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ISN'T it about time for the Insurgents to "compliment" Boss Flinn with a vote?

GOVERNOR STONE has proclaimed Monday, May 1st, a holiday—Dewey Day—and recommends its proper observance.

IN Mr. Bryan's lexicon no man can be a Democrat who is not for the Chicago platform and the one candidate who fits it.

CUSTOMS receipts at the Philippines average $300,000 a month, and are increasing. With peace the islands would soon reach a self-supporting basis.

MR. BRYAN says the Democratic party is more harmonious than ever before. He feels sorry for any one who could call a quartet of dinners a discord.

ONE of the things that may be taken for granted is that at the Bryan banquets no reference will be made to the advance in wages or any other sign of prosperity.

THE anxiety exhibited by the Democratic and mugwump press of the State to have Quay withdraw and "thus save himself from much loss of prestige" is truly touching.

THOUGH Altgeld ran on a silver platform, he received only a fourth of the former silver vote in Chicago. The old ratio will hardly serve for a serious political issue next year.

THE bewhiskered Tubbs was given only one show at the bat by the Insurgents at Harrisburg. After voting for him Thursday they tumbled to Irvin and "complimented" him for several ballots.

GOVERNOR STONE has tendered the vacancy on the Supreme Court bench to Hon. Simon P. Wolverton, of Sunbury, one of the ablest Democratic lawyers in the State.

IN New England recently the wages of over 130,000 cotton-workers have been advanced. Last year's Democratic arguments will have to be shelved in that part of the country.

SPEAKER REED'S latest epigram is one of his best. He says the presidency is "four years of imprisonment with the chance of assassination." But it may have been a case of "sour grapes," because there was no time when the "czar" was not quite willing to run the chance of assassination.

THE dedication of the Hartranft monument in Harrisburg in May promises to be a most imposing affair, and will be attended by prominent people from all over the country. Among the more distinguished guests will be President McKinley, General Miles, and Admiral Schley.

UP TO date the bribery investigation committee have had several rural statesmen on the stand who swore point-blank that they were offered money for their votes, and the fellows so charged have taken the stand and under oath denied that they did any such thing. There is evidently some very tall lying going on, but as to who is doing it "You pays your money and takes your choice."

LAST Thursday Boss Flinn cracked his whip, and Representatives Koontz and Kendall, who were instructed to vote for Quay for United States Senator, instantly jumped to their feet and cast their votes for one Charles Tubbs. And now the average Somerset county Republican is querying his neighbor: "Who the d—l is Tubbs?" If Boss Flinn were to order: "Vote for Beelzebub," we doubt not but that our Representatives would meekly do so.

THE trial of ex-Senator Quay on a charge of conspiracy to use the State's money unlawfully was commenced before Judge Biddle, in Philadelphia, Monday. A jury was secured without delay, and the case is now under full headway. The friends of the Senator are confident of his acquittal at the hands of the jury. The outcome of the now celebrated case will be watched with great interest, not only throughout the State, but throughout the country. Its final decision will likely have much to do with the election of a United States Senator.

THE fate that befell Mayor McKisson, of Cleveland, O., last week, should prove a warning for some of the bolters at Harrisburg who are fixing themselves for a dose of the same medicine. McKisson organized a bolt of a few Republicans of the Ohio Legislature, formed a fusion with the Democrats, and, after Senator Hanna had been made the regular Republican candidate for the United States Senate, attempted to defeat him. McKisson was made a candidate for re-election as mayor of Cleveland last week, and the voters showed their disapproval of his treacherous course in the senatorial fight by beating him by some 3,500, while the rest of the Republican ticket was elected by good majorities. As a party-wrecker and bolter he got what he deserved—a dose of medicine of his own mixing.

THE new-born fear of the Insurgent Legislators that unless Mr. Quay withdraws as a candidate for United States Senator there will be no election, and it will result in a split in the Republican party of the State, is very far-fetched. If they are desirous of party harmony, why not have Mr. Dalzell, Mr. Huff, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Tubbs, and the balance of the dozen or more Independent candidates for whom they have been voting for months past, and whose combined vote has not reached half of that given Mr. Quay, withdraw? Mr. Quay is the regularly nominated candidate of the party, is supported by almost two-thirds of the Republican members of the joint convention, and is clearly entitled to be elected. The hypocritical cant that they fear the injury that will result to the party in the event that there is no election comes with a bad grace from the little band of bolters who alone are responsible for the present state of affairs, and will be held to answer to their constituents if no election is had.

