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Conspiracy of the So-called Business Men's League.

# A CLIQUE OF MILLIONAIRES.

Working in the Dark and Stabbing in the Back.

# SOME VERY INTERESTING FACTS.

A Corporal's Guard of Agitators, Professional Kickers and Disgrantled Office Seekers Who Are Preparing to Endorse a Mongrel Ticket Born Through the Casarean Method-Full Details of the Scheme That Has Been Plaqued For This Fall.

(Special Correspondence.)

Philadelphia, Feb. 1.-The conspiracy of the so-called Business Men's Repulican League is becoming more and more apparent every day.

The Leach-Van Valkenberg-Dolan-Wanamaker-Blankenburg press bureaus in the Bourse building, and the three elegant onces of Frank Willing Leach in the Girard Trust building are the

scenes of great activity. The Blankenburg end of the high salaried bureau sends out lies to the country newspapers under a Harrisburg headline attacking the regular Republican leaders and organization and making ready for a bolt and schism in the party. This combination of millionaires and \$6,000-a-year-newspaperwriters can only reach such papers as have been actually bought outright or subsidized by them.

Leach does the letter writing, and at the present time he is busily engaged in fooding the mails.

Disgusted and astonished Republicans of prominence have this week received copies of the following letters:

My Dear Sir-It is proposed to hold a conference in this city about Feb. 2 of one or two hundred of the leading Republicans of Pennsylvania, embracing those interested in both politics and business, for the purpose of taking steps to bring about the nomination by the Republican state convention of June 2 of an acceptable candidate for governor, and to prevent the consummation of the scheme now under full headway to Delamaterize the state. I will be greatly obliged if you will send me. by return mail, the names and addresses of six or eight good men in your county who it might be advisable to invite to this conference.

The purpose is to adopt a line of policy which will receive the active cooperation of the state administration. Yours very truly. FRANK WILLING LEACH.

Business Men's Republican League of the State of Pennsylvania. Headquarters, Bourse Building, Fourth Street, above Chestnut. Telephone 272. Philadelphia, Jan. 21, 1898.

Dear Sir-Your presence is requested at a conference to be held at the Bourse, this city, on Wednesday, Feb. 2, at 2 o'clock p. m., to consider the present political situation in Pennsylvania.

Steps should be taken, at an early date, to bring about the candidacy for the Republican gubernatorial nomination of some one representative of the highest type of Republicanism, who, if elected, will protect the commonwealth

tions they will then proceed to adjust a committee to draft a letter to the can-didate, telling him of their action and saking him for his consent to rub as their candidate. After he has over-come the first shock of surprise which such a letter will occasion him he will proceed promptly to accept, and promulgate a letter for general publication protesting against everything that is existence and promising all sorts reforms and changes which he knows he can never carry out, but

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which he thinks may serve to get votes. Aided by his millionaire backets in Philadelphia he will then proceed to his real purpose of endeavoring to defeat the regular Republican nominees by taking votes away from them and enabling the Bryan free silver Demo-crats to elect their state ticket.

This is food for thought for the Republicans of Pennsylvania, who gave William McKinley a majority of 300 .-000. Mr. McKinley's administration has been denounced by Mr. Wanamaker in public interviews, and his appointments in Pennsylvania have been condemned by the officers and committees of the Business Men's League, and their motive in seeking to drag down Republi-can rule in the state and nation is self evident to every thinking man.

The second letter evolved by the league is the most audacious declaration of an attempt to pillage the commonwealth as they have plundered the of Philadelphia that even these city men have so far attempted. Their attempt to raise a scare by an allusion to another "Delamater campaign" is pecultarly entertaining in view of the fact that the nomination of Mr. Delamater was brought about by a demand signed by more than 200 business men in the city of Philadelphia. Among the first names on the list are those of Thomas Dolan, Isaac H. Clothier and William Folwell, all prominent and active members of the Business Men's League. In the Philadelphia daily papers of the same date (June 11, 1890) appears an interview with Postmaster General Wanamaker, in which he de-clares positively: "THERE IS NO TRUTH WHATEVER IN THE RE-PORT THAT I ADVISED SENATOR QUAY TO WITHDRAW DELAMA-TER." On the same day Thomas Dolan, one of the Delamater sympathisers, said in regard to a report that Mr. Wanamaker had advised against the nomination of Delamater: "IT IS NOT TRUE THAT HE IS AGAINST DEL-AMATER, BUT ON THE CONTRAR ( THE EXACT REVERSE IS THE TRUTH.

