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SCRANTON, JANUARY 31, 1896.

REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

For Mayor-E. H. RIPPLE. For Treasurer-DANIEL WILLIAMS. For Controller-F. J. WIDMAYER. For Assessors-CHARLES FOWLER, CHRIST FICKUS, WILLIAM DAWSON.

Election Day, Feb. 18.

In a question of veracity between fr. Scranton and Rev. Mr. Chaffee, the sublic verdict would not be long in

SCRANTON'S BAD MEMORY.

Scranton Republihe (Scranton) alleges that Mr. Conand mercenary with congregation political re-c.' Our edino such star-ment,"

port by affidavit as to the election in the Second dis-trict of the Thirteenth ward, in Green Ridge, Undue and mercenary in-fluences have been applied to a Meth-odist congregation in the way of exthe church debt."

Mr. Scranton, who first dragged the 3reen Ridge Methodist church into poltics, now "deprecates" his work. He

Captain Moir's Letter.

Captain Moir, in his letter, printed dsewhere, denies that he was in the leranton-Fellows conspiracy to wreck he Republican party, and says his andidacy for mayor stood on its own ooting. We have not intimated othervise; the plotters are too old in their ricks to let too many into a knowledge of their real plans. Moir was their figtrehead. The real animus lurked be-

The captain intimates that he has orget that in his name, months before an, under its "Independent Republican an, under its "Independent Republian" caption, threw down a challenge orced a fight of which, as it since adnits. Moir was only an incident? The aptain had a perfect right to aspire to he mayoralty; that right has never seen questioned. But he had no right o expect that those whom Scranton busively attacked under cover of his andidacy should sit patient under the ordeal and turn the other check. He xercised his right to be a candidate; e made his fight for the nomination; ie was fairly beaten. Does that justiy him or his Republican supporters in rying to turn the government of the ity over into Democratic hands?

Captain Mole wastes his lovalty on Mr. Scranton. It will not be appredated. No man ever got true gratitude 'rom Scranton for fealty rendered or avors done. To be sure, this is his ng this bit of advice in, as an evidence | held. of good will. If Captain Moir had re-'used to be a party to any bolt: if he and squared bravely up to his duty loward his party, he might have risen rom momentary defeat to almost any lesired victory in the future. That he ias fallen between two battle-lines without good standing in either is a nisfortune which points anew to the langerous consequences of evil politital companionship.

In the Scranton Republican's opinion we presume it is all right for Mr. Scranton to enter into alliances with Democratic candidates, hold secret conferences with them behind screened windows and give and exact pledges of support. He, no doubt, is a privileged character.

A Word in Review.

The Scranton Republican is becomng comical. When it says The Tribune "has not disproved a single one of the many specific charges of corruption that have been boldly made" by it in pursuance of its proprietor's whose coat-tails he has been elinging for support ever since he became of age, it states what it knows and what ts readers know to be untrue.

The Republican specifically made tour charges, and only four. The first was that in the Twelfth ward Emil Bonn and others had to open a new polling place. We have shown the reason for this action, which was because the owner of the original polling place would not admit one of the regular vigilances, but tried to turn it into a rump caucus, contrary to all party rules. The second was that in the First district of the Nineteenth the ballots were not counted, but that the return was arbitrarily fixed by the viglance. Our reply to this charge was presented yesterday in the form of affidavits by Charles Hamm and Joseph Schreiber, the vigilances, denving the charge completely. The third was that in the Fourth district of the Nineteenth Committeeman Wolf threw the Moir tickets on the floor, placing Ripple tickets in the box. This charge Mr. Wolf denies under outh and is cor-

low vigilance. Mr. Wolf also swears party in Scranton. that the Moir delegate himself tried to stuff the ballot box, also, his brotherin-law. The fourth and last specific charge related to the Pirst district of the Fifteenth ward, and again we met the Republican's charge with two nilldavits and a signed letter, to which has since been added an affidavit from the Republican's own witness admit-

ting that the count was fair. Of the Republican's hearsay rumors we have taken no notice and shall not until the organ of the wreckers puts its charges into specific and detailed form. Then we will meet every charge fairly and frankly, with legal evidence in rebuttal. As to the general charge that Democrats voted at the primaries on January 4, we have only to say that for every vote thus east for Ripple we can point to one cast also for Moir.

The Republicans of this city will respectfully decline to pull Scranton-Fellows chestnuts out of the fire.