THAT surplus of a little over $2,000,000 in the Government's revenue in March is an encouraging exhibit. The war expenditures have caused large deficits in the past year, but it looks now as if the turning point has been nearly reached. Deficits are likely to reappear in some of the remaining months of the fiscal year, but they will neither be so great nor so constant as they have been in the past twelve months. The increase in revenue is likely to be maintained, though the falling off in expenditure can not be relied on. Most of the increase in revenue comes from the growth in importations, and this is due to an improvement in business and to an upward tendency in prices of domestic products. The immense balance of trade in our favor for the past year will now diminish, but it can fall off a great deal without doing any material damage. Both the volume of the circulation and the amount of money in the treasury are larger than they ever were in the past, and there is no reason to believe that the gain in this respect has reached its limit.

WHERE was Representative Harris, of Clearfield, when Colonel Irvin was voted for for United States Senator? Mr. Harris was instructed by the Republicans of his county at their primary elections to vote for Colonel Irvin for Senator. He has repudiated these instructions and has not at any time pretended to represent the Republicans of his district, taking his orders wholly from the machine. We can not recall another case in the politics of this State where a Representative has chosen to disregard the instructions he has received. Mr. Harris has dishonored himself and shown that he is not fit to be trusted.

The above item is taken from Saturday's Philadelphia Press, the recognized Wanamaker organ of the State. When the Press says "We can not recall another case in the politics of this State where a Representative has chosen to disregard the instructions he has received," it is evidently suffering from a lapse of memory. It must have forgotten that Representatives Koontz and Kendall, of this county, were not only instructed by a popular vote of their constituents, but also by a resolution adopted by a unanimous vote of the convention that declared them the party nominees, to support Senator Quay for re-election, and that they have been steadfastly disregarding their instructions. Or does the Press think it dishonest on the part of a Quay Representative to disobey his instructions, but a praiseworthy act on the part of an anti-Quay Representative?

REPUBLICAN primaries were held in three counties Saturday to name delegates to the next State Convention. In all three of them the Stalwarts won positive victories, and added five more to their string of delegates. The counties that voted Saturday are Lycoming, Venango and Forest. Lycoming is the home of ex-Attorney General McCormick, and Venango is part of the old C. W. Stone congressional district, and in view of the many declarations from the Wanamaker bolters at Harrisburg that popular sentiment is with them, the fact that the four delegates chosen in these two counties are supporters of Colonel Quay, and that the bolters gave up the fight as a hopeless one, is significant. Forest has been in line with the Republican organization, and the State delegate will act with the friends of Senator Quay. In addition to the three counties that voted Saturday, elections have been held in Berks, Blair, Butler, Delaware, Indiana, Lawrence, Lancaster, Montour, Warren and Union, and in all of these the Stalwarts have elected solid delegations to the State Convention. Not one county has been carried by the bolters, or those in sympathy with them. When this is considered, the members of the Legislature who have been steadily voting for Quay can properly feel that they are acting in accordance with the wishes of the masses of the Republican party.

THE bill making the minimum school term seven months has been signed by the Governor, and is now a law. When the common school system was established, in 1854, the minimum term was fixed at four months, in 1872 it was increased to five months, and in 1887 was raised to six months. Each enlargement of the term was attended with opposition in various quarters as an addition to the people's burdens, and the present increase has met with similar objections. A very large majority of the taxpayers of Somerset county were strongly opposed to the present increase, and confidently looked to Representatives Koontz and Kendall to prevent the enactment of the measure. It was clearly a case of misplaced confidence, as our Representatives either did not have the ability or the desire to do so. School directors will now have to obey the law. It is claimed that in some school districts in the State the directors cut down the school term in order to retain money in the treasury for the next year, and that this is causing a great deal of feeling among those parents who are taxed. Under the new law the directors will have to declare in their reports the amount of receipts and expenditures and the length of the school term. If the term is less than seven months, and any money remains in the treasury, the district will get from the State just that much less of the State appropriation, so there will be nothing gained.

