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EDITORIAL.

EMBALMED BEEF.

Gradually the truth is coming to the surface. The investigation before the McKinley war commission, in regard to the mismanagement of the war department, and its failure to furnish decent food and supplies for the men in the service, is unearthing some very unpleasant evidence.

The sensation of the past week was the testimony of Commissary General Eagan who employed all the coarse, low, vulgar epithets, to brand General Miles a liar. It was Eagan's duty to furnish supplies for the army. One of the principle articles of food was fresh and canned beef and over this the controversy arose. According to Miles and many others who were in the Porto Rico campaign, they were sent rotten beef, unfit for use. Miles called it "embalmed beef" sent them under the "pretext of an experiment." It was so bad that tons of it were thrown away, dogs would not eat it.

Eagans undignified testimony puts him on the level of a low blackguard and conclusively shows his lack of discipline, good judgment, and as entirely unfit for the important position he occupied. His conduct is a disgrace to the army and he should be court marshaled and run out and Governor Hastings led the van. The of the service. Instead, Secretary Alger, the political booby, is trying to save him from this disgrace which he merits.

Algerism in the army has been a disgrace to the country. Yet it seems to be in harmony with the administration.

EXPANSION.

The theory that it is right to take all the land possible and then defend your action by yelling: "Hurrah for the flag;" "Who will dare tear down the flag!" is beginning to dawn on the thoughtful minds as the rankest kind of hypocricy: Every principle of our constitution and all our boasted national traditions are opposed to such conduct. The hungry land grabbers and those who are likely to profit by a partial increase | the count of the ballots will show that, It has come to the attorney general's of exports and others who will profit greatly by furnishing supplies for a large standing army are the ones who are talking about "Manifest Destiny" and after tomorrow's joint ballot. strange to say among them the ministry seems to be a most active spirit.

The expansion idea is not growing in popularity. The public has been figuring, calculating and thinking; sober judgment is superceding misguided patriotism. Today it looks as though the U.S. Senate might reject the Paris treaty with Spain and refuse the Philippines.

Expansion, trouble, increased debt, larger standing armies, entangling alhances with foreign nations are the apparent fruits of this policy. This country should avoid all them.

CAUCUS MEETINGS.

The democrats of Centre Co., will hold their caucuses for the nomination of candidates for borough, ward, township and precinct officers on the 28th day of January, 1899. The committemen of the several precincts and wards will take notice bereof and fix the hour or time for the holding of these caucuses. In- day morning to participate in the big structions and blanks will be received by parade. committeemen, in due time.

> J. K. Johnston, Chairman.

CHOOSE YOUR CANDIDATES.

Every Democrat should go to the cancuses Saturday. Express your choice for men who can give the best service. Do not remain away and then complain afterwards as to the character of the candidates that were named by the few

THE election of a U. S. Senator from ter, and other Quay lleutenants, Pennsylvania is attracting the nations attention. New York chose one of her best men in Depew; Pennsylvania is inclined differently.

in the various offices.

Gov. STONE promised much in his inauguration address. It is to be hoped that be means what he says, and will have the determination to carry his purposes through.

WHEN Quay gets through with his troubles at Harrisburg he must face the Philadelphia courts. He has troubles of dence of the fact that the senator and

The Dead Editor.

A contemporary tells of a dead editor, at whose funeral 677 delinquent subscribers marched by and viewed the remains. Of that number 676 muttered sadly : "He was an industrious, bright and sood man, but-he couldn't save

HARRISBURG LETTER.

William A. Stone Inaugurated as Governor of Pennsylvania.

DEADLOCK ON THE SENATORSHIP.

Democrats Insist That They Will Stick to Their Party Nominee, George A. Jenks, and That the Republican Factions Will Get No Help From Them.

(Special Correspondence.) Harrisburg, Jan. 17 .- The inauguration of William A. Stone as governor of Pennsylvania, which took place today, brought thousands of visitors to the state capital, including many Republican clubs from Philadelphia and other points of the state to participate in the inaugural parade. The military display was unusually large and attractive, there being nearly 5,000 men in line. General Snowden was in command, and Colonels Schall, Magee and Miller were at the head of their respective brigades. The regiments participating were commands mustered in since the breaking out of the war with Spain, including the Seventh regiment, Colonel Miner, of Wilkesbarre; the Eleventh, Colonel Watres, of Scranton; the Seventeenth, Colonel Logan, of Pittsburg; the Nineteenth and Twentieth. Colonels Bosbbyshell and Leland, respectively, of Philadelphia, and the Twenty-first, Colonel Lelah, of Oil City, and the Second Governor's troop, Captain Meek, of Harrisburg. There were in line the McKinley Veterans club and members of the One Hundred and Eighty-seventh Pennsylvania volunteers, the regiment with which Colonel Stone was identified during the civil war. Congressman M. E. Olmstead was chief marshal of the

