THOS. A. BUCKLEY, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

OFFICE: MAIN STREET ABOVE CENTRE

SUBSCRIPTION' RATES:

"Why do merchants encourage the credit system?" is a question asked by a sensible exchange, which answers it as follows: "You reply that you do not. Yes, but you do. If the system were not encouraged by the merchants it would not be in existence today. Did you ever stop to think that the mercantile community of the country is the only body of men who tolerate the credit system? Let's see you buy postage stamps, postal notes, money orders, etc., on credit; try it, and see what you'll be told. Go to the theatre and you pay money. Express companies demand cash, and rail-road tickets are cash on delivery to the purchaser.

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"Why should not the merchant demand and receive cash? Simply because he encourages the credit system. It may be an impossibility to completely eradicate the system, but strict limitations on credit is a step in the right road, and the evolution will be practically a cash basis system of doing business. It is worth a trial and should be begun at once. It would quickly spread, like measles in a country school, and when it does it shall solve one great problem for all time.

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"When sifted down it would be found that the credit system is the progenitor of and responsible for more evil that affects the financial and business world, than all other agencies combined. Not only this, but it fosters extravagance—the purchase of goods which can be very well done without."

The Republican factional fight will be waged with much bitterness at Harrisburg on Wednesday. This is the expectation of all, and the especial hope of Democrats, who have viewed it with more or less interest from the start. The struggle for supremacy in the dominant party has been the fiercest known in political history, and despite the preand struggie for supremacy in the dominant party has been the fiercest known in political history, and despite the predictions of politicalns, that the factions will unite after Wednesday, there are good reasons for believing otherwise. One need not go outside our own county to find evidence that the Quay-Hastlings contest has demoralized the party, and reports from all portions of the state are to the same effect. The campaign has been too personal, and too many skeletons have been unearthed by both sides, for either to agree honestly to harmonize. The feeling for revenge may not be strong enough to turn the state Democratic, but it will place several counties back in the Democratic column, and that alone is something that Democrats will have cause to give thanks for on next Thanksgiving Day.

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The residents of Birvanton are still without fire protection. This part of town is rapidly building up, and as something must eventually be done in the matter, the council cannot act too soon. Before it was admitted to the borough a serious fire occurred there, and some of the property then destroyed could have been saved if the proper appliances to fight the blaze were at hand. Now that it is under the jurisdiction of the council, the people owning property have a right to expect protection. It is dangerous to put it off. A fire, aided by a strong wind, would sweep the "Hill" in a few hours. The firemen have nothing to stop it.

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Brough Solicitor Carr has informed the street committee of council that the money to complete the sewerage system cannot be borrowed without the consent of the voters. To hold an election on the question would require some time, and, if it carried, the work could not be commenced until late this year. Under the circumstances, it is likely the completion of the sewers will be delayed until next spring. This is to be regretted and will be a disappointment to those who reside on the streets that the council decided to sewer at the last meeting.

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It cannot be denied that the Quay-Hastings quarrel has not made news-paper readers tired at times, yet there are not a few who regret to see the end so near. When the Republican battle is over the metropolitan dailies will fall back upon interviews with Puglists Corbett and Fitzsimmons to pad their bulky pages, and it is the thoughts of that which cause men to wish that the Quay-ites and anti-Quayites would continue voting for another month.

A little item in a newspaper sometimes make an enemy for the newspaper for life, but it doesn't stop him from reading it, however; it just changes him from a subscriber to a sponger. The offended person generally discontinues his subscription, but is much more anxious to read it, and borrows his neighbor's paper for that nurrose.

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The bicycle craze has already begun to bear fruit and to tell on sentimental affairs in Washington. It is rumored, says the Post, that one engagement has been smashed to smithereens all on account of the fascinating bike. She avoved she would have one, and ride it, too. He got wrathy and said it was unfeminine, undignified and vulgar. She came back at him with the assertion that society, almighty and omnipotent society, approved, and that certainly ought to settle it. He stuck to it that that did not prove anything as to the propriety of the thing any more than because certain society women played poker habitually for money, smoked eigarettes and got fuddled on champagne that therefore these things were "good form." She burst into tears and said he was a "brute," whereupon he handed in his resignation then and there. Now their paths have diverged. A dainty summer girl who doesn't ride a bicycle is installed as idol and fetich, gets all the candy and flowers, and the rebellious fair bicyclist is hiding her chagrin by speeding of mornings with the attache of the Zanzibar legation.

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In 1860 the incorporated banks of the United States had a total capital of \$430,000,000, with a population of 31, 750,000. In 1890 the capital of our chartered banks, national and state, was \$840,000,000, while our population was \$2,000,000. In the former period the banking capital was as \$13.57 to each inhabitant; in 1890 the rate was \$15.42. Within the thirty years, however, the increase in business transactions was in a very much higher ratio than that of population; quite probably two fold. From these facts, one of two conclusions must follow—either (1) that the growth of banking facilities has, during this period, been largely inadequate to the requirements of trade; or (2) that the banks, with a given amount of capital, are now able to transact a much larger amount of business than they did formerly.