NOTWITHSTANDING the frantic predictions that have daily emanated from the mugwump press, Quay has not withdrawn, no break has occurred in the solid ranks of his loyal supporters, and the bolters and disorganizers have not made one accession to their ranks. The situation at Harrisburg is the same to-day that it was one week ago, and is likely to remain so to the end of the session, unless the bolters, realizing their inability to defeat the candidate of the Republican voters of the State, should, at this late day, give him their support. The trial of the Quay cases is likely to consume the balance of the week, and should they result in the acquittal of the ex-Senator, the excuse that a large number of the bolters have been giving for voting against him will be removed, and his election follow. The probabilities are that there will be no change in the situation until after the conclusion of these cases. During the past week the bolters have been concentrating their votes on Huff, Tubbs and Irvin, one after the other. There was not a quorum present Saturday or Monday, and the joint ballot Tuesday resulted: Quay, 95, Jenks 76, Irvin 5; leaving Quay 17 votes short of an election. If the resolution adopted at the beginning of the session is adhered to, the Legislature will adjourn finally Thursday of next week, and in the event of there being no election, Pennsylvania will be represented in the United States Senate for the next two years by but one Senator.

Almost Decapitated.

PHILLIPSBURG, Centre Co., Pa., April 6.—Samuel M. Graham, of the firm of Graham, Herd & Co., was instantly killed and almost decapitated by a dynamite explosion here to-day. Graham, in order to get a photograph of the dynamiting of a stump, stood within one hundred feet of the explosive, and was struck by a sliver of the stump. The dead man was well known in athletic and military circles, and was a veteran of the Spanish-American war.

The News Fakirs.

From the Harrisburg Telegraph.

It is amusing to watch the antics of the news fakirs who now infest Harrisburg and send out fake stories to the newspapers they represent. The majority of them have been throwing mud at Senator Quay ever since the beginning of the Senatorial contest, and they have been trying their utmost to drag him down. Failing in this they have tried all they know how to belittle him, by sending out fake stories. One day they send out a story that Quay will not be here because he is afraid to face the music and he dare not meet the people who will be here to ask him questions. The next day they spread broadcast the story that Quay is hurrying to Harrisburg to help his waning cause, and that his lieutenants are wild with fear because he does not come quickly. Then, to vary the monotony, they proclaim that Senator Quay does not know whether he will visit the State Capital or not—he has not made up his mind what he will do, and he has summoned his lieutenants to Washington to advise him. It is hardly necessary to say that not one of the stories is true. At the outset of the senatorial contest Senator Quay and his friends agreed upon a plan of action and they have not departed from the plan one hair's breadth, they have not veered one particle from the course agreed upon. Senator Quay knows that his cause is in good hands—that the men he has faith in are doing just what was mapped out months ago, and he is not worrying about the future action of his friends. He is not losing any sleep for fear he is being betrayed, although, to judge from the reports sent out from Harrisburg, brought here, it is alleged, by people who have been in Washington, Senator Quay is not only losing sleep, but he is pale and haggard, has lost flesh, and is altogether miserable. But the fake newspaper writers must have something to write about, and they can invent any old lie and it will go with the anti-Quay newspapers.

BUNCH OF PATRONAGE FOR BOIES PENROSE.

Census Plums in Pennsylvania Grow on a Tree in His Yard.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—For the taking of next year's census Pennsylvania will be divided into 19 districts, each to be in charge of a census supervisor, according to a plan promulgated by Director Merriam to-day. These districts will conform as nearly as practicable with the boundaries of congressional districts. In Pennsylvania there will be a few instances of such conformity, but not many. Allegheny county will constitute one census district, the Eighteenth, Philadelphia county and Luzerne county will also constitute districts by themselves. The other districts in the western part of the state are made up as follows: Eleventh, Cameron, Clinton, Lycoming, Potter and Tioga; Twelfth, Blair, Bedford, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata and Mifflin; Thirteenth, Cambria, Clearfield and Somerset; Fourteenth, Clarion, Forest, Elk, Jefferson, McKean and Warren; Fifteenth, Erie, Crawford and Venango; Sixteenth, Armstrong, Westmoreland and Indiana; Seventeenth, Fayette, Greene and Washington; Nineteenth, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence and Mercer.

