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REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

Headquarters Republican state committee, 1231 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 12, 1895.

To the Republican Electors of Pennsylvania: The Republicans of Pennsylvania, by their duly chosen representatives...

Representation in this convention will be the same as in the last state convention.

A generous gift to some discerning charity would be the proper way to celebrate the day.

Merry Christmas!

The reasons why this brightest and best of all the holidays of the year should be especially welcome are not difficult of specification.

In state and city the same reassuring facts are true. Although the people differ at times concerning questions of public policy and divide along lines of personal idiosyncrasy or preference...

Taking, however, a more immediate survey, we find in our own community abundant justification for unstinted good cheer.

But in conclusion, it must be remembered that the highest essence of the Christmas commemoration is expressed by the second clause of the angelic benediction: "Peace on earth; to men, good will."

A Quaranty of Peace. Of course, nobody expects war. On this day of all days the very thought of war is harsh and out of place.

The relief with which the citizens of Philadelphia will today assail their Christmas turkey will be heightened by the fact that the great street railway strike is over, and diminished by the recollection that while the company and the men lost in the neighborhood of \$250,000 apiece, they as innocent third parties were mulcted to the tune of not less than \$1,500,000.

Henry Watterson's Visit. Scrantonians will doubtless recall the regret occasioned one year ago by the failure of Hon. Henry Watterson, the brilliant editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, to keep a lecture date in this city.

It will now gratify these admirers and many others to learn that the desired opportunity will soon be afforded,

through Mr. Watterson's acceptance of an invitation to deliver his newest and most eloquent address, that upon "Abraham Lincoln," in the Frothingham theater on Jan. 17, 1896.

We may reasonably expect that this exceptional opportunity to hear one of the most eloquent of living speakers upon a theme which offers the fullest scope for the play of his versatile talents and for the benefit of an institution which is the pride of every resident of our city will be fully improved by this intelligent and public spirited community.

The United States will be sorry to miss Chile from the parliament of friendly American republics which is going to convene together to uphold the Monroe doctrine; but if Chile prefers the wet side, that is Chile's right.

The Value of War.

The recent appearance on the lecture platform in this city of Rev. Dr. Parkhurst will impart an element of special interest to some passages from the sermon which he preached in Madison Square Presbyterian church on last Sunday morning.

There will be no conflict that will go beyond the point of messages and pronouncements on either side if the church of the Bethlehem Christ comes out and records its veto. Christianity, both here and in England, is too thoroughly an integral part of national life for armies and navies to clash in war.

It fits in with the harmonious spirit of the season to know that in making his last appointment of deputy factory inspector—that for Allegheny county—Governor Hastings has selected the candidate recommended by Senator Quay, thus giving public evidence that he has no desire to cherish grudges or prolong unnecessarily a spirit of factional strife.

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There will be no long-drawn-out debate on either the revenue or bond measures in the house. They will be rushed through in an hour.

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Table with 2 columns: State Name and Amount. Includes Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, Wyoming.

Total \$1,476,000. Several states lack in representation in this table. It seems fair to assume that, including the 25,000 men in the regular army, an equipped and drilled fighting

force of 175,000 soldiers would be available within a week following a declaration of hostilities; and 2,500,000 more within 60 days.

Take Time by the Forelock.

The Chicago Times-Herald does not overstate the truth when it says: "Not a single seaport town in America is so well fortified as San Francisco."

The first duty of congress, of course, is to restore the nation's revenues so that this government may be made self-supporting. But at the same time it should consider plans for an adequate fortification of our coasts and for the extension of our fighting power on the high seas.

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WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

The ways and means committee will report a horizontal tariff bill to the house on Thursday. It will provide for the raising of from \$60,000,000 to \$70,000,000 a duty of 15 to 20 per cent. on all imports now on the free list as well as the same advance on all advances on other matters.

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All the absent members of congress were notified by wire yesterday that they should be in Washington and answer roll call Thursday morning.

near to make a quorum deputy sergeants-at-arms will be sent after the absentees as was done two days ago when Charles Greenman and other members were placed under arrest by Speaker Crisp.

JOURNALISTIC.

The issue of the Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer for Sunday last was its Christmas number, and a good one it was too. There were twenty pages, altogether, filled with well-selected literary features and bright advertisements.

In celebration of the occupancy of a brand-new four-story home the Pottsville Republican last Friday issued a special number containing twenty-four pages. The Republican, among other improvements, has introduced linotype machines, four Merrettian presses, the magazine of its battery.

The Allentown Leader, on Saturday, surprised its readers with a 15-page number. Merrettian presses, the magazine of its battery, and at least they're getting used to its frisky ways and, in fact, are beginning to expect that style of pluck, energy and dash in consequence, the Leader is already flourishing, and the end is not yet.

Hazleton's most prosperous paper, the Standard, has recently doubled its size and therefore its accuracy. The Standard is a trifle off color politically, being Democratic in its sympathies, but in all other details it is enterprising and alert.

THE RUNAWAY TOYS.

The Hobay Horse was so tired that day. With never a word he said: "I shall run. That he whispered the Doll: 'I shall run.' And he galloped out to the street with the early-headed Doll Baby on his back.

Then the Humming Top went round and round. And crashed through the window-pane. And the red Tin Monkey made a bound for the little red Railroad Train.

The little Toy Sheep in the corner there was bleating loud and loud. But the Parrot said "Hush!" and pulled his hair.

First Belligerent—Dar ain't a word oh troof in what yo' says! Second Belligerent—No yo' mean to say I lie! First Belligerent—Dat's just what I mean!

Christmas Presents. Celluloid and Leather Goods, Family and Teachers' Bibles, Episcopal Hymnals and Prayer Books, Catholic Prayer Books, Gold Pens, Silver and Gold Pencils.

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