

WANTED, a pale, new or second-hand. Address the Democratic reorganization committee.

It has been noted that independent parties are never proposed by anybody who expects to be a private in their ranks.

It is certainly hard on the Democrats to have nothing to show for all the hard work of the campaign except Webster Davis and Wellington.

CANADA expects a population of 6,000,000 in its census returns next year. New York and Pennsylvania have each more inhabitants than the Dominion.

RUSSIA has sent to the United States an agent to study our homestead legislation. In its earliest days the Republican party devised the homestead law that has attracted the attention of the world.

THE completion of the official count in Ohio shows a most remarkable fact, that Bryan's vote in that State was exactly the same as four years ago, 479,882. McKinley's vote was 543,918, an increase of 17,927.

THE monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures during November, 1900, shows the total receipts to have been \$48,344,514, and the expenditures \$41,278,690, leaving a surplus for the month of \$7,065,824.

HALL'S plurality of 621 in this district is the smallest received by a congressman in the state, this year, and the smallest ever given in this district. The largest congressional plurality was given to Young, in the 4th district, Philadelphia, 23,318.

SPEAKER HENDERSON, of Iowa, called the second session of the 56th Congress to order at noon Monday. The leaders of the House are preparing to press with great vigor the important business of the session. The bill for the reduction of war revenue taxes, the army re-organization bill, the river and harbor bill, and the several appropriation bills will have the preference.

THE message of President McKinley to congress is given in synopsical form on our first page to-day. It is a document of great moment and importance, dealing as it does of the many great questions with which the nation has been and is constantly being confronted. The excellent synopsis which we present should be read by all who have the interest of our beloved land at heart.

JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER and Andrew Carnegie are the two richest men in this country—perhaps in the world. The former's stock in the Standard would bring over \$200,000,000 in the market, and the latter's stock in the Carnegie company is worth \$205,000,000 in cash. They have other large investments in different parts of the world, and are likely worth something like \$300,000,000 each.

THIS far all the Democratic papers of the state are strongly in favor of fusion with the insurgent element of the legislature on the election of a Speaker and U. S. Senator, with Geo. R. Dixon of Elk county, and James M. Gutley of Allegheny, two of the rankest Democrats in the state for Speaker and Senator, respectively. Why, of course. But then, the stalwart Republicans will attend to both these cases.

THE report that England is on the side of the United States in the Chinese difficulty need not cause any surprise. The United States' side in that controversy, as in all its other diplomatic dealings, is the side of intelligence and enlightenment. It is the side which is sure to win in the Chinese affair in the end, for all the nations will have to come to it eventually. The administration at Washington has scored several diplomatic triumphs in the past two years.

Afraid of the Caucus.

The Philadelphia Press, Postmaster General Charles Emery Smith's paper, the official clearing house of the insurgent newspapers of the commonwealth, has editorially declared itself outside the pale of any and all political parties. Its hatred of Senator M. S. Quay seems to have been responsible for its severance of the last few weeks which gave its utterance party significance and party weight. The skull and crossbones of political piracy have been hung at the masthead. The mask has been removed and its manhandling policy re-enacted.

In its leading editorial the other day the Press declared:

The law makes the duty of the legislature to elect a United States Senator. That duty cannot be performed by a caucus. There is no law even of the party that recognizes the caucus.

This is a new doctrine for an alleged Republican paper to preach. It is one not recognized by Republicans, Democrats, Prohibitionists or any other political party yet formed. The Press will certainly not plead ignorance of the fact that party primaries and caucuses are the fundamental principles of political organizations. It is surely aware of the fact that the two great political parties of the United States, in every State and at every legislative session, caucus not only upon the question of a choice for the United States senatorship—when a vacancy exists—but also on questions of legislation and matters of political expediency.

It is also a matter of indisputed information to the Press that, in that the greatest of all councils of parliamentary and party law, the Congress of the United States, the Republican and Democratic members caucus upon all questions of party expediency, organization and legislation. The Press also knows that the individual participants in these caucuses are bound by the action of the majority. It knows that the member of Congress who does not respect this solemn obligation will forfeit the respect of his party associates and his standing as a representative of the people. And still the Press says "there is no law even of the party which recognizes the caucus."

This paper which voices the sentiments of the Postmaster General, of Senators

Flinn and Martin and Mr. Wanamaker, does not represent Col. Guffay the Democratic leader, their partner in the State campaign, for he has declared that the Democrats will caucus upon the Senatorship and legislative matters.

