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EDITORIAL.

BRYAN IN MEXICO.

Ex-Governor Crittenden, of Missouri, who was consul to Mexico under the last Cleveland administration, announces that he will leave this week for San Antonio, Texas, where he will be joined by William J. Bryan and Mrs. Bryan, and the three will depart from San Antonio on a four weeks' tour of Mexico.

Aided by the ex-consul's knowledge of the people and the country, Mr. Bryan will make a careful study of Mexico's financial system. For some time Mr. Bryan has been anxious to make the trip, accompanied by someone fully posted as to the public affairs of Mexico.

WHAT is this we hear? Gov. Hastings telling the National Grangers assembled at Harrisburg the other day that "they have an inherent right to sell in the best market and to purchase in the cheapest market! This is gospel truth; but it is an amazing speech in the mouth of a Pennsylvania Protectionist."

On Monday Wm. J. Bryan appeared on the athletic field of the Columbian University, Mo. clad in a sweater and took part in the game by planting his No. 10 foot against the ball and sent it rolling for 40 yards and then retired from the field as the game proceeded.

WHAT worries the republican leaders at present is the deficit in the U. S. Treasury of a hundred millions. The Dingley tariff as a revenue measure is proving a great failure.

CONGRESS will be in session again in two weeks and currency reform will be the bone of contention. The last election by no means settled that problem as some would have us think.

Hon Harry Curtin of the State Dairy and Food Commission is traveling about the state purchasing samples butter, to see who are engaged in selling oleomargarine for the genuine product.

It is Diphtheria.

A local in Wednesday evening's Daily News says that Helen Fox's ailment is only a case of sore throat, and the house was quarantined for nothing.

The Daily News is wrong. Dr. Harris, the attending physician, is indignant about the matter. He says it is a bad case of diphtheria and he certainly should know.

Contract For Another Railroad.

George S. Good & Co., of Lock Haven, has secured the contract for constructing the White Oaks railroad. This road will be 165 miles long, and will run from El Paso, Texas, into New Mexico, with headquarters at El Paso. Work will be started at once and pushed as rapidly as possible to an early completion.

Runaways Return.

On Saturday three Bellefonte boys, Ben Schrock, James Mayhew, and James Weaver, getting tired of the monotony of home life, skipped out to see more of this world. All of them were under 15 years of age. The lads got as far as Lock Haven and soon became home sick. They came back on Tuesday glad to stay at home for a while longer.

Presiding Elder Monroe Robbed.

The residence of Rev. D. S. Monroe, D. D., Presiding Elder of the Methodist church of this district, at Altoona, was entered by burglars Sunday morning during the absence of the family. It is said that about \$100 worth of silverware and jewelry was secured.

Share of School Appropriation.

Clinton county's share of the state appropriation, which should be sent to the 2,500 districts as soon as the superintendents' and directors' reports are received, is \$31,494.56. Centre county's share is \$48,088.08; Clearfield, 74,187.04, and Elk \$24,862.40.

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November Court In Session.

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and offered to submit herself to any doctor for an examination and prove her statements. She declared she had not killed her child. That the defendant came to her fathers home in July last and attempted to take away her daughter, and when she remonstrated with him he drew a revolver on her and threatened to shoot. That she had not kept company with any man since she left him, nor before, and that she had always been a true wife to him, but that he was extremely jealous. That she went to the Mountain House, at Ocolea, to live on the 16th day of August last. Lived there until the 16th day of October when she received a telephone message to come to Hawk Run, that her husband was there and wanted to see her.

All the time he was talking to her he had his hand in hip pocket. He caught her by the arm and shot her, the ball entering her head near the left temple, just over the cheek bone, and came out in her right cheek. Some one laid her on a seat in the ladies waiting room in the station. She was then taken to Mr. Parker's book store and from there to the Cottage Hospital. She saw the flash of the revolver when he held it up, and jerked her head to one side. She has considerable pain in her head and the sight of her right eye is nearly gone. There were quite a number of witnesses in court ready and willing to testify, but the Court thought they had all the facts necessary and sentenced Mr. Gilham to pay a fine of one dollar, costs of prosecution and to the penitentiary for five years and four months, within one year and month of the limit of the law.

Margaret E. Bartholomew vs. The Central R. R. of Penna. appeal, plea non-assumpsit. Voluntary non-assuit entered.

