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EDITORIAL.

THE Republican State Convention ticket for the fall election.

THE estimated cost of the Revolution-\$107,109,103; the war with Mexico, \$100,-000,000, while the war in the Philipcombined expense of the three.

THE name of Henry Lowry, of Bellefonte, is being mentioned as a candidate this county. Phil Foster, of State Colplace. Both are fine men and either would make a splendid political corpse in November.

THE Mormons are said to have made 65.000 converts last year, more than any has suffered. A little less dignity in other church or denomination. It is that body and more genuine integrity claimed that they politically control six States, and they openly boast that Congress dare not interfere with them. The trouble is, as long as they do not preach polygamy, we do not see how they can be suppressed.

next fall's democratic county ticket is A dirty dollar never soiled his finger growing. It is to be desired that each tips. Never. one will make up his mind to do his electioneering in such a manner as affect. SENATOR TILLMAN'S PROVACATION. ing other candidates that nothing will need be regretted when the campaign is over and nothing will need be explained his colleague, Senator McLaurin, in the away. If a rival candidate has no faults let none be manufactured against him. If he is supposed to have, don't make mention. Each candidate confining himself to his own merits, with no unkind last place for resenting it by brute force. word for any other, will make an ideal campaign for nomination, and ensure offender would be for the Senators to harmony when the nominations are put him in coventry as unfit for associamade. The Democrat volunteers advice result from following it.

LAST week President Roosevelt reneral terms he reaffirms the findings of recall him to serve another term. Then quiry, but is far from justice to Admiral power. Schley.

him an experience in this Republic of eats and drinks will make upon Henry into political tools of the Administration. such a lasting impression that may work | This is the mere personal phrase of the for good when he gets back to Germany, scandal with which the public has little Henry surely will always think well of, and never forget, Uncle Sam. He will the affair that is of great interest to the picture him, when he gets back to Gerworth while to have and to keep. How we wish Henry could come up here to Bellefonte. We could make things gay for him here, too, as well as other towns.

betraying his party in South Carolina, and in lustily denouncing Tillman for his ruffianism the Administration organs Our people, those who are Dutch and don't want to own up to it, as well as those who are of other stock, would vie with each other to bid him welcome, and say, "Wie befinden Sie sich, Heinrich? es freuet uns des Kaiser's Bruder zu bewilkommen." But Henry can't visit our mountain city, he is hastening westward to cities resting upon big breweries of beer the national thirst slaker of the hardy and frequently thirsty Teuton. Welcome, Henry, good boy. Welcome o our beer, our wines, dinners, pipes and tobaccos, Bumpernickel und Zwieback. Welcome! We are ready to break our necks to have a royal handshake. When you return to Deutschland, lieber Henry, having our best American wishes, tell your brother, Kaiser Wilhelm, what a great big, strong, son's "When the Weite mou good boy you found Uncle Sam to be.

TILLMAN'S GOOD WORK.

Carolina engaged in a personal encounter in the U. S. Senate last Saturday and broke all records for the dignity and prestige of that distinguished body there has been much comment over the affair. Our republican friends are devoting much space to the abuse of Senator Till man, the democrat, and the defence of Senator McLaurin, the other who was elected as a democrat and then sold out completely to gain the control of the federal patronage in that state. We admit that Ben Tillman is a man of grave faults. He has a vicious temperament and a tongue that spares no invective too strong when he assails an adversary. will meet in Harrisbarg on Wednesday, Tillman never was a diplomat-one who June 11, at 10:30 a. m., for the purpose will cringe, and fawn, and lie and steal of nominating the Republican State to win public favor. Despite all his crudeness and low vulgarity at times, no one has had the ground to question his motives and integrity. He is fearless ary War is \$135,193,705; the war of 1812, and honest; in all matters of public moment there is a conscientious impulse in the man that is admirable, and it is to pines has already cost more than the be regretted that more of our public men do not have these elements of character. Tillman is a man who will call a spade a spade and will stand by his guns when under fire as long as he is convinced of for Sheriff on the republican ticket, in the justness of his cause. The republilege, is also being groomed for the same this man for the reason that he has been a free lance and never besitates to tell them in plain language when they are fostering bad legislation that it is akin to stealing. Tillman has done a good work in the U. S. Senate, even if its dignity among public servants would be a great benefit to the public. Tillman deserves praise, despite his outbursts of temper which is his grave fault. In the eyes of most men his offence is less than the acts of some of the polished diplomats who barter and trade their votes and support THE list of candidates for a place on measures that are vicious and corrupt.

