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—TO—

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Chas. H. Fisher.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

STATE.

For Governor,
WM. A. STONE,
Of Allegheny County.

For Lieutenant Governor,
J. P. S. GOELN,
Of Lebanon County.

For Judge of Superior Court,
W. W. PORTER,
Of Philadelphia.

WM. D. PORTER,
Of Philadelphia.

For Secretary of Internal Affairs,
JAMES W. LATTA,
Of Philadelphia.

For Congressmen-at-Large,
GALUSHA A. GROW,
Of Susquehanna County.

S. A. DAVENPORT,
Of Erie County.

COUNTY

For State Senator,
JOHN S. WELLER,
Of Bedford County.

For Congress,
JOSEPH E. THROPP,
Of Bedford County.

For Assembly,
W. H. KOONZ,
Of Somerset Borough.

S. A. KENDALL,
Of Meyersdale Borough.

For Associate Judge,
A. F. DICKEY,
Of Somerset Township.

For District Attorney,
RUFUS E. MEYERS,
Of Somerset Borough.

For Poor Director,
ADAM S. MILLER,
Of Lincoln Township.

The "Star's" New Editor.

Owing to the severe illness of the editor of THE STAR, notice is hereby given that the paper this week has a new editor, or rather an editor pro tem., in the person of Mr. John O. Johnston. Mr. Johnston has kindly consented to take charge of the paper and do his best in an editorial capacity until such time as I am able to again take control. The editor pro tem., while being a first-class printer, has never had any experience as an editor, and of course the editorial work will be strange to him. However, I trust my patrons will not expect too much of the new man at the helm, but will assist him by reporting such items of news as they may learn of from day to day.

Mr. Johnston is hereby authorized to receive and receipt for subscriptions, job printing and advertising until I am well enough to be at my post of duty.

Thanking my friends and neighbors for much kindness extended to me during my illness, I am

Very gratefully,
P. L. LIVENGOOD,
Editor and Publisher.

It is highly important that the next Congress be one that will work in harmony with the President. The session of Congress that meets this winter can no more than outline the work that must engage the attention of statesmen in the next Congress—this last Congress must perfect it. There will be a great deal of work to do this winter, but the Congress that begins its existence on March 4th next will have grave matters to handle in shaping interests vital to the country's peace and prosperity. The Chief Executive should not be handicapped with a Congress that is of a different political shade from himself. Harmony is imperative, and the people should see to it that a Republican Congress is elected this fall.—Saxton Herald.

Those newspapers in favor of returning M. S. Quay to the United States Senate are making use of some queer logic. They argue that in order for the Republican party in Pennsylvania to stand by President McKinley, Quay must be re-elected to the Senate. Let us look into this claim for a moment. Did not Quay and his friends, "Timmie" Scull, of Somerset, included, try to defeat McKinley for the Presidential nomination? Their votes in the St. Louis convention proved that they did, but they failed. Quay and his friends also opposed President McKinley's war policy, and in this they also made a failure. Quay is also opposed to his party's financial policy. Yet, with brazen-faced impudence, the Quay newspapers argue that Quay must be returned to the Senate in order to show that Pennsylvania endorses the McKinley administration. It occurs to

THE STAR that it is a very strange way of endorsing the President and his policy by voting for the enemies of the President and his policy. Do not be deceived. Sanctioning Quay and his dirty tricks is not endorsing McKinley and the National administration, but it is doing the very opposite. Our next State Legislature will do a good act by electing Quay to stay at home.

GOVERNOR HASTINGS evidently has enough of Quayism, as the following extract from his recent Philadelphia speech strongly indicates:

"Neither am I here to apologize for or to ask you to vote to return to our legislative halls those who betrayed the trust reposed in them by the constituencies that honored them. The public official who commits a crime or betrays his trust becomes an enemy of his party as well as of his state. He disgraces and injures his party more than himself, and for him there should not be even standing room. I am not here to-night to ask you to return to Harrisburg the men who voted for the fraudulent padded pay rolls or to appropriate large sums of the public money to hospitals that did not and do not exist.

