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MEASURED ON THE STUMP.

Candidate Delamater had no great prestige when he was nominated for Governor, and, as the campaign progresses, he adds nothing to what he started with. His speeches on the stump, when not devoted to the conjugation of the verb "to lie" in its different modes and tenses, with Emery, Rutan, Dick and X. Y. Z. as the offending nominatives, have been distinguished neither for originality, depth nor eloquence. The burden of this now familiar recital is a schoolboy reference to the past glory of the Republican party (which none disputes), coupled with an assertion of the candidate's ardent desire to lead the party (which no one doubts). Of State policy or State measures, Mr. Delamater makes hardly a mention. Upon the issue raised as to whether the Constitution or corporations should be supreme in Pennsylvania he has nothing to say. He might, and doubtless would, urge that this is really too simple a question to answer; but in view of the open destruction of the South Penn enterprise by unconstitutional methods; of the long delay in giving force to the inhibition of discrimination in railway rates; of the juggling by which a revenue bill was "lost" after being passed at Harrisburg, and of other significant incidents that might be cited, it will seem to the public a very pertinent and pressing subject.

Mr. Delamater may be personally amiable and make a rather agreeable impression in his hand-shaking tours; but that is too familiar a qualification with candidates to count for much among those who vote upon weightier considerations.

The Republican candidate has pitted against him a man of proved capacity, trustworthy, and with a record so non-partisan that it has extorted the most candid praise from political opponents as well as friends. Such a candidate as Governor Pattison would be a formidable antagonist to the ablest and strongest man the Republicans might have nominated. Leaving out sight wholly for the present the adverse criticisms upon Delamater in regard to previous matters, it is difficult to see where or how, since the canvass has opened, he has given any indications of special capacity or disposition to be of shining service to the public in the distinguished position to which he aspires.

GOVERNOR CAMPBELL'S VICTORY.

Governor Campbell has brought the Ohio Legislature to his terms, if the decision of the Democratic caucuses in House and Senate last night is adhered to, as there is every reason to believe will be the case. He aimed to abolish the corrupt Board of Improvements and Decennial Board in Cincinnati and to return the election of their successors to the people, and to this the Democratic caucus has agreed. It matters not that to Governor Campbell and no to the Legislature is to belong the actual power of abolition or that the election of new boards is to be postponed till April next. Governor Campbell and all friends of honest city government want to turn the rascals out, and the precise method is a matter of secondary importance. Cincinnati stands a fair chance of getting some honest city officials, and she has Governor Campbell to thank for it.

GOOD FOR AMERICAN SOIL.

It is asserted by a good many dealers in cigars that the vast majority of smokers do not know the difference between Havana tobacco and the American leaf, be it the product of Pennsylvania, Connecticut or Carolina. The singularly fatuous gentlemen who are trying to make out that the new tariff is oppressive because it makes Havana cigars dearer, are invited to contemplate this assertion of the cigar dealers. But smokers are chiefly interested in the evidence of their senses that the cigar manufactured on American soil is as satisfactory as the weed that comes from Cuba.

A very profitable result of the increased tariff on foreign wines is reported from California. Already the demand for California wines is greatly increased and capital is pouring in for the operation of new vineyards. With regard to our domestic wines there is not the least doubt that the standard brands are far more wholesome and palatable than a great deal of the imported stuff. There is good reason to believe that Europe sends us more fine-sounding names and gorgeous labels than prime vintages.

OUR HAPPINESS OFFENDS.

Sydney Webb, who holds a snug office in the English Civil Service and some polite socialistic views, has recorded his impressions of this country, which he explored in 1888. He approves of a great many things, but, strange to say, he singles out for reprobation "the general content and light-heartedness of Americans and their disposition to think happiness is the end and aim of life." Mr. Webb thinks we ought to stop "laughing and smiling and looking pleased because the public Treasury is full and the country is bursting with corn and wine and oil." Perhaps it may gratify Webb to know that the plethoric condition of the Treasury has been relieved. But material prosperity remains in spite of the politicians, and the American peo will continue to smile in spite of Webb

It is not qu clear whether Mr. Webb speaks in thi instance as a kid-glove Socialist, as a clerk in the English Treasury Department, or as a dabbler in journalism, for his vocations have been various; but taking it that he is still the Socialist he was when he visited Pittsburg two years ago, perhaps his disapproval of our general content and lightheartedness may be explained. It is a failing common to Socialists and other reformers of the world by patent and particular methods to depreciate the results of any other system or scheme of government, no matter how good it may be in fact. The American people have achieved a high level of prosperity, culture and freedom by their own efforts, blessed by the Deity and assisted by nature. They are naturally cheerful in the premises and sanguine as to the future. But they have done this independently of the two-by-four, thus-and-so prescription of Dr. Sydney Webb and his brother Socialists, and therefore the latter begin to doubt if happiness, as an end and aim of life, is worth having if not obtained by the means they have patented. This ought to make the American smile larger, and the American heart lighter.

