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SCRANTON, AUGUST 6, 1895.

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Here and there a Democratic organ expresses confidence that the Democracy will be restored to control of the state government as the natural result of the present Republican faction fight.

Today's Convention.

Today the delegates elected on Saturday in the Third legislative district of Lackawanna county will meet in convention to elect the delegate who will represent that district in the state convention on the 25th inst.

The Republicans of Lackawanna have acquitted themselves with credit and honor. Senator Quay expected the impossible of them; more than that, he demanded of them what would have been dishonorable had they yielded.

The valiant Colonel McClure, of the Philadelphia Times, has turned aside for a moment from his defense of Senator Quay to indulge in one of his periodical attacks on Captain John C. Delaney.

Ever-Increasing Deficit.

Three months ago Secretary Carlisle solemnly assured the country that when the new fiscal year opened the revenues of the treasury would not only be equal to the expenditures, but that a surplus would appear.

It has long since become apparent to national financiers like Senator Sherman, who comprehend the situation, that there will be no improvement in the condition of the treasury until there is a radical change in our tariff and revenue policy.

Unfortunately there is little or no hope that the new congress, when it assembles next December, will be able to give the country the much-needed relief.

When the Democrats in the last congress struck down the McKinley tariff act they struck a blow at the treasury that has crippled it. The revenues speedily fell off to such an extent as to create a deficiency.

Senator Quay's threat to defeat Congressman Leisenring's proposed bill for a federal building in Wilkes-Barre if Luzerne failed to send Quay delegates to the state convention, appears to have been without effect.

Quay's "Great Victories."

The Quay organs, notably the Philadelphia Inquirer and Times, yesterday gloated over the "great Quay victories" achieved in the primary elections on Saturday.

Throughout this battle of the factions the Quay shouters have endeavored to keep up their courage by bluster, boasting and bogus claims.

In view of what has been the policy of the Quayites ever since the contest began their extraordinary and blustering claims as to last Saturday's primaries was to be expected and will occasion no surprise.

Chairman Gilkeson claims that the election of the delegates in Luzerne county settles the question as to which faction will have control of the state convention.

Placing the Responsibility.

The Philadelphia Times yesterday devoted nearly a column of its editorial space to advise to Governor Hastings in his present battle with Senator Quay.

Governor Hastings has not voluntarily engaged in this contest, and it is not a personal matter with him. He had scarcely entered upon the office to which the people had elected him by an unprecedented majority, when the attempt was made to make a mere figurehead of him and virtually deprive him of the real functions of his great office.

latter submitted to arbitrary dictation until near the close of his term, and then revolted. Hastings revolted at the very beginning of his term and insisted upon being governor of Pennsylvania himself.

From present appearances the only music that will be heard in the vicinity of the Dickson works this season will be that made during the day by employees of the boiler shops.

The income tax proved an unprofitable venture. During the few days the law remained in operation \$7,131 was paid into the national treasury.

There is some more annexation talk in Hawaii as well as in the United States, but that kind of talk might as well be abandoned for the time being.

Since Mr. Cleveland's friends allege so emphatically that he will not again be a candidate for president, Hon. William R. Morrison, of Illinois, is being urged to the front.

COMMENT OF THE PRESS.

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A Few Don'ts.

Hazleton Sentinel: "Don't be deceived by Quay and the new county! Don't send a delegate for the man who made two Democratic governors."

Governor Will Be Victorious.

Match Club: "Governor Hastings will never show the white feather. He was compelled to enter the fight, and he was never known to recede from a position once honestly entered upon."

The Hope is Very Short.

Scranton Times: "Political bosses come to the end of their rope sooner or later. Quay is evidently nearing the end of his rope."

Would Lead to No End of Troubles.

Montrose Republican: "It is noticeable that Senator Quay is not asking for new primaries and second conventions in those counties where the delegates chosen are Quay supporters."

Would Fill the Office with Dignity.

Scranton Times: "The Free Press yesterday nominated Mr. William Connell for governor. If the next governor of Pennsylvania is to be a Republican the man to whom no man would fill the office with more dignity and fitness than Mr. Connell."

POLITICS IN ENGLAND.

From Barron's London Letter. Much has been said in the past of the exemplary character of English politics as compared with the tactical and venal system pursued in America.

excellent custom in the agricultural districts of England where the peasants removed and left outside their dirty shoes when they entered a dwelling, adding the moral reflection that the dirty shoes of bad politics might be left outside religion.

It is said that the traffic in votes was rather openly and unblushingly conducted until the pernicious consequences of it led to legal provision against that sort of enterprise.

Another phase of British political practice must strike the American mind oddly. Posted plentifully about London just now are half-sheets bearing wood cut prints of the busts of Spurgeon and John Bright respectively, with the legend at the top: "He being dead, yet speaketh."

An American can have but an imperfect conception of the veneration of illustrious public men that is an attribute of the English mind.

When a man has risen to a position of affectionate esteem or respectful admiration here, each year of service or recognition deepens and intensifies the regard in which he is held; and he is known for a clear-minded, high-souled patriot, this regard becomes positive love and reverence.

JESTS IN JINGLE.

"No news is good news," some folks say; I met one on the other day; "I'm on my way to the printer's shop, His pesky paper I shall stop, For it's got no news in," I heard him say. —Albany Argus.

THE VERY EASY TO REFORM.

With ease we reach the goal, But staying there—ah, that's the thing That really tries the soul. —Washington Star.

Without her leave he stole a kiss.

He did, Oh, bliss! A sharp command was promptly his: "Just put that back, I tell you this, Where it it belongs," spoke haughty miss. He did, Oh, bliss! —Wheeling Corner Stone.

He bobbed that fish he had a bite;

He brought the trout to port; And as he weighed the fish he said, By Jove! this is reel sport. —Boston Budget.

That experience teaches no man may deny.

But such is the harshness of fate That, though we may study her texts till we die, We never can graduate. —Puck.

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