CALEB CONOVER RAILROADER

FRIEND OF THE A STORY OF LOVE, POLITICS, INTRIGUE, OF A RICH & POWERFUL BOSS

AND AN INTREPID YOUNG

REFORMER. BY ALBERT PAYSON TERHUNE

Anice looked at him with a sort of wonderment, which always possessed her when he spoke of his social as-pirations. That a man of his indom-itable strength and largeness of na-ture should harp so eternally and yearn so strenguesly in that one petry

strain, never ceased to amaze her.
"The feet of clay on the image of iron," she told herself as she dismissed the thought.

"By the way," asked Conover, as she rose to leave the room, "were you thinking of going to the Standish meeting to-night?"

"Yes." she answered, meeting his quizzing gaze fearlessly, "if you can

"I'm sorry," he said, 'but I'm afraid I've about a ream of paign stuff to go through, and I shall need your help." "Very well," answered Anice, and

he could cipher neither disappoint-ment nor any other emotion in those childlike brown eyes of hers.

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"Lord!" he muttered to himself as she went out, "what a politician that woman would have made! The devil himself can't read her. If I had married a girl like that instead— I wonder if that heart-trouble of the wife's is ever likely to carry her off sudden."

An hour or so of sunlight remained.

Anice, tired from her all-day confinement indoors, donned hat and jacket and sallied forth for a walk. She turned her steps northward toward the open country that lay beyond Pompton Avenue. There was a sting early fall air in that high latitude which made walking a pleasure. Moreover, after the atmosphere of work, tobacco, politics and reminis-cences that had been her portion since early morning, it was a joy to be with the cool and the sweetness of the dying day. Besides, she wanted to think

But the solitary stroll she had planned was not to be her portion, for, as she rounded the first corner. she came upon Clive Standish deep in talk with Ansel. Clive's tired eyes br thtened at the sight of her. The look of weariness that had crept into the candidate's face since she had seen him went straight to Anice's



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missal to his campaign manager, Standish left his companion and fell into step at Miss Lanier's side.

"This is better than I expected," id he. "I always manage to include Pompton Avenue in my tramps lately, but this is the first time I've caught a glimpse of you."

"You are looking badly," she com-ented. "You are working too mented. hard."

"One must, in a fight like mine. It's nothing to what I must do during my tour. Everything depends on that. I start to-morrow."

"So soon? I'm sorry."

"Why?" he asked in some surprise. "I'm afraid you'll find Mr. Conover stronger up-State than you think. don't like to see you disappointed."

You care? "Of course I do. I hate to see anyone disappointed.

delightfully impersonal!" "How grumbled Clive, in disgust.

"I thought you were averse to per sonalities. You've said so in both the speeches I've heard you make."

'You came to hear me? I-"One likes to keep abreast of the

times: to hear both sides-"And having heard both-"

"One forms one's own conclusions. 'And yours are-

"Quite formed."
"Anice!" exclain exclaimed Standish impatiently, "nature never cut you out for a Sybil. Can't you be frank? If you only knew what your approval-your good wishes-mean to me, you would

There are surely enough people

I want your encouragement, your faith; just as I had it when we were boy and girl to-mether, you and I!"

"You forget, I'am in the employ of Mr. Conover. As long as I accept his wages, would it be loyal of me to—"

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"One must make a living in some
way. I have other reasons, too."
"That same wretched old mystery
again! As for making a living, that's a different thing, and it has changed too many lives. Once, years ago, for instance, when I was struggling to make a living—and a bare, scant one at that—I kept silent when my heart clamored to speak. I kept silent beclamored to speak. I kept slient because I had no right to ask any woman to share my hard luck. But now I'm on my feet. I've made the 'livling' you talk about. And there's enough of it for two. So I—"

"I congratulate you on your success," said the girl nervously. "Here is my corner. I must hurry back. I've a long evening's work to-

"Good-by!"

"You must hear me. I-"

"Hello, Miss Lanier! Parleying with the enemy, eh? Come, come, that isn't playing square. 'Evening Standish!"