Senator Martin Walked in the Parade. Senator Martin spoiled a precedent of long standing. It has always been customary for the retiring secretary of the commonwealth to ride in the carriage with the incoming and outgoing governors. The presence of the Martin club gave the senator a chance to escape the ride with Mr. Stone. He marched at the head of his organization. Colonel Stone procession was lined up while the inaugural ceremonies were under way. At the executive mansion the governors reviewed the pageant.

One of the notable characters in the inauguration proceedings was the Chi- state. nese minister. He arrived yesterday with a carload of congressmen from Washington.

A platform had been built in front of the capitol, where the oath of office was administered and the inaugural address delivered. Governor-elect Stone and family were entertained at luncheon at the executive mansion yesterday afternoon by Governor and Mrs. Hastings, The battle for the United States sena-

torship is on, with prospects for a a deadlock that is likely to last until will properly be made by that body. after Senator Quay has been tried in the votes, he has not a sufficient number | most innumerable case to insure his election. Nobody guesses how long the deadlock may continue

The 87 Democrats in the legislature start as a unit for George A. Jenks, the late candidate for governor, who was unanimously nominated at the Democratic caucus last week. They insist that they will stick to their candidate to the end, and that the fighting Republican factions will receive no encouragement from their ranks. They even assert that it would be the part of wisdom for Republicans to end the deadlock by aiding in the election of the Democratic candidate, who has a spotless reputation.

Arrival of the Fighting Factions. The advance guard of the forces that are arrayed against Senator Quay, in the persons of E. A. Van Valkenburg and ex-Judge Gordon, arrived Satur-

day night, so as to be on the ground well in advance of the arrival of the members of the legislature. Yesterday ex-Postmaster General Wanamaker, companied by Theodore Justice, Rudolph Blankenburg and other representatives of the Business Men's League, arrived, and Secretary of the Commonwealth David Martin, accompanied by the David Martin club, arrived yester-

The leaders of the opposition to Quay express entire confidence in their end of the struggle and intimate that their list of senators and representatives, who have declared that they will not vote for Senator Quay unless he secures an acquittal on the charge against him in the courts of Philadelphia county, will number between 50 and 60, all of whom have signed a pledge to stand firm in their attitude against the senior sena-

Late Sunday night Senator Quay arrived from Washington, accompanied by Senator Penrose and Governor-elect who attended. Go yourself, and have a Stone. They were met upon their arrival say as to whom you desire to serve you by Chairman Elkin, of the Republican state committee, ex-Senators Durham and Andrews, T. Larry Eyre, of Ches-

A report has gained currency in po litical circles to the effect that Senator Quay has made preparations to leave Harrisburg on Thursday next for Washington, and that he would on the same night take his departure from the national capital for his ranch in Florida. where he intends to take a couple of weeks' rest and recuperation previous to his trial. None of the leaders of the Quay element would, when questioned, either affirm or deny the story of the projected Florida trip, but among the workers who are favorable to the cause of the Beaver statesman the rumor of the southern journey was cited as evithose who are handling his fight ex-

pect him to be elected. The opponents of Senator Quay, on the other hand, advanced the argument that if the Beaver man proposes to go to Florida at this stage of the game, | bill," said he, "is to remedy this init shows that he is beaten and that he is thoroughly aware of it. They contend that it is simply impossible for Quay to be successful, either tomorrow or at any other time after the ballot- in capital cases." ing begins, and that when the first joint

Senator Quay will realize the hopelessness of his fight and he may as well go to Florida, or anywhere else as remain in Harrisburg to witness his own defeat.

Both Sides Profess Confidence. The anti-Quay people are positive in their assertions that after the first joint ballot a considerable number of the members who attended the caucus in Harrisburg on Jan. 3 will drop away from Senator Quay, if indeed he does not lose some of them on the first ballot. That he will have more on the first joint ballot than on any succeeding ballot, they declare as an absolute certainty, and also that his election is an impossibility unless he can obtain enough Democratic votes to accomplish it, or his friends can persuade enough of the minority party legislators to absent themselves from their seats. They scout the idea of the Quayites making any inroads upon the contingent that refrained from taking part in the caucus, and signed the anti-Quay pledge.

