

SCRANTON, DECEMBER 10, 1895

the Scranton Republican to join this paper in a pledge to support the nominees of the next Republican city convention, regardless of individual preferences, is not The Tribune thoroughly justified in calling itself "the only Republican daily in Lackawan-

The Harrisburg Patriot will kindly Beign to receive The Tribune's humbl apologies. Its Cameron news was evidently direct and authentic.

In Reply to Criticism.

Rev. George E. Guild, president of the Presbyterian cleric, is said to have declared himself before that body to be of the opinion that the papers of this city, especially The Tribune. were discriminating in favor of the police force in connection with the Robinson charges and the mayor's court of inquiry. Answering for itself. The Tribune desires to say that in its two reports of last Thursday's and Friday's sessions of the mayor's inquiry It discriminated in favor of no one and against no one, but gave the material evidence exactly as it was taken down by an expert stenographer, letting the cold facts tell their own story.

In its editorial columns The Tribune flid, it is true, uphold the accused policemen, especially Lieutenant Davis, whose years of faithful, courteous and efficient service of the city and whose unblemished private character impressed the editor of this paper as being worthy of favorable comparison alongwitnesses called with a view to striking ilm down. If this discrimination was unfair; if the old principle has recently been reversed that accused persons it and is fairly liable to Rev. Mr. Guild's implied censure. But we have yet to be convinced that in our nments we overstepped the facts or transgressed the proprieties.

That places of evil exist in this city. within the knowledge of the police, is not denied. In this respect the city of Scranton is like every other city since the world began. To pretend ignorance of vice which cannot be eradicated vould be the veriest hypocrisy, as all well-informed persons know. In particular, the social evil exists, always has existed and always will exist. It can be minimised by personal evangelization and official vigilance in the enorcement of law, but it has never yet en suppressed. Those who seem to think that the existence of evil resorts in this city is a token of official dereliction should remember that no age, no country, no state of civilization has succeeded in effecting a divorce from this terrible evil or has ever done ore in the direction of relief than to keep it in the background.

It is reported that an American syn-Bicate has agreed to extend to the Cuban republic a loan of \$15,000,000 in ditional upon the extension to it by the United States government of belligerent rights. Will Cleveland dare stand in the way of Cuban liberation y vetoing the senate resolution according those rights?

Senator Morgan seems to imagine either that Mr. Cleveland is a diplomatic soft mark or else is in collusio with England. The former supposition Is the more probable one.

tor Cameron's Letter. Senator Cameron's letter to StaTe Senmstances will be be a candidate of evidence than were the unauthenti-This is the first time that Senator Came of continued obligation to the me this announcement as a n better odor with the party.

They control the party maidacy in the list. It is this tance which renders doubtfuito Cameron, and renders prob-socion of some acceptable of the central or eastern part that. There have, to be sure, the contral of the recently-consum-tions of a recently-consum-tion of the recently-consum-tions of the recently-consum-

sicipal politics; but these have borne no evidence of authenticity. It is scarcely probable that even in a fair fight, without hidden influence, Philadelphia could get Cameron's seat in the senate; and

the certainty that hidden influence was be exerted in the next legislature is not more palpable than that it will be used to the detriment of either John Wanamaker, Charles Emory Smith or District Attorney Graham, the three most prominent Philadelphian aspirants. The assured retirement of Cameron

brings forward into increased prominence the candidacies of J. Hay Brown, of Lancaster, and ex-Lieutenant Governor Watres of our own city. Of these Colonel Watres alone has been formally entered by resolution of his senatorial district His attitude toward Cameron is one of personal friendliness, albeit one of difference from Cameron's tinancial views, It is possible that Mr. Brown is closer to Cameron than Colonel Watres, but either would doubtless disarm the opposition of the Cameron influence, which yet is potent in Pennsylvania polities. The field, however, now that It is cleared of all uncertainty so far as Senator Cameron is personally concerned, may be expected soon to ma up with new aspirants representing every shade of opinion and every geographical section; and the canvass will no doubt quickly become interesting.

Sir Julian Pauncefote will find that he issumed an exceedingly large contract when he undertook to discredit the diplomatic knowledge of Senator Mor-

Senator Cullom will need to be care Angiomeniae in the land.

