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The Tribune is the only Republican daily in Lackawanna County.

REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET. Congressmen-at-Large. GALUSHA A. GROV, of Susquehanna. SAMUEL A. DAVENPORT, of Erie.

The Philadelphia Press is beginning to evince the first symptoms of a real warmth toward Senator Quay.

Over Cleveland's Veto. The house could not without direct self-stultification have refused to pass over the president's veto...

It is unnecessary to repeat the well-known and unanswerable arguments that call for shorter national campaigns. Not one tenable reason exists why campaigns should not be shortened.

When the history of these times shall be written in after years it will predict, be put down opposite the name of Grover Cleveland that more than any other chief magistracy he sought to dwarf the prerogatives of congress and to subordinate the whole government as far as he could to the dimensions of an autocracy.

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The first number of the Real Estate Journal, a brightly six-page local monthly publication devoted to the interests of home sites and home seekers, has appeared, under the management of B. F. Lauding.

The Worries of Europe. Not only has the prospect of William McKinley's election to the presidency just gone over the free traders, the bond shavers and the whole tribe of mugwumps...

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The fact that some assessment companies are straightforward and honest does not obscure the other fact that under present conditions the assessment plan offers an inviting retreat to knavery and deception. The public, which insists upon stringent state supervision of straight-line insurance companies, should be equally prompt to demand that there be no abatement of this legal vigilance...

proves England's shrewdness in not wishing to cut off her nose to spite her face. It is yet possible that before such a union would be formed to dictate the economic policy of the United States the nations solicited to join it would stop to ask themselves whether taxing indispensable food imports from America would hurt them or America most.

It has been suggested that the Republican candidates for congress in Luzerne sign a pledge not to spend money for the nomination. The idea is a good one, if practicable.

For Shorter Campaigns. The failure of the recent attempt to induce the national committees of the leading parties to call late national conventions so as to do away with the unnecessary and costly extravagance of long presidential campaigns has not wholly discouraged the advocates of this reform.

It is reported that Senators Gallinger, Burrows and Lodge have privately expressed fears that if McKinley is nominated on a gold platform and Bales or some other personally clean Democrat on a silver platform, Republican chances will be rendered dubious.

The voluntary placing, by the National Park bank of New York, of \$1,000,000 in gold in the government treasury last week was an action pleasant to contemplate.

Insurance Evils. In his annual report for 1895, which has just been made public, Insurance Commissioner Lambert devotes space to an uncommonly interesting and valuable consideration of that most fruitful source of evil in connection with insurance, the assessment plan.

The aim is to make people believe that these companies are not assessment organizations, there being a natural timidity about entering into a contract the cost of which cannot be calculated, and which may have no limit.

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The report is repeated with generous dressing of detail that Mr. Cleveland's opposition to belligerency recognition for Cuba rests upon the hope that he may be successful in negotiations with Spain looking to the concession of administrative reforms to Cuba.

after him all the time. They waylay him on the street, invade his rooms at his hotel, besiege him at the capitol.

The second proposition appeals strongly to Mr. Reed. He is a poor man. Probably \$3,000 or \$2,000 would cover all his earthly possessions. He wants money with which to be independent.

Of late, however, it is discovered that Mr. Reed has looked with more favor upon the vice-presidential scheme. Every one here says that unless Reed does something to stop it the national convention will nominate him by acclamation.

TOLD BY THE STARS. Daily Horoscope Drawn by Alcechus, The Tribune Astrologer.

Wilkes-Barre! Wilkes-Barre! a loud wail of woe. At his name doth ascend from the bleachers, for oh! A child of this day will be bowed down with pain.

Mr. Murphy is entitled to congratulations. He will not be obliged to listen to councilman speeches.

Alcechus' Advice. Lanterns and bells should be provided for some of the candidates for municipal plum if they are allowed to be out nights.

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