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Dr. Harrison, a noted Brooklyn divine, said, in a late sermon: "There can be no drunkards on bicycles. A man has to keep all his wits about him to ride a wheel. To all other sports companionship is necessary. Wheeling is the most wonderful pastime in this respect. One person is enough, and ten thousand are not too many. Dr. Harrison suggested between five a. m. and seven a. m., as the best time for the exercise. In closing his sermon he said that when a man gets on his wheel and goes into the country, he is as near to Heaven as he can get on earth, and that nothing has ever leveled society so much as the wheel has done and is going to do.

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A COLORED woman in Guthrie, Ola, awakened a few days ago out of a sound sleep that had lasted a little more than three weeks. During that period all the efforts of physicians and others to awaken her were unavailing. When she awoke she quietly got up and started about the house as though nothing unusual had occurred. She did not know she had been asleep longer than over night, and though the doctors were able to give her but very little nourishment during her long sleep, she did not seem in any way weakened.

Two or the largest rivers in southern California, the San Joaquin and
the Kings, were a few days ago stocked
with black bass, imported for the purpose by the fish commissioners of the
state. Twenty-five thousand of the
fish were put in the San Joaquin and as
many more in the Kings. It is expected that not only will the bass afford
fine sport, but that they will also clear
the rivers of small fry of coarse and
low grade fish.

A RECENT article in the Popular Science Monthly presents some striking figures concerning the present cost of transportation as compared with the mid-century. The reduction in freight transportation as compared with the mid-century. The reduction in freight rates on coal since 1832 has been from 75 to 80 per cent. In 1867 284 bushels of wheat could be carried from Chicago to New York for the export price of 100 bushels, and in 1894 520 bushels could be carried for the same amount.

SUICIDE is uncommon among colored people, and the suicide of a reputable colored citizen of Halifax county, Va., which occurred recently, is noted as a remarkable occurrence in Virginia. This man was sixty years old, and the cause of his killing himself was believed to be lonesomeness and despondency because of the recent death of his wife and the absence and silence of his children.

It is said that a courtship has been going on for some time in the Marinette (Wis.) jail through a chimney that connects the men's and women's wards. Who says that love will not find the way? Let him take note hereof and henceforth hold his peace.

A MAN who lives near Newburg, Ore, recently sold a well-matched yoke of oxen for one hundred dollars and bought a team of fine bay horses for sixty dollars. He says he will buy a set of harness and then have money left from the sale.

THE English sparrow seems to have but just reached the northwest. Seat-tle, Tacoma and other cities along Puget sound complain that the pug-nacious little bird is "becoming" a nuis-

Modest Requirements.

This is what a young lady is reported recently to have said, apropos of marriage: "Well, no, I don't know if I would marry for money allone; but if a man had plenty of money, allied to a sweet disposition, and a mustache that curled at both ends, and nice blue eyes, and a social position; if he had a distinguished status in a profession, or even as a merchant, and his father was rich and his mother and sisters aristocratic, and he wanted to marry me, and he would promise to let me have my own way in everything, and keep me liberally supplied with money, and have a splendidly furnished town house and a handsome country residence, was liberal about diamonds and other gems, also about the milliner, never grumbling, and I really and truly loved him, I shouldn't consider marriage a drawback." Now, there's a young woman who seems to know what she wants in a husband. But it is quite safe to predict that she will have a long period of single blessedness to enjoy before her ideal comes along.

THE claim of the eagle to the title of king of birds seems to be slightly clouded by an incident reported from Stafford county, Va. A gentleman down there was watching an unusually Stafford county, Va. A gentleman down there was watching an unusually fine bald eagle grandly sailing around in the air a few days ago when he noticed a little bee martin rise in the air and make straight for the eagle. He wondered what the martin's object could be, and was surprised to see it sail in boldly to tear feathers out of the big eagle. But he was amazed to see the eagle, after a few moments of effort at beating off the little bird, sail away in full flight, making every effort to escape from the martin. The martin followed up closely for awhile, making a savage jab at the eagle martin followed up closely for awhile, making a savage jab at the eagle every few yards, but was finally left behind through the superior retreating powers of the big eagle. But when you come to think of it, a solitary bee can make a pretty "big-bug" get a pretty lively stir on himself.

TOLD BY FAMOUS MEN.

Battle.

THE CASE OF "WRESTLING JOE."

Property Involved That Is Now Worth More Than \$10,000,000—Senator Wilson's Luck, Pluck and Rise to National Fame.