Senator Morgan's Speech.

In our Washington dispatches we give liberal extracts from the remarkable speech delivered yesterday by Senator Morgan in support of his resolution calling for an investigation of the proposition, mentioned in the president's message, to settle with England for Bering sea damages by paying to her \$425,000 in a lump sum. The last session of congress, it will be remembered, was asked to appropriate money for this purpose and refused. In his message the president renewed his request for such an appropriation, upon the ground that we are moral debtors to England to the extent named, because of the decision of the Paris tribunal adverse to the American contention with reference to the Bering seal fisheries.

Senator Morgan, who was one of the arbitrators of that tribunal, and who also was chairman of the last senate committee on foreign affairs, distinctly and emphatically denies the president's assertion of a moral debt owed to England; declares that no action or decision on the part of the Paris court of arbitration involved or implied the recognition of England's claim for damages, and avers, in effect, that the president has simply been caught in the net of Sir Julian Pauncefote's subtlety and does not realize that his plea for compensatory money in England's behalf rests side the self-revealed characters of the upon no tenable foundation of evidence or fact.

An interesting feature of this speech, which was prepared with care and deliberation, and which may therefore be should be deemed guilty until proved assumed to be a durable presentation of in the natural order of things go to Republicans. It is needless to say that the subject, is the manner in which the publicans. It is needless to say that the senator from Alabama combs down the "bone hunters" are already on the ground British ambassador for impertinence and impudent intermeddling with American legislation. The offences of which fifty hunters for every single bone. About Mr. Morgan accuses Sir Julian Paunce- forty-nine of them will be disappointed Mr. Morgan accuses Sir Julian Pauncefote in this connection exceed by far those which ended Lord Sackville's career of usefulness in connection with the British embassy at Washington; and if President Cleveland were to look at the subject in the same light in which he viewed the episode of the Murchison letter, there is little doubt that he would repeat his action in that case by notifying Sir Julian to pack his traps and go.

> The nominee of the Republican convention will win with ease, wherever the convention be held, if Mr. Reed will kindly impress upon the present congress the importance of doing its obvious duty.

In a nutshell, Cameron's letter means: 'I won't take it again, but I'll say

To Prevent Lynchings.

who shall."

Governor O'Ferrall.of Virginia, wishes to prevent lynchings within the borders of that state, and to that end has asked the legislature to pass an act requiring the county or city where a lynching occurs to pay \$200 to every 1,000 of population for every lynching that takes place, to go for the benefit of the state school fund, and that when the military is called out, that the city or county where the disturbance occurs pay the cost. He further recommends that if any officer allow a prisoner to be taken from his custody to be lynched, the officer shall be summarily dismissed from office and that the prisoner or his beirs be given the right of action against said officer, and that the burden of proof of stor McCarrell asnouncing that under a proper defense of the prisoner shall be upon the officer. Concluding this subection is a more tangible form | ject, which was handled in his annual message with great vigor, he says: "I pated rumors of retirement which served the senior senator's purpose so criminal assault, or an attempt, shall in seell in the senatorial campaign of 1891. ment for either offense shall have precedence over any other case on the docketire, and it will, of course, be accepted | et of the court in which the indictment as true and final. Many persons feeling is pending. In my opinion, if an act embodying such provisions is passed, lynch-

ings will cease in Virginia." These are drastic propositions, and no good. But it needs to be remembered that an observance of law which rests upon eitherforce or fear is liable to periodical interruptions, and is by no means to be compared with the observance cossion will be a matter of which rests upon popular respect. The either to him or to his safest cure for lynchings and other fnanifestations of the mob spirit is popular education and popular civilization. When the inhabitants of a community are taught to realize that an affront offered to the laws which they themselves decree for their own protection is an affront to each one of them, and that it weakens by just so much all the laws enseted by them, they will perceive the injustice of lynchings and will be ready to work for a cleaner and fairber sway of law and order. The recom-mendations of Governor O'Ferrall may be wise as immediate remedies, but the ultimate cure must work out through the home, the church and the school.

each doing its best to instil reverence for proper authority and respect for the institutions of orderly and impartial

We suspect that we can guess the identity of at least one man to whom Cameron's withdrawal comes as a graclous relief. Is it not so, Colonel Quay?

