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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET

FOR CONGRESSMAN-AT-LARGE
GALUSHA A. GROW,
OF SUSQUEHANNA.

ELECTION FEBRUARY 20.

QUAY'S TERSE TALK:

"The administration has had to loosen the death grip it has taken upon the throats of American labor and capital and confidence will be restored, the gold reserve will re-establish itself, and the revenue will be all sufficient for our needs. Until it does so it should be scourged at every legislative whipping post by every Republican vote in congress."—Senator Quay, at Heaver.

THE BRAND OF Cain is growing too popular in this country.

IT IS ALSO possible that the Hill-Murphy crowd laughed too soon.

POSSIBLY HERRING'S slowness in placing the faithful is due to delay in getting Harry's lists.

IT IS QUESTIONABLE if the Peckham "jolly" can compensate the mugwump wallers for the Van Alen "throw down."

IT WILL SCARCELY be denied by the most ardent Republican that Speaker Crisp is earning his salary. So is Mr. Boutelle.

IT IS A QUEER condition in the government of civilized America when appointments to our highest judiciary have to get their political records OKed by "Dave" Hill.

AMERICANS QUICKLY recuperate. By 1897, under the good times of restored Republican rule, the trials of Grover Clevelandism will be remembered only as a horrid dream.

DR. TALMAGE is quoted as objecting to the dime admission plan because he "is not a ten cent man." He might also have objected to it on the ground that salvation is free.

EVEN A BUSINESS party, of which we have experienced the worst, affords no reason why the present generation of Scrantonians should deny themselves the conveniences of a compact and well-appointed city.

WHERE IS THE American who can read without disgust, how the income tax-gatherer is expected to poke his nose into every citizen's business? Where is the Yankee that can stomach such vulgar impertinence?

THE MACHINE organs in Albany oppose the Peckham nomination because the nominee has not had a "uniform record of partisan consistency." We thought the question was, would he make a good supreme court justice?

GALUSHA A. GROW informs a Gotham interviewer that when Cleveland goes out, Americans will not be afflicted with a recurring Democratic plague for twenty-five or thirty years. It will take an entirely new crop of fools to make possible another such an experiment.

DEMOCRACY'S PLATFORM demanded a revenue tariff, branding anything else as fraudulent and unconstitutional. Democracy's leaders respond with a tariff which neither raises revenue nor states, save in spots, "unconstitutionality" which Democracy condemns. Which, then, is the fraud, McKinleyism, which is protection pure and simple, or Wilsonism, which is mischief knows what?

THE CRAZY man, be his crazes temporarily caused by rum or due to a permanent mania punctuated by occasional outbreaks, has no right to be permitted to carry a loaded pistol. He is not safe in his company, nor is it safe in his. The temper that leads to homicide or felonious assault needs to be vigorously divorced from all preventive opportunity to do mischief. The brand of Cain is growing too popular.

THE SENATE COMMITTEE on pensions made an adverse report on the bill providing for an increase to the extent of one hundred dollars a month on all pensions granted for the loss of both eyes. The reasons given for the refusal at this particular juncture in our financial affairs seem to be ample. Although it times were thriving and there were abundant sums in the treasury the justification might not seem so great.

THE TWO FUGITIVES in Florida who both declare they want to fight but do not seem to be making heroic efforts to get at each other, may not be exactly like the two boys of whom it was said, "one is afraid and the other dastard," but there is a prevailing belief that under all the adverse circumstances which surround them the fight either will not come off or else will be a fizzle. In either case the public is to be congratulated.

THE NOMINATION of Wheeler H. Peckham, of New York, to be associate judge of the supreme court of the United States, it is understood, is in pursuance of and conforms with the President's action in the Hornblower case. It will be difficult to see how the senate can give a valid reason for rejecting this nomination, as Mr. Peckham has always figured with the Samuel J. Tilden wing of the New York Democracy and has been prominent in all efforts at purifying politics and has an unimpeachable clean record, although a pronounced Jeffersonian Democrat. As a representative of the element which is in strong antagonism

to Mr. Hill and his cohorts, Mr. Peckham fills the bill. It will be interesting, therefore, to see whether Mr. Hill will be among those who will have the temerity to oppose the nomination.

