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THE SCRANTON OF TODAY.

Come and inspect our city. Elevation above the tide, 740 feet. Extremely healthy. Estimated population, 1894, 100,000. Registered voters, 20,599. Value of school property, \$750,000. Number of school children, 12,000. Average amount of bank deposits, \$10,000,000.

Failure on the part of several common councilmen to attend last evening's joint session of council has caused another delay in awarding the contracts for the two new bridges.

The Christmas Holiday.

The happen of holidays known to the Christian world dawn upon us again. The glad season that is hailed with delight by the rising generation never fails to awaken pleasant memories in the minds of those of riper years, who live again the delights of Christmas of long ago as the festivities commemorating the birth of the Saviour of mankind are repeated on each succeeding season.

With the signs of returning prosperity at every hand the Christmas of 1894 in America should be a merry one and a day of thanksgiving as well. While all conditions are probably not as we would wish; while there are instances of suffering and want about us on all sides, it is safe to assert that not one of the most joyful would care to exchange places with the down-trodden of other countries who know not the joys of liberty.

Thanksgiving was a day of family rejoicing. Christmas means that all mankind belong to one family, and should have one faith and hope.

While Republicans generally will wish for the incoming governor the compliments of the season, many who expect an office in return may safely count upon being disappointed.

It is not a new thought but it is certainly a true one that genuine Christmas cheer is unselfish.

Hurtful Misconceptions. One of the greatest dangers which men encounter while new to politics is the danger of playing too fine a game.

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We should say very plainly: Don't stoop to deception. It doesn't pay. It may serve your purpose for a time, but eventually you will be found out and put down among the common liars who rattle around the outer edges of American politics.

Charity, rather than bestiality, is the meaning of today. Calling fellow-police-men liars will not vindicate Gotham's implicated "finest."

The Pennsylvania railroad has been entering Scranton for fully seven years. If it wants to maintain a Scranton pace it will have to hurry up.

Boom Scranton.

The confident prediction of prominent members of the board of trade that during 1895 Scranton will attain its banner year of growth seems a reasonable one. All the elements of continued and accelerated progress are in conspicuous local evidence.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat names as its candidate for president, in 1896, "the best Republican in Maine." Why not the best in the whole country?

Governor Pattison, like Grover Cleveland, should have been content with one term. Had he been so, he would have lived in history as a most excellent governor, and might even have become president.

It is apparently fortunate that the Republican politicians of the anthracite counties are not asking for much this year.

The Factory Inspectorship.

It is characteristic of Captain John C. Delaney that, rather than embarrass the incoming governor, General Hastings, by an insistence upon the fairly-promised factory inspectorship—which he could have had, had he insisted—he has chosen, instead, the equally lucrative but less important superintendency of public buildings and grounds.

So far as Captain Delaney is personally concerned this incident may, we dare say, be accepted as settled. What is less clear to us is how his numerous friends in this section of the state will be disposed to view this latest shuffling of the cards by the gentleman who temporarily superintends the deal.

It will probably occur to General Hastings, in the course of time, that the appetite which he has deemed it good policy to appease, is insatiable. Then the state-at-large, including the anthracite region, may stand some show. All things are possible, no doubt, to the section that can wait.

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bury personal animosities at least for a time, and cordially co-operate in the restoration of the Lehigh Valley system to its former satisfactory standing as a well-equipped money-earning enterprise.

Corporations and Taxation.

Of the entire amount of money (\$12,574,000) received at the state treasury as taxes during the year ended Nov. 30, the corporations paid \$27,084 more than half. During this period, personal property contributed only \$2,388,000, or less than one-fifth of the total.

It is a singular thing that the managers of our corporations, who, if they do not cause this inequality, at least take advantage of it, do not perceive the personal peril of such an unfair course. If we did not, in some instances, know to the contrary, we should credit these usually shrewd business men with the ability to perceive that while this unequal taxation may be safely practiced for a time, there is danger, ultimately, of a recoil more costly to the now favored corporate interests than would be the payment, upon all occasions, of an honest share of taxation.