GOSSIP FROM THE CAPITAL.

No. 515 Fourteenth street, N. W. Washington, Dec. 9. The meeting of the Republican national committee in this city tomorrow is at-tracting more than usual attention. Fully one-half of the members of the committee are here, and the balance will arrive tonorrow. A lively scrimmage is expected over the selection of a place for holding the next convention. Representatives from San Francisco, Chicago and Pittsfrom San Francisco, Chicago and Pitts-burg have been on the ground for several days and the shouters are expected here today. Philadelphia, if she had any life in her, and wanted the convention one-half as bad as the other cities claim to want is, could have it by putting up the amount of money demanded. But at this writing it appears the Quaker City doesn't want the convention—not if she has to want the convention-not if she has to plank down \$100,000 to get it.

The above amount is what Chairman Carter is holding it at. That is the amount the committee owes from the last ampaign, and the creditors are becoming a trifle anxious about the value of the "I. O. U's" given by Chairman Carter. Senator Quay says nothing short of \$100, 000 will settle the outstanding indebted-ness of the committee, and if anybods knows, Quay does. Of course, he had ite or nothing to do with the management f the last campuign, but he is close nough to the fellows who were in charge to know just what he is talking about. Senator Quay says ex-Postmaster General Wanninsker holds a note of the committee, signed by Mr. Carter as chairman, for \$10,000. Tom Dolan, a traction masnate of Philadelphia, also holds one of Mr. Carter's notes for a like sum. Mr. Carter's notes for a like sum.

Pittsburg has raised \$50,000, and her comers claim they can raise that much nore. San Francisco goes Pittsburg \$50, 000 better, and is offering \$150,000 for the big show. She is also offering a \$50 rail-road rate from Chicago to San Francisco and return. Major Moses P. Handy with whiskers and appetite intact, is here in the interest of Chicago. He is "long" on wind and promises but "short" cash. He claims to have \$35,000, and says the remaining \$65,000 will be forthcoming as soon as the Windy City is selected. It is a toss-up between Chicago and Pittsburg, with the betting in favor of

It is generally understood that the Republicans will reorganize the senate. They are a vote or two shy, but they can easily are a vote or two sny, but they can easily capture a Populist or two with a good fol-slice of pork. Of course, they are not going to allow a little thing like that to interfere when there is pork to spare. In the event of the Republicans securing control of the senate Quay will be chair man of the committee on public buildings and grounds and Cameron will again head

and grounds and Cameron wit again near the committee on naval affairs. The other important committees will probably be headed by the following: Appropriations—Allison, of Iowa, Finance—Morrill, of Vermont, Poreign Relations—Sherman, of Ohio, Immigration—Chandler, of New Hamp-

Education and Labor-Lodge, of Massa-Census-Hale, of Maine,

Civil Service and Reform-Perkins, of California.
Claims—Mitchell, of Oregon.
Coast Defenses—Squire, of Washington.
Commerce—Cullom, of Illinois. Postoffice and Postroads-Walcott, o

The new Republican senators will al have chairmanships, but they will neces-sarily be of unimportant committees. and are ready to pounce upon the snaps which are awaiting them. It is also needless to remark that there are about

"Jack" McCarty, the irrepressible and versatile Hazleton newspaper man, is here for the winter. He is stabling on C street, near the Cairo, a sixteen-story apartment house in the fashionable north-west portion of Washington. "Jack" is the private secretary of Congressman Lei senring. He expects to remain here until some time in April, when he will return to Luzerne county for the purpose of setting up delegates for Mr. Leisenring's renomi-nation. The affairs of state seem to rest lightly upon the frail shoulders of Mc-Carty, and it would not be surprising if he some day shows an inclination to repre-sent the Twelfth district in congress himself. The fascination of Washington life has turned the heads of older men than McCarty-notable the member from the Eleventh district.

Sam Hudson, formerly editor of the Scranton Times, has returned to Washington to represent the Philadelphia Bulletin during the session of congress. Sam has reported many session of congress and his dispatches are always up-to-date. He has a facile pen and always says some thing of interest when he wields it.

