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SITUATION AT HARRISBURG

No Sign of Break in the Ranks on Either Side.

QUAY WANTS 14 VOTES

General Gobin and Other Friends of the Senator Are Confident That He Will Be Successful-Various Prove to Be False-Colonel Guffey Becomes Slightly Suspicious of Ex-Judge Gordon-The Result of the Vote.

Special to The Scranton Tribune

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 25 .- The senatorial fight today was entirely devoid of any exciting or significant features. There was no break of any kind and no indication of an early split in the impregnable columns. The usual amount of confidence was displayed and the varied assortment of rules that have done service since the fight began are still on duty. Lieutenant Governor Gobin is one of the firm believers in the success of Quay. He thinks the senator will undoubtedly succeed himself and is of the impression that the break will come within the next two weeks. General Gobin does not think the situation will materially change before the day the fight ends. That is to say, he does not think Quay's strength will either increase or diminish to any extent before the decisive ballot. If this judgment be correct the proceedings for some time to come will be notably commonplace and conseunently the some. A rumor went the rounds this morning that two or three members who are now voting for Quay will desert their general when Senator David Martin says the word. The report was promptly denied. Another story was to the effect that at least five representatives controlled by the Pennsylvania railroad would shortly break away from the Quay lines; but on investigation disclosed the fact that the announcement lacked substantial

Colonel J. M. Guffey was busy during in good shape. The colonel is slightly the wildest applause. suspicious that ex-Judge Gordon and other factional enemies have a trap set so that in the event of Quay's defeat their wing of the party will receive the benefit. Inasmuch as the colonel isn't ardently in love with Gordon, he is

COL. GUFFEY IS SUSPICIOUS.

building his plans to the end that the sheme of the Gordonites will amount to nothing. The truth is, however, that following statement to the Associated if an independent Republican succeeds Democratic leader finds himself at this

daily meeting at the Commonwealth Hotel this evening reviewed the situation and once more announced that the state constitution in the senate, by Quay is beaten. Afterwards Congress- the acceptance of lucrative offices man Dalzell started for Washington and Colonel George Huff left for New York. They will return on Monday, but would doubtless make it convenient to go back before that time if a loud senatorial cry for each of them should be heard off capitol hall. Notwithstanding the deadlock and the excitement incident thereto, it is evident that some of the conspicuous enemies of Senator Quay are extremely anxious to secure legislation affecting their interests, According to very trustworthy information they will certainly meet with keen this city went on strike today for highdisappointment if they persist in their antagonism to the caucus of the party in which they claim membership, J. P. D.

RESULT OF THE VOTE.

Representative Edmiston Deserts Neighbor Hale.

By Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Jan. 25.-Senator Quay is still 14 votes short of the number necessary to elect a United States senator. The seventh ballot for senator was taken today and resulted as follows:

	Mindred Street Approximations and Approximate	
	Quay191	
	Jenka 10	
	Datzell 16	
	Stone 7	
	Stewart 8	
	Huff 5	
	Irwin 2	
	Tubbs 2	
	Rice 2	
	Grow 1	
	Markle 2	
	C. E. Smith 1	
	Widener 3	
	Frank M. Ritter, Republican 2	
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No election.

For the first time since the taking of the ballots there was no absentes to-lay without pairs. There were nine sets of pairs, the Quay Republicans pairing with the Democrats and the anti-Quay Republicans with the Quay Republicans. Representative Keator. of the ballots there was no absentees

on the anti-Quay side. Two votes were cast today by Holzworth and Reed, anti-Quay Republicans, for Frank M. Riter, of Philadelphia, director of the department of public safety, the former changing from Irwin and the latter from Huff. Representative Edmiston, of Bradford, deserted his neighbor, Benjamin T. Hale, of Towanda, today and voted for Dalzell, giving the Pittsburg congressman one more vote than was cast for him yesterday. Congressman C. W. Stone, of Warren, lost a vote today by the change of Representative Stall, of Blair, to ex-Congressman George F. Huff, of Greensburg, and Stradling changed from Downing to Widener,

MR. GARMAN EXPLAINS.

New York Papers Accused of Doing an Injustice to the Jenks Demo crats at Harrisburg.

Harrisburg, Jan. 25.-Chairman John Reports Started by the Opposition M. Garman, of the Democratic state ommittee, sent this letter tonight to the editor of a New York newspaper.

