EOWARD SCULL, Editor and Proprietor.



WEDNESDAY____

IT IS said that President Diaz, of finances will be read with profound in-States

AT LAST Mr. Harrity is officially ousted from the National Democratic Committee.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND desires it to be distinctly understood that he is opposed to the annexation of Hawaii, Cuba, or Nebraska.

THE House Committee on Territories has turned down the proposition to admit Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma to Statehood.

are weak-kneed on silver.

MR. CLEVELAND caused the American flag to be pulled down in Hawaii, of the Lincoln pall-bearers. He was and comes out of retirement to say that he would do it again. The strange part of it is that several Senators agree with him.

SENATOR QUAY had passed in the Pennsylvania for money paid out to Governor. Whether he expects to serve made, is given out: the militia called out in 1864 when the as Democratic pall-bearer or hopes to be elected if nominated, has not been rebels were raiding the south eastern part of the State,

THE Maryland Republicans elected a Senator without defiling themselves with the Ohio precedent. Senators McComas and Wellington, both Republicans, mark a new era in national politics for a thriving border State.

BUTLER MAHONE, just nominated ago, was the leader of the Republican party in the Old Dominion.

COMPTROLLER of the Currency Dawes by William M. Singerly for the pay- fulfill the promises which its framers ment of the creditors of the Chestnut made on its account. Street National Bank in Philadelphia, and has placed the affairs of the institution in the hands of a receiver.

"THIS is a billion dollar country," balance sheet."

AT THE Snyder county primaries on

The Somerset Herald. human men " Moreover, these are The House Kills the Silver Job By Fifty

will have to give him up.

General A. H. Coffroth, of Somerset,

ment abolishing slavery.

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ment."

tricky phrases. They know Bryan, WASHINGTON Jan. 31.-The House of and will never be deluded by him Representatives to-day buried the Teller gain. The Republican party regrets resolution, declaring government bonds the loss of Bryan, for it could beat him payable in silver, under an adverse mamaier in 1900 than it did in 1896, but it jority of fifty votes. The Republicans

were solidly arrayed in opposition, with two exceptions, Mr. Linney, of North THAT part of President McKinley's Carolins, who voted with the Democrats

ddress at the banquet of the National and Populists, and Mr. White, of North Carolina, the only colored member of the Association of Manufacturers at New Honse, who only answered "present" York which touched on the national when his name was called. The deser tions from the Domocratic side were Mr. M xico, will soon visit the United terest throughout the world. "The McAteer, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Ellimoney of the United States," he said, ott, of South Carolina. Both voted with is and must forever he unquestioned the Republicans against the p. sposition and unassailable. Nothing should ever | Speaker Reed, although it is not custom

empt us-nothing shall ever tempt us ary for him to vote, had his name called, -to scale down the sacred debt of the and, amid the cheers of his followers, nation through a legal technicality. went on record in opposition to the reso-Whatever may be the language of the lution. The vote was reached after five contract, the United States will discharge all its obligations in the currency recognized as the best throughout tunity to be heard, was so great that the the civilized world at the time of payleaders on both sides were compelled to

farm out the time by minutes. This detracted much from the continuity of the SAYS the Philadelphia Times : "An discussion, but intensified the interest. article from the Washington Star is The galleries were crowded all day long. PRESIDENT MCKINLEY'S position on now extensively quoted stating that H. and the combatants on the floor were sound money is not likely to be dispu- G. Worthington and ex-Senator Dawes cheered by their respective sympathizted again by Republican Senators who are the only survivors of the pall-bear-present to listen to the arguments. ers of President Lincoln.

Blackmail With a Gun.

