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Major Penman's method of figuring out the state for Quay must partake of Christian science principles. Just imagine it so, and stick to it, and you are all right—until votes are counted.

Cannot Comprehend Honesty.

The Scranton Republican is unable to understand honesty and good faith in politics. This is one of the distinguishing characteristics of our modern contemporary. Politics without trickery, bad faith and dishonesty, is a mystery to that paper.

The Republican's attack on Judge Willard yesterday is only a continuation of the contemptible policy it has pursued throughout the campaign.

Judge Willard and the seven delegates elected in his interest and in the interest of the Hastings administration are honest men, incapable of treachery or bad faith.

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Governor Hastings' Attitude.

There has been so much misrepresentation, so much falsification with reference to the attitude of Governor Hastings in the present faction fight that many people have doubtless come to regard him as the aggressor.

The Syndicate.

The Belmont-Morgan syndicate, who were paid so liberally by the Cleveland administration in the last bond sale transaction, are manifesting an inclination to carry out their portion of the contract, and to that extent deserve credit.

and Carlisle. During Republican administration there was no necessity for such shady transactions. The gold reserve was then maintained by the purchase of a sensible and business-like policy.

A Reason at Last.

Some days since the Tribune asked why do the Democratic leaders and press so vigorously and even violently support Quay in his fight for supremacy in the party leadership?

"There are, however, specific as well as general reasons why Democrats should side with Senator Quay rather than with his enemies. Democrats will never forget that when a Republican president and congress sought to substitute the rule of the layonet for that of the ballot box Senator Quay's vote was cast against and helped to defeat the infamous force bill.

The reason here given is at least a substantial one, and it may be admitted that Democrats have good cause for an expression of gratitude to Senator Quay. It is true, as the Record says, that a Republican president and a Republican congress made the attempt to pass a federal elections bill (the Democrats call it the force bill), a measure which contemplated nothing more than to secure to the white and black Republicans in the southern states the right to vote and to have their votes counted as they were cast.

The Democratic leaders, north and south, realized that the passage of that bill would assure free, fair and comparatively honest elections in the south, and result in the loss of half a dozen southern states to the Democrats in the presidential election of 1892.

No Democratic party had the power to render his party such efficient service as Senator Quay did, according to the Record. The Tribune most heartily congratulates itself on having been the means of solving the problem: "Why do the Democratic leaders and press so earnestly and so unanimously rally around Quay?"

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COMMENT OF THE PRESS.

Acknowledges His Fitness. Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer: "The Scranton Free Press' suggestion of William Connell as the next candidate of the Republican party for Governor of Pennsylvania has been quite generally commented upon by newspapers throughout the state during the week."

THE NEW RAVEN.

Once, upon a midnight dreary, as I pondered, weak and weary, O'er the luck that followed Hastings in the fall of ninety-four; O'er the luck that caught me napping, suddenly there came a tapping, Like some senator slip-slapping, I had heard such sounds before: "Andrews must have come," I muttered; "Will tiding erst he bore; I presume he brings some more."

Hastings was not the aggressor, but he knows how to defend the honor and integrity of his administration, and that is what he is doing.

The case of Editor Travers, of Wilkes-Barre, should furnish a warning to journalists who have an ambition to please the reading public with editions of the red-hot newspaper. The enterprise of Editor Travers in publishing him the defendant in a serious slander suit, Travers, who is now in jail, and can get no one to become his bondsman, weeps over his fate and states that several prominent citizens of Wilkes-Barre promised to stand by him.

"Independent" Treachery. In the present campaign the so-called "Independent" papers, of which the Truth of this city is an average specimen, have manifested a spirit of partisanship and narrow meanness exceeding even the most reckless of the ultra-Quay machine organs that call themselves Republican.

The labored and voluminous editorial in yesterday's Truth lauding to the skies the pretentious reform programme of Senator Quay, is another evidence of the ardent hypocrisy and slavish subservience of the editors of the Truth to the blandishments of Quay. No man in this community knows better than does Hon. John E. Barrett that Senator Stanley Quay is himself the father of nearly all the legislation under the which the rottenness that curses Philadelphia's municipal government was made possible.

When a newspaper like the Truth, pretending to be independent, honest and reliable, champions such fraud, and distances even the most meretricious partisan organs in its laudation of such hypocrisy and shams, it is time to expose it to public contempt and disdain.

THE BEST OF THEM ALL IS THE ZERO.

The Truth's attacks upon Judge Willard, and its reflections upon the integrity and sincerity of the Lackawanna delegates to the state convention, are on a par with its general conduct in the present campaign. The Truth can only be characterized as mendacious when it assumes that any one of the Lackawanna delegates has at any time contemplated supporting Quay, or in any way proving faithless to the administration.

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Louder, Bill I scarce can hear you— here I opened wide the door; Sulphur fumes there—nothing more. Deep into the darkness peering, long I stood there, trembling, fearing; Lest the Cameronian barrel should give out as oft before; Lest a stab from cold-blooded and more fiendish and more studied diabolical bore; (Oh! that stab, ungrateful Davies, you will rue forevermore); I might get outside the door.

Back into my chamber turning, deep revenge within me burning; Soon again I heard a tapping, somewhat louder than before; "Is that you, Margee?" I muttered, "Did you find your horse?" I was buttered On the side I oft have told you in our counsels of yore; Will you be my henchman, Chris, again, as in the days of yore?" But the wind sobbed, "Nevermore!"

"Thanks!" I said, "from thy old master, threatened now with dire disaster; Thanks! and keep me Cameron hidden till this cruel war is over; You are in it, but not of it. Say! you must be quite a prophet, Having dwelt so long in silence on the night's Phytianian shore; Tell me, shall I win the battle? turn up trumps as heretofore?" And the ghost sighed: "Nevermore!"

"Prophecy!" said I, "thing of evil! Prophet, still! now what the deed— Do you mean by intimating that my foes shall wipe the floor With my senatorial garment? Dare you tell me that that varment Gilkison, the bold Bucks braggart, shall be the chairman of my 'over?' Is my goose forever cooked since Hastings won in ninety-four?" "Yes, Matt, yes, forevermore."

"Ghost or fiend?" I cried, upstarting; "do you mean to say that Martin Or that Charley Wray, never my forgiveness shall implore? Why, the pull I gave them made them! From publicity did I get them? To positions no such pettifoggers ever reached before! Will they still join hands against me? Hands already steeped in gore?" "Yes! they will, Matt, evermore."

"Be that word our sign of parting, grisly ghost!" I shrieked, upstarting; "Get thee down from Cameron's statue, get thee back to Pluto's shore!" But the spirit, slyly winking, answered: "Matthew, I ain't abirking From publicity this summer as I did the year before; And I'll cross the Styx again, Matt, when I'm ready—not before; Maybe never anymore."

And, confound me! if that spirit, without gift or grace or merit, Isn't sitting on Don Cameron still as Don sits on the floor; Prophecying every evil, just as if the very devil Waged its ghostly, ghastly tongue the while it croaked its "Nevermore!" Just as if my name were Dennis, and would be forevermore— Dennis Quay forevermore. Philadelphia Press.

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