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One of the largest and best equipped hotels in this section of the state.
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From the Keystone.

STOP YER KICKIN'.

Stop yer kickin' 'bout the times—
Git a hustle on you;
Skirmish 'round and grab the dimes
Ef the dollars slun you.
Croakin' never bought a dress,
Growlin' isn't in it.
Fix your peepers on success,
Then go in to win it.
Times is gittin' good agin—
Try to help them all you kin.

Stop yer kickin', git a hold
Of the wheel and turn it.
You kin never handle gold
'Less you try to earn it.
Brush the colwobs from your eyes
Stop your blam'd repinin'
An' you'll notice that yer skies
Allus'll be shinin'.

If you hain't the nerve to try
Sneak away somewhere and die.

Don't sit 'round with hangin' lip;
That is sure to floor you.
Try to git a better grip
On the work before you;
Put some ginger in yer words
When you greet a neighbor;
Throw your troubles to the birds,
Git right down to labor.
An' you'll notice ev'ry day
Things is comin' right yourway.

YES, STOP YER KICKIN'. THIS
EVERLASTING KICKIN' HAS GOT TO
BE AN INTOLERABLE NUISANCE.
GO TO THE OLD RELIABLE
JEWELRY STORE FOR WHAT
YOU NEED AND BE HAPPY.

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A CUSTOM MADE TO ORDER
What you can save by buying direct from the manufacturer.
Guaranteed to be made from All Wool, Fancy Brown, Gray, Black or Blue Tweed, made in latest style, lined with imp. ric. Farmer Satin, trimmed and finished in the best of Custom Tailor manner. You cannot duplicate it in your town for \$14.00. Sizes 34 to 42.

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When ordering, send Post-Office Express money order or Registered Letters. Money cheerfully refunded if not satisfactory. Send 2c. stamp for samples, tape measure, measuring blank, etc.

Measure same as for a Sack Coat, giving length wanted, also height and weight.

We pay express charges and should you not feel satisfied we will refund the money.

Remember you buy direct from one of the largest clothing manufacturers in America.

On account of the failure of one of the largest Commission Houses here, representing a Woolen Mill in Ireland, we bought last Spring a large production of their gray and black 3-piece suits at a sacrifice. Therefore we are able to sell them at the above less than the raw material price. For 75c never before in the history of clothing and people never again will you have a chance to get half such a value for your money. Above price is less than the new suits if you buy the material. They are made up double-breasted as per cut below, with raised seams lined through out with extra heavy woven plaid linings, pinked facings all pockets framed and well stayed with extra deep storm collar and throat latch. Above 15 years are retailed at \$22.00 after these are closed out we will not be able to duplicate them for double the price on account of the new tariff duty.

A 2c. stamp will bring you samples, catalogue, tape measure and blanks.

We pay express charges and should you not feel satisfied we will refund the money.

Remember you buy direct from one of the largest clothing manufacturers in America.

This Style \$2.00
In Oxford Gray and Black.

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FORKSVILLE, PA.

Our Large Stock of
Dry Goods, Clothing,
General Store, Hardware, Etc.,
is complete.

Having Purchased at Lowest
Market Rates, We are Selling
Accordingly.



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THE CELEBRATED
UP-TO-DATE . . .

Red Cross Stoves
RANGES. EVERY STOVE GUARANTEED.

CITY NEWSPAPERS THE ONLY WAR CLOUDS SEEN.

Jingo Editors Have Thus Far Proven Too Poor
Marksmen to Bring Down the Whit
Dove of Peace.

McKINLEY GOES SLOWLY AND SURELY.

Court of Inquiry Back to Havana After Its Session at Key
West Trying to Secure More Evidence. No Official Report
Will Be Made Before the Middle of March.

There is no change in the situation regarding the destruction of the Maine. The administration is still waiting for the official report of the naval board of inquiry as to its cause, and meanwhile taking such precautionary and preliminary steps as are considered necessary in the premises. The President does not want war, and does not expect it, but at the same time no reasonable preparations for it, should war actually result, are being neglected. Many things which have no bearing at all on these preparations have been distorted by sensational papers into most important meanings.

One thing seems certain. And that is that the report will be accepted by a majority of the people, if not by all, except a very small and unreasonable minority. As final and conclusive, no matter if it should run contrary to the opinion now generally entertained. The people have absolute confidence in the judgment and integrity of the officers composing the board of inquiry, and their verdict will be based upon the plain, unvarnished facts in the case.

