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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, 20,589.
Value of school property, \$750,000.
Number of school children, 12,000.
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See how we grow: 45,550 Population in 1890... Population in 1894 (estimated)...., 103,099 And the end is not yet.

The acceptance, by James A. Lansing and Luther Keller, of a call from many prominent citizens of the Seventeenth ward to become candidates for select and common councils respective ly, will gratify friends of good local government. These gentlemen are well known for their personal integrity. their business ability and their acquaintance with the needs of their ward and of the city. The fact that they are not active candidates, in the sense of seeking office, is an additional reason why the property interests of this influential ward should grasp the opportunity to insure the presence in councils of such capable representatives.

The Fault of the Voters.

The overskadowing problem before the American people today is how to cleanse the fountain-springs of government; how to get good and true men to occupy local office. The remark of Judge Gunster in relation to grand jury criticisms of the Lackawanna con stabulary in its proverbial inability to discern excise violations bears incident ally upon this question. He said that the matter of reporting liquor law violations lay with the constables who took sworn oaths, as do the judges to support the laws and constitutions of the United States and of Pennsylvania. If proper men are not elected

sentence. If good men are not chosen of a truth, it "Is the fault of the voters, This is as true a sentence as was ever uttered in the Lackawanna court house And it applies, not alone to constables but to every man who in any official manner has to do with the condition of local law-enforcement and of local public enterprise. We should like to know, if it were possible, just how many citizens of Scranton realize the real significance of this remark? How many comprehend, and as electors act upon the knowledge, that a councilman, by all the rules of business measure ment, is at least three hundred times as important an official, with reference to his power for good or local mischief, as is a congressman of the United States; and at least one hundred times more important that a senator or a representative at Harrisburg? At first flush it seems incredible-the assertion that a constable or a ward assessor is of infinitely more consequence to the Scranton owner of property. in his powers of official contact thropic line. with that property-owner, than is the president of the nation or the governor

Yes, it is the "fault of the voters" if by the election to local office of the very best available men.

Announcement is elsewhere made of the candidacy of C. S. Seamans for the common councilmanship in the Thirteenth ward. Mr. Seamans is an energetic and upright business man, familiar with the ward and the city, and his selection at Saturday's delegate election would insure for the property-owners of the Thirteenth intelligent and capable representation.

St. Joseph's Foundling Home.

The recent annual report of the secretary of St. Joseph's society, Mrs. P. J. Horan, is a document which every charitably inclined person should read with care. After reviewing in detail the year's work of this invaluable charity, and explaining how, although insufficiently supplied with funds, a little ones who find shelter in St. Joseph's Foundling home, the report year membership cards have been issued with a view to extending the society's sphere of usefulness throughout

also very gracefully: Scranton possesses many noble chari-ties, each urging its claim upon the great public heart, yet we can say with grati-tude that St. Jospeh's home has never been forgotten by our Catholics nor by the benevolent Protestant in whose broad mind sectarian barriers have no existence. But what is the charitable Catholic or Protestant but the agent of Providence Protestant but the agent of Providence for perfecting the divine plan? Before concluding we desire to say a few words in behalf of the House of the Good Shepherd. This institution endeavors to be self-supporting, and when we consider the large number of women treespective of large number of women, irrespective of creed or nationality, which is being shell

tered here and strengthened toward better lives by efficient training in long neg-lected morals, and those womanly industries so conductive to virtue and happiness, as worldly people we marvel at the hercu-lean task to which this noble order has set itself. The philanthropic lady interested in the elevation of erring woman may assist in a noble work, and serve well her own interests by sending a share of her sewing to this house, which in its exquisitely wrought needlework is without a rival in Scranton.

We are glad to believe that in this generous city charity, while naturally tion, knows neither sect nor race; and differences of creed to interpose obstacles to its own humane fulfilment. usefulness in this community for every agency of relief and reformation that numan liberality can organize and will fail to wish Godspeed to the mag-

The Seventeenth ward represents a large share of the wealth of the city. down. and in striving to send to councils two such representative business men as James A. Lansing and Luther Keller ness brains, business candor and busi- disputed. ness probity in councils. The action of the leading citizens of the Seventeenth is an example which citizens of all the wards should consider attentively.

