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EDITORIAL.

How does this look to a peaceable American citizen who has no thought of going to war? The estimates for our navy for the next fiscal year are \$100,000,000, for the army \$161,000,000 and for pensions \$150,000,000, a total of \$411,000,000 for military purposes. This looks as if war was our principal business.

PERHAPS over a dozen bills have already been introduced in congress for the suppression of anarchists and anarchism in the United States. There is no need for gassing upon this question by the statesmen in congress—not a single word even. Don't kill time in needless talk. The people have made up their minds, and they want an immediate vote and passage of such a measure. Any of the bills will reach this evil.

ON Saturday a rumor was current on our streets that Gov. Stone had concluded to appoint Hon. John G. Love to the superior court to fill the vacancy caused by Justice Mitchell's resignation, the same to be officially announced upon the Gov's return from Mexico. Up to this time no one has been found to verify the rumor and it leaves us to await results. It is possible that such honor may come to Judge Love. He would accept, no doubt.

OVER 100 natives have been hanged or garroted recently in Manila for political offences, and over a hundred more are in penal servitude or banishment. This is not "imperialism," not a bit of it. It is "benevolent assimilation." Less than four years ago President McKinley said that the reconstrado method was "not civilized warfare," but "extermination," and that "the only people it could beget was that of the grave or of the wilderness." The conclusion is, then, that the administration is seeking for the peace of the grave or the wilderness. Less than four years ago it was brutal—because Spain used it? But now it is munificent because it flies the flag of "benevolent assimilation."

OLRO-JOHN HAMILTON is getting his hide tanned again by the city papers for being indifferent in the enforcement of the oleomargarine laws. It seems that he has done nothing in this line, except make excuses and parly. Out in Pittsburg oleomargarine by tons is sold openly and the state authorities pay no attention to the violation of our pure food laws. It really looks as though the Secretary of Agriculture were interested in the sale of the product. This man travels over the State and professes to be interested in protecting the agricultural products. The fact is that his entire official career has been discredited and looked upon with suspicion. All his life time he had a weakness for "grease." He will be anything, at anytime, as long as he is "lubricated."

THE number of bills at this session of Congress to suppress anarchists and restrict undesirable immigration is something remarkable. Senator Vest introduced a proposition to establish a penal colony to which all anarchists should be deported and kept in exile. Senator McComas has prepared an elaborate bill, providing the death penalty for an assault on the life of the President. He has prepared a speech, and will address the Senate on the subject next week. Senator Hoar has framed a strong measure, which imposes the death penalty for killing or attempting to kill the President, and provides twenty years' imprisonment for any person who counsels or advises the killing of the President. His bill provides, also, that any person who shall aid the escape of any person concerned in the killing of a President shall be held and punished equally as a principal.

ROOSEVELT is not playing exactly on the string that has pleasing tones for the Quays, Platts, and the rest of the gang of bosses. It is a singular fact that no Vice President of the opposite party who became President by the death of his chief, has followed a policy that was agreeable to his party's leaders. Tyler swung around and turned against the whigs. Fillmore, on the death of Taylor, went against the leading measures of the party that elected him. President Johnson, on the death of Lincoln, went so directly in opposition to the wishes of his party that they got mad and endeavored to remove him by impeachment, but failed. Arthur, on the death of Garfield, followed a policy that met with the disapproval of the party leaders. Now it is Roosevelt, Vice President on the ticket with McKinley, on the death of the latter, has become President, and is pursuing a course that is distasteful to the leaders of his party. This is a noteworthy fact and would indicate that the Democratic party has a creed that presents fundamental truths resting upon constitutional doctrines as laid down by the fathers of the Republic.

THE GOVERNOR AS A SERIO-COMIC

Last winter the cry at Harrisburg on behalf of the passage of the Pittsburg Ripper bill was that William Flinn had become so arbitrary and corrupt as a boss and had rooted himself and his gang so firmly in the government of the Smoky City that there was no way to dislodge him except to place in the hands of Governor Stone the power to rip him out. The year has not yet expired, but within that time William and his tribe have gone through the process of not only being ripped out but of being ripped back again, and each operation was authorized by the same Governor.

