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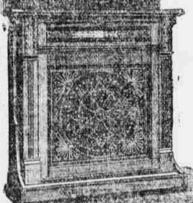
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the task, our disapproval, in any would at a time of unusual gravity have instance, of the establishment of a encouraged other violations of duty and saloon next door to a church, convent paved the way to a perilous disorganization of the police force. If, after Rice or school. Even in liberal Germany, the law is most emphatic in its had forcibly resisted officer Feeney. prohibition of such an obnexious pro- the mayor had discharged Rice, he pinquity; and we in this country ought would have invited every law breaker certainly to be as careful in the in Scranton to resist police officers and guardianship of our youth, in their in a short time lawlessness would have been the rule and an arrest, the excepand in the protection of our churches tion. But the worst danger of all was enand houses of refuge as is any nation in Europe. Since the Deckilnick countered when, upon an incorrect license has already been issued, we presentation of the city's case before fear the only recourse open to the the county court, the mayor was at worshippers at St. John's church is to that overruled. The real logic of that wait until a possible violation of the decision, had it been sustained, would

law may afford them an opportunity have been a freeing of all influences to petition for a cancellation of the now restraining lawless assemblages in durability. Seranton, and the inauguration of a permit. The presentation of such a complaint, properly authenticated and pandemonium scarcely less undesirable sustained, would, it is believed, cause the court to resgind an action which Rice could seize the streets, resist the return via. Pittston yesterday, but undoubtedly subjects to much cleer, threaten the mayor and criticism. griticism. dering himself liable to punishment. IT IS A.PACT of general experience this decision would have incited every among newspaper publishers that the other bad citizen to pursue a similar feat when the mountain hills are taken temand for a complete report of the course of buil-dezing and obstruction; Breckinridge trial came not alone from and the municipal police authorities through via Lake Winola after dinner

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e of the New York to an interview with er on current issues. The ressed are so utterly barinslity, weak in structure of point that Mr. Dana I discharge from his employ the wliest printers" 'devil" who could not bette, express himself for publication. Yet Croker's comments are of importince, tepid as they are, because they reflect the intellectual caliber of the man who rules 2,000,000 citizens in the wealthiest city of the western hemiphere; makes laws for the 5,000,000 thabitants of America's foremost state; and through his representatives n the two branches of congress exer cites at times a controlling influence in ness spirit; and they will national legislation.

ough their representatives THE STREETS of Scranton yet belong g the same partisan spirit once o the citizens of Scranton, and to such ere by voting for the retention of a visitors to Scranton as are content of a Protestant shurch public servant who has thoroughly to abide by Scranton's laws. All others had better steer clear.

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who opposed this pro-

ils, make no mistake in de-

A MARKED ravival in the slate indus-

weather that ours has had during the

past few days may be uncommonly

rough on asphalt pavements. This

may explain why so many of our as-

phalted streets are traversed by large

cracks and why the upper crust is so

liable to crumble from ordinary pres-

be correct, it is evidently time to move

for either a new paving or a new cli-

founded. Republicans do their think-

End of the Rice Case.

to a rigid enforcement of the municipal

laws with reference to prohibited as-

semblages was the fact that, working

with a small police force to maintain.

order at a time when many men were

die and when certain elements of dis-

order were uncommonly active, he had

presented before him the necessity

oither of preserving strict discipline or

of subjecting the police force, through

relaxed control, to unusual difficulties

and perhaps serious danger. Very nat-

urally he chose the former course, and

The attempt of Rice, in defiance of

blockaded the public right of passage

would; had it been ignored, have en-

couraged other attempts, possibly for a

less peaceful purpose. The law, how-

ever, does not give a police officer the

option of discriminating between law-

blocksders. If he neglects this duty,

once chosen, it was pursued undeviat-

ingly.

complaint in hand, for the reason that he renders himself liable to suspension

we do _ut in this case feel qualified to and a fine. Officer Feeney, who at-

emphatic a manner as we can bring to condoning such violation of duty,

ing in advance.

try is discernible just now in the Dem

ocratic newspaper sanetums.

street near by the demonstrated his fitness for the place

and properly

proposed hers!, but not on the same

street, yet the court refused the license

and protected the church; another ap-

plication was made for a license for

the same house this year, and again

remonstrated against, and was again

refused." The communication pro-

ceeds to ask why this discrimination,

and then arraigns in pointed language

the judges who were responsible for

The foregoing circumstance invites

renewed attention to what, is bound

to become a growing conviction among

careful students of this license problem, namely, that the power of grant. mate. ing or rejecting applications for license

must some day be taken completely

out of the hands of judges dependent

upon partisan politics for their posi-

tions on the bench, and placed in the

jurisdiction of a non-partisan license

commission, holding appointment from

the governor. To some such reform

as this we already have the public as-

sent of the President judge of our own

county, whose fairness and good in-

tentions are not disputed. While we

cannot believe that either of the hon-

orable judges of our court would know-

ingly and deliberately indulge in a dis-

crimination for or against any religion or sect, or that either would conscionsly

try to pay off his campaign obligations

by the granting or refusing of licenses,

it would be a jugglery with the facts

to ignore the frequent, and, as we believe, the mevitable abuses which ocour under the present license system.

