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If the populace ever does arise in
wrath, indignation or disgust and re-
form the judiciary by eliminating law-
yers from society and the face of the
earth historians will have no difficulty
in locating the cause. They will find
it in the learned gentlemen of the bar.
No scoundrel of either sex can get so
deep in infamy that some lawyer is not
glad to go deeper still and to attempt
not only to thwart justice, but to jus-
tify the infamy of his infamous client,
and to smirch or ruin the reputation of
all the witnesses for the people. Re-
cently there was on trial in New York
a man who was known by several alias.
He lived unlawfully with the un-
divorced wife of another man, sharing
her affections with another rival of
her husband. This man and the wo-
man murdered the other villain; cut
his body up as a butcher would cut
up the carcass of a hog and scattered
the pieces in the river and elsewhere.
Both admitted their participation in
the horror. The lawyer who defended
one of the parties arranged to submit
evidence that the victim was alive and
across the Atlantic. That being ren-
dered a useless effort by confession of
one of the murderers, he brought in
witnesses to establish a previous good
character for his client. The witness-
es identified the prisoner by many dif-
ferent names while telling what a com-
mendable member of society he was,
yet he himself admitted that he had
many aliases; that he lived in unlaw-
ful intimacy with the woman and that
he helped in the butchery. When the
client came into the court room his
lawyer greeted him warmly and ef-
fusely as "friend Martin."

"Yerbury endeavored to explain
something to the court but was per-
emptorily ordered to set down and
let his counsel speak for him."

The extract is from a report of a
civil trial in a court in Newark, N. J.
It is not often that a litigant desires
to address the court when he has an
attorney who is engaged for that pur-
pose; but it is not without a course of
mental debate that the average man
off the bench and not cloaked with a
law diploma satisfies himself that he
is of such mean clay or so ignorant
or so offensive that he is not fit to
and may not, if he wish, assert his man-
hood and intelligence and speak for
himself when his property rights are
implicated. Of course it would some-
times be a nuisance, but is it not the
duty of a judge to endure that sort
of nuisance in the interests of justice?
After all, is there not more hope of at-
taining to the truth in any trial when
the litigants are loquacious, verbose,
prolix and minute in detail than when
they sit mute and never answer a ques-
tion until their attorney has express-
ly said: "Answer." It does some-
times seem as though the courts are a
little too careful in small things. Why,
we once saw a judge fine a defendant
in a civil case for getting out of the
witness chair and knocking the plain-
tiff's lawyer into a cuspidor for insult-
ing him in cross-examination! An-
then he was fined some more for ask-
ing the judge why in the name of the
place of burning sulphur he didn't
find the lawyer for falling on the cuspidor
when there was so much room for him
to fall beside it.

To one who pays attention to the
matter there is great interest in the
amazing growth of fraternal insurance.
The popularity of the system was not
neglected by the fraternity of fraud.
That guild neglects nothing that prom-
ises profit. A late issue of the Work-
man treating the subject in great de-
tail gives the growth of all the leading
associations, some of which are really
phenomenal. The benefits paid aggre-
gate an enormous sum. There are over
6,000,000 people now carrying fraternal
policies. The A. O. U. W., which is
30 years old, has 370,000 policies in
force; the Foresters, less than 25 years
old, has about 112,000 policies out, with
a reserve fund of \$2,500,000. The
Woodmen, seven years old, has 120,000
members, and has paid death benefits
to heirs amounting to \$1,500,000; the
Maccabees, 16 years old, with 275,000
members, has paid to beneficiaries,
\$700,000. The average age of initiates
is close to 30 years. There are some
important features yet undetermined
by the experience of these organiza-
tions; the question of grading assess-
ments according to age and the ques-
tion of reserve funds, with others that
are less vital.

The record of the largest number of
notes struck by a machine in 12 hours
is said to have been made by Federer-
ski, who struck 1,020,000 notes.

STATE POLITICS.

Eighty-eight Delegates Elected to the State Convention.

PHILADELPHIA PRIMARIES.

A Majority of the Winners Are Friends of Quay.

SENTIMENT FOR COLONEL STONE.

The feeling among the people of
Philadelphia is decidedly in favor
of the Candidate From Allegheny--A
handsome endorsement from a
Labor Organization--Interesting
Facts Concerning the New Capitol
at Harrisburg.

(Special Correspondence.)

Philadelphia, Jan. 17.--The fact that
88 additional delegates have just been
elected to the Republican state con-
vention from this city is a reminder of
the fact that that interesting gathering
will take place sooner than has been
expected. While the primary elections
in Philadelphia on last Tuesday mainly
had reference to the local contest for
the office of receiver of taxes, the Re-
publican voters of the city also went to
the polls for the purpose of electing
delegates to the state convention. Ex-
cept in one or two districts factional lines
were not drawn very tightly in the se-
lection of state delegates. It is con-
fidently predicted by those who are in a
position to know that a majority of the
88 delegates from the Quaker City will
be friendly to Senator Quay.

