The Carbon Advocate

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ENTERED AT THE LEHIGHTON POST-OFFICE AS SECOND CLASS MAIL MATTER.

IT is safe to say that a goodly number of the political booms don't boom worth a cent.

BEFORE the Legislature convenes Quay and Boyer should make it a point to publicly endorse each other.

THE Knights of Labor don't seem to be overly enthusiastic on the Senatorial business, somehow or other.

THERE is no question but what the "safe" would beat all the other candidates for Mayor in Philadelphia.

IT wouldn't be a bad idea for some one of our Republican cotemporaries to endorse Calvin E. Wells—to stick to journalism.

IT wouldn't be a surprise to us to hear of a millionaire dying some day who had concluded to leave his property to the lawyers.

IT would be a difficult matter for an intelligent jury to decide whether Mayor Smith or the gamblers are running the city.

IN 1888, Edmunds, the Vermont Senator, will probably be Blaine's Buchard—but instead of "R. R. R." it will be "N. S."—no shake.

RANDALL'S election makes the Republican party giggle a gentle giggle as it shakes itself into the belief that once more the country is safe.

WHEN the flowers bloom again, Mayor Smith, wearing the garb of a private citizen, will begin sniffing the air to catch the odor of a vindication breeze.

THERE are some men who believe that if "rotation in politics" would only work a little more rapid they might have a chance to "get there" after all.

IT probably tickles Blaine to learn that Edmunds don't want to be President, and it probably tickles Edmund's to know that Blaine can't be President.

CONGRESS convenes Monday, and the rural member who monkey's with the free-trade buzz-saw is likely to have his political hide considerably scored.

IF an elevated railroad would in any way elevate the political government of Philadelphia we would say, by all means let them have the railroad; by all means.

JUDGING from the recent actions of Henry Watterson, of Kentucky, one is led to believe that he is not exactly Watt-er-son ought to be to the father of his country.

THE latest order of the Philadelphia and Reading Company is to the effect that their employees must pay half-fare on said road. An attempt will be made to have the order re-called.

IT is stated on good authority that the ever sanguine Hensel will not accept the chairmanship of the Democratic State Committee. Verily, the day of deliverance has come.

IT may be strange, but nevertheless 'tis true, that the good and noble deeds of the brave are never fully appreciated until the shadow of the tomb crowds out the sunshine of their lives.

IF our thrifty house wives were to strike for a reduction in the hours of work, it is safe to say that a considerable number of eight-hour husbands would feel like crawling in a hole and pulling the hole in after them.

WHEN the Democratic party elect a new chairman, it is to be hoped that the Republican majority won't range much above forty or fifty thousand. This is a close State on doubtful issues—exceedingly doubtful for the Democratic party, in fact.

IN an address at Birmingham, Alabama, recently, Judge Kelley, of this State, remarked that he "would go back home and tell his people that the negro laborers of Alabama and Tennessee are as well paid as the white laborers of Pennsylvania." Mr. Blaine will probably read the remarks of Judge Kelley with interest.

RUTHERFORD B. HAYES is now the only living ex-President of the United States.—Stroudsburg *Jeffersonian*. This is news to us. Will our brother knight of the quill please inform us in what year the individual above spoken of was elevated to that office? Let's see—Lincoln, Grant, *Tilden*, Garfield, Cleveland — seems strange we didn't hear of it.

DURING a recent conversation Grover Cleveland observed: "I shall not lie to you as to my purpose to carry out the pledges of the platform, nor shall I lie to the people who voted to place Democratic principles as enunciated in the platform in charge of the administration of the government. The people voted in good faith for reform and I shall give it to them in good faith to the utmost extent of my power." This should have its effect on the bull-headed and disgruntled spoilsmen, who are dissatisfied with the administration.

THE people of Carbon look forward anxiously to the course to be pursued by our recently elected assemblymen—Hons. A. W. Raudenbush and Daniel Bachman. Mr. Raudenbush is a man of firm convictions, honest and outspoken in his opinions, and will, we believe, regardless of party affiliation, pursue such a course as will make him a valuable legislator; of Mr. Bachman, we are not prepared to say, having but a limited knowledge of the gentleman; but it is safe to presume, that he will not play the bigoted partisan in the Legislative Halls, owing to the fact that he is a representative labor man. This being the case our people need entertain no fears as to the course to be pursued by Carbon's Assemblymen.