Caleb Conover, crossing the street from the side entrance of his own grounds, had confronted the two before they noted his approach. Looking from one to the other, he grinned

"I've heard there was more'n one leak in our camp," he went on, "but I never sposed this was it." Trembling with confusion, perhaps

with some deeper emotion, Anice nevertheless answered coolly:

"I hope my absence hasn't delayed any of your work? I was on my way back, when you-

"Now look at that," exclaimed Caleb with geniune admiration. "Here's my hated enemy as red and rattled as if I'd caught him stuffing ballot-boxes or cheering for Conover! And the lady in the case is as cool as cucumbers and she don't bat an eye. Standish, she's seven more kinds of a man than you are, or ever will be, for all your big shoulders and bigger line of talk. Well, we won't keep you any longer, son. No use askin' you in, I s'pose? No? Then maybe I'll drop around to your meeting this evening. I'd 'a' come before, but it always makes me bashful to hear myself praised to the public. Good night."

CHAPTER VII.

An Anonymous Letter.

T was late that evening when N I Clive reached his rooms, for a few brief hours of 02030 rest before setting forth on of the State. He was tired tour of the State.

out, discouraged, miserable. His much-heralded meeting had been the dreariest sore of flasco. Scarcely had the opening address begun and the crowded house warmed up to the casion, when every light in the building had been switched off.

Inquiry showed that a break had oc cured in the gas mains which could not be remedied until morning. Candles and lamps were hurriedly sent for. Meantime, through a certain confusion followed the plunging of the place into darkness, the crowd had been, on the whole, orderly. In spite of this, the chief of police, with twenty reserves, coming on the scene, had ordered Standish civilly enough to dismiss the audience. Then the po licemen had filed up on the stage, lumining it by their bulls-eye lanterns and clustered omniously about the

speakers. In response to Clive's angry protest, the chief had simply reiterated his order, adding that his department was responsible for the city's peace and quiet, and that the crowd showed an inclination to riot. Nor could the Arm of the Law be shaken from this stand. The audience, during the colloguy between Standish and the chief had grown impatient, and an occasional catcall or shrill whistle had risen from the darkened auditorium. each of these sounds the police had a fine apprehension at their leader for commands.

The upshot of the matter had been the forced dismissal of the spectators Standish had scouted Ansel's sugges tion that the whole catastrophe was a ruse of Conover's, until, as he walked down the dark aisle toward the door, he heard a policeman whis

"I was waitin' for the chief to give

some of us the tip to pinch him. "An' let him make a noise like a martyr?" grunted a second voice easi ly recognized as Billy Shevlin's. "You must think the Boss is as balmy in the belfry as you blue lobsters. He'd 'a' had Geoghegan broke if he'd—"

The rest of the reply had been lost. other disengaged hall could be found in the vicinity; and the meet ing from which Clive had expected se much had gone by the board. walked home in a daze of chagrin. How could he hope to fight a mar employed such weapons; swaved such power in every city department; who thus early in the paign showed plainly he would stop at nothing in beating his opponent?

Then the young candidate's teeth clenched tight, and the sullen grit that

for so many centuries has carried the buildog race of yellow-haired, strong-jawed Anglo-Saxons to victory against hopeless odds came to his aid. He shook his big shoulders as if tossing off some physical weight, entered his rooms and switched on the electric

On his study table lay a special de-livery letter, neatly typewritten, as was the single sheet of foolscap it contained. Standish glanced at the contained. Standish glanced at the bottom of the page. There was no signature. Then he read:

"The date for the various county conventions has not been formally set It is unofficially given as a week from Saturday. Instead, the caucus will be held in three of the eight counties next Saturday. The Machine's men know The League's don't. It will be sprung as a surprise, with two days' notice instead of the customary seven. This will keep many of the League's people from attending. At the Bow den and Jericho caucuses telegrams will be received saying you have

"At Matawan and Haldane the regular delegates will be notified to meet at the town halls. While they are waiting outside the locked front doors, the county chairman and his own crowd will step in the back way and hold their caucus and elect their dele-gates. Floaters will be brought into several counties. In Wills County the chairman will fail to hear the names of your delegates. Have your mana-ger arrange for the Wills men to bolt at the right time. Force the State Committee at once to declare the date for the county conventions. Notify the League's men at Matawan and Haldane of the 'back door' trick, and have the telegraph operators at Jericho and Bowdon warned not to re-ceive or transmit any fake message of your withdrawal.

"On your State tour you will find newspapers closed to your speeches and advertisements, and a number of the halls engaged before you get to town. Arrange for injunctions restraining the papers from barring your notices, and have someone go ahead of you to secure halls. And arrange for police protection to break up row-dyism at your meetings."

