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Wheeling should be represented.
Wheeling should send a strong repre-
sentative delegation of business men to
the Ohio River Improvement Convention
at Cincinnati on the 8th instant. Every
important town from Pittsburgh to
Cairo, except ours, has acted already
in the matter, and yet there is no city
in the entire valley which is more di-
rectly interested than Wheeling.

Action by the chamber of commerce
should not be postponed until too late a
day, as it is important that the dele-
gation selected should be composed of
men who will attend the convention,
and they should be given sufficient no-
tice of their appointment to make
their arrangements. It is unnecessary
to dwell on the significance of the con-
vention itself, for its object is well
known, and its importance to the inter-
ests of this community is doubtless
fully appreciated.

It seems that the time is now more
than ever before ripe to impress Con-
gress with the subject of extending the
navigation facilities of the Ohio river,
and the congressional representatives
from the Ohio valley are enthusiastic
for the cause. Backed by a united pub-
lic sentiment and the business interests
of this vast and wealthy region, speak-
ing through such a convention as that
to be held in Cincinnati, they will, it is
believed, be able to accomplish much
with the coming Congress in the direc-
tion of obtaining substantial results.

A SNAKE with wings has been killed
in Kentucky. The dispatch doesn't
state whether the creature was found
in the bourbon or the sour mash dis-
trict.

That Consistent Organ.

If the majority in the selection of the new
board had seen fit to pursue the usual
method in such matters of consulting the
minority in the selection of the minority
representative, Mr. Dunlevy, on account of his record
and his excellent service on the board, would
doubtless have been chosen.—Register.

"Usual decent method" is good, but
will our esteemed contemporary please
inform us when such a method has
been "usual" in Wheeling? Certainly
it was not "usual" during the time in
which the Democrats had control of
council. Such advice comes with very
poor grace from the organ of the party
which in city politics has not "usually"
accorded the minority such a courtesy
as it suggests. It is true that the pre-
sent Republican majority had an oppor-
tunity to establish the precedent of per-
mitting the minority to choose its mem-
ber of the city board, but if it had done
so it would have ignored the example
set by certain past Democratic major-
ities.

In the meantime, why does the Reg-
ister prefer Mr. Pollock to Mr. Dun-
levy? Isn't Mr. Dunlevy as good a
Democrat as the other gentleman, and
if it should so happen that the Repub-
licans should conclude that they prefer
Mr. Dunlevy or some other good Demo-
crat over Mr. Pollock, what special
reason would the Register have to op-
pose the chance?

The Bluefield Journal announces that
Hon. E. P. Rucker has declined to allow
the use of his name for the Republican
nomination for attorney general, and
has declared that he will support Mr.
Ash M. Prince, of Mercer county, in his
candidacy for auditor. As the two gen-
tlemen are warm friends it was not
surprised that they would oppose each
other for honors at the hands of the
state convention.

Do Japs Hate Americans?

Commander McGiffin, who ought to
know what he is talking about, gives it
as his opinion that the Japanese friend-
ship for America is not sincere. This
does not agree with the testimony of
other Americans who have traveled in
Japan, and yet Commander McGiffin
seems to have been a close observer.
He says, among other things:

Between the Chinese and the Japanese I
prefer the former every time. They are not such
hypocrites. The Chinese are a sullen, mean and
dirty race, and they don't conceal their con-
tempt for foreigners. The Japanese feel toward America all
the gratitude that A. entertains toward B, when B
has loaned him money that A can't pay. Japan
pretends to hate the world of Americans. She
pays them on one side back and bows and smiles and
thanks them for having led her away from
barbarism into civilization, and says she wants
them to know that they are the favored nation
and she wants to do business with them. But
it all puts on. In reality she hates America. But
will she whisper who has to buy from
Americans. The Chinese is more of a town
than the Japs, but the Japanese nation is plucky
and pushing.