"Your dispatch from Harrisburg pub-

special to the Scranton Tribune

lished in your issue of the 24th inst. does great injustice to the Democrats of Pennsylvania and particularly to Francis Cole, Charles H . Dutteras, Hary H. Constein, Patrick E. Timlin, George W. Skilner, Charles B. Spatz, Joseph W. Smith, Michael J. Tighe. Martin Brophy and Senator Harry S. Stiles, all of whom have regularly and unhesitatingly supported the Democratic candidate for United States senator and will continue to do so as long as he is in the field. There is not a Democrat in the legislature who will vote any other person than George A. Jenks, the Democratic nominee, The charges and insinuation of corruption are entirely without foundation in fact so far as the Democrats are concerned. The Democrats are united in support of a man so noted for his integrity and so blameless in his private life that even the Republicans admit his excellence and that his doings will reflect

honor upon the state. "Money may tell in the Republican organization in Pennsylvania, but will not have weight with the Democrats. You can safely inform your readers that the Pennsylvania Democrats mean to adhere to their caucus candidate until the contest shall terminate in his election or defeat."

MR. SCOTT ELECTED

Chosen United States Senator from West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 25,-N. B. Scott was elected United States senator today in joint assembly. Scott received 48 votes; McGraw, 46, and Goff, Necessary to elect, 48. One seat in the senate and one in the house vacant. Hunt voted at first for Blizzard and afterwards changed his vote to Scott the day keeping the Democratic forces | The announcement was received with

Both senate and house today accepted the resolution postponing action in all fairly contested cases until Feb. 7, and suspending Senator Baker in the meantime. This is the result of an agree ment between the two parties, and leaves the Republicans a majority of

three on joint ballot. Hon, J. F. McGraw, the Democratic nominee for senator, tonight made the Press: "Neither Mr. Scott nor myself was elected today under the forms of Quay, Colonel Guffey's political scalp law, to the senate. I received 46 votes will soon be dangling from Gordon's in the joint assembly. He received 48 belt. This is the position in which the and Judge Goff received 1. This gives Mr. Scott a majority of one over the combined vote of Judge Goff and myself, but of the forty-eight votes re-The anti-Quay Republicans held their ceived by Mr. Scott, two of them were the votes of state senators who had forfeited their votes by reason of the provisions of Section 13 of Article 6 of under the federal government (commissions in the army), therefore Mr. Scott in reality and in law received 46 votes. I therefore feel it my duty to see that these questions be presented and a protest be made to the senate of the United States."

Mr. McGraw makes this statement as the base of his notice of contest.

STRIKE IN SILK MILL Employes of Establishment at Sunbury Quit Work.

Sunbury, Pa., Jan. 25.—The employe of the Susquehanna silk factory in er wages. Their leader asked for an increase from 4 to 9 cents per yard on large looms and from 3 to 7 cents on the small ones. This was refused and four hundred hands walked out of

the mill. Superintendent Klerx is powerless o act until he hears from the New York office and the strikers are determined to fight until the bitter end.

Will Report the Brosius Bill.

Washington, Jan. 25 .- The house committee on banking and currency today decided by a vote of 7 to 4 to report the circulation up to the par value of bonds deposited; for the establishment of national banks of small capital in towns of 2,000 and upwards; changing the tax on circulation to a tax of one-eighth of one per cent, on capital, The measure is on the lines of recommendations made in the president's message.

Five Persons Cremated.

Mount Olive, III., Jan. 25 .- Peter Novak dren, have been burned by a coal off ex-A boy six years old and a babe of four months were rousted to death.

Will Convoke the Cortes.

Madrid, Jan. 25 .- The premier, Senor today that the govrament has decided to convoke the ortes during the second half of Feb-uary, whether the United States senate ratifles the treaty of peace or not

MR. JOHNSON ON EXPANSION

HE TURNS LOOSE A FLOOD OF ELOQUENCE.

Denounces the President's Course in the Philippines as a Policy of Evasion and Insists That This Government Intends to Hold the Islands. He Demands That Public Sentiment Should Be Aroused to Rebuke the Spirit of Commerce Which Has Supplanted the Spirit of Liberty. Mr. Dolliver's Reply.