Clive Standish read and re-read this remarkable epistle. That it had come from the Conover camp he could not from the Conover camp he could not doubt. He had heard, before Caleb's hint of the previous afternoon, that there was a certain discontent and vague rumor of treachery, in more than one of the multifarious branches of the Boss's business and political interests. For the unexpected strength developed by the Civic League and the eloquence of its candidate had shaken divers of the enemy's less res olute followers, and more than one of these might readily seek to curry favor with the winning side by cast-

ing just such an anchor to windward In any case, there was the letter. Its author's identity, for the moment, was of no great matter.

"Anonymous!" mused Standish, eye-ing with the missive with strong dis-"Is it a trick of Conover's or a bit of treachery on the part of one of the men he trusts? In either case, there's only one course a white man can take with a thing of this kind." Picking up the letter, he crumpled

it into a ball and threw it into the

fireplace.
"Better not say anything about it to Ansel," he decided as he watched the paper twist open under the heat and break into blaze. "He'd only call me a visionary crank again. And if it's a trap, the precautions he'd take would play straight into Conover's hand."

Some blocks away, in his Pomptor Avenue Mausoleum, the Railroader was giving final orders to the henchmen to whom he had intrusted the details of watching Standish's forthcoming tour. And some of these same de-tails he had even intrusted to the unenthusiastic Gerald.

CHAPTER VIII.

Caleb Works at Long Range.



AVE Standish opened his up-State tour the following night in the small town of

Wayne. It was a farming centre, and the hall was tolerably well filled with bearded and tanned men who had an outdoor look. Some of them had brought their wives; sallow, dyspeptic, angular creatures with the patient, dull faces of women who live close to nature and are too busy to

The audience listened interestedly as Clive outlined the Boss-ridden con dition of the Mountain State, the ex orbitant cost of transporting and handling agricultural products, the unjust taxes that fell so heavily on the farmer and the wage-earner, the false system of legislation and the betrayal of the people's rights by the men they were bamboozled into electing to ren resent them and protect their interests. He went on to tell how New York and other States had from time to time risen and shaken off a similar yoke of Bossism, and to show how, both materially and in point of self-respect, the voters of the Mountain State could profit by following such examples. In closing he briefly de scribed the nature, aims and purposes of the Civic League and the practical reforms to which he himself stood

It did Clive's heart good to see how readily his audience responded in in-terest to his pleas. He had not spoken ten minutes before he felt he had his house with him. He finished amid a salvo of applause. His hearers flocked about him as he came down from the platform, shaking his hand asking him questions, praising his dis

(To Be Continued.)

BERRY'S BREAK **BURSTS HIS BOOM**

Candidate's Crazy Talk Startled the Commonwealth.

REFORMERS REPUDIATE HIM

12 11. Indorsement of Democrats For Congress Too Much For Independent Republicans to Stand.

[Special Correspondence.]

Philadelphia, Sept. 13. Everything everywhere in the political situation in Pennsylvania presages a phenomenal Republican vic-

Not only are the Republicans united, harmonious and aggressive, but their old time opponents, the Democrats, are hopelessly divided and demoralized.

The nomination of John Kinley Tener by the Republican convention for the governorship, by a unanimous vote and with every unsuccessful candidate promptly and sincerely pledg-ing fealty to the nominee, has been followed by evidence of a practical and indubitable character of earnest and enthulastic support of the ticket from the great body of the Republican voters of the commonwealth.

Fresh from an atmosphere of neigh borly good will, Mr. Tener came east and quickly found that while he is not personally as well known here, the story of his career, of his manly qualities and his sturdy character, had al ready impressed the voters and guaranteed him a cordial welcome. lowing a flattering reception at a big meeting of farmers of Bucks and Montgomery counties, Mr. Tener was the central figure at an immense popular picnic given on the outskirts of this city under the auspices of the active Republicans of northeastern Philadelphia. Nearly fifty thousand persons, men, women and children,

participated in this wonderful outing.

Republican success in Pennsylvania has always been certain when the party organizations in the counties of Allegheny and Philadelphia have been united and harmonious. The majori-ties that will be given to Mr. Tener and his colleagues in Philadelphia and Pittsburg this year, it is predicted, will be undoubtedly large.

And the same reports come from practically all of the interior countles.