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"The most important and interesting lawauit I ever had anything to do with," said Senator Mitchell of Oregon, "was what was known as the 'Wrestling Joe case.' It involved an enormous sum of money and had such extraordinary features that if it had been tried in New York, Chicago or London it would have become as celebrated as the Tichborne claimant case was a few years ago. It is a long story and presents a series of lawsuits rather than a single one.

"In 1850 congress passed a law granting public land in the territory of Oregon to actual settlers—329 nerse to a single man and 640 acres if married. The masculine gender was used throughout; no mention was made of woman. Prior to the passage of this law, but in anticipation of it, an old woman calling herself 'Mrs. Ca-



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that he was the husband of Elizabet Caruthers.

"I then commenced suit for the proper based on that theory in the circuit court, the state of Oregon, the sole questions in volved being whether this old man's nan was Thomas, whether he was the man I claimed to be and whether he had marrie the old woman in Tennessee. I took test mony in several of the southern and wes ern states; some six or eight witness were taken all the way to Oregon from I linois and Missouri. The defense in the answer simplified the inquiry very mue by declaring not only that this man wanot Joseph Thomas, but that he was at other man, whom they named, giving h birth and part of his early history. For tunately I was able to prove that this ma was hanged by a vigilance committee for horse stealing in Illinois. Besides the tetimony was overwhelming to the effect that Joe Thomas was the man he claim to be.

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"Well, the jury brought in a verdict favorable to my client. They declared Wrestling Joe Thomas to be the real Joe Thomas and the husband of the early settler of Portland. It was a famous victory, and the property involved in that case is now worth more than \$10,000,000."

He Believes Something In Luck.

John L Wilson has told me in his own way the story of how he rose from clerk in the pension office at Washington to be United States senator from the state of Washington. "My father was one of the leading lawyers of Indiana," said Mr. Wilson. "We lived next door to the Voorhees family, and young Voorhees and myself grew up as chums. Though my father was a Republican senator, Voorhees procured an appointment as clerk in the pension office for me. I worked there some time, but I am willing to admit I did not like it. It was drudgery. My superiors in office, as well as my associates, were kind and pleasant, but somehow I couldn't get over the feeling that I was a sort of horse to be harnessed up in the morning and after I had turned out a certain lot of work was permitted to go and get my feed. I used to have longings to go west and start in for myself. I talked about it to my fellow clerks. They used to tell me the best thing I could do was to let well enough alone and stick to my comfortable and very regular salary. I replied that any man with brains and energy could make as much in private business as he could in the pension office and have more independence. Finally I made up my mind to cut lose from the pension office and have more independence. Finally I made up my mind to enthe beast thing it could do was to let well enough alone and stick to my comfortable and very regular salary. I replied that any man with brains and energy could make as much in private business as he could in the pension office and have more independence. Finally I made up my mind to cut have a fair chance in the west one must have a profession. So I went to Indiana and studied haw with my

and hygienic data.

One of the discoveries made during the calculation of the force exerted by bicyclists is that at high speed the work of a bicyclist in covering a specified distance is as great as that of a man running the same distance. At a moderate speed a runner undergoes three times the labor of a bicyclist, but the higher the speed the nearer are the exertions equalized.—Industrial World.

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How the Fire Starts.

It is found that dry charcoal, when the heat is removed from it, being nearly pure carbon, will absorb oxygen from the air under favorable conditions so rapidly as to produce active combustion—that is, a glow or flame. Now, the process of the origin of a fire from a steam pipe has been thus explained—viz, the heat from a steam pipe will in course of time char or carbon-lize wood in contact with or close to it, and when this charring process extends to any depth in the wood it presents a surface full of fissures and cracks, thus exposing a large section to the air, this charring driving the oxygen out of the charced portion and keeping it out while the heat is kept up. When, therefore, the heat is removed, the charcoal reabsorbs oxygen from the air, and if the action is rapid enough is a dry atmosphere combustion follows.—New York Sun.

The Difference,

"Father," asked little Johnny, "is there really any difference between selling liquor at a drug store and at a saloon?"

"A great deal of difference, my son," replied Johnny's father. "A drug store license costs only \$1, and a saloon license \$\psi_1,000."\text{--Boston Transcript.}

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DANIEL COXE.
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Converting the resolution passed at a meeting of the Democratic executive committee on July 2, 198. I hereby give notice that the Democrats of Pennsylvania by their duly chosen representatives will meet in state duly chosen representatives will meet in state duly chosen placing in nomination candidates for the office of placing in nomination candidates for the office of state treasurer and judges of the superior court, and for the transaction of the superior court, and for the transaction of the superior court, and convention September 18, 1883, representatives shall consist of representative delegates, one for each 1,000 votes cast at the last preceding presentativing of the convention September 10, 500 or more, in the respective representative districts, provided that each representative districts, provided that each representative districts, shall have at least one delegate.

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