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In view of the deliberate failure of 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 Lackawanna county?"

"Is (The Scranton Tribune's) course was precisely like the venomous snake of New York toward Dr. Parkhurst and his foundation of him now, at the same time of its abuse of me, affords amusing suggestions. It has not wounded me; it has only helped on the cause of the cause. Men who are committed to a bad cause never learn the lesson that calling names, invective, insinuation only damns their cause." - Rev. Dr. Robinson, in the Truth.

A Point Well Taken. In commenting upon the announcement that the Quay programme at St. Louis would be to unite on the first ballot upon a Pennsylvania candidate, the Philadelphia Press assumes that his candidate would be Governor Hartman who, in fact, is the only one who could concentrate the delegation; and it adds: "If there were a disposition to present him in a spirit of fair play and not simply as a device or as a hollow compliment, it would be fit and proper and would be worthy of the dignity and position of the state. But if done at all it should be done in a broad, generous and many way, and only in that way will it deserve consideration or exercise any salutary influence."

The point is well taken. If it be worth while to present a Pennsylvania candidate at all, it will certainly be worth while to present it seriously and in good faith, and to stick to it just so long as there shall remain a possibility of its success. Our commonwealth is worthy of the dignity of supplying to the party, in whose arch of states it is the traditional keystone, its presidential nominee; and to set up a straw man, for knocking over at any opportunity, would be simply to trifle with the subject.

The Pennsylvania delegates at St. Louis ought to be men who will neither regard with levity the claims of the commonwealth upon the party, nor place the selfish interests of any leader above the wishes and the dignity of the people whom they will represent.

If a new bond issue shall be required, in the interval pending the replenishment of the federal revenues by increased tariff duties, it should be a short-term issue, and should be subscribed for by the people of the United States. The old custom of hiring foreign designers to buy our bonds should not be tolerated by a Republican congress.

A Truce to Effeminacy. It is now complained by some of the public men whose Americanism appears to be of a spasmodic quality that the Lodge resolution defining the Monroe doctrine goes too far. That resolution, it will be remembered, was as follows: Resolved, That the congress of the United States deem it proper to adopt as a principle in which the rights and interests of the United States are involved, that the American continents, by the free and independent condition which they have assumed and maintained, are henceforth not to be considered as subjects for future colonization by any European power.

tion, in its fullest meaning and import, is the clear logic of the situation. Unless we accept the Monroe doctrine in its widest and most general application, as a broad and inflexible principle, we can give no adequate reason for trying to uphold any part of it. Either European colonies on American soil are out of place or they are not. If it be decided that they are, then it follows that now comes not to be tolerated, independent of the methods of their formation. If it be held that European colonies in the American hemisphere are not out of place, then the Monroe doctrine must be given up as a mere jingle of speech calculated simply to tickle the middle of rustles at commemorations of the Fourth of July.

The four of what Europe might or might not do with the nation in certain contingencies should be dismissed as premature. The founders of this republic did not ask Europe's consent when they set up for themselves, and they were very much fewer in number and in resources than are their great-grandsons today. It is for the United States, as the sovereign head of the chain of American republics, to lay down its laws for the regulation of colonization in this hemisphere, and it will then be for Europe to disregard those laws at its peril. A truce to such effeminacy in our consideration of foreign affairs!

In 1892, Secretary Carlisle, in his annual report, estimated that the year by deficit would be \$28,000,000. It was \$20,000,000. Last year he guessed it would be \$20,000,000 and it was \$12,000,000. This would serve as a guide to his present standing as a true prophet.

Matthews for President. The formal entrance of Governor Matthews, of Indiana, into the field as a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination is an incident of importance. Intelligent, energetic and patriotic, a representative American citizen, during the Debts Insurrection at Chicago he showed that he could not be swayed from the course of duty by the fear of losing momentary popularity. Again, when a gambling syndicate had fastened itself on the state at Roby and bodily defied law and order, he promptly accepted the challenge and fought the battle of law enforcement to a finish, winning a complete victory.