A Divided Democracy.

What a spectacle is presented by the Democracy of Pennsylvania! Grim Democrats and Berry Demo-crats are at each others' throats every

hour While present indications give Grim an advantage in that he has the regu-

lar Democratic organization in vir-tually every county in his favor, and that with two or three exceptions the Democratic newspapers of the state are supporting him, the Bryanite faction is keeping up a sharp fire of de-nunciation, not only of Grim, but the leaders responsible for his nomination.

Berry, himself, seems to have lost his head. He has been badly rattled over the many setbacks his candidacy has received. He is irritable and fretful and has made an exhibition of himself upon several occasions during the last week.

The most sensational break he has made was his violent and unwarranted attack upon the newspapers of Penn sylvania in a speech at a farmers' pic-nic at Chestnut Hill.

Manifestly without preparation, and with a display of anger that startled and astonished his audience, Berry launched a tirade of abuse upon the reporters, whom he dubbed "newspaper snipes," and declared that they should "be burned at the stake." In the same outburst of temper Berry arraigned the Democratic leaders who

"That bunch at Allentown," he shouted, "thought I would lie down. But I am just beginnig and I want stop until I have them behind the

Berry's attack upon the newspapers he admitted was because of the publication of the fact that he borrowed \$15,000 from Guffey, the Democratic boss, upon a note, for the payment of which Berry is now being sued.

Not only has he not paid the debt, but he admits that there was not a penny of interest paid, and the collateral which was put up to insure payof the principal public sale brought only \$700

The simple recital of the facts of the case is what Berry took offense at and called forth his silly, venemous and vindictive statements:

The disastrous effect upon the Berry campaign of this crazy talk of the candidate was at once apparent to everybody identified with the bolter's The endorsement by the Keystone

Party of many Democrats for congress has lost Berry thousands of votes None of the substantial men who

have figured as leaders in reform movements in Philadelphia have allowed their names to be connected with the Berry candidacy, and while there are many reasons why intelligent Republicans should not vote the Berry ticket, admittedly the most potent cause for hostility to this com-bination is found in the alliance with Democratic aspirants for seats in con-

J. K. TENER AT HOME. (From page one.) lots. As a pitcher on the Chicago team he was thoroughly drilled in discipline. He knows what it is to stand on the firing line, taunted by the jeers or spurred by the cheers of thousands. his temper always cool and his nerve never shaken. From this stern school he drifted into the realm of business arrived into the realm of business, carrying with him the same judgment and decision which made him a victor on the field. Now as a candidate for the highest office in the gift of the millions of the state, and during the stress of a hot campaign, he can be depended upon to maintain the same poise that made him a winner in business and athletics. He is not a man to shy at the cars.

Knows How to Say "No."

"Subserviency is not a weakness of John K. Tener. There is too much Irish in his makeup for us to expect, or his political enemies to hope, that he will bend the pregnant knee at the behest of any man or set of men. Though modest of demeanor, he is nevertheless fearless and independent. His life is clean, his record above re-proach. He acknowledges no conditions which are dishonorable; he bows to no power but the will of the people. The asset which he prizes most highly is neither that of wealth, family nor social position—it is the love the essocial position—it is the love the esteem, the friendship, the regard of the

, in the county jail at Camden, N. J. Briggs, who was twenty-six years old, was arrested one week ago on a charge of being \$1800 short in his ac-He confessed, according to the counts. authorities, and said he had spent the money in fast living. He was committed to jail in default of \$1000 bail.

Briggs was taken with delirium tre-mens on Saturday. He was one of the best known men in South Jersey.

Real Luck.

You may not believe in luck, but just the same you are lucky to be in luck .-New Haven Times-Leader.

Number One.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to section twenty-six of article five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the following amendment to section twenty-six of article five of the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—
That section 26 of Article V., which reads as follows: "Section 28. All laws relating to courts shall be general and of uniform operation, and the organization, jurisdiction, and powers of all courts of the same class or grade, so far as regulated by law, and the force and effect of the process and judgments of such courts, shall be uniform; and the General Assembly is hereby prohibited from creating other courts to exercise the powers vested by this Constitution in the judges of the Courts of Common Pleas and Orphans' Courts," be amended so that the same shall read as follows:—
Section 25. All laws relating to courts shall be general and of uniform operation, and the organization, jurisdiction, and powers of all courts of the same class or grade, so far as regulated by law, and the force and effect of the process and judgments of such courts, shall be uniform; but, notwithstanding any provisions of this Constitution, the General Assembly shall have full power to establish new courts, from time to time, as the same may be needed in any city or county, and to prescribe the powers and juvisdiction thereof, and to increase the number of judges in any courts now existing or hereafter created, or to rorganize the same, or to vest in other courts the jurisdiction thereof, and to abolish the same wherever it may be deemed necessary for the orderly and efficient administration of justice.