No man who must of necessity appeal

for the suffrage of an electorate in large

measure dominated by influences hostile

to a strict application of the original

license principle-namely, the granting

of liquor selling privileges only to inns

where liquor was necessary for the

public's entertainment-can be said to

he in the full sense a free moral agent.

It is not in human nature, wholly ig-

noring the subtleties of politics to

enter upon the discharge of this al-

ways disagreeable duty with an eye

single the genuine interests of the

people. Nor is the public itself pre-

pared to accept and sustain such a

rigid and inflexible guardianship of its

interests, a guardianship which would,

in Lackswanns county, if licenses

were granted only when absolutely

necessary, reduce the number of

licensed retailers to easily one-tenth

and possibly one-fiftieth of their pres-

In the foregoing general remarks we

have made no comment on the special

we wish to record, in as direct and

this course.

Good work, well done, entitles City Engineer Paillips to a re-slection; and good work, well done will see that he gets his due A CLIMATE witch has had the varied

> WHEELS and Wheelmen.

The holding of a road race on Decorasure from vehicles. It this hypothesis tion day is under the consideration of the Green Ridge Bicycle club who will hold a meeting Tuesday night to de-cide whether it will be held or not. One on two excitable western conheld in order to give a public test of emporaries are agitated lest the free the durability of their several mounts silver element at Harrisburg next May and such a test could not be more should try to stampede the Republican thoroughly made than by placing a wheel in a road race. Whether the Carbondale and return course will be state convention. The fear is un or not has not been definitely settled. The road racing champion-ship is at present held by W. E. Quinian, who will undoubtedly ride strong Now that the court has, upon reto retain his laurels. By many the argument, fully sustained Mayor Con-

Carbondale course is thought to be too long and should be reduced to about nell's course with reference to the wenty five miles evangelist, Rice, it may be well to give a final review of this whole case, in or-The "diamond tournament" is the der to make clear just why the mayor appellation by which the cycling was impelled to pursue it with some papers are designating the Scranton Bicycle clubs' Fourth of July meet, persistence, and also to disabuse the minds of those who may have felt, there being \$2,000 worth of diamonds upon an incomplete understanding of as priz a. These will be divided among the facts, that the mayor's policy was Class A and B races in value not to extinged with severity. What, to begin test the intrinsic value allowed by the with, undoubtedly inclined the mayor League of American Wheelmen racing

board, which rules say Class A riders shall not compete for a prize exceeding (1) in value and Class B or makers' amateurs \$150. To avoid advertising crack men who sometimes do not materialize on the day of the must the racing board have ruled that clubs shall be notified a stated time in advance whether a rider shall compate or not. To this a penalty has been attached, and a failure to

compete will necessitate forfeiting it at husical merchandise, the privileges of the League or Music, ETC, ETC. American Wheelman. Basides the \$2,000 in diamonds that will be offered as prizes at the coming meet, there will be a list of other value. the law, to collect a large crowd that able prizes too numerable to mention. The list in all probability will foot

about \$3,500. An agent called on Scranton hardware merchants last week in the interests of a firm wao manufacture a ball bearing hub for wagons. The bearings breaking evangelists and law-breaking are built on the same principle that fakers. The police officer's duty is to those of the bicycle are and contain prevent street blockades and arrest the | ball races on both front and back the latter slightly larger than the former. The hub is somewhat larger than the ordinary wagon hub but turned with remarkable ease. A vehicle can be sit in consorable over the learned rested Rice, simply did his duty. Had fitted out with these hubs and poerjudges of our court, at the same time, he failed to arrest kies he would have we wish to record, in as direct and violated his duty, and the mayor, in

Ralph Gregory the champion bicycle rider not Northeastern Pennsylvania has secepted a position as salesman with Florey & Holt. A careful estimate by two prominent

bicyclists places the amount invested in wheels throughout the city at

matio tires.

The wooden rim has evidently come to stay and very few steel rims are be-ing bought. According to the state ment of George Schlager, the Washington avenue agent who visited New York last week, the majority of the wheelmen there are using the wooden rim. They have been looked upon since the beginning of the year as an experiment, but their immense popularity among the riders testify to their

The Scranton Bieycie club members arranged for a run from Scranton to than the commune of Paris. For, if La Grange via Clark's Summit and owing to the inclement weather the trip was postpoued. The distance is about fifty miles and is the route rid-den by B. P. Connelly last season withinto consideration. Conselly came persons of confessadly lax morals, but | would have been powerless to prevent. | and called to the boys on the hotel porch from heads of families and high stand- It is not, therefore, strange that upon a who followed and finished the run with any members of churches. Nor are we re-argument, with all the facts for the