Practical Home Charity.

The following appeal of the Board of Associated Charities, duly signed by the proper officials, was issued yester-

Severe weather and is k of work are again causing suffering among the poor of our city. The Associated Charities are almost overwhelmed with applications, We appeal to our generous fellow-citizens for aid in our systematic giving for aid. Money, clothing and all kinds of provisions are needed. Send contributions of money to William T. Smith, treasurer. Clothing and provisions may be sent to Mrs. W. B. Duggan, municipal building.

We doubt not that there will be, as there clearly should be, a liberal and prompt response to this direct appeal. Among the 20,000 heads of households in Scranton one-fourth at least ought to be able, if properly impressed with the need of systematic relief in this city, to give sums of money or their equivalents ranging from one dollar up to ten dollars. Such donations, if thus distributed, would involve little f any hardship upon the individual donor, and it would unquestionably ave human lives.

We do not believe there is one wello-do citizen of Scranton who, if he thought that a dollar or two, if rightly placed, would save a human life, would be mean enough or indifferent enough to refuse to save it. The Associated Charities is a life-saving institution. It is an enterprise which generously stands between the individual donor. In the unyleiding opposition of the stands between the individual donor. who has neither time nor facilities to search out cases of deserving poverty, and the large volume of want and derstood by the speech made by Lord misery which exist in the midet of us Chancellor Eldon, in whose views all the at all times, and which is especially Judges concurred, in opposition to the bill constables that is the fault of the voters. The court can not go back of the constable's returns.

At all times, and which is the prominent and needful of prompt assistance in the workless winter following a general business panic. It is the bill be carried into effect, then may your lordships expect to see the whole frame to about the prominent of deam tor stealing privately in a shop to the amount of is., in which he said: "If the present ing a general business panic. It is the lordships expect to see the whole frame the other. A dollar contributed to it in upon. The public of this country, I is not eaten up in transit, but goes to submit, ought, once for all, to know in the needy and gives to them one hundred cents' worth of food, shelter and

> of the association would be swelled to last stages of economy and actual want started, we believe that there would be a very general desire to add to it. The addition of the factor of daily publicity through the newspapers would bring the subject more effectually to the attention of the public, and we are sure that no Scranton newspaper would begrudge the space.

In charity, deeds talk. And just now is a good time for a lavish display of local eloquence along this philan-

Our esteemed contemporary, the of the commonwealth-but is it not Truth, very appropriately suggests that councils, this coming year, ought to be uncommonly liberal to the Albright local government is not what it should Free library, inasmuch as the depletion be; and it is high time that the voters of the citizens' subscription fund of Scranton, whenever opportunity of- threatens a curtallment in the purchase fers, were trying to correct that fault of new books. And not only councils, but individual friends and patrons. The value of this library has grown upon the people beyond the most sanguine expectations of its founders. It is today, by all odds, the most important single educational institution in the midst of us. Men, women and children. of all ages and conditions, are more and more coming to depend upon it for instruction, for entertainment and for der the old plan it could be restored." comfort. The good that it does is simply incalculable; and it is diffused throughout all classes in the community. To have this magnificent influence even temporarily slackened would be an inestimable misfortune, which we sincerely trust may not fall upon our city through lack of substantial appre-

in the Pittston city campaign next month very probably means the elecgreat and a noble year's record was tion of a Democratic mayor, inasmuch achieved in caring for the motherless as the city is anywhere from 400 to 600 Democratic. With Dr. Charles J. Barrett heading the Republican column contains the announcement that this and the present burgess, Thomas Maloney, occupying a similar position at the head of the combined Citizens' and Democratic forces, the contest will not, the diocese and adds very truly and however, lack either interest or excitement. May the best man win!

> The newly elected president of France, M. Faure, is unknown to Americans, but is said to be a conservative and well-informed man, possessed of wide and creditable experience in public affairs. Americans will wish for his administration success and sta- schools." bility.

chises, what is it going to do in way of improving its car service in this city? An exchange of favors would no doubt be generally appreciated.

