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Disappointment in the pursuit of office is one of the inevitable incidents of political striving.

Saturday's Primaries.

That the spirited canvass for delegates to the Republican city convention which ended Saturday should have resulted in the selection of a large majority favorable to Messrs. Rippe, Williams and Widmayer does not belittle the candidates who were unsuccessful.

That each should have failed to carry a majority of the delegates in his respective community is to be accounted for as much by the popular castrat of the element arrayed behind them and by the public's disgust at the low methods of their newspaper campaign as by reason of the popularity and the recognized personal fitness of their successful competitors.

At the same time it would be unfaithful to underestimate the widespread popularity of the gentlemen who won. In the case of Colonel Rippe this has long been acknowledged even by his most active adversaries.

General Hastings would make an excellent senator; but he is very likely, in our opinion, to remember that the people elected him to be their governor.

Senator Sherman's Speech.

No apology need be made for the space devoted in this paper to the remarkable speech delivered on Friday of last week in the senate by Senator John Sherman. It deserves and should receive the attentive perusal of each reader.

Senator Sherman's word upon this subject is admittedly the word of authority. It is the word of the greatest financier since Alexander Hamilton, spoken at a time of life when the judgment is ripe and free from any wish to distort or misrepresent.

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and proves it, too, by the treasury department's own figures. Let the business men of the United States, before they join in the chorus of interested bankers and bond speculators who applaud Cleveland's belated reiteration of his attempt to still further unseat the stability of our currency and to cast discredit upon our financial honor by repeatedly calling it in question.

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An elective poor board would be just as efficient as an appointive one; and it could possess the advantage of removing from the president judge the temptation to turn his power of appointment into an instrumentality for the payment of private obligations or the gratification of factional grudges.

Scranton's Manifest Advantages. The Engineering News, as the result of a careful and conservative inquiry into the subject of culm's utilization for power as contrasted with Niagara falls electricity, estimates that Scranton can give Buffalo several points of a start and yet beat it by many lengths in the race for industrial supremacy.

The editor of the News calculates that he total cost per annual horse-power in Scranton for 24 hours per day 365 days in the year would be only \$16.42, or \$9.39 for a 10-hour day 313 days in the year as against a single flat rate of \$18 per horse-power per year in Buffalo.

This expert testimony simply corroborates the mass of similar testimony which has gone before it. Now that industrial activities are, as a rule, beginning to recover from the recent financial paralysis, it will be reasonable to expect that Scranton's repeatedly demonstrated superiority as a factory site will gain the attention of the commercial world and lead in time to a rapid multiplication of our industries.

The esteemed Wilkes-Barre Record has been in shivers for many months past over the controversies precipitated upon it by local malcontents. The Record does not appear to be able to grasp the significance of recent election returns, which show that with the decline of Scrantonism the Republican majority in Lackawanna county is steadily increasing.

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Be sure to read Senator Sherman's speech in full. It will be a keynote in the coming presidential campaign.

POLITICAL POINTS.

The real difficulty in the treasury department at Washington is that the administration seems to maintain the gold reserve, and then uses the gold to make up the deficiency in the revenues to pay current expenses of the government.

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this arrangement Philadelphia will have to be made. At present Cleveland has seven, the two combined having nearly one-third of the entire delegation from the state.

For real, downright, common sense consider a Cleveland administration commencing the new year by proposing another increase of the national debt.

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PERVERSIONS OF JUSTICE.

Wilkes-Barre Record: Noting the regular acquittal of Judge Savidge in a Scranton jury which brought in a verdict of acquittal, but placed part of the costs on the defendant, the Record writes: "In a criminal action before a high court the verdict of acquittal ought to constitute a complete exoneration."

This is unanswerable logic. But there are many who do not understand that kind of reasoning. Many of these gentlemen imagine that they are doing their full duty when they find a defendant guilty, but when he is not to do it again.

A similar instance occurred in our court last week and by a singular coincidence, Judge Edwards, of Scranton, occupied the bench. The jury in the case of Constable Gallagher, doing the defendant's work without a license, brought in a verdict of not guilty, but ordered the defendant to pay the costs.

Carbondale Herald: Judge Savidge echoed the sentiments of more than a small portion of the people when he criticized the acquittal of the jury in the case of quarter sessions. The immediate occasion for Judge Savidge's remarks was the action of a jury in a case where one Scranton man had been indicted for a battery committed on another.

The rebuke was doubtless a merited one, but this particular jury was no more at fault than countless others have been during the recent terms of courts.

It is not long since a resident of this city, a gentleman celebrated among his acquaintances for his amiable disposition, was attacked by a general practitioner.

THE PRIMARIES' RESULT.

From the Scranton World. There seems to be no question that the result of yesterday's primaries resulted in a victory for Colonel Ezra H. Rippe, and that Tuesday's convention will elect him the nomination for mayor.

THE TRIBUNE ANNUAL.

Philadelphia Press: One of the best of the almanacs issued in the state is the Scranton Tribune's annual. Its excellence consists not alone in its letter press, but in the illustrations in half-tone, which are reproductions of photographs of actual scenes or of famous works of art.

One of the Very Finest.

Pottsville Chronicle: The Scranton Tribune's Art Annual and Political Hand Book is one of the most valuable publications of this character to reach the Chronicle.

ed, and contains information which is valuable to everyone. As a book of reference the Art Annual is most valuable, as it contains political and other information concerning the nation, state, and Lackawanna county found in no other publication.

More Presentations Than Heretofore. Scranton World: The almanac and political hand-book issued by the Scranton Tribune this year is much larger and more pretentious than any heretofore published by that paper.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscopes drawn by AJACEUS, The Tribune Astrologer.

It will be apparent to a child born this day that Uncle Joe did not observe the end of his term until it was too late.

Individual Horoscopes. [AJACEUS has undertaken the task of giving advice to a few readers who have enclosed samples of hair and date of birth.]

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