Some of those who have signed this invitation to what is explicitly de-clared will not be a "convention." but which proposes to "unite all citizens and organizations" (doubtless including the Socialists and Democrats) are worth looking into.

William T. Tilden, the chairman, was a candidate for delegate from the Twenty-second ward, in the rwentyfirst district convention, on the Martin ticket for delegate to the state convention, and was elected. He is, therefore, clearly and distincly a regular and accredited representative of the Philadelphia combine.

Howard B. French is evidently not a Republican at all, as the Republicans of his division at the recent primary election in the Tenth ward declared him to be unfit to represent them in the receiver of taxes convention. And then we have Blankenburg, "Toujours" Blankenburg, who bobs up serenely with a degree of activity which he is said to have acquired during his military service in Germany. He is a man who never was and never can be a Republican. An alien by birth, thought and mode of speech, his name has been associated with every attack on Republican organizations that has ever been started by anybody big or little. Mr. French, who is clamoring about the management of public affairs, is chairman of the civil service board in Philadelphia, which examines and controls the survey and highway appointments, a department managed so badly that it has called into existence two permanent organizations to protect the citizens against its methods-the Women's Health Protective association and the Citizens' Municipal association -which were organized to look after public health and see that the contracts for paving streets were complied with. Mr. French is the largest dealer in cement in Philadelphia, and this material is largely used in paving the streets and by contractors. These are the sort of people who, having acquired enormous fortunes by various methods, propose to nock together in a back room and say to the Republican party of Pennsylvania: Here is the man you must make governor of the state, and here are some more men to fill up the ticket. You have had no voice in the selection of these men, and we do not propose the Republican state, county or city organizations shall have anything to say about their selection, and you are not permitted to nominate these men by delegates to the state convention, chosen in the manner prescribed by law. We have invented them and you must try our new process. If you don't endorse our ticket there will be trouble. We have no political influence, but we have got a press bureau, and what is more to the point we are worth millions of dollars, and we will spend thousands to break down the ticket nominated at the Republican state convention and elect disciples of Bryan and apostles of free silver Democracy, and Pennsylvania will take her place in the galaxy of such states as Kansas. Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas." Are the Republicans of Pennsylvania ready to follow such leaders?



It Started Like the Blizzard of '83. That Stopped All Traffic.

# NEW YORK SHELTERS OROWDED.

Many Women and Children Who Applied For Shelter Were Sent to the Different Hospitals-Traffic Not Seriously Impeded.

New York, Feb. 1.-From 1 o'clock yesterday morning until after midnight snow fell in this city and vicinity, and last night a strong west wind and fall-ing temperature called forth many predictions of a blissard. All day there was a fog on the bay, in addition to the blinding snow, and traffic on the water was impeded seriously. There was one serious ferryboat coldsion, and many accidents were reported. The steamer Portia ran into the ferryboat Nevada in the East river, injuring some of her passengers.

The cable and elevated roads in this city and the trolley lines in Brooklyn and Jersey City kept snow plows in constant service, and were not badly impeded. There were two serious blocks of a half hour each on Broadway, and trains on the Suburban Elevated road and on the Staten Island Rapid Transit were delayed in the early hours, and an army of commuters got to business late.

The cold weather filled the city lodging houses to overflowing, and many women and children who applied for shelter were sent to the different hospitals. Trains and railways terminating in greater New York and Jersey City were delayed by the storm, but none to a great extent. Most of the through trains were from 20 minutes to half an hour late. Local trains ran close to schedule time.

The storm started like the blizzard of March 12, 1888, that tied up traffic in this city for several days. Weather Forecaster Dunn said last night:

"The weather conditions have taken on a form resembling more the outline of the blizzard than any other storm that has appeared on our maps for many years. During the blizzard there was a storm central over the lake regions and a secondary depression over the South Atlantic states. This morning almost exactly similar conditions prevailed, with only a slight difference in the localities of the storm center. The storm over the lakes this morning was well defined, but its secondary depression differed a little from the blizzard, because this morning it was not over the South Atlantic coast, but just Men's Overcoats that sold at a little off the South Atlantic coast states.'