Slandering the City.

There is one aspect of the present fight of the Republican party in this city against the vultures who have plotted to pick it to pieces to which we now refer for the first time. It is the effect of the kickers' calumnies upon the city's reputation throughout the state. At home, the falsity of their nue-and-cry is known and understood. Here, their slanders are effectually discounted; first, by reason of the lack of character of the men who are foremost in uttering them, and secondly because it is understood that the present fusillade of falsification is part of a preconceived plot hatched months ago with a view to J. A. Scranton's political resurrection.

But at a distance it is not so easy for spectators to grasp, these details. Some who read only Mr. Scranton's paper, which they recognize as having been the first Republican organ to be established in the city, have no alterna-Scranton Republican, Jan. 20: "Rev. Chaffee, in his let, in the truth, be ready for supported to the Truth. mayer at the recent primaries were mainly thugs, cut-throats and corruptionists; and that the party leadership in Scranton is held by men of satanic characteristics against the protests of dove-like purists and unwinged angels such as Mr. Scranton, Mr. Fellows and Mr. Dale now represent themselves to be. More than that, they are liable to pected liberal con-tribution to reduce government of Scranton is a sink of government of Scranton is a sink of corruption, and that every other citizen in these parts is ready either to buy or to sell his vote to the highest bidder. In other words, the work which the Scranton Republican is doing these days is not only hurtful to Republicanism at home but injurious to the city abroad, carrying where they cannot easily be met and refuted impressions

as false as they are damaging. Among the Republicans who supported Captain Moir at the recent primaries there ought to be very few who can view with equanimity such a wanton blackening of the city's reputation. A fair and manly fight for a party honor is one thing; but the cowardly work of the sneak and of the har is quite another. Legitimate difference of personal preference at political primaries is no excuse for deliberate personal vilifino excuse for delibe ening of the city's reputation. A fair seen ill-treated in some way. Does he al preference at political primaries is be primaries, the Scranton Republication and the wholesale slander of of Columbia in all the Republican national city and of party. Even the desperation of a trickster at the end of his last halter does not cancel party oblio the regular party organization and gations covering a lifetime of maintenance in profitable political office nor justify the attempt to taint a whole city with the virus of his individual venom.

After Moir who will be the next one for Scranton to throw over as no longer

of any use? The Reformers' Purity Fund.

We have received information from what we deem to be a trustworthy source that on Tuesday morning last. in the private office of Mr. Scranton in the Republican building, a fund of \$9,000 was made up by prominent Republicans for use in the campaign in an attempt to elect Bailey, Boland and Robinson, the Democratic nominees. The names of these contributors are known own look-out. We are merely throw- to us, but are for the present with-

It might be asked what reformers of the Scranton-Fellows-Dale type could possibly want to do with \$9,000 or any other large sum of money in a city campaign, since they are all so violently opposed to what the Republican state platform calls "the corrupt use of money at elections." If it were a convention instead of a general election, Mr. Fellows might remember what he unsuccessfully tried to get A. B. Stevens to do for him "with the delegates;" but as it is, the purpose of the latest fund can only be con-

Is there any connection between the raising of this big sum of money by Republicans in aid of Democratic candidates, and the remark of the Democratic candidate who recently told a friend that he "didn't intend to put a and substitute his own; then, even, his cent into the canvass, he would be cent into the canvass, he would be taken care of anyhow?" Can it be that the present Demogratic candidates.

Some of his pupils and victims are now that the present Democratic candidates were induced to run by the assurance premeditated plot to wreck the party to of financial support from the bolting Republican coterie? This matter would repay investigation.

It is for Hyde Park to say whether Johnny Fellows is to gather another Welsh scalp.

The opinion of Judge Edwards in the Twentieth ward case is receiving compliments on every hand for its clearness, its logic and, above all, its common sense. The opinion from which It dissents is a long and rambling document, the general application of which would tend to do away with party nominations and land nearly every ticket in the Citizen's column. Judge Edwards makes no mistake in caring more for the justice of a case than for its unimportant technicalities.