The next that we learned of him was his free silver campaign. He took in this matter the very reasonable position that against the overwhelming judgment of intelligent and thoughtful fellow-citizens fully as sincere and patriotic as himself, he could not without egotism oppose his own purely theoretical belief in unrestricted bimetalism. Very recently he has again followed the current of public sentiment by declaring, quite unreservedly, in favor of American recognition of the Cuban belligerents.

It might be inferred from these remarks that Governor Matthews is a mere trimmer, covetous of popular applause; but in our judgment such a conclusion would do him an injustice. It seems to us that he has demonstrated his firmness in emergency and may therefore be credited with honesty of purpose. The contrast which he makes with the obstinate egotism of Grover Cleveland, who, like the early Bourbon, seems to be alike incapable of learning or forgetting, is certainly agreeable. There is no reason why the Republican press should not do him full justice. He is one of the few creditable leaders left to the modern Democracy; and if by any chance he should be elected president, the country could at least feel that it had gained an executive who represented personal integrity, fairness and patriotism. If not the highest ideals of political wisdom, the nomination of Claude Matthews is very probable. He lives in a state and in a section which his personal popularity might render debatable ground; he has many admirers throughout the Democracy; and nobody else seems to be especially anxious to head the minority column.

Richard Mansfield announces that next season he will not play for less than \$1,000 a night. There are several preachers, teachers and good editors who receive less than this for their daily stipend.

Congress' Paramount Duty. For the first thirteen days in December the treasury deficit, as officially reported, aggregates \$3,455,637; while for the five months and thirteen days of the present fiscal year it amounts to \$19,224,964, without counting \$18,000,000 additional which by a jugglery in the keeping of the treasury accounts has, a time, been withheld from the statement. In the most favorable light, the annual insufficiency of the present tariff as a source of revenue cannot be expressed by less than \$60,000,000, which is \$5,000,000 a month or over \$192,000 daily, exclusive of Sundays.

There are, however, other charges against the Wilson tariff. For the eleven months of the calendar year ended with November the exports of breadstuffs, which include barley, corn, oats, wheat and flour, were nearly \$4,000,000 less than for the corresponding eleven months of the last year. The exports of cotton for three months were \$8,000,000 less than last year. The exports of mineral oil were \$9,000,000 less than for the eleven months last year, but owing to the great increase in price, there was an increase in the exports of oil aggregating \$14,000,000. The exports of provisions for the eleven months, which include cattle, hogs, beef products, hog products, oleomargarine and dairy products, show a falling off in exports as compared with last year of \$13,000,000. In each of the principal articles of domestic exports there has been a falling off for eleven months of this calendar year as compared with last year in value nearly to the extent of \$20,000,000.

In the face of these conspicuous facts of official record, it is clearly evident that the Republican majority in congress will have to take forward action in the direction of revenue replenishment. It cannot shirk its responsibility in this matter. The president, in his recent message, assured congress of his desire to cooperate with it "in perfecting any measure promising thorough and practical relief." Let congress take the president at his word, and by passing a judicious bill of amendment to the

present inadequate revenue tariff, place upon his shoulders the responsibility of continuing the present perilous crisis by a partisan veto.

The prediction of Bayard's friends is that if congress passes a resolution of censure, Bayard will resign. Most men would, under such circumstances.

An Interesting Benefaction.

The gift by Miss Helen Culver, of Chicago, of \$1,000,000 in outright, lump sum to the University of Chicago, is an admirable instance of the growing inclination among persons of wealth to devote part of their accumulations to noble purposes prior to their own death. Miss Culver's gift is doubly opportune, since under a recent pledge given by John D. Rockefeller, it will insure the gift by that generous millionaire of a companion million. With one of these millions, a great school of medicine is to be established, "as thorough, as scientific, as high in its standard, as valuable in the degrees that it will confer as any in the world;" with the other sum, the greatest marine biological laboratory ever established, equipped and furnished, and a biological laboratory founded second only to the incomparable one in Vienna.