PERNICIOUS ACTIVITY.

The liberality of President Harrison's administration in permitting, if not inciting, office holders to assist the politicians of the party in electioneering work may be proof of gratitude for his own elevation to the office of President, but it is beginning to be too flagrant to escape the censure of that large part of the public which believes that men who are paid from the common treasury to attend to the peculiar duties of the positions they hold should confine themselves to these functions in place of officially obtruding in political campaigns.

The instance of Mr. John Jarrett, who, while holding a Consulship at Birmingham, is now on the stump in Pennsylvania and Ohio, has been the subject of wide and unfavorable comment. One of the latest remarks credited to Mr. Jarrett is that Congressman Dalzell, of this county, had better pass in his chips, since he has failed to take the field for Delamater. As this report appears in a Democratic organ, it may be that the heat of the canvass has exaggerated Jarrett's words; but the fact remains that his absence from his post for the purpose of partisan work in this country is a commentary on the tendency of the civil service which reflects no credit on Mr. Harrison's administration.

There is in the Republican party a numerous and earnest element to which the use of Federal patronage to influence elections is thoroughly and rankly objectionable. President Cleveland was severely scored for permitting even some of his Cabinet officers to take the stump in the elections of States where they did not belong. There should be something like consistency. People certainly do not require instructions from their consular agents as to how they should vote. Mr. Jarrett might serve his party best by returning to his post in Birmingham. John Delaney, Receiver of Public Moneys at Oklahoma, who is also actively engaged campaigning in the Eastern part of this State, would also more adorn his office in the new Territory than the cause of the administration candidate in Pennsylvania.

A STRIKING CONTRAST.

Poverty and misery are claiming many victims in the capitals of the Old World. Paris stands aghast at an epidemic of suicide, the chief cause of which is starvation. Men, women and children in the gay French metropolis are destroying themselves for lack of bread. In London the machinery of public and private charity cannot cope with the ever-swelling tide of pauperism. Labor troubles promise to make matters still worse in many parts of England this winter.

What a contrast to all this misery in the Old World is the general prosperity of the American people. In a spirit of devout thankfulness Pittsburg especially, may congratulate herself upon the welfare of the humblest of her citizens. There is work for everyone who is able and willing here and at fair wages, and abundant succor for the helpless. It was not shown as one of Pittsburg's sights to our foreign visitors during their recent sojourn here, but surely the absence of that abject misery from which death is the only escape must have impressed them.

A CONSUL OF SOME ACCOUNT.

It is reported that the Italian Government has asked for the recall of Mr. Philip Carroll, United States Consul at Palermo, Sicily. Mr. Carroll warned American tourists last summer to beware of brigands in Sicily and other parts of the Italian Empire, and for this Italy desires his removal. It is admitted by the Italian officials that highwaymen have been unusually numerous even in the vicinity of large cities, such as Rome and Florence, and that brigands actually seized and held for ransom a merchant of Palermo, but they assert that Mr. Carroll exaggerated the danger to tourists. It is quite clear why Mr. Carroll should be regarded as *persona non grata* by the Italian Government. American tourists are highly regarded in Italy by hotel men and shopkeepers, as well as by out-and-out brigands, and Mr. Carroll's warning doubtless turned some timid travelers away from Southern Italy. For Mr. Carroll's sake it may be desirable to remove him to cooler quarters, but the State Department should see to it that no reflection falls upon a Consul who has shown such a singular but correct conception of his duty. Services such as Mr. Carroll has performed for his countrymen abroad do more to justify the maintenance of the consular system than barrels of reports and whole seasons of social entertainments.

MEANING OF A QUEER ARGUMENT.

Queer argument is not a new thing in the columns of corporation organs. It is the principal mission of such papers to distort facts and contort reason into strange shapes and fancies. The plain truth and logical conclusions drawn from it are most obnoxious to those who defend monopoly and extortion.

A remarkable example of queer argument has been going the rounds of the Standard Oil press. Its intention is not plainly stated, but the evident purport is to prepare the Ohio oil producer for a drop in the market price of his product. It also carries the intimation to the Pennsylvania producer that a further decline in the price paid for his oil is among the easy probabilities.