CARBONDALE REPUBLICANS have organized for the spring campaign by the selection of E. E. Hendrick as chairman and Louis Gramer as secretary. If Chairman Hendrick gets a chance to do any of his artistic flaring in this campaign, the mathematicians of the Democracy will soon wonder what struck them. Secretary Gramer, by the way, is an admirable assistant.

THE OLD saying of "pouring oil upon the troubled waters" whose antiquity extends far beyond that of the New Testament scripture has received additional significance recently from the number of vessels which have been saved by the use of oil distributed around a ship or by means of oil bags. The latest case was reported in yesterday's TRIBUNE, where a vessel was thrown on its beam ends, and its ballast had shifted, yet she righted and arrived safely in port.

THE FULL text of the income bill which was published in yesterday's TRIBUNE shows essentially that incomes above four thousand dollars are to be taxed and that the classes of incomes exempted are comparatively insignificant. We do not believe that this bill will become the law of the land. One reason is that there are enough Democratic representatives whose incomes exceed the amount named in both houses of congress who will vote against the measure to defeat it.

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SAVE TIME AND MONEY.

One point brought out at Monday evening's meeting of the city boards of trade, called to consider the projected bridge improvements, is deserving, it would seem, of especial emphasis. While the maximum cost of the proposed structures, including right of way, is only \$223,000 00, according to Councilman Roch's estimates, or nearly a round \$80,000 less than had been generally supposed, the major portion of this expenditure, if authorized next month and immediately afterward negotiated, would go directly into the hands of Scranton's unemployed and thence into the channels of local trade. In other words, the city would be a double gainer by getting this work done quickly; that is to say, it would get it done more cheaply than at some remote day, and its construction, by the effect it would have in accelerating business, would be a more appreciable public benefit than would be the case were all workers busy at good wages and all storekeepers cheered at sight of steadily accumulating profits.

The two contemplated bridges, it is generally conceded, are public necessities. We must have them some day. Our natural growth, lately swelled by the vast accessions of contributory territory annexed to the city in a commercial sense by the expanding network of electric street railways, which feed increasing thousands into the thoroughfares of this thriving metropolis, points unerringly to better and surer facilities of quick inter-communication. At best we could do without them for only a brief time. By spitting our own interests, we might manage to show the expense over a few more months or a few more years. But in the end, and that no distant one, we should be compelled to accept the commercial logic of the situation, go into our pockets for the necessary price and have the sorry reflection that years of opportunity had been squandered all to no purpose.

ans to lose any monetary value that wise employment would give it. The loss of time is doubly the loss of money when the economy of time would bring useful relief while scaling down its cost. It is to be hoped that City Engineer Phillips will further his inquiry as to exactly what proportion of the contemplated expenditure would remain in this city. It will afford the very strongest argument in favor of a quick ratification of the work.

RIDING in a wagon or buggy carries with it the same risks that attend travel in the railway car or on the steamboat. Persons are liable to be killed by a runaway horse in all the horrible ways which result from train disasters. The animal may plunge, as happened the other day at Atlantic City, suddenly into the quicksand, dragging those behind to death, or he may plunge into the river with the carriage and occupants, as occurred near Honesdale, or may be struck by a train at a crossing. The best preventive is a well broken horse in the first place and a masterly driver in the next.

There will be no revival until the tariff question is settled. It will then be a question as to whether the revival will take place in this country or in Europe.—Mr. Grow at Lancaster.

MINOR FACTS AND FANCIES.

In rather bad verse but with a tumultuous wave of earnestness that compensates for any rhythmic defects, the disappointed Democrat who conducts the political department of the esteemed Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer lets fly this scathing dirge:

The boys who waited for Grover
Thinking they would lie in clover,
Are much put about
Because they're all out,
But his reign will shortly be over.