Major McDowell, the new clerk of the Major McDowell, the new clerk of the House, is one of the best story-tellers in Washington. He probably tells more and better stories than any other man who has been about these diggin's for years. In the last congress, of which he was a member-at-large from Pennsylvania, he frequently broke a quorum in the house by going into one of the clock rooms and telling stories. He could always draw a bigger crowd than Speaker Crisp. He had bigger crowd than Speaker Crisp. He had just as many friends among the Demo-crats as he had on his own side of the house. The major will make a popular as well as an efficient clerk.

The presidential party which left for the The presidential party which left for the south last week on a duck-hunting and fishing trip was well provided with ammunition and bait. The party consisted of seven persons. Just before the steamer Violet lifted anchor at the foot of Seventh street something like twenty cases of beer, half as many cases of liquor, two dozen baskets of champagne and other bottled goods were taken on board, together with a large store of catables. If the party should happen to exhaust their supply of "bait" they can easily secure more from the moonshiners of North and South Carolina.

South Carolina.

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Senator Allison, who is just as liable to be the next Republican candidate for prelident as any other man mentioned for the place, is very foud of walking and is selplace, is very fond of walking and is seldom seen in a carriage or street carespecially in weather like Washington is having now, cool and crisp. He invariably walks to and from the capitol, and is usually alone. Senator Allison is about 60 years of age and weighs in the neighborhood of 200 pounds, but he walks with the apring of a man half his years and weight. He will make a strong candidate.

Senator Davis, of Minnesota, another presidential candidate, looks a good deal like Sémator Qusy. Davis and Qusy are fast friends and it would not be at all surprising to see the latter throw his influence in the next national convention to his far western colleague at a time when

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Benator Cameron has at last "thawed out," and is now accessible to newspaper men—at least to a favored few. The senior senator from Pennsylvania has herotore been an iceberg to penell pushers. He has given them the "marble heart," as it were, ever since he became prominent in politics, and his thawing out at this late day is looked upon with suspicion by the men he has frozen in the past. Senator Cameron probably wants the support of the newspapers in his next campaign. But isn't it a tittle late to expect such a turn in affairs? Forespaper

COMMENT OF THE PRESS.

An Excellent Programme Chicago Times-Haid: "Correspondents of this paper will please bear in mind: First, reports of political mass meetings, political conferences and political conventions must be written without personal, factional or party bias; second, interviews or political conventions must be conjugged. factional or party bias; second, interviews on political questions must not be colored or distorted; third, all candidates, all factions and all parties must be treated with absolute fairness; fourth, the Times-Herald's news colmuns must not be used to damage or advance the political fortunes of any candidate, any political faction or any polical party; fifth, political news must not be suppressed because it is not to the correspondent's liking or because it may have a tendency to injure any candidate, political faction or political party; sixth, we want to print the truth and nothing but the truth, and this rule applies ing but the truth, and this rule applies to and includes political as well as all other news matter prepared for the Times-Herald's columns.

One for Grover Cleveland. Philadelphia Bulletin: "Senator Chandler has had the good sense to write a letter to the president apologising for the insulting personalities contained in a recent open letter to him on the railway pooling question. Whatever Mr. Cleve-land's follies or blunders, no man, nuch less a United States senstor, is justified

A Good Thing to Abolish. Philadelphia Bulletin: "Not Speaker Reed has appointed the ommittee, let him set to work to abolish the mileage system. The charge of 10 cents a mile for travel to and from the capital is a rank fraud on the treasury in these days of cheap fares and free

The Latest Unfortunate. Philadelphia Bulletin: "The last note of Democratic despair in finding a presidential candidate goes out in the tender little boom that has been sprung for young ex-Governor "Billy" Russell, of

Will He Take the Hint? Chicago Record: "Senator Hill should be encouraged by the successes of most eminent politicians who retire to private life. The law profession if often exceed-

Tug of War of Trusts. Providence Journal: "The public will hold with complacency, if not with indifference, the success of the salt combine in squeezing half a million out of the beef and pork packers' combine."