For the assault of Senator Tillman on open Senate there can be no palliation, and no amount of verbal apology or abjectness can atone for the offense. Great as was the insult, the Senate was the The most effective punishment of the tion with them : but the truth is that on in this line and believes only good can both sides they have encouraged his escapades until at last his insolence culminated in this scandal.

There is one aspect of the affair, howdered his opinion in the appeal of Ad. ever, which is of peculiar concern to the miral Schley. It is entirely too long for public. It is a fact, as asserted by Senpublication and we give a summary of ator Tillman, that Senator McLaurin the leading points of his brief. In gen- was opposed to the Paris Treaty, and that when a vote was badly the Court of Inquiry but his review of the | the Administration he was suddenly and battle of Santiago robs Admiral Samp. mysteriously converted in its favor. It in doubt as to his own duty on election son of much of the glory that the Navy is also a fact that immediately after this day. Department has attempted to award him, miraculous conversion Sentor McLaurin when 20 miles distant from the scene of became the dispenser of Government the bloody conflict. While it does not patronage in South Carolina. He had give Schley the full measure of justice, the run of the departments; and postand no one expected that he would as offices and revenue collectorships in the the matter became such a bitter partisan State were at his exclusive disposal. It controversy, it still is more comforting to is not yet forgotten how he undertook as him and his friends than to the followers one of his first experiments to seduce of Sampson. The President evaded the venerable Wade Hampton with the some of the principal points in the con- Columbia (S. C.) postoffice, and how his troversy and wrung in other matters base attempt was repulsed. This did that were not pertinent to the issue. He not seriously discourage him, as it would tried to plow up through the middle of have discouraged any man possessed of the controversy and smooth off the rough a lingering sense of political decency. edges on both sides, and at the same McLaurin is still making his proffers of time not go back on the party that elect- Federal office and spoil to every Demoed him to office and which he hopes will crat in South Carolina whom he can thus convert into a tool of his own and of the he had a desire to approve President Administration. With all this he still McKinley's course in the matter. The keeps up the impudent pretense of being President's decision is quite an improve- a Democrat while supporting by speech ment over the verdict of the Court of In. and vote every measure of the party in

Senator Tillman's provocation is that Senator McLaurin, in disposing of Gov-WRLL, Henry, Prince of Prussia, is erment patronage in South Carolina, has having a good time. America is giving sought out Tillman's personal enemies as the special objects of his bounty when Freedom. Perhaps what he sees, hears, they could be converted at the same time concern. There is another feature of American people. This is the attempt, many, as a noble, powerful, whole-soul- in which McLaurin is the chief agent, to ed fellow, whose friendship it will be first corrupt a State by the industrious use of office and spoils and then to steal it. In lavishing praise on McLaurin for may still be expected to decorously keep this aspect of the scandal out of the public view. But this is what most highly concerns the whole American peo-ple in the quarrel between the two South Carolina Senators, - Record.