Washington, Jan. 25,-In the house the debate on the army reorganization bill was resumed. Mr. Johnson (Rep., Ind.) opposed the

"While the president in the presence of what he may conceive to be a popular demand," he began, "le hurrying the army and navy across the seas to inflict upon an alien people a government against their will, I propose fearlessly, without regard to its effect upon my personal fortunes, to make a plea for liberty and an argument against the perpetration of injustice."

"We were on the verge of a crisis. aid Mr. Johnson. Those who failed to rush forward in support of the schemes of the imperialists were being denounced here and in the public press as 'Spaniards' and men who failed in their duty. His answer was that if the chief executive would break his silence and openly state that we did not propose to enslave the people of the

Philippines, his word for present strained relations in the islands would cease. those who were but yesterday our allies would return to their homes and there would be no necessity for this proposed increase in the standing army. No, this would not be done. What meant this hasty disavowal of Senator Foraker's statement that the administration had no intention of holding the islands permanently? If the administration did not mean to hold or of the administration press? Why had the president's commissioners demanded the absolute cession of the islands instead of simply demanding their evacuation as we did in Cuba? Why did Senator Davis, who was in charge of the treaty in the senate, agree to anow the passage of the resolution disavowing the government's purpose to hold the islands permanently? These were patent facts which He studied law at Wellsboro, Tioga could not be dodged. They must be county, and was admitted to the bar cetion-the purpose to annex the Philippines.

"THE DEADLY PARALLEL." tween our revolutionary struggle and he struggle the Filipinos made for in-He argued that today they had a stable government, Republican in form, a president, a vice-president and congress, the whole founded upon the free consent of the governed. To attempt to subvert the government. he charged, would be "an unspeakable shame to the cheek of every free-born American." They had not waged war for a change of masters. They had rejected with scorn the high-sounding manifestos of the president of the United States. They preferred to be free, and they now stood with arms in their hands undaunted, standing against the United States for independstamina were worthy of their freedom. Could it be "criminal aggression" to annex Cuba and not "criminal aggression" to annex the Philippines? It was true the natives were alike in race, language, habits and thought, and therefore the whole scheme was to hold them as Spain had held her colonies in times past as England held hers now. ruled over by military satraps. They might not be as capable as we for self-

government, said Mr. Johnson, with of the courts of Tioga, Potter, McKean biting sarcasm. They might not be and Cameron counties and he enjoyed able to corrupt legislatures in order to hold dishonored seats in the senate as we were. They might not be able to decide contested election cases according to party considerations instead of their merits, as we were; they might not be able to practice fraud and chicanery at elections. They might be lacking in all these essential attributes of Republicanism, but they were capa ble of constituting a government according to their own ideas. All government was progressive and in time they would rise on their dead selves to

"If William McKinley ever changes his policy regarding the Philippines, he declared, in stentorian tones, "he will bend to the weight of popular opinion to which he bows, right or wrong." This utterance raised a storm of applause from the Democratic side, Mr. Johnson requested that such interruptions cease, as they took up his Several times beore he had made a similar request.

higher things.

POLICY OF EVASION.

Proceeding he denounced the president's course as a "policy of evasion" and charged that his supporters were conjuring up specters to drive in the bill of Representative Brosius, of Penn-opposition. It was declared that our sylvania, authorizing the issue of bank failure to take the Philippines would opposition. It was declared that our precipitate a general European war that all the nations of Europe would scramble for what we left if we withdrew. He said that he had seen no such disposition except on the part of Germany and she was actuated by the example of our greed. If we set the example and withdraw, recognizing the independence of the Filipines others would do likewise. But if other countries did pounce down upon the Islands let them do it. We were not expressly or impliedly responsible. If they did they would be pursuing their traditions. The third child and the mother were Let us, said he, see that we do no wrong. The evil was theirs. If there was to be an European war let us, in God's name, keep out of it. The cry went up "ratify the treaty and stop the The president arrogated to himwar." self the right to speak for 76,600,000 people. "I thank God," shouted Mr.

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JOHN SHERMAN TALKS.

The Ex-Secretary Is Opposed to the Invasion of the Philippines.