George H. Gobble vs. The Central R. R. Co. of Penna., appeal, plea non-assumpsit. Suit brought to recover for five hogs killed by defendant Company's train. Verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$32.50.

George T. Hyatt vs. The Central R. R. Co. of Penna. appeal, plea non-assumpsit. Suit brought for the killing of a brood sow. After hearing plaintiffs evidence the defendant confessed judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$10.

William J. Singer use of W. F. Smith vs. P. B. Crider, appeal, plea non-assumpsit. Suit brought to recover balance on account of professional services. The defendant not appearing, a verdict was taken in favor of the plaintiff for \$50.

At this juncture all jurors were discharged and court adjourned until Friday morning at nine o'clock.

Cork Leg Player.

On Saturday the Bloomsburg State Normal foot ball team played a game at State College. They did some fine work and gave State College a surprise. State won by a score of 10 to 0. One of the remarkable features of this game was the playing of Butz, centre rush on the Bloomsburg team, who has an artificial limb from the knee down. He is a powerful man and is said to have done some effective work. A cork leg in a foot ball team is truly a curiosity.

Clearfield's Proposed New Jail.

The Clearfield county commissioners expect to begin work on remodeling their jail about the first of the year. The interior will be cleared out. Steel cells will be put in, so arranged that the corridor will be on the outside. Three tiers will be put in so that different grades of criminals can be kept separate. The work will begin about the first of the year and the prisoners will be removed to neighboring counties.

Preparing for Dedication.

The new Christian church at Howard will be dedicated December 12. A number of ministers will be in attendance.

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BLADDER TROUBLES.

The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from careless local treatment of other diseases.

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HARRISBURG LETTER.

Prison Reform Will Interest the Next Legislative Session.

THE NEW YORK PLAN PROPOSED.

It Makes the Convicts Self Supporting, and Yet Prohibits the Sale of Convict Made Goods in Open Market—Philadelphia's Fractional Fight.

(Special Correspondence.)

Harrisburg, Nov. 24.—At the next session of the legislature a bill will probably be introduced to reform the existing prison systems. The bill will doubtless be a duplicate of that which now governs in New York state. A provision of the New York state constitution prohibits the sale of prison made goods in the open market. This prohibition induced the passage of a law, which took effect Jan. 1, 1897, creating a special market for prison made goods by providing "that all state institutions, departments and political divisions should purchase their supplies and articles of equipment from the prisons if such could be manufactured there." The result has proved an unexpected and gratifying solution of the troublesome question of prison labor in its relation to outside labor.

The first ten months the requisitions upon the prison authorities for various needed supplies have amounted in value to over \$750,000. As it costs only \$500,000 yearly to maintain the prisons of New York state, the sales of the products of convict labor more than covers the cost of maintenance, and keep the convicts constantly employed. In his report the superintendent of prisons says:

"An enormous amount of money will be saved to the state by its operation. Nearly \$800,000 worth of goods have been ordered from the prisons this year. Next year's trade will amount to \$1,000,000. We sell at a price below that of the markets, so that the books of the institutions themselves show a net profit in making purchases from us. We are certainly in favor of the law's continuance, because it not only gives the 2,500 convicts in the state prisons all the work they can do, but it also makes the prisons self supporting."

The state, it is true, is to a certain extent taken out of the general market for such goods as the convicts produce, but as the taxpayers are relieved, and as the convicts are made to earn more than their keep, it is not likely that the trades unions will find reason for renewing agitation of the subject.

Officers of the National Grange. The National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, closed its session Saturday night, and many of the delegates left soon after adjournment for their homes. The next annual convention will be held in November, 1898, at Concord, N. H. The officers elected at the session just closed were installed by Past Worthy Master Brigham, of Ohio. They are as follows:

Worthy master, Aaron Jones of Indiana; overseer, O. H. Hale of New York; lecturer, Alpha Messer of Vermont; steward, John T. Cox of New Jersey; assistant steward, J. A. Newcombe of Colorado; chaplain, O. S. Bowen of Connecticut; treasurer, Mrs. Eva McDowell of Ohio; secretary, John Trimble of Washington, D. C.; gatekeeper, A. D. Judson of Iowa; ceres, Mrs. Lena M. Messick of Delaware; pomona, Mrs. Sarah G. Baird of Minnesota; flora, Mrs. E. L. A. Wirgin of Maine; lady assistant, Mrs. Amanda M. Horton of Michigan; executive committee, N. J. Bachelier of New Hampshire (re-elected), J. J. Woodman of Michigan (re-elected). Other members of the committee hold over.

