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SCRANTON, DECEMBER 29, 1894.

### THE SCRANTON OF TODAY.

Come and inspect our city. Elevation above the tide, 740 feet, Extremely healthy. Extremely healthy.
Estimated population, 1894, 103,000,
Registered voters, 20,599.
Value of school property, \$750,000.
Number of school children, 12,000.

Average amount of bank deposits, \$10,-It's the metropolis of northeastern Penn-

Canproduce electric power cheaper than Ningara. No better point in the United States at

which to establish new industries, See how we grow: Population in 1860..... Population in 1870......
Population in 1889..... 45,850 Population in 1890..... Population in 1894 (estimated).... 103,030 And the end is not yet.

make a partisan issue out of the proposed annexation of Minooka will weaken the chances of the project's ultimate success. If it cannot meet with general approval irrespective of politics, it cannot succeed as a party dodge. Minooka of annexation are obvious enough. But what about the other end of the bargain?

### Some Facts Worth Considering.

If the leaders of the Republican party at Harrisburg are wise, they will henceforth treat with appropriate indifference the effort of certain Philadelphia influences to cast ridicule upon the anthracite counties. It should be realized by these leaders that in the three great coal-producing counties of Schuylkill, Luzerne and Lackawanna there is represented not only one of the largest, wealthiest and commercially most important sections in the commonwealth-a section inhabited by upward of half a million people, or more than the population of eighteen states and territories, taken severallybut also a political following that last month polled for General Hastings 46,-030 Republican votes against 36,985 votes polled for his Democratic competitor. It is especially noteworthy that here is a clean Republican plurality of 9,045 in a territory which, only a little while ago, was counted upon as safely Democratic.

In this territory, so often derided by Philadelphians who wish to monopolize party favor at Harrisburg, are two cities which, if united, together with their populous suburbs, would in population equal Pittsburg and, in wealth, resources and industrial magnitude considerably exceed it. In Scranton alone, there are industries representing an aggregate investment in excess of \$18,000 .-000, while in population Scranton today ranks with such cities as Indianapolis in the west and New Haven in the east. and is growing more rapidly than either. This is the section the activities of which, in the Philadelphia newspapers, occupy less space, upon the whole, than is accorded by the newspapers of Wilkes-Barre and Scranton to Philadelphia alone. This is the section which, when it asserts a just claim in politics or legislation, is made the butt of metropolitan wit and treated often as if it were a disorganized reservation exempt from both the refinements and the obligations of civiliza-

We present these casual facts in no spirit of trepidation, for we feel that, irrespective of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia newspapers, the anthracite coal region is well prepared to take thorough care of itself. If, for example, one of the countles in that region finds that its growing court business neceswitates another judgeship, it will not feel under any kind of obligation to consult the wishes of Philadelphia before it shall make its need known. In this use of the word Philadelphia, howeyer, we wish it understood that we have in mind only those pert residents of Philadelphia, few in number, who take it upon themselves, upon all occasions, to speak for everybody in the City of Brotherly Love. We suspect that the majority of Philadelphians are really exempt from the monopolistic tendencies of a handful of newspaper men and politicians in that excellent city who have been known to try to elevate their own interests by depressing the interests of the state-at-large.

Two days' deprivation of the conventences of rapid street transit have conwinced many Scraptonians that the desirability of street cars is no longer open to debate.

### Abuse of the Franchise.

The idea of subjecting to a fine the citizen who neglects to vote is probably in advance of the times. But it would seem to be entirely proper to lay down the legal principle that systematic neglect of the party primarles shall in time forfeit one's right to vote. The franchise, it should not be forgotten, is not

the Scranton Tribune for office, and who afterward skulks away from his sovereign duty at the polls? If the state should deem it wise to strip him of some of his civic privto them, would blame attach to the

state, or to him? We do not expect that the salutary suffrage, the result will repay its cost. We have very little patience to waste on the ignorant, the venal or the indifferent voter. We do not care how soon the law takes after him with a sharp stick.