New York, Jan. 25.-The Evening World today prints an interview with John Sherman, in which the latter forcibly expresses himself against expansion. The ex-secretary is quoted as saying in part: "I am decidedly opposed to the invasion of the Philippines. The idea of our country forcing its way into these islands and forcing its government upon the 7,000,000 to 0,000,000 population of these islands is monstrous. It is subsersive of the basc principles of our government that the powers of government are derived from the consent of the governed and it is in violation of the traditions of our country." "Then if you were in the senate you

would not vote to ratify the treaty of Paris as it stands?" "If I were in the senate I would not vote to ratify the treaty as it stands. would vote to withdraw from the

islands as soon as possible. "The papers say that 4,000 soldiers have just been sent to Manila. Why are they sent? Are we going to fight against a struggling republic? have been lighting for many years against Spain and have practically driven Spain out. Are we going to take the place of Spain in tyrannizinz over these struggling people?

JUDGE WILLIAMS DEAD.

Well Known Justice of the Passes Away.

Philadelphia, Jan 25.-Judge Henry Warren Williams, one of the seven justices of the supreme court of Pennsylvania, died this morning at his apartments at the Continental hotel. His death was due to valvular disease and hypertrophy of the heart. The judge has been suffering from heart trouble for several years but his death was wholly unexpected as he had been confined to his room for only the past few days. On Tuesday last he officiated at the ceremonics incident to the inauguration of Governor Stone at Harrisburg and administered the oath of office to the new governor. He returned to this city from Harrisburg with his wife and daughter and until Friday the Philippines, what meant this clam- last attended to his duties in the supreme court. He had been confined to his room since Sunday and gradually grew weaker until death relieved his sufferings at 6 o'clock this morning. His wife and daughter were with him when he died. The only absent mem ber of the family is a son who is a student a tone of the state universities. Judge Williams was born in Hartford, Susquehanna county, Pa., in 1839.

faced squarely. Everything pointed in of that county in 1854. In 1865 he was appointed by Governor Curtin as law udge of the fourth state judicial district then composed of the counties of Continuing, he drew a parallel be- Tioga, Potter, Elk, McKean and Cameron. He was subsequently elected and re-elected by the voters of the district By Associated Press. and occupied the position for over twenty-two years. In 1887 he was the candidate of the Republican party for supreme court judge and was elected the term of twenty-one years. Judge Williams was prominent in Masonic fraternity and was recently crime that should bring the blush of elected Right Worshipful Grand Master of the grand lodge of Pennsylvania He was a consistent temperance man throughout his life and was actively interested in Sunday school work and in that of the Y. M. C. A. In 1877 he was one of the representatives of the Presbyterian church of the United States in the famous pan-Presbyterian council held at Edinburg, Scotland, ence and liberty as they had stood and in 1881 was one of the vice-presi-against Spain. A people with such dents of the international Sunday

school convention at Toronto, Canada. Harrisburg, Jan. 25.-Governor Stone, commenting on the death of Judge Willlams, today said: "The death of Justice Williams is a severe shock to me I knew him intimately since boyhood. His death is a sad loss to the state. He was a great lawyer and a greater man: thoroughly honest, conscientious and faithful in the discharge of every duty. For many years he was judge the proud distinction of being renominated by every political organization in each of the four counties. The people had the greatest confidence in him as a judge. He was an ornament to the bench, a lamp to society and an example for every man to follow."

Governor and Mrs. Stone, Attorney Jeneral Elkin and Deputy Attorney General Fleitz will attend the funeral. They will leave the city Friday evening.

CHARGES DENIED.

Cuban General Pedro Perez Refutes Allegations by Lieut. Colonel Ray. Guantanamo, Cuba, Jan. 25.—The Cuban general, Pedro Perez, mayor of

Guantanamo, denies absolutely the charges recently brought by Lieutenant Colonel Ray and others against the insurgents in this district-particularly the charges of incendiarism and brigandage. Exhibiting his commission as a major general in the Cuban army as a proof of the hold he has upon the insurgents, Mayor Perez said to correspondent of the Associated Press

"They are all my friends, and I musknow it if such acts as have been re ported were really committed, I am envinced that there is no band organized to burn the sugar cane, and I know that there is not an insurgent camp in the entire district under my supervision as a Cuban commander and I believe this section about Guan tanamo is the most peaceful part of

the province." Among the planters, opinions are about equally divided. Three, whose plantations are in the immediate vicinty of Guantanamo, assured the corelse had. On the other hand, three others, with equally good opportunity to know the facts, confirmed the re ports of burnings.

Spanish Troops at Visayas.

Madrid, Jan. 25.—The government has eccived an official dispatch from Manila sying that all Spenish troops and suncentrated in the Visayas

SENATE CONSIDERS THE PEACE TREATY

FEBRUARY 6 AGREED UPON AS THE DATE FOR VOTE.

