

WILLING LEACHES.

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 Disgraced Office Seekers Who are Preparing to Endorse a Mongrel Ticket Born Through the Cæsarean Method—Full Details of the Scheme That Has Been Planned For This Fall.

(Special Correspondence.) Philadelphia, Feb. 1.—The conspiracy of the so-called Business Men's Republican League is becoming more and more apparent every day.

The Leach-Van Valkenberg-Dolan-Wanamaker-Blankenburg press bureau in the Bourse building, and the three elegant offices of Frank Willing Leach in the Girard Trust building are the scenes of great activity.

The Blankenburg end of the high salary 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 \$5,000-a-year newspaper-writers 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 flooding 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, 1888.

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 and its citizens from a renewal of the attacks of the legislative sharks who were responsible for the vicious 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 1880, 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 Republicans 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 coming 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 R. ADAMSON, JOHN G. CROXTON, FRANCIS B. REEVES, RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG, HOWARD B. FRENCH, WILLIAM SELLERS, WILLIAM T. TILDEN, Chairman.

Committee on Conference.

The first of the these letters develops a combination between the men who started the combine fight and the millionaire conspirators and would be bones.

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.

Instead of being followers of some 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 offices and plot to overthrow Republican control. They select some person of their own type for senator, governor and the other coming vacancies, and then send forth a call to a corporal's guard of agitators, professional kickers and disgraced office-seekers to endorse this mongrel ticket, born through the Cæsarean method, and seek by its aid to elect the silver Democratic nominees.

It is currently reported that the scheme which will be carried out at the meeting of the millionaire conspirators on Feb. 2 is already cut and dried. The candidate will name an independent candidate for governor, and the suggestion of these gentlemen who hold the money bags will of course be accepted by the small fry at the meeting.

The columns of the Business Men's League on the official ballot in Philadelphia has been filled by the names of Henry and all the Martin candidates for ward offices. This is a new way of showing thrift and hiring out political dead weight for advertisement.

A MINIATURE BLIZZARD.

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

NEW YORK SHELTERS CROWDED.

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

New York, Feb. 1.—From 3 o'clock yesterday morning until after midnight snow fell in this city and vicinity, and last night a strong west wind and falling temperature called forth many predictions of a blizzard. 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 collision, 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, 1883, 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 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 '83.

SHERIFF MARTIN'S TRIAL.

A Representative of the State Department at Washington Present.

Wikesbarre, Pa., Feb. 1.—Hon. Henry M. Hoyt, deputy attorney general of the United States, arrived here from 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. "The further purpose of Mr. Hoyt's visit," says the governor, "will be doubtless explained to you in person. I beg to request your kind offices to the end that the representative of the state department shall be afforded every opportunity for observing the trial of the case."

In sending Mr. Hoyt here to attend the trial the United States government 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.

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 \$38,135,000 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, Atchafson, 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, aged 80 years, and his wife, about 70 years, 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 mail was the instrument used.

Flames Destroy a Swiss Village. Berne, Feb. 1.—The village of Randsogne, 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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MOON'S PHASES.
Full 6 1:30 p.m.
First 13 1:30 p.m.
Last 20 1:30 p.m.
New 27 1:30 p.m.

NOW'S THE TIME TO BUY CLOTHING

BROSIOUS BROS., The Clearing Sale Has Just Begun

And we will make it The Greatest Bargain Occasion in the short history of this store. Prices Will Be Slaughtered or you might say CUT JUST ABOUT IN HALF.



Men's Suits, considered a bargain at \$8.50 have been marked

\$5.25

The \$9. and \$10 Men's Suits we mark

\$6.38

Men's Overcoats that sold at \$18 we close them out at

\$12.37

Children's Reefers, the \$2.50 kind, we have them priced

\$1.29

The \$5.00 kind will go at

\$3.98

Children's Suits, the price was \$1.50,

80 Cts

Men's Fancy Bosom Shirts that we sold at \$1 to \$1.50 we have now marked

79 Cts

Men's Dark Outing Flannel Shirts a wonderful value at

19 Cts

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Sale Register

Tuesday, Feb. 1st, 1898, one and one-half miles north-west of Middleburgh, George Hickhart will sell 2 horses, 2 cows and farming implements.

Thursday, Feb. 2nd, two miles west of McKees & Falls, John W. Hoffman will sell 3 horses, 2 cows and farming implements.

Saturday, Feb. 2nd, one-half mile north of Middleburgh, Harry Bowersox will sell 1 mare and 4 cows and farming implements.

Monday, Feb. 2nd, John Gilbert will sell, at his residence 1 mile north-east of Middleburgh, live stock and farming implements.

Friday, Mar. 4, J. A. Smith, of Globe Mills, will sell farm stock and farming implements.

