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The Scranton Tribune is neither a Mugwump nor an Independent paper.

An Interesting Case of Libel. The suit of the treasurer of the Girard Trust company against the Philadelphia Press for \$100,000 damages.

At the outset it should be said that the Press uttered a grave libel, for which it should be held duly accountable.

The character of an honest man or of an honest corporation is rarely spoiled by one adverse defect.

The citizens of Hazleton and vicinity, becoming alarmed at the great growth of crime in the regions near to them.

Must Save the Nation. The mournful confession is made in Washington that the satellites and servants of Grover Cleveland are disappointed.

The idea of these interested pleaders for a third term was that the nation merely needed a hint of Grover's willingness to rise up and demand his re-nomination.

To be sure, this does not mean that it would be fair to the country to elect him again, for the whole country has been educated by the last four years.

fulness of this privilege is simply a detail, a non-essential. The people are fickle. They know not their own minds.

A guilty conscience is its own accuser. The haste with which J. A. Scranton has applied to himself certain general statements recently made in this paper would seem to imply, despite frantic denials, that the shoe is recognized and that it fits.

Going in Debt. There is probably no other nation in the world which equals the cheery energy and unconcern with which the American people go in debt.

But the same characteristic also dominates individual transactions. In Europe the great mass of people pay as they go, and go only so far as they can pay.

Without impugning the sultan's sincerity, it would be well to "cinch" it by means of a fleet of anchored war ships.

It makes a difference whose ox is gored, doesn't it, Mr. Scranton?

MAY CAUSE TROUBLE. Wilkes-Barre Times. Mrs. Harriet Clay Penman writes the Scranton Tribune in a most enthusiastic strain concerning the celebration of Pennsylvania Day at the Atlanta exposition.

HISTORY OF THE GREENBACK. Chicago Times-Herald: It is not likely that the coming congress will take definite action concerning retirement of the greenback.

Long as is the history of the greenback, its story is a short one. When the civil war began the government of the United States owed less than \$60,000,000.

The refusal of the French government to supply Ambassador Eustis with a transcript of the testimony in the snafu trial of ex-consul Waller, who is now in a foul prison in Marseilles thanks to the machinations of greedy colonial rivals.

The incident is humiliating in its incidental suggestion of our national weakness. Had Waller been a British subject, the chances are he would never have been arrested; but if arrested and imprisoned, England would not have asked twice for his release.

Replying to a sneer by the Philadelphia Inquirer at General Harrison, the Lancaster New Era well says: "About the last man in this country at whom a Republican, and especially a journal that professes to be an exponent of Republican principles, should make disparaging remarks is Benjamin Harrison."

The average gold value of these notes went down to 67 cents in 1893. In 1894 the value rose to 75 cents and continued to rise until 1895 it reached 90 cents.

to office and those who failed to get offices. We assure our contemporary that if the Republicans in this third strongest Republican district in the United States were allowed to vote their preference of candidates for the presidency in 1896, General Harrison would win more than two to one.

Although the Democratic membership in the next congress will scarcely muster a baker's dozen it is already split into factions over the empty honor of the minority nomination for speaker.

The spectacle at Washington of various clerical men making a political fight for the office of chaplain of the house, which pays \$1,200 a year, is somewhat distasteful. They might at least put prying under a civil service classification.

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COMMENT OF THE PRESS. Railroad Cars of the Future. Philadelphia Bulletin: "The new style of mail car, which is without platform and couples up close to the cars before and behind it, though designed merely to circumvent train robbers, may be one of the needed steps in the development of the rapid railway train of the future."

Grover Cleveland's Strength. Chicago Times-Herald: "Looking the facts in the face, it must be admitted that Grover Cleveland is more esteemed by the American people than any other man in the Democratic party, and is stronger today than the party itself."

Wanted, a Snow Cleaner. The Philadelphia Record "desires to call the attention of inventors and ingenious artisans and mechanics to the need of some quick mechanical method of melting snow in large cities."

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