fail but awaken the sympathy of all loyal citi- ing for the place, but there were cirzens. Must we not admit that something is out of gear in our commercial and finaucial systems? We have had the single gold standard in operation for twenty-four years and a protective tariff since the war.

To the satisfaction of many, these two systems have simply impeded the progress of our people, and created on one hand a class of money kings, and on the other tens of thousands of impoverished workmen. That this latter condition exists, cannot be denied.

GIVEN'S SIDE SHOW.

Chairman W. B. Given, of the Jeffergot caught and fell by the way side as sonnian Sound Money party, has called the Executive's axe cut a clean swath, the state committee for a consultation at he was in the right. And if any dishon- the Hotel Walton, Philadelphia, Septembor, discredit and humiliation befell er second. This will be a gathering of anyone, the Governor can not be censurich, halfbreed democrats, at the most ed. The wail that is going up from fashionable hotel in Philadelphia, where those who "got it in the neck" meets no they will "resolve and whereas" as to sympathy-their own sins have found how the balance-the poor devilsthem out. Gov. Hastings was right in should vote. After that is done the rethe vigorous use of his vetoe power, and mainder of the programme will be a every good citizen is applauding him blow-out. The necks of chanpaign botfor the good work done and the prece- tles will crack, and the contents will flow dent established. It is the brightest page freely. Terrapin, canvassback duck, in his public career, and political differ- and all the rare dishes of the season will ence does not prevent us in rendering be served. A genuine bacchanalian revelry will follow and these lords of creation will rejoice that they can enjoy the penefit of a gold standard. In that assemblage a tradesman will be as scarce as a hentooth, and a workingman would be entirely irrelevant. These Jeffersonian democrats are either bankers, corporation lawyers, bloated bondholders, or of some similar breed of Milesburg republicans seem to have lost cats, who want to tell the honest, frugal people how to conduct public affairs. Thanks, brother Givens, the common deople have no time for you or your gang.

THE Att'y. General has declared that a Notary of the Public does not have the authority to unite persons in marriage. There are plenty of others who can do it When your republican neighbor grows in a satisfactory manner, so that no one

No reports are going of wages increas-

OUR farmers should not fail to carefully read an article in another column of this issue headed "Silver and Agricul-If they find such large quantities of ture." It means much, as it comes from gold in Alaska, as is expected, the metal a reliable source. It declares that the will become plenty and the government depression in agriculture is primarily will be in danger of coining 53-cent gold due to the change of our monetary sysdollars. The argument is equally con- tem since 1873. There is much food for thought in the report of this commission.

HARRISBURG LETTER.

Many Candidates For the Gubernatorial Nomination.

HASTINGS AND THE SENATE.

The Governor Will Not Be a Candidate Against Senator Quay, Though the Beaver Statesman Will Have Opposition-The New Capitol Buildings.

(Special Correspondence.) Harrisburg, Aug. 10.-There is considerable gossip regarding the gubernatorial nominations next year. Nearly every county has a favorite son, and some have three. Among those prominently mentioned on the Republican side are Attorney General McCormick. Congressman W. A. Stone of Allegheny, C. W. Stone of Warren, William Connell of Lackawanna, Thad Mahon of Franklin, Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart, Auditor General Amos H. Mylin, Congressman Leisenring of Luzerne, Congressman Josiah Hicks of Blair and others. On the Democratic side no names have yet been discussed, but it is known that ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison has been considered as an available candidate in the event of a split in the Republican party. After the Republican state convention, Aug. 26, there will be a lining up of the friends of the several candidates, and something like a reasonable calculation may be made as to the results of the next gubernatorial campaign. Congressman W. A. Stone, of Allegheny, is looked upon in some quarters as the selection of Senator Quay, but lieu-tenants of the Beaver leader here say that he has not committed himself to any candidate, and that, moreover, he will walt until the situation develops sufficiently to give him some light be fore making a decision. Congressman Connell is, perhaps, the most aggressive of the candidates named, and he a promise from the political powers in the Republican party.

