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EVERY Democratic state convention held this year invariably declared for tarifreeform and ballot reform. Those who expected a backdown on the po-sition the Democrats took on the tariff have been sorely disappointed. It is encouraging to see state after state proclaiming the necessity of these two reforms. They are coming.

Even the most enterprising Ameri-

Even the most enterprising Ameri-can newspapers were "beaten" by their English contemporaries in ac-counts of the recent storm on the At-lantic coast. London *Public Opinion* publishes a telegram, in which it is stated that thirty-seven thousand per-sons perished by the wrecks of vessels on the coast. A few more telegrame of that seven the states of that sort would entirely depopulate

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LUZERNE COUNTY politics appear to be dead. The indications at the be-ginning of the campaign were those of a hotly-contested battle, but the of a hoty-contested battle, but the drift of public sentiment in favor of the Democratic nominees was too strong and the opposition candidates wisely refrain from entering the con-test, except as mere figure-heads. A clean sweep from Shortz to Crockett on November 5.

Thousaxns of petitions were sent to the last legislature, asking for the passage of an election law which would guarantee to the voters of Pennsylvania a pure and honest bal-lot. When such a law was before the house of representatives Henry K. Boyer, Republican candidate for state treasurer, voted against it, thereby placing himself on record as in favor of bribery and corruption.

The different Republican county conventions held so far in this state have been a series of quarrels and disputes, the opposition to Quay being the direct cause. Although Quay is yet master of the field his political prestige is on the wane. When the independent spirit of the Republican party succeeds in overthrowing this "boss," politics will be freed from one of its most contaminating factors. of its most contaminating factors.

a population of 1,000,000, with a machin-ery of 26,152 horse-power, while Victoria employed 45,773, with a machinery of 21,018 horse-power, showing a surplus in favor of New South Wales-small, it is intree, but still a surplus. It is impossible, indeed, to resist the conclusion that the progress of one colony has been ham-pered by protection, while the progress of the other has been furthered by free trade. Should good seasons return, and the affairs of the country be carefully and economically managed, there is no far that New South Wales will ever give up the policy under which her prog-ress has been so phenomenal. New Laws Should be Published. Consideration is now being given to be manner in which the people get a nowledge of the laws enacted by the legislature and approved by the governor of the state of Pennsylvania

Is Labor Becoming Indifferent

tegristure has apported, and even when this volume is distributed to the proper officers knowledge of its contents is not disseminated freely among the people. It is claimed in legal practice to say, and it cannot be denied that is, Entered at the Freeland Postofice as Second
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ingmen of this part are not in sympathy with organized labor. Probably the with organized labor. Probably the theory is correct that the men of this section of the anthracite region are disheartened over the failures of the past tic state convention by Hon. J. Irvin Steel of Schuylkill County, and unani-

tic state convention by Hon. J. Irvin Steel of Schuylkill County, and unani-mously adopted by that party, recom-mending and urging the formation of Democratic Societies, touches a very important point in the matter of Demo-cratic organization. It should be ob-served and acted upon throughout the state. The Democratic Society is not a mere campaign club. It is a permanent mere campaign to be added to discussion to the sentiments of the served and to discussion to the sentiments of the mere campaign club. It is a permanent laboring classes of this community—and aboring classes of this community—and we hope for the cause of labor that they are not—then it is about time that the wise fools made a contract with the coal companies to deliver themselves over to their grasp, body and soul. If it is fool-ish for labor to agitate for its rights, then let argituding enve to an out. Let then let agitation come to an end. Let us hear no more about the giant powder monopoly, let us hear no more about the much-abused docking boss who strains his conscience every hour in the day to give the toiler the benefit, let us hear no

tunity to make a fair comparison of the advantages of free trade and protection as that afforded by the two Australian colonies of Victoria and New South Wales. In other countries there are differing conditions which affect the value of the comparison the the answer "Your operation" and the second colonies of the comparison the the the second the the second tradition that the second the the the the the second the second

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THE NEW PHONOGRAPH. MISSING LINKS. View of Its Operations When in Full Blast in the Newspaper Office.

A tree was cut down at Orting, W. T., that measured 310 feet long.

Laborers are arriving in large num-bers to work on the Nicaragua Canal Reversible pants, to correct the "bagging," are propose by a beneficent tailor of Akron, Ohio.

