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The criticisms of Speaker Farr in the Philadelphia Press are well understood in Lackawanna county. The political element represented by the Press is mad at Parr because it could not use him in its factional game and therefore it takes revenge in newspaper abuse. Farr needs no higher compli-

#### Pharisees in Politics.

To a man who is not a Pharisee in politics there is something intensely humorous in highly moral crusades against so-called "bossism" led by men who have every characteristic of the bossiest boss except the power to keep together a following which can long he bossed by them. "Patriotism," said Talleyrand, "is the last refuge of a scoundrel;" and it is very apparent today that the loudest howls against political bossism come from men who have either been bosses themselves and been overthrown or else from other men anxious to down the reigning boss so that they may reign in his stead. Scan the list in nation, state, county and city and you will find no exception to this rule. The "boss" is simply objected to because he is on top; let him be tumbled over and he in turn folias in the anti-boss chorus, seeking the wreaking of vengeance upon his

We do not doubt that among the people opposed to Quay are many conscientious and unselfish men, who sincerely believe that Quay is as bad as he is painted and that ability to abuse Quay is equivalent to high qualification for public office, none other being quite so necessary. These men are respectable although their practical intelligence is none too great. But among the howlers against Quay are certain others who do not command any respect whatever, because they are hypocrites, fakers and mercenaries into the bargain. To this class belong those men, some of whom reside in this community, who have been content to cringe to Quay and laud him to the heavens when Quay had offices to give out, but who were no sooner omitted from Quay's list of favorites than they turned their batteries of mud upon him and rushed to take the lead in a concerted attempt at his political crucifixion. Men like these in the vestments of reform are like imps of perdition in halos and wings. They give honest men a pain.

Another class of Quay-haters are almost as wearlsome although they may be more sincere. We refer to the little bosses like Kohlsaat of Chicago, for example, who are always to be found in the front rank when there is any political fixing up to be done, eager and palpitant in their quest of political power, yet who nevertheless hold it to he very wrong for men like Quay to do such things, because Quay rarely is on their side. They adore Hanna, because Hanna is in the sacred circle; but they cannot tolerate in Quay the tricks and traits which make Hanna and his click a joy forever. We do not dare to doubt that these critics of Quayism are sincere, but they certainly are mentally lop-sided. If they were not, they would cease to claim a monopoly of virtue and cleanliness which it is notorious they do not possess and cannot hope to acquire.

As for men like John Wanamaker. their time should have been in the period when professional assassins were hired out by the job or by the

There is talk among the "insurgents" of abandoning the prosecution of the men accused of bribery by the Fow anti-Quay probing committee. To drop these charges now would be to confess that they were not made in good faith but were part of the general ance-Quay conspiracy. The accused should demand a trial in the courts.

### No Reformation in Mob Law.

The suggestion of a rural police system as a means of dealing with crimes against the person, which seem to be increasing in certain rural districts, notably in the South, would have litthe preventive value, since no practicable scheme of patrol covering large areas could hope to give effective protection to any one household during more than a very limited portion of each day. Its value would consist chiefly in the celerity with which isolated crimes would be discovered and hunt of the criminals begun. The further suggestion that each household convert itself into a miniature arsenal and that its women occupants be trained in the use of weapons of self defense is more to the point, although its successful execution would require caution and self-control.

But after all, these various propositions look only to superficial conditions, If in large areas of sparsely populated country vile crimes are on the increase and the safety of unprotected womanhood is more and more endangered, remedies are needed which will prevent rather than simply accelerate punishment after the crime has been committea. It is a fact of happy significance that human nature is capable of development to a plane where educated wills and consciences hold sway over the animal passions and make for manly manhood, with a deference toward womanhood so clearly defined that no policeman's baton is needed to safeguard the personal virtues. Where opportunities for self-improvement are ample and free to all, without ban as to creed or race or politics, we hear of few outrages and fewer excesses of mob retribution. The law takes its appointed course with what malefactors there are and the churches, free schools, and happy homes take good care that malefactors are not permitted to multiply. The South has itself and none other

than itself to blame for its race probthan itself to blame for its race probplace and it is now doing as little as it can to secure an amicable solution of that problem. Its band is lifted, not to help but to ban and to mob the igporant colored victim of its past shortightedness and folly; and if the South hinks that carving negro rapists to deces before a slow fire is going to cool the hot negro blood that flames from time to time into gross sensual crimes t shows itself ignorant both of human nature in general and of the frightful cesons of its own bloody past.