Pa., was then in Congress, and was one Sr. Louis, Jan. 28 .- The case of the young man who was arrested in an atone of the few Democrats in the House tempt to hold up President Madill, of the who voted for the constitutional amend- Union Trust Company, last Tnesday, and General Coffroth is not only very mysterious as ever. To-Jay the following

much alive, but he is an active candi- letter, which was handed to Mr. Madill date for the Democratic nomination for | by the man at the time the attempt was "Mr. Madill-I have been employed to

ome here on a most nuusual errand, which, though very distasteful, is very urgent. To save words, I have tried to

THE revenue in January is surprising which I want you to read from beginning the Republicans and silencing the Dem- to end before making any comments, for ocrats. The Republicans looked for an the end may seem brighter than the beincrease over the December figures, but ginning; I will tell you now that I stand the gain over the same number of days ready to blow your brains out if you in that month is much greater than make the slightest outery, so I warn you they expected. A few Democratic pa- not to do so. Mr. Madill, I have been empers at the beginning of the operation ployed to murder you by two people by President McKinley as Consul to of the present tariff had tables of com- whom I suppose will benefit richly by by President McKinley as Consul to Neuvo Loredo, is the son of General William Mahone, of Virginia, who, up to the time of his death a few years law a year earlier, but eventually the crime I decided to first come here and deadly parallel began to tell a story give you a chance to save your life. I am which extolled the Republicans and a desperate man, desperate for money, condemned the Democrats, and then and when I tell you that I must have that the figures were dropped. It is proba- money to save my life you will under-

has refused to accept the plan presented ble that the Dingley act will more than stand why I am willing to commit mur der and take a chance at the gallows to get it. Mr. Madiil, I do not want to kill you. I am doing this for money only

THE Democratic Congressmen and and if you want to save your life there is but one method, and that is by advancing newspapers are hysterical over the me \$5,000. I am not a common criminal

ending of the Maine to Havaua. On Mr. Madill, and I do not wish to either the side of the administration and the kill or rob you, and if you pay me the says the Philadelphia Ledger. "The Republican party, however, there is no money and promise me not to try to prosexports for the year 1897 were valued parade or excitement, but simply a de- ecute me I will promise you upon the honat \$1,099,129,519. What is still more termination that the interests of the or of a man to repay every cent of it to satisfactory is that they exceeded the United States in Cuba shall be main- you. Mr. Madill, I think you understand imports by \$356,498,664, which sum tained in every extremity which can the situation. It is a matter of money or date, to bring about the candidacy for goes to the credit side of Uncle Sam's arise. No menace whatever is offered death. If you want your life spared, say to Spain. If that nation takes a reas- so. If not, say so, and may God be with

onable view of the situation there will your soul if you say no." The would-be robber still refuses to and its citizens from a renewal of the letter of acceptance of the mill be no trouble with this country. The give his true na ie. He was folled in hi

Conspiracy of the So-called Business Men's League.

A CLIQUE OF MILLIONAIRES.

Working in the Dark and Stabbing in the Back.

SOME VERY INTERESTING FACTS.

A Corporal's Guard of Agitators, Professional Kickers and Disgruntled Office Seekers Who Are Proparing to Endorse a Mongrel Ticket Born Through the Cressrean Method-Full Details of the Scheme That Has Been Planned For This Fail.

(Special Correspondence.) Philadelphia, Feb. 1.-The conspiracy of the so-called Business Men's Repu-lican League is becoming more and more apparent every day. The Leach-Van Valkenberg-Dolan-

Wanamaker-Blankenburg press bureaus in the Bourse building, and the three elegant onces of Frank Willing Leach in the Girard Trust building are the

scenes of great activity. The Blankenburg end of the high salaried bureau sends out lies to the country newspapers under a Harrisburg headline attacking the regular Republican leaders and organization and making ready for a bolt and schism in secure \$5,000 at the point of a pistol, is as mysterious as ever. To-day the following aires and \$6,000-a-year-newspaperwriters can only reach such papers as have been actually bought outright or

subsidized by them. Leach does the letter writing, and at the present time he is busily engaged in flooding the malls.

Disgusted and astonished Republicans of prominence have this week received copies of the following letters: My Dear Sir-It is proposed to hold aference in this city about Feb. 2 of one or two hundred of the leading Republicans of Pennsylvania, embracing those interested in both politics and business, for the purpose of taking steps to bring about the nomination by the Republican state convention of June 2 of an acceptable candidate for governor, and to prevent the consomma tion of the scheme now under full headway to Delamaterize the state. I will by return mail, the names and nddresses of six or eight good men in your county who it might be advisable to invite to this conference.