Have in the Newspire Ones. Edison claims that his new phono-graph, a few of which are now on the market, is going to work a revolution in newspaper offices. The editor or reporter will talk what he has to say right into the phonograph. The metal strip which receives the remarks, which Mr. Edison calls the phonogram, but which probably should more properly be called the gilder-flake, is then re-moved and sent to the composing-room, where it will be inserted in the compositor's phonograph. He will press a lever with his foot, and the machine will casually mention ten words, and then relapse into deep thought, till he sets them and repeats the perform-ance. If he doesn't catch the remarks he kicks another lever and the ma-chine repeats. All this has a very interesting ap-pearance at a distance, but it does not seem as if the composing-room will be Lagging, a probability of a statement to tailor of Akron, Ohio. A young lady in Wheeling claims to have refused forty offers of marriage during the past year. An Akron plumber found sixteen dead rats in a house which, the owner said, "smolt of sewer gas." A society lady of East Liverpool, Ohio, puts her pet poodle dog's hair up in curl papers every night. A strange and fatal disease has appeared in Guayaquii, Ecuador. Vio-tims fall in the street, yomit foam and blood, and die.

blood, and die The agent of a Broome county, N.Y., Bible Society has discovered that there are 124 families in the county who do not possess a Bible.

pearance at a distance, but it does not seem as if the composing-room will be altogether free from trouble, even when there is an able phonograph wearing a swallow-tail coat and opera front vest, sitting up on every case, dictating scholarly editorial and graph-ic descriptive matter. It will make the composing-room partake some. David Campbell, a puddler of Lan-caster, Pa., has a forret farm, and sells a good many of the animals to persons who want them to kill rats.

who want them to kill rats. Lawrence Barrett is annoyed because he is growing fat. Ho is not a tall man, and he cannot afford to weigh much more than he does at present. At a concert in Wilkesbarre, Pa., while every one was applauding, a little child exclaimed: "Oh mamna, see all the big men pattycaking." A watermelon farm at Adams Park, Ga., consists of 800 acres and produces 400 car-loads of melons, is said to be the largest watermelon patch in the world.

world. There are five girls in one of the Humphries families of Fleming county, Kentucky, and their names are Arkan-sas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Florida and Virginia.

Virginia. It is reported that the Russian gov-ernment intends to buy all the Polish railways and transform them into state railways on account of their strategical importance. The cemetery at Sea Cliff, N. Y., has been closed because there is so little use for it-only fifteen burials in four years, and the receipts not equal to the expenditures. An Easton paper says Charles Zinc

dictating scholarly editorial and graph-ic descriptive matter. It will make the composing-room partake some-thing of the nature of an anarchists' meeting to have half a dozen phono-graphs in an elecutionary voice talk-ing off editorials, while twice as many are rolling out editorial matter, and another gang are making very earnest remarks about the markets, and still another lot are roaring out the advertisements. When one of the editorial machines begins to get deep-ly in earnest and puts one hand under its coat-tails, swells con it is breast and throws back its head and begins to talk very loud about "A Crying Need of the Hour," it will only help to con-fuse matters. So also will the Gov-ernment chemist in the baking powder advertisement, and the reduction sale dry goods announcements; when these phonographs begin to paw the case, and howl and occasionally shootout an electrotype cut of a new summor suit or something, and take the compositor in the ear, and knock him down and at work, it is going to make exciting its east and some the source of the going to the going to then get mad because he isn't up and at work, it is going to make exciting times.

An Easton paper says Charles Zinc has an amorphophallus plant, the only one of the kind in that section. The odor of the flower is that of stale raw meat, but its color is beautiful.

James Buchanan, of Ashtabula county, Ohio, cuts his hair in a very peculiar manner. He shaves all his forchead to the back of his neck.

forehead to the back of his neck. On the death of Jacob Kimes, of Columbia, lately, his hunting dog would touch no food until the funeral was over, and his parrot, which had been garrulous, has not spoken a word since sinc

The Paris dressmakers are said to be determined on the complete annihi-lation of the bustle. The simpless drapers are now the most stylish. Fashion at least accords with common

then get mad because he isn't up and at work, it is going to make exciting times. While the unsuspecting phonograph is leaning over and pouring its ten words in to the compositor's ear he will forget, and make his well-known and heated remarks about the lean-ness of the type or unsatisfactory character of his "take," or he will make overtures to another compositor looking toward the loan of some to-bacco, and the phonograph will take it and mix it up with an editorial on "The Progress of Church Work," and the will soft this way and subse-quently the earnest, glowing swear word of the proof-reader will be noted as it floats out from another room. Then one of those excitable nervous men will be working on a case with a quick, impulsive phonograph, and the foot lever will break, or something, and the phonograph will go right on taking, and he will try to set as fast as it can talk. The casual spectator wind noiser the case and making des-perate and lighting-like grabs after letters out of two boxes at once. The air will be filled with type flying in all directions, and above the roar of the phonograph, galloping along on a cas-A richly decorated sign on Howard street, leaning against the chair of one of the many street "professors" of the city, informs passers-by that there is "the only artistic ebonizer of foot gear in Boston."