Chairman Elkin this morning reiterated his oft repeated prediction that Senator Quay would emerge from the

contest a winner. "In addition to Senator Chisholm and Representatives Clark and Baldwin," he said, "we have received positive assurance that five members from western counties who did not attend the caucus will vote for the senator. There is also an intimation that Representative Garvin, of Delaware, will be found on our side when the balloting begins, and we have good reason to believe that we will succeed in capturing other members now claimed by the opposi-

Mr. Elkin took occasion to remark that there was nothing in the story that Representatives Krepps and Britton, of Franklin county, would desert Quay to vote for Judge John Stewart, and expressed the opinion that Judge Stewart's name was used in connection with the senatorial candidacy without his consent. He also said that in his udgment no Democrats will be needed to assure Quay's success, but that enough Republicans will be won from the other side to land him a winner. Mr. Elkin did not care to discuss the question as to which ballot would bring victory for his candidate.

Attorney General McCormick's Report Attorney General McCormick, who retired from office today, presented his biennial report for the year 1897-98. During the past two years 1,231 suits were brought by Mr. McCormick for the collection of delinquent taxes. There were also taken in the Dauphin county court 352 appeals from settlements made by the accounting officers of the

Collections were made during the period covered by the report by adverse roceedings amounting to \$520,599.93. In addition to this commissions to the amount of \$22,413.84 were paid by the defendants and through the attorney general's department into the state treasury. Mr. McCormick thinks it is not unsatisfactory to predict that it will not be necessary for the legislature to seek any new subjects of taxation in order to meet the appropriations that

Mr. McCormick calls attention to the Philadelphia on the charge of alleged | condition of affairs in the auditor genmisuse of state funds. The two houses | eral's department without any reference will vote separately this afternoon, and to particular occupants of that office. while Senator Quay has a plurality of notice in repeated instances that in alhave been made against corporations owing taxes, and in other cases at most as numerous, where settlements have been made, no efforts have been made to collect the taxes.

McCormick Suggests Reforms. He recommends the enactment of a aw creating the office of additional deputy attorney general, additional law clerk and messenger. During his administration the system of taxing the capital stock of corporations was revolutionized, the effect of which will be to increase enormously the basis upon which corporations have heretofore been taxed, and may in time require

the reduction in the miliage now im-

posed upon capital stock. Mr. McCormick says he has come to know officially that in many cases settlements have not been made for ten years or more, and in numerous instances where settlements have been made they have not been paid or certified to the attorney general for collection for as great a period of time, greatly to the injury of the commonwealth He agrees that the vice of the system of making settlements against corporations for tax is that this vast power. without check or hindrance, is vested in one man, and that the power of one man, whoever he may be, to discriminate in favor of corporations against certain corporations should be permit-

ted to continue no longer. Mr. McCormick says further that he makes no reflection upon any officer or employee of the auditor general's department, but that in his judgment the system opens wide a door for fraud and for inequality of taxation. He suggested that some tribunal of revision be created by which it could be determined in a judicial or semi-judicial way the amount of taxes that corporations should pay. He regards it unsafe and dangerous to give to one man the power to say upon what valuation a corporation should pay its taxes, and recommends that this evil be corrected by legislation.

McCarrell's Jury Bill.

The bill introduced by Senator Mc-Carrell to limit the power of the district attorney to stand aside jurors in misdemeanor cases is attracting considerable attention from members of the bar, and there is a widespread suspicion that the measure has more than a remote connection with the case against Senator Quay, Senator McCarrell, however, states emphatically that there is no ulterior or political purpose in the introduction of the bill at this time. He said he would have introduced the bill without reference to any existing cases.

Senator McCarrell said that the objection to the present law is that the court, in exercising the right to stand aside jurors, can exhaust the whole panel before making a single challenge while the defendant is limited to simply four challenges. "One purpose of the equality and place the defendant and ourt on exactly the same footing. I think the court ought not to have the right to stand aside jurors, excepting

DEMOCRATS CONTROL

They Hold the Key to the Senatorial Situation at Harrisburg.

GEO. A. JENKS FOR U.S. SENATOR.

The Republican Machine Is Hoping in Vain For Help From the Democracy. Anti-Quay Republicans Have an Organization to Fight Quay-The Downfall of the Republican Boss Only a Matter of a Few Days or Weeks.