The purpose is to adopt a line of poltcy which will receive the active co-operation of the state administration. Yours very truly, FRANK WILLING LEACH.

Business Men's Republican League of the State of Pennsylvania. Headquarters, Bourse Building, Fourth Street, above Chestnut. Telephone 272. Philadelphia, Jan. 21, 1898. Dear Sir-Your presence is requested at a conference to be held at the

Bourse, this city, on Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 2 o'clock p. m., to consider the present political situation in Pennsylanis

Steps should be taken, at an early the Republican gubernatorial nomination of some one representative of the highest type of Republicanism, who, if Sugar elected, will protect the commonwealth

TRUTH." Some of those who have signed this invitation to what is explicitly declared will not be a "convention," but which proposes to "unite all citizens and organizations" (daubiless including the Socialists and Democrats) are worth looking in*o. William T. Ti den, the chairman, was a candidate for delegate from the Twenty-second ward, in the rwentyfirst district convention, on the Mar tin ticket for delegate to the state comvention, and was elected. Le is therefore, clearly and ensinely a regular and accredited representative of the Phildelutia combine Howard B. French is evidently not a Republican at all, as the Republicans of his division at the recent primary election in the Tauth ward decigrow him to be unfit to represent them in the receiver of taxes convention. Ami then we have Blankenburg, 'Toujours Blankenburg, who bobs up screadly with a degree of activity which he i said to have acquired during his call-Hary service in Germany. He is a man who never was and never can be a Republican. An allen by birth, thought and mode of speech, his name has been associated with every attack on ite publican organizations that has ever been started by anybody big or little. Mr. French, who is clamoring about the management of public affairs, is chairman of the civil service board in Philadelphia, which examines and controls the survey and highway appoint ments, a department managed so badly that it has called into existence two permanent organizations to protect the citizens against its methods-the Wo men's Health Protective association

and the Citizens' Municipal association -which were organized to look after public health and see that the contracts for paving streets were complied with. Mr. French is the largest dealer in cement in Philadelphia, and this ma

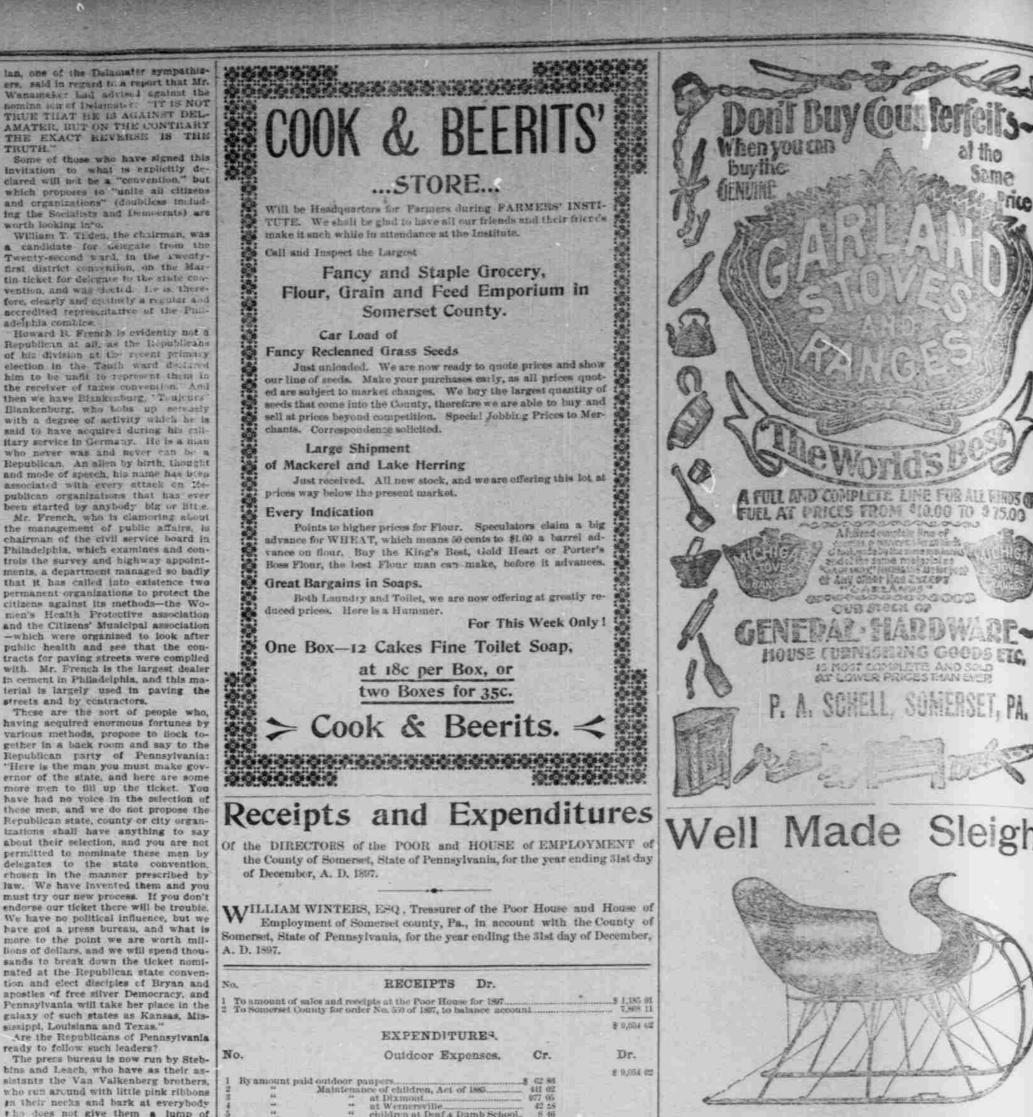
terial is largely used in paving the streets and by contractors. These are the sort of people who, having acquired enormous fortunes by various methods, propose to llock together in a back room and say to the Republican party of Pennsylvania: "Here is the man you must make gov ernor of the state, and here are some more men to fill up the ticket. You have had no voice in the selection of these men, and we do not propose the Republican state, county or city organcations shall have anything to say about their selection, and you are not permitted to nominate these men by delegates to the state convention chosen in the manner prescribed by law. We have invented them and you