The decision of the state Supreme court affirming the unconstitutionality of the direct inheritance tax law hinged directly upon that provision in the act exempting from taxation decedents' estates under \$5,000 in value. This exemption was ruled to be in direct violation of Article IX, Sections 1 and 2. of the state constitution declaring that all taxes shall be uniform upon the same class of subjects. It was this same exemption feature which knocked out the Federal income tax law. The robbing of Peter to pay Paul will never become popular in this republic.

German Freshness Again. Secretary of State Hay made precisely the proper reply to the somewhat excited protests of the German ambassador against the speeches of Captain Coghlan concerning Admiral von Diederichs' freshness at Manila. Secretary Hay told the German ambassador that captain Coghlan had not spoken in an official capacity as a representative of the United States government and that consequently the American department of state could not undertake to criticise what Coghlan said or to admit it to the domain of international episodes. He added, however, that he was personally sorry that the captain of the Raleigh had spoken so as to give offense to the German emperor and he said that the American navy department might be trusted to attend to Coghlan in accordance with its regular rules of dis-

This is the whole thing in a nutshell. Coghlan told the truth indiserectly; his ill-timed frankness caused his government embarrassment; but he spoke as an individual solely, having been told that the occasion of his oratorical effort was a private social function beyond the ken of the omnipresent reporters, and there is absolutely no call whatever for Germany to get into a tantrum over what this private American citizen said to other private American citizens in the freedom of an informal social gathering. The American people have stood for worse speeches from Germans higher in official rank than Captain Coghlan without uttering a word of complaint, and it would become the German emperor at Berlin and his diplomatic representative at Washington to study the numerous examples of America's

moderation. Coghlar was in error as to the time and manner of his speech and he de serves to be disciplined accordingly, The American people, while feeling sorry for Coghlan because they believe that his offense was not one of intent and because his services in their behalf have been ample to cover a multitude of harmless slips of the tongue, are at this time unanimous upon the proposition that Coghlan should be disciplined. But it would take very little of German officialism's high and mighty fussiness to cause them to lose sight of Coghlan's offense in indignation at the composity, fretfulness and supersensitiveness of his Christian majesty, Kaiser Wilhelm II, whose quickness in caking offense seems to be surpassed only by his slowness in rectifying an offense when given by him to

The anti-imperialists of Boston are indignant that any of the trouble at Manila should be attributed to the encouragement that the Filipinos received from men of their class in the United States senate. It is not likely that the talk of antis would carry much weight on this side of the water, but it must be remembered that the Filipinos have not been sufficiently educated to realize what a small figure the American Filipino junta really cuts at home, and it is not surprising that the insurgents were misled.

Mechanical gymnastics are among the latest inventions. By a series of contrivances a man's muscles may developed as thoroughly as though he was in the act of splitting kindling wood with no exertion on the part of the subject. When some one invents an apparatus that will do the breathing for humanity, sac spring fever victim will doubtless begin to enjoy

The seizure of bogus-stamped cigars goes merrily on about the country, and the joke is appreciated by all save the unhappy retailers who seem to have been the only ones thus far to suffer for the neglect and rascality of the Lancaster internal revenue officials.

Mr. Croker is to be permitted to go to Europe after having accepted a subpoena to reappear on the witness stand after his return in August. Meanwhile, the Mazet committee will go right on finding out where Croker got it.

### A WEEK OF ANNIVERSARIES.

This week is rich in the anniversary of events that hold a preminent place in American history during the Revolution-ary period. Some of the more important ones are as follows:

April 21, 1750-Sortie from Charleston, April 25, 1777-Danbury (Conn.) raid, April 25 to 27. April 25, 1781—Battle of Camden, S. C. April 25, 1781—Battle of Hobkirk's Hill

April 25, 1781-Battle of Petersburg, Va April 25, 1781-Battle of Hillsborough April 27, 1777-Battle of Ridgefield, Conn April 2, 1779—Engagement at Middle own, N. J.