At the outset the statement is made that "the official figures of the stocks of oil in the hands of the pipe lines, both in the Pennsylvania and Ohio fields, show that the stocks in the tanks of the Buckeye Pipe Line Company increased over 750,000 during the month, and that more than 20,000,000 barrels are in the tanks." The next point is that the Standard has paid producers 15 cents a barrel more than the speculative market price during the month. The tankage necessary to hold this surplus, the pipe lines to collect it and the large expenditure involved are dilated upon. Incidentally the collarless newspaper writers are accused of lack of appreciation of this expenditure for the benefit of legitimate industry and enterprise. The question is then asked what other concern than the Standard would or could have done that which it has done with its capital and experience. Next it points out that though Pennsylvania production has increased enormously consumption was still greater, and stocks during the month were drawn on. Should the Pennsylvania stocks be annihilated "there is hope that the demand for Ohio oil will be stimulated, but the fact of the present situation is that present production is amazingly in excess of consumption."

What the official figures from Pennsylvania have to do with the increase of Ohio stocks is not made clear by any statement of facts. The whole article, however, makes it clear that the concern which has absorbed all the capital and profits of the oil business proposes, in the light of its experience, to curtail production by depressing the crude markets. The dilatation on the enormous amount of money invested to care for the surplus is merely ornamental clothing for the concealed idea.

As a matter of fact the Standard has never been compelled to make the great investment referred to. Other parties endeavored to get a foothold in the Ohio field, willing to invest their small capital and gain experience. The Standard was seeking investment of its profits from pipeage of the surplus stocks in Pennsylvania, the pipeage being paid on the delivery of that oil as stocks were reduced. It was also seeking a use for empty tankage. So it squeezed out the other pipe lines and refineries that it might be the only benefactor of the producers.

All the time the monopoly was accumulating its load of Ohio oil, its organs were crying down the value of that product that the Standard might secure the territory as well as the refining and piping interests of the field. The price for this oil was 15 cents a barrel all told. Other refiners began using the cheap crude extensively, and lo! the price was advanced to 37½ cents a barrel, where it has since been held, though the speculative price has declined far below that figure. Less than half the 20,000,000 barrels of stocks has cost the Standard over 30 cents a barrel. The other half cost 15 cents. Having crippled the outside refiners and invested its surplus profit from Pennsylvania pipeage, the monopoly is now ready to squeeze the producer again for what he has made this year.

JUSTICE MILLER of the Supreme Court is not yet in his grave, but Washington is already excited over the question of his successor. President Harrison's law partner and Attorney General, Mr. Miller, is not unnaturally regarded as a likely and strong candidate. Others mentioned are Judge Gresham and Secretary Noble. If the latter wishes to go upon the Supreme Bench President Harrison may give him the preference over Mr. Miller, but Judge Gresham is about as likely to accept the place as Mr. Harrison is to offer it to him. The past of 1888 and the future of 1892 will keep Mr. Gresham off the Supreme Bench.

MORE Parisians decided yesterday that death was preferable to slow starvation and other evils of life in the French capital. While the records of suicide in France are thus swelling, the birth rate is falling off in some cities in a most discouraging way. If these tendencies are not checked the French nation will soon be in a bad way.

DOWN went McCluskey to the bottom of the Monongahela yesterday, and the little towboat by that name seems likely to emulate McGinty.

WHILE explaining the plans for a temporary bridge to lead from Forbes street to Schenley Park, Chief Bigelow remarks of the more magnificent and permanent entrance proposed that it will be a long while before it is started and that he may not live to see it finished. We hope Mr. Bigelow's estimate of his own longevity is insufficient. His work in negotiating for the park is a monumental labor which the Pittsburg public will always appreciate; and everyone will heartily wish that he may be around for fifty years yet to enjoy it.

THE presentation of City Councils' vote of thanks yesterday gave Mr. Carnegie an opportunity to explain some of his plans for the library and art gallery which he is presenting to Pittsburg. It is a noteworthy feature of Mr. Carnegie's fulfillments that they always exceed his promises.

THE Locomotive Engineers in convention here represent a brainy and substantial brigade in the great army of railroad men.

WE hope that Mr. James H. Tuke's statement, which the cable brings to THE DISPATCH to-day, that there is little likelihood of a famine in Ireland is correct, but we fail to see the advisability of withholding succor, as he suggests, until the wants of the suffering districts are exactly ascertained. Dependence upon the English Government's methods of relief is dangerous, and it will be more humane to collect the funds and send them to reliable distributing agencies as soon as possible. If the money is not needed it can be returned.

IT is well to remember that the London *Times* denied the danger of famine in Ireland, just as it is denying it now, in 1848 and 1879. Famine followed the denial, and if it had not been for the timely aid from America, Ireland's sufferings would have been even more terrible than was the case.

THE Silverman original package case was argued before the Supreme Court yesterday. The proceedings were dry all the same.