> THE outlook in its March Magazin Number has no less than ten illustrated special features-certainly a good show ing as to quantity in a magazine which is also a weekly newspaper and devotes even in its "magazine numbers" large space to current topics, editorials, and book reviews. Among the illustrated articles of this month are : Two Colleg Presidents (Mark and Henry Hopkins Edward Everett Hale'e "Memories of a Hundred Years"; E. A. Steiner's
> "Crackow and Polish Patrfotism"; Poult
> ney Bigelow's "Henry the Sailor
> Prince"; W. A. Brown's "Some Rare
> Musical Instruments" and Clifton John

NOMINATE ELKIN

Since the two senators from South Some Cogent Reasons Why the State

Boss Should Be Standard-Bearer. It is not often that the North American finds it possible to agree with the machine or its organ in any matter of state politics or local government-a fact which goes far to confirm confidence in the correctness of the North American's views-but it feels constrained by the force of logic to approve the selection of John P. Elkin as the machine's candidate for governor. By character, attainments and achievement, Mr. Elkin is pre-eminently qualified to carry the standard of the organization. The organ of the machine truly says that "his career is one that the young men might study with profit to themselves." To a young man fitting himself for the practice of medicine, the study of a well-developed case of cancer would be valuable. An aspirant for judicial honors might derive benefit from thorough acquaintance with the history of a Jeffreys or a Bacon or the career of a Potter. To the young Pennsylvanian ambitious to serve his state in political office, we heartily recommend studious contemplation of the career of John P. Elkin. The North American's reason for en-

dorsing the choice of Mr. Elkin as the machine candidate are not precisely those advanced by the exuberant organ in support of its action in making him cans have a bitter resentment against not only the organization's, but its own especial favorite. The fact that he "was born in a log house in Indiana county" does not seem to be an adequate reason for nominating him; and, moreover, when the statement is coupled by the organ with the remarkable assertion that Mr. Eikin "is selfmade in every sense of the word," we must necessarily doubt that he was born in a log house or anywhere else Interesting as we may find this theory of the autogenesis of an Elkin, it fails to appeal to us with much force as an argument in favor of a certain line of

political action. The North American favors the nomination of John P. Elkin by the machine for the single and simple reason that he is thoroughly representative of the machine, the embodiment and epitome of machine politics and machine morals. He is "regularity" personified. His record and the machine's record are written in the same hand and identical terms upon the same page of Pennsylvania's political history. When he began his political career-the career which young men might study with profit-he said to the machine: "Where thou goest I will go," and he has kept that pledge and

tion, but with joyous alacrity. As the machine candidate for governor, John P. Elkin will command the support of every political automaton whose civic creed is expressed in the word "regularity;" of every political pervert whose guiding motto is "any old thing to win;" of every retainer of the bosses, big and little; every client of the private license bureau, and every mythical voter, dead or alive, on the padded list. His name at the head of the ticket will blazon its character and leave no honest citizen

gone along not only without hesita-

The North American is unqualifiedly in favor of the nomination of John P. Elkin by the Quay machine's state convention. He is literally the "logical candidate" of the gang and its squalid organ.

WHAT THEY SAY

Extracts From Various Sources, Indicating Democratic Opinion Regard-

Ing Questions of the Day. Shame on those narrow-minded individuals who are so hopelessly ignorant as to argue that freedom of speech breeds anarchy. It is just the opposite. As a rule, anarchists are not sons of America: they are sons of tyranny. We don't just want to accuse any certain country in particular; but all enlightened men know that anarchy is bred and born in these countries where freedom of speech, and all other freedoms are extremely limited. -Indiana Moderator.

The significance of the Babcock iron and steel bill is not affected by the fact that there is little chance for its becoming a law at this session of congress. The bill, coming as it does from a protectionist, is the entering wedge of free trade. It marks the beginning of the end of the high tariff system. Mr. McKinley recognized the drift of public opinion in his last speech in Buffalo the day before his assassination. The Babcock bill is in line with the policy suggested in that address. Protection is stabbed in the house of its friends.-Kansas City

SHORT TALKS

Brief Comment on Political and Other

Matters of Public Interest. Treasurer-elect Harris can find any consolation in the verdict in his libel suit against Hon. P. Gray Meek, he is satisfied with the thinnest sort of a husk. We admit that it looks rather rough for a man to take the treasurership of a great state like Pennsylvania while resting under the charge of being the prince of thieves and the chief of crooks, but it looks far worse to have it practically proved in open court. Mr. Harris evidently depneded on the favor of the court to convict Mr. Meek without incriminating himself. The jury must have concluded that Harris was guilty of all that Meek charged him, but disliked to make him pay for it besides. If the witnesses who were on hand had been called and testified to what they knew, the jury would have felt that the whoie

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When we attempt to tell the little brown men that we are so deeply interested in their welfare that we are spending millions of dollars to shoot our love into them they will credit us with being the worst gang of doublejointed hypocrites that ever walked the earth, and when we add to this that other stupid invention that Providence is assisting us to do them up they will wonder what sort of heathen god we worship.