April 27, 1781-Engagement at Osborn's

April 28, 1777-Skirmish at Crompo Hill, April 18, 1788-South Carolina ratifies the -April 28, 1788-Maryland ratifies the con-

# the Quay Verdict.

From Syracuse Post-Standard,

John Wanamaker appealed to the criminal courts of his state for the conviction and punishment of his po-litical arch-enemy, Senator Quay, and the verdict under the law proved to be an acquittal instead of a conviction. Therefore John Wanamaker repudiates the verdict of the tribunal to which he had appealed, and says to his partisans, "The senator may be convicted yet; our warfare shall continue unremittingly." And thus does Mr. John Wanamaker come uncomfortably near to making an ass of himself, while he quite succeeds in proving that it is not the public good, as he professes, but personal malice that lies at the root of the Quay prosecution.
The Post-Standard does not believe

unqualifiedly in Senator Quay. It would choose that politicians of his intensely practical sort were less in evidence in the membership of the United States senate than they are. But it is able gladly to congratulate Senator Quay, and the state of Pennsylvania, and the Republican party of the country upon Senator Quay's acquittal. The trial for his conviction has been conducted in absolute good faith, with zeal amounting almost to virulence and the constituted judicial authorities of the commonwealth have declared him guiltless upon the grave charge brought against him. This is enough for honest and right-minded men; and the people of the country, except Mr. Wanamaker and his like, will now receive and gladly adopt as their own, the decision of the matter which the courts have reached. The Post-Standard believes that Mr. Quay, appointed by the governor of

Pennsylvania to his old place in the United States senate, will be confirmed in his seat by the senate vote; it believes also that he now ought to be so confirmed.

#### The Animus Revealed.

From the Buffalo News. Sanctimonious John Wanamaker announces that he will continue the war on Senator Quay, who was vindicated by a jury and honored with a reap pointment to the United States senate by Governor Stone. This is no more than was to be expected of Mr. Wanamaker, who is getting a great deal of free advertising for his bargain counters out of the crusade which he would like people to consider a holy war. But it is an unexpected admis-sion that what the anti-Quay people were after is not justice, but the overthrow of the man they hate.

To a casual observer it would appear that it is about up to Mr. Wanamaker to say nothing and continue the advertising of bargains "on the second counter to the left."

#### Received with Gratification.

From the Albany Argus. When the prosecution in the case against Senator Quay rested, it was virtually certain that the worst that Mr. Quay and his friends had to fear was a disagreement of the jury. That there could be no conviction upon such | tical hints and directions given are evidence as had been submitted by the district attorney was a foregone conclusion. All unprejudiced persons who followed the proceedings in the case as thorn as the travel of crosshead they were published will regard the verdict of acquittal as what was to be of the proceedings against Mr. Quay not so much an honest desire to bring about the punishment of a man who was believed to have committed a wrong; but the purpose to effect the ruin of a political leader, the news that Mr. Quay has been declared innocent of the charge against him will be received with gratification by the fair-minded public, the majority of which might otherwise have paid but little attention to the case and its out-

### A Complete Vindication.

From the Washington Post. We think it safe to say that Mr. Quay's acquittal was a foregone con-clusion. It is inconceivable that any right-minded and well-informed person ever dreamed that Mr. Quay was gullty of the charges brought against him. The fact was only too patent that his persecution originated in hatred, humbug, and hypocrisy, Mr. Quay is a great manipulator of men. He is wise, far-seeing, strenuous, and enlightened To him was bequeathed the task of keeping alive the Republican organization in Pennsylvania. In discharging this exacting duty, he naturally antagonized impudent pretenders, ungrateful beneficiaries, and victous mounte banks. He had a pledge to redeem. He was working for the perpetuation of American institutions-the rule of the legitimate majority—and, in pursuance of this task he sloughed off the frauds. the detrimentals, the useless hypocrites of the army he commanded. He was right, and the enemies he has made onfirm our judgment.

But the end has come. The vile conspiracy concocted by Quay's ungrateful proteges, has reached a lame and mpotent conclusion. Nothing dishonorable or even technically wrong has seen proved against him. A persecution without parallel for bitterness and reckless rancor has fallen to the ground. Quay's enemies have been confuted and discredited. The web of falsehood, implication, and meanness they strove to weave about his fame has been severed in a thousand places. The conspiracy has been baffled and disgraced. With a seemingly hostile, though honorable judge: with at least an impartial jury; against every victous suggestion and adroit juggling of facts and figures, Mr. Quay has been honorably acquitted. That the result makes for deency and righteousness, no intelligent and honest man will venture to deny, Of the ignoble and mean inspiration of the persecution, we shall leave others to speak. Enough for us that a detestable and vicious alliance has been rebuked

As a just and honorable Magistrate. the Governor of Pennsylvania has appointed Mr. Quay to fill the vacant enatorship ad interim. As an impartial, fair-minded, and patriotic body. the next Legislature of the State will promptly re-elect Matthew Stauley Quay.