Taking its cue from Scranton's morning Democratic organ, miscalled the Republican, the Democratic Philadelhia Record says of the local fight that 'the penitentiary yawns for some of the Republican adepts in election frauds." It is a pity it does not yawn for the plotters who deliberately and

roborated by an affidavit from his fel- maliciously slander the Republican

As a party organ the Scranton Republican ought to be old enough to know better

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

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Tribune Bureau,
515 Fourtsenth street, N. W.
Washington, Jan. 28.
Ex-Congressman Tom Ochiltree, late of
Texas, but now of the world-at-large, is
in town. Tom has the reputation of belug the greatest gournant as well as the
most artistic flar on this side of the Atlantic ocean. In fact, he is said to be
able to hold his own with the big eators
and prevericators on the other side of the
pond. Tom Cenditree was the first flepond. Tom Cenditree was the first flepond. Tom Cenditree was the first flepond to the Star state. That was some years
the Lore Star state. That was some years publican to break into congress from the Lone Star state. That was some years ago. That alone made him famous, to say

Many stories are told at Och., ree's ex-pense. One of them runs like this: When a young man, Tem studied law in Texas

as "Gath," famous as a newspaper corre-spondent, was on "Newspaper Row" te-day renewing his acquaintance with the boys, "Gath" lives at "Gapland," Md. ty years ago.

Congressman Achepon has receive I a felter from Dr. James Howard, of Venitia, Washington county, offering his services as a surgeon to the Cuban reliefs, Dr. Howard also states that reverst of his neighbors are anxious to enlist in the in-surgent army, and wants Mr. Acheson to communicate with the proper officials, Mr. Acheson will turn Dr. Howards letter over to the representative of the Cu-bans in this city.

Ex-Congressman Reilly, of Schuylkill county, was a visitor at the capitol today. Mr. Reilly served his district in the house for several terms, and was one of the ablest as well as the moss boouler mem-bers of that body. He says he is glad he is out of politics. He is now devoting his time to practicing law and making

"Farmer" Kulp hasn't fully made up his mini to run for congress again. He will secure his county indersement for a re-nomination, but he may have opposition in the other counties in his district. The 'Farmer" has made many warm friends Washington who are desirous of having him returned to congress,

The election of delegates to the Republican national convention from the Dis-trict of Columbia took place Tuesday. The contest was quite spirited, but no blood was shed, although a good deal of it was spilled during the campaign. Re-peating was indulged in freely. There were twenty-two voting districts, and many colored residents of the District who had never before had the privilege of easing a ballot voted at all the policing conventions since the citizens of the Dis trict were disfranchised many years and Heretofore Gleeson and Carson were friendly, but they had a falling out three years ago, and each one had new running mates this trip. A singular fact of the result was that both Gleeson and Carson, the successful candidates, had nearly the ame vote, the former heating the latie only twenty-nine out of a total of nearly 15,000 votes cast.

Andy Gleeson is a strong Reed man and early yesterday morning he called on the speaker and assuced him that he would have at least one vote for pres dent. It is not known who Perry Carson favors for president. He was a great friend of the late James G. Elaine and voted for him at the Minneapolis conven-tion. At that time he held an office under Harrison, but lost it before Precident Cleveland was inaugurated. Cleeson is a Cleveland was imagarated. Clesson is a centractor in Washington and is worth a good deal of money. He is an uncelu-cated man, but has more than ordinary business ability. Carson is pretty well-to-do, but has made his gooney by holding fut jobs under Uncle Sam.

Lyda Ackley, of Monroeton, Bradford onty, has been granted an original pe

JOSEPH A. SCRANTON, SAINT, Editor of The Tribun

Sir: The old familiar lines, slightly at tered, very aptly describe the disposition character and present condition of the Hon, J. A. Scranton:

When the Devil was well, The Devil a saint was he; When the Devil is sick,

The Devil a saint would be, To a person familiar with his enreer his editorials are a complete study. He neath his desperate cries of impotent run one can hear the wait of a lost soul-o heart-rending prayer for salvation. No wonder he has such facility in the use of words descriptive of political impurity life whole system is recking with it. The crimes he imputes to others are enger dered in his own brain and are the fruits of his own personal experience of his long life of false and broken promises. unscrupulous treachery, deals, bartering and seiling and trading off his colleagues and, in fact, every species of impurity was sible to the lowest kind of political trickvile calumny would be insufficient fitting

in the grave. Their names cannot be men-tioned. But it must be an exceedingly painful thing to many of those still living. to witness this man in a saintly garb, preaching political virtue. It is more than painful; it is a horrible retribution. Mr. Thomas D. Davies must certainly feel it so. Mr. Davies failed to heed the warnings of his friends in 1894, but now in the bitterness of experience he must realize all. The names of many other victims might be added. The crime of Mr. Connell consists in his refusal to be a victim. He refuses to be put down, as were Colonel H. M. Boies and others, who dared to take interest in public affairs a few years