None of the men who are candidates
for delegates announced their prefer-
ence for any particular candidate, and
for that reason it is difficult at this
stage of the game to make any attempt
to count any particular number of
delegates for the various gubernatorial
aspirants. It is no secret, however,
that a large number in favor of the nom-
ination of Colonel William A. Stone. Unless
there is some attempt to block the
wishes of the delegates by the leaders
their votes will certainly be cast in
favor of the man from Allegheny.

The sentiment in this city has been
very strongly in favor of Colonel Stone
from the start. He is a frequent vis-
itor here, and has made a favorable
impression upon all those with whom
he has come into contact. He was a
speaker at one of the annual dinners
of the Young Republicans a few years
ago, and the forceful speech that he
made upon that occasion caused him
to loom up as a formidable candidate
for the gubernatorial chair. Outside of
the personal impression made by Col-
onel Stone, he is conceded to have great
political and popular strength by rea-
son of his excellent record in the lower
branch of congress. His sturdy de-
fense of the rights of labor, his positive
views upon the tariff and currency
questions, and last, but by no means
least, his firm and unwavering atti-
tude upon the question of immigra-
tion makes him one of the strongest
candidates that could be nominated for
governor this year.

Colonel Stone has had a remarkable
endorsement forwarded to him. While
it is out of the ordinary for lodges of
the A. S. W. M. Association of Iron
and Steel Workers to bespeak their
preference for a candidate for any
public office, the action of Good Will
Lodge, No. 59, of New Castle, is volun-
tary and is undoubtedly due to the high
appreciation in which labor interests
hold Colonel Stone. These testimonials
coming so early in the campaign are
very remarkable proofs of the popu-
larity of the candidacy of Colonel
Stone.

The endorsement referred to is con-
tained in the following letter received
by Colonel Stone:

Good Will Lodge, No. 59,
Pennsylvania.

Amalgamated Association of Iron, Tin
and Steel Workers of the U. S.,
New Castle, Pa., Nov. 27, 1907.

At the last regular meeting of the
Good Will lodge, No. 59, A. A. of I. and
S. W., held at Red Men's Hall, the fol-
lowing resolutions were adopted:

"Resolved, That we endorse the can-
didacy of William A. Stone for govern-
or of Pennsylvania, knowing him to be
a friend of the laboring classes in
all his dealings, and in the public po-
sitions which he has already held;
therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we earnestly request
all sister lodges to endorse a friend of
labor and a man fully equipped for the
position."

Signed and sealed by the following
officers: Thomas Jennings, president;
A. G. Robinson, vice president; Sam-
uel Grigg, recording secretary, and
Harry Sergeant, financial secretary.
(Seal.)

Good Will lodge is one of the strong-
est lodges of the Amalgamated Asso-
ciation in New Castle. It embraces the
employees of the Atlantic iron works
of that city, and has a membership of
250 men. They are nearly all boil-
ers and finishers. This is the second en-
dorsement of the kind given Colonel
Stone within a month by such an or-
ganization, the first having come from
the employees of Jones & Laughlin's
south side mills. It is said that there
will be a remarkable series of such
expressions from organized labor
throughout the state during the next few
months, attesting strongly to the
friendly regard in which Colonel Stone
is held by reason of his great labors
for the cause of American labor.

Every citizen of the commonwealth
of Pennsylvania is naturally interested
in the details concerning the erection
of the new state capitol building, and
at the risk of repeating some things
that might have been known before, I
propose to give some of the latest news
concerning the proposed new edifice.
To begin with, the architect has finished
all of the plans, and is now waiting for
the award of the contract, which will be
made in a very short time.

Architect Cobb is very proud of this
achievement. He has designed many
buildings, public and private, but he is
so confident that the Pennsylvania cap-

itol will be his greatest work that he
is willing to risk his reputation on it.
"Pennsylvania is going to have the
handsomest state building in the coun-
try," he declared to The Inquirer cor-
respondent today. "The design is my
masterpiece, and I am proud of it. My
plans will cost the state 50 per cent less
in running expenses and 25 per cent less
in cost of construction than those of
any of the other architects who origi-
nally competed with me. The building
will have plenty of light, and I feel cer-
tain that the people of Pennsylvania
will be delighted with it when it is
finished."

Some radical departures have been
made in the plans from the stereotyped
ideas concerning state capitols, but Mr.
Cobb declares that they are all in the
nature of improvements. At the last
moment a change in the arrangements
of the rooms was made, and the in-
coming legislature will see the senate
chamber and the house of representa-
tives in the same relative positions they
have occupied for nearly a century. The
commission agreed to this remodeling
of the original plans because it was
found that the sentiment was against
any change of position of the two
chambers.