It is possible that Commander Mc-
Giffin's opinion is somewhat biased by
his recent connection with the Chinese
navy, and that he is, also, for the same
reason, prejudiced against the Japanese
character. However, what he says car-
ries with it the weight of the utterance
of a man who has had opportunities to

study the characteristics of both
peoples and to learn their real sentiments
toward other nations.

Certain it is that Americans have
never given the Japanese any cause for
a secret dislike of them, and Uncle Sam
himself has every reason, commercial
and social, to cultivate among the peo-
ple of the island empire a friendly feel-
ing for him.

ENGLAND has been very slow to act
with reference to the Chinese mission
massacres, but she seems to have finally
started in on the right line.

Past, But Not Forgotten.
Time was—and in this case it was about
the time Mr. Whitaker was nominated for the state
senate—when our Fourteenth street neighbor
frigidly refused to endorse his nomination.—
Register.

It would be hard to imagine a more
pronounced case of deliberate falsifica-
tion than the above. The campaign
was only a year ago, and it is still fresh
in the people's minds that the INTELLIGENCER
was kept very busy and devoted to
a great deal of space to refuting the vil-
laneous libels of Mr. Whitaker perpe-
trated by the Register. It is doubtful
if there was ever a more infamous or
abusive campaign conducted against
any Republican candidate than that
which the Register made against Mr.
Whitaker. So outrageous was it, and
so entirely unjustifiable, that Demo-
crats felt called upon to rebuke their
organ's maliciousness, and many of
them came to the support of the INTELLIGENCER
in its campaign of defense,
with what success was witnessed when
the votes were counted and Mr. Whit-
aker was found to have run ahead of his
ticket.

The Register does not seem to have
profited by the lesson, but if it thinks
that the public has forgotten the events
of that memorable campaign it is mis-
taken.

The typhoid fever epidemic in Pitts-
burgh is gaining ground daily. It is all
traceable to impure water, and the
water isn't being made any better.

Turn on the Light.

As was announced in the INTELLIGENCER
Saturday, Governor MacCorkle has
taken steps looking to the investigation
of the serious charges that have been
made against the management of the
second hospital for the insane at Spen-
cer. It is probable that the members
of the board of directors will meet on
the 23d instant, in accordance with the
governor's suggestion, and that an in-
quiry will then be instituted.

The charges, as has heretofore been
stated, include incompetency on the
part of attendants, cruelty to inmates,
drunkenness, favoritism and other
shortcomings. It is hoped the investi-
gation will leave no stone unturned to
get at the bottom facts, and that the
light will be turned on full.

If the allegations that have been
specified by newspaper writers are true
a very disgraceful state of affairs exists;
if only a part is true there is need of a
complete overhauling of affairs at the
asylum, and the INTELLIGENCER believes
that the governor will do his duty, in
the premises.

The complaints against the manage-
ment at Spencer, like those against the
Western hospital managers, have been
general, and the matter has been a pub-
lic scandal for some time. The only
thing that will put a stop to the talk
now being indulged in is a public in-
vestigation. Anything else will be unsat-
isfactory, as a private, or star-chamber
inquiry, should it result in a finding
favorable to the management, will be
looked upon with suspicion. If the
public servants in charge of
the state's unfortunates have
been guilty of the things charged
against them the people want it to be
proven in open court; if they are inno-
cent, then justice to them demands that
they shall be exonerated in open court.
Let everything be made as clear as day
and a stop be put to the scandal, and
let us all hope that, for the credit of the
state, it will turn out that the reports
of executive mismanagement and ill
treatment of the helpless insane charges
of the state have been exaggerated.

A New York dispatch says that "the
sign, 'Pittsburgh stories sold here,' has
within the last two months been posted
on dozens of cigar stores." The inno-
cent Gothamites are probably not aware
that many of these so-called "Pitts-
burgh stories" are manufactured right
here in Wheeling, and that the most
popular brands that are gaining so much
favor in the metropolis are none other
than the justly celebrated Wheeling
stories. But Wheeling can stand the
advertising Pittsburgh is getting at her
expense so long as she continues to hold
her prestige as the best story town in
the country. She has no rival when it
comes to the quality of the product.