There are very many who will always re gret that the hand of charity was extend ed to Scranton in 1894, through which he was enabled to go back to congress for another term without honor to himself or profit to his constituents. It was a mistake. And while there are many who will sustain and jestify Mr. John H. Fel-lows in holding an opinion of this kind few will justify him in his present course of vainly striving against the inevitable

of foolishly battering his head against the logical results of his own acts. We firmly believe that the good sense and judgment of the Republican party will remain uninfluenced by the raviogs and shricks of despair uttered by this man Scranton in the hour of his final doom, as his paisted hand relaxes its grasp upon the power which he has used in the past so much to his own advantage and so little

THE "REFORM" COMEDY

Editor of The Tribune. Sir:— There is something exceedingly interesting about a har, especially it has possess any skill in the art. This commonity is now being reguled with the achievments of a combination of men-who are particularly strong in tals ac-complishment. The Scranton Republican

publican to break into counters from the Lone Star state. That was some years ago. That alone made him famour, to say nothing of his ability to get away with a meal of alganile proportions, together with many bottles of wins. Tom always put up at the most fashionable hotels. In this city he makes Chamberlin's his stopping place. He usually has a financial backer in the person of a man like John W. Mackay, the Bonanza King, owner of the Atlantic Cable, etc. Tom is an inverent at story teller, and this is the remson Mackay took such a liking to him.

Many stories are told at Och...ree's expense. One of them runs like this: When elections in the Fifteenth ward. The In-structions given to bim on that occasion were "to watch closely the ballots taken. and after being almitted to the bar was taken into partnership by his father. Of course, it was necessary to charact the stress possible how each may voted." "shingle" which had lang above the dior. as far as possible how each man voted."
The difference in the size of the bal-lots made this a rather easy task, even "shingle" which had hang above the door of his father's office for many y arg. "he day the color Ochiliree told his son to have a new sign painted to take the place of the old one. Tom obeyed orders, but instead of having it read "John Ochiliree & Son, attorney-at-law," it read "Thomas Ochiliree & Father."

Ochiliree & Father."

The difference is rather easy task, even lots made this a rather easy task made this a ra George Alfreil Townsend, better known flattering is the confidence reposed in him is "Gath," famous as a newspaper correlated the unscrupations gang of kickers pondent, was on "Newspaper Row" te-whom he is now serving. In his communication and affidavit of yesterday he avoids the real issue. The

hoys. "Gath" lives at "Gapland," Md., in the Blue Ridge mountains, in summer time, but usually spends the winters in Washington or further south. Time is dealing gently with Mr. Townsend, as he represents the one unmittigated fraud. He dealing goatly with Mr. Townsend, as he represents the one unmittigated fraud. He looks no older than he did fifteen or twen- had no concelvable right to make a per sonal list of the voters, after the fashion of a slave-driver making an inventory of his chattels. The testimony of either one of the other three gentlemen will far out-weigh his own in the mind of every honest

citizen in the ward.

The scheme of the kickers is gradually infolding liself. Lacking any real grievance, they purpose filling the air with space and smoke hoping thus to hide the true cause of their hostility to the Republican nominees. This cry of fraud emarating from mean schools in every callit. nating from men schooled in every political vice, is becoming wearisome; there is not one spotless lamb in the whole flock In the favorite slang phraseology of Mr J. A. Scranton, we advise them to "come off the perch," and prepare for their burial on the eighteenth of February next, Hyde Park, Jan. 30.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrolabe cast: 1.48 a. m., for Friday, Jan. 31, 1896.

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3 To a child born on this day it will be

apparent that the Seranton-Fellows acety-lene gas campaign material has been about all exploded, The "rooter" loud for Bail-

ey cried And winked as thus he shouted; But soon, alas! for bail he tried.

Because his whoop was doubted. Uncle Joe has "pressed the button" several times recently, but no one save Mr.

Ajacchus' Advice. To Republicans-Do not skate on the bolters' goose pond. The ice is becoming thinner every day. To Democrats-Have your laugh out be fore election day.

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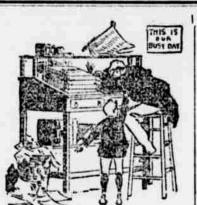
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