The salary-grabber, the legislative junketer at the public expense, the claimant for unlawful pay service on fraudulent investigating committees should be as much shunned and driven from place and power as he who sought to stifle your own city government by the passage of the infamous Becker bill or they who sought from private greed or personal gain to fasten upon the municipalities of the State the deadly talons of the water bill, the Ripper bill, the fire alarm bill or the electric light bill. I would not vote to return them to seats wherein they might have opportunity to renew such efforts, and I cannot advise you so to do. The Republican party is composed of honest men, and he is no true Republican who receives his party's preferment only to betray his trust."

"Spells" of Southern Negroes.

There are numerous harmless "spells" which are regular observances in the lives of the average southern negroes. Besides the root chewing, the track lifting, etc., they have a love philter of frogs' legs cooked in still water, and the ashes of a bat are powerful enough to keep away a rival or an enemy. To make a dog stay at home they cut off the tip of his tail and bury it under the doorstep. To make a wife obedient they "draw her picture" and hide it in the shingles. Thus, waking or sleeping, there is a constant forcing or counteracting of destiny.—Ex.

Folly's Idle Tears.

There is a rude proverb which says that mules, gunpowder and edged tools were not made for children and fools to monkey with. Unfortunately there are some folks who do not give to the study of proverbs the time they should. Neither do these same people pay the attention they might to the wholesome moral that is appended by inference to the fragments of history that float in from the country nowadays since the law has encouraged the man with the gun to roam at large.

The wind-up of the fragment of history is always the same. It says that the man who did the shooting is nearly prostrated with grief over the death of the man who was shot through being mistaken for a rabbit or a bear or a red squirrel or some of the other things that a man does not resemble in the slightest.

The man who did not know it was loaded, and the funny creature who rocks the boat, and the unpardonable fool who shoots wherever he sees an outline in the brush and then weeps tears of remorse because he killed his hunting companion instead of his neighbor's cow, are with us through the no doubt wise, although to us mysterious, designs of Providence. We can do nothing but put such dangers to the human race in the same class with the germ culture of smaller microbes, and watch to keep out of the way of the whole unsavory agglomeration. But at the same time that we observe the divine admonition to pray for them that despitefully use us, it is wise to carry in mind the other caution to watch as well as pray. The man who does not go out hunting with one of the irresponsibles stands a tolerably fair chance to escape murder at their hands. There is no other salvation from the fool.

The Cuban Debt.

The question which is at present causing the Spanish peace commissioners the most concern is the disposition

of the Cuban debt. In fact, it may be said to be the most difficult question with which the peace commission will have to deal. There is reason to believe that could it be settled satisfactorily to Spain she would be willing to even give up all claims to the Philippines. It will be a terrible burden for Spain to have to bear, in addition to her own acknowledged debt, that which she has always credited to Cuba, but it would be infinitely worse for the people of the island to have to assume the latter. The great hope of the Spaniards has been that the United States would either voluntarily or upon European compulsion assume responsibility for the debt or a large portion of it. The fact that this hope is vain has been made clear to the Spanish commissioners and in their consternation they have been compelled to seek delay in order to counsel and receive instructions from their government as to their future action.

It is at this juncture that the wisdom of President McKinley in refusing recognition to the Cuban insurgent government last spring becomes most manifest. Had such recognition been accorded as was voted by the Senate, but refused by the House in accord with the President's well known wishes, the country would not to-day be in the strong position it now occupies regarding irresponsibility for the Cuban debt. Thanks to President McKinley's wise counsel and firm attitude last spring, the United States is now able to approach the decision of this momentous question with untrammelled hands and to assume such a position upon it as its representatives may deem best for the interests of the Nation.

How Wages Grow.

Pittsburg Times.

A bulletin from the Department of Labor at Washington is authority for the pleasing information that in the past quarter of a century the income at the command of the wage earner has materially increased, not alone in the abstract, but particularly when compared with the purchasing power of what is earned. A careful inquiry into the wages paid in the United States, the inquiry covering the important points all over the country, including each year and a large variety of occupations, shows that since 1870 the average of wages paid has increased at least 10 per cent. The inquiry was not permitted to stop at the disclosure of the comparative wages earned during the different years in the various sections of the country, but in Massachusetts was carried into the cost of food and supplies of such kinds as are required by the typical family. It was found that in buying his supplies the wage earner enjoys more of an advantage over his companion of 1870 than in the matter of earnings. There has been since 1870 a decline in the price of everything that ordinarily comes into the house, except, perhaps, cornmeal and a few such unimportant things as are not factors in the weekly expenditures.