### A Natural Feeling.

From the Lebanon Report (Anti-Quay) Many men are to be found-men unfriendly to Mr. Quay politically and who strongly disapprove his methods politically and otherwise-who are highly gratified that he has been acquitted .- a gratification hardly logical, hardly judicious, not at all judicial, but none the less human. They are gratifled not because they believe Mr. Quay innocent, but because they believe his

of justice might be subserved but that envy, hatred and thwarted ambition might triumph in his downfall. When the criminal court is made an engine to work personal spite, the guilt of the accused becomes secondary and is lost sight of in the natural condemnation that honest men feel toward the coward and sneak.

#### Vindictive John.

From the Chicago-Heraid. By the evidence of his own statement submitted to the press, in which he mercilessly exceriates Quay and declares the verdict of acquittal to be a new chapter of shame for Pennsylvania," Mr. Wanamaker discloses his factional leadership and places bimself in the attitude of a party boss, Mr. Wanamaker is wrong when he says that the state proved its charges against Quay. It would be a menace to justice if men could be convicted and sent to the penitentiary upon such unconvincing evidence.

#### An Unfortunate Prosecution.

rom the Buffalo Commercial. The senator stood up to the rack and passed the test. It is on every account most unfortunate that he should have been hauled into the courts, if the prosecuting officers had no better evidence than they produced. They have succeeded in making Mr. Quay a stronger man with the Pennsylvania Republicans than he was twelve months ago.

#### Complete.

from the Buffalo Express. Mr. Quay's vindication is more complete than some of his friends would have made it if they had had their way. In the face of this verdict no or political opponent of Quay can refuse to acknowledge that the evidence was insufficient to connect him with the commission of a crime as charged.

#### Borne Out by the Facts. From the Buffalo Courier.

The defense's charge that Quay was the victim of a political combination was borne out by the facts,

#### Stronger Than Ever.

from the Chicago Inter-Ocean. In trying to crush him, his enemie have made the senator stronger than ever with the Republicans of Pennsylvania,

#### LITERARY NOTES.

Stevens' Mechanical Catechism, Just is sued, is a marvel. Like all the reference books published by Laird & Lee, it is crammed full of information. The steam engine is thoroughly explained with all its modern attachments and improvefloor. Chestnut street front, second ments, slide valves, safety valves, injectors, pumps, steam gauges, lubricators eccentries, link motion, indicator, etc. The traction engine and hay stacker are treated in a special chapter. The manu-facturing of ice refrigeration machines brine and direct expansion systems are treated exhaustively. Also, the machine shop, the electric plant, house wiring and electric heating. The scientific principle and basis of mechanical work is made clear in every subject, so that the praceasily grasped. Calculations of horse power, pulley-speed, lathe, gearing, square root, leverage, tensile strength are made easy, and such puzzling ques crankpin are solved in a practical, convincing manner. The elements of algeexpected. And because it is known bra are presented in a very happy man-that there was behind the inception ner. Useful recipes for emergencies are alphabetical index enables the reader to turn to every subject instantly. Over 24 ectional cuts and illustrations, many of them specially designed for this work give it additional value.

> A. Conan Doyle's new novel, "A Due! with an Occasional Chorus," is said t e a story in which the author has fel a reculiar interest. The scene is laid in London, and the story is one of the present time. The book orens where the conventional novel ends-with a marriage; and another point of difference from the usual novel is that the mar-riage turns out happily, notwithstanding the varied experiences of hero and hero ine. Dr. Doyle shows a new phase of his fine talent in this book. As a story of wedded love it has an idyllic character which will appeal to every reader no deveid of healthy sentiment. As an adroit interpretation of a true philosophy of wedded life the story contains illus-trations and pithy sayings which will callst the interest of women and men like. Probably American readers will cel a stronger interest than their Engilike. lish cousins in the vivid glimpses which the author contrives to introduce of hisorie scenes in Westminster Abbey, of St Olaf's church, the buriat place of Pepys, and of the home of Thomas Carlyle. It should be noted that the author has crificed his serial rights for the sake f presenting his complete story to the public for the first time in the book which published by D. Appleton & Co,