While there is a strong desire for war manifested by some we hear express their views they by no means voice a desire that is a general one. Sometimes those who talk the loudest and longest think the least, and possibly some who are now proclaiming their willingness to offer themselves as a sacrifice on the altar of their country, will in the face of actual war, try to compromise and sacrifice only their wife's relation.

WHAT WAR WOULD MEAN.

War under its most favorable conditions is an expensive and terribly fatal luxury to indulge in. It means a depleted treasury, paralyzed business, desolate homes, death and the calamity to thousands of brave men and their families. A nation while it should be ever prompt to defend its honor and seek redress for a wrong inflicted upon it should be perfect sure that its honor has been indicted before it assails another nation. An outrage committed by an irresponsible and unauthorized fanatic is no cause for a war against the nation whose subject he is unless the act is condoned by its officials and proper reparation refused.

While it is a hard thing to say, it is possible that personal and political selfishness enters somewhat into this matter. A congressional election occurs this fall. There are men of both parties representing close districts, who fear that the issues of 1896 whether sound money free silver or protective tariff, will not arouse the voters to that pitch of excitement necessary to pull the respective candidates through at the polls. But in the excitement of war these issues would have to go to the rear. The war would be the issue. But there would be two sides to it. No one need delude himself into the belief that in the presence of the conflict, party feeling would disappear at once. Party lines be obliterated. This did not happen from 1861 to 1865, when the Nation was a greater crisis than could arise from a war with Spain. And should war come now while one side supported the administration and defended its course in going to war and its prosecution of it while it was raging the other side would be quick to arraign, condemn and attack. There would be the battle of the ballots as well as of the bullets, and as was frequently the case during the civil war, the results of the first would be even more momentous, so far as the final issue was concerned, than victory or defeat in the last.

It is this phase of the matter which is giving Republican leaders from the President down, the gravest concern. It is telling what is well known to say that President McKinley does not want war, except as the last and imperative resort. And yet no one will assert that a man who, at the age of 18 shouldered a musket and fought 4 years for the Union is devoid of courage and patriotism. The Republican leaders in Congress fully realize

and appreciate the gravity of the situation and its possible consequences. They know, as President McKinley knows that the great conservative element of the people will not condone a war needlessly undertaken. If such a needless war is entered into the Republicans are satisfied beyond the shadow of a doubt that the next House of Representative will be Democratic and that the party will lose instead of gaining Senators. This would deprive a Republican administration while waging a war of that support which can only be given by a Congress in political harmony with it. It is not impugning the patriotism of the Democrats and populists who would be in the majority to say that party feeling never wholly disappears and never fails to have its influence, no matter what the crisis in public affairs.

The country under Republican guidance has started on the highway of prosperity. The improvement in trade, business and commerce has been more gradual than many wished or expected, but its very slowness shows that it is sure and will be lasting if its progress is not stayed by untoward events. War is bound to disarrange all this. Whether or not such a conflict as this would severely try our financial system is a matter of great doubt. If it could not stand the strain and the Democrats, Populists and Free Silver Republicans controlled Congress, does anyone doubt that considerations of patriotism would prevent them from plunging the country into the free coinage of silver at 16 to 17? That would be their very opportunity. The condition of affairs would be just such as would cause them to proclaim that only their free silver panacea could remedy its evils.

Republicans are seriously considering. They are not afraid of war, nor do they place their party above country and duty but they do place their country their party and their duty above an unreasonable clamor that would plunge the Nation into war could that war be avoided with honor and self-respect. And let us say here, they are just a little suspicious of the change that has so suddenly come over the Democrats and their populist allies in Congress. Always the loudest in their friendship for Cuba and in their denunciations of President McKinley's course, they have within the last few days grown singularly silent. Even Senator Morgan, of Alabama, who has been whetting his sword for months and years over the Cuban question, has become mild and gentle. It looks as though there was a concerted agreement to allow the Republicans to bring on the war, if it is to come. The Democrats may not oppose it, and need not for no matter where the Democrats stand the party in power must take the responsibility for what is done. And the Democrats seem perfectly willing to let the Republicans take it. Stop talking war!

Our County Courts.

The mill of justice began grinding its grist Monday, with a fair sized attendance on hand, and President Judge E. M. Dunham, and Associates John S. Line and Conrad Kraus on the Bench. At precisely 2 o'clock p. m. Court Crier Otto Bahr called the court to order. The grand jury was called together and the Judge gave them the usual legal advice before proceeding to their duties. There was but one case to go before them, and this was shortly ignored and they were dismissed the same afternoon.

