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THE SCRANTON OF TODAY.

Come and inspect our city. Elevation above the tide, 740 feet. Extremely healthy. Estimated population, 184, 100,000. Registered voters, 20,000. Value of school property, \$750,000. Number of school children, 12,000. Average amount of bank deposits, \$10,000,000.

It is the metropolis of northeastern Pennsylvania. Can produce electric power cheaper than Niagara. No better point in the United States at which to establish new industries.

The Common Sense View.

It is a singular circumstance that those owners of stock in the Lehigh Valley railroad who are dissatisfied with the present management of that company's interests offer as their candidate for the succession a gentleman whose business experience has been patiently acquired in a line of commercial work entirely distinct from the railroad business.

When the owners of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company were confronted, in the death of E. B. Leisenring, with the necessity of selecting a new executive, they did not go into a dry goods store for a man to run their coal mines and their railroad.

Such is clearly the common sense course. The Xmas Tribune, to be issued this week, will not be made up of boiler plate material for sale by the pound to any publisher.

Cleanse Common Council.

If the representative citizens of Scranton would insist upon proper representation in common council, we should not have the continuous spectacle, in this city, of valuable municipal franchises knocked down to corporations for the price of a suit of clothes or a champagne supper.

Peaceful citizens down south have organized another ku-klux society "for mutual protection."

It has been demonstrated that an additional appropriation of about \$15,000 yearly will be required to support a paid fire department in the city of Scranton. Notwithstanding the fact that the Electric City has the best water fire department in the world, the amount above mentioned might be saved by a regularly organized paid force during the progress of one midnight blaze.

Reed Speaks His Mind.

It has many times been observed of the American people that they admire courage in their public servants quite as much as they admire super-sensitive discretion. An instance in point is supplied by the adroitly certain unfriendly newspapers have vainly tried to make because Thomas B. Reed, in congress recently, took occasion to speak his mind candidly with reference to certain phases of the railroad problem in this country—uttering sentiments which many other politicians, though they had thought for precisely as he thought, would, for policy's sake, have suppressed.

as much vindication and glory as were brought to him when, after his first tribulation, the coward Democracy incontinently stultified itself by adopting Reed's rules.

Mr. Reed's plea for the preservation of railroads from cut-throat competition applies equally to coal mines. The public wants cheap fuel, to be sure; but it has no right to expect cheaper fuel than the mines can furnish without destructive loss to mine-owner and miner-worker.

To the statesmen of unfold intellect who are preparing to anchor currency plans in congress, it is well to remark that it is impossible to eat your cake and sell it at the same time.

A Model Newspaper Home.

The remarkable advances recently made in American journalism have been well typified in the splendid new home thrown open last Saturday by the Philadelphia Inquirer. With possibly one exception this building is the largest in the world occupied exclusively by a single publication; and it certainly is as elegant and sumptuous in its equipment as rational minds could well desire.

His Wits Soon Brightened.

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His Conversation.

From the Washington Star. "Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "I'm going a chestnutting, sir," she said. "May I go with you, my pretty maid?" "I prefer the kind in the trees," she said.

The Christmas Record.

The Christmas number of the Diocesan Record which appeared on Saturday was a creditable issue teeming with good things. In addition to the regular departments, the Record contained interesting special articles by Rev. P. J. McManus, John H. Blackwood, Rev. M. J. Hoban, Mrs. C. T. Benton and others.

Among the most readable features of yesterday's 56-page Philadelphia Inquirer is a 14-column article descriptive of the magnificent new Inquirer building at 1109 Market street.

Uncle Sam's gold reserve is again slipping away. It is probable, however, that the yellow metal will be in the hands of public-spirited speculators of Wall street in time for use when more bonds are issued.

Extras Charged For.

From the Cincinnati Tribune. Inaugural Householder—Just look at this, will you? Waterworks Official—It looks to me like a small seal. "The just what it is. I got it out of the hydrant this morning." "Ah, James, charge Mr. Smith with one small seal, 10 cents."

Explicable Generosity.

From Truth. Mildred—Is your husband a very generous man? Margery—Indeed he is. You remember those nice cigars I gave him for a birthday present? Well, he smoked only one and gave all the others away to his friends.

An Effort at Protest.

From the Chicago Record. "How have you taught your baby to talk so young?" "Mamma—It's just as easy as can be; I sit down at the piano and sing and she naturally tries to say something to her papa."

THE KING OF RINGTUM.

Dainty Baby Austin! Your daddy's gone to Boston To see the King Of Oo-Rinkum-Jing And the whale he rode across on! Boston Town's a city; But O, it's such a pity! To see the King Of Oo-Rinkum-Jing With never a nursery ditty! But me and you and mother Can stay with baby brother, And sing of the King Of Oo-Rinkum-Jing, And laugh at one another, So what cares Baby Austin If daddy's gone to Boston To see the King Of Oo-Rinkum-Jing And the whale he rode across on! —James Whitcomb Riley.