MAYOR GARDNER, of Cleveland, O., doesn't believe in monkeying with the Anarchist buzz-saw. When applied to recently by several followers of that faith for permission to open a city building for *Mrs.* Parsons his reply was quick and to the point. "As long as my name is George Gardner," he said, "and I have any authority, you cannot have any city building for any such meeting. Our people are law-abiding and loyal. We do not want any instructions in regard to our duty from those who favor bomb-throwing and murder. I advise you not to attempt to hold the meeting you speak of, for just as sure as a revolutionary sentiment is voiced there will be trouble. We won't have it." Perhaps the Chicago bomb would never have been thrown if a man of Mayor Gardner's mould sat in Carter Harrison's chair.

Broadbrim's New York Letter.

Special to the CARBON ADVOCATE.

It is not often that such an assemblage is gathered under a single roof as that which stood around the bier of Chester A. Arthur on Monday last. Men holding the highest seals of official honor; scholars whose fame is wide as the world of letters; merchants whose argosies are on every sea; millionaires before whose wealth even Midas or Croesus might stand appalled, all were gathered in silent reverence and respect around the dead man's coffin. But a mightier multitude stood in silent awe and reverential sorrow in the street without, their heads bowed down with grief and their eyes dimmed with tears. It was not the tribute of a party or a faction; Republicans and Democrats; Catholics and Protestants; Jews and Gentiles, sat side by side and every face bore traces of genuine and unmistakable grief. The dead man whose imposing sarcophagous lay before them had crossed the Jordan's stormy tide and had left no enemy behind him. He was beyond all question the first gentleman of his time. No man who has sat in the President's chair since Washington, has occupied it with greater honor or dignity.

The last times I saw him were in the winter of 1884 in Washington and during the past summer at his cottage near New London. Just before the close of his administration he gave a reception to the Army, the Navy and the Diplomatic Corps. It was generally understood then that it would be the last of those grand receptions, for which his administration had been famous. Great were the preparations in every quarter, and the result was one of the most brilliant gatherings ever seen in the White House. Officers in splendid uniforms were there thick as the autumn leaves, rich in gold lace and radiant with the insignia of official livery, the Diplomatic Corps added to the brilliancy of the occasion; yet in the midst of that magnificent throng there was no such distinguished looking gentleman as he who bore worthily the title of President of the United States. The magic scene melted away with the glitter of its diamonds, the sweet strains of its music, its beauty and its pagentry, and the next time I met him, who stood there so grandly that night, the cynosure of all eyes, was in his little cottage at New London last summer. Miss Nellie was standing on the porch as I drove up, and by her I sent in my card. I was immediately ushered into his presence, as I had known him well before and during his administration; he apologized for not being able to rise as he kindly extended his hand. He was but the shadow of his former self, and appeared to be calmly waiting for the change which he knew must soon come. There was the same quiet dignity that had distinguished him in every station and which did not blanch even in the presence of death. I bade him farewell and saw him no more till he lay in his coffin last Monday. Two years ago his pathway was beset with perils, a wild hurricane of abuse and vituperation swept around him that would have wrecked a weaker man; but the perils are safely past, the storm is over, and we can now say in the fulness of our hearts, as we lay him in the earth—Faithful servant, rest in peace.

From the solemn lesson of death we walked sadly down to the Hall of Justice where the faithless Aldermen of the city are brought face to face with the deadly proof of their crimes. Let no man hereafter repeat the trite but untrue adage, "Honor among thieves." There is no honor among them; the perjured rascals intent on self preservation are ready to sacrifice their former pals that they themselves may have immunity from punishment. What a commentary on the boasted blessings of self government, that among the million and a half of people in this great city, nothing better could be found than these thirteen perjured thieves to guard the city's treasure.