Ohio Democrats are making a su-
perior effort to carry the state, but be-
hind all the bluff about electing Camp-
bell there lurks the Brice programme
to gain control of the legislature at any
cost. It is not probable that the
Democratic opponents of the wily
schemer are credulous enough to swal-
low without eat his declaration that
he is uselessly working for the party
and that the senatorship is only a sec-
ondary consideration with him. Mr.
Brice is not that kind of a man, and no
one knows it better than the Demo-
crats themselves.

The anti-bloomerites of Birmingham,
Ala., adopted a novel but effective
means of ending the bloomer craze
among the women down there. They
employed a coal-black negro of enor-
mous weight to dress in a gorgeously
colored bloomer costume and ride
through the streets on a bicycle. The
ludicrous figure she cut so disgusted the
ladies of the town that not one of them
has had the temerity to appear in
bloomers, and the anti is very well
satisfied with the result of their scheme.

In spite of Mrs. Culbertson's protesta-
tions, the governor of Texas is standing
by his guns in his anti-prize fight war.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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fare. The new woman doesn't seem to
have much influence with him, even if
she does, in this instance, happen to be
his better half.

All the country will applaud the pro-
motion of Gen. Nelson A. Miles to suc-
ceed Lieutenant General Schofield in
the office of general in command of the
army. In addition to General Miles' popu-
larity, his fitness, demonstrated by
his brilliant military career, is unques-
tioned. He is not a graduate of any
military school, but has received his
training on the field of experience. He
has literally "won his spurs" by merit
and is in every respect a typical Ameri-
can.

A PENNSYLVANIA EDITOR

Visits the Upper Monongahela Coal and
Coke Region.

My first visit across the West Virginia
line was made last week. I went to
Clarksburg in response to an invitation
to attend the annual meeting of the
West Virginia State Editorial Association.
The journey over took me
through the Upper Monongahela, or
Fairmont, coal and coke region. The
southern end of the Connellsville region
almost touches upon the northern bor-
ders of this region, yet scarcely more
than a year ago there was nothing but
a remote and very roundabout connec-
tion between the two. The opening of
the Fairmont, Morgantown & Pitts-
burgh railroad brought them in
close touch with each other, and was
the direct means of interest-
ing Fayette county capital in that re-
gion. I am perfectly safe in saying that
over \$500,000 of Fayette money has been
invested in that section of West Vir-
ginia since the completion of the Balti-
more & Ohio extension from Union-
town south to Morgantown and Fair-
mont. This money has been invested
in coal and timber. The coal invest-
ments have been along the railroads
from Morgantown to Fairmont and
down to Clarksburg. The timber
lands purchased are located beyond
Clarksburg on the line of the West Vir-
ginia Central railroad. Connellsville
capitalists have been prominent in-
vestors in both coal and timber. Two big
lumber companies have been formed
here during the past two months. The
prices of coal and timber lands in West
Virginia are still very low. Coal can
be bought there from \$10 to \$20 per
acre, and timber from \$10 to \$20.

The Upper Monongahela region is
being rapidly developed. It is a coal
region primarily, and a coke producing
section incidentally. The lump coal is
whipped in the raw state and the slack
only is coked. A very excellent article
of coke is produced, especially at those
works where the coal is washed. The
coke analyzes high in carbon and low in
sulphur, but it is denser and harder
than Connellsville coke. The Upper
Monongahela mines and coke works,
with but one exception, are in active
operation, and some of them are build-
ing additional ovens. The single ex-
ception is the Clements' mine, between
Morgantown and Fairmont, and it is
idle because it is in litigation. Follow-
ing is a list of the coke works in the re-
gion:

Brier Hill.....24
West Fork.....20
Hutchinson.....20
Clark.....20
Monongahela.....20
Gaston.....20
New England.....20
Hite.....20
Shack.....20
Rockport.....20
Montana.....20
Clements.....20
Able.....20
Beckwood.....20

