

IF YOU

Had gone through our Dress Goods stock last week and made the mark down in prices for this great mid-winter sale, you would certainly have been more moderate in the figure cutting that we have been.

We've Spared Nothing

Everything is marked for the slaughter; everything has taken on a new price and on Tuesday morning, Jan. 14, we open the greatest.

Mid-Winter Dress Goods Sale

In our history there isn't an item in the following list that is not fashionable, and all are in touch with fashion's most rigid requirements.

Sale Facts

60 pieces double fold Plaid in thirteen styles. Black and Whites as well as bright colorings. Regular value, \$2.00. SALE PRICE \$1.50.

82 pieces Chameleon fancies, 34 inches wide. Ten two toned effects in dots, figures, etc. All dark colors. Value \$1.50. SALE PRICE 12c.

1 case 34-inch fancies, full assortment of Dark Shades. Good medium weight in an extra good 10c. cloth. SALE PRICE 12 1/2c.

60 pieces 34-inch Illuminated Suitings in as handsome a range of small Jacquard effects as you can possibly imagine. Full value for 25c. SALE PRICE 15c.

30 pieces 34-inch all Wool Suitings. Correct winter weight in an attractive range of ten different lines carried during the season now closing. The shade list could not be improved on, and their actual value range from 75c. to \$1.00. SALE PRICE 25c.

35 pieces domestic Trepons, hard twist effects in a dozen different shades. Worth all of 45c. SALE PRICE 25c.

40 pieces all Wool Cashmeres, 40 inches wide; shade list as follows: Cardinal, Garnet, Gold, Seal and Mid. Brown, Martie, Garnet, Cardinal, Slate and Black; also mixtures in Grey, Brown and fancies. Never sold under 45c. SALE PRICE 25c.

20 pieces 34-inch all Wool French Serge; superb list of solid colors and a weight that just suits the season. Lowest former price 75c. SALE PRICE 25c.

20 pieces 34-inch all Wool French Serge, very fine twill in the following excellent shades: Scarlet, Cardinal, Garnet, Wool, Gold, Seal and Mid. Brown, Slate, Olive and Myrtle. Cheap at 50c. SALE PRICE 25c.

25 pieces 40-inch Jacquard weave suitings. This list consists of the balances of ten different lines carried during the season now closing. The shade list could not be improved on, and their actual value range from 75c. to \$1.00. SALE PRICE 37 1/2c.

22 pieces 34-inch Flannel Suitings in Scarlet, Cardinal, Gold, Medium and Seal Brown, Tan, Navy, Myrtle and Black; also mixtures in Grey, Brown and fancies. Never sold under 45c. SALE PRICE 35c.

30 pieces 50-inch Ladies' Cloth, extra weights in Navy, Black, 2 Browns, Myrtle, Garnet, Cardinal, Slate and popular mixtures. Full value for 75c. SALE PRICE 50c.

10 pieces 45-inch Storm Serge Navy only. Full 50c. quality. SALE PRICE 42c.

15 pieces 50-inch French Storm Serge in Navy or Black. Usually 55c. SALE PRICE 50c.

30 pieces 22-inch Bourrette Suitings. Scotch Tweed effects, hard finish, heavy weight. Been 75c. SALE PRICE 50c.

8 pieces 50-inch fancy mixed Boucle Suitings; heavy winter weight. SALE PRICE 75c.

Balance

Of Novelty Suitings in Silk and Wool in choice effects. SALE PRICE 48.

LOBE WAREHOUSE

THE SILVER DEBATE IS ON

Two Long Speeches Against the Further Issue of Bonds.

EX-SPEAKER GROW HEARD

He Enters a Vigorous Protest Against the Enlargement of the President Upon the Privileges of the House—The Pension Bill Discussed.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The senate listened today to two long speeches against the further issue of United States bonds and in favor of the use of silver money; the first was made by Mr. Mills (Democrat, Texas) and the second by Mr. Peffer (Populist, Kansas). Mr. Mills' speech was bitterly denunciatory of the national banking system and was an arraignment of the financial policy of the president and of the secretary of the treasury; while Mr. Peffer denied that there was any authority in existing statutes for the issue of United States bonds. Although the Kansas senator spoke for two hours and a quarter he did not conclude all that he desired to say, preferring to go on with the remainder of his speech tomorrow.