Only the sublime patience of the American people prevents them from rising in their might against Grover and those who connect him, even in wild flights of poetic license, with so malignant, soothing and dreary a thing as clover.

From political doggerel to the serio-comic cradles that one often encounters in elegant literature is somewhat of a step but it must be taken. Possibly the one extreme will neutralize the other. At all events, in an Ontario county N.Y. cemetery stands a tombstone with this unique description:

"In memory of
Who died May 12, 1814;
In the 69 year of his age,
A 1,000 ways cut short our Days,
None are exempt from Death,
A Honey Bee, by stinging me
Did stop my mortal breath."

If there is another Democrat who feels like the post-editor of the Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer, let him keep away from the sting of the free trade bee while lolling in fields of "clover."

An excellent suggestion touching the problem of relief was made by a writer in the New York Tribune the other day. He called attention to the large number of little household repairs that are ordinarily made at this season of the year but which are withheld by certain thoughtless landlords and property owners because of the prevalent epidemic of exaggerated economy. The cost of these small alterations will have to be met, sooner or later. It can better be met now while labor is willing to accept a low wage, in preference to idleness, than it could when the revival shall restore things to a normal basis. Those who have to pay the bills in either case usually have the money with which to do the paying; and the relief which the aggregate of these opportunities for necessary work would afford, if improved now, would be considerable. The suggestion is just, as good in Scranton as it is in New York.

This year the down trodden tenant comes in for his long-awaited revenge. For the first time in a decade the Scranton landlord is the under dog in the fight. The "no rent" sign is getting to be more abundant than the "no water." In several instances this year the hangout tax payer, instead of receiving his victim as an autocrat might welcome a slave, has regarded the tenant's epidemic of exaggerated economy. In fact, the latter, take it all through, has decidedly the whip hand, and unless indications deceive, will possess that same advantage for some time to come. This condition is partly due to the large number of tenants who last fall occupied cozy suburban homes of their own and partly, no doubt, to the general business uncertainty. But whatever the cause, the fact itself is clear and distinct. And the meek and lowly renter seems to enjoy the change immensely.

Not Satisfied with Peckham.

Philadelphia Record, Dec. 17.
Those Democrats throughout the country who care nothing for the factional quarrels of the party in the state of New York will see with regret the disposition of the president, as manifested by this appointment, to force his glove anew into the face of Senator Hill. It would have been better to have named some distinguished New Yorker whose confessed abilities and undoubted integrity of character would have made him proof against factional animosities. Whilst the sunny side of New York politics will get a renewed airing, the interests of the public will suffer by the delay of justice in a lagging and over-worked department of the government.

Captain Delaney's New Task.

Philadelphia Post.
Captain John C. Delaney, late receiver of public moneys in the territory of Oklahoma, is a frequent visitor to the office in the capitol of Herman P. Miller, his political protégé and next successor as senatorial librarian. Captain Delaney has removed his family to Harrisburg. He is devoting much time just now to looking after the candidacy of General Hastings for the gubernatorial chair.

Mad Slinging Will Not Work.

Buffalo Evening News.
The Pennsylvania Democrats are opening their mud-batteries on Galussha A. Grow. THE SCRANTON TRIBUNE says he will win in any event. If he does not, he will win by two hundred and fifty thousand majority, but if let alone the figures may fall as low as two hundred thousand.

The Burbon's One Ball.

Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer, Dec. 17.
If there is a Democratic party at the expiration of President Cleveland's term of office it will not be because he has not done everything possible to destroy it. Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth.

In Secrecy Is His Strength.

Philadelphia Press.
If there is one thing above all others for which Stephen Grover Cleveland is thankful, it is that proposed cable line between Honolulu and California wasn't completed last year.

Not a Tobaccoan Slid.

Washington Post.
It is not a violation of confidence to inform Farmer Hatch that the anti-option bill will find the sliding rough.

An Amended Version.

President Dole
Is a merry old soul,
And a merry old soul is he
For his cranial bounce,
We'd stake our life on it,
Is chock full of brains and gloe.

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