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Saturday, March 12, Henry Howell will sell 1 mile west of Fremont, 2 horses, 2 cows young cattle and farming implements.

Saturday, Mar. 12th, in Middleburgh, Wm. Harris W. Smith will sell at public sale a lot of household goods.

Tuesday, Mar. 13th, at Fremont, George Dreese will sell 8 horses, a lot of cattle, 80 shoats and farming implements.

Tuesday, Mar. 23d, James Redley will sell, 2 miles west of Middleburgh, live stock and farming implements.

Tuesday, Mar. 22, two and one-half miles south of New Berlin, Isaac Bilger will sell 4 horses, 3 cows and farming implements.

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MIDDLEBURGH MARKET.

Corrected weekly by our merchants.

Butter.....	18
Eggs.....	19
Onions.....	45
Lard.....	5
Tallow.....	4
Chickens per lb.....	6
Turkeys.....	9
Sides.....	7
Shoulder.....	10
Bacon.....	12
Wheat.....	90
Rye.....	42
Potatoes.....	60
Old Corn.....	29
Oats.....	22
Bran per 100 lbs.....	80
Middlings.....	70
Chop.....	85
Flour per bbl.....	4.75

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 same. 3 horses, 10 harnesses, 9 shoats, 1 fat hog, wagon, spring harrow, lot corn, buggy, mower, plow, 1/2 interest of twelve acres grain in ground, lot potatoes, cook stove, lot carpet, 3 beds and bedding. J. K. BROWN, McKees Half Falls, Pa.

FLORIDA.

Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The next Pennsylvania Railroad tour to Jacksonville, allowing two weeks in Florida, will leave New York and Philadelphia by special train of Pullman Palace Cars Tuesday, February 8. Excursion tickets, including railway transportation, Pullman accommodations (one berth) and meals en route in both directions while traveling on the special train, will be sold at the following rates: New York, \$60.00; Philadelphia, \$65.00; Jacksonville, \$85.00; and as proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets, itineraries, and full information, apply to ticket agents; Tourist Agent, 119 Broadway, New York; or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. 2-4-98

CALIFORNIA

Personally-Conducted Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The next Personally-Conducted Tour to California via the Pennsylvania Railroad will leave New York, Philadelphia, and Pittsburgh by the "Golden Gate Special" on Wednesday, February 18, stopping at the Great Mammoth Cave and New Orleans during the Mardi Gras Carnival. Four weeks will be allowed on the Pacific Coast. Returning stops will be made at Salt Lake City, Chicago, Springs (Garden of the Gods, Denver, Colorado, en route trip rate, including transportation, meals, carriage drivers, hotel accommodations, and Pullman accommodations en route, and Pullman berth Los Angeles to San Francisco, and transportation in California, \$100.00 from all stations east of Pittsburgh; with hotel accommodations, meals, transportation and carriage drivers through California for four weeks, \$75.00 additional. An experienced chaperone will accompany the party for the lady tourist.

For itineraries and full information, apply to ticket agents; Tourist Agent, 119 Broadway, New York; or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. 2-4-98

Sheriff's Sale of

REAL ESTATE!

By virtue of certain writs of F. F. issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Snyder Co., Pa., and to me directed I will expose to public sale at the Court House in Middleburgh, Pa., on FRIDAY, the 26th day of February, 1898, at one o'clock P. M., the following described tract to wit: Tract No. 1 in Spring Township, bounded by lands of W. H. Kline, tracts Nos. 1 and 2 of J. H. Knepp, C. O. Greenhill, Andrew Ullrich and J. G. Meyer, containing 110 acres more or less, on which are a DWELLING HOUSE, BARN and other outbuildings.

Tract No. 2 bounded by lands of J. W. Klingler, A. Pardo, P. F. Beagle and tracts Nos. 1 and 2, with the appurtenances, containing 80 acres more or less.

Tract No. 3 bounded by lands of J. W. Klingler, A. Pardo, P. F. Beagle and tracts Nos. 1 and 2, with the appurtenances, containing 80 acres more or less.

Being taken into execution and to be sold as the property of Joseph Wender.

P. S. REYER, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Middleburgh, Pa., Feb. 1, 1898.

Advance Your Remarks With Candor. Candy Cigarettes, pure constitution, flavor, etc. If C. C. fail, drugstore return money.

WANTED—Reliable men to look up advertising signs; \$125 weekly; steady work and lots for postage, sample, etc. YOUNG BUSINESS CO., 222 North Columbus St., Philadelphia, Pa.

LADY AGENT for my Perfumed Stamping Ink and Colored and Stamped Paper. 1-10-98, 7-10-98, 1-10-98.