And further on in this treasonable editorial the Press declares: "There is no obligation on the part of any Republican to attend a caucus." Then the editorial leaks. It tells why the caucus is a bad thing and incidentally admits that the stalwart Republicans will not only control the caucus, but also insure the reelection of Senator M. S. Quay. The Press says:

The man who goes into the Quay caucus goes in as a Quay man and not as a Republican. By such an act he demonstrates that he is nothing but a Quay man. No Republican nominated and elected as an anti-Quay man can attend the Quay caucus and claim to be a Republican without betraying his constituents.

No Republican who wants to be free to exercise his own judgment and to serve the party will put the caucus gag on his vote. The caucus disfranchises the constituencies of the members who attend.

For a newspaper that contends that "Quay is beaten" the Press certainly exhibits little confidence in its own predictions. It shies at the caucus, and will shy at any determining test of political strength.—Pittsburg Commercial Gazette.

Who "We" Is.

They say we are prosperous. Who's "we"? There is no doubt that the Republican administration is good for some, but who's we?—William Jennings Bryan, in his Albany speech Oct. 17, 1900.

"WE" is: The 54,366 more persons employed on the railroads of the country than were employed two years ago; and the railroad men who are receiving the \$77,450,635 annual increase in aggregate wages over the wages of two years ago.

"WE" is: The \$41,029 more persons in the nation who are depositing money in the savings banks.

"WE" is: The Nebraska farmer who in 1898 released mortgages to the amount of \$27,428,070, which was \$4,849,153 more than the total amount released in 1895.

"WE" is: The farmers of the whole country whose home market has doubled, whose foreign market has increased over \$200,000,000, and whose live stock has increased over 334 percent in value.

"WE" is: The entire American people whose judgment in 1896 and 1900 rejected YOU and YOUR false prophecies and fallacious doctrines.

Slackwatering the Allegheny River.

During the coming week, Representative Sibley will join with Representatives Jack, Showalter and Graham in urging the members of the river and harbor committee to make a laege appropriation for the purpose of extending the slackwater navigation of the Allegheny river. In discussing the situation to-day, Mr. Sibley said:

"I shall work to my utmost to secure the proper recognition for this important stream. I cannot understand why such a grand river should have been so long neglected. As the Monongahela river has practically been given everything asked for, and as its industries have all been opened to commerce, it seems to me the business interests of Pittsburg and vicinity should join heartily in the movement to have the Allegheny river made navigable by means of locks and dams. The Allegheny river is the field of the future for the extension of the commerce of Pittsburg.

"It is one of the finest rivers in the state, and senators and representatives who have visited me at my home in Franklin have expressed their surprise that congress had not given the attention to it that it should. Starting from Pittsburg early in the day you can ride all day in an express train and not reach the headwaters of the river. Along its banks are millions of acres covering coal mines, covered with trees and other important interests. And its tributaries all flow through the same class of natural wealth.

"In my judgment the river should be made navigable almost to headwaters, and I feel certain that the advantages that would be thus offered to commerce would more than repay the outlay by the general government; and in addition to the advantages to commerce this nation can never do for Pennsylvania, with its nearly 7,000,000 people, an empire in itself. Ever since the formation of the government the people of the State have contributed hundreds of dollars in revenue where they have received cents in appropriation within the state. Look at the ports of Philadelphia and Erie for instance. Note the government receipts. And now that the improvement of the Delaware, Monongahela and Ohio rivers are under way, I think we should insist upon Congress taking up the slackwater navigation of the Allegheny river and pushing it to completion. I shall urge the committee on rivers and harbors to use this extension as far as Franklin in the coming bill and I am hopeful of success. With slackwater navigation to Franklin the feasibility of a ship canal from there to Erie via Meadville can then be taken up."—Commercial Gazette.

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12-5-01 A. B. KELLY, Cashier.

NARROW ESCAPES

Three Men Caught in a Swollen Stream and Nearly Drowned.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 1.—William Bonst, William Whyel and John Schultz had narrow escapes from drowning in the swollen water of Redstone creek, at Oliver. They were in a wagon drawn by two mules, and tried to ford the creek.

The mules were off their feet and headed down stream, struggling to get free. After going some distance the wagon passed under a tree and Schultz and Bonst grasped limbs and made their way to land. Whyel sailed some distance further, when he saw a chance to scramble up the bank. The pole of the wagon broke off, and the mules jerked themselves out of their harness, and aided by the men, were brought out of the water. The wagon and tools were swept away and lost.

DEPOT SAFE ROBBED.

Thieves For Fifth Time Looted the Station at California, Pa.