SO Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien are laughing at the Tory donkey in the British Lion's skin from the safe shores of France. They had a little more sea voyage than they bargained for, but the game was worth the price. There is nothing to prevent the Irish leaders from carrying out their original plan to visit this country, and their romantic adventures will insure them an extra enthusiastic reception here.

THE cold wave has kindly sheered off to the northward, and the effect of its advent has been to give this region bright, cheery weather. The indications are that the next cold wave will be a more serious matter. It will give the finishing touch to the foliage.

THE plan to found a bureau of general information here finds favor with all our citizens.

POLITICAL PLEASANTRIES.

NEW YORK *World* (Dem.): Mr. Balfour, being in a hole, should take every precaution against pulling the hole in after him.

WASHINGTON *Post* (Ind. Rep.): The complexion of the next House will depend largely on the cosmetics used at the ballot box.

PHILADELPHIA *Record* (Dem.): Given an extra session, and the roof of the Treasury building would doubtless be appropriated.

BOSTON *Globe* (Dem.): United States Senators want their salaries raised. Wouldn't it be nice if they all go out on a permanent strike?

BALTIMORE *American* (Rep.): Politics will never be entirely reformed until the voice of conscience is stronger than the eloquence of a $2 bill.

MINNEAPOLIS *Tribune* (Rep.): The disappearance of Dillon and O'Brien is regarded by the London press as a coup, and by themselves as getting out of a coop.

NEW YORK *Commercial Advertiser* (Mug.): Mr. Porter's first remark when he returns from abroad will probably be: "Why, bless me, New York! How you've grown."

PHILADELPHIA *Inquirer* (Rep.): Democratic papers are clamoring for "strong men for Congress." It may afford them some satisfaction to know that Kilgore expects to be reelected.

KENNEBEC *Journal* (Rep.): A valuable exchange cites as one of the effects of the McKinley bill that "even pearl collar buttons will disappear." All of which is probably true; but this is nothing new. What is needed is some measure that will keep collar buttons where they can be found.

SNAP SHOTS IN SEASON.

A GOOD fellow may make a very bad statesman.

FLIES—summer time flies. What are they here for, where do they come from, where do they go? Philosophers have moralized over them, poets have sung of them, baldheaded folk have sworn at them—all a waste of words, poesy and profanity, for they are ever with us. They must have been created for purpose, of course, but so far as research goes in the fly line just what that purpose is no one can positively define. They are a numerous nuisance. How they do make life lively even for lazy people, too! Every summer brings them upon the scene of action, recruited and refreshed after the winter vacation. And they are everywhere. Into the cream jug, the soup tureen, the coffee, the butter, the gravy they drop unexpectedly. Traps will not catch them, snares will not decimate them perceptibly, and so we suffer and swear—not all of us, of course, but a goodly portion. Great natural historians say the fly is more of an imbecile than the pug dog. They can't be trained like the lively flea, but they get there just the same. A fly trained to good behavior would indeed be a curiosity. But the housefly, the horsefly, the blue-bottle fly and all their numerous progeny will keep on tormenting us to the end of our days. So let us make the best of it. When the fly lights on your ear gently brush it off. If it sits on your nose blow it away. If it perches on the bare spots above your brow shake it off. If it gets through the curtains or the netting around your couch don't go after it with your pillow. Be cool! In pursuit. Neither strategy nor violence will win in the battle with the flies. They come, they see, they conquer. And bye and bye they give you a rest, you know. A kind Providence has tempered flytime to the bared head seemingly, and when the snow flies the flies don't. The first fly, too is the harbinger of spring—the forerunner of flowers and bursting buds, green grass and sweeter butter. The last fly—well, you'll never live to see it, that's all.

WHO loud and shrill the whistle toots,
As through the town the engine scoots?
The Engineer.

Who takes delight to down the brakes,
And tired traveler rudely shakes?
The Engineer.

Who boasts of records by the mile,
Nor slows up for a woman's smile?
The Engineer.

Who faces Death on rail and wave,
And offers life for life to save?
The Engineer.

DON'T run through life so fast that you gasp for breath. Speed only hastens the coming of the last gasp.

WYOMING'S first Legislature assembles next month. Then she will pay the penalty of Statehood.

A TREE can branch out in every direction and prosper, but the average business man can't.

SOME of the snags in the river's mouth are gum trees, and have to be pulled out.

SOON fires bright will leap in grates,
Soon streams will be ice-bound;
Soon the small boy will put on skates,
And ten to one be drowned.

LAUGHTER is ticklish business of course, but it is contagious. We laugh at a good laugher as well as a clever joke.

REV. J. F. CORE swells the Independent chorus immensely.

WHO wouldn't be
A millionaire,
With wealth untold,
With goods tenfold,
With ships on sea;
Without a care
Except for gold?