It is possible that more needy beneficiaries could be found for such a gift than the University of Chicago, which already has an endowment fund of several hundred thousand dollars for every pupil in attendance. But there seems to be a kind of philanthropic as well as scientific law of gravitation, which attracts donations to institutions not in need of them and withholds them from institutions whose usefulness is greatly cramped by the lack of funds. Such inequalities in the world of benevolence are simply parallels to the inequalities existing in all other departments of human society, and have to be viewed in a philosophic spirit. It is something that our wealthy fellow citizens are willing to give at all, even though, in many cases, they do give, as it seems, indelicately.

In the light of the Scranton Tribune's editorial this morning praising and lauding Dr. Parkhurst as he deserves, and holding that little he has done, a review of the course of a portion of the public press in New York, when Dr. Parkhurst took his stand, is suggestive and refreshing. - Rev. Dr. Robinson's letter in last night's Truth.

Our reverend friend is in error in the thought that the Tribune editorial of yesterday belittled what he has done. The editorial in question concerned Rev. Dr. Parkhurst. If Dr. Robinson is conscious of a difference between his work and the work of the Gotham reformer, that is a fact over which the Tribune has no control.

It may be the "wily season" in America, as Bayard alleges; but it is a form of silliness that American ambassadors would do well to heed.

It looks now as if Wilkes-Barre's attempt to Hazle county might come home to roost.

Senator Gorman, it is understood, will retire only when certain old scores have been settled.

The Quay idea seems to be first to elect your president before filling his cabinet.

In some men it could be forgiven, but Bayard was certainly old enough to know better.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

Tribune Bureau, 515 Fourteenth st., N. W., Washington, Dec. 15. The newspaper correspondents located in Washington are politics heads over head at present. The standing committee of correspondents, elected on Nov. 29 last, passed a resolution excluding legislative and executive clerks engaged in newspaper work from the press galleries. Hereafter executive employes only were excluded. This action was taken purely as a matter of protection to correspondents who make their living exclusively by newspaper work. The committee on rules of the senate promptly approved the change in the gallery rules, and on Saturday Speaker Reed also approved it. The new rule has naturally caused considerable adverse criticism among the correspondents who, in addition to their regular newspaper work, are on Uncle Sam's pay roll as clerks in the executive and congressmen. The large number of applicants to the press galleries this year prompted the action taken by the standing committee of the correspondents. The congressional directory has heretofore contained the names of upward of 200 correspondents, but if the new rule had not been adopted the chances are that the number would have been more than doubled this year. The house press gallery, of the two galleries, has only a capacity of about 150. So it will be seen that the committee was wise in adopting the new rule. It was a serious condition and not a theory that confronted the correspondents. Congressional clerks have a tendency to lower salaries of regular newspaper workers, and the following are among those who are drawing down \$100 or more per month as clerks to members and committees. The committee on rules of the senate has a list of names of those who are drawing down \$100 or more per month as clerks to members and committees. The committee on rules of the senate has a list of names of those who are drawing down \$100 or more per month as clerks to members and committees.

Hon. Charles J. Boatner, the Louisiana congressman, who has challenged Major J. H. Hearsey, editor of the Daily States, of New Orleans, to a duel in New Orleans in Washington. He has served several terms in congress from the Bayou state. He is a man of average height, rather heavy-set, weight about 225 pounds, and is about forty-eight years of age. Boatner is a mild-mannered man, and everybody who knows him would never suspect him of possessing a belligerent spirit. He is a man who has very little to say either on the floor of the house or on the streets. He tends to his own business in his quiet way, and his Washington friends were greatly surprised when they learned that he had embarked in the dueling business.

It is said that Senator John Sherman has already realized over \$50,000 out of his book. Senator Sherman is reported to be very wealthy. He owns one of the finest residences in the fashionable north-west section of Washington. In addition to a large amount of valuable unimproved real estate in various parts of the District of Columbia.

Congressman Scranton has not taken a house for the winter. He lives at the Shoreham, the well-known hotel built and owned by ex-Vice President Morton. Mr. Scranton is living private at No. 81 Eleventh street, N. W., a very fashionable portion of the city. He is better liked than any other member of the house. He employs two clerks in addition to a stenographer and typewriter.

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