A Cold Day, Indeed. St. Louis Globe-Democrat: of the Democratic statesman at the pres-ent time closely resembles that of a man who is on an Arctic expedition,"

Cuckoo or Dodo? Newark Advertiser: "One of the German papers alludes to Cleveland's message as 'a swan song.' Well, 'swan' is hardly the bird to describe it."

Pertinently Asked. Philadelphia Bulletin: "If a member of congress may be fined for absenteelsm, why not the president of the United the president of the United

Welcoming an Old Friend.
Chicago Record: "That old acquaintance, the European war cloud, has returned for what looks like a protracted visit."

The Great Leader.

New York Press: "Mr. Reed's present popularity seems to be exceeded only by the popularity of his party." No Quorum Quest. Baltimore American: "Speaker Reed's new trouble is not in counting a majority, but in finding a minority."

Likewise True of D. B. Hill.
Washington Post: "Lecturer Bland may
yet be forced to the expense of carrying
his own audiences."

IOURNALISTIC.

The first number of a new weekly pa-per, the National Sentinel, which is to be devoted to the interest of surviving Union devoted to the interest of surviving Union veterans, has been seeled from its Washington office. It is a neatly-printed, four-page paper, with seven columns to the page, and each page is filled with well-selected reading. The Grand Army member who desires to keep in touch with movements at the capital of special interest to old soldiers will do well to send to 665½ E street, N. W.. Washington, D. C., for a copy of the Sentinel, which costs \$1 a year.

After the first of next month the Rochester Post-Express, long known as an able and enterprising independent paper able and enterprising independent paper with Democratic leanings in certain directors, will become aggressively Republican in politics. Joseph O'Connor, who has edited it for ten years with brilliant success, will retire in favor of William H. McElroy. Republicans will be glad of the change of his politics, but regretful of the effect of that change upon so distinguished a journalist as Mr. O'Connor.

he was deposed as president and editor of the Hazleton Sentinel, John McCarthy, the irrepressible, proposes to bring suit against its publishers among other things for alleged unpaid salary at \$50 a week. It is thought that this litigation, if it reaches court, will provide interesting

The Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer is now composed on Merganthaler linetype ma-chines and recives the night news service of the United Press. This adds to its quantity but not to its quality, which was already "up to the limit."

The Pittston Item has passed the critical point in its struggle for circulation and is now on a basis of probable permanen-cy. The Item is a well-made paper which deserves the success it is encountering.

ABOUT ELECTRICITY.

An Electric Bicycle Lamp.

Chicago Record: There is no doubt that all the improved forms of the bicycle light will soon be superseded by the electric lamp. Many electricians are now at work on the production of such a light. One promising form of electric lantern consists of three cells of storage battery operating a small operandle-power incandescent promising form of electric lantern consists of three cells of storage battery operating a small one-candle-power incandescent lamp arranged in a suitable reflector. This battery operates the lamp for four hours continuously. The weight of the battery and lamp complete is thirty-six ounces, which is much too heavy for the majority of wheelmen. The fitness of the electric lamp for bicycle lighting has been shown recently in some laboratory tests of candle power with a photometer having a distance of 100 inches between centers. An oil lantern, burning signal oil, gave three and one-quarter candle power; an oil lantern, burning kerosene gave six and one-half candle power; an electric lantern, consuming 42 watts, save forty-five candle power. It is stated, as an illustration of the efficiency of the electric lantern, that during the recent cellpse of the moon, when no street lamps were lighted, and the streets of San Francisco were in intense darkness, a wheelman, by the sld of the electric lantern on his bicoycle, was able to discern another bicyclist turn into the street at the farther end of the block, a distance of 600 feet away. The instern gave a splendid fiding light and lighted up the readway brilliantly for a distance of fifty feet.