Another way of meeting the liquor problem is suggested by Representative Hunter, of the Indiana legislature, in the form of a bill which provides that, when making application before the county commissioners for a license to sell liquor, the appleant shall present made. This is practically local option, in following the lines of church associa- a new guise. It corresponds with the practice in this state of besing licenses is infinitely too noble to permit mere upon the preponderance of petitions over remonstrances; and it puts the responsibility for saloons upon the peo-There is abundant room and unstinted ple who authorize them. Is not this as it should be?

One of the prominent planks in the quip. Certainly, no liberal Protestant | last Democratic national platform "viewed with alarm the tendency to a nificent work conducted under the auspices of St. Joseph's society; nor stop
to cavil at the theological complexion of
the hand that reaches out to rescue the
homeless and the fallen.

Viewed with altrit de trades, y
foreign policy of irritation and bluster, which is liable at any time to confront us with the alternative of humiliation or war." The policy of Secretary
homeless and the fallen.

One but that it would be overwheimingly
in favor of compulsory education, as a primary step in the solution of the problem
of crime and pauperism. The safety of
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and loyalty to republican institutions,
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understance of the solution of the problem
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and howhere are these taught as in the that comes along, and feign a sickly smile while he is timidly guiping it down.

stability of our government, we will see to it that every child in the land is properly taught, to intelligently comprehend

A ten-year close season for pheasants, as proposed by the Luzerne County t is simply trying to protect its own. Game Protective association, would do But the Seventeenth ward is not alone much to check the now rapid decimain this desire. There is no ward which tion of the state's wild feathered game. does not need a representation of busi- The need of such protection cannot be

> It is sad to see such eminent political trimmers as Senators Hill and Gorman fall out over a little thing like the constitution. What is the constitution, that it should stand between friends?

It is rumored that Bill Cook, of Oklahoma, talks of reforming. It is possible that there yet may be hope for the Mohammedan scribe of the Wilkes-Barre Record.

If the new declaration of war against the 800 speak-easies of Lackawanna county is this time anything more than a declaration, let it go on to victory.

ington dispatch that the president is "thoroughly disgusted with congress. Is not this sentiment mutual? It really begins to look as if Young

America might be able to shoot fire-

It is gravely announced in a Wash-

crackers next Fourth of July off the Roaring Brook bridge. Honest and capable men can be sent to councils if men of the same stripe

LEGISLATIVE TOPICS.

will unite to send them.

The Abolition of Capital Punishment for Stenling Decreased the Commission of

That Crime. The efforts of Sir Samuel Romilly in 1808, and following to the day of his death, "to abolish the penalty of death for stealing from a dwelling house to the amount of #s." "for stelling privately in a shop to the amount of 5s." and "for stealing upon a navigable river," with other bills the upper house. The character of the op-position and the influence of those who led the attack on these bills can be well unof our criminal law invaded and broken try consists, that your lordships may not time after time and year after year, be distressed with such discussions as the If 5,000 Scrantonians would, in the next week or month, contribute from one dollar to ten dollars apiece, averaging say only three dollars, the funds of the association would be swelled to also be successful to the swelled to also be successful to the swelled to also be swelled to the same as a function of the debate on the bill to abolish the death penalty for stealing from a dwelling house is not purished by death the present." In the debate on the bill to abolish the death penalty for stealing from a dwelling house is not purished by death the present." able by death, the property of every the amount of \$15,000, and hundreds of now bomeless persons or persons in the wholly without protection." Yet the home office reports covering three years before would be saved from pauperism or de-death penalty for those and similar ofspair. If such a fund were publicly fences, furnish actual proof that these learned lords were mistaken, and show that their adherence to principles which outraged the best sentiments of humanity prevented that protection to property which later and juster laws have afforded.