The suspension of the snow storm now seems to be permanent, however, and unless it should be renewed there seems to be no fear of a duplication of the blizzard of '8S.

# SHERIFF MARTIN'S TRIAL.

Representative of the State Department at Washington Present.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 1.-Hon. Henry Harrisburg yesterday to be in attendance at the trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies, which began today. Mr. Hoyt was armed with a letter from the governor to Hon. Stanley Woodward, president judge of Luzerne, in which the governor says that Mr. Hoyt is here at the request of Secretary Sherman.

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Considered a Bargain at \$2.50 have been marked

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# Jury List

Name.

Stimeling, John, laborer,

Schumbach, Harvey, farmer.

Woomer, Ammon, farmer,

Wagner, Harvey, laborer,

Witmer, David G., farmer,

Wolgemuth, A. B., merchant,

PETIT JURORS.

Snook, Joseph, farmer,

Wilt Daniel, laborer,

Adams, John, laborer,

Bolig, Fred., carpenter,

Bachman, L. C., teacher,

Charles, Henry F., sawyer.

Dunkleberger, Lank, saddler,

Dreese, Reuben, gentleman.

Bargo, S. D., farmer,

Brouse, Noah, farmer,

Dinius, A. H., farmer.

Duck, H. J., printer,

Derk, Henry, merchant,

Eisenhard, Gabriel, farmer, Fetter, Franklin, farmer,

Gearbart, John A., farmer,

Holtaspple, F. H., teacher, Hummel, J. E., laborer,

Herrold, Wm. S., laborer,

Hummel, Jerry, farmer,

Herrold, John H., Isborer,

Hendricks, Hebry, farmer,

Houts, John, Cigarmaker,

Klose, Urish, farmer,

Klose, Wm. J., saddler,

Keller, Wm, M., confee

Moyer, M. H., laborer.

Martin. Thomas, laborer, Manevall, Daniel, farmer,

Moyer, Harvey, farmer,

Napp, W. W., merchant,

Newman, John, Sr., farme

Oppenheimer, Solomon, a

Pontius, Henry, teacher

Rearich, R. H., farmer,

Roush, Nathan, laborer,

Reichenbach, Dauiel, farmer. Reigie, Irvin, isborer.

aley, John H., farmer,

Valter, George, son of Jacob

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M. Hoyt, deputy attorney general of Snyder County, Pa., held as February Term the POST: the United States arrived here from commencing Pebruary 28th, 1898. Aig'er, John W., carpenter, Bingaman, Fred., gentleman, Billhardt Paul, musician, Gordon, John R., farmer, Graybill, Irvin, laborer, Glass, Henry H. lime burner, "The further purpose of Mr. Hoyt's Houser, James N., laborer, visit," says the governor, "will be Hendricks, Chas, G., hardware doubtless explained to you in person. Hartman, Newton, labor r. I beg to request your kind offices to the lifornberger, G. G., farmer,

\$18 we close them out at \$12.37

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List of Grand Jurors drawn for the Court of Oyer and lerminer and General Jall delivery

GRAND JURORS.

Occupation.

and its citizens from a renewal of the attacks of the legislative sharks who were responsible for the vfcious legislation vetoed by Governor Hastings. For the sake of the Republican party

of the state every effort should be made to prevent a repetition of the political crime of 1890, when the nomination of Mr. Delamater was forced upon the people, and a Democratic governor elected as a result thereof. The same men, by the employment of like methods, are endeavoring to bring about a similar nomination at the state convention of June 2, and it is to prevent the consummation of this program that this conference is called.

As indicated, this is not to be a convention, but simply a conference, called for the purpose named, and all Repubhcans who are desirous of the party's success and opposed to the present autocratic regime, and therefore in favor of uniting all citizens and organizations for the ceming state campaign are invited to attend. It is greatly to be hoped that you can be present, and you are authorized to bring with you any one from your locality entertaining similar views. Please let us hear from you promptly.