Sugar, starch, lard, cotton cloths, flour and soap, all of them staple articles, have declined nearly or altogether 50 per cent. since 1870. Rice, beans, butter, meat, milk and other things as essential have declined from 20 to 35 per cent. Massachusetts is not an exception. What is true of one section of the country is true of the others, for prices are not particularly different. Were the wage earners of to-day to go back to the lower wages and the higher prices of 1870 they would see a material and an unpleasant difference.

Our Congressional Nominee.

Altoona Tribune.

The republicans of the Twentieth congressional district surely do not need to be reminded of the fact that it was not so much the election of Grover Cleveland in 1892 which precipitated the industrial and financial panic which devastated our country during the following year, as the dread of legislation by the democratic congress that was elected with him. It was the knowledge that both branches of congress were democratic that alarmed capital and paralyzed industry. Nor was there any improvement until the republican party regained control of the house. If the free silver crusade had been successful in 1893; if Bryan and a free coinage house of representatives had been elected, the following panic would have been a great deal more terrible in its consequences than that of 1893. The country has good times now because a republican administration is at the helm and because democratic folly has been trodden under foot. That is the only reason. Surely the memory of the terrible con-

sequences of democratic folly and incompetency has not yet vanished when so many of the people have not fully recovered therefrom.

Yet it is no secret that the democratic managers are making a desperate effort to gain control of the next house. That is part of their business. They cannot succeed unless foolish republican aid them. In this district they are waging a particularly vicious campaign against Joseph E. Thropp, the regular republican nominee. It occurs to us that the very meanness and smallness of the democratic methods ought to prove a boomerang and return to plague their inventors. The average citizen has no patience with the assassin of character and in this instance the motive is apparent, Mr. Thropp is one of the best citizens of Pennsylvania. He has all his life been an ardent advocate of the protective policy, is an earnest and intelligent believer in a sound and honest financial policy and in thorough accord with the war policy of President McKinley. His opponent, Mr. Walters, of Johnstown, is a free trader, an advocate of the free coinage heresy, in short, a Bryanite. No republican who wishes the prosperity of the country to continue, and with it his own, can afford to withhold earnest support from Mr. Thropp.

The enemies of sound money continue to control the senate. Should the folly of republicans enable them to elect a majority of the next house the agitation on behalf of free coinage at the ratio of 16 to 1 would be renewed at once, with very fair prospect of eventual success. And that would mean the cutting in half of every workingman's wages, the depreciation to the same extent of every farmer's possessions, and the inauguration of a panic such as this country never saw before. Mr. Thropp is the representative of republican sentiment, he is fairly nominated and has the earnest support of all his rivals before the republican conference. He has been all his life a friend of the laboring man and a defender of his interests. The stories to the contrary put in circulation by his personal or political enemies are entirely false, as all who know the man and have the grace to tell the truth will testify. The republican who antagonizes him deals a blow at the country, at correct principles of government and at his own best interests.

What Stamps the Gentleman.

"In all questions of manners a young man should always remember that, while politeness is a good trait to acquire, courtesy is infinitely better," writes Edward Bok in the Ladies' Home Journal. "Politeness is manners, but courtesy is heart. Mingling in good society can give us that veneer which the world calls a polish of manners, and true politeness is not to be made little of nor scoffed at. Politeness is a fine art, but is an art pure and simple even at its best. Infinitely better is the cultivation of that courtesy of refinement which enters into the feelings of others, and holds them sacred. It is idle to say that courtesy is a relic of old fashioned days and is no longer looked for. It is as much the current coin of good society as it ever was. More than any other element or grace in our lives it is instantly felt and recognized and has an unending influence. It calls for respect as nothing else does. Courtesy of manner and courtesy of speech are the gifts a young man should cultivate."

A Pastor Resigns.

One day last week Elder William Mullendore, who has been pastor of the Disciple church at Somerset for a number of years, tendered his resignation. It has been accepted by the official board of the church, not because they are willing to part with Elder Mullendore, but because it was his wish that the resignation be accepted. Mr. Mullendore has received a call from the church at Terre Haute, Ind., and his desire to take his family back to their old home, or near it, has impelled him to accept the call. During Mr. Mullendore's residence here he gained a host of friends among people of all denominations, all of whom will regret his departure. The association of himself and his family with the entire membership of his church have been of a most endearing character, and their going will cause profound regret.—Somerset Standard.

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