The business magnitude of Scranton, requires the presence in both branches of councils of more business men who pay taxes on honestly acquired property.

POLITICAL POINTS.

The Pittston Gazette wants Burgess Maloney elected the first mayor of Pittston.

George M. Spanagle, of Manly Depot, Huntington county, is seeking an appointment to a clerkship in the state department at Harrisburg. He is strongly indorsed.

Justice James R. Ebbert, of West Pittston, who was in an army army of Adjutant General Tom Stewart, will have an \$800-a-year job at Harrisburg during the next administration.

Mr. Morrison, ex-state treasurer, has quietly dropped out of the race for superintendent of banking, as it is now settled that Chairman Gilkison is to have the place, if he will accept. It is likely that Gilkison will accept.

It is understood that no further announcements will be made regarding appointments by the governor until after a conference with the members of his cabinet. This will be necessary in order that the gubernatorial favors may be evenly distributed over the state.

Dr. W. H. Fawcett, representative-elect from Mifflin county, has written to friends announcing his candidacy for the Democratic caucus nomination for speaker of the house of representatives in the coming session. Dr. Fawcett was a member of the house in the session of 1885.

The act of legislature of May 23, 1892, making the election term of chief burgesses three years instead of one will be required into it, being the opinion of the Republican leaders in Pittston that it does not reach the special and peculiar character under which that borough is working.

Colonel Theodore Durandell, ex-mayor of Altoona, is an aspirant for the position now held by Colonel O'Neil as superintendent of the state arsenal. He is a member of the legislature.

Charles E. Voorhees, who will retire as chief clerk of the house of representatives on the assembling of that body next Monday, has been appointed secretary to the chairman of the Philadelphia city Republican committee. The position is a new one and was created for Voorhees, who will represent the organization as a sort of general agent.

It is intimated by those who are intimate with the plans and tactics of the "winter men" in public life, that the Populist party will, in 1896, hold a convention and nominate Senator Cameron for the presidency in advance of the Republican convention, thereby creating a preliminary boom which is expected to be potential in its effect upon the Republican convention.

Editor Singely on Saturday evening gave a pleasant dinner to his late opponent in the gubernatorial campaign, Governor-elect Hastings. In addition to General Hastings there were present United States Senators J. Donald Cameron and M. B. Quay, Mayor Edwin S. Stuart, ex-Mayor E. H. Fidler, Judge-elect Mayer Sulzberger, Thomas Dolan, W. L. Elkins, P. A. B. Warden, City Treasurer G. Oellers, Register of Wills-elect Elias P. Smithers, Representative Henry P. Walton, Senator James Penrose, Isaac Cooper, Dr. R. F. Filbert, George Philley, president of the First National bank; B. A. Van Schalk, William Steele, David Martin and Senator Charles A. Porter, of Philadelphia.

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newspapers. Therefore in such suits the plaintiffs have had certain advantages. Hereafter, in New York, the newspapers will have an equal chance with the gentlemen whose tender reputations cannot be highest and whose income to show absence of malice will have its proper weight.

A Creditable Christmas Number.

The Scranton Tribune's Christmas number was most creditable. It reflected equally credit upon the managers in every department; upon W. W. Davis, the experienced superintendent; upon W. W. Youngs, the manager of the advertising department; upon Lloyd S. Richard, the editor; upon the foreman of the composing room, Mr. Leach; upon William Williams, the chief of the mailing department; and upon all the members of the staff, who contributed original articles over their own signatures. The contents were all furnished by members of the staff.

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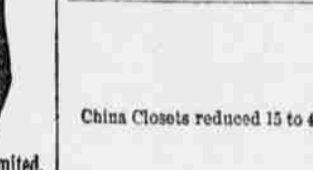
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