In Pennsylvania it is probable the appointment of supervisors of census will be dictated mostly by Senator Penrose if the deadlock at Harrisburg results in leaving Quay's seat vacant. The supervisors are to be nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate, which insures that the appointees shall be agreeable to the senators. The duties of the supervisors will be to have general charge of the work of gathering all statistics in their representative districts, the division of the districts into sub-divisions, the employment, with the consent of the director of the census, of enumerators in such sub-divisions, one or more in each. The compensation of supervisors is fixed in the following manner:

Each supervisor shall receive $125, and in addition thereto in thickly-settled districts $1 for each 1,000 or majority fraction of 1,000 of the population, and in sparsely settled districts $1.40 for each 1,000 or majority fraction of 1,000, but in the aggregate no supervisor shall be paid less than $1,000. The sub-divisions assigned to enumerators shall not exceed 4,000 in population, as nearly as may be estimated, and the compensation of enumerators shall be ascertained and fixed by the director of the census in the following manner

In sub-divisions where he shall deem such allowance sufficient, an allowance of not less than 2 nor more than 3 cents for each living inhabitant and for each death reported; not less than 15 nor more than 20 cents for each farm, and not less than 20 nor more than 30 cents for each establishment of productive industry returned may be given in full compensation for all services. For all other sub divisions per diem rates shall be fixed by the director of the census according to the difficulty of enumerating, but the compensation allowed to any enumerator in any such districts shall be not less than $3 nor more than $6 per day of 10 hours' actual field work each.

Protection for Wives.

Major J. W. Nesbit, pension agent for this district, says the Pittsburg Post, is well pleased with the act of Congress of March 3, approved by Commissioner of Pensions H. Clay Evans. The new act making provision for the wives of soldiers with pension rights is the first absolute recognition paid wives by the Government in the history of the pension department. It provides that when pensioners desert their wives, who are in indigent circumstances, their minor children or permanently helpless children, one-half of their pensions shall be paid their wives or the legally authorized guardians of their children.

Prior to this time the Government had never recognized the dependent wives of pensioners in any substantial manner. Section 4,706, revised statutes, as amended by the act of August 8, 1882, was the nearest approach to offering protection to dependent wives and children. It provided that in instances where the pensioner was committed to prison for any overt act, or adjudged insane by competent medical examiners and confined in an insane asylum, then a portion of the money of the pensioner could be obtained by a legally appointed guardian of the children or the wife. As the law now reads, pensioners who indulge in riotous living and insist upon neglecting their families, will be compelled to make provision for their dependents to the extent of one-half of their month'ly pensions.

The act of March 3 also provides that when pensioners become inmates of State soldiers' homes and refuse to contribute to the support of their families, one-half of their monthly pensions will be at the disposal of their dependent families. All claimants must make applications direct to the commissioner's office at Washington, D. C., and in no case will the pension agent pay or attempt to adjust the claim until action has been taken in the case and recommendations made by the commissioner.

Inflamed and Granulated Eyelids.

Is there anything more disfiguring to a face or more disagreeable than inflamed or granulated eyelids? These result from a multitude of causes, and respond quickly to proper treatment. Such treatment may be had at the hands of Dr. A. Sigmann, 804 Penn Ave., Pittsburg, formerly of Vienna, Austria, who has enjoyed the advantage of years of study and practice in the greatest hospital of the world, situated in that city, and is prepared to give any cases relating to his specialties—Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat—the most thorough scientific treatment possible. During his short stay in this city he has already secured a long list of patients to whom he can refer any person desiring to gain information regarding his skill and success.

The Name of Gettysburg.

In a letter which Governor Stone wrote to W. S. Grenoble, of Gettysburg, declining to sign a petition addressed to the Secretary of the Navy urging that one of the new cruisers be named the "Gettysburg" the Executive said:

"If naming a cruiser 'Gettysburg' would alone honor and distinguish the excellent town of that name, I would not hesitate to join you in this request; but to the whole country and to the civilized world that name typifies a great battle which settled a controversy between the North and South of our country. To both sections it recalls a great struggle. The victory was with the North, the defeat with the South.

"In the recent war with Spain the North and the South were blended as one in defense of our flag. Our battleships and cruisers are manned by sailors and marines from both the North and the South, and I do not think it wise that a name should be selected for any of our vessels which would revive the unpleasantness which grew out of the Civil War and existed for so many years.