On the same general subject a joint resolution was introduced by Mr. Pugh (Democrat, Alabama) being a reproduction of what is known as the Stanley Matthews resolution, declaring all government bonds payable, principal and interest, at the pleasure of the government in standard silver dollars. Mr. Pugh said that he would ask a vote on the resolution tomorrow without debate but subsequently on account of the absence of Mr. Peffer, he said he would not ask a vote until Monday.

The senate at 4:25 adjourned until tomorrow, with the understanding that adjournment tomorrow would be till Monday.

Mr. Grow's Protest.

As was the case on Tuesday, the most striking event of today's proceedings in the house occurred just previous to adjournment. The venerable ex-speaker Galusha A. Grow, representative at large from Pennsylvania, moved thereto by a colloquy between Messrs. Pickler (Rep., Ark.), and Stone (Rep., Pa.), as to the probable action of the president upon a general revision of the pension laws, protested earnestly against the encroachment by the executive department of the government, or by any of his clerks, upon the prerogatives of the house.

In response to this colloquy, the venerable ex-speaker Grow (Rep., Pa.), addressed the house briefly upon the necessity of resenting the encroachment upon its prerogatives by the executive. He said: "Under the long established parliamentary law it has always been regarded as an invasion of the government's prerogative for any one to defer its discussions to the opinion of the king on any question pending before it. A member—Mr. Cleveland 'the king'—Mr. Grow—in reference to matters of this nature, has occupied the same relation to the houses of congress that the sovereign in Great Britain does to parliament. The president is not a king, and he is not to have on any given measure the two-thirds vote necessary to overcome that, he is, so far, the king. In the last congress we had before us, on one occasion, a bill headed 'the bill of the secretary of the treasury.' What has that officer to do with presenting a bill in this house? We have had here attempts by the secretaries of the different departments to influence legislation; they have sent in letters to be read with reference to pending measures, and in one case a letter was read here from the president of the United States having reference to a measure then pending in the house. It is not to be supposed that I trust such practices will be discontinued. This house owes it to itself to make the president understand that he has no right to do with the action of this legislative body till a bill formally passed is presented to him for his approval (applause); only in that contingency has he the right to express his approval or disapproval. Nor has any one of the heads of departments, except the secretary of the treasury the right to communicate his views uninvited to this house. That officer, when he presents a bill, has the right to answer questions affecting the revenues; but when he sends here a bill headed 'the bill of the secretary of the treasury,' the house owes it to itself to return that bill to him and to say that he cannot invade in that way the prerogatives of this body any more than can the president of the United States by the issue of a letter read in the house on the eve of a vote upon an important measure.

I am well aware that the majority in this house would take no orders from the present executive; it is not in that view that I am raising this question. I simply submit that the legislative department should not permit the executive to resort to any attempt on the part of the executive or his clerks to influence the vote of the house on pending legislation. (Applause.)

The greater part of the session was devoted to the discussion of the pension appropriation bill, various Republican members criticizing the administration of the pension bureau. Mr. Walsh (Dem., N. Y.) united with his colleague, Mr. Cummings, in assuring the house that as the representative from the approved a liberal pension policy. He invoked the chivalry of the members from the South, which, he said, has never been appealed to in vain, to vote for the bill and the amendment proposed by the committee and thereby aid in making comfortable the widows and orphans of the brave in the field in open and honorable conflict.

Mr. W. A. Stone, (Rep., Pa.) in charge of the bill, gave notice that he would tomorrow report the house to consider the bill under the five minute rule, with a view to reaching a vote before adjournment.

Mr. McClellan Seated.

In the morning hour the house adopted a resolution reported by Mr. Johnson (Rep., Ind.) from elections committee No. 2, confirming the right of George B. McClellan to the seat he holds in the house as the representative from the Twelfth New York district the contest thereof having been abandoned by Robert H. Chesbrough, the Republican candidate.

Senate bills were passed amending the land grant forfeiture act so as to permit purchases of lands included within the forfeited grants, to purchase segregated tracts up to a maximum limit of 320 acres, and to grant an American register to the steamer Nerito, rebuilt from the British steamer Nerito.