The capitol will face the west. The
senate chamber will be located on the
north side of the rotunda, and the house
of representatives on the south side.
Adjoining the senate and house wings
will be two large buildings devoted to
department work. The entrance to the
capitol will be through the center build-
ing. The west front will be five stories
high, with the senate and house each
two stories high. Back of the rotunda
will be situated the committee rooms,
arranged in a building seven stories
in height. The wings on the extreme
north and south, in which the depart-
ment work will be done, will each be
five stories high.

The main floor of the central portion
of the building will be the second. Vis-
itors will enter from the basement floor,
and public elevators will convey them
to any of the floors on the west front.
In the rear of the rotunda, on this floor,
private elevators will be built for the
exclusive use of members and employes
of the legislature. Exits to these ele-
vators are to be constructed so that
a member can go from either chamber
to his committee room without being
seen by any visitor if he so desires.

In the center of the building will be
a large rotunda. On the second floor
from the rotunda one will enter on the
western side the rooms of the Lieuten-
ant governor and a ladies' reception
room. Card rooms separate the two
legislative chambers from the rotunda.
In the rear is an entrance to the com-
mittee rooms building. A memorial
stairway will lead from the rotunda up
to the fifth floor of the front and to a
40 foot gallery extending all around the
interior. From this will be the entrance
to the press rooms and to the public
galleries of the two chambers. In each
of these public galleries there are 400
feet of bench room. The senate library
will also be entered from this gallery,
and on the house side a large caucus
room has been arranged, into which the
house library can at any time be
thrown.

While the legislative wings are only
two stories, the second story is very
high. The most radical departure has
been made in placing all the windows
of these two chambers on the outside.
In no other state house in the country
is this plan followed. Its advantages
are light and ventilation. Everything
has been planned to make this a model
building.

Local politics are in a cyclonic con-
dition in the city of Philadelphia. Al-
though David Martin has succeeded in
forcing his brother-in-law upon the Re-
publican ticket for receiver of taxes the
prospects for Mr. Roney's election are
far from promising. It is true that he
has received the nomination, but in this
respect he is no better off than his op-
ponent. Mr. Newitt has also been nom-
inated, and he received his nomination
in a convulsion in which it is asserted
that 511 of the 591 regularly elected de-
legates handed in their credentials. Mr.
Newitt proposes to remain in the field
on the ground that he was really the
choice of the voters at the primaries,
and that the Roney nomination is tan-
tamounted to that which was brought
about by illegal and unprincipled methods.

In addition to this there is a very
strong popular feeling against the lead-
ership of Mr. Martin in Philadelphia.
No one attempts to disguise the fact
that the party organization here has
been used for the personal advancement
and selfish interests of a little clique
of politicians who are willing to wreck
the party if necessary in order to accom-
plish their own personal ends. The fact
that the so-called Business Men's
League has united with Mr. Martin in
order to force Mr. Roney upon the peo-
ple once more is likely to prove disas-
trous to Mr. Martin's candidature. The
people know and thoroughly understand
the all good business men's organization,
and it is a simple statement of fact to
say that the favor of this organization
will seriously cripple, if it does not en-
tirely ruin, any candidate for public
office who is unfortunate enough to
receive it.

T. M. A.

The Husband's Way.
She (at the desk)--Dear, please tell
me how to spell costume. "I'm writing
to mother about my lovely new gown."
He--Well are you ready?
She--Yes.
He--C-o-s-t, cost--
She--Yes.
He--T-u--to--
She--Well?
He--M-e, me--\$65, as yet unpaid.
She--You're a wretch.

The State-man.
He sits where the throng may behold
him,
And pensively gazes on high,
and they say, as gloom seems to en-
fold him,
"Inspiration is certainly n.g.h."
Then swiftly a paper he seizes
And traces it over with ink,
and they echo, like whispering breezes,
"Now watch him; he's going to
think!"
And the shades of the great seem to
hover
As he struggles to drain wisdom's
fount;
and they'll probably never discover
He's at work on his mileage ac-
count.

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ent aid it gives in all bronchial
affections. It stops the cough,
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duces refreshing sleep.

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doctor pronounced it incurable with ordinary
remedies, but recommended me to try Ayer's
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Forest Hill, W. Va.

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SORTMENT IN THAT LINE EVER DISPLAY-
ED IN THE COUNTY.

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the prices are very low, so low that you can get the goods you will be aston-
ished that we are able to give you such bargains.

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Our shoe department has never been so complete and if you will give us with
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have yet in stock and selected for the winter. We have the best shoes ever
made for the winter. Our shoes are made to order, and we have received some very
pretty designs in Dressing Shoes, which we invite your attention.

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