TEN PAGES.

SCRANTON, DECEMBER 17, 1897.

We note with pleasure the election, as one of the vice-presidents of the National heard of trade, of Captain W. A. May, the efficient president of the Scranton board. It is a deserved compliment happily bestowed.

To the Honorable V'II am A Stone. We have observed for weeks part an Inclination on the part of a number of newspapers apparently committed us. to the support of Congressman Wil-Bam A. Stone to throw v rbal brick buts at the other real or possible candidness for the Republican guberna-

is evidently specially marked for the compliment of covert aluse. to these Journals to gain by this curious style of campaigning we are un-all to conjecture, yet the persistence will hardly reader you a public benefactota which these bushwhacking tac- trop the are kept up precludes the possibinay of excusing them as being due to in rance merely. Until Mr. Connell It cities buildly comment by a formal i and authoritative announcement of hisrecition in relation to the gubernatorfa' convers, the petry sampling of this Tray, Itlande and Sweatheast combin- 1 after of mongred nowsympers can be Character to far as it relates to him;

newspapers to will them off. The likeliest effect of a continuance of their backing will be to prevoke a centiment or opposition to the candi-Cary in whose car uside interest the T busing his conducted which unties fairer stumplers, need have no cause. for existence and which, we venture to assume. Colonel Stone will be the last men to invite.

(in) he are his infurence with these

It would appear that the Democratic minority in congress to still suffering from a paintal lack of buffast,

Pract cal Evangelization

Space was given in yesterday's Tribtime to the panotine ment of a new provement, undertaken by the Evang lical Albance, to distribute among families not reached by the churches or by the educational press tracts specfally prepared by sminent Americans with a view to incufeating good citizenship. At first impulse one might incline to question the efficacy of such a distribution, for it has to be borne in mind that among many persons the very mention of the word "tract" inclines contempt. But examination of the subject matter of the leaflets which it is premoved to scatter breadcast removes this doubt and inspires the reasonables of the process of missionaries will—social missionaries to the rich, and political missionaries. moves this doubt and inspires the rea- missionaries. onable hope that much good may re- If we have gone into this subject at sult. The topics treated are of a character to excite interest among all but the very ignorant; the standing of the authors invites confidence in their handling of these topics, and finally the form of the leaflet is as little suggestive as possible of the much-irided "tract" of earlier days.

One of the documents lies before us. It consists of sixteen puges of vest preket size. It is clearly printed, neatly put together and on the first page is a haif-tone pertrait of the author. President Andrews, of Brown, who tak a as the subject of his remarks "The Luty of a Public Spirit," After citing some luminous examples from history of men who combined personat thrift with a high sense of civic duty and a large capacity for elevating public affairs, the writer laments and constant regard for public affairs be a phenomenon. "There is occasionat interest. We love our country. Let her be attacked by traitors from within or by enemies from without, mighty armies would rise ready to die for her. Plut scal of this sort is sporadic, un-Un. Dr. Andrews thinks, is forced and anarchic tendencies these days.

crything that concerns our united life, well taken. "Public jobs, intended to rob us nil. we of course reprodute. But there is a parrow spirit in conducting legitimate business, which desperately funders the public good. Too few are the men and women willing to engage by necessary general work for which money or political preferment do s not and varied pay. It is a same that so many of our fellow-citizens shirk jury duty, for instancy, often adding insult to injury by ridiculing the jury system. Regally the crimes of the public are those who cheat the assessor or the tax coll ctor. Can such people rememher that widows, orphans, and the poor are surest to suffer from their fraud? Unmeasured time and toil have to be spent by many, wholly without pecunlary return, in the work of institutions lacking which no community can continue civilized. There are, for instance, the city government and school committee, the directors of banks, sayings banks, and other financial corporations, of hespitals and infirmaries, Various state commissions, and the board of education, of charities and carrections, of health, and many others, to say nothing of orphans' guardluns, or of care for church and fraternity interests. Climantic is the labor which all these entail; priceless