Very truly yours. CHARLES B. ADAMSON. JOHN G. CROXTON. FRANCIS B. REEVES. RUDOLH BLANKENBURG. HOWARD B. FRENCH. WILLIAM SELLERS. WILLIAM T. TILDEN. Chairman.

Committee on Conference.

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The first of the these letters develops a combination between the men who started the combine fight and the mil-**Gonaire** conspirators and would be bosses.

These men fear the light of day and the treatment they would receive from the rank and file of the Republican party if they went fairly and openly to the polls in the counties of the state. fair, honest Republican who is willing to submit his candidacy to the people at the primaries and in the county conventions throughout Pennsylvania they meet in the secrecy of their parlors and fices and plot to overthrow Republican control. They select some person of their own type for senator, governo and the other coming vacancies, and then send forth a call to a corporal's guard of agitators, professional kickderse this mongrel ticket, born through the Caesarian method, and seek by its aid to elect the silver Democratic nom-

It is currently reported that the enterms which will be carried out at the meeting of the millionairs conspirators on Peb. 2 is already cut and dried. The icate will name an independent idute for governer, and the sug-ion of these gontleman who held meany haps will of regime be as-

The press bureau is now run by Stebbins and Lesch, who have as their as-sistants the Van Valkenberg brothers who run around with little pink ribbons on their necks and bark at everybody who does not give them a lump o BUEAT.

This bureau has already prepared the letter of acceptance of the millionaires gubernatorial candidate, with a blani

for the name of the writer. It is understood that Mr. Leach was not authorized to drag the state ad ministration into any connection with the Business Men's League such as in indicated in his letter given above, and there was a small riot at Harrisbur when the newspapers made the lotte

public. The column of the Business Men's League on the official ballot in Phila deiphia has been filled by the mame of Reney and all the Martin condidate for ward offices. This is a new way of showing thrift and hiring out politica dead walls for advertisements.

end that the representative of the state L ving t n, Geo. P , carpen'er. department shall be afforded every op- Meser, David, miller, portunity for observing the trial of the Miller, Levi, laborer,

In sending Mr. Hoyt here to attend McC enlan, Wm. H., facmer, the trial the United States government Markley, Jouathan, farmer, has only one object in view-to protect itself in case foreign governments file claims for damages for the killing of their subjects at Lattimer. Austria has already made a move in that direction, and it is understood if the verdict is against Sheriff Martin and his deputies Germany and Italy will file claims at once. It is reported that each of these governments will have a representative from their legations at Washington present at the trial. Secretary Sherman, having received notice of this, decided to have the national government represented at the trial.

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#### Heavy Bond Investments.

New York, Feb. 1.-More than \$90,-000,000 of government, state and railroad bonds have been sold during this month, compared with \$38,138,000 for the same month last year. This is the highest monthly record in history. There was much investment in the bonds of the reorganized railroads. such as Union Pacific, Atchison, Northern Pacific, St. Louis and San Francisco. Kansas Pacific consols and Erie.

Venerable Couple Murdered. Grayson, Ky., Feb. 1.-"Virginia Bill" Friley, an old citizen of Elliott county, 80 years, and his wife, about 70 aged years old, were murdered last night at their home in Elliott county, Ky., and robbed of from \$500 to \$1,200. There is no clew to the murderers. A maul was the instrument used.

Fiames Destroy & Swiss Village. Berne, Feb. 1 .- The village of Randogne, in the canton of Valais, has been burned to the ground. A woman and two children perished in the flames. The disaster has caused great distress.

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Any of our readers having copies Spring Perry of the above issues will confer a Penn favor by letting us know. Such West Beaver Franklin copies in good condition will com-West Perry mand a fair price.

# Sale Register

Tuesday, Feb. 1st, 1898, one and one-half miles north-west of Middleburgh, George Bickhart will sell 2 horses, 2 cows and farming imple-Pent Centre Petry ments.