The ruling of the postoffice department in refusing Mr. Bryan's Commoner the regular mailing privileges is too contemptible to be properly characterized. The alleged reason for refusing sample copies of the Commoner to go at regular pound rates is that Mr. Bryan is interested in what his paper teaches. When Charles Emory Smith berates Quay, Penrose and the gang week after week in the Philadelphia Press has he any interest in what he preaches or is he doing it without motive, purpose or interest? This idiotic ruling, if carried out, would shut out any paper whose writers had any conscience. To say that the editor of any paper is not interested in the success of the doctrines he may advocate is to denounce him as a hypocrite or a fool. This silly attempt to work a hardship on Mr. Bryan will react on those weak enough to engage in so contemptible scheme.

Judge Shiras, of the United States ourt, is about to retire to private life, where in the opinion of many he ought, for the good of the country, to have remained. His sudden flop on the income tax ought to condemn him for all time. He betrayed the cause of the common people into the hands of the plutocrats against his convictions of right judgment and duty there is no room to doubt; what the means that brought him about were can be easily conjectured. His conversion was accomplished between twilight and dawn and he never made the plea that an angel of light had appeared to him in a dream and enlightened his darkened understanding. The angel that came, no doubt, belonged to the other class. It is safe to say that Shiras will not die in an almshouse, though better men than he have done so. Men would respect the courts if the courts would let them.

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Roosevelt in his message to congress declares that "in the case of Cuba there are weighty reasons of morality and of national interest why the policy of reciprocity should be held to have a peculiar application and I most earnestly ask your attention to the vital need of providing for a substantial reduction in the tariff duties on Cuban imports into the United States." So there is after all a moral question involved in the tariff is there? One would almost conclude from the blind adoration shown the tariff tich by the Republican leaders that esteem, selfishness and inordinate greed on the part of the few coupled with a determination to bleed the many for their enrichment are highly moral attributes. The tariff is at the very best an evidence of the narrowest kind of selfishness, and a total disregard for the rights of others. It is an absolute command to do unto others what we do not want them to do to us. Whenever Russia, Germany, France or any other country imposes a trade restriction against any of our products, our protected vampires set up a howl and clamor for open free trade doors on the part of others, while we exact tribute, like the pirates of the Mediterranean, on every dollar that we get our hands on. The tariff is said to have derived its name from the pirates of Tarifa, who exacted a tribute from every vessel entering or leaving the Mediterranean. The Moorish pirates long ago met their just deserts, but their wicked robberies are still practiced under the sanction of law and in the name of protection.

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The United States senate is likely to still further thwart the will of the great majority of the American people by refusing to submit a proposition to amend the constitution so as to elect the senator by popular vote. If we must have an American house of lords or a millionaires' club, as it is sometimes called, there is no good reason why the people should not have a voice in their election. The senators say in effect, "We prefer our chances of getting into the senate by fair means or foul through means of the legislatures, and we don't care whether the people like it or not." There are but two ways of bringing a constitutional convention about: Congress can call one of its own free will, or if twothirds of the state legislatures ask for it, congress must call one whether it wishes or not. A large number of the legislatures have passed such a resolution, and the old duffers in the senate are beginning to fear that the people will force them, in spite of their wishes, to call a convention. They are devoting their spare time to pointing out the dangers that are sure to result from calling a convention. They tell us that if a convention were called there is no telling where the amending would stop. They are afraid to trust the people to amend their own constitution. Possibly they are fearful that if a convention were called, some man with more honesty and patriotism, and a keener sense of justice than the majority of the senators and the members of the supreme court, might propose an amendment making the ingang should be hanged as high as come tax constitutional. Frightful thought!

