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Inconsistent.

The penny-a-liners at Washington having started a rumor that the stalwart leaders of Pennsylvania had held a caucus in Washington and determined to make Gen. Beaver a candidate for Governor next fall, the Philadelphia Press remarks:

Gen. James A. Beaver is a gallant soldier, a sturdy Republican, and a stainless citizen. For some time past his name has been prominently associated in the public mind with the next nomination for Governor, and he possesses many strong attributes as a popular standard bearer. If he were to enter the canvas on his own merits, he would certainly be a formidable candidate; and it might easily be that with a fair and just spirit, he could readily unite all elements of the party both in the nomination and in the campaign.

The one thing that would be disastrous to the movement in his behalf would be the popular belief that the bosses had undertaken to make him the candidate without regard to public sentiment, and had "set up" his nomination by machine methods. Such an impression would be well-nigh fatal. And with this widespread hostility to autocratic rule, the story published the other day that the machine managers had held a little caucus of their own and assumed to determine that he should be Governor has stirred a deep public feeling. The people are in no mood for such usurpations of their own prerogative. They accept leaders, but not dictators; they want organization, but not servility. Especially when it comes to the head of the Commonwealth, they want a Governor of the people and for the people, and not a Governor by the bosses and for the bosses. Such a story was calculated to prejudice and injure General Beaver.

We are at a loss to see why Gen. Beaver's "strong attributes" should be disregarded simply because certain men favor his nomination, and without whose aid his election would be uncertain to say the least. It will be observed the Press says Gen. Beaver's name "has been prominently associated in the public mind" in connection with the gubernatorial nomination, for some time prior to the reported stalwart caucus. It would seem to us that if Mr. Cameron and his co-leaders have declared for Beaver under such circumstances, that the fact is a gratifying evidence that they submit to the public will in the matter and have no policy of their own in opposition to popular sentiment. We have no particular love for Mr. Cameron, but it is simple justice to him that he be allowed to express his preferences for candidates, especially when it is known that he will be called upon to take an active part in the election of the ticket whoever may be the standard bearer.

The suggestion of the names of Beaver and Grow should meet the approbation of the best element of the republican party, no matter who puts them forward.

President Arthur's children will remain in New York for the present.

General Simon Cameron is going to spend the winter in the city of Mexico, and will leave home in a few weeks.

The young Duke of Portland, one of the wealthiest of English noblemen, is said to have an income of about \$950,000 a year; and his predecessor, the eccentric Duke, left him \$7,250,000 in cash.

Secretary Blaine has ordered a beautiful silver cup for his little namesake. Blaine Von Steuben, and has, by cable, sent his thanks to Baron Steuben for the new honor conferred upon him.

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