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**STONE'S WORK APPRECIATED.**  
 Attention has been directed to the legislation for pure butter which is now under consideration in congress. Farmers of the entire Union are watching the progress of the bill introduced by Congressman William W. Grout, which is intended to place a tax upon oleomargarine. In a letter on the subject of Governor Stone's work in this state, Congressman Grout a few days ago wrote:

"I am glad that the recent Republican convention of your state, which some call a Quay convention, was also a pure butter or anti-oleo convention; and I congratulate the farmers of Pennsylvania on the strong plank in the platform against counterfeit butter, which I was glad to learn was drawn by Governor Stone.

"The cure for the oleo frauds, which are the 'hatch and brood' of the time, is to take away the enormous profits on oleomargarine sold as butter. Take away the profits and it will no longer be sold as butter. These profits are at least 12 cents per pound, divided about equally between the manufacturer and the retailer, and out of them a corruption fund has been massed, the baneful effect of which is felt in every large city of the Union.

"Put a ten cent tax on the stuff when colored like butter, as proposed by legislation pending here, and the temptation to make and work it off as butter is removed. Nothing but the ten cent tax will prevent profits large enough for a big corporation fund which fosters and defends the fraud."

**PREPARING FOR CONVENTION.**  
 The work of preparation for the Republican national convention continues to progress very satisfactorily. Chairman Manley, of the sub-committee of the Republican national committee, was here a few days ago and carefully inspected the convention hall and conferred with Mayor Ashbridge regarding the plans of his committee. Mr. Manley expressed himself as delighted with the arrangements and declared that the convention hall will be the finest ever placed at the disposal of a Republican national convention. It is larger than any hall that has heretofore been used for a national convention and its surroundings will be made very attractive. Mayor Ashbridge has directed the city forester to plant trees and have the adjoining grounds sodden and many flower beds will be laid out with the best skill of landscape gardeners. The interior of the hall will be beautifully decorated and every convenience will be afforded for the comfort of the delegates, the spectators and the large force of newspaper workers who will be here to report the proceedings of the convention.

One of the great features of convention week will be the parade on the night prior to the opening of the convention. Gen. Louis Wagner, who has been selected as marshal of this parade, has issued orders that all clubs intending to participate in the demonstration must apply for blanks, which they are requested to fill out and return to him. There are going to be at least 15,000 Philadelphia Republicans in the parade, and all the visiting clubs will take part. A number of organizations from the interior of Pennsylvania are preparing to come to this city during convention week, and they will, of course, be given prominent positions in the formation of the parade. Twelve hundred Jersey men have formed the William J. Sewell club, and they will cross the Delaware determined to make a fine showing in the parade. There is a club coming from Albany all the way by boat. They will sleep in their boat while here, and as the guests of the Republicans of the Twenty-seventh legislative district they will march in the parade. Chairman Manley will have a special train for the Republican delegation from Maine and Senator Hanna will see that Ohio does not fall behind any other state outside of Pennsylvania. In the number of Republicans she will send here during convention week.

**COOPER IS HOPEFUL.**  
 Colonel Guffey has gotten the Democratic machine leaders of Philadelphia to work in harmony with the insurgent Republicans of that city in the matter of defeating regularly nominated Republican candidates for the legislature next fall. Guffey would like to see Democrats elected in close districts, but where he cannot bring that about he wants his followers to join hands with the insurgents and prevent the election of Republicans who are pledged to vote for the Republican caucus nominees for United States senator at Harrisburg next winter.

While Guffey is talking fusion on the legislature in the hope of helping along his own interests, he is just as boldly proclaiming that William Jennings Bryan will get the votes of the national delegates from Pennsylvania for president and that he believes that he will be elected by the people next November. It is regarded as a strange condition of affairs that so-called Republicans should be working with this pronounced Bryanite in the important matter of the election of a United States senator from Pennsylvania, and at the same time seek to be recognized as Republicans and be permitted to participate in the councils of the Republican organization.

But the stalwart element of the party in this state does not appear to be at all concerned about the result of the contest now under way for the election of members of the legislature. Former State Chairman Thomas V. Cooper, who has been nominated for

the legislature in Delaware county, has made a tabulation of the result of the balloting at Republican primaries up to date, in the matter of the nomination of candidates for the legislature. He points out that 34 counties have thus far nominated legislative candidates, and that 33 have yet to do so. The former Republican field marshal states that Colonel Quay has made a gain of 19 members. Besides these he says Philadelphia will give a gain of 16 stalwarts, Montgomery will give 5, Chester 4, and Bucks 3, and there are 29 other counties from which other gains may fairly be expected. Editor Cooper was never in a more sanguine frame of mind, and he apparently cannot figure out why the insurgents can be so foolish as to continue the fight.