VARIETY OF COUNTY NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered From All Sections

SHORT AND TO THE POINT Bois.

What Transpired Worthy of Brief Meners-A New Department

John Mark, of Philipsburg, has an in- with it to a place of safety. crease of pension to \$12.

broke his collar bone a few days ago. The Alpha Fire company will hold a dance on Thursday evening, Feb. 27th, roically pushing two ladies from the at University Inn. State College.

Wm. W. Harpster, son of Sam'l Harpster, dec'd, formerly of Centre Hall, is a republican candidate for Sheriff in Stephenson county, Illinois.

Prof. C. D. Fehr, of State College, has made application for a passport into Germany, a country to which he expects to go about March 29th to continue his studies in language.

A very pretty wedding was celebrated on Wednesday 19th, at the home of Adam Hosterman, in Boalsburg, when his daughter, Mary, was united in marriage to Matthew Goheen.

Norton King, who took part in the Boer war, has returned to Philipsburg. of the 76,000,000 odd persons in the He will, we understand, deliver a lecture on his African experience, which cannot fall to be interesting.

Spring Mills is to have a new Lutheran church. That was decided by the congregation some time ago, and as soon as the weather permits work will be commenced on the structure.

League will be held at Philipsburg on It is a combination of the Bell's Gap the 15th and 16th of May next. Prepara- railroad company and the Clearfield tions are being made for an unusally and Jefferson Railroad company and good convention, and an effort is being has an authorized capital of \$2,500,000. made to have one of the bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church present if it Thursday morning to burglarize the

ter, who move next spring are, G. A. panel of a door was cut out, the latch on Zerby, on the Allison farm to the the door and a window was broken. farm near Wolf's store. George F. Efforts were also made to opon one of Emerick to the farm of Z. D. Thomas the windows with a chisel. Rev. L. Dice near Wolf's store. Mr. Shreckengast, to and wife, who live next door, heard the Buffalo valley, C. S. Garbrick to Nittany man working at the window and gave valley on the Garbrick farm.

Mines, Centre county, was instantly kill- o'clock this mornnig. ed Thursday last while working at Battle mines, operated by Irish Brothers. The young man was employed as driver | While on the Bald Eagle Valley road, and it is supposed while entering the near the paper mill, he was knocked mines was caught between the car and down by an engine and shoved along in rib in the mines. He died instantly, the snow until his leg became badly He was aged about 27 years, and was twisted under the pilot of the locomotive. the only support of his mother.

ville barned to the ground with all its from under the pilot and the snow. It contents at 3 o'c'ock Wednesdaymorning was thought that his leg was crushed 19th. The family consisting of six child- and broken in several places. This fear ren barely escaped with their lives-not proved to be groundless as the man eshaving as much as shoes to put on their caped with a few bruises and a sprain. feet. Susie Long, an invalid lady and Tyrone Herald :- Somebody asked sister of Mr. Long, was taken out over a whether the members of Company C, roof. There was no insurance on the Fifth regiment, at Clearfield, who viola-

charge of the Potter sisters' farm at Lin. tried by court martial, and sentenced den Hall, for three years past, has been found guilty. The trial has been contendered a position by the firm he was pleted, and doubtless the finding of the with a number of years before coming to court has been properly framed in the Penn's valley, will accept the offer and form of a report, and forwarded. But it become a traveling salesman again. The will not be made public until it passes Dr. has some warm friends among our through the military channel-regimentbest citizens who very much regret his al, brigade and division headquartersleaving but wish him success.

Friday evening a sledding party consisting of twelve couples left Clarence bound for the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Reese at the top of the monutain. Miss Ida Haynes assisted by Samuel Madill were instrumental in getting Pennsylvania long famous for its isolaup the party, which was most hospitably eutertained by Mr. and Mrs. Reese, who had provided delicious refreshments. The party consisted namely: Misses Laura Hampton, Laura Banks, Nannie and Annie Price, Huldah Askey, Lyda Smith, Ida, Bessie and Martha Haynes; Messrs. Barton Larrey, Samuel and Will Madill, Will Crispan, Joseph McLaughlin, Robert Haynes, John Healy, Mike Glenn, Reuben Heaton.