one who clearly surpasses the others both the ward and the city, the voters downright, actual business. of the ward are recommended to elect that man by a handsome majority. The ward is entitled to the very best representution that it can get. Each voter ought to know chough about the various candidates to make an intelligent

### How to Purify Councils.

We have been asked to explain just how the progressive citizens of Scranton may secure a better representation in common council next February. The requisite method of procedure, we reply, is anything but difficult. There will need to be nominated in this city next month by each party twelve candidates for common council and one candidate for select council. Elections will occur in the odd wards on Feb. 19. for common council; and there will also this year be two vacancies to fill; one in the Sixteenth, in place of Common Councilman Schadt, who leaves coun-The disposition of common council to cil to become county treasurer; and one in the Seventeenth, in place of Select Councilman Clemons, who becomes high sheriff.

The nomination of these candidates will be made in caucus. Each citizen has a vote at some one of these cau-The advantages to the people of cuses, If the progressive men in each party would in each ward name a representative business man on each party ticket-and they could easily do this if they would take the trouble to attend cision of a diplomatic, who has accutheir particular ward caucuses-there rately "sized" Secretary Greenam "up." would be a choice between two good candidates of opposing politics and it would make comparatively little difference, so far as the bulk of the expected service is concerned, which man were elected. The drawing of a party line in ward polities is intrinsically ridiculous, no doubt: but in the instance just supposed, it would do no harm, and

would greatly facilitate matters. If, however, the party nominations should be unsatisfactory, a third name could be presented in each ward by nomination papers. We suspect that it may become necessary in one or two wards to resort to nomination papers less than 400 applicants for deputy fac if the sentiment which is now everywhere awakening in behalf of better representation in councils is not to be thing more than passive assent on the part of the majority is needed, however, if common council is to be strengthened in accordance with its obvious needs. The time for action is drawing near. Do Scrantonians want better men in councils? That is the question which must soon be answered.

It is a question of dollars and cents as well as of sentiment. Be prepared to answer it wisely.

There will be no objection to a short session of the legislature if in a short ession all the time shall be given over to the consideration of measures of Beck. James F. Burnett, who will account if no time shall be squandered on mere lung-testing and posing. In this connection Speaker-to-be Walton is recommended to keep well in yiew the parliamentary tactics whereby Thomas B. Reed drew the check-rein on wind-churning congressmen with fillbuster-less intentions. The logislative asseton ing intentions. The legislative session enough to thoroughly cover the ground, but just short enough to escape the jaw-work and jobbery which seem to be inseparable concomitants of large majorities intoxicated with power.

The Climax of Littleness. There was a case in court this week which stands conspicuously out among the trivial differences with which our court dockets are clogged as notably petty in its actuating spirit. We allude, of course, to the prosecution of the assistant secretary of the Scranton Young Men's Christian association for perjury, upon information supplied by Druggist D. S. Ryan. The facts in this case, briefly stated, are that while the Sunday-closing movement was in progress, this druggist, while openly advertising the sale of certain liquid refreshments on Sunday, was arrested under the act of 1794, and fined. This action resulted from the testimony of C. A. Wiley, who stated, under oath, that he had seen four persons at Mr. Ryan's soda fountain one Sunday forenoon, drinking soda water, and had further seen one of these persons proffer a coin in payment for the drinks.

The ground upon which the defendant in this episode this week sought to impeach Mr. Wiley's testimony took the form of a quibble as to the appearance, in the original transaction, of any sum of money. The druggist claimed that he had, in the case in point, "treated" the quartette of Sunday soda drinkers; and that Wiley, therefore, had committed perjury in alleging that the transaction involved a sale. Instead of accepting payment for the soda water in question, the druggist virtually averred that he paid for it himself, through profit and loss, and upon this trivial quibble he seeks to incarcerate a young man, heretoby any means an inherited and inalien- fore of honest character and good reable right. Upon the contrary, it is dis- pute, in the penitentiary. The traditinctly a privilege, conferred by the tional difference between tweedledee state upon such persons as will, at least and tweedledum was as wide as from in theory, be fit and legal supporters of here to Timbuctoo in comparison with the state; and it may be granted or the actual difference in fact between licans he imperils his standing as a Demo-

for office, and who afterward skulks stringent penalty provided by law for those convicted of perjury.