gear in Boston." A tramp called at an Oil City, Pa., blacksmith shop, frankly asked the price of a drink, was given 25 cents, returned shortly with 15 cents change and disappeared without waiting for commendation of his conduct.

netters out of two boxes at once. This air will be filled with type flying in all directions, and above the roar of the phonograph, galioping along on a ca-ble dispatch full of Russian Generals' names will be heard the red, molten remarks of an excitable, nervous com-positor. The type in the air will grow thicker, pieces of the partitions be-tween the boxes will join the cloud, the nervous man will double over still more and clutch whole handfulls of "e's" and three-em spaces and hurl them up to the ceiling, scrape down the upper-case. tearing away the boxes, all the time yeling "stopper 'erl" to which the machine will only reply with a hoarse, hollow laugh, till at last he will seize it, and tear it from its place, and beat the floor with the helpless machanism till it becomes a shapeless mass, and hasn't a word to say, and till the tall, excitable com-positor has to be be carried away to the hospital. Such scenes as these will tend to disturb the harmony of the composing room and cause friction. Again, when the editor is pour-ing his tale into a phonograph, per-haps a door will slam, for instance, and the faithful instrument will record it, and when it is repeated for the compositor, if he doesn't happen to fully understand the the thing, he will stand. commendation of his conduct. It is said of a Canadian mother who died the other day: "She was a true wife, a fond mother, and so managed affairs as to marry off her nine girls before any other female in the neigh-borhood could even get a beau."

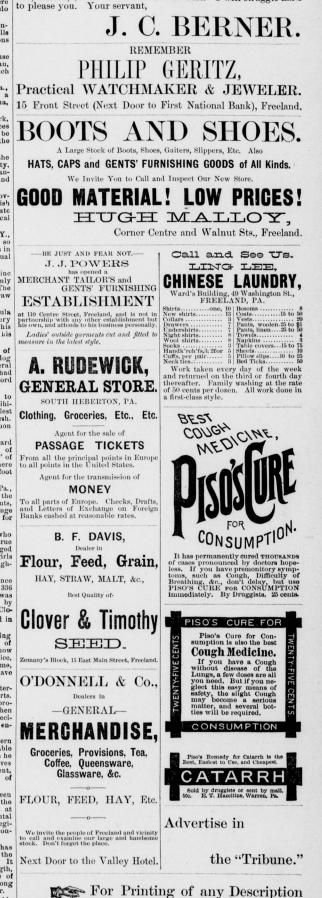
borhood could even get a beau." Recent Australiau papers announce the finding of a nugget weighing 336 ounces and valued at £1.300. It was found zear Wedderburn, Victoria, by a young Australian named Costa Clo-vich, who had only recently arrived in the colony. The English language is pervading the earth. Most of the large cities of Europe, and many small ones, now have their English newspaper. Nice, Dresden, Munich, Berlin, Paris, Rome, Naples, Geneva and many others have

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served and acted upon throughout the state. The Democratic Society is not a mere campaign club. It is a permanent organization intended to disseminate Democratic truth. It cannot be used for the advancement of the political ambition of any individual, for the principles on which it is founded are purely Jeffersonian, before which one Democrat is as good as another provided he behaves himself like a Democrat. The Republican party relies for success very largely apon organizations bases upon various isms and plays upon the ideas, fancies and antipathies of bodies of men banded together for this or that purpose. The together for this or that purpose. The give the toiler the benefit, let us hear no Democratic Society is the antithesis of all such factions and bigoted associations, The citizen who is affiliated with the Democratic Society is educated out of the narrow groove of methodics and descent descent descent and social of them. Only fools will medthe narrow groove of prejudice and stands upon the eternal principle of the "fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." Forward, the Democratic Society !--Wilkes-Barre Leader. ear to all of them. Only fools will med-anthracite coal region wants no protec-tion. Labor has said so itself. It's only the fools who are looking for pro-tection.

The resolution offered in the Democra

Posters, Hand Bills, Letter Heads, Note Heads, Bill Heads, Raffle Tickets, Ball Tickets, Ball Programmes, Invitations, Circulars, By-Laws, Constitutions,

Etc., Etc., Etc.