A true copy of Resonution No. 1.
ROBERT McAFEE,
Secretary of the Commonwealt

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Number Two.

RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so as to eliminate the requirement of payment of taxes as a qualification of the right to vote.

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur), That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

That section one of article eight be amended, by striking out the fourth numbered paragraph thereof, so that the said section shall read as follows:

Section 1. Every male citizen twenty-one years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, subject however to such laws requiring and regulating the registration of electors as the General Assembly may enact.

First. He shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month.

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Second. He shall have resided in the State one year (or if, having previously been a qualified elector or native-born citizen of the State, he shall have removed therefrom and returned, then six months), immediately preceding the election.

Third. He shall have resided in the lection district where he shall offer to stection district where he shall offer to vote at least two months immediately preceding the election.

A true copy of Resolution No. 2.

ROBERT MCAFEE,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The asset which he prizes most highly is neither that of wealth, family not social position—it is the love the esteem, the friendship, the regard of the men and women who have known him long enough to realize that beyond per, adventure his 'yee' is 'yee;' that his one as his bond; that he never either by word or action injured his neighbor in his life; that his one great aim has been to brighten the lives and improve the conditions of the people of his town and community.

"Were John Kinley Tener to believe that the governorship of Pennsylvania meant his departure in any one particular from the principles which have won for him his splicalid standing in Charleroi and throughout the Monongahela valley, where he is known how ter than he is anywhere else, I miss my guess if he would not stretch him self to his full six feet five inches or thereabouts and tell the men who proposed it, no matter how exalted their political or business position, to go to blazes and take the governorship with them."

Candidates On the Go.

The iffuerary of the Republican state candidates this week takes them to the pictic of the Patrons of Hunbandry, at Center Hall, Center courly, the convention of the State League of Republican Clubs, at Potisville; then to Reading and to the opening meeting of the campaign in Lehigh courly, near Allentown.

State Chairman Henry F. Walton says he is determined to have the candidates visit every county in testate, and in order to do this the will be kept constantly on the go from now until election day.

This year the progressive westerned of the state has been a exhibition of appreciation of this fact in a remarkable demonstration in honor of Mr. Tener by his admirers in Charleror and surrounding towns representing all shades of political option and remarkable demonstration in honor of Mr. Tener by his admirers in Charleror and surrounding towns representing all shades of political option and remarkable demonstration in honor of Mr. Tener by his admirers in Charleror and surrounding towns represe

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Number Four.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section eight, article nine, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

Amendmeat to Article Nine, Section Eight.

Eight.

Section 2. Amend section eight, article nine, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which reads as follows:

"Section 8. The debt of any county, city, borough, township, school district, or

PROPOSEIS AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Number One.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to section twenty-six of article five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That the following amendment to section twenty-six of article five of the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the distinction of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby and the provided shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor the municipality or incorporated district, or the municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, or the provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, or the trucked and pr

er municipality or incorporated district, except as herein provided, shall never exceed seven per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the assent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law; but any city, the debt of which now exceeds seven per centum of such assessed valuation, may be authorized by law to increase the same three per centum, in the aggregate, at any one time, upon such valuation, except that any debt or debts hereinafter incurred by the city and county of Philadelphia for the construction of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of anystem of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of land to be used in the construction of wharves and docks, or the reclamation of highest part of which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia, and which shall yield to the city and county of Philadelphia current net revenue in excess of the interest on said debt or debts and of the annual installments necessary for the cancellation of said debt or debts, may be excluded in ascertaining the power of the city and county of Philadelphia to become otherwise indebted: Provided, That a sinking fund for their cancellation may be excluded in ascertaining the power of the city and county of Philadelphia to become otherwise indebted: Provided, That a sinking fund for their cancellation shall be established and maintained.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 4.

ROBERT McAFEE
Secretary of the Commonweal