COAL CENTER, Dec. 1.—The safe in the Pittsburg, Virginia & Charleston railroad station at California, Pa., was blown open Thanksgiving eve. The thieves did not secure much booty, as the day's receipts are sent to Pittsburg every evening.

This makes the fifth time the safe has been blown open. The station is situated at some distance from any dwelling, and this makes it an easy mark for burglars. No clew has been found.

Claim of Fraud Made.

TUNKHANNOCK, Pa., Nov. 30.—H. D. Tiffany (Republican), has filed papers instituting a contest of the election of A. H. Squire (Democrat), to the legislature. The election board of Monroe township certified that Tiffany received 108 votes in that precinct while the tally sheet showed but 103. The computing board accepted the tally sheet as correct, which had the effect of reducing Tiffany's vote sufficiently to give the election to Squire by a majority of three. Tiffany alleges fraud in several precincts.

Keenan Not Guilty.

BELLEFOUNTE, Pa., Dec. 1.—In court here John Keenan was adjudged not guilty of causing the death by shooting of Annie Hobbins of Gallitown on Sept. 26. The weight of the evidence tended to show the revolver used to have been discharged in a scuffle for its possession between Keenan and the girl. The jury considered the latter as much in fault as Keenan. The prisoner will now be tried for carrying concealed deadly weapons.

Fatally Shot by Helper.

CONNELLSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 1.—Shooting and killing continues at the railroad camp east of this place. The latest tragedy occurred, when Henry Turner the cook at the camp, was shot by his helper, who shared a revolver through the window and fired. Turner was shot through the breast. The assailant escaped. The victim was brought here and is dying at the Cottage State hospital.

Citizens Died Suddenly.

KITTANNING, Pa., Dec. 1.—R. S. Slaymaker, one of the best known men in Armstrong county, dropped dead at his home on Water street, of heart disease. Mr. Slaymaker was a civil war veteran, had twice been married and recorder of the county, and for years was a clerk in the recorder's office. An old army wound is said to have been partly responsible for his sudden death.

Jury Failed to Give Verdict.

WASHINGTON, Pa., Dec. 1.—The jury in the Carroll murder case failed to reach an agreement and was discharged after being out about 14 hours. On the first ballot the jury stood two for conviction of manslaughter to 10 for acquittal and one for conviction. Carroll was charged with the murder of Michael Zeass, a Slavish miner at the Enterprise mine, north of town, last July.

Hunter Shot and Killed Another.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Dec. 1.—While Clarence Cope, aged 17 years, and his cousin, Clarence Moharter, of the same age, were hunting a woodcock at a bird and missed it. Moharter was shot a few feet behind the shot at the bird, but he fired low and the contents of the gun lodged in Cope's back. The lad died in great agony.

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

RAVENNA—Grando Watson, the 18 year-old son of David Watson, was killed while at work in the Hudson coal mines at Deerfield, by falling stone.

HARRISBURG—William Brown, aged 25, was working in an ash pit at the Pennsylvania railroad roundhouse, when an engine backed down toward him. In getting out of the way he was struck by the engine and instantly killed.

MEDIA—Andrew and Bridget McGibby, both aged about 60 years, were burned to death in a house on the Jesse Grimm estate, in Newton township, where they made their home.

WILKES-BARRE—James McGonrley, alderman of the Eighth ward, died suddenly of apoplexy.

WILKES-BARRE—George Wolfe, a musician attached to a vandeville company, committed suicide by hanging himself.

WILKES-BARRE—Margaret Kelly, a 16-year-old girl living at Miners Mills is mysteriously missing, and it is believed she was kidnapped.

JOHNSTON—Emil J. Chappy dropped dead at the Basic brick works.

ALLENTOWN, Pa.—Frank Weillbacher, silk manufacturer, made an assignment. Liabilities, \$125,000.

SUSQUEHANNA—Fire of incendiary origin destroyed 100 carloads of lumber at Great Bend.

OIL CITY—Alfred Obiert, 9 years old, was killed by an Erie passenger train here.

ALTOONA—Mayor Giles has issued an order enforcing the curfew law which requires all children to be off the streets at 8:30 p. m.

WILKES-BARRE—Alexander Anderson, while walking on the Westmoreland street railway tracks, was run down and instantly killed.

UNIONTOWN—Huffman Lester has arrived here from the Klondike and reports that a Mr. Bartlett of Pittsburg is becoming wealthy at the mines.

CONNELLSVILLE—The new St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church at New Haven was dedicated yesterday.

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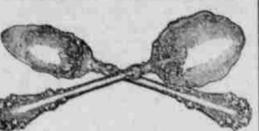
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