"Let Gettysburg be honored and revered as the site of a great battle wherein the survivors of the Northern army and the survivors of the Southern army can alike uphold the valor of their comrades. I am not in favor of giving any vessel in our navy a name which will distinguish a battle fought by Americans against Americans."

Venango Solid.

SHARON, Pa., April 8.—The Venango county Republican primaries were held to-day and the friends of Colonel Quay had a walkover in the election of delegates to the State Convention. General George A. Wiley, of Franklin, and W. H. Corrin, of Oil City, who were chosen State delegates, are pronounced supporters of the Beaver statesman. The few sympathizers of the Flinn bolters at Harrisburg who reside in this county concluded that it would be useless to make a fight against these candidates, who were chosen by the supporters of the regular organization. General Wiley was in Harrisburg recently and assured the supporters of Senator Quay that both the delegates would be in sympathy with the State organization.

The anti-Quay faction which was instrumental in the defeat of the Republican ticket last fall gave up the fight at the moment when they recognized the hopelessness of their cause. The Quay people were disappointed at the action of the anti-Quay forces in refusing to fight, after the bold bluff they had put up, as they desired to show the anti Quay people how weak they really are.

Grain-O Brings Relief

to the coffee drinker. Coffee drinking is a habit that is universally indulged in and almost as universally injurious. Have you tried Grain-O? It is almost like coffee but the effects are just the opposite. Coffee upsets the stomach, ruins the digestion, affects the heart and disturbs the whole nervous system. Grain-O tones up the stomach, aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. There is nothing but nourishment in Grain-O. It can't be otherwise. 15 and 25c. per package.

Political Notes.

These are hard times for reformers. The Kansas man who ran for mayor on an anti-bloomer ticket has been snowed under.

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The "independence" of the Pennsylvania Legislative Insurgents is evidenced by the manner in which they transfer their votes for U. S. Senator from one man to another, at the suggestion of Mr. Flinn, whose talent for persuading mules to go any course he wishes has long been recognized.—Johnstown Tribune.

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"Hon. J. D. Hicks will be the next postmaster, or name the man," said a well-known Republican yesterday.—Altoona Times.

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The elections in Ohio would indicate that the friends of William McKinley will have a great deal to say in making up the delegation to the National Convention next year.

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State Treasurer James S. Beacom has appointed T. S. Pierce, of Saltsburg, present assistant cashier in the State Treasurer's office, as cashier to succeed the late Benjamin J. Haywood.

Mr. Pierce has been in the office about eight years. He was first appointed to a clerkship in the office by Colonel Jackson and was continued in the same position by the late Benjamin Haywood. When Treasurer Beacom was installed in office, Mr. Pierce was made assistant cashier.

LOW RATES TO WASHINGTON AND BALTIMORE.

Last Two Low-rate Excursions to Washington and Baltimore via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The last two Pennsylvania Railroad low-rate ten-day excursions from Pittsburg and points in Western Pennsylvania to Washington, will leave on April 27, and May 11. Roundtrip tickets will be sold at rates quoted below, good going on special train indicated, or on train No. 4, leaving Pittsburg at 8:20 p. m., and carrying through sleeping cars to Washington. Special train of through parlor cars and coaches will be run on the following schedule:—

	Train leaves.	Rate.
Pittsburg	8:00 A. M.	$9 00
Connellsville	7:22 "	7 55
Johnstown	10:15 "	7 35
Cumberland	8 15 "	6 65
Washington	Arrive 7:45	

Tickets will be good returning on any regular train, except the Pennsylvania Limited, until April 8, May 6 and May 29 respectively, and to stop off at Baltimore within limit.

Holders of special excursion tickets to Washington can purchase, at the Pennsylvania Railroad Ticket Offices in Washington, excursion tickets to Richmond at rate of $4.00, and to Old Point Comfort (all rail) at $6 00; at the offices of the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company, excursion tickets (not including meals and staterooms on steamers) to Old Point Comfort or Norfolk, Va., at $3.50, and to Virginia Beach at $4.50; Washington to Mt. Vernon and return, via electric railway, 50 cents.

Should the number of passengers not be sufficient to warrant the running of a special train, the company reserves the right to carry participants in this excursion on regular train.

