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Mr. Wanamaker can advocate gov rnmental control of the telegraph ernmental control of the telegraph system without being called a Social ist. If Mr. Powderly were to advo-cate such a plan there would be no mincing words with him. He would be a rank Socialist. If Mr. Pierpon: Morgan or Mr. Anthony Drexel were Morgan or Mr. Anthony Drexei were to urge that the government take hole of the railroads, give a thorough system of travel without the necessity and expense of stock wate ing it would be "a great business move," but it Jerry Simpson advocates, why then it becomes a crank notion.—Huzleton Sentinel.

ALTHOUGH Harrison has secured the Although Harrison has secured the Indiana delegation to the National Convention, his opponents in the Kepublican party do not stop their efforts to prevent his renomination. Their opposition is based upon the assertion that he cannot carry his own State again. The chief newspaper organ of these Republicans is the Fort Wayne Gazette, one of the most prominent party organs in the State. N. R. Levnard, editor of the Gazette, has recently written an open letter, in which he says "that Harrson's renomination would be a political mistake, and that he feels that a large number of the party in Indiana. large number of the party in Indiana concur with him in these views."

Few tears were shed over the death of Ario Pardee this week. When men like him are called the public seldom indulges in lamentations, for the world loses nothing that is of any good or benefit to it. He did much in his lifetime to advance coal mining in its scientific and other branches, but all he ever did was for self alone. To all humane appeals he was as deaf as man could be, utterly regardless of the poverty and pain he caused thousands of people through the conditions he imposed upon them. Likemany others, in his mad desire to place millions upon millions, he repeatedly broke the laws of his tand violated every principle of honor and manhood to gratify his avarice.

Every citizen of Pennsylvania who Every citizen of Pennsylvania who has the slightest regard for justice will approve of Govern r Pattison's pard on of Messas M flon and Poster, editors of the Bervar Star. These men were convicted by a packed jury and sentenced by a part san judge upon the preposterous charge of libeling Matr Quay. Just as if such a thing were possible! When judges and juries are false to their trust it i only right and just there should be a higher tribunal to which the people can appeal. In this State we have a pardon board and a governor who are can appear. It has state we have a pardon board and a governor who are not afraid to open the j il doors for men who were imprisoned by the oders of a boss politician. While Pattison reigns there will be justice so far as it lies in his power to have i so

The Cleveland tide is swelling among the Democrats. The politicians are hearing from he people, and the latter are expressing them selves in no uncertain tone. Secretary of State Harrity said last week that the vote of Pennsylvania in the Democratic Convention will go to Cleveland, and the returns of the district conventions bear him out. Whatever opposition was alleged in this State has been shown to be merely the talk of discredited politicians. From all parts of the United States come reports that bode no good to Hill. As for Hill's Southern tour, the weight of opinion of the Southern those upon imports—previous careful among us that certain those upon imports—previous careful among the consolitors in the careful among the consolitors when the consolitors in the careful among the consolitors when the consolitors won't be. But it would now the careful among the careful amon the weight of opinion of the Southern press is that it has injured rather than helped his prospects. Cieveland is the man and tariff reform the

by many the part of the subject of t

The Lehigh Valley and Central employes are in anything but a peaceful state of mind, as there is no telling how soon any of them may lose the positions they have held the larger portions of their lives. From Bethlehem to Mauch Chunk this is especially noticeable, and the Coal Gazette comments upon it as fol-

The people of the entire Lehigh Valley The people of the entire Lehigh Valley will not be likely to appland the latest move made by the Reading combination. When the announcement was made of the appointment of John Taylor as General Traffic Manager of the new system, there was general rejoicing, and subsequently when it was learned that Sanager quently when it was learned that Superintendents Goodwin, Blakeslee Mitchell had been retained, the public breathed freer. The word had gone forth that nothing would be done to in jure any towns along the line of the used roads, and the combination asked for a suspension of public opinion. The people of the Lehigh Valley were about getting back into the old order of thingwhen they are startled with the an nouncement that the Lehigh Valley offices are to be removed to Philadelphibefore April 1. It would seem from this that the managers of the deal were not sincere when they professed that no community would suffer through it, an now that they have some show of keeping the unholy alliance together, the natural order of things is coming about natural order of things is coming about one of which is the concentration of the

eneral offices.

Bethlehem's grasp on the general offices has been short-lived. The echo of their rejoicing over Mauch Chunk's dis-comfiture had hardly died away when an edict goes forth which turned the tables on our brethern in the holy land down the valley. They are forced to give up the offices to Philadelphia, and the palatial new building adjacent to "Fountain Hill," where the "favored few" are gracious enough to dwell, will soon be empty, and Bethlehem's greatness as a

If we were inclined to lamentations, we might sigh out a great many over the removal of the Lehigh Valley offices from this place. But what's the use The decree of the Combination Cyruhas gone forth, and that settles it for the present. We lack words to express our regret. All that is left us resolves itself into the melancholy task of joining "All the Bethlehems" in a commo

Mauch Chunk is an unfortunate town After many years of careful husbanding and partiality, the offices of this corporation were fully founded here, and gave promise that their fixture was as permanent as the road itself. But when the Packers were gone, and a new Pharoah ruled in the corporate land, it was not long before a ruthless hand made them follow the court of the powers that be to "All the Bethlehems" land. We groaned over this. But our groans were of no use. Were not the "waters" of "All the Bethlehems" better than those of Mauco Chunk? So the offices went to "All the Bethlehems."