The Agreement Unanimous, the Terms of Which Were Formulated by Senator Davis --- It Is the Wish of the President That the Result Be Made Known as Soon as Possi-

Washington, Jan. 25.-The senate held two executive sessions today, and at each the peace treaty was the subject under discussion. At the first an agreement was reached to vote on the treaty next Monday week, and at the second, Senator Davis presented the American commissioners' reasons for the acceptance of the treaty in the form in which it was finally concluded The agreement for a vote was reached in executive session held soon after convening at noon, this agreement being in the following language: "That the senate agrees to vote or

the treaty with Spain and all amend-

ments on Monday, the sixth of February, at 3 o'clock p. m., and that until that time the senate shall go into executive session on each day at 2 p. m. This was an unanimous agreement, the terms of which were formulated by Senator Davis in reply to vesterday's Supreme Court of Pennsylvania proposition by the opposition and as a ommittee on foreign relations. The agreement in the committee to accept the proposition was unanimous and it understood that Senator Davis informed his fellow committeemen that t was the wish of the president that the proposition for a vote should be accepted and the result made known as soon as possible. Those who are familiar with the views of the president say that he has urged an early vote upon the ground that nothing is to be lost and everything is to be gained by

taking the vote. The final action, he is confident, will be favorable when reached.

SCRANTON BOY GAINS.

Won Last Night's Game by Thirty-Nine Balls. Special to The Scranton Tribune

New York, Jan. 25 .- In tonight's play of the six-night pool game, between Keogh and De Oro, at Maurice Daly's parlors, Keogh increased his lead by 39, making 145 to his opponent's 106,

The total score for the three nights is: Keogh, 453; De Oro, 371, Keogh led by 28 the first night, gained 15 more the second night and added 39 tonight, making his lead at present 82.

New York, Jan. 25.-At the end of tonight's pool game between Jerome Keogh, of Scranton, and Alfred De Oro Maurice Daly's academy, in this of 453 to 371. Keogh played as good pool as ever. Not once did he lose his nerve, executing every shot after deliberate observation, Seventeen frames were necessary to complete tonight's game. Keogh proved himself far superior to De Oro at strategically playing the balls so that his adversary could not pocket any. The score by frames:

Keogh-e, 7, 15, 15, 14, 0, 15, 11, 13, 5, 7, 15, 0, 15 (19 scratches)-115, Total DeOro-0, 15, 8, 0, 0, 1, 15, 0, 4, 2, 12, 0,

ADAMS POISONING CASE.

The Police Are at Sea in Spite of Many Clues.

New York, Jan. 25.-The police today gave out for reproduction in the newsunder the guise of brome seltzer, but Adams on Dec. 20. The object of the police in having the fac-simile published is to secure an identification of the handwriting. This seems to indicate that the police have not been successful so far in securing any strong ciues toward the solution of this mysterious case, despite the frequent publication of alleged semi-solutions. The latest of these indirect clues is

as follows: On the evening of Dec. 21 a man, givng the name of H. Cornish, rented a letter box at 1620 Broadway; two days later two small packages and letter were received for him, but by mistake were placed in the lower box and were never delivered. The man was not seen after his first visit. These packages which are now in the hands of the police, contained respectively a sample kutnow powder and a lot of capsules containing a specific for blood disease. Both are being tested by a chemist. A description of the man was furnished the police. Harry Cornish was taken to the Broadway place, but was not identified as the man who had hired the box.

Coroner Hart said today that he expected the report from Dr. Witthause ter part of the week. A date for the till the report is received.

Slump in Soft Coal.

Cieveland, O., Jan. 25.-As a result of signing of the mining scale at the recent Pittsburg convention, the soft coal market went to pieces here today. wholesele price of Massillon coal dropped from \$2.50 to \$2.10. The railroad comrespondent today that they had had panies and the wholesale dealers have no trouble, and did not believe any one been accumulating coal for many weeks in anticipation of a strike and are now stocked up with enormous quantities,

Noted Playwright Dead.

Paris, Jan. 25-Adolph E, Philippe d'En nery, one of the most prolific nery, one of the most prolofic wrights of the century, died today, the most prolific play years. He was the author of Two Orphans. "A Celebrated Case o-author of "Michael Strogoff.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications Today: Pair: Southerly Winds.