A resolution was adopted at the final session appropriating \$500 for the use of the assembly of the Priests of Democracy. A resolution to amend the constitution by reducing the fees of members under 21 years of age was defeated.

Master-elect Aaron Jones, of Indiana, made a report in regard to plans for extending the order during the coming year. Five thousand dollars will be set aside as a lecture fund, \$3,000 more than is now used for this purpose.

The financial report of the executive committee of the grange showed a gradual increase of the funds during the past seven years. The present permanent invested funds amount to \$52,313.42, an increase of \$1,503.92.

In the report of this committee reference was made to the English plan of co-operative selling, and the suggestion made that it might be made successful in this country, to the partial elimination of the obnoxious middleman.

At one of the sessions Aaron Jones, of Indiana, reported that the grange fire insurance companies of that state are now carrying \$40,000,000 worth of property, with a saving to the grange members of 50 per cent.

A resolution was offered proposing a memorial to congress asking for a thorough investigation of the subjects of revenue and governmental expenditures and for law which will remove the same from partisan politics.

Philadelphia's Fractional Fight.

The attitude of Senator Penrose in the Philadelphia municipal contest is attracting much attention here. On Senator Penrose's arrival home from Senator Quay's Florida resort his attention was drawn immediately to the victory of the anti-Roney men in the Republican Ward Leaders' league, which organization had made Harvey K. Newitt, of the Thirty-second ward of that city, its candidate for the nomination to succeed Mr. Roney as receiver of taxes.

Mr. Penrose had been away just a week. He and Senator Quay had been kept pretty well informed of Senator Durham's declaration of war and the other important political happenings. Mr. Penrose, however, had nothing to report from Mr. Quay, except that he would stay in Florida until Dec. 1, and then his coming north would be to attend the opening of congress.

After Senator Penrose had talked

with many friends, including senator Durham, he said: "I cordially concur in the indorsement of Mr. Newitt for receiver of taxes, and shall do all I can to assist in bringing about his nomination. I believe that a vigorous canvass in support of Mr. Newitt will be started immediately, and that he will be nominated by the Republican convention and elected."

Asked if he would participate in the canvass to be made prior to the convention, Mr. Penrose went on: "I will be willing to speak at any meeting that I shall be able to attend. Questions of local government are now uppermost in the public mind, and there are many who believe that local offices should not be filled by party nominations. On the contrary, I am a firm believer in the usefulness of parties in conducting local affairs. All persons who for any considerable period have acted in public affairs must necessarily become partisans, and it is impossible to organize successful public movements on any other basis."

"But no party can assume this principle of political conditions and appeal for the support of the public when the party machinery is under the control of any one person or clique whose sole interest in public matters is the profits of the lobby and of public plunder. If those interested in the improvement of political conditions would interest themselves more actively at the primary elections we would have the surest means of ultimately securing good government. I believe the movement now started will be in the interest of broad and liberal management of the Republican party in Philadelphia, for the benefit of the party and of the people at large."

Senator Durham For Newitt.

Senator Durham said: "I have not suggested any particular candidate for receiver of taxes. Of course, as a Republican, I was an interested looker-on during the proceedings that led up to the declaration of a unanimous choice by the Republican league, after the leading candidate had received the requisite two-thirds vote. Mr. Newitt has an excellent record as a private citizen and a public officer, and being convinced that the league has made a popular choice, I shall do all I can to support him for the nomination and election, which I believe he will win."

The challenge from Senators Durham and Penrose has been accepted by Secretary of the Commonwealth Martin. It was the first opportunity to get an utterance from Mr. Martin on the selection of Mr. Newitt as the Republican candidate against Tax Receiver Roney. Questioned on the subject in the Philadelphia city committee rooms, where party workers from many wards visited Mr. Martin for consultation on the protection of Mr. Roney's interests as a candidate, the secretary of the commonwealth said:

"Mr. Roney stands on a record which commends him to the support of the people. Therefore, I am confident that his friends will stand by him and that he will be re-nominated and re-elected. The action of the Leaders' league has, in my opinion, made Mr. Roney's position stronger than ever. The canvass in his behalf will be conducted just as if there were no such organization as the Leaders' league, or if no such action had been taken."