The Scranton Tribune to places; and he who will not particle order. There is foundation for this pate in them when necessary is, nega- went. If by chance the Spanish mass-

chist." Other anarchists, according to Dr. but also to the entire government at Andrews, are those who blockade re- Madrid, form experiments out of sheer obstinacy and who impeach the motives and decry the patriotism of lenders of the opposite political party, claiming for their own party and its leaders a menop by of virtue. But worse of all the anarchists are those polite anarchists in broadcloth who regularly deery polities and public men. We are tempted to quote in full our author's strong words on this point:

hose for the faults of a very few. Most hoserve us are faithful, pairiotic, indusroots effizens, tolling according to their soil light for the westere of the rest of is. Knowing the good work they do, when I think what stender thanks they got, how slippantly we call them suds and knowes, groaning when they conven of cheering when they adjourn, I wontorial normalistics. Among the papers thus going out of its way to offend is the Pilladelibbia Inquirer and among the targets of its attacks is Representative form. catality Connell, who, although not which they deery. The only sort of po-by his own announcement in the race. Hiteal independence I can admire is that which is active, brave, always abound-tes in positive efforts for the betterment Just what end in politics it is hoped who make them. Calling names will these fournals to gain by this curaffairs that are truly costly to those

This wholesale abuse of public men, there than aught else, precludes us from gating the very best man into office. This does not, however and here we come upon another amerille habit of our time-pader it right for good citizens to deoffice. No more useful cureer is posfille for good men in this age. The con-out thought upon this point is whony erverse. We road that hosts of thor-ingly able and mond young men, well rained in political and social science, in-Tendesco to far as K relates to him: riming other, should set politics before in a 47s interests of the Republis themselves as their 6fs work. Do not can barty it general it stems to be of the right kind. Politics ought to be a professional politics of the right kind. Politics ought to be a profession. Rightly followed, if would be extion to Cohend Stone, or Allegheny. noble one. Why should not any of us after most a public question with a truly blantbrople thought in his heart, takif the place to advance his community, a country, and the race in virine and impliess." To be a public servant after at fination requires extraoramary graces, succeed, one must religiously culti-de the hard side of his nature, nerve the face whiched men, kindly to ensure hes, to face whiched men, kindly to ensure hes, their and the whole contradiction of the wicked number him to give blows of course always in the soft of love as cell as take them. The face which desus farist wears in Tittan's picture, the Trab-ic Money-belraying perfect worldly wis-out and firmness complet with all conventy love-speaks volumes for the ert of virtue I here commend.

I take it to be the great obligation of he hear to cultivate a conscientious christian worldliness, a righteons, arrient goal for society and state, that shall de-vote each of us to his fellow-men, not aione as so many individuals, with char-acters to be developed, but as a brother-head, a society, a nation, susceptible of iminite development in all high forms of weat. I benor the religious missionary and the work which missionaries are at his moment accomplishing in the civil-zation of our human brethren and sisters

some length it is because both the method and the substance of the Evangelical alliance's new movement appear to deserve the public's hearty approbation. Strong, wholesome and manly destrine like that just quoted can hardly fail to receive a respectful hearing anywhere and everywhere in these United States where there is the ability to read and to understand. We are optimistic enough to believe that the average American's better self is always capable of triumphing over his vorse self, that the Dr. Jekyll in him s potentially dominant over the Mr. Hyde in him, if once this better nature can be reached and vitalized. Gospel like the foregoing will do this is it gets one-half a chance.