Hastings Will Not Oppose Quay. Governor Hastings has made an unquivocal declaration regarding his alleged ambition to be United States senator. Having had his attention called to a published statement to the effect that he would enter the field for Senator Quay's place next year, he "I have no notion of being a candidate for United States senator. I have no plan beyond my present office." He is still at Bellefonte, and will remain there until Thursday, when he will return to Harrisburg to meet the capitol building commission, which will determine this week the plans for the new state house. It has been suspected in political circles for some time that the governor would be a candidate for United States senator, but his broad declaration on this subject practically takes him out of the field unless subsequent events force him to reconsider. It is very well known that the governor was willing to retire from his present office last winter in order to succeed Senator Cameron, but the exigen-These conditions are apparent, on him to drop out of the contest. He was never a candidate in the sense of fightumstances which gave him reason to believe that he would be the choice of the legislature. For a time it was understood that Senator Perrose would retire in favor of the governor, but as the campaign closed it became evident that the plan was to make the Philadel-

phian Senator Cameron's successor. Since the senatorial election in January there has been no change in the governor's mind respecting the United States senate. He has not entertained any idea that he would succeed Senator Quay. Some of his friends have urged him to make the fight next year, but he is not disposed to become involved in any political contest during the remainder of his term of office. What he may do after he has retired is another thing, but it is pretty definitely understood among those who are near the governor that he will have no part in any factional controversy. It is not doubted here that Senator Quay will have opposition, but the governor will not be the leader against him.

The New Capitol Buildings. The three expert architects selected to make a recommendation regarding the competitive plans and designs submitted for the new capitol have finished their work and filed with State the capitol building commission, the particulars. Treasurer Haywood, the secretary of report of their examination. They recommend eight plans in the order of merit, and one of these will be chosen by the commission at a meeting to be Pennsylvania, retired from that poheld the latter part of this week. It is understood that no plan submitted in James Terry, of Bradford county. Mathe competition will be made public without the consent of the author. No persons except the three experts and permitted to look at the plans. It will probably be the first of September before a contract for the new capitol building will have been awarded. The plans invited contemplate a group of five buildings, but the legislature has time-the legislative or main building. The old executive and internal affairs buildings, flanking the site of the proposed legislative cluster, will in turn be replaced by new buildings. These contain many valuable records, and they are not in any sense secure from destruction by fire.

The buildings of the proposed group are the legislative building, building for the auditing, treasury and other departments and the supreme and superior courts, a building for the department of agriculture and other departments and a historical building for the historical and scientific collections of the state, the adjutant general's and other offices and a public hall. The proposed group must harmonize with the present executive building and the Hartranft equestrian monument, which will be erected in front of the main building. The commissioners desire that a dome be employed in the design of the legislative building. As to this building it is provded that there shall be ample provision for halls, corridors,

stairways, etc. There are to be three galleries in each of the senate and house chambers—one for the press, one for the public, and a reserve gallery. Each chamber is ture was a strain on ever to have a public reception room. The

three departmental buildings and the historical building are to cost altogether a sum not to exceed \$1,000,000. The appropriation for the main building is \$550,000, but when the architects' expenses and other preliminary items of cost are deducted the actual amount available for building purposes will be about \$500,000. Nobody seems to know is a matter which will be determined 15c. and 25c. after the plan has been adopted.

Rush For the State Treasury. Auditor General Mylin and State Treasurer Haywood did not pay out any money last week on appropriation bills approved by the governor. Many of the employes of the legislature and others were anxious to get the money due them, but the state's accounting officers, realizing the difficulty in preparing warrants, and all that sort of thing, determined to postpone all bills for one week. Yesterday they began paying out the money, and there is a rush at the state treasury. Although there were advances to employes of the legislature, there is still a large balance due them, and the balance in the general funds of the state treasury will be very much reduced before the end of the week. State Treasures Haywood denies that he has lost any money through advances to members of investigating committees. He is fully protected in any event, as no money was paid out without proper

In this connection it may be said that the course of the governor in vetoing bills making appropriations for investigating committees and in cutting out items in the general appropriation bill will have the effect of stopping all advance payments in the future. State treasurers have been the victims of the advance system of payments for many years, and they will hail with much satisfaction a change in this direction

Rev. Dr. Swallow, the Prohibition candidate for state treasurer, continues to assert with more or less emphasis that the commonwealth was hornswog gled out of several thousand dollars is looked upon as having some sort of in the fitting up of Grace church for a promise from the political powers in the use of the legislature. He contends that the bill of over \$56,000 for this work is excessively extravagant, and that, no matter if Governor Hastings has approved of it, the bill is wrong. He charges duplication of lumber bills, and insists that the whole business should have been investigated

A meeting of the Republican state committee will be held here Aug. 25 the day before the meeting of the state convention. At that time the plans of the campaign will be discussed There seems to be no doubt that Beacom, of Westmoreland, for state treasurer, and McCauley, of Chester, for auditor general, will be the ticket. There has been some talk of a resolution to be offered in the convention in dorsing Senator Quay for another term but some of the Beaver leader's friends are opposed to forcing a fight on that issue so long before the election of a United States senator.