(Special Correspondence.) Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 16 .- The senatorial situation is in the hands of the Democrats. They are masters of all they survey. Opportunities never dreamed of have been coming their way in the past ten days and it is creditable to the party and its leadership that the senators and members here are of a character fully able to take care of themselves. The nomination on Thursday last of the Hon. George A. Jenks for the United States senatorship to succeed Senator Quay was a stroke of good policy. The reputation of Mr. Jenks for statesmanship, integrity and unswerving Democracy is as wide as the country. No better selection could have been made. He is a man around whom the Democrats can rally and feel that they are safe in following him as a

standard bearer. In the past the Democracy has known what it is to fight against hopeless odds. Heretofore it stood for an unfaltering minority. Today it stands triumphant for the best that is in politics in the state of Pennsylvania. Some base slan ders have gone forth from the Quay Republican press in the past two weeks. They have hinted that when the senior enator wanted votes to make out the quota of his majority, which he could not get from the Republicans, he would turn to the Democrats. It was an im plication that Democrats could be

Before the present fight is over no man in Pennsylvania will dare to say that even the weakest or humblest Democratic member in house or senate could be swayed from the course of rectitude and honor to his party by scheming Republicans. There is more than the mere fact of holding the balance of power in all this. Since Jackson's time the name Democracy has been synonymous with reform. If the party in Pennsylvania has not been able to father of all the reforms that have been placed on the statute books, it has at least forced the adoption of these reforms by the dominant Republican party. The old arrogant Republican machine is practically on its knees to the Democracy. It is beseeching Colonel Guffey, Hon. George A. Jenks, ex-Lieutenant Governor Black and all the other leaders, great and small, to save it from its fate. From present outlook Quayism is doomed and on its wreck must rise the tribute of sterling De-

One of the smoothest schemes of Sen ator Quay's followers was to try and induce Democrats to remain away from the approaching joint ballot for United States senator, which begins on Wednesday of this week. It was an appeal to the careless and thoughtless members of the party. For any Democrat to remain away from his place in house or senate at the present time is equivalent to giving a vote for Quay. The independent Republicans, who are fighting Quay, recognize this fact and they have pledged all of their followers in a written document to be present at every roll call and vote against Senator

Quay. The action of Colonel Guffey and other Democratic leaders in passing a resolution requiring two-thirds of all the Democrats in house and senate to consent before another candidate is named in place of Mr. Jenks gives the lle to Republican machine statements that the Democrats will help Quay. If there had been any men weak enough and corrupt enough among the Democratic legislators at Harrisburg to yield to the blandishments of Republicans this action of the Democratic caucus would have settled them. But there have been enough gratuitous insults thrown at the Democrats. They stand today as they will stand to the bitter end, a solid. unyielding, uncompromising barrier to the re-election of Matthew Stanley

TO HELP OUT REEDER.

One other thing in which the Democrats were alleged to be interested is the reinstatement of General Reeder and of John P. Elkin to places in Governor Stone's cabinet. There are enough Republicans of the anti-Quay kind in the senate to defeat the confirmation of Reeder if the Democrats join in. It is known positively that Quay wants Reeder put back in his old place of secretary of the commonwealth as a vindication for being turned out by Governor Hastings. The Republican state chairman, John P. Elkin, is also seeking vindication in the same way. Boggs It can be stated with the utmost assurance that no Democrat will vote for the confirmation of General Frank Reeder. The reason is clear. The Democrats have named their late candidate for governor, Hon. George A. Jenks, as Gregg their candidate for United States senator. During his campaign for the governorship Mr. Jenks went up and down the state proclaiming the outrage of the indemnity bond, to which General Frank Reeder and Mr. Elkin were signers, and proclaiming that the men who signed that notorious document were law breakers in the sight of the law. Under such circumstances no Democrat dare vote for a reinstatement of these men, and so the charge that General Reeder will get back into the cabinet with the assistance of Democratic votes is as false as false can be.

The balloting for United States senator will begin on Tuesday of this week with separate ballots in house and senate. On Wednesday a joint meeting of both bodies will be held and a joint ballot taken. Up to last Saturday night It is understood that 48 members of the anti-Quay organization had signed the



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protracted deadlock is inevitable. Even for the ensuing sixmonths' term: Senator Quay's friends admit this. They are making some very boastful claims, but they are not giving out any figures. The Democrats and anti-Quay Republicans make no boasts, but they do give figures. They tell just how many men they have and how many vies they will be able to cast against Mr. Quay on the joint ballot. The Quay lieutenants have nothing to offset this with. except to reiterate that the "old man" will be re-elected. That is the way the fight stands today. Senator Quay will be defeated because Colonel Guffey and Hon. George A. Jenks and the men who are the brain, the bone and the sinew of the Democratic party have said it. And the Democratic party can claim the victory.

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