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It seems exceedingly improbable that a satisfactory revision of the tariff can be made during the coming short session of congress.

The Farmers and the Tariff. There was a remark in the speech of the spokesman of the committee of the National grange which on Wednesday waited at Canton on the president-elect that possesses much significance.

A Model City. To those students of municipal problems who are not already familiar with the conduct of public affairs in Birmingham, England, "the model city" we mentioned in our paper of the 11th inst.

It is possible that the farmers themselves are somewhat to blame for past neglect of their interests at Washington. When a manufacturing interest wants something done for it in federal legislation it sends its committee to the capital with an exact statement of grievances and demands.

The Perils of Wealth. Another "scandal in high life" is pursuing its malarious course, through a British court and serving anew to illustrate the social perils of an aristocracy.

Any forecast of the future of America which hopes to be accurate must take into account the inevitable moral deterioration of large numbers of people by reason of their inheritance of unearned wealth.

of appointment or removal. After his retirement he becomes a deputy mayor and an alderman, thus securing to the city the benefit of his experience.

Perhaps the most astonishing thing in Mr. Parker's paper, from an American standpoint, is his statement that he has seen no attack upon the honesty of the council or of any of its members.

The fact that Hon. John Wanamaker was recently sentenced in a federal court to pay a fine of \$1,000 for importing contract labor is beginning to injure his candidacy for senator.

It is growing clearer day by day that Major McKinley is a man of infinite patience, courtesy and tact—just the man, in fact, to straighten things out.

It seems to be generally conceded that Thomas C. Platt will soon re-enter the senate. He will be a daisy there.

It was all "like a dream" to Bryan he must be a pretty active somnambulist.

From the Boston Herald. It seems rather a pity that the authorities at West Point will not permit the cadets to play football with the Carlisle Indians.

Just a Word or Two of Casual Mention. The business men's class at the Young Men's Christian association gymnasium, which meets Wednesdays and Fridays from 5 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon, is rapidly gaining in interest.

Through E. J. Beamish the Scranton Bicycle club has challenged the Green Ridge Wheelmen to a game of foot ball.

One of the prominent labor leaders in Scranton is in command of a list of prominent citizens who buy their household supplies out of town.

Mrs. DeGush—That Mrs. Follis doesn't know how to behave in public society, but then, after all, she is hardly to blame for it.

A placard which is posted conspicuously in several business houses for the guidance of applicants for aims reads thus:

Troop A, of the Ohio National Guard, will act as escort to President-elect William McKinley on his way from Canton to Washington when he goes to be inaugurated.

Dr. D. E. Hand, the well-known and successful physician, is among the enthusiasts with rod and gun in this city.

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It is to the credit of the feminine portion of this community that Scranton has not yet reached the girl football team craze.

Mayor Bailey tells one on himself. When he was a boy on the farm in Waverly his father sent him to Scranton one day after a half-barrel of ale.

There probably is no keener political prophet in this part of the state than Colonel James A. Sweney, of Hazleton.

Mrs. Cantor—Dear me! I can hardly believe it. But, then, you must know you and she have been friends for so long—Cleveland Leader.

An elderly gentleman in the Hotel Jersey the other evening approached a traveling man and inquired with apparent seriousness:

From the Cincinnati Times-Star. For the first time under a free ballot and fair count, the city of Charleston, S. C., has gone to the polls at the election of Tillman is so disgusted he may make his future home in Kansas.

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