Here we have two mighty political organizations—the County Democracy and Tammany Hall. The voice of the Ozar is not more potent in St. Petersburg or Moscow, than the mandate of these organizations in the politics of New York. I do not mention the Republicans for they have no appreciable weight in deciding our political destiny. These two Halls have given us the Jachnes, the Waits, the Fullgraffs and the Duffys, who have looted the city's treasure and disgraced the city's name. No wonder the tears rolled down the cheeks of the guilty Fullgraff, as he sat in the witness chair and acknowledged himself a perjurer and a scoundrel; little as he deserved sympathy, hearts of stone melted at the sight. Far different was the bearing of his coadjutor and fellow perjurer, Duffy. This rascal had grown rich on the wages of infamy, and he now purchased immunity from punishment by betraying his companions in crime. Bold and defiant, he sat in the witness chair the incarnation of impudence and falsehood. Long association with sin had brazed his forehead and calloused his heart; so that he sat there unruffled in the presence of the court and told the story of his infamy without a blush. It is a terrible necessity for justice which renders it necessary, for the punishment of the guilty, to use such despicable instruments as this. God grant that the lesson gathered from these appalling trials may serve to band together the better elements of the city, so that in the future the nomination of such Thugs shall be impossible. This is the second upheaval in a few years. In the last political earthquake three Supreme Judges were hurled down to ruin. The Mayor of the city was driven into exile a fugitive and a vagabond. The Comptroller sought safety in flight, and he was followed by the officer who held the keys of the City Treasury. Members of Assembly, Senators, contractors and officers of every degree were implicated in the city's plunder. Between thirty and forty millions represented the stealings of that pirate crew; and yet, they were saints worthy of canonization when compared with the present villainous gang. We will soon have disposed of the bribed—then for the bribers; not till we get them, will we stand on solid ground. Who put up the half million of dollars with which these recreant Aldermen were bought? "There let the axe fall;" who are they? We shall see!

In the midst of all this sorrow and all this crime, Thanksgiving week is upon us. We have sorrow—yes! Care—yes! Disappointment—yes! and yet withal, much to give thanks for to God. The earth still yields her abundant blessings, and the elements have been kindly tempered to the poor. The earthquake shock which carried such ruin and disaster to one of the loveliest cities of the South, left unharmed and untouched the homes of over fifty millions of our people, who might have been engulfed in a common and widespread destruction. For this reason, if for no other, we should bow low our heads in reverential thanks. Europe stands on the edge of a seething crater, while here all is peace. Labor struggling for elevation and recognition, seeks in arbitration the remedy of its wrongs and griefs. For all these blessings Hallelujah! *Gloria in excelsis Deo.*

Much that glorifies humanity rises to the surface on this frosty holiday time. To the ragged waifs who swarm on our streets selling papers and blacking boots, the name of Aster is that of an angel of mercy. Mrs. J. J. Astor never forgets the newsboys and bootblacks on any holiday in the year. If the newsboys and bootblacks can help her she will have a much easier time getting past St. than a camel would have in getting through the eye of a needle. And the Vanderbilts one and all bear the poor in kindly remembrance; great wealth has not stifled humanity in their hearts, and there are thousands in this winter holiday time who have reason to bless their abundant fortune. An angel of light whose pathway through life is one long benediction, is the widow of the dead merchant prince Horace B. Claflin. When the Lamb's Book of Life is unfolded many a page will be found filled with the blessed charities of this gracious lady. And in addition to those there are thousands of unnamed saints whose lives are long unbroken blessings to the poor. In the general benison it is a satisfaction to know that few, if any, are forgotten. Even the thief and the harlot fretting behind prison walls find human sympathy has not abandoned them, and on this November holiday rejoice in the general bounty, for this thanksgiving and praise.

Among the many offences perpetrated here by the daily press there is nothing that will compare with the superlative villainy, of its illustrations. With bold impudence they will make the same cut answer for Stonewall Jackson and Henry George, James G. Blaine or President Cleveland. One of the most flagrant libels of this kind disgraced the pages of the *World* this week. Its portrait of President Arthur was simply atrocious. In his prime the ex-President was as handsome and manly a looking man as one would meet in a day's walk. It is fortunate for that enterprising sheet that a dead man's heirs cannot sue for this sort of scandalous libel, for if exemplary damages were given a million of dollars would scarcely condone the offence.

It was a terrible fall when the veritable Roger Tichborne, he whose ancestors came over with the Conqueror, ye know, let himself out to a dime museum on the Bowery. There the noble Baronet exhibits himself at ten cents a head, sandwiched in between the Fat Boy, the Circassian Girl and the What is It. Better this than starve. Though as the old chap remarks in "Pink Domines"—"Its not exactly what I expected." Still three or four weeks of dime exhibition will give him enough to get back to Halbion's Hile by Christmas.