must try our new process. If you don't endorse our ticket there will be trouble We have no political influence, but we have got a press bureau, and what is nore to the point we are worth milions of dollars, and we will spend thousands to break down the ticket nominated at the Republican state convention and elect disciples of Bryan and apostles of free silver Democracy, and Pennsylvania will take her place in the galaxy of such states as Kansas, Mis-

Are the Republicans of Pennsylvania ready to follow such leaders? The press bureau is now run by Steb-

bins and Leach, who have as their as sistants the Van Valkenberg brothers, who run around with little pink ribbons in their necks and bark at everybody the does not give them a

This bureau has already prep gubernatorial candidate, with



Saturday last Congressman Thad. M Mahan, of Franklin county, received the endorsement for Congress, and Senator Quay carried the county by a practically unanimous vote. The delegate elected to the State Convention is said to favor Col. W. A. Stone for Governor.

ong. Some of the statesmen who have been criticising the United States Supreme upon a time it was difficult to satisfy to contest with U. S. Senator Quay for Charles Rose. everybody, but lately it seems to be al- re-election will be set up. most impossible to satisfy anybody.

JUDGE LOUIS E. McCOMAS, Republican, was elected United States Sena- "Holy" John Wanamaker to the Uni- be done in the presence of appointed invited to attend. It is greatly to be tor by the Maryland Legislature Tues- ted States Senate. The meeting to-day witnesses, fellow-members of an Elks hoped that you can be present, and you day of last week, to succeed Senator is likely to endorse Wanamaker for Lodge. Gorman, Democrat. The vote stood : Governor. We are told that Somerset McComas 63, Gorman 47, Shaw 4. The county will be represented at this meet-Senator elect practiced law at Hagers- ing by such eminent reformers as All, including the gizzard, must be town for many years, and has served "Gen'l" W. H. Kooniz, "Capt." C. J. eaten. four terms in Congress. He is now As- Harrison, "Col." D. J. Horner, J. A. sociate Justice of the Supreme Court Barkey, Esq., Josiah Specht, and of the District of Columbia.