- Thursday, Feb. 24th, two miles west of Mc-cees & Fails, John W. Hoffman will self 8 torses, 2 cows and farming implements. Franklin Jacksor Unior
- Washington Spring Middlecreek
- Norses, 2 cows and farming implements. Saturday, Feb. 26, one-half mile north of Mid-dloburgh, Harry Bowersox will sell mare and 4 cows and farming implements. Monday, Feb. 28. John Gilbert will sell, at his residence 1 mile north-east of Middleburgh, live stock and farming implements. Friday, Mar. 4, J. 4. Smith, of Globe Milla, will sell farm stock and farming implements. Jackson elinegrove
- Chapman Tuesday, Mar. 8, 1893, at Globe Mills, the S. H. Yoder estate will soll farming implements and household goods. Spring
- Wash'ngton Tuesday, Mar. 8th, near Kratzerville, Perciva N. Brouse will sell 2 horses and farming im Hiddleercek Unior
- Monrol Saturday, March 12, Henry Howell will sell 1 mile west of Fremont, 2 horses, 2 cows young cattle and farming implemente-Chapman
- Washington Saturday, Mar. 12th, in Middleburgh, Mrs. farriet W. Smith will sell at public mis a lot of household goods. Franklin Spring
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- Tursday, Mar. 15th, at Fremont, George Dre-cae will sell Shorzes, a lot of centile, 30 shoats and farming implements. Tuesday, Mar. 23d. James Redley will sell, 3 miles west of Middleburgh, live stock and farm-ing implements. Tuesday, Mar. 22, two and one-half miles south of New Berlin, Image Bilger will sell 4 horzes, 3 cows and farming implements. West Perry Jackson Centre
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#### Frenklin Sheriff's Sale of Union **REAL ESTATE** Perry Unio West Parry

By virtue of certain write of Fi. Fa. incred out of the Court of Common Pins of Snyder Co. Fa., sud to me directed T will expose to public sale at the Court House in Middleburg. Fa. or FRIDAT the Sith day of Fabruary. 1996, at one seleck P. M. the following described real sense to wit: Tract No.1 in Spring Township, Bounded by Ianus of W. H. Klins, Incon No.4 and S.P. H. Knopp, C. O. Greenitos, Andrew Ulah and J. G. Moyre, containing 10 serves mere or less for white are a DWELLING HOUSE, BARN and other outbuildings. Tract No. 3 bounded by Inside of J. W. Ethan-Unior Monroe Spring Franklin Franklin Uulen

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### **Caution Notice**

At the constable's sale recently I purchased the following named articles and left them in the possession of John C. Moyer. All persons are hereby cautioned not to meddle with the

Bronzes, lot harness, 9 shoats, 1 fat hog. Shorzes, lot harness, 9 shoats, 1 fat hog. wagon, spring hirrow, lot corn, buggy, mower, plow. & interest of twelve sores grain in ground, lot pointoes, cook stove, lot carpet, 3 beds and bedding. J. E. BOGAN, MCKees Half Falls, Pa.

# FLORIDA.

Personally- Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The next Pennsylvania Railroad. The next Pennsylvania Railroad tour to Jack Sonville, allowing two weeks in Floride, will leave New York and Philadelphia by special train of Pulliman Palcos Cars Tueuday, February 5. Excursion tickets, including railway trans-portation, Pullman accommodations (one berth) and meals on route in both directions while transition on the second statements of traveling on the special train, Will be sold at the following rates: New York, \$50.00; Phili-delphia, 45.00; Canadaigus, \$53.05; Bris, \$54.55; Wilkesbarre, \$50.55; Pistsbarg, \$55.00; and as proportionals rates from other points.

For tickets, itimeraries, and full infe apply in ticket agents; Tourist Agent, 118 Broadway, New York; or address Geo. W Boyd. Assistant Ganatal Passenger Agent Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. 54-33

## CALIFORNIA

## Personally-Conducted Tour Pennsylvania Railroad.

The next Personal in-Conducted Tourso Gali-fordia via the Penasylvania Railroad Will John New York, Philadelphia, and Pittaburg by the "Golden Gate Special" on Wednesday, Fabruary id, slopping at the Grant Manmath New Orlans during the Mardi Ga Pear Weeks will be allowed on the Pa Returning, slope will made at Sate ngs (Garden of the Ga cago, 40. 3 dations, and Pullma wie, and Pullman borth Las A ..... monis, in Calife drives "I

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