I wouldn't be
A millionaire,
With piles of gold,
With wealth tenfold;
For misery
Is everywhere—
And Love is sold!

PITTSBURG must be prosperous. All the common drunks caught in the police net the other night had lots of money. Strange how wealth drags some people into the gutter, isn't it?

DYNAMITE can blow up saloons, but it won't stop drunkenness. Lawlessness will not stop law-breaking. The sooner Iowa fanatics realize this fact the better.

HAS the anti-trust bill been pigeon-holed? It was passed by Congress, but the trusts are multiplying right along.

FRENCH armor platers are looking for a site in America. These are the sightseers Pittsburg should welcome. If we had a corps of hustlers on the lookout for this class, more smokestacks would point heavenward here.

NOW safes can be opened without stealing the combination, using a jimmy and drill, or wasting powder. If the genius of wicked men was diverted into useful channels wonders would accumulate faster.

THE earth is gay and you are sad;
Why sorrow when the world is glad?
Sunshine should dry your tears.
Seek not for trouble anywhere,
Nor banish Joy to borrow Care
And grief-bestrew the years.
Drink of the cup which Pleasure presses,
Live to love what Nature blesses;
Laughter always woe suppresses,
Hope will drown your fears.

UNEASY lies the head that heads a ticket.

THE hay palace attraction at an Illinois fair is filled with hayseeds daily. A coal palace at Pittsburg would please minors as well as adults.

THE tariff bill is in force, but the free trade editors don't seem to think so.

ANYTHING for a sensation. The wife of Jack McAuliffe dies suddenly. Jack has a bad record. Police arrest him on suspicion. He is called a murderer. New York space writers and sensationalists see a chance to make a stir. Big "write up." Papers sell like hot cakes. Autopsy. Verdict of doctors, death from natural causes. Sensation spoiled. A bad man made worse. This is pernicious activity.

THE winter's near,
And gas grows dear,
As more is piped to range and heater;
Bills would be lower
If it traveled slower
From the main thro' the tell-tale meter.

DELANEY, receiver of public moneys in Oklahoma, is now receiver of funds for the Delamater campaign. A public office is a political trust nowadays.

GENERAL APATHY seems to be conducting the campaign for the g. o. p. in the grand old State of Allegheny.

CANADIAN saw logs are coming over the border. Canada has taken off the export duty and they can be imported with profit. Whines will go up from the Michigan pines.

THE sweetest things carry a sting. Take the honey bee, for instance.

ODD notions some folk have 'bout public morals
In this progressive age.
The men who in the prize ring settled quarrels
Now elevate the stage.

A CHRISTMAS box from Slugger Sullivan would not be relished by any person.

THERE'S lots of fun on tap in the world, and you don't have to hunt for it with a bung-starter, either.

A NEW YORK woman furnishes love letters at $1 apiece. Breach of promise and divorce suits come higher.

A WHISKY bottle would be harmless if the cork was never pulled.

DULLNESS on the Oil Exchange does not indicate business stagnation. When men haven't time to gamble legitimate trade is flourishing.

IF animals could vote the Schenley Park zoo would be a monster menagerie.

WILLIE WINKLE.

BUSINESS AND SIGHTSEEING.

Proceedings of the Loyal Legion at the Convention in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, October 15.—The convention of the Loyal Legion was called to order by ex-President Hayes. After roll call the commander, Hayn Chief, very briefly opened the proceedings and a report was read, showing that there are 18 commanderies in this country, with a membership of about 8,000. Applications for membership were then considered. The question of the eligibility of various commanderies was referred to committees, who will report this afternoon, when the application of the new State of Washington will be considered and acted upon. At noon the Convention adjourned to reconvene at 3 o'clock.

The afternoon session was occupied in considering the eligibility of applicants to membership and matters of a purely routine nature. At 4 o'clock the convention had completed its business and adjourned sine die. The remainder of the afternoon was spent by the members in driving about the city in carriages. This evening the delegates were entertained at a reception given in their honor by Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kerins at their residence, 36 Vandeventer place. To-morrow they will visit the Merchants' Exchange in the morning and the Exposition in the afternoon, and in the evening a banquet will be tendered them at the Lindell Hotel.

IN MEMORY OF FREEDOM'S DAY.

Colored People Celebrate the Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation.

RICHMOND, October 15.—The colored people of Richmond to-day celebrated the twenty-seventh anniversary of the signing of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Lincoln by public exercises at the Exposition grounds. Governor McKinney, who had been invited to attend and deliver an address, wrote: "That you should rejoice on the day from which you date your freedom and celebrate it in a proper manner, is right and natural. See to it that each day's proceedings are characterized by good order and dignity becoming so important a period in the history of your race and our common country, that nothing may occur to mar the pleasure of the occasion or justify harsh criticism of your conduct."