The Laws of 1897. At the state department the work of preparing the new laws for publication is about ended, and the pamphlet laws of 1897 will probably be issued in a few days. These volumes do not vary much in size from year to year, the difference in the number of laws being generally made up in the size of some of them.

this city, is a candidate for the Demo cratic nomination for auditor general Notwithstanding this is a Republican city, Mr. Verbeke has been repeatedly elected to the position he now holds, and his success at home has encouraged him to think that he may branch out in a wider field. During the late war he spent a fortune in fitting out troops, and this fact has done much to

keep him in office. During the last 10 days evidences of prosperity have continued to accumulate at the state department, where all kinds of corporations are granted charters. Some large railroad concerns have been incorporated, and many manufacturing enterprises have taken out letters patent. In one case the capital stock of a furnace company in Allegheny city was \$1,250,000. Under the new law increasing the bonus on charters, this company paid \$4,166.87. Under the old law the bonus would have been \$1,562.50. It will be seen from these figures what an excellent revenue producer this law is.

Some important changes in the game law were made by the late legislature and it would be well for hunters to consult it. It is in effect a new act, and changes the old law in many important

Major Levi Wells, the state dairy and food commissioner, authorizes the statement that Frank N. Moore, special agent of the department for western sition Aug. 1. His place is taken by jor Wells says the force of deputies has been considerably reduced, and that a different method of ferreting out viomembers of the commission have been lators of the oleomargarine law will be adopted.

S. P. Stillwell, of Scranton, has been reappointed a member of the state fish commission. He is president of the commission and is exceedingly active in promoting the fishery interests of the provided for only one of these at this state. He regrets the failure of the legislature to make an appropriation for the work of the commission during the next two years, owing to a blunder but he thinks that means willi be provided for continuing the hatcheries and preserving the stock of fish. A convention of those interested in fish culture and the propagation of game fish in Pennsylvania will be held at the board of trade rooms in this city on Wednesday, Sept. 15. This convention has been called by the joint action of the fish associations of the state and is for the purpose of raising the necessary funds to carry on the work of the fish

Capitol hill was deserted last week by most of the state officials. Governor Hastings was at Bellefonte, Attorney General McCormick was at his home in Williamsport, Private Secretary Beitler at the seashore, Deputy Attorney General Elkin at his home in Indiana, State Treasurer Haywood at Mercer, Auditor General Mylin at Lancaster and Secretary of the Comp wealth Reeder at Easton. Two or part of the week at the capitol. But the six months' session of the legisla ture was a strain on everybody, and

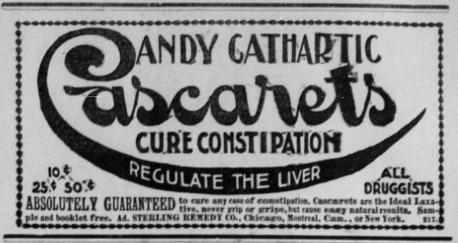
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What Do the Children Drink?

Children's all-wool spring coats, selling at \$2. Earlier in the season, these goods sold at \$5.

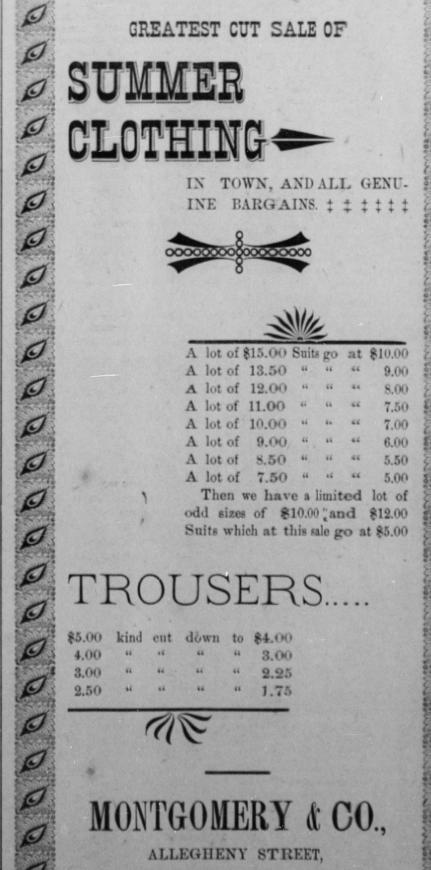
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