Total.....217
Coal is mined at Aurora and Glen
Falls, but no coke is made. The oper-
ators are troubled with the same evils
that just now attend the Connellsville
operators, namely, scarcity of cars and
lack of water. The Upper Monongahela
operators have a number of individual
cars and are getting others, but still
they fall short of their requirements.
The long drought, too, has caused them
some trouble. The West Fork, from
which they draw their water supply, is
a series of almost stagnant pools. The
bed of this river is very smooth, and in
many places is composed of a flat, rocky
ledge, like a flagstone sidewalk.

Clarksburg, the editorial Mecca, is the
county seat of Harrison county, one of
the richest counties in the state. In
addition to its coal and minerals, it is a
rich farming and grazing country. Its
farm values are assessed at \$314,000 and
its live stock at \$488,000. Clarksburg
is a town of 4,000 to 5,000 inhabitants.
It has extensive machine shops, but
aside from these no prominent indus-
tries. The town is old and substantial.
Handsome modern houses stand side by
side with imposing old mansions. Some
of the oldest and best families in the
state live here. In the way of public
buildings, the town boasts of a hand-
some court house, a commodious gov-
ernment building, and, last but not
least, one of the finest hotels I ever saw
outside of a large city.

On my way home I stopped a few
hours at Fairmont. In some respects
this town resembles Connellsville. It
has a South side and a New Haven,
also a bridge. But the bridge is not a
rail bridge; it's a foot. The main street
of the town has been extended across a
great ravine, and the two land beyond,
called West Fairmont, like our own
South Side, now contains some of the
finest residences in the town. The
borough across the river is called Pala-
my. It is a good-sized town. Fair-
mont boasts of a hotel scarcely less im-
portant than the Traders, of Clarksburg.
It is called the Thomas F. Watson,
after the capitalist who built it. It cost
about \$75,000. The close proximity of
many of the coke works of the region
brings a great deal of trade to the mor-
chant. Then, too, many of the coal
companies have their offices there. Ex-
Governor A. B. Fleming is a leading
citizen of the town. He is largely in-
terested in the local industries.

Upon the whole, I may say that the
journey of a Pennsylvania editor into
West Virginia was pleasant and in-
structive, and consequently profitable.
N. P. S.

It is a truth in medicine that the
smallest dose that performs a cure is the
best. Dr. Witt's Little Early Rising
is the smallest pills, will perform a cure,
and are the best. Logan Drug Co.,
Wheeling, W. Va., B. F. Peabody, Ben-
wood, and Bowie & Co., Bridgeport, O.

IN OTHER SANOTUMS.

Cincinnati Times-Star.

Governor Culbertson, of Texas, de-
clares emphatically against the proposed
prize fight in that state, and his wife as
emphatically in favor of it. The prospect
for a scrap of some sort down there is
fair, though it may have to be in the
governor's household.

A Breathless Wait.
Washington Star.

The American drama waits breath-
lessly to know whether Texas is going
to permit Tragedians Corbett and Fitz-
simmons to run the risk of losing each
other to the stage.

A Robo Room.

The William R. Morrison presidential
boom seems to be in danger of arrest on
the charge of having no visible means
of support.

An Improving Arrangement.
Kansas City Journal.

"I find that the fun and enjoyment of
life is outside of politics, and I intend
to stay out," says Mr. Richard Croker.
The decent people of New York will
doubtless render Mr. Croker all the as-
sistance in their power in this laudable
purpose. If he feels better out of pol-
itics, politics is also better without him,
so that it is an improving arrangement
all around.

Oh, Coxe! What a Hot One.

Pittsburgh Dispatch.
Coxey alleges that two Ohio counties
will vote for him; but the libel laws in
Ohio command sufficient respect to pre-
vent any one from naming the counties.

It Knows No Sedan.

Pittsburgh Post.