General-Senator Quay Needs Four-Representative Johnson on Expansion Aguinaldo's Representation Will Not Be Received at Washington. Senate Will Vote on Peace Treaty

General-Epidemic of Typhoid in the

Financial and Commercial General-Anniversary of Robert A. Burns Celebrated. Representative Johnson on Expansion (Concluded). Association of Manufacturers,

Editorial.

News and Comment. Story-"The Haunted House"

Bride Deserted at the Altar. Local-Three Pretty Weddings. Republican Committee Begins Cam paign Work.

Local-Boy Suspects Arrested.

Local-West Scranton and Suburban News Round About Scrauton,

General-News of the Soldiers a Camp MacKenzie. Trial List for Federal Court.

STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

Twenty-Second Annual Convention Held at Harrisburg Yesterday.

Harrisburg, Jan. 25 .- The Pennsylvania State Board of Agriculture met in twenty-second annual convention today in this city, with nearly every county in the state represented. Representative Jason Sexton, of Montgomery, presided at the opening session. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Governor W. A. Stone; vice-presidents, Professor Heiges, York: Hon, Jasen Sexton, Montgomery: S. F. Barber, Dauphin; executive committee, Governor W. A. Stone, J. A. Herr, Clinton: W. B. Powell, Crawford; Louis Piolet, Bradford; G. G. Hutchinson, Huntington; J. S. Burns, Allegheny; M. Rogers, Juniata; W. H. Sout, Schuylkill; Thomas J. Edge, secretary,

"Peach Culture," W. H. Stout, of Schulykill; "The Prospect for Eastern Farmers," by B. B. McClure, Bath; "Some New Insect Foes," by Dr. H. T. Fernald, economic zoologist; "Horse Shoeing," by C. W. Brodhead, Montrose; "Dignify Your Calling as a Farby H. G. McGowan, Geiger's Mills; discussion of essays; questions and answere.

A session was held this evening and vas as follows: Address, subject to be selected, by Professor John Hamilton, deputy secretary of agriculture: "Pennsylvania Trespase Laws and Protection to Unseated Lands," by Dr. J. T. Rothrock, forestry commissioner; "Inventors and Inventions," by W. B. Powell, Shade

OLDEST PAPER SOLD.

city, Keogh led his opponent by a total | The North American Is Transferred

to R. E. A. Dorr. Philadelphia, Jan. 25.-The North American will tomorrow morning print the announcement of its transfer to R. E. A. Dorr, publisher of the New York Mail and Express, and of the dissolution of the firm of Clayton McMichael & Sons. The statement individually signed by the membes of the firm says:

"We can judge of the future policy and methods of the North American only from familiar acquaintance with the journalistic career of Mr. Dorr and from observant knowledge of his direction of the great newspaper in the city of New York of which he remains the publisher."

They also state that in closing their relations with the paper, begun in 1859 by Clayton McMichael, they are able to record that in cash disbursements aggregating many millions of dollars, there has never been a single instance papers a fac-simile of the writing on of refusal or of postponement of the package sent to Harry Cornish payment of any claim, and that in the settlement of every difference between which contained cyanide of mercury themselves and their employes there and caused the death of Mrs. Kate has never been resort to litigation or arbitration outside of the North

American office. Following this statement is one by Mr. Dorr, "for the owners," which says

in part: "The other North American and the new North American will go on to the larger work that is set before it. Not one old friend will leave the ranks, though many new ones join the procession. A short time must elapse in perfecting the plans to even begin the carrying out of our purposes; meanwhile we will, without saying what we intend to do, make Philadelphia's oldest morning paper equal to the best." The North American is the oldest

daily newspaper in America, being a direct descendant of the Pennsylvania Packet and General Advertiser, the first issue of which appeared on October 28, 1771.

DR. SWALLOW INVITED.

Will Speak on Quay System Before Massachusetts Reform Club.

Harrisburg, Jan. 25.-Dr. S. C. Swallow, late Prohibition candidate for governor, has been invited by the "Massain the examination of the organs of chuseits Reform club," of Boston, to Mrs. Adams some time during the lat- attend a dinner to be given by that organization on February 7 and to adholding of the inquest will not be set dress the club on the subject of "The Quay System of Government and the Progress of the Independent Movement against it in Pennsylvania. Dr. Swallow will accept the invita-

To Abandon the Canal.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 25 .- A bill was in oduced in the legislature today to authorize the Delaware and Husson Canal company to abandon its canal. This company, which operates the Delaware and Hudson railroad system, finds it cheaper to transport coal from its fields in North-Pennsylvania by rail than by "ts

Editor Burkinbine Dead.