Harrisburg, May 8.—The retirement of James S. Beacom as state treasurer and the swearing in of his successor, Col. James E. Barnett, yesterday was a very gratifying outcome of one of the most desperate political contests ever waged in this commonwealth. Mr. Beacom retired with a record of having made one of the most faithful and efficient public officials that has ever held a responsible position on "the Hill." He was not only courteous to all who had business with the office, but he maintained a constant and vigilant supervision over the work of every subordinate official, and he jealously guarded the immense sums of money committed to his care. The finances of



COL. JAMES E. BARNETT.

the state have not been in better condition for many years, and under the recent legislation passed through the efforts of the leaders of the Republican state organization interest is paid to the state upon every penny of state funds deposited in the banks. The advent of Col. Barnett into the office of state treasurer will ensure a continuance of the careful business administration of that office and will be a guarantee that the interests of the people will be safely guarded.

**AS TO STATE TREASURERS.**  
 Of the 14 state treasurers elected by the people under the constitution of 1874 eleven have come from the western part of the state. Previous to that time the state treasurers were elected by the legislature, and the holders of the place were pretty evenly divided as to location. Of the 14 elected, the western state treasurer were: Robert W. Mackey of Pittsburg, Henry Rawley of Erie, Amos C. Noyes of Clinton, the only Democrat that ever was elected to the place; Silas M. Bally of Fayette, who went out of office a poor man, because of the failure of banks where state funds were deposited, the loss of which he and his bondsmen made up; William Livesey of Pittsburg, who not only served his own term, but parts of two others; M. S. Quay of Beaver, who resigned in office to go into the United States senate; John W. Morrison of Allegheny, who is now deputy commissioner of banking; Samuel M. Jackson of Armstrong, Benjamin Haywood of Mercer and James S. Beacom of West-

**MONEY FROM LIQUOR LICENSES.**  
 An incident of the past week called attention to another matter in which the Republican organization figures to advantage. It is a well known fact that the Brooks high license law, under which the liquor traffic in this commonwealth is governed, is regarded as one of the most satisfactory laws ever placed upon the statute books. The raising of the license fees to \$1,000 in cities of the first class and the correspondingly high figures for less populous communities, has resulted in immense sums of money diverting to the state from liquor licenses.

In Philadelphia alone last week there was paid into the city treasury the enormous sum of \$2,237,402.24 for liquor licenses, and of this sum \$534,200 will go into the state treasury. The collections from licenses throughout the state are a source of great revenue and the placing of power to granting or refusing licenses in the hands of the courts has resulted in a condition of affairs which is much more satisfactory than would be the case were this matter left in the hands of partisan boards.

**BRYAN FOR FUSION.**  
 Col. James M. Guffey, the leader of the state Democracy, has been at work all week perfecting his scheme for fusion on the legislative tickets. He, of course, announces that he does not aspire to election as United States senator, but his real views on that issue are generally understood.

Commenting upon the senatorial issue, the editor of the Philadelphia Inquirer a few days ago said: "Col. Quay, by the action of the recent state convention, has been made a candidate before the next legislature for senator of the United States. Where does he stand at the present time?" "In the primary elections he has so far made a net gain of 10, not counting nominations made in nine counties which sent Democratic members to the last legislature, but which are always counted upon as Republican in a presidential year. He will gain fully 12 and probably 14 and even 16 in Philadelphia alone. He will carry Chester county and Montgomery, and counting these counties as his, he has enough members in sight to elect him.

"There are 33 counties to be heard from yet, and he will increase his lead considerably. Besides, he will carry various districts that go Republican in presidential years.

"Senator Quay, from the present outlook, cannot be beaten.

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8 09	10 30	1 00	4 15	5 30	Pennsdale	7 45	9 41	11 55	3 55	.....	.....
8 20	10 40	1 10	4 27	5 40	Hughesville	7 35	9 32	11 45	3 45	6 06	.....
10 48	.....	4 35	5 48	.....	Picture Rocks	.....	9 25	11 37	3 37	5 50	.....
11 01	.....	4 48	.....	.....	Lyons Mill	.....	9 22	.....	3 34	.....	.....
11 15	.....	4 58	.....	.....	Chamouni	.....	9 20	.....	3 31	.....	.....
11 25	.....	5 05	.....	.....	Glen Mawr	.....	9 14	.....	3 23	.....	.....
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.....	.....	5 43	11 45	.....	Muncy Valley	.....	8 58	.....	3 06	.....	.....
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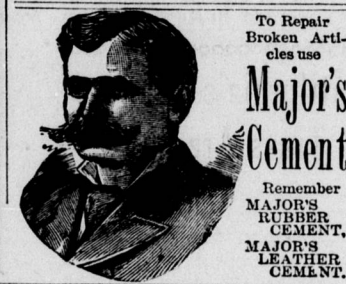
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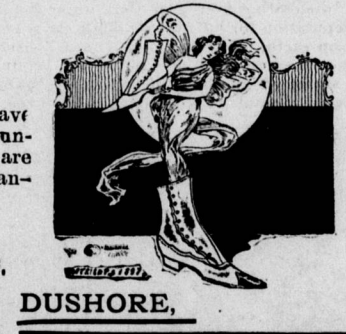
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