Much has been said about the "loop" decribed by the Brooklyn at the begin-ning of the naval battle at Santiago. Rear-Admiral Philip, who commanded the Texas, thus describes one aspect this evolution in the May Century. the Texas veered westward, the Brook lyn was plowing up the water at a great rate in a course almost due north, direct for the oncoming Spanish ships, and nearly a mile away from the Texas. The smoke from our guns began to hang s heavily and densely over the ship that for a few minutes we could see nothing. We might as well have had a blanker tied over our heads. Suddenly a whiff of breeze and a full in the firing lifted the path, and there, bearing toward us and acress our bows, turning on her port belm, with big waves curling over her bows and great clouds of black smoke pouring from her funcies, was the Brooklyn. She looked as big as half a dozen Great Easterns, and scemed so near that It took our breath away. 'Back both en-gines hard!' went down the tube to the astonished engineers, and in a twinkling the old ship was racing against herself. The collision which seemed imminent, even if it was not, was averted, and as he big cruiser glided past. the bridge gave a sigh of relief."

McClure's Magazine for May will in troduce a new writer, Booth Tarking-ton, of Indianapolis, with the opening installment of a novel of present-day American life. The story is pronounced by those who have read it in manuscript as fresh and absorbing in plot and re-markably pleasing in its atmosphere and spirit. J. L. Steffens, city editor of the New York Commercial Advertiser, will tell the story of Theodore Roosevelt's experience and dealings with party leaders and political reformers from the mo-ment he began to be named for governor of New York down to the present time. It is no ordinary story, and it has never before been told in full. Oscar King Davis, the correspondent of the New York Sun at Manila, will relate some stories and give some reminiscences of Admira Dewey as Mr. Davis himself has seen and known him during months of ger vice beside him at Manila.

Harper's Magazine for May contain Part IV. of the history of "The Spanish American War," by Henry Canot Lodge Bustrated by Thulstrup, Zogisaum, Chap-nan, and Christy; The Civil Scryle, and Colonization." prosecution was begun and pushed for Thorpe; "Catherine Carr," a story,

partisan purposes,-not that the ends | Mary E. Wilkins; "Our War Correspondents in Cuba and Puerto Rice," by Richard Harding Davis; "A Sketch by Mac-Neil," by Frederic Remington, illustrated by the author; "Keeping House in London," by Julian Ralph, illustrated by London," by Julian Raiph, illustrated by A. E. Sterner; Part V. of "Their Silver Wedding Journey." illustrated by W. T. Smedley; Part II. of "The Princess Xenta," by H. B. Marriott Watson, illus-trated by T. de Thulstrup; "The Birth of the American Army," by Horace Kep-hart, illustrated by Frederic Remington; and three short stories by Ellen Glasgow, Buth McKnery Sturat, and Heary M. Ruth McEnery Sturat, and Henry M.

> One of the keenest American newspaper critics remarks upon the peculiar-Ity of the circumstance of a physician of Southern California, bearing a name so closely resembling Dr. Conan Doyle's, writing a series of Hindoo tales somewhat akin to Kipling's, "Yet," he says, "so it is. The most notable new book of the hour is, beyond doubt, Dr. C. W. Doyle's Taming of the Jungle' (Lappincotts). Not in many a long day has there appeared such a refreshingly criginal and strikingly meritorious work of fiction. Dr. Doyle must be hailed as a fiction. Dr. Doyle must be halled as a new star on the horizon." The fact is that Dr. Doyle was born under the shadow of the Himalayas and knows where-

The executive work done by Major-General Leonard Wood at Santiago is considered one of the great achievements of the army. General Wood has written for the May Serlbner's a straightforward and modest account of what he has acng over the whole state of Santiago on the lines of modern civilization. This is the only article of any kind written by General Wood. It is an account of our first successful experiment in colonial government from the highest authoritythe chief executive of the province.

The Golden Age Cook Book, by Henrictia L. Dwight, published by the Alliance Publishing company, New York, is a compilation of recipes for vegetarians, no meat preparations being used. It comprises over thirty recipes for soups nore than eighty for vegetables, and an musual number of entrees, galads, and fruit desserts, also valuable recipes for the tollet, not to be found in any other

It is of interest to note that the best colling book in the market at present is "David Harum," the first and indeed the only book of a previously unknown Amer-ican author, the late Edward Noyes Westcott, "David Harum" is published y D. Appleton & Co.

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