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SCANTON, FEBRUARY 26, 1896. The Tribune is the only Republican Daily in Lackawanna County.

In one respect current rumor is doubtless correct. Mr. Scranton's only hope for a renomination rests with the Democrats.

Spurious Economy.

No word is quite so badly abused these days as the word "economy." For economy's sake, the routine appropriation bills in the present house at Washington are being cut in many instances far below the actual needs of the government service...

Democratic Rainbow Chasing.

It is apparent from developments at Washington that the administration will from now on employ its utmost power to force the Democratic party at the Chicago convention to come out flat-footed for gold monometallicism.

Does even the distant Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer begin to see the small factional politics now on tap in the Lackawanna president judgment?

The Next War Cloud.

That sooner or later Japan will war with Russia for the mastery in that portion of the orient where Russian influence is now specially aggressive has long been predicted by students of international politics...

No Dearth of Good Men.

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This redoubling of the military energies of the Japanese may or may not have a war with Russia as its incentive; but it is of interest to note that in the recent Cuban revolt, the handling of Russia's relentless diplomacy is more than suspected.

other hand, secretly threw obstacles in the way. Advice received by the state department at Washington are to the effect that in Japan the feeling in favor of hostilities with Russia runs dangerously high...

Colonel Huff's voluntary retirement from the field as a competitor for the nomination for congressman-at-large will be likely to invest with unexpected interest the next state convention...

As to Harmony.

There are two kinds of harmony. One kind is illustrated when honest men who have honestly differed get together like men and bury the hatchet.

The other kind has to do with deliberate, wilful and inexcusable party traitors, bargain-and-sale Republicans with neither conscience nor character.

Both kinds of harmony are necessary to a wise reorganization of the local Republican column, and neither will be wanting. Good morning!

A national congress of mediation and arbitration, to turn men's thoughts away from war, is proposed. The object is a good one; but the Bethlehem Iron company will continue, as heretofore, to turn out armor plate.

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The only possible effect of such a policy will be to split the Democratic party in twain. It will not threaten, it will accelerate Republican supremacy.

When we consider the enormous losses which the Democratic party has inflicted on the country—the aggregate of which is not less than twice the entire cost of the civil war—there is something grotesquely impudent in its attempt to pose for the applause of the business element.

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It is because he is the foremost protectionist of his day? That would seem to point to his return to congress, where tariff bills are framed, rather than to his installation in the white house...

with the people at more points than could Major McKinley, whose public life has been devoted to the study of a specialty, at the expense of many other subjects of equal complexity and nearly equal importance.

The Tribune would support Major McKinley for president with unbounded enthusiasm, for it regards him as a signally high type of the patriotic, intellectual citizenship of the land.

The editor of the Mitchell, S. D. Mail became so abusive of leading citizens that his office was wrecked by a mob and he was notified to leave the region.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

The fact that three members of the Pennsylvania delegation in congress declined to join their colleagues in a letter urging Senator Quay to become a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination doesn't injure the senator's chances.

It was different with Congressman-at-Large Huff. He has no political master to tell him what to do. It was purely a matter of right or wrong.

He is sincere in everything. When he does anything it is because he believes it to be right, and not because his party demands it or because it would prolong his political life.

A number of congressmen were discussing presidential candidates, particularly Reed and McKinley. "Gentlemen, Reed will clean 'em up," said McLaurin, of South Carolina.

It looks now as though there will be no financial legislation passed at the present session, and the wisecracks have it that if congress adjourns without passing a law to measure President Cleveland will call an extra session.

Congressman Leisenring, who has been laid up with a severe cold and throat trouble for several days was at the capital Monday.

The suicide of ex-Congressman M. D. Harter, of Ohio, was a great surprise as well as a shock to his many friends in Washington.

Vice-President Stevenson tells a good story on himself. He was on his way to Alaska last summer, when a reception was given him in one of the cities of the north.

the old lady came along. She looked at him with a quizzical air. "Are you the vice-president of the United States?" she finally asked.

LOOK OUT FOR QUAY.

Governor Morton's friends must not make the mistake of looking upon Quay's candidacy as a mere demonstration. Senator Quay is the most skillful political general in the Republican party.

WELL, DIDN'T HE?

The Scranton Tribune quotes ably from those of its Republican contemporaries throughout the state who are of the opinion that Congressman Scranton pulled the Republican house down on his shoulders in the recent election.

IT LOOKS THAT WAY.

From the Wilkes-Barre News-Dealer. Is Judge Archibald the power behind Congressman Joe Scranton's throne?

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