Granhooting by Ricetricity.
Chicago Record: Heavy guns have lon ago been freel by electricity, but electricity, but electricity explicitly amail arms have not hither to come within the sphery of the investigation.

ly actuated rifle can for all practical pur-poses be an improvement on the extreme-ly efficient exploding mechanism with which arms of precision are now fitted, but the designer of a rifle in which the cartriage is exploded by electricity claims that in this method there is none of the flashing out of the powder common with the precussive hammer, and all the powflashing out of the powder common with the precusaive hammer, and all the pow-der is consumed, to the manifest improve-ment of the penetrative power of the bul-let. A battery is inserted in the stock, with with several constants. let. A battery is inserted in the stock, with wires running to a strip of metal on the one hand, and the hammer—which is fitted on to the upper part of the trigger—on the other. The metal tarip makes contact with the metal base of the shell. A pin, which runs ino the cartridge, has its rounded head projecting slightly beyond the base of the cartridge. Between this and the point of the hammer is a plate studded with a pointed head which lies close to the cartridge. As the trigger is pulled, the hammer files forward, striking

pulled, the hammer files forward, striking the plate, whose pointed head is driven on to the projecting head of the cartridge pln. The spark thus caused within the cartridge explodes the powder. Chicago Record: A novel application has been made of the much-discussed process of purifying water electrically. Three sheets of aluminium, iaid parallel, are separated by blocks of wood. To the end of each sheet is attached a copper wire, the other end of which is connected with the feed wire from an incandescent-light socket. This little device is placed inside the jar of water to be purified, and the current turned on. Soon the vegetable current turned on. Soon the vegetable matter, if any in the water, comes to the top and can be skimmed off, while any mineral substances present attach them-selves to the aluminium plates. The pro-cess costs next to nothing, as the three small plates of aluminium will purify te gallons of water in as many minutes with the current turned on. As to the effective-ness of the process in ridding drinking water of many objectionable substances there can be no doubt; the only trouble seems to be that the water tastes insipli-

afterward; and many people would rather swallow a few thousand, more or less, of basteria, so long as they are invisible, and the palate is refreshed, than be con to drink perfectly pure water that has been robbed of its snap. Electricity in the Toy World. Chicago Record: A novel installation is about to be made in England in the house

of George Grossmith, the well-known en-tertainer. Mr. Grossmith intends to convert his house rallway into an electric line. The railway at present runs throughis residence from the main terminus, th reception-room, through the halls to the stables, the other terminus being the coach house. The steam engine now used is three feet high and is expable of attaining a comparatively high rate of speed. It is said to be one of the most humorous sights to wetch Mr. Grossmith as morous sights to watch Mr. Grossmith as seated in the tender in company with one or two juver" friends, he starts the train, peering anxiously in front in order to avoid any possible accident, turning on, and shutting off steam as occasion requires and invariably arriving at the jour ney's end with passengers and train in-tact. He has been smitten with the charms and possibilities of the electric-traction

motor, and it is somewhat suggestive that even in the toy world electricity is taking the place of steam. Trolley Telephone System. Rochester Post-Express: A telephone circuit is to be constructed along the lines of the trolley car system in Hartford, Conn., so that the conductors may communicate with the power house and the car dispatcher in case of accident or delay. A telephone wire has been strung on the trolley noise. trolley poles, and at every eighth pole there will be a switch for making connections. Each car will carry a trans-mitter. The device is the invention of W.

C. Feilding, of Hartford. TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrolog Astrolabe cast: 1.46 a. m., for Tuesday Dec. 10, 1895.

© child born on this day will dre nightly of Christmas trees for the next The individual who fires brickbats in

discriminately should not become hysterical in case a volley is occasionally Cameron boomers in Scranton will probably hereafter operate entirely by proxy. Individual Horoscopes.

[Ajacchus has undertaken the task of giving advice to a few readers who have nclosed samples of hair and date of

Tilly.—There is a wave in the bit of raven hair enclosed that shows that you have an ambition to wear bloomers and ride a bicycle. It will be safe for you to do so after dark; but, Tilly, confidentially speaking, your shadow in bloomers in the noonday sunshine would make you

one girl in the world for you today. She has auburn hair that resembles shimmer-ing gold 'neath the rays of autumnal sunlight. But you will recover. In less than a year you will wonder how you ever came to admire the blamed red-headed

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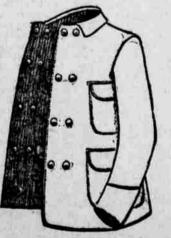
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