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SCRANTON, JULY 31, 1897.

That was an interesting case tried before Mayor Batley on Thursday morning when George Carroll, for striking a man on the head with a heavy instrument, presumably a sand bag, was fined \$3 and released.

Mercantile Tax Bill Vetoed.

The governor's disapproval of the bill surreptitiously pushed through the legislature largely increasing the state license tax upon merchants is not unexpected.

With the executive desk thus cleared of its burden of unscrutinized bills, it becomes possible to estimate the labors of the legislative session of 1897 with some approximation to justice.

The Benham Verdict.

Those who have followed the progress of the Benham murder trial will be entirely satisfied with the jury's verdict of murder in the first degree.

Problem of Lawlessness.

Commenting upon the growing frequency of highway robberies and stabbing affrays reported from mining towns of this region, as an example of which it cites Duryea, the Wilkes-Barre Record suggests as one necessary step in the direction of checking this expensive and disgraceful tendency toward lawlessness that the courts stop licensing so many saloons in these towns.

Has Grown Stronger.

From the Boston Herald. President McKinley has grown stronger instead of weaker with his party in congress. He is more and more clearly recognized as the party leader, and now that his leadership is getting the prestige of success in administration and legislation, it will be constantly easier, rather than harder, for him to maintain the harmony among the Republicans of congress, or if there is, it does not show itself.

A Man of His Word.

From the Philadelphia Ledger. That which will appear as the most striking, and as probably the most gratifying, characteristic of the administration is the consistency of the president's official acts with his previous declarations of principles and policies.

Good Times at Hand.

From the Philadelphia Ledger. Respecting the effect of the tariff on general business, there is no doubt that it will act as a stimulant. Its protective quality will encourage investments in manufacturing enterprises.

for the week begun on Monday so as fittingly to commemorate the semi-centennial of electric transit and to honor the memory of the man who made such transit possible.

The career of Moses G. Farmer is peculiarly interesting. A New Hampshire boy, the son of a well-to-do Hoscawan farmer and lumber merchant, his first impulse while of school-going age was toward music.

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suffering ship-wreck. The ratio of risk is not greater, however, than in travel by rail; and if one chooses the best steamship lines and ignores the second rate vessels, it is practically reduced to zero.

The Atlanta Journal proposes as a cure for the lynching propensity that a fine of \$10,000 be imposed upon the people of each county for every lynching within its borders unless the perpetrators are convicted and punished within a specified period.

Glad as we are to hear a Republican president praised, we hope that this new chorus of Mugwump adulation which is audible since Major McKinley promulgated his civil service extension order will not long continue.

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currency is no worse, but rather better, because the suspension of compulsory purchases of silver, than it was during the last "era of prosperity." The thing now to do is to go to work with confidence in the future, for the conditions are all favorable to a prompt revival.

TURN ON THE LIGHT.

From the Philadelphia Times. The league of Republican Business men, of which Elias Deemer, of Williamsport, is president, has announced a state executive committee to be organized in the near future, and to be composed of prominent citizens residing in different sections of the state, to begin the work of organizing for the senatorial contest that will come up next year in the election of members of the legislature.

Secretary Van Valkenburg has struck the marrow of the issue so far as his denunciation of the present state of affairs in Pennsylvania is concerned. He has proposed a search light into the very heart of Pennsylvania politics by meeting the issue thrust upon him in the courts by the Quay leaders.

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Green and Pink Axminster Rug, 8 ft 3 in. x 10 ft 6 in. 18.70
Light Tapestry Brussels Carpet Rug, 8 ft 3 in. x 11 ft 6 in. 15.98
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