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

THE Empress of Austria is simply Mrs. Nicholson when she is traveling.

THE Rev. Dr. Stifler, of Detroit, has read "Paradise Lost" 21 times, and isn't stifled yet.

THERE is a growing feeling in New York that Chauncey M. Depew will succed Mr. Evarts in the United States Senate.

A RELATIVE of Compt de Paris, Frank de Verne, descended from a noble family, is in jail in New York for larceny.

THE Democratic nominee for Superintendent of Schools in Chicago is a woman, and a pretty one, too—Mrs. James A. Mulligan.

HENRY GEORGE says that after all he and Depew stand on a common level—each has been wofully beaten for Mayor of New York.

M. EIFFEL, of tower fame, has invented a military bridge composed wholly of pieces of steel, which can be easily taken apart and put together.

THE Compte de Paris has expressed himself as very much impressed with the mint julip with which in Richmond he was thrown in direct contact.

GOVERNOR CAMPBELL, of Ohio, made a bad break the other day while visiting the State Prison. Asked to address the prisoners he began: "I am glad to see so many here."

AMONG the guests at the Burham Industrial Farm, near Sprjngfield, Mass., last week was ex-President Rutherford B. Hayes. On going going away, he wrote in the visitors' book, "The greatest thing in the world is here."

THE late Dion Boucicault once walked into a house and asked for a certain brand of champaign. He was told that the brand in question was not imported for the American market and that if he wanted any it would have to be brought over especially for him, and that they would not bring over less than 100 cases. The 100 cases of wine would cost something like $3,000. He ordered the wine.

CONSTANTINE BUCKLEY KILGORE, the famous Congressional kicker, has bristling gray hair, a well-trimmed gray mustache and clear gray eyes. He is six feet tall, as straight as a ramrod and has the physique of John L. Sullivan. Buck, as he is familiarly called in the House, was a gallant Confederate soldier. He has superior skill as a horseman. He wears a huge sombrero, and frequently indulges in equestrian feats.

ROBERT PETERSON KENNEDY, author of the celebrated expunged speech against Senator Quay, is 50 years old, is of medium height and strong physique. He has snapping eyes, dark hair and a close cropped beard. He entered the Union army as a private and came out of it as a brigadier general. He was once Lieutenant Governor of the Buckeye State. While presiding in the State Senate he is credited with deciding that 17 members were a quorum of 36.

GENERAL SHERMAN was largely responsible for the feeling that obtained for a long while in the army against newspaper correspondents. General McClelland always welcomed them. Burnside was as gallant and courtly a man in his tent as in his home in Washington. Grant for a long time was averse to entertaining correspondents, but his rare common sense came to his relief, and under his proper, legitimate and absolutely welcome restrictions, correspondents found themselves always at home where Grant was in command.

THE LIGHT OF KNOWLEDGE.

Opening of the Western Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind.

The Western Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind was opened yesterday under circumstances the most favorable. Five pupils presented themselves to enter the school and there were present Prof. and Mrs. H. B. Jacobs, Colonel W. A. Herron and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wood, of New York, and quite a number of other visitors. The real work begins to-day as yesterday the time was taken up in giving information as to the proposed methods of teaching. It is the intention to make courses of instruction of pupils literary, musical and manual training.

The temporary building for the institution has been neatly fixed up and the promoters look for a prosperous beginning. Everything that has been purchased has been with a view to using it in the proposed new building. At present the institute can accommodate 75 pupils.

CANADA TAKES IT HARD.

She Doesn't Relish McKinley's Bill and Threatens Retaliation.

OTTAWA, October 15.—There appears to have been, as if by mutual understanding, a general attack with threats of retaliation against the United States upon the part of the conservative press of Canada, all along the line. The Government press of the Dominion is slow to take any important steps where the policy of the administration is concerned, except under instruction from Ottawa, and it is generally believed that the mandate has gone forth to prepare the people of Canada for such a remodeling of the Dominion tariff during the approaching session of Parliament as will meet the McKinley bill on its own ground.

The Halifax *Mail*, the organ of Hon. Charles Tupper, Minister of Marine, has taken a very decided stand, characterizing the McKinley bill as an act of war on the British Empire.

CARMELITE NUNS CELEBRATE.

The Centennial of the Founding of the Order in America.

BALTIMORE, October 15.—The Carmelite Nuns to-day celebrated the centennial of the establishment of the Carmelite order in this country. By special indulgences from Rome, sent at the request of Cardinal Gibbons, the nuns were allowed to depart somewhat from the regular routine convent life.

Pontifical high mass was celebrated in the chapel of the convent by Cardinal Gibbons. A large number of clergy and laity were present. The chapel was beautifully decorated. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Charles Currier, of Boston.