The restored boss now announces that the Recorder will be his candidate for the full term in 1903, and that in the meantime business will be resumed all around at the old stand. In other words after Governor Stone helped to whip the Legislature into line for an extraordinary piece of legislation to upset the government of Pittsburg, and even strained the Constitution of the State and the conscience of the Supreme Court Justices in carrying out the scheme—and all for the purpose of "eliminating" Flinn from politics and power—the people of that city now find the smiling Flinn once more in command, with the Governor behind him. To a good many Quaysites this is no joke. They can see in it nothing comical.

PENSION PROSPERITY.

While the population of the United States has increased 21 per cent. in the past decade, their pension roll has increased 47 per cent. in the same period. And Secretary Hitchcock's report gives color to the hope that before many decades have passed the pension roll will overtake the population, the American people can stop work and live on their pensions, with Congress assembling occasionally to vote an increase around. Already one American in every eighty has a pension, and if only the applications in sight are allowed this proportion will be reduced to one in every fifty-eight.

The pension roll is now the longest in our history. It contains 997,735 names. There are 403,569 claims pending, and every mail is bringing in new claims by the bushel. But the good work goes on too slow. This man, Clay Evans should be put out and his place should be filled by somebody who will take possession of the United States Treasury and hang out a sign: "Why work? Step in and help yourself!"

CAMERON FOR GOVERNOR.

As a result of Attorney General John P. Elkin's visit to Florida with Senator M. S. Quay, it is probable that announcement will be made upon Quay's return that Elkin will not be a candidate for Governor. Senator Quay's desire is said to be to have the party unite in a call upon ex-Senator J. Donald Cameron to take the nomination for Governor.

In summoning Elkin to accompany him South, Senator Quay's plan is to advise him that, in the interests of party harmony, he must not run next time.

BRYAN DECLARES HE IS CURED.

W. J. Bryan says he has fully recovered from the attacks of "Presidential fever" which he has suffered from at various times. An agent of a life insurance company asked him to take out a policy, and after long persuasion the Colonel signed an application for \$10,000. Opposite the question as to whether he had ever suffered from fever, the Colonel writes: "I suffered twice from Presidential fever, followed by very severe chills, but I have fully recovered."

AMERICAN COAL FOR GERMANY.

The Hamburg-American Steamship Line has contracted with a firm in Hamburg to carry 30,000 tons of iron to the United States at \$1.08 a ton, the rate to last throughout the year. On the return the company will take American coal to Germany at \$1.32 per ton.

In addition to vast quantities of American gas and coking coal which are contracted for delivery in Germany, anthracite dealers have ordered 100,000 tons. American coal agents are now thoroughly canvassing Germany, and are securing many orders.

Married at Pine Grove Mills.

Mr. Levi Segnor and Miss Ida E. Williams, both of Boalsburg, were united in marriage in the parlors of the Lutheran parsonage at Pine Grove Mills, Thursday evening, 28th, at 6 o'clock, by Rev. M. Aikens. After the ceremony the happy couple returned to Boalsburg where a sumptuous wedding feast was awaiting them.

Remarks on "Mourners' Bench."

Bishop Mills, of the United Brethren church at Harrisburg, in an address before the association of United Brethren ministers said that the "mourners' bench" has passed away and is no longer essential to conversions. As the "mourners' bench" is one of the adjuncts to revivals in that church, the bishop's remarks have caused considerable comment.

The best refrain for some popular songs is to refrain from singing them.

SUCCESSFUL INSTITUTE.

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showed clearly that the teachers preferred an educational subject to an entertainment given by that prince of minstrelmen, Arthur Deming.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

After singing most heartily "Guide me O Thou Great Jehovah," Rev. Scott conducted the devotional exercises closing by repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Dr. Fess was introduced and gave a very interesting talk on the "Causes of the Revolution," enumerating them as brought upon the colonies, and stating that the colonies bore them just as long as possible, and when they did rebel it meant that they were ready to throw off the yoke of English oppression and become a free people.