Tickets on sale in Pittsburg, at Union Ticket office, 350 Fifth Avenue, and Union Station, and at all stations mentioned above. For full information apply to agents or Thomas E. Watt, Passenger Agent Western District, Fifth Avenue and Smithfield street, Pittsburg.

Held Up the Town.

BOTKIN, O., April 6.—Five desperadoes took possession of this town this morning at 2 o'clock and made a desperate attempt to rob the Sheets bank. They first stole two horses and a buggy and robbed two blacksmith shops to secure hammers and chisels. They then turned off the lights of the engine room to prevent alarm. Three of them patrolled the street with revolvers while the other two proceeded to blow the safe with dynamite.

Philip Sheet's son, living nearby, saw the whole performance, but was prevented from giving the alarm by one of the safe robbers. Another citizen also saw them, but was not allowed to leave his house. Three explosions followed at short intervals. The front doors and bottom of the safe were blown to pieces and the front and ceiling of the building demolished. The robbers failed, however, to reach the money vault, in which there was $10,000.

12 Sleepers Wake to Die.

NEW YORK, April 7.—Fire early this morning destroyed the handsome residence of Wallace C. Andrews at No. 2 East Sixty-seventh street and 12 persons sleeping in the house were burned to death. Fire brands carried by the wind were blown into an an open window in the home of Albert J. Adams, No. 3 East Sixty-ninth street, two blocks distant, setting fire to the house and causing the death of a servant. The 13 bodies have been recovered.

LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

Ballot Reform Measure Passed the House.

The Keator ballot reform bill passed the house finally Tuesday, but it will probably be amended by the Senate.

The measure was drafted by the Pennsylvania Ballot Reform association, and provides absolute secrecy in voting. Under it no voter shall have a helper, unless he is physically incapacitated or unable to read. His helper must first declare under oath, subscribed to, that he will not attempt to influence the voter, but will give him the help he desires, and that he will not disclose the contents of the ballot, except in a legal proceeding. The bill does away with the circle, and the name of the candidate shall be printed but once on the ballot for the same office. The bill also reduces the ballot to one-sixth its present size, and enables the voter to avoid risk of mistake in voting. There is only one way to mark a ballot, according to this bill—by putting a mark opposite the name of each candidate, the candidates being in groups, with party names and appellations following them.

On second reading the bill to declare the species of fish which are game and fish commercially valuable for food was amended to provide that it shall be lawful to catch carp with seines and to fish in waters which do not contain brook trout from April 15 to June 15, and from September 15 to November 15, with set nets and dip nets; these nets shall not span more than five feet and have meshes not less than one inch square. It shall also be lawful to fish in streams and ponds which do not contain brook trout, with outlines for eels and catfish from sunset to sunrise, the hooks on the outlines to be baited with angle worms or dead bait and no other.

A bill was introduced, taxing game fish caught in the streams of the state. The bill requires every sportsman and fisherman to keep an accurate account of every pound of fish caught and for which the following tax is fixed: Every pound of brook trout, fifteen cents; black fish, two cents; eels, one-half cent, every other variety of game fish, three cents; shad, one-half cent, and every other variety of food fish, one-quarter cent a pound. Sportsmen and fishermen are required to go before a justice of the peace and make oath to the amount of fish caught, and pay a tax to the county treasurer.

BRIBERY INVESTIGATION.

Ex-Congressman Kulp testified that he had never offered Representative Brown $300 to stay away from the joint convention, but that they were speaking of a horse deal when the sum was mentioned. Representative Kendall was excused from testifying as the committee decided that his former evidence did not accuse any person. Representative Wilson, of Westmoreland, said that it was John R. Byrne, of Scottdale, who had intimated to him that it might be worth $5,000 to him to change his vote to Quay. Harry F. Bovard, of Greensburg, denied that he ever told Representative Youngson it would be worth his while to desert Quay. Frank Jones, of Philadelphia, denied that he had ever offered Representative Laubach a position in the mint for his vote, though Laubach (employed by Wanamaker) had told him that Wanamaker's employes got small salaries.

SCHOOL APPROPRIATION.

The general appropriation bill passed the house on second reading without any attempt to reduce the item of $11,000,000 for schools for the next two years.

WITH HONORS OF WAR.

Burial of the Dead of the Spanish-American War.