Waiting for Mr. Jones. A special meeting of the senate committee on finance was held this afternoon. It was of short duration, and was due to the desire of the Republicans to have an early report on the tariff bill. All the Democratic members were present but Mr. Vest and they announced their intention of voting adversely on the motion to report the bill in any shape. Mr. Wolcott expressed himself as favorable to the report of the bill as it came from the house but no one was able to say how Mr. Jones, of Nevada, stood. At first Mr. Jones was favorable to the bill as it came from the house, but he has been quoted as saying he would insist on his 10 per cent. addition to the house bill in the sugar schedule, and the Republicans did not care to assume the responsibility of bringing him in their column until he

appeared for himself. It is thought that Mr. Jones will permit the bill to be reported without discussion and will fight the fight in the senate for his amendment putting the sugar schedule on the same level with the other schedules increased by the house bill.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Various Cliques of the Unaffiliated Are Confident That Success Will Reward Their Efforts.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The corridors of the Arlington hotel are filled tonight with crowds of politicians who are eagerly discussing the prospects of the various cliques which are contending for convention honors. The New York people retain the same air of confidence that they have worn all day and seem fully satisfied that they cannot be beaten. They are claiming 23 votes, one more than they expected this afternoon and believe that when the break comes and the voters claim independence and make their votes to give them a majority. Their ranks were reinforced tonight by the arrival of the members of the citizens committee which is a non-partisan body, headed by Isador Straus, who reached the Arlington at 9 o'clock.

A delegation from Tammany arrived simultaneously and are quartered at the Shoreham. The St. Louis contingent spent a busy day and some other representatives have met to discuss the membership of the committee in the city. They do not regard New York as a serious competitor, believing that the support of that city will be divided among the various factions. They believe that their only real competitor is Chicago and they make no secret of their apprehensions in this particular. At a late hour tonight there is some conversation in the ranks of the St. Louis voters by the report that Senators Gorman and Bruce, and Chairman Harry are working against the committee, and it is claimed that some of the Missourians are discouraged at the outlook and disposed to believe that the fight is lost.

It is believed that notwithstanding Chicago's apparent inactivity the city is well regarded by the members of the national committee and there are not wanting who believe that the interest in Chicago who believe that the lake city will tomorrow bear off the convention honors. It is believed that before morning the leading members of the committee will agree upon one of the cities to which their influence will be thrown, and it is regarded as reasonably certain that the city of Chicago will be adopted by a majority of the members. The Cincinnati delegation are playing a waiting game and hope to become the second choice of the members of the committee to win. They believe that if St. Louis drops out of the race, the major part of its strength will go to Cincinnati.

STILL IN DOUBT.

Both Quay and Martin Forces Claim the Victory in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15.—The control of the city committee is still in doubt and will probably remain so until Friday night, and the result may not be known until seven o'clock tonight. On Friday night the executive committee of the party will meet to elect the city committee. Under the following rule of the party the whole situation is complicated. The executive committee of the party for ward officers shall be ex-officio members of their ward executive committees for the election at present, it would seem that the administration will control the committee by a small majority. Even if this is so, Senator Quay has achieved a victory in Philadelphia, as his adherents in the city have not only badly shattered them and he is now firmly entrenched in the party machinery of Philadelphia.

COUNTY AUDITORS' CASE.

Say the Law Affecting Schuylkill and Luzerne Counties Unconstitutional.

Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 15.—The Schuylkill county auditors have filed an answer with Judge Saxton, of Northumberland county, specially prepared to the writ of quo warranto issued at the instance of Attorney General McCormick to show cause why they should not vacate the office. It is claimed that the county controller act has abolished the office of auditor.

The answer sets forth that the office was created by legislative enactment and the same has not been repealed by an amendment to the fundamental law, and the act of the 27th of June, 1885, creating the office of controller is unconstitutional. It is specified in its terms so far as creating the office of county controller is concerned as it provides only for county controllers in counties that show by the last census that the population of 150,000 or over that only two counties in the state, viz: Schuylkill and Luzerne, are affected by said act, and that the county of Schuylkill is in violation of clause 17, section 3 article 3 of the constitution inasmuch as it creates an office for only one county and prescribes and limits the duties of county commissioners in the said two counties.

Brewing Company Chartered.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 15.—The Reading Eagle Savings Fund of Reading, capital, \$100,000, and the Lackawanna Brewing Company, capital, \$200,000, were chartered today.

CONDENSED STATE TOPICS.

Merchant J. O. Jacobs is mysteriously missing from Davidsburg, York county, and the sheriff has seized his store for debts.