Stx hundred passengers sailed from Tacoma on Wednesday last for Alaska. represented in the "Business Men's ing hand-to-hand encounter with a buck. There is not a town west of the Missis- League" conference. sippl river that is not organizing a Klondike expedition, and the rush for the gold fields in the Spring will be s unething tremendous. And a great will tell any story to eatch a passenger.

JOSEPH LEITER, the Chicago "Wheat to have been made in behalf of the Rothschilds. The latter are said to con-

"Senator Stewart criticises the President's New York speech," says a Washington dispatch. So will Bryan, Tillman, Teller, and all the other political bunco sharps and repulliators all over the country. Their hostility is a fine tribute to its financial honesty and probity. The President's canvass in 1896 was made on that line, and that is why he got his 600,000 plurality. The plurality would be a good deal larger than this if the election were held to-day.

CHARLIS WESLEY THOMAS has been appointed Collector of the Port of Philadelphia. This appointment was opposed by the Blankenburg Business Martin kite. The new collector was Cooper and gained much information which will be of value to him now.

THE State Board of Agriculture de- vents malarial disorders. Convalescence, cides that it will not go out of exist- after exhausting diseases have run their ence at this time, says the Harrisburg ovurse, is often timeous and tedions. Re-Telegraph, but will wait another year, covery is greatly accelerated by the use of and then if the Legislature refuses to the Bitters, which improves the appetite put up money for expenses it will say and imparts renewed vigor to debilitated farewell forever. The gentlemen who physique. A wineglassful before meals compose the board deserve a great deal creates a hearty zest for food. of credit for holding together two years and giving the farmers all the benefit

mmediate intervention. At the same headed enough to keep him in conversa- lation vetoed by Governor Hastings. time, it is clear that unless Spain gives tion while he summoned assistance. The up the contest against the insurgents man carried a revolver and a small bottle of the state every effort should be made and recognizes that she has not the of nitro-glycerine.

faintest chance to regain control of the Ests a Goose Every Day. island, intervention must come before

Wurz undertook three weeks ago to eat A MEETING of alleged "Business a goose a day until he put away thirty Court for a long time are now attack- Men" is advertised to be held in Phila- geese. He has already disposed of twening the intelligence of the inferior delphia to-day, at which a candidate ty-three geese. If he cats the remaining courts whose decisions have been re- for the Republican nomination for Gov- seven in seven days he will win \$200. If conference is called. versed in the higher tribunal. Once ernor will be endorsed and a candida'e he fails he will lose a like amount to

lowed twenty-four hours for each bird. It is the same old outfit that twice The geess, after being picked and cleaned, lected a Democrat Governor of the must weigh not less than six nor more of uniting all citizens and organiza-State, and that last winter tried to send than eleven pounds. The eating must tions for the coming state campaign are

Rose furnishes the greese. The breast one from your locality entertaining is boiled, the wings and the legs are you promptly.

Battle With a Buck.

others. The Somerset delegation is BELLEFONTE, Pa., Jan. 26.-A. G. Barkprobably a fair index of the element or, who lives in the Allegheny mountthroughout the State that will be aims, several miles north, reports a thrill-

lying on the ground.

Barker was traveling through the forest of the Spruce run game preserve when

McKinley is Emphatic.

In his address to the Manufacturers' Association in New York last Thursday many will go poorly prepared, lured evening, the President has given notice by the seductive steamship agents, why that the Republican party will take no backward step on the financial question

and that he proposes to devote his best efforts to the task of so regulating the King," has been offered nincty-six value of the money of the United States cents a bushel for 7,750,000 bushels of as to make it conform with the highest standards of commercial honesty and the wheat he now holds, by the Paris national honesty. Here is what he said : house of Dreyfus & Co. This would mean a profit to Leiter of \$450,000, but he has refused the offer, which is said template an unexampled corner in unexampled corner in questioned and unassailable. If doubts remain, they must be removed. If weight, and finally thrown 20 feet, lodg-

questioned and unassailable. If doubts remain, they must be removed. If weak places are discovered they must be strengthened. Nothing should ever tempt ns-nothing ever will tempt us-to scale down the sacred debt of the mation through a legal technicality. Whatever may be the language of the contract, the United States will discharge all of its ob-ingations in the currency recognized as the best throughout the civilized world at the times of payment. Nor will we ever consent that the wages of labor or its fringal savings shall be scaled down by permitting payment in dollars of less value than the doliars no fees est in every enlightened nation of the make his way home. earth.