The jury before whom this peculiar case was tried, after twenty-four ileges, after his repeated indifferences hours' deliberation, failed to agree upon a verdict. We are ashamed to think that our jury system permits to enter a jury box even one man so lost to fairadvice of Judge Stewart in this di-nessor intelligence as to require twentyrection-that those who shirk a pri- four hours to reach a conclusion after mary shall lose their ensuing vote-will contemplation of the foregoing facts. bear immediate fruit. But if in con- The presence of such a man on a jury sequence of frequent discussions of in Lackawanna county is a reproach to this theme there shall be engendered a the county scarcely more grievous, in higher regard for the privileges of the its way, than is the presence in that county of man capable of bringing such a case into couft.

The business man who refuses to be no time to devote to politics" grossly mistakes the meaning of the invitation. If among the candidates for common Nebedy asks him to devote time to pollcouncil in the Thirteenth ward there is ties. What the city wants is councilmen who will not devote time to poliwith respect to energy, uprightness and tics; councilmen who will give all their practical familiarity with the needs of time, while in their official capacity, to

> We do not believe that Anthony Comstock sold himself for \$1,000 or any other sum. Comstock is a man whose long prosecution of a single line of work may have narrowed him in many respects. But he is no hypocrite, and it will take something more than the testimony of a pair of crooks to undermine his reputation before the people. Anyhow the good that Comstock has done for public morals would infinitely outweigh one or two minor errors, assuming that such errors exist.

The Philadelphia Press should take greater pains than it has hitherto taken to bring itself around to a proper reallzation of the fact that in this state, in others. addition to the inhabitants of Philadelphia, "there are otherr."

Matrimonial hypnotism appears to be siderable difficulty at times in keeping their subjects mesmorized after the knot has been tied.

kind that will induce fit men to accept nominations to council and then elect

The sultan of Turkey shubs the American minister with the airy pro-

### POLITICAL POINTS.

Thomas Robinson, editor of the Butler Eagle, will be state printer, it is raid. It seems to be a nip-and-tuck race in Wayne county between Homer Greene and W. W. Wood. Both desire the sup-port of Wayne's conferrees in the next congressional conference.

According to the Patriot General Hast-According to the Fatriot General Hast-ings is now easting about for a place for John C. Conkling, of Harrisburg, immi-grant Inspector under the Harrison ad-ministration. Conkling has been assured that he will be taken care of and the chances are that he will be appointed a deputy factory inspector, unless a bet-ter place is found for him. There are no less than 400 amplicants for donny factory inspector.

The Tribune will be represented at the next session of the legislature by George M. Wanbaugh, city editor of the Harisburg Patriot, and one of the new left. Mr. Wanbaugh has twice officiate for this paper in a similar capacity. This year he will be accorded larger scope and may be expected to keep every reader of The Tribune fully informed as to the legislative and political movements of interest to this section,

The following prominent Republicans of Lackawanna county, la addition to the members-elect of the legislature which convenes at Harrisburg next Tuesday, will leave for the state capital this morning at 9 o'clock, so as to be present the day before the opening, which is always the liveliest period of the blennini as-sembly: Ex-Journai Fred W. Fleitz, Atorney R. A. Zimmerman, ex-Collecte F. Penman and ex-Representative W. K. genuine public interest and value; and pany the party, will correspond for the Truth during the session. Editor San Truth during the session. Editor Sam Hudson, of the Times, will be on deck at the opening, and will reside in Harris-burg until the session shall end. Lieuten-ant Governor Watres will reach the capital on Monday; and J. A. Scranton is expected to be a recetator on Tuesday. Fred W. Fleitz as reading clerk, he that begins Tuesday should be just long having withdrawn from the field as a candidate for chief clerk.

### READING'S FOUR HUNDRED. Editor Dampman Comes to the Reserve of

Pazzled Mayor Shamway. Since the Berks county court has decided that the police of Reading must not arrest loafing members of the Four Huu-dred, Mayor Shumway's idea of designating a tag has caught on, immensely, According to the Herald, the applicant, to be entitled to one of these tags, must

That he wears a white shirt on Saturday night and all day Sunday.