IN ADJOINING COUNTIES.

W. K. Raup has been appointed postmaster at Lamar. The ice on the river at Lock Haven on Monday was 271/2 inches thick.

The M. E. church at Morrisdale will e reopened on Sunday, March 2nd.

James M. Thomas, of Lewistown, one of the early settlers of Mifflin county died on Monday, aged 78 years.

Saturday, April 26th, will be a big day in Jersey Shore-the celebration of the 83rd anniversary of Odd Fellowship in America.

C. J. Greninger, for many years the popular miller at Loganton, has removd to Brush valley, where he will take charge of Daniel Weaver's mill.

Martin Dietrick, a well known citizen of Chest township, Cambria county, died of apoplexy Thursday morning. The deceased was born in Centre county in

John H. Miller, of Windber, paid his sick sister, Mrs. David H. Schrack, near sick sister, Mrs. David H. Schrack, near Fire, Life and Accident Insurance, Loganton a visit last week. Mr. Miller Order's Stone Building. BELLEFONTE, PA

has the contract to plaster 200 houses for the Berwin & White Co., at Windber.

Miss Bertha Meyers, a saleślady employed in a large dry goods house at Du-Bois, was married Tuesday 18th, at the home of her paients, Mr. and Mrs, Peter Meyers, near Hannah Furnace, to Mr. Ross Scott, a prominent resident of Du-

While the house of Charles Mortar at Bernice, Clinton county, was on fire, that tion, the Past Week-News From gentleman's 9 year-old child rushed into Over the County-For Hasty Read- the house and grabbed a sleeping babe, which had been forgotten, from the cradle, and ran through flame and smoke

J. A. Baird, formerly a prominent Samuel Homan, of Gregg, fell and physician and druggist at Brisbin, was killed by being run over by shifting coal cars at Dunlo on the 9th inst., after hetrack and saving their lives. He was 52 years of age, and leaves a wife.

Prince Henry of Prussia will hear familiar music when he passes through Altoona on the morning of March 1st, enroute to Chicago. A project is under way to form a huge choir of the best German singers of the city, perhaps 200 voices, which will sing songs of the Fatherland as the Prince and his party passes through.

If all the petroleum produced last year n the United States was put in standard barrels and the barrels placed in a row touching each other, the line would completely belt the earth. Enough coat was mined to give 31/2 tons to every one country and enough gold to give every American a gold dollar.

The sale of the Pennsylvania and Northwestern Railroad company to the Pennsylvania Railroad was effected at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the former corporation on 19. The road connects Bellwood and Horatio. The district convention of the Epworth Pa., and is seventy-seven miles in length.

A bold attempt was made early last stores of S, A. Stamm and T. R. Harter Among those in Gregg and north Pot- in Loganton. At Harter's store the the alarm when he fled. The man was William Joseph Hill, living near Cuba seen by Rev. Dice between 3 and 4

William Resides had a very narrow escape Monday morning at Lock Haven. Fortunately the engine was stopped in The home of David Long at Jackson- time, when Mr. Resides was pulled out

property and the family is left destitute. ted the rules of discipline at the recent Dr. E. A. Kent, who has been in inspection of the company, have been to the adjutant general's office, where it will take the form of an order and be issued to the guard at large by the commander-m-chief.

> Preparations are being made to invade with the steam cars a section of tion, its deserted village and its romantic history. This is the region of the Tangascootac, in the southern part of Clinton county, where half a century age General John Revel, an aristocratic but visionary Englishman, built a town and a mansion upon the bleak plateau south of the West Branch of the Susquehannah, and there undertook to mine and market coal over the West Branch canal. Now work is being pushed on a railroad that has as its objective point this forsaken 'Scootac region, and a party of local capitalists will develop beds of fire and brick clay that have been discovered

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