Had His Tombstone 25 Years Ago.

The Ruined California Grape Grop.

The partial loss to the grape crop this SALEM, N. J., Jan. 28-After waiting year, caused by the heavy rains, is esti- twenty-five years, James J. Redstrake, such a letter will occasion him he will mated to exceed 1,000,000. Farmers and an eccentric resident of this city, died proceed promptly to accept, and provineyards all over the northern part of Wednesday night, and his body was to- mulgate a letter for general publication the State have suffered, and shipments of cay placed under a head stone he had protesting against everything that is Men's League, a little tail to the Dave the fruit to the East are proportionally erected a quarter of a century ago. Redsmall. At least one quarter of the crop strake was 88 years old and wealthy. born in Philadelphia in 1860. He was is lost. While this is true, it is equally a He was married twice, and out-lived both a member of the lower branch of the fact that lost and failing strength may be wives. Twenty-five years ago he went Aided by his millionaire backers in Legislature in 1885-9, and of the Sen- restored to the weak and nervous by the to the Baptist cometery here, and, under Philadelphia he will then proceed to ate 1890 until now. In 1880 and 1890 persistent, systematic use of the great na- the belief that he would live but a short his real purpose of endeavoring to dehe was private secretary to Collector tional tonic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, time, had a monument erected. It bore feat the regular Republican nominees which renews the tone and harmonions his name, the date of his birth, and there by taking votes away from them and activity of the stomach, liver and the was a space left for the date of his death bowels, counteracts a tondency to rhea- to be filled in.

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matism and kidney complaint, and pre-BABY'S SMOOTH, FAIR SKIN A Grateful Mother Writes this Letter-

Jilted Her Lover.

attacks of the legislative sharks why Maine's visit to Havana does not mean purpose by Mr. Madill, who was cool- were responsible for the vicious legis-For the sake of the Republican party

> to prevent a repetition of the political crime of 1890, when the nomination of Mr. Delamater was forced upon the people, and a Democratic governor SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 29 .- Charles elected as a result thereof. The same men, by the employment of like methods, are endeavoring to bring about a similar nomination at the state convention of June 2, and it is to prevent the consummation of this program that this

> As indicated, this is not to be a convention, but simply a conference, called By the terms of the wager Wurz is al. for the purpose named, and all Republicans who are desirous of the party's success and opposed to the present au tocratic regime, and therefore in favor are authorized to bring with you any

> > similar views. Please let us hear from Very truly yours. CHARLES B. ADAMSON.

> > > JOHN G. CROXTON, FRANCIS B. REEVES. RUDOLH BLANKENBURG. HOWARD B. FRENCH. WILLIAM SELLERS. WILLIAM T. TILDEN,

Committee on Conference.

The first of the these letters develops a combination between the man who he was startled by a loud bellowing and started the combine fight and the milcries for help. Hastening in the direction lonaire conspirators and would be whence the crics proceeded, he was

bosses. These men fear the light of day and startled to see a monster buck pawing and prodding with its antlers at a man the treatment they would receive from the rank and file of the Republican Securing a club, Barker rushed to the party if they went fairly and openly to the polls in the counties of the state. Instead of being followers of some blow in the hope of driving it away. The fair, honest Republican who is willing back lunged sideways, and the man who to submit his candidacy to the people was down, who proved to be one of the it the primaries and in the county conwardens on the preserve, sprang to his | tentions throughout Pennsylvania they feet, and ran for dear life, leaving Barker meet in the secrecy of their parlors and and regulate the value of its money by the highest standards of communicatial honesty