Hon. John Van Valkenburg.

FORT MADISON, IA., October 15.—Hon. John Van Valkenburg, of the firm of Van Valkenburg & Hamilton, and Past Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, died at 4:30 this afternoon. The funeral will be announced hereafter.

MEAGER DONATIONS

To the Children's Temporary Home at the Annual Reception — Several Pretty Weddings—Too Far Away to Call—Newsy Gossip From Social Circles.

Some evil influence affected the donations at the Children's Temporary Home and Day Nursery, on Washington street, yesterday, the day of the annual donation and reception, and at a late hour in the afternoon the supplies of groceries and provisions wherewith the tiny inmates of the home are to be provided for during the coming winter were lamentably scarce, but perfectly undifferent to the dismal prospect were the little ones down in the nursery who comprise at present the family over which with such kindly and effective solicitude Miss Bullock presides. The home was in its usual state of perfection for the annual reception, the rooms, each and all, were models of neatness and the numerous little cots in which repose the members of the household were very inviting in their purity. One was especially attractive, for underneath the snowy spread, with closed eyes and a peaceful expression on its dear little face in spite of the wee small fist that was doubled up as if for pugilistic action, was "Baby," the youngest of the family, whose slumbers were not disturbed by the tip-toeing visitors or by the fact that its mother was in the hospital and its father behind the bars.

Quite a number of visitors called during the afternoon and evening and were ushered into the cosy dining room, where, over the delicious refreshments served by the ladies, greetings were exchanged and social chitchat indulged in. Creating more than ordinary interest and receiving an unusual amount of attention were Mrs. Richard Waring, who is in the city from her home in Europe, and Mrs. Josiah Cohen who has but recently returned from Europe and who was accompanied by her venerable and learned father, Rabbi Nannion. Both of these ladies are included in the list of managers of the home, and though living at present in the Old Country, Mrs. Waring does not forget the needy little ones who aroused her interest when Pittsburg claimed her as its own. Another visitor receiving distinguished attentions was Mrs. Carns, of Shousetown, who takes charge of the fresh air children of Allegheny during the summer and who performed similar services for the little ones from the Washington street home for several years.

The officers and managers of the home, nearly all of whom were present yesterday, are: President, Mrs. W. A. Herron; Vice Presidents, Mrs. L. M. Harding, Mrs. Thomas Ewing; Treasurer, William R. Thompson; Secretary, Mrs. S. E. Lippincott; Managers, Mesdames W. A. Herron, Wm. Thaw, L. M. Harding, Charles Zug, D. A. Stewart, Wm. H. House, Anna E. V. Duff, J. T. McElroy, Thomas Ewing, A. W. Rook, William H. Ewing, Archibald McBride, Samuel McKee, John Dunlap, W. P. Shinn, Richard Waring, Frederick McKee, William Frank, John Arthurs, Henry W. Williams, Josiah Cohen, Margaret M. Armor, Frank Smith, David Reed, J. J. Speck, J. B. D. Meeds, J. W. Paul, John Bower, S. E. Lippincott, George T. McCoy, Charles L. Wade, John B. Dunlevy, W. C. Moreland, and Misses Mary Semple, Jane W. Magee and Annie Williams.

WITH HER UNCLE'S BENEDICTION

Miss Etta Cochrane Is United in Marriage to Mr. Samuel Ritchie.

"I pronounce you man and wife," said Rev. R. S. B. Cochrane last evening in concluding the wedding ceremony of his niece, Miss Etta Cochrane, and Mr. Samuel Richie, which occurred at the resicence of the bride's parents on Locust street, Allegheny, and which was witnessed by a number of the more intimate friends of the bride and groom. The bride, who is a young lady of marked intellectuality and beauty, belonging to a wealthy and prosperous family, was for her wedding attired in a lovely costume of white silk elaborately trimmed with exquisite lace and carried white roses. Unattended she and her handsome groom entered the parlor where the assembled guests awaited their advent and where the interesting ceremony was performed.

A reception followed, and congratulations both personal and by telegram were showered upon the young couple, who departed for an Eastern wedding trip on a late train. On their return they will occupy a charming home in Hazelwood, which at the present time is nearing a state of completion, and which has required so many consultations of its future occupants during its building.

AMID MANY FRIENDS.

Marriage of Miss Ella McComb to Mr. Seward H. Augustine.

The wedding of Miss Ella McComb and Mr. Seward H. Augustine was celebrated last evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Ertzman, in Hazelwood. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a large number of guests, many of whom had known the charming bride from childhood, and all of whom united in wishing her a long life of happiness with the worthy gentleman she has chosen as her protector.

