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THE SCRANTON OF TODAY.

Come and inspect our city. Elevation above the tide, 740 feet. Extremely healthy. Estimated population, 1894, 163,000. Registered voters, 23,500. Value of school property, \$750,000. Number of school children, 12,000. Average amount of bank deposits, \$10,000,000.

The problem of Republican government, difficult anywhere, is especially difficult in a warm climate. Still, we predict that republicanism in France will survive Casimir-Perier's defeat.

For Good Local Government.

A moment's thought, if applied by each citizen to the problem of good government in this city, ought to establish the truth of the assertion that the beginning-point of reform is in the selection of representative citizens as councilmen.

Death of John B. Smith.

Dunmore borough, immediately, and this entire community sustain loss, and much loss, in the death of John B. Smith. A pioneer in the development of the upper anthracite fields, he lived to see wildernesses conquered, villages expand into live and many-trafficked cities, and the agencies of civilization evolved to a high approximation to perfection.

The Duties of the Mayoralty.

The letter of Charles F. Warwick, accepting the nomination of the Republican party for mayor of Philadelphia, is a document of almost unsurpassed literary merit. Entirely apart from any of the unfortunate circumstances attending that nomination, this letter would seem to denote a perception of the duties and responsibilities of the executive headship of the third largest American city of which any man and any party might be proud.

gate the power of expending this money to unit men? This, then, is the question that presses home in this time of ward caucuses and coming spring elections. The citizenship of Scranton, for a number of years, has, we fear, not realized the full meaning of its duty in this direction.

The citizen who shall attentively read the foregoing will have no difficulty in applying its teachings to Scranton. The Pittsburgh Commercial Gazette states a solid and irrefutable fact when it remarks that "Scranton Quay is the right man at the front. Certain Republican journals which should know better seize every opportunity to join the Democratic organs in abuse or in bald misrepresentation of him. And yet, when the Republican party needs to be pulled out of a hole in congress or elsewhere one of the first men appealed to for action or advice is this same Senator Quay."

Warwick versus Pattison. The selection of ex-Governor Pattison as the Democratic candidate for mayor of Philadelphia reduces the fight in that city to a clear contest between the two political parties. Side issues will be ignored in the light of the menacing presence in this struggle of a figure head of William F. Harry; and hundreds of Republicans, while indignant at the conditions attending Mr. Warwick's nomination, will support their party nominee in preference to transferring the political control of the city government, with all its enormous influence, to Harry's dangerous hands.

The suggestion of President Dickinson, of the State Board of charities, that the legislature pass an act requiring all county jails to be governed by inspectors appointed by the courts and commissioners is so thoroughly in accord with common sense that it ought not to be overlooked by this session. The present jail system is good in spots; but generally speaking it is a notorious disgrace.

Publicity as a Safeguard.

Pittsburgh Dispatch: "A rigid investigation should be instituted into the details of the operations of the new book law which are now being reported by official reports. If any evils exist their official publication will in itself go far toward correction. Then the law could be so amended as to require the printer to furnish a copy of the report to the state department of instruction the names and prices of the books purchased. These reports need not necessarily be printed in the public domain; but their publication will in itself go far toward correction. Then the law could be so amended as to require the printer to furnish a copy of the report to the state department of instruction the names and prices of the books purchased. These reports need not necessarily be printed in the public domain; but their publication will in itself go far toward correction."

The License Court Bill.

Concerning the Hackneying license court bill the Pittsburgh Commercial-Gazette says: "The provision that half of the board shall be composed of Republicans and half of Democrats is not an element of weakness. There ought to be nothing political in the regulation of the liquor traffic and to start with the recognition of the equal claims of the two great parties to say who shall and who shall not deal out intoxicants in the several counties in the state is tantamount to saying that the privileges to sell should be distributed with some reference to the politics of the applicants or of the relative strength of the two parties in a given district." It might be replied to this that there is already a good deal of politics in the Brooks law, as commonly enforced.

For a Department of Charities.

Another department that two-thirds of the state is now represented on the state board of charities, the Pittsburgh Times adds: "A bill has been introduced into the legislature for the abolition of the board and the creation of a department of charities. This would, of course, contemplate that the work be done by salaried officials absolutely under the control of the state and who would devote all their time to the work. This might perhaps cost a little more than the present system, but the results would certainly be more efficient. The members of the present board simply devote such time as they can spare from their regular business to the performance of their duties, and are not, therefore, of the same knowledge of the requirements of the work as would men whose regular business it was to expend all their time and attention upon it. Experience has time and again demonstrated that the work of commissions of private citizens is not as efficient as that done by trained and responsible officials. It is my opinion to continue to pay nearly \$1,000,000 a year

for charitable purposes it will certainly be true economy to devote a few thousands more to insure that this enormous sum is most properly and effectively used. Changes in Legal Procedure. The Bar association of Allegheny county has decided to oppose the bills relative to changes in legal procedure in the courts of this commonwealth, proposed to be presented to the present legislature at an early date by Judge Michael Arnold, of Philadelphia. Judge Arnold has formulated a dozen acts relating to reducing half a dozen legal procedures to one simple class, which will be presented to the present legislature. The acts prescribe the form and regulate the course of civil procedure and pleading in the courts of the commonwealth. The first act is the important one, as it provides for the union of law and equity in one form of action. Judge Arnold's bill contemplates that there shall be no distinction between equity and the law, abolishing a periodical return day, and providing that all actions shall be brought by statement filed, going away with special pleading. The Allegheny Bar association is of the opinion that Judge Arnold's propositions, while right in tenor, are too radical.

Capital Punishment is Going.

Williamsport Times: "In England in the time of George III, there were 100 capital offenses, now reduced to two—treason and murder. In Holland, capital punishment was abolished in 1870; in Portugal and in Roumania, in 1864. In Switzerland, it was abolished in sixteen cantons. In Austria, Germany and in Sweden, capital punishment is rare. Under the federal laws of our own country there are still nine capital offenses—murder, treason, arson, rape, piracy, robbery of mails with jeopardy to lives of persons in charge, rescue of a convict going to execution, burning of a vessel of war, and destruction of a private vessel. In Maine it was abolished in 1874; also in Iowa, but the latter state was afterwards revived. It was abolished in Michigan, Rhode Island and New York, but in New York it was restored in 1888 and execution employed. In Iowa and New York, however, capital punishment would have remained abolished had a sufficiently severe penalty been provided as a substitute."

Wants a Department of Mining.

Hanston Sentinel: "A state department of mining could be made of the most practical value to the employers and to the workers. It could carry on the work of the geological survey—the value of which is now apparent to every mine owner. It could suggest laws and measures that would ensure greater economy in working and check in a measure the awful loss of human life that is going on daily. It would be the starting point of a system of mine inspection. It might, perhaps, be a medium for settling many of the difficulties between labor and capital. As it stands now the most important state industry is slighted."

grant of corporate privileges. Vice and crime are at all times and at all hazards to be repressed, and the highest standard of this community preserved so far as it lies in the power of the executive to enforce obedience to law. It is my purpose to discharge the duties of the office of mayor with zeal for the public good; nevertheless, perfect candor requires me to say that however earnest, faithful and untiring I may be, I shall be his efforts for municipal economy and progress will necessarily be of imperfect effect unless seconded by a like spirit on the part of the council of the city. Municipal government, to be effective, must come from co-operation of the law-making and law-executing powers. That man is blind indeed who does not discern that the people of this city are demanding that their municipal affairs shall be conducted on strict and honest business principles. If elected to the office for which you name me, it shall be my earnest purpose to comply with this just demand.

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