FIRST ADMIRAL HONORED.

Monument Proposed to Ezek Hopkins, of Revolutionary Fame. Patriotic Rhode Islanders propose to erect a monument at Providence to Commodore Ezek Hopkins. (This worthy was born on his father's farm at Chapumcook, now Choptiet, Scituate, Rhode Island, April 26, 1718. When the seven years' war broke out in 1756 he went out in one of the vessels as a privateer captain and returned to Providence with a valuable Spanish vessel, which he renamed the Desire in honor of his wife. The first official service he rendered in the Revolution was as the commander of a battery of six eighteen-pounders erected on Fox Hill, overlooking Providence Harbor, in the summer of 1775.

Upon the organization of the "Continental Navy," he was appointed by congress "Comander-in-Chief," December 22, 1775. He was relieved of his military command in Rhode Island and immediately proceeded to Philadelphia in the sloop Katy with 100 men specially enlisted for the navy service. On Feb. 17, 1776, he sailed from Delaware Bay with a squadron of eight vessels and conducted the successful Nassau expedition. John Paul Jones was a lieutenant under Hopkins, who, until his hitch with the Marine committee of congress, was practically "Admiral."

An Expensive Lynching.

From the Atlanta Constitution. "What's all that noise about at the court house?" "That's a lynchin' case goin' on." "A lynching case?" "Yes, you see they lynched a man about a month ago, and he broke three ropes." "Well?" "Well, they're a-suin' of his widder for damages."

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Christmas Presents . . .

Useful and Ornamental goods for the holiday trade. LADIES' DESKS, CABINETS, BOOKCASES, LADIES' DRESSING TABLES, TEA TABLES AND LIBRARY TABLES, BRASS AND ONYX TABLES AND CABINETS (OF A GUARANTEED QUALITY).

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Hill & Connell.

131 AND 133 WASHINGTON AVE. DINNER SETS. We are now showing the largest line of Dinner Sets ever displayed in this city. A splendid variety in.

HAVILAND & CO.

CHAS. FIELD HAVILAND, R. DELENERES & CO., FRENCH CHINA, CARLSBAD AND AMERICAN CHINA, PORCELAIN AND WHITE GRANITE WARE.

REYNOLDS BROS.,

Stationers and Engravers, 317 LACKAWANNA AVE. The Most Elegant Line of Ink Stands Ever Shown in the City.

DR. HILL & SON

ALBANY DENTISTS. A PRESENT CUT. A large number of persons will receive presents of our fine cutlery. And why? Because Santa Claus is thoroughly stuck on it.

EUREKA LAUNDRY,

322 Washington Ave. THAT WONDERFUL WEBER TONE IS FOUND ONLY IN THE WEBER PIANO.

FOOTE & SHEAR CO.

HORSE SHOEING. HAVING purchased the stock and tools of the late Shoeing Forge of William Shear & Son, I shall now give constant attention to shoeing horses in a practical and scientific manner.

GOLDSMITH'S WE HAVE Taken the Town. BAZAAR. G.B.

By storm with our magnificent display of Holiday Goods, and with the extremely low prices we are selling them at. If you are wise you will do your Holiday shopping now, and you will do it right here.

COME AND SEE US IN HOLIDAY ATTIRE

Special Holiday department, second floor--take elevator. Articles selected now laid away for customers until wanted. We will discontinue giving away Crayon Portraits after December 31st, 1894.

STOCKTAKING SALE. The Lackawanna Store Association, Limited. We will sell for the next thirty days, previous to our inventory.

SCIENTIFIC EYE TESTING FREE BY DR. SHIMBURG. The Specialist on the Eye. Headache and Nervousness relieved.

Removal Sale of Furniture at HULL & CO'S, 205 WYOMING AVENUE.

DR. E. GREWER, The Philadelphia Specialist, and his associated staff of English and German physicians.

Lost Manhood Restored. Weakness of Young Men Cured. If you have been given up by your physician call upon the doctor and be examined.

POULTRY AND GAME OF ALL KINDS. Maurice River Cove, Blue Point and Rockaway. OYSTERS, CLAMS MEDIUM AND LITTLE NECK.

PIERCE'S MARKET. PENN AVENUE. HORSE SHOEING. HAVING purchased the stock and tools of the late Shoeing Forge of William Shear & Son.

JOHN HAMLIN, DOCTOR OF VETERINARY SURGERY. IF YOUR OLD BOOKS NEED FILING, SEND THEM TO The Scranton Tribune Bookbinding Dept.

WEBER PIANO. TONE IS FOUND ONLY IN THE WEBER PIANO. GERNSEY BROTHERS, WYOMING AVE.