Again a new Pharoah is crowned in the land. This time he happens to live in Philadelphia. He is no regarder of persons or places. The ruthless decree goes forth. The offices must follow his ourt. The few that are left in the Saitzerland" go to the City of Brotherly Love, and the many that are luxuriously located in "All the Bethlehems" must follow suit. No wonder we groan; no wonder "the Bethlehems" groan!

thegm, sic transit gloria mundi. And we thegin, see transa gorta manua. And we won't be. But it would be some sincere consolation if, in the near future, the avenging anger of an outraged constitution should say, "Thus far, and no farther!"

In the meantime, we take our medi-

It is one of the commonplaces of political economy that every tax is a bur-den, says To-Day, of Boston. There is to be sure, a theory widely accepted among us that certain kind of taxes— those upon imports—produce wealth and national prosperity. There is another

tional-probably falls below ten per A WHITE LEAD TRUST cent of the annual production; but when we remember that the National taxes alone for last year came to nearly half of this portion, we see that the whole amount cannot be much under ten per

Nothing is more difficult than to discover the incidence of taxation. Most of our taxes are levied upon property; but it is proverbial that they but it is proverbial that they will not stay where they are put. Only the very shallow and thoughtless are taken by the fallacy that a man who has no property pays no taxes. Cobbett likened the British national debt to a cannon-ball rolling down a flight of steps—it had successively been shifted from one clasto another until it rested upon the lowest. The secretary of the New York Tax Rein the procure of the control of the

wondered at then that they are willing to accept the terms of the corporation that is scheming to create a monstrous monopoly and boost up the prices of coal o exorbitant figures .- Nanticoke News,

The Southern people had an opportunity to gaze upon that man Hill while he was making a second-class circus of imself in their section this month Here is what the representative papers

Here is what the representative papers down there think of the man who imagines he will be the next President:

Hill has returned from his Southern electioneering tour, but, notwithstanding that he indulged in almost daily speechmaking, if he has told the people of the South anything new it has never been made public. Instead of instructing them on the living issues of the day—tariff reform and silver—he merely recited the old, time-honored principles of the Democracy with which his hearers had been perfectly familiar long before they ever heard of him. These he urged the Southern Democracy to stick to. They propose to do so and vote for Grover Cleveland.—Richmond Times.

No simon-pure Democrat in the South

ORGANIZED AFTER MUCH NEGOTI-ATION, BUT VERY EFFECTIVE.

but That of the Painters' Raw Material Has Advanced While Wages Have

The lead industry of the United States is divided into three branches. The first is devoted to the mining of the ore, the second to the smelting and refuing of the miners' product and the third to the

fore has absolute control of the white lead business.

During the first year of its existence the trust operated at a loss to the extent of \$202,600, according to the report of the trustees. This was due to the competition on the part of independent works. Some of the most important of these joined the trust in 1889, and by means of the higher prices thus made possible, the trust made a profit of \$1,-101,122. In 1890 the trust increased its net profit to \$2,028,552. This large increase in the profits made by the trust was the direct result of the higher prices of white lead inaugurated by the trust as compared with the prices existing before the trust secured its monopoly. The average monthly prices of pig lead and white lead in oil in New York have been as follows since 1886: as follows since 1886:

NEW YORK PRICES OF PIG LEAD.

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Difference. 1.57 1.90 3.05 2.38 2.2854
The prices of white lead as given above are the lowest prices quoted by the trust for large quantities. From the significant in 18.9 and 1890 given above must be as Jucted he rebates paid by the trust to large p.r.chasers on condition that the trust prices should be maintained by them. In 1889 this rebate was one-fourth of a cent per pound on purchases

cent. of the trust price, according to the amount bought.

The object of this was to prevent the large jobbers from cutting the prices fixed by the trust. In January, 1891, this rebate system was abolished. Deducting these rebates, which affected large purchases only, the difference in price between pig and white lead shows a steady increase since the formation of the trust. The present price of pig lead in New York is 4.20 to 4.25 cents per pound, and white lead in oil sells for from 6½ cents to 5½ cents per pound, and white lead in oil sells for from 6½ cents to 5½ cents per pound white lead and pig lead is therefore 2.30 cents per pound.

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Barbed wire, paint-ed. 2 55 2 25 II
Barbed wire, gal. 3 65

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Barbed wire, galvanized. ... 365 265 13
These figures will tax the ingenuity of
the professional advocates of trustism.
Immediately after the great advantages
due to the practice of combination
"economies" were withdrawn, the price
of steel beams did not rise. It fell 25
per cent. And in the case of barbed
wire there was a decline of 13 per cent.
The trust professors should overhaul
and revise their chief doctrine.—New
York Times.

Uninstructed French Consumers

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A local protection organ notes the charge against M. Lafargue, a membe, of the French chamber of deputies, of "exciting discontent among the people" by calling for a reduction of the new duties on breadstuffs. It says that:

"Unfortunately, his task has been made easier by the sudden rise in the price of many articles which has taken place in France, immediately after the putting into operation, on Feb. I, 1892, of the new ultraprotectionist tariff adopted by the chambers."

How is this? Have not the French people learned the American protectionist doctrine that "the tariff is not a tas," or that when it is "the foreigner pays it?" Have they not read the labored articles in our protection organs, strivgrown cheaper under our "ultraprotec-tionist tariff?" Minister Reid ought to

Cofrode & Saylor, of the Reading rolling mill, have notified their employees of a 10 per cent, reduction in wages. The order affects nearly all departments and takes effect immediately. The firm employs about 650 hands.

The Plate Imports.

The new British steamer Massachusetts, Captain - Villiams, arrived at Swansea early in March, where she will load for New York 3,000 tons of tin plates. This will be the largest shipfourth of a cent per pound on purchases of ten tons or more per year. In 1890 the system was changed to a system of since the McKinicy bill went to effect. Sold at Schilcher's Drug Store.

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