Germany is going to fight the Stand-
ard Oil company. With all due respect
to the Fatherland, it might be remarked
that the Standard Oil company is not
France, nor are Von Moltkes, of France,
very numerous in the empire subject to
Billy, of Berlin.

Hides on It, He Ought to Know.

Chicago Inter Ocean.

Talmage, in a telegram to a Washing-
ton paper relative to his acceptance of a
call to the co-pastorship of the First
Presbyterian church of that city, says,
"The printing press is the front wheel
of the Lord's chariot." The doctor has
an appreciative conception of the value
of printer's ink.

A Prophetic Choice.

Philadelphia Press.

The star is the chosen device of the
New York Democracy. From all ac-
counts the Democrats are likely to see
more stars than ever before their choice
is therefore prophetic.

EN PASSANT.

Mother—Well, my dear, I see you are
engaged to Mr. Baeful at last.

Daughter—No, he hasn't proposed
yet.

What? Not engaged? I saw you
hugging and kissing him last night.

Yes, I was trying to encourage him
a little.—New York Weekly.

An eccentric citizen of Philadelphia
was once met by a man who asked him
the way to the sheriff's office. He re-
sponded: "Every time you earn \$5
spend \$10."—Christian Advocate.

"That man," said the resident to the
visitor, as he pointed to a prosperous-
looking person across the street, "that
man achieved the reputation of being
the most truthful man in town by tell-
ing a bare-faced, bald-headed lie. He
went fishing and caught eleven of the
finest possible bass, and when he carried
them home in the car he told people
that he had bought them."—Indianapo-
lis Journal.

"Who's there?" cried little Blinks,
egged on by his wife, who insisted that
there was a burglar in the room.

"Nobody," returned the burglar.

"There, my dear," snapped Blinks,
"that's exactly what I told you. No-
body's there—so do go to sleep."—Har-
per's Bazar.

First Selectman—Now, we must just
ez well settle fast ez last what we're
goin' tew do wi' that lazy, shiftless,
good-for-nothin' Esh Adams that. 'Tis
poor-house is crowded, he won't work,
an' he don't know nothin'.

Second and Third Selectmen (in in-
spired tones)—Let us send him tew th'
legislator.—Judge.

Gentleman (on railway train)—How
did this accident happen?

Conductor—Some one pulled the air-
brake cord and stopped the train, and
the second section ran into us. It will
take five hours to clear the track so we
can go ahead.

Gentleman—Five hours! I was to be
married to-day.

Conductor (a married man)—Say, are
you the scallawag who stopped the
train?—New York Weekly.

"I can't remember where I put my
glasses," said Duncombe.

"Have you looked for them?" asked
Mrs. Duncombe.

"No; but I will as soon as I find
them," said Duncombe. "I can't see
well enough without them to look now."—
Harper's Bazar.

"Do you remember, Julian, why they
shot poor Saint Sebastian full of ar-
rows?"

"Cause they hadn't any gun."—Life.

"James, bring my bicycle around, and have it
cleaned and bright."

(How do you like my bloomers, Kate? and does
my coat suit right?)

I do not like those rocky roads; to-day they
are treacherous.

And I lost a box of cigarettes and smashed my
dearly hat.

Now, what's that bike's beauty? I've got to go
to town.

(Tell John to mind the babies and do the biscuits
for me.)

I'm going to see the latest styles they have in
Paris.

Atlanta Constitution.

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Choose Right.

When tempted to do the first thing
that comes into your head,
Consider, young man, consider;
Take warning in time, or you'll
wish that you had.
Consider, young man, consider.
The little temptations are the ones
you should fight.
For a wrong is a wrong, be it ever
so slight.
Consider, young man, consider.

There's a right way and place for
each set of your life.
Consider, young man, consider.
Whether purchasing shoes or ob-
taining a wife.
Consider, young man, consider.
In everything the right way you
should choose.
And you'll surely a good opportunity
lose.
If you don't come to us for your
next pair of shoes,
Consider, young man, consider.

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