Milton, Pa., Jan. 25 .- S. A. Harkinbine, one of the oldest printers and newspaper publishers in Central Pennsylvania, died t the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. A.

HONORS WILL BE REFUSED **AGONCILLO**

Representative of Aguinaldo Will Not Represent.

TONE OF COMMUNICATION

A Cleverly Phrased Document Calculated to Place the United States in a False Light Before the Rest of the World-No News from General-Otis Is Regarded as Favorable. Reports from the Interior of Luzon Indicate That Spanish Treachery Has Accomplished Much Mischief.

Washington, Jan. 25 .- The presentation to the state department yesterday of the communication from Agoncille, Aguinaldo's representative, as he styles himself, has not changed the attitude of the department toward him, and there is not the slightest probability that he will be officially recognized by the president or the department. It is conceded that the document is cleverly phrased, with the intention to put the United States government in the wrong in the estimation of the world, and it is suspected from the half-concealed arrogance of the demand to be informed of the purpose of our government in sending reinforcements to the Philippines that this communication may mark the adoption of a new line of policy by the insurgents in the Phil-ippines. The first manifestation of this, In case it is decided to resort to open hostilities, probably will be the sudden departure of Agoncillo and his staff from Washington and from the limits of the United States.

There was an absence of advices from General Otis today, which lead the officials at the war department to the conclusion that there has been no appreciable change in the conditions at Manila or Hollo, and some satisfaction is felt in even that style of negative assurance that the impending trouble

at Manila has been at last postponed. Inquiry made at the war department into the reports of the rapid increase in the number of small pox cases among the American soldiers at Manila brought the assurance that the sick reports sent about twice a week by General Otis exhibit the full extent of the dread disease, as far as the off rate is not excessive, but, of course it is not denied that the soldiers would be safer at home than they are at present at Manila, suffering from the home sickness which always follows

protracted waiting without action. A most interesting report upon existing conditions in the interior of tha Island of Luzon has reached the government through two young naval officers, one of them Paymaster Wilcox, who made a trip afoot and in boats clear across the greater length of the island. They found the obstacles to progress even on foot almost beyond belief and it required not less than two months for them to make the trip, They have a good deal to say incidentally in their reports upon the political situation and assert that the Spanish before retiring from the interior managed to so theroughly poison the minds of the natives against the Americans by representing them to be slave masters and monsters of destruction towards all alien races, that it will be only with the greatest difficulty that confidence in our good intentions can be implanted.

AFTER BAD MONEY.

Detectives on the Lookout for Italian Counterfeiters.

New York, Jan. 25.-The secret service authorities have received information regarding the movements and schemes of a band of Italian counterfeiters now said to be on their way to the United States. Several Italians recently arrested boasted that the spurlous bills which they were caught endeavoring to pass were not the work of counterfeiters in this country, but were made abroad.

Acting on this information the government detectives think they are of the right track, and arrests may be made when the steamers Kaiser Wilhelm II. Lord Warwick and Malabat arrive here within the next few days

CASH CAME TOO LATE.

Lawrence Schraeder Starved Before a Big Check Arrived.

New York, Jan. 25.-A sick and destitute man, 55 years old, was taker from an East Side tenement house two weeks ago to the department for outdoor poor. He gave the name of Lawrence Schraeder, and he was dying from sheer want of nutritions food. Today a letter addressed to Schraeder was brought to the superintendent of the institution. It contained a check for \$5,000, and had been sent from England as Schraeder's long-delayed share in his father's estate. Schraeder, how ever, had died and the money arrived just in time to prevent his burial in the

Potter's field.

Steamship Arrivals. New York, Jan. 25.—New York—Sailed Paris, Southampton; Priesland, Antwerp. Teutonic, Liverpool, Southampton-Arrived; St. Louis, New York, Rotterdam Rotterdam

************* WEATHER FORECAST.

-Arrived: Rotterdam, New York.

Washington, Jan. 25.-Forcenst for Thursday: For Eastern Pennsylvania, fair, followed by increas-ng cloudiness; fresh southerly