This letter closes with No. 400. The first of this series was begun after my return from the Paris Exposition of 1878. What scenes have been described in these 400 letters. Since they were begun the great Brooklyn Bridge has been completed, and while I write the magnificent torch of Liberty Enlightening the World is flashing over the dark waters of the bay. Garfield and Arthur who were then such potent factors in the nation's fate, and who were full of life and hope when the first of these 400 letters were penned, are now returned to the dust and the Hero of Appomatox keeps them ghostly company. Hancock and McClellan, both candidates for the Presidency, have joined the great majority on the other side. Will I be permitted to complete another hundred letters, I dare hardly hope to write another 400 like those with which this number closes, but while this hand can guide a pen it shall be devoted to the best service of those who through all these years have followed me so patiently and so long, to whom I now return all love and thanks. BROADBRIM.

Washington News and Gossip.

From our Special Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29, '86.

MR. EDITOR: Thanksgiving Day was cold and unpleasant. Rain fell in torrents during the entire day, and very few persons ventured from the shelter of their homes, excepting those who were called out by necessity. The Departments and most places of business were closed, and the streets wore a deserted and decidedly uninviting aspect.

It had been decided at the White House that as the repairs and improvements upon the country residence at "Oak View" had been completed, that the President and a party of select friends should eat their Thanksgiving dinner there, but the plan had to be abandoned on account of the weather, and Mr. Cleveland spent his time at the White House and was engaged during the greater portion of the day upon his message to Congress. Mrs. Cleveland spent the day quietly with her mother, and there were no callers whatever.

The rain, however, did not in any manner interfere with the annual Thanksgiving dinners at the various orphan asylums and charitable institutions throughout the city. Secretary Whitney manifested his generosity by distributing three hundred turkeys among the clerks and employees in the Navy Department.

It has always been the custom to pay the employees of the House of Representatives their November salaries upon the day before Thanksgiving. This year, however, the rule could not be complied with, as the law requires that the Speaker should sign the certificates before the sergeant at-arms is allowed to make the payments. During the recess of Congress it has been customary to forward the certificates to the Speaker at his home, in time, so that they may be returned to the Capitol before pay day. For the past few days the Speaker has been expected to arrive in the city; therefore the certificates were not forwarded to him. In order that none of the clerks should forego the enjoyment of a Thanksgiving turkey through a lack of funds, the sergeant-at-arms made small advances in some instances to meet the emergency.

Of all the Thanksgiving proclamations issued by the executives of the several States and Territories, and copies of which have been received at the State Department, that of Chief Bushyhead, of the Cherokee Indian Nation, is considered the most unique and original. It reads as follows: "*Executive Department, Cherokee Nation, I. T.*—To the Cherokee People: Let us again publicly confess and commemorate the goodness of the Great Spirit, by devoting one day in this year to thanksgiving in unison. It is a good custom, and should impress upon our minds a truth that every one ought to realize more and more, as the days and hours succeed each other in our short lives. That truth is, that everything we have comes from God; and that everything is good and will be profitable to us, even as we regard and treat it, for the due observance of our duty to our common Father, and our brothers. Therefore; I. D. W. Bushyhead, principal chief of the Cherokee nation, do now appoint Thursday, the 25th day of November, 1886, as a day of general thanksgiving and praise throughout this nation, and recommend to all Cherokees to "keep" the said anniversary soberly, gladly, and lovingly as befits a reasonable and Christian people so to do. Should there be poor or unfortunate in any neighborhood, forget and neglect them not. Our system of society and government will not allow of excessive and individual wealth, nor of its sure attendant—excessive poverty—for which let us give special thanks, and hold fast to that which is good. But what is called accident or misfortune will ever present opportunities to the generous and vigilant in well doing, to do acts of benevolence. May the next Thanksgiving Day find us, as a nation, and as individuals, more virtuous, prosperous and happy for having kept this one. In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of the Cherokee Nation, on this the 13th day of November, A. D., 1886.

[SEAL.] D. W. BUSHYHEAD."

There has been some gossip here over the report that Mr. Blaine refused the proffered hand of Senator Edmunds at the Arthur funeral in New York. Mr. Blaine's friends say that they are convinced that he will make no attempt to conciliate Mr. Edmunds, as he is fully aware that the latter can have no sympathy with him in his political aspirations.

A gentleman, representing the Government of Costa Rica, is now in the city engaged in studying the plan and arrangement of the National Museum. It is the intention of that government to establish a museum which will be modeled after the museum here. The Hawaiian Government has also recently asked to have a competent person detailed from the force of the National Museum, to go to Honolulu and superintend the establishment of a Government Museum there. H.

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