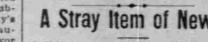
> committee to draft a letter to the candidate, telling him of their action and asking him for his consent to run as their candidate. After he has over come the first shock of surprise which In existence and promising all sorts of reforms and changes which he knows he can never carry out, but which he thinks may serve to get votes. enabling the Bryan free sliver Demograts to elect their state ticket. This is food for thought for the Republicans of Pennsylvania, who gave

William McKinley a majority of 380,-600. Mr. McKin'ey's administration has been denounced by Mr. Wanamaker Inpublic interviews, and his appointments Tells all about Her Troubles when in Pennsylvania have been condemned by the officers and committees of the Baby Broke out with Scrofula Sores. Eusiness Hen's League, and their mo-"At the age of two months, my haby tive in seeking to drag down Republibegan to have sores break out on his right | can rule in the state and nation is self check. We used all the external ap- prident to every thinking man.

plications that we could think or hear of, The second letter evolved by the

for the name of the writer It is understood that Mr. Le not authorized to drag the s ministration into any connect the Business Men's League st indicated in his letter given ab there was a small riot at Ha when the newspapers made th public. The column of the Busines League on the official ballot delphia has been filled by th

of Roney and all the Martin ca for ward offices. This is a new showing thrift and hiring out dead walls for advertisements



Culled from an Exchange in

He is a good, honest, hard skilled mechanic. Whether in sewed shoes for Latrobe's repredizens, or nailing on a heel on dinary laborer's brogans, Mr. D. ner, of Ligonier street, Latrobe, ishes his job in a creditable man representative found him sewing representative found him seeving t on a fine pair of shoes. Ofte struightened himself up from th he pressed his hands into the s his back and ominously shook h for his back ached, and he suffe-nearly every shoemaker in our I Our representative quietly re "Why don't you use Doan's Pills?" "Well," replied Mr. Co have noticed a score of advert have noticed a score of adver about this remedy in our local po I thought they were like eve specific which I had tried," "" Chairman and see," our representative s "If they don't do you any g won't do you any harm." So weeks afterwards a second visit to Mr. Conner, when the follow ticulars were given by him for tion: "Both my wife and mys used Doan's Kidney Pills, and co mend them as an excellent remet cases of kidney complaint. I we ered for a long time with a so of the kidneys and auxiliary There was a sense of heatings ness through the loins, and in ners, and too frequent action a ness of the kidner sceretions, Doan's Kidney Pills at a drug s Doan's Kidney Pills at a drug st a few doses relieved me, and I w completely cured. Mrs. Conner, result of a strain received a cy years ago, was troubled with a ness and aching pain through th of the back, and a weakened of tressing condition of the secretion used Doan's Kidney Pills, and these most beneficial. I take pile recommending so good a remedy to troubled with any form of kidn troubled with any form of kids Doan's Kidney Pills, for sal dealers. Price 50 cents. M Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. agents for the U. S. Remember

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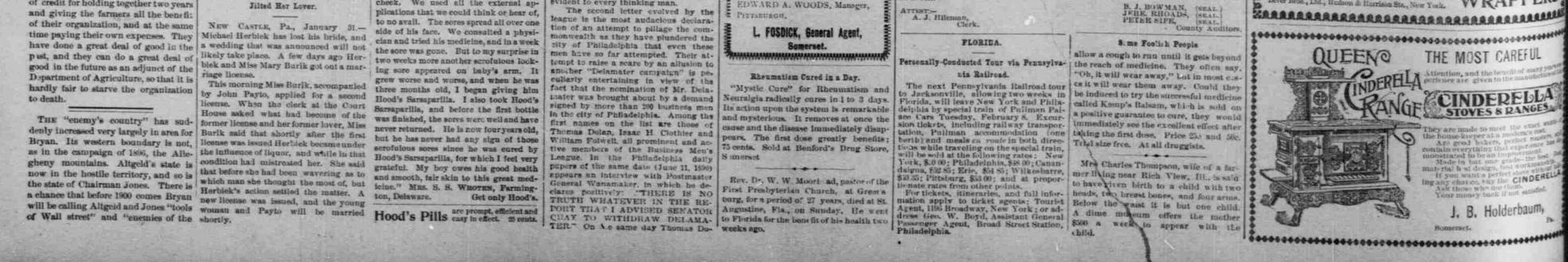
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