He must not be accustomed to attendng social functions in gum boots. He must be able to retain tobacco juice when there is no spittoon around. He must go home or get somebody to take him home when he is full. He must not take his cont off when he

He must be a man of honor and not ring in an extra drink on the bartender when the latter is not looking. His family must not have sauer kraut for dinner more than twice a week.

### Where to Draw the Line.

From the Washington Post. Laws against prefaulty exist in many states and are a common feature of city ordinances, and, although they are rarely enforced, they are occasionally found helpful in preserving public order. No person should be permitted to make himself a nuisance anywhere. Swearing in public places, using oaths in the presence of women and children, is such a viola-tion of decency as ought to be sternly reressed. To be sure, there is difficulty ometimes in deciding what is and what not profanity, and malicious prosecuis not protably, and malicious prosecu-tions occasionally occur; but all good things are liable to abuse. It is well, therefore, in spite of objections, to have laws for the punishment of aggressive and indecent profamity. "Cussing a lit-tle" and some emphasis in talk directed to mules may best be left to moral efforts unnided by penal statutes.

Opposed to Compulsory Voting. From the Wilkes-Barre Record.

The compulsory voting scheme exploited by certain enthusiastic reformers will not work. It savors too much of tyranny. A man way be a good Democrat. The course of his party may not please him. Its candidates may be objectionable. But he's a Democrat. He doesn't want to vote the Republican ticket. He cannot indorse the Democratic nominees. If he votes for them he might lose his the state may choose to impose.

This being true, what shall be said in defense of the citizen who treats with persistent contempt the primary and fundamental obligations of his citizenship; who shirks his duty by failing to ship; who shirks his duty by failing to all, was in fault through his eagerness didates he doesn't believe in or for canaid in the nomination of fit candidates to do his duty as he saw it-to the gentlemen, it will not do.

### THE CIRCULAR NUISANCE.

From the New York Sun. The only circulars offering articles for sale which justify the expenditure on them, and which can be sent out with no danger of provoking resentment against them as a nuisance, are the few which contain special information, spe-cially desired by the people who receive them. Articles of which there is no general supply may safely be advertised in this way, to a particular profession or to collectors; but to trouble a man with circulars soliciting the purchase of mer-chandise on general sale in the trade, is to force on his attention matters which concern the sender's interest only, and consequently to be guilty of bad manners. It is poor business policy. The proper place for such advertisements is in a newspaper, one of whose most import-ant functions is that of a business direc-tory. It enables the merchant to keep a candidate for council because he "has before the public his name, his place of business, and his wares, without causing them announce. As part of the news of the day, he announces to the people generally the articles he has to sell, the prices and where they are on sale. He does not ring the door bells of people's houses to thrust in unsought and undesired circulars soliciting buyers for his goods, but puts his advertisement in the customary business directory which is a newspaper. There they are it their appropriate place, and are respected accordingly. This is a great opportunity enjoyed by trade because of the development of the modern newspaper. It brings the merchant and his business before the whole public and gives to both the con sequent distinction. The circumstance that the trade of houses which advertise the mest largely and persistently in the newspapers is always greatest, prove that the public is interested in such announce ments when they are put in the vehicle to which society now naturally looks for information.

There Are Others. From the Post-Express.

There seems to be no doubt that Ben-jamin Harrison is not to be considered a prosidential candidate in any sense of the word. It is well. He made a good president, but he ran twice and-there are

We'll Wager That You're Wrong. From the Philadelphia Inquirer. The free silver business is no longer quite common, but divores courts deminot of political vagrants who have no onstrate that the operators have con- other place to go, but as a doctrine of the Republican party it is a dead issue.

A Prose Pastel. S. R. Smith, in Wilkes-Barre Times The three most ludicrous and pitiable The kind of municipal reform that is things in the world are the intolerance of needed in Scranton these days is the bigotry; the assumption of pendantry and the dignity of ignorance.

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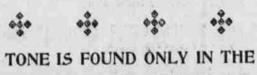
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