At a meeting of the stockholders, held at Drifton, Alfred Walters was elected president of the Delaware, Cumberland and Schuylkill railroad.

York council refused to confirm the mayor's nomination of A. H. Pfeiffer, for chief clerk of the city, as the former preferred another candidate.

The Northern Central railway has obtained a superedeas to prevent the erection of an electric railway bridge over its tracks at Riverton, Cumberland county.

UNION TRACTION TROUBLES

Efforts of Citizens Committee to Make Peace.

STREET CAR MEN INDIGNANT

They Claim That the Traction Company Simply Wishes to Gain Time—The Peace Commission Will Meet Today—Trouble Apprehended.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15.—The conference between a citizens committee headed by Archbishop Ryan, and President Welch and the directors of the Union Traction company which was requested by the former body for the purpose of endeavoring to settle the difficulties between the traction company and its conductors and controllers, was held today. The conference was held behind closed doors and lasted about two hours. At its conclusion it was announced that it had been agreed to appoint a commission which shall hear a committee of employees as to any grievances which are alleged to exist and to consider such alleged grievances with a view of determining which, if any, of them do exist, and which are susceptible of possible adjustment and to consider the method of adjusting the same.

The commission will consist of Archbishop Ryan, of the Roman Catholic church, Bishop Whitaker, of the Protestant Episcopal church, Bishop Fosco, of the Methodist Episcopal church, George Griffiths, secretary of the Christian League, John E. Baird and John Sparhawk, Jr., representing the citizens' committee, John J. Sullivan, Thomas Dolan, J. J. Sullivan, P. A. B. Widener, William H. Sheldorline and Caleb Fox, representing the Union Traction company. The members of the commission will be selected by the men.

Employees Indignant.

After the conference with the Traction company officials the citizens' committee met to discuss the matter. It has been representing the employees and reported the result of the meeting. At first the committee of six indignantly accused the traction company of seeking further delay and for a time seemed as if a strike would be ordered at once.

After listening to the arguments and the report of the committee, the employees' committee finally agreed to accept the commission and three o'clock tomorrow afternoon was fixed as the hour for the commission to meet.

NO SHIPS FOR TURKEY.

Secretary Olney Declines to Discuss Rumors Regarding the Fleet.

Washington, Jan. 15.—The United Press cable dispatch from Constantinople, stating that the Turkish minister here had requested the United States government that no additional warships had been ordered to Turkish waters, was probably based on a communication received by Maxymov, Bey by Secretary Olney on Thursday. When the Turkish minister visited the state department, Mr. Olney this afternoon declined to say anything on the subject. The rumor, however, that the Porte is practically of little interest, excepting in so far as it officially confirms the understanding in naval circles that the British fleet near Havana, Rear Admiral Bunsen to send any of the vessels now under his command at Hampton Roads. But notwithstanding the fact that the rumor is so persistent, the project of sending a portion at least, of Admiral Bunsen's fleet to the Levant has been considered by the president as his advisers.

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CARLISLE'S NEW CIRCULAR.

Additional Instructions Regarding Subscriptions Have Been Issued.

Washington, Jan. 15.—Secretary Carlisle tonight issued the following additional instructions regarding the subscription to 4 per cent. bonds: Washington, D. C., Jan. 15, 1896. Treasury Circular (No. 2, 1896) dated Jan. 5, 1896, regarding the subscription of one hundred million dollars (\$100,000,000) of United States 4 per cent. bonds, is hereby amended so that the amount of the first installment of 20 per cent, each, and accrued interest, as required in said circular, shall be paid in installments of 10 per cent, each, and accrued interest at the end of each fifteen days thereafter; but all whole amount of their bids at the time of the first installment, and all accepted bidders who have paid all installments previously maturing may pay the whole amount of their bids at any time not later than the maturity of the last installment.

Accepted bidders who pay the whole amount at the time of the first installment may, at their option, have the amount divided, will be entitled to receive, at the date of the payment, the whole amount of some or all of their bids. Bidders who pay by installments will be entitled to receive at the dates of such payments the amount of bonds to which they are entitled.

J. G. Carlisle, Secretary of the Treasury.

OFF TO OTHER FIELDS.

Men Who Passed 'Queer' at Williamsport Have Vanished.