Speaker Reed is a true philosopher. Discussing in the Hlustrated American that in our country and time unselfish the alleged faults of the American newspaper press he singled out as the chief of these the proneness to emphasize nausenting details of crime. But 'arter all." he adds, "this is not a criticism on one newspapers but on our people. Things are not printed which people do not want. If such steady, intermittent. Would-be good things did not quicken sales they would citizens forget that peace needs its not be manufactured in that style. It heroes no less than war, that the so- might be well to give some thought to cuid structure may fall from dry rot this and to contemplate this along with as well as from a cannonade." Is our method of administering justice by America doomed to go the way of the discriminating aid of a meb, before Egypt Athens, Rome? Such a quist we undertake the purification of the world and the civilization of other then one scanning certain unsocial lands. It may be that after we have ceased to enjoy prurient details of crime Head and front of all our dangers and have become content with justice in this kind, he asserts, is the apathy administered under the law of the land among our best people toward social we would have a greater influence over and political obligations. We need an the world at large as well as over Turfatenser spirit of co-operation in ey- key and Spain." The point is certainly

The nomination of Joseph McKenna to the vacant justiceship of the United States Supreme court is not unexpected. It clears the way for the appointment of an alterney g neral of clear and vigorous intellect and well-estabsched reputation, and it places upon the senate the burden of Mr. Mc-Kenna's confirmation or rejection. It can hardly be said for Mr. McKenna, The Scranton man in the party responds however, aft r the publication of his opinion on Section 22 of the Dingley bill, that his confirmation would fulfil show his not only true Pennsylvania hostical traditions of the highest tribunal pitality but the livellest city of its size n the world.

Correspondent Wellman finds in adninistration circles in Washington the wlief that "a reasonable time" to alow for the trial of the autonomy pro-gramme in Cuba would be until next. done in the cellar of the treasury degramme in Cuba would be until next autumn, or say nine months. It is possible that congress may divide this limit by three.

The Washington Star asserts after areful inquiry that there is very small prospects for the passage by this congress of a bill to incorporate a national university. If true this is to be regretted. Let us hope the Star is in

In other words, Pagasta wants the is the good they do. Tasks of all these Spanish people to distrust all news resorts have to he done or sent to ----

to pieces; and he who will not particl- order. There is foundation for this Eighteenth street and New York aver tively if in no worse sense, an anar- es should learn the truth, it would be

interesting rivalry between these two old gallery, which always had a cramped and stuffy appearance and very poor truthfully be said, that honors are even. While The Tribune has reached the conclusion after much experience to the new Corcorn art gallery. Lam to that voluminous holiday issues padd-That there are venal people in political that voluminous holiday issues padd-daces is a sad, sad fact. But we too of-en denomine our public servants in the functory advertising are a nuisance functory advertising are a nuisance neither any particular good, yet it ed our way to the white house, Fresident cheerfully recognizes the right of its McKinley being absent at the bedside of toth to readers and merchants, doing contemporaries to continue the old custom if they deem it wise. In the meantime, every issue of Tae Tribune these days is a bonanza for readers and addisent the following mother, that fact precluded the much to our respects to him, much to our respect. The executive mansion in the absence of the president is days is a bonanza for r aders and ad-

We can perceive no overwhelming objections to having General Weyler and Hannis Taylor meet in accordance with the code, with their stenographers as seconds, and talk to a finish.

There is reason to believe that Spain postponed its recognition of the galleries until too late in the play to win

Sight-Seeing in National Capitol.

a Cuban encore.

Special to the Scration resonance. Washington, Dec. H. - A few days ago, in company with Han, Terrence V. Powderly, commissioner of lannigration, and a friend of his from Secanton, we make a four of the United States treasury deor our of the times States treasury or partment. Mr. Powderly, being an offi-or of the department, took the book, and being recognized by the guardians of l'nebe Sam's treasure, it was only necess-may for him to whisper the pass word.

the stout iron care soon put a quietus on his vain imaginings. The other Scrantonian said that it didn't affect him in that way, as his mind was then running more on a certain appointment than on the matter of filthy lucre which he couldn't get away with. After each one of us had weighted a canvas-bag containing five thousand dollars in side contents to enter the lists. thousand silver dollars, aggregating at Chambershops om total of a hundred and fifty millions if silvet dollars, all held in reserve for he redemption of outstanding gilver cer-

"Are there many persons presenting hese silver certificates at the counter of be cash room to have them redeemed in stooped, a little bald in front, watch fiver coin?" asked we of the cashier. here." What an instructive lesson this ought to teach to the fauntical advocates of the free and unlimited coinage of siter at the ratio of 16 to L

