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THE SCRANTON OF TODAY.

Come and inspect our city. Elevation above the tide, 740 feet. Extremely healthy. Estimated population, 1895, 100,000. Registered voters, 29,599. Value of school property, \$900,000. Number of school children, 12,000. Average amount of bank deposits, \$19,000,000.

It should ever come, in this country, to a question of a conflict between church and state, the state would win, so let's not worry about it.

Looking Forward.

It is extremely improbable that a public which the Democratic party fooled as it fooled those to whom, in 1892, it promised tariff reform, with increased prosperity thrown in, would take much stock in anything which that party might say, next year, with reference to silver.

Nor do we alarm ourselves with the thought that the new "Silver party," so-called, into which there is a disposition among Populists, socialists and wild-minded men generally to hurl themselves, will seriously complicate the presidential battle one year from next fall.

It is possible that there may, within a few years, be a re-casting of the party lines in this country, but it will not occur prior to next autumn; and if Republicans shall be as prudent as they have often shown themselves to be, it will, so far as they are concerned, not occur at all.

An Easy Way Out.

There is undoubtedly a growing opinion among the people that the discretion allowed to license judges under the Brooks law is too ample. This belief is well stated by the writer of a communication to one of our Pittsburg exchanges, when, apropos of the theory that licensed inns are necessary to accommodate the public and entertain travelers, he says:

Only their unexampled density can jeopard the chances of Republican restoration and long continuance in responsible power.

Not Fools, by a Long Shot.

It is not necessary for the true patriot, in time of peace and general prosperity, to bolster his patriotism up by an oath, nor plot for his country's safety behind guarded doors. It is not necessary for the true religiousist, in defense of his faith, to proscribe honest men who seek to reach heaven by some other pathway.

It means openness, frankness, courage of conviction and willingness to do battle, man-fashion, with face and weapon boldly fronted toward the foe. It does not mean the skulk of the jackal in the treacherous shadow nor the coward blow of the zealot in ambush.

Catholic lay wasting away with disease and the awful tortures of that infamous rebel bell. There came, before it was too late, an opportunity of escape; and Protestant and Catholic together sought life and hope and friends. They live today, in a Northern city, eminent citizens, side by side. Do you think that these men, who shed their blood together, can today be turned into deadly enemies by the fool mouthings of the American Protective Association?

The notion is nonsense. Nor are the American people fools.

We do not believe that the most rabid opponent of capital punishment will find it in him to object very strenuously to the application of the heinous penalty to that Minneapolis monstrum, Harry Hayward. Men like Hayward and the late Carlyle Harris are exceptions to all known rules governing human conduct. Upon them the influences of civilization appear to be wasted. No scheme of human improvement appears to be ingenious enough to effect their reclamation.

Inexplicable Contrariety.

The treatment accorded last Friday evening by the joint estimates committee of councils to the item appropriating money to Nay Aug park affords a new demonstration of the need, in councils, of a greater representation of brains. As the items stands, \$2000 is assigned in payment of labor on the park, and \$600 for the payment of one policeman to protect those who shall frequent that resort.

The disposition of this committee to thwart the wishes of the people as expressed in their overwhelming vote in favor of public parks is the more singular when it is understood that the beneficiaries of Nay Aug park would not be the "well-to-do" residents of the Seventeenth ward, against whom the committee appears to have an irreconcilable grudge; but would, instead, be mainly the boys and girls and tired parents of the South Side, West Side and North End, to whom its bounteous acres would, in mid-summer, afford a most welcome sylvan retreat, cool, refreshing and health-renewing.

If there is a rational explanation, we should like to know it. We can see, on the face of things, no reason why the owner of a bicycle should not pay toll for the use of a toll road, as well as the owner of any other vehicle. The supreme court, which has this subject under advisement, will in our judgment decide that the wheel is not a privileged vehicle of transport.

An Honor Worthily Bestowed.

Nothing in the power of Governor Hastings to do could give pleasure to so many people in Lackawanna county as the appointment of Colonel Ezra H. Rippe to a place of high honor in the National guard. Colonel Rippe occupies a higher place in the affections of the people than any other citizen. His splendid services in the war of the rebellion, his sufferings in southern prison pens, his escape therefrom with the bay of the bloodhounds in his ears, entitle him to most respectful regard.

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Pittsburg Commercial-Clas. Governor Hastings brought down the Bird Book at one shot and will deserve much of the commonwealth if he can do as well with the legislative rosters. Mr. Singlerly Sees One Consolation. From the Philadelphia Record (Dem.). The Republican gerrymander of Indiana has been voted down by the gerrymander.