Give It a Trial. Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer: "The state has given a long trial to the law declaring that the punishment of murder shall be death, but the penalty has failed absolutely, to decrease or lessen the numerous crimes of that sort. That being undisput-ably the case from the records, why not try a more humanitarian plan? Wipe the odious statute off the criminal laws and go to the other extreme. Let the penalty be fixed at imprisonment for life. Ninout of every ten murderers would un doubtedly be brought in guilty, and their expatriation from the public would fol low. To all purposes they might as well be dead. Housed comfortably and fed, but away from the world, would be famore of a severer punishment to them than the imposition of the death penalty. Every day, every hour, every minute, would be a toriure and one from which they would gladly have relief in death Of course it is only an opinion, but we be lieve that in the substitution of life im-prisonment instead of death for the crime of murder, there would be fewer of those of mirder, there would be fewer of those crimes committed. At all events it may be given a trial, say for a period of ten years, and if at the expiration of that time better results did not accrue than un-

Death Penalty Not Deterrent. Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer: "So far as results, the death penalty for murder might as well be abolished. It is not a wild statement to make, that not one hanging takes place for every twenty deaths that occur from violence. This is too small to have any deterrent effect on the viciously inclined, and a change of the law to imprisonment for life might be more satisfactory. So long as the death The drawing of a straight party line penalty cannot be enforced, and for years that has been the condition in Luzerne, it might as well be wiped off the statutes

and replaced with some other method." The Corks Did Not Pop. Harrisburg special to the Philadelphia Bulletin: "The isauguration was an ex-cessively dry one in so far as official re-freshments were concerned. It has herefreshments were concerned. It has heretofore been the custom to purchase a supply of wine and harder stuff in honor of
the occasion; but if any of the aforesaid
was going Tuesday, it was kept in a decidedly dark corner. At the last inauguration a bill for \$1,900 worth of liquors
was rendered, and this excited some comment, particularly from the enemies of
the governor." the governor."

For a Business College Annex. Harrisburg special to the Scranton Truth: "Representative O'Malley pro-poses to introduce a bill adding a busi-ness course to the curriculum of high

Let the Legislature Act. Now that the Scranton Traction com-pany has secured from councils pretty much all it wants in the way of fran-

docking of horses' tails. This practice of mutilating the noble horse, and subject-ing him to a great deal of annoyance, particularly in fly season, is condemned by all people who have humane instincts and sentiments."

Need of Compulsory Education. Olyphant Record: "It is a fact worth remembering that those who knew most about the need of education among the poor, are the most strenuous advocates of compulsory education. From the days of Cardinal Barromeo to the present, nen who have sympathized with the ignorance of the lower tenth, have advo cated compulsory education. When the statesman Cobden, advocated before the parliament of England a system of na-tional education, Thomas Wright, a philanthropist of Manchester, urged that it should be made compulsory, and his con-viction was established on an experience of forty years' labor among prisoners, a large percentage of whose crimes he at-tributed to the want of secular and religious instruction. And if the opinions of reformers, who labor among the outcast and fallen, were gathered today, we doubt not but that it would be overwhelmingly public schools. If then we consult the

THAT MEETING OF PROTEST

the glorious principles underlying our in

stitutions and loyally to uphold the popular vote. This cannot be done save by

compulsory education.

Thinks It Poor Taste. From the Wilkes-Barre Times.
It is mighty poor tasts for the Record to poke fun at such a serious subject as a protest against the Armenian atrocities.

An Amended Argument.

From the Wilkes-Barre Record. We certainly agree with the Scranton Tribune that the inhuman Turk should be halted in his bloody career. But when only 300 people out of over 100,000 try to do the halting it reminds us very forcibly of the three tailors of London. If Scranton can only summon 300 to the defense of Christianity she'd better stop protesting.

Sarcasm from Harrisburg.

If the Scranton people want to hold public meetings to protest against the Ar-menian outrages why shouldn't they? Re-specting such meetings the Turks will occupy a position similar to that of the British miner whose wife frequently punched his face without any objection on his part. When remonstrated with by a friend his only answer was: "It pleases she and doant hurt I." The meetings won't hurt anybody.

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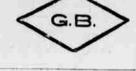
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