Mr. and Mrs. Ertzman are formerly of the Southside where Miss McComb was for several years a popular and loved teacher in the public schools. Mr. Augustine is equally well and favorably known and the wedding of the two young people will be a matter of interest to a large circle of friends.

Selecting a Meeting Place.

Rev. John S. McIntosh, D. D., the eminent Philadelphia divine, President of the Scotch-Irish Association, was in the city yesterday, the guest of Colonel J. W. Echols, on business relating to the next meeting of the Association which will be in one of three cities. San Francisco, Louisville or Atlanta. The inducements offered by each being so great that it is with difficulty that a decision will be made. A meeting of the Executive Committee in Philadelphia the first of the week will decide the location.

Too Far South to Call.

"I would like to call, but really it's too far South," said a gentleman yesterday, when he received the marriage announcement card of Miss Garnet G. Robinson and Mr. Edward D. Reis, with the "at home, Lake View, Birmingham, Ala.," down in one corner. The wedding occurred on October 9, at the home of Miss Robinson, in Allegheny, and many of the friends of the young lady are invited by her cards to visit her in her Southern home.

Social Chatter.

THE third recital of the delightful series of the Wagner compositions was given yesterday afternoon by Mr. Ethelbert Nevin before an enthusiastic class at the residence of Mrs. McClintock, Ridge avenue.

HON. CLARENCE BURLEIGH will address the Valley Forge Council No. 361, Jr. O. U. A. M., on "The History of Our Council," at their entertainment this evening.

MISS LOUISA J. GRUBER, of Oil City, became the bride of Mr. H. H. Marshall, a son of Mr. Hawdon Marshall, engineer of the Court House, last evening.

THE Nevin-Standish wedding this evening will call out all of the Sewickley Valley society people and many from the city.

THE wedding of Miss Tillie Williams, of Rochester, Pa., to Mr. Emmet W. Power took place last evening.

MISS LILLIAN HOAG, one of the Grant school teachers, will wed to-day Mr. Eiseman, of Allentown.

IN Wilkinsburg to-day Miss Josephine Howard and Mr. William G. Stewart, Esq., will become one.

MISS MINNIE L. MYERS and Mr. J. L. Chapman will plight their troth this evening.

THE reception to-day at the Young Men's Free Reading Room on Beaver avenue.

THE Odd Fellows' entertainment at Turner Hall, Southside, this evening.

THE Anderson-Sloane wedding to-night.

THE CONVENTION CLOSED.

Officers Elected by the Western Pennsylvania Missionary Society.

Routine business was the order of the day's work of the Western Pennsylvania Missionary Society yesterday at the meeting in the Hazelwood Church. Reports were read by delegates from the East End, Beaver Falls, Mansfield, Greensburg, Uniontown and McKeesport, where new churches had been established during the past year. The reports were uniformly encouraging, and is evidence that the work is being conducted with enthusiasm.

At the afternoon session officers were elected as follows: President, Robert S. Latimer, Pittsburg; Vice President, Joseph McCune, Braddock; Recording Secretary, H. K. Pendleton, Pittsburg; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. Speer; Treasurer, John Kirkpatrick, Allegheny. Over $1,000 was pledged by the delegates to carry on the work.

The evening was devoted to religious exercises, conducted by Rev. J. F. Sloan, after which the convention adjourned.

SHE RAN SMOOTHLY.

The Gunboat Concord Makes Her Last Trial Trip Satisfactorily.

CHESTER, October 15.—The gunboat Concord made her last official trip to-day, leaving Roche's shipyard at 9:30. Ninety-six miles were made in three hours and ten minutes. Everything worked smoothly.

The Concord is about completed and will be reported to the Navy Department in a few days, when the official trip will be made.

EXTRA SESSION PROSPECTS.

The Solution of the Question Dependent on Election Results.

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

WASHINGTON, October 15.—Speaking of extra session prospects, a Republican politician, an old timer, said to-day that in his opinion the whole matter depended upon the way the cat jumps in the November elections.

"If," said he, "Republican success is assured in the coming Republican Congressional elections and they will retain control of the Lower House, there will be no necessity for an extra session, but if it becomes apparent that the Democrats will have a majority in the next House I believe an extra session will be at once called. Every day that can possibly be used for legislative purposes right up to the 4th of March will be required to put through the many and various party measures which the Republicans will want to place upon the statute books while they still control all the branches of the Federal Government. Besides the force bill, there is the reapportionment bill, the steamship subsidy bill, the shipping bill and many other things which would not be so pressing if the Republicans felt sure of securing the next House. The regular appropriation bills necessarily occupy a good portion of the regular short session, so you see the demand there will be upon all the available time between November 6 and March 4 if the Republicans lose the day."

"There is one other reason," he continued, "why there should be a demand among a number of the members for an extra session, and that