With full honors of war, upon the crest of the southern slope of Arlington cemetery, Thursday afternoon, the nation, represented by President McKinley, his cabinet and other high dignitaries of the government, the commanding general of the army and other distinguished officers, all the regular and militia organizations of the District of Columbia and a vast concourse of 15,000 people, paid the last tender tribute of honor and respect to the bodies of 336 officers and men who gave their lives on distant battlefields for their country during the Spanish-American war.

To the right rise the ramparts of old Fort McPherson, to the left the countless graves of heroes of the civil war, sprinkled with imposing monuments to distinguished generals, and to the rear the stately old Lee mansion and Fort Meyer. In this burial lot which covers two acres in extent, in parallel rows the boxes containing the caskets were ranged, separated by great mounds of earth. Over each box an American flag was draped. There was no particular order in the disposition of the remains, though an exception was made in the case of the officers.

Peace Delegates Chosen.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Secretary Hay formally announced to-day the names of the gentlemen selected by the President to represent the United States at the coming disarmament conference to be held at The Hague. They are:

Andrew D. White, United States Ambassador to Germany.

Stanford Newell, United States Minister to the Netherlands.

President Seth Low, of the Columbia University of New York.

Captain William Crosier, Ordnance Department U. S. A., Military Attache.

Captain A. T. Mahan, U. S. N., retired Naval Attache.

Frederick Hollis, of New York, secretary.

7,000 Volunteers Left in Cuba

WASHINGTON, April 7.—It was said at the war department to-day that about 7,000 volunteer troops remain in Cuba. The department is availing itself of every resource to get these men out before the rainy season; to-day's report was that this can be completed by April 25.

Forest Falls In Line.

TIONESTA, Pa., April 8.—The Republican primaries held in Forest county to-day were quite spirited, and resulted in a victory for the supporters of Colonel Quay. J. C. Scowden, a firm friend of Senator Quay, was elected delegate to the State convention.

How Mrs. Pinkham HELPED MRS. GOODEN.

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 12,721]

"I am very grateful to you for your kindness and the interest you have taken in me, and truly believe your medicines and advice are worth more to a woman than all the doctors in the world. For years I had female troubles and did nothing for them. Of course I became no better and finally broke down entirely. My troubles began with inflammation and hemorrhages from the kidneys, then inflammation, congestion and falling of the womb and inflammation of ovaries.

"I underwent local treatment every day for some time; then after nearly two months the doctor gave me permission to go back to work. I went back, but in less than a week was compelled to give up and go to bed. On breaking down the second time, I decided to let doctors and their medicine alone and try your remedies. Before the first bottle was gone I felt the effects of it. Three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and a package of her Sanative Wash did me more good than all the doctors' treatments and medicine.

"The first remark that greets me now is 'How much better you look!' and you may be sure I never hesitate to tell the cause of my health."—MRS. E. J. GOODEN, ACKLEY, IA.

News Items.

Colonel Egbert, who was killed the other day in the Philippines, owned the dueling pistols used by Hamilton and Burr in their deadly encounter in 1804

There has been some distrust of the supply of natural gas at Pittsburg, but experts have recently stated that they believe it will last for at least 25 years.

An unoffending, well-to-do Parisian was killed by a lunatic last Saturday, having been mistaken for the French President, whom he greatly resembled.

Two German doctors have invented an apparatus for photographing the interior of the stomach. The negative is the size of a cherry stone, but can be enlarged.

The trial of Mrs. Annie George for the murder of George D. Saxton, brother of Mrs. McKinley, on October 7, 1898, began at Canton, O., on Tuesday of last week.

Just before Secretary Alger sailed for Cuba he approved an order which puts candy upon the list of articles to be kept on hand for sale to officers and enlisted men.

In Beattie, Kan., two tickets, one composed solely of women, the other of men, ran against each other at the recent election. The women got everything but police judge and Marshal.

It has been said by us before, but it is not inopportune to repeat it now, that Senator Quay was the first contributor to our people after the Johnstown Flood, in the shape of a check for $500.—Johnstown Tribune.

Capt. J. T. Weldon, of Kansas City, has presented a claim against the Government for $51,000 back pay. He says he was captain of a gunboat on the Mississippi during the Civil War, and has never been mustered out.