The teachers were then given something that from the appearance of some was not very pleasant, for Mr. Gamel, the new and energetic secretary of the Y. M. C. A., talked of the use of tobacco and emphasized very particularly that no teacher should use it himself or permit any of his pupils to do so, if it was in his power to stop them. Then he scored one on the ladies by saying that they should not permit a young man in company with them who used the dirty, nasty, vile, stinking weed.

A brief intermission was then given which every one seemed to enjoy.

After singing, Dr. Darst was introduced, using for his subject "Illustrated Pedagogy." This he subdivided into the following heads: first, Laws and Facts; second, Principal of Education; third, Methods of Education; fourth, Devices. His talk was interesting as well as instructive, containing much food for thought.

Dr. Corson was then called upon using for his subject "What the Pupil Expects from the Teacher in Discipline," and among other useful things he said that he was no advocate of corporal punishment, but that sometimes it was necessary to use, and when it was, to use it to the best advantage and be thorough, and not resort to it every day or so. He further said that suspension and expulsion should always be the last means.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

After a short time spent in hearing several new songs, Dr. Darst was again introduced and gave us a very interesting talk about "Literature and how to Encourage the Art of Reading in the School." Dr. Corson then continued his talk of the morning upon "What the Pupil is to Receive from the Teacher in Teaching," and said that some of these young ladies and gentlemen were in the habit of adding Mr. and Miss to their names long before it was proper for them to do so.

After a short recess Supt. Gramley announced that Friday, Feb. 21, 1902, had been selected as "Parents' Day," and then briefly explained its meaning for the new teachers.

Dr. Fess occupied the last period, taking for his talk, "How to Present a Campaign in War to your Pupils," closing his talk with a very graphic description of the assassination of our late President.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

The Rodger's-Grillely recitals delightfully entertained a large audience in the Court House, giving one of the best entertainments we have had for several years. Mr. Rodger performing on the harp and Mr. Grillely giving to the audience some very excellent elocutionary selections.

HUNTING SEASON OVER.

Hunting season for small game closes on Saturday of this week. This season the average amount of small game was killed. Turkeys were plentier than usual, and a great many were killed along the Bald Eagle Valley. Pheasants and rabbits were also to be found in considerable quarters. Squirrels were rather scarce.

Many of the sportsmen anticipated good gunning for quail on the Nittany Rod & Gun Club Preserve in Nittany and Bald Eagle Valley. Last winter several thousand birds were imported from Kansas and special attention was given to feeding them at various points. Strange, but few quail were to be found on the preserve or adjoining territory, and the effort to establish quail in this section to any extent is now looked upon as more or less of an expensive failure.

Deer were plentier in the mountains than usual or else hunters were better able to find them. More deer were killed this season than in many years.

Hunters are now turning their attention to killing bears and foxes for which there is open season.

The Judge and the "Hotel."

Judge Gordon had occasion to visit one of our hotels to answer a telephone the other day and the management almost had a fit. When the court entered crap games and hilarity galore were in full blast, it being payday along the railroad. The coons and others were having everything their own way and the long green was pouring over the bar in exchange for liquor coming the other way. It required the most strenuous efforts of all the attaches of the house to keep the "guests" quiet until his honor answered the call and left the premises. Next time the court should send word that he is coming and not cause so much confusion—Clearfield Republicans.

Who Can Beat This?

Millheim Journal: Here is the weight of some of the hogs killed in this community this fall and if it can be beaten we would like to hear of it. J. W. Stover, two, 841; Ed. Musser, two, 640; William Kremer, one, 14 months old, 602; Henry Brown, two, 788; W. E. Keen, two, 915; H. E. Duck, two, 1,047; George Scrijst, two, 1,097; D. L. Zerby, two, 1,050; F. O. Hosterman, two, 773; Ammon Snook, two, 642; Samuel Weiser, three, 1,071.

Perhaps a ship is called "she" because it so often gets into a squall.

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