Martin who broke into the Nordmont station a few months ago was brought in to court and pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to two years and six months in the Eastern Penitentiary. The Court actively discharged several matters and then waited for other business to be brought before them, but as none was produced, Otto in a much louder voice than when he first sounded it officially in the court room, adjourned court until Friday when some arguments will be heard. Business scheduled for the second week will commence Monday March 7. Proceedings on page five.

THE COMMITTEE MEETS.

Republicans Organise for an
Egressive Campaign.

APRIL 5, CONVENTION DAY.

Much Interest Manifested at the Meeting
Encouraging Reports Come from Every
Section of the County. Victory a Foregone Conclusion.

The Republican Standing Committee, pursuant to call by the Chairman, assembled in the grand jury room at 1:30 p. m. on Monday for the purpose of arranging for and designating time to holding the county convention, and elect a vigilance committee to conduct the primaries that are looked upon to elect competent men to represent in one of the most important conventions ever held in the county, at which time will be named a delegate to state convention and senatorial and congressional conferees, also the naming of candidates to head the Republican county ticket next fall.

The meeting was called to order by County Chairman F. P. Vincent who briefly stated the object of his call. Chas. L. Wing was made secretary and the business of the meeting at once began to move in a most thoroughgoing manner.

RESPONDENTS TO THE CALL.

The following named committeemen were present who ably handled the business placed before them: Nelson Cox, Bernice; R. R. Hussinger, Cherry; D. W. Darling, Davidson; John Scher, Dushore; Ulysses Bird, Elkland; John W. Rogers, Forkville; A. B. Kilmer, Fox; G. Edgar Darby, Hills Grove; W. C. Mason, Laporte; J. S. Newman, Laporte twp.; C. H. Jennings, Lopez; R. W. Bennett, Shrewsbury.

Laporte was selected for the place to hold the convention, fixing the time, Tuesday, April 5, and the primaries to be held on the preceding Saturday, April 2, 1898. As the time necessary to hold the convention to name a delegate and conferees was considered too long a period before election day to keep candidates boiling in the political pot and the political situation liable to a change it was recommended that the convention, on the 5th, after naming its delegate and conferees be adjourned until a later date to name its local ticket.

At present no Republican has loomed above the horizon for a nomination of any kind, but all seem enlisted to make the next campaign a Gettysburg of Sullivan county politics of official proprietorship as of old. For three years past the Republican forces of the county have been in excellent trim and have won glorious victories by appealing to the good judgment of an intelligent people. Let us hope that this magnificent situation will be maintained and that all the party workers will become more strongly united and solidified for an aggressive warfare on the common enemy and that they go forth in battle with determination and the utmost confidence that victory will be perched upon the Republican banner again this coming fall.

VIGILANCE COMMITTEE.

Bernice.—H. H. Hampson, H. J. Keller, Jas. Spence Jr.

Cherry.—W. D. Bahr, Clayton Bahr, Robt. Schukey.

Colley.—Royal Scoute, A. Barnes, Wm Allen.

Davidson.—D. H. Lorah, Thos. Simmons, L. M. King.

Dushore.—Sam Cole, H. N. Osler, Frank Buck.

Elkland.—J. J. T. Evan, Elmer Bedford, L. G. Rosback.

Forks.—J. Hottenstein, Sam Kilmer, A. T. Wilcox.

Forkville.—E. I. Sturdevant, W. E. Miller, J. R. Fleming.

Fox.—A. E. Campbell, John Solisbury, R. S. Fanning.

Hills Grove.—Elwood Labar, Geo. Chapman, C. W. Sadler.

Jamison City.—Norman Schuyler, Geo. Lilley.

Laporte Boro.—F. H. Ingham, Ed. Schrader, N. C. Mahen.

Laporte Twp.—A. E. Botsford, Wm. Low, J. C. Pennington.

Lopez.—Otto Bahr, Warren Parish, Joseph Sepsch.

Mt. Vernon.—Geo. Lawrence, Warren Edkin, J. J. Harding.

Ricketts.—J. W. Miller, Dick Beninger, M. Ireland.

Ringdale.—M. C. Miller.

Shrewsbury.—J. W. Aumiller, W. W. Bennett, Fred Peale.