Williamsport, Pa., Jan. 15.—It was learned tonight that the two, presumably Italian, who were arrested at five and ten dollar bills, who victimized a dozen people here, left last night over the Reading railroad for New York city. One purchased his ticket here, the other walked until he reached Leadsburg, before continuing his leaving the train just long enough to do so.

Columbus, O., Jan. 15.—In the joint session of the senate and house at noon today the minutes of the two branches were read, showing that ex-Governor Foraker had received a majority of the votes in each branch and he was declared elected United States senator to succeed Calvin S. Bruce. His term begins March 4, 1897.

Delaware's county board of poor is Mr. Foraker was appointed to escort Mr. Foraker to the hall of the house. In his speech to the general assembly Mr. Foraker thanked the large Republican majority for the distinguished honor and the Democratic majority for their honest opposition to his election. He declared that he was in favor of protection to American industries and of reciprocity. On the coinage question he said: "I am in favor of bimetalism. I think it is a mistake to demonetize silver and I hope that

some safe way will be found to restore it to its proper place by the side of gold as a money metal."

He also declared that it was almost criminal negligence for the United States not to build the Nicaragua canal at once.

WORK OF DESTRUCTION. Cuban Insurgents Continue to Harass the Government Troops, But Avoid a Serious Battle. Havana, Jan. 15. via Key West, Jan. 15.—Gomez is fifteen miles south of here. Campos' wall of troops has failed to keep him west. The situation is more grave than at any time since the beginning of the war. Thousands of troops have been thrown into Havana province, yet the destruction of towns, residences and estates continues. Many towns offering resistance are burned; those surrendering are spared. Railroad traffic in the entire island is paralyzed. The engineers of the Havana roads have refused to run trains, and the companies upheld their action. I am informed that the authorities of the roads have stopped the trains until the safety of property is assured. The town of Bejucal, fifteen miles south, was captured Monday. Thirty-five houses, twenty cars and the railroad station were burned. The volunteers surrendered, but the regulars in the block house held out. Other important towns burned the past week are: Gabuná, 4,500 inhabitants; Guira, 4,500; Artemisa, Aguacate and Benavides. The insurgents since the invasion of the western provinces have succeeded in avoiding serious battles, there are skirmishes daily. The only important engagement was on Jan. 10, near Quicoy, when the Gomez party was victorious. The volunteers were wounded and Spaniards were brought here. The insurgent loss is unknown.

Cane Industry Paralyzed. Probably a third of the cane crop has been burned. Grinding has almost ceased. Gomez has issued orders to stop burning cane, and if the estates attempt grinding he will destroy the buildings and machinery. Owing to the friendliness of the tobacco growers and workers the crop of tobacco has been spared. The insurgents now burn instead of crops. The Cubans claim that all the towns of Pinar province have surrendered. Gomez and Maceo have gained many recruits recently. The eastern columns under Jose Maceo Rabi and Cebreco, are coming west. Cespedes, Carillo and Aleurro have already reached Matanzas province. It is expected a union of rebel forces will take place near Havana. The government troops pursue the insurgents from town to town. The former are infantry, and the latter mounted. It is impossible to estimate the insurgent and force battle. The censorship is most rigid. The Havana papers have stopped publishing extracts; cablesgrams are scrutinized, and much matter eliminated. Campos remains here and has no intention of resigning.

PATRIOTIC REDS. Two Indians from Oklahoma Desire to Remove British Scalers. Washington, Jan. 15.—The secretary of the Interior today received a letter from two Indians in Oklahoma territory, offering their service to the government should war be declared with Great Britain over the Venezuelan boundary question. The letter is unsigned in expression and orthography. It reads: "Qu-A-A-Po-C-Ka and Ted. Kickapoo Brave and No-To-Sa-Quo, a famous Sac and Fox scalper, desire the Good Father to know that if the British Lion insists on a piece of Venezuelan territory, they stand ready to march through to the frozen zones of the Esquimo and scalp the British as they go. We suggest a present of a pair of blankets that the impending blizzard may not chill the ardor of our patriotic blood."