Republican government; and its general and unwavering application to the granting of liquor licenses would not only remove from the shoulders of the law judges an enviable responsibility, but it would also still the voice of captious criticism by placing in each community the right to settle the liquor problem to suit itself.

The Philadelphia Record thinks that "behind the movement for compulsory education is the idea that compulsory education is equivalent to compulsory morality." Again, it declares "it is not true that education limits crime." The Record evidently shares the barbaric belief that "ignorance is bliss."

Facts are arising, as the days glide by, which perceptibly strengthen our conviction that New York and Pennsylvania have a pair of Republican governors whom it would be exceedingly hard to surpass.

If the Republican party at Albany shall try to relieve the citizens of New York of the duties of self-government, all we can say is that it will make a big mistake.

Democratic conventions may resolve as they please concerning the silver problem, but it will take Republican statesmanship to solve it.

The factory law says youngsters dare not work. Now let compulsory education keep them out of mischief by sending them to school.

The streets of Scranton begin to look something like city streets. May the good cause know no setbacks!

There isn't enough capital in the free silver question to float a new political party into power.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

The Pittsburg Commercial-Gazette Rebukes the Partisan Organs.

"Some of the political organs of the state are trying to work themselves into a condition akin to frenzy because of the passage by the house of the Farr compulsory education bill. They can see in it nothing but demagoguery, bigotry, intolerance and tyranny—an assault upon the personal liberty of the citizen, and an attempt to do something wholly impracticable and impossible. Twice before the Pennsylvania legislature passed a measure of this kind, but it pleased a Democratic governor to strike it down with his veto. He presumably represented his party in doing so, and the organs which supported him then must preserve their consistency by attacking the bill now. We risk nothing in saying that these violent assaults of the Farr bill do not mean what they seem to mean, but are merely a demagogic clap-net inspired by sectarian fanaticism and intolerance."

"There is nothing in the bill which passed the house last night which would pass the house with any unanimity to fill with alarm the friends of personal liberty and religious freedom. It is very moderate in its demands. It requires that children between 8 and 13 years of age shall receive at least sixteen weeks' schooling, or two-thirds of the minimum school year. If the pupil resides two miles from the school, or if he has physical, mental or other urgent reasons for not attending, it can be excused. Attendance on any school, or instruction at home, will exempt the child from the requirements of the act, and a teacher's certificate as to such attendance or home instruction must be accepted as conclusive of the fact. School attendance is sought to be enforced against a very large class—no one knows how large—whose absence from school is without reasonable excuse."

Give Us Home Directors.

From the Scranton Free Press. It pleases us to note the fact that E. B. Sturges, esq., has been chosen a director of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company. It is not necessary for us to say a single word in relation to the standing of Mr. Sturges as a citizen of this city. The only point we wish to make is that it is a decided advantage to Scranton to be well represented upon the directorates of the great corporations centering here. The stockholders and directors who reside in New York or elsewhere far removed, can only be expected to be interested in Scranton to the extent of the amount of dividends they can draw from their investments; and the resident directors and stockholders have, in addition to their selfish interests, a pride in the city which will lead them to make efforts in its behalf. A great part of the workmen and workwomen, know their needs, are familiar with the facts and circumstances if any question of dispute should arise between the corporation and its workmen and would be well inclined to do their neighbors justice. Scranton is now well represented upon the directorate of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company. Besides Mr. Sturges, W. W. Scranton and James Blair are members, and Walter W. Scranton, though a resident of New York, is a Scrantonian at heart.

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der shall stand it will, in the fullness of time, snip the wind of that fine old demagogue, Senator Voorhees. There are consolations for the vanquished Democracy even in defeat.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajaxchus, The Tribune Astrologer.

Astrolobe cast: 1.28 a. m., for March 11, 1895.

A child born on this day will wonder why Mr. Van Valla has succeeded Councilmen Sweeney and Regan as leader of the night lunch reform movement.

Upon examination of some of the buildings constructed during 1894-5, he will also wonder whether Scranton is inhabited by architects.

Ajaxchus' Advice. Do not insist that Scranton is the model city for order and cleanliness until you have inspected the portion of Spruce street between Franklin and Wyoming avenues.

If you are a single man, never, in the presence of witnesses, squeeze the hand of a maiden past thirty. Avoid talking about pure politics in the presence of common councilmen.

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