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It does not require printed words to assure the guests within our gates that they are welcome to Scranton and that nothing within reason will be neglected to make their stay a pleasant one.

The Harrisburg Platform. Not having troubles enough of their own, a number of Democratic organs in Pennsylvania are concerning themselves about the Republican state convention, which is to meet at Harrisburg one week from tomorrow.

The Case For Currency Reform. The case for currency reform will be well stated today at Detroit, in an address to be delivered by John P. Branch, president of the Merchants National Bank of Richmond, Va.

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with the boom periods the falling off in passenger traffic is even more marked. All of which goes to prove that the American public can economize when the necessary crisis presents itself and that touring for business or pleasure was one of the luxuries sacrificed by a large number of people in the past six years.

That railway earnings are looking up for the first week in August from thirty lines, over those of a corresponding week in 1896. Of this number only nine announce a decrease. The Canadian Pacific gives the encouraging gain of \$44,000 which possibly may be in part attributed to the exodus to Klondike.

It is a notable fact that bank clearings last week represented a gain of 9 per cent. over the week previous; 35 per cent. over the second week in August, 1896; 29 per cent. over the like week in 1895; 46 per cent. over 1894; 44 per cent. over 1893; and were larger than those of the corresponding week in either 1892, 1891 or 1890.

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