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Reeder from the Eighth. Secretary of the Commonwealth Reeder may be one of the delegates from the Eighth district, although he has not yet announced his candidacy. Aaron Goldsmith, Thomas A. H. Hay and Horace L. Magee are contestants for the conference from Northampton. This is thought to be a candidate in Secretary Reeder's interest. J. M. Driehaugh, the Mauch Chunk banker, and a staunch friend of Senator Quay, is a Carbon's choice for delegate. The Republicans of Monroe and Pike concede the delegates to the other two counties in the district. A. M. High, the Quay leader in Berks county, was elected last August to represent the Ninth district. He has the proud distinction of having been the first delegates elected in the United States to the next national convention. Alderman Walter L. Jones, of Lehigh, will be the other delegate from this district. Jones was one of the combine lieutenants in the state chairmanship contest, and carried Lehigh county for Colonel Gillespie. The alderman and Senator Quay have buried the hatchet and are again personal anti-political friends. Lancaster county will send two Quay delegates to the national convention. One of those will be County Chairman Caswell. The other will either be J. S. Zook or Dr. M. L. Herr, both of whom are friendly to the senator. Sheriff Herr is also a candidate, but with poor prospects of success. The

TELEGRAPHIC TICKETS. Mrs. Marion Spear, of Chicago, Ill., has recovered a child in New York that was stolen from her nine years ago. John Neil, an employe at a packing house in Chicago, Ill., was fatally scalded by falling into a caldron of boiling oil. Ex-Judge Lyman Trumbull declares he is wholly out of politics, and has no idea of being the Populist nominee for president. E. W. Agnew, president of the First National bank of Georgia, convicted of embezzlement, has been sentenced to five years in the penitentiary at Brooklyn, N. Y. The Pawnee chief, Crazy Horse, painted his brother with patent "bullet proof" medicine and then shot at him with a rifle, with the result that the man is dead.

THE KEYSTONE SITUATION

Senator Quay is Likely to Have a Friendly Delegation.

HOW THE CONTEST SIZES UP

The Junior Senator Strengthened by His Victory in Philadelphia—Huff May Be Renominated—Minnor for Delegate-at-Large.

Philadelphia, Jan. 15.—The returns from the Republican primaries held here last night show that the primaries, as such, were carried by the administration or anti-Quay element. David Martin, the administration leader, says today that the administration carried twenty-three wards out of the thirty-seven in the city. The Quay people, however, claim that at the meeting of the city committee next Monday night they will control the organization. Their claim is based on the contention that a number of men who had so far trained with the administration will flop to Quay. The administration leaders profess their ability to hold their men. J. W. King.

Strength of Mr. Quay. Harrisburg, Jan. 15.—That Senator Quay will control the Pennsylvania delegation to the national Republican convention at St. Louis is now conceded. The State Republican convention will be held in this city, April 23, to nominate two candidates for congressmen-at-large, thirty-two presidential electors and to elect eight delegates-at-large and eight alternates. The district delegates to the national convention will be chosen prior to the state convention and their personnel will demonstrate Senator Quay's strength to such a degree that he will probably have things as he wants them in that body. The veteran Galusha A. Grow, of Susquehanna, will be the unanimous choice of the state convention for one of the members of congress-at-large. The other will come from western Pennsylvania, and it may or may not be Congressman Huff, of Greenbush, who went out of his way last summer to aid the combine.

The venerable George V. Lawrence, of Washington, is a candidate to succeed Colonel Huff. Lawrence is a warm friend of Senator Quay, but it is thought he will be set aside and that the nomination may go to Allegheny county with a view of strengthening the senator's friends here. In that case Colonel Huff will probably make a fight for the congressional nomination in the Twenty-first district.

Senator Cameron will be one of the delegates-at-large. Charles A. Miner, of Luzerne, will probably be another. He was one of the best fighters in the ranks in the combine for state chairman, but he since made terms with Quay and counts on the senator's support to meet him. Senators Penrose and Andrew ex-Lieutenant Governor Watres, Lieutenant Governor Lyon, Senator Kennedy and John Russell Young are mentioned by the politicians on capitol hill for delegates-at-large.

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WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, fair; light north winds.

FINLEY'S ANNUAL LINEN SALE

Owing to the great success of our annual Linen Sale we will continue it a few days longer. We have added a few special items of interest to our patrons.

72 inch Cream Damask, 49c.

72 inch Cream Damask, 63c.

66 inch Cream Damask, 50c.

72 inch Silver Bleach Damask, \$1.00.

Cream and bleached German linen damask (the genuine article), German linen towels and toweling, 1/2 damask napkins, 7/8 German damask napkins, \$1.45; odd lots of napkins at special prices, full line of towels and the best bed-stitched buck towel ever shown at \$2 per dozen.