An exchange says: It costs the people of the United States $255,000,000 annually for getting born, $200,000,000 for getting married, $75,000,000 for getting buried and $1,125,000,000 for getting drunk. So that it is cheaper to die than do anything else.

Warren F. Leland, proprietor of the burned Windsor hotel, died on Tuesday of last week, at the Hotel Grenoble, New York, after an operation for appendicitis on the Friday previous, aged 54. His wife and daughter were both victims of the fire.

Emanuel Miller was Wednesday found dead in bed at his home near Schellsburg, Bedford County. The Coroner's jury returned a verdict of death from fright. Four men had stoned his house and posted a notice that he leave the county inside of thirty days, under penalty of death.

The President has selected the following names for the three new battleships and three new armored cruisers: Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, West Virginia, Nebraska, and California. The six new cruisers will be named Denver, Des Moines, Chattanooga, Galveston, Tacoma, and Cleveland.

There are now 313 public buildings in the United States, which have cost $139,106,205. The government is renting 100,000 buildings at a cost of about $40,000,000 a year. The rental of 37,237 post office buildings is $37,118,500. It is said that it would be a matter of economy for the government to own its buildings in every considerable town in the country.

The city of Detroit is about trying the experiment of owning and operating its own street railways—that is, if the street railway companies are willing to sell their lines to the city. Inasmuch as these lines are owned mainly by Tom L. Johnson, the distinguished advocate of the single tax idea, who is an organizer of street railway companies rather than a conductor of them, it is not probable that the city of Detroit will have any difficulty in acquiring the road.

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The wealth of the multi-millionaires is not equal to good health. Riches without health are a curse, and yet the rich, the middle classes and the poor alike have, in Hood's Sarsaparilla, a valuable assistant in getting and maintaining perfect health. It never disappoints.

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One Touch of Nature.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 6.—While Timothy Bresnehan lay dying at the German Hospital from a pistol shot wound inflicted by his son John, he called John to his bedside, and between groans and gasps advised his son how he might escape trouble in which his crime had involved him.

Bresnahan, who was a grading contractor, was shot by the son during a family quarrel. When told he could not live, the elder Bresnahan called his son, and grasping the lad's hand, said feebly:

"Get out of this trouble as best you can, John. I'll do all I can to save you before I die. I hope you won't get into much trouble because of it. It was mostly my fault; you had to shoot me."

"I did not mean to kill you, father," groaned the boy, and as he was placed under arrest and led away he passed his mother, who had recently been divorced from the dying man, weeping in the hallway. A few hours after the interview with his son Bresnahan died.

High Compliment to Sampson

Admiral Sampson has received from the President, under date of March 13, the following reply to his letter of March 9, 1899:

"I am in receipt of your very considerate letter of the 9th instant, in which you express a desire that, without reference to your own interests, the other naval officers who rendered such conspicuous service in the naval campaign in the West Indies may have the advancement while you ask nothing for yourself. I highly commend this disinterested action on your part. Let me assure you that I have the highest appreciation of your services as commander-in-chief of the Atlantic naval forces during the Spanish war, in blockading Cuba, co-operating with the army, directing the movements of the great number of vessels under your orders, and at last, after the most effective preparation, consummating, with the gallant officers and men under your command, the destruction of the Spanish fleet. It was in recognition of your services and of your great skill, that I recommended you to the Senate for the advancement which you had earned."

Dangerous Sidewalks.

The Superior Court has decided that where individuals are injured by reason of defective pavements, damages are collectible not from the borough, but from the property owners failing to keep their pavements in proper repair. The case was that of Mrs. Margaret Lee, of Chester, who fell on a pavement and injured her leg. She sued the city and was awarded $331.50 damages. The solicitor for Chester then entered a claim for the amount against the First National Bank, that owned the property on which the accident occurred, and the court ruled that the bank was accountable. This decision will have the effect of awakening the property-holder to the danger that threatens him financially if he does not keep his pavement in repair, free from pitfalls of all kinds, and see that snow does not hide defects, or ice threaten the unwary pedestrian.

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A companion of Admiral Dewey quotes him thus: "I did not imagine that little target practice before breakfast on May 1 would bring a new adjective into the language, but look here. I have a Dewey watch, with a case made from the Maine. One of the manufacturers who had named a hat after me wished to send me one, and wrote me asking what size I now wore. I told him the same size I wore before May 1."

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