"If any persons imagined that Mr. Roney was to be driven out of the field or his prospects of election impaired by such proceedings as those of the league, they will find themselves mistaken. He is not a candidate of 14 men, claiming to represent many wards, but appeals to the entire Republican party of Philadelphia. If there is to be a fight I am ready for it, and will go into it with the conviction that Mr. Roney will come out of the struggle victoriously."

The Penrose declaration of war against the chief leaders of the administration element was peculiarly satisfactory to the Newitt supporters in the Leaders' league and elsewhere, clearing away, as it did, whatever doubt might have existed as to the senator's attitude on account of his relations with Quay.

Both factions appear equally warlike. The time for beginning the anti-Roney mass meetings and speeckmaking has not been fixed, but it is understood that the campaign committee of ten to be appointed by Postmaster Hicks as chairman of the Leaders' league meeting will begin work within a few days.

Disgusted Pennsylvania Veterans.

Some of the Pennsylvania veterans on their way home from Chickamauga stopped off at Washington, and were very much disappointed when they called at the White House. President McKinley had been obliged to refuse to see everybody who did not have an appointment with him, because he was so busy on his message. One of the veterans, who said his name was Private Waldron, of the Loehel cavalry, was indignant, and even when this had been explained to him told everybody around the White House door that he thought they had been badly treated, especially as the President had not been able to receive them when they called on their way to Chickamauga. He is quoted as saying: "We called, 28 of us, and when we were in line, he sent a boy down to tell us he could not see us. Now we come back and can't see him. We feel, sir, as if we had been kicked down the back stairs."

The board of pardons at its last meeting refused the application for commutation to the sentence of Alexander Berkman, who is serving a term of imprisonment for a murderous assault made on H. C. Frick at the time of the big strike at the Carnegie works at Homestead. The other cases acted on by the board were as follows: Pardons recommended—Albert Gressler, Westmoreland, misdemeanor; Daniel Pool, Philadelphia, burglary; John McMullin, Allegheny, burglary. Pardons refused—John Adams, Lebanon, larceny; James E. Hittenton, Westmoreland, misdemeanor; A. W. Crutley and C. F. Gillis, Allegheny, larceny; Michael P. Maloney, Allegheny, murder in the second degree; Max Vyer, Clinton, attempt to defraud; Albert Blake, Philadelphia, enticing a minor child; Calvin Fry and Peter Klingensmith, Westmoreland, burglary; Frank Jongrass, Lawrence, murder, was granted a rehearing. He has been under sentence of death since February 22.

At Pottsville the other day the district attorney officially declared in court that the Van Valkenburg bribery case had been settled, the local court costs, \$1,516.12, having been paid.

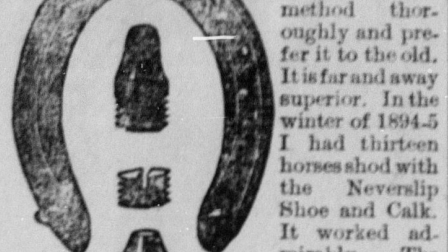
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Mr. Potter's Experiment.

Here is a short story that will interest everybody who owns or drives a horse. Mr. J. H. Potter is a well known, regular and very busy man in the general delivery and trucking business in New Brunswick, N. J. He says: "I have been in my present business many years and may fairly claim to know something about horses; how to make them last longest, and to get the best work out of them with the least trouble and expense. An important item is the shoeing. Of course I used the old style shoe until I found something better. Now I use the Neverslip Shoe and Calk. I have tried the new method thoroughly and prefer it to the old. It is far and away superior. In the winter of 1894-5 I had thirteen horses shod with the Neverslip Shoe and Calk. It worked admirably. The improvement consists particularly in the Calk, which is screwed into the shoe instead of being put on it, as in the old shoe. I made a special test with two horses working commonly ten hours a day. One was shod with the ordinary shoe, the other with the Neverslip Shoe and Calk. The experiment included three months—the worst weather of the season. The horse with the Neverslip Shoe didn't slip on ice and received no strains. He wore the same set of shoes all winter with new Calks from time to time as needed. The horse shod in the old way had three new sets of shoes all round besides the usual sharpening. The expense for the common shoes for the three months was \$9.50; for the horse with the Neverslip only \$4.68. We changed the Calks ourselves in the stable."

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