The total weight of the coin deposited n this vault is five thousand tons. The otal value, the contents in the vaults of United States treasurer's office is

Swinging back to the first floor we were conducted to the redemption division. Here may be seen a group of fired book-ing women, some young and others mid-dle aged, busily engaged in counting and tacking silver dollars. Further on, brough iron gates, we come upon what termed the counting division in which chaps lifty or sixty women are em-oyed in counting the paper currency recived for redemption. The salaries of hese women average about \$60 per year weh and yet if in counting the great bulls f money received, one of them happens pass a counterfeit note without detectig and reporting it, the amount of such ote is deducted from her wages. One oly is cornaged in nothing else but identiherred and mutilated money sent caserience, together with te-scall and ingenuity, she scarce-falls to detect the various kinds

of currency submitted to ner for inspec-tion, as well as the denominations of each part or fraction of a treesury note that o the ordinary observer is simply indis-In this room one of our party operated lever which at a single stroke destroyed

ten thousand dollar package of bank notes, which were retired for reissue in

smaller denominations. The wanton de

struction caused him to sigh deeply. The regues gallery, or counterfeiter's curlo, has been abelished for some reason not explained. As this used to be one of the interesting features of the treasu department we were much disappointed as we expected to have our pictures taken while there to add to the list of curlosities. Mr. Powderly then presented us to the head of the financial institution of our great country, Hon. Lyman J. Gage, secretary of the treasury, who received us courtoously and inquired pleas antly about the great "Electric City.

for the delegation by stating that if he (the secretary) would come over and visit in the United States. He then compli-mented the secretary on his management of our national fluances and locosely remarked that he had never expected to reclize the bleasure of having a million partment only an hour before, and he rejoiced in the fact that for the good rep-ntation of Scranton, there were not certain other men that he knew in that beautiful city in company with him at the time, for it is likely the temptation would time, for it is likely the temptation would have been too great for them, and he ac-tually thought they would have been smart enough to have gotten away with the boodle, as their long experience had made them slick operators in that his. The secretary didn't press his inquiry as to the names of these veteran expects and the trie after evelenates the and the trie after exchanging pleasant salutations bowed and departed to the new Corcoran art gallery.

near the state, war and navy department, and has been but recently thrown open to the public. It is constructed entirely a swift good bye, not only to Sagasta of marble and has taken the pince of the but also to the entire government at old Corcoran art gallery at the junction of Pennsylvania avenue. Eighteenth and Madrid.

We congratulate our esteemed contemperaries, the Times and Truth, upon the enterprise shown in their twenty-eight page Christmas numbers, issued yesterday. So far as this phase of the management for displaying the paintings and statungy is far better than it was in the grangeting civalry between these two painting pleased my partners.

After an hour's entertainment in this

days is a bonanza for renders and advertisers alike, a fact happily attested by the increasing numbers of both who recognize in this journal the representative newspaper of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

We can perceive no overwhelming the closed to visitors with the exception of the east room and the lobby on the second floor, but the presentation of Mr. Powderly's card acted like maste on the chief attendant, for is a few moments a teverential backing sentleman of uncertain age made his appearance and after a graceful law bade as follow bim. His name is Thomas F. Pendel and what he doesn't know about the manufact of hisdoesn't know about the minutus of his-torical relies and curiosities contained in the white house is not worth knowing. He conducted us through the private apart-ments of the building and with great volubility of detail explained this history, antiquity and peculiar associations in which certain articles of furniture brie-a-brac, etc., became a part of the general equipment of the executive house. hold. There are a multitude of very curi-ous and interesting things behind these colored glass partitions which separate the private from the public rooms in the white house that would make the heart an antiquarian bound with cestatic delight. Unless one is socking office or other favors at the hands of the president, no visit to his national residence in Washington is complete without an interview with Thomas Pendel.

Of centre we took a good look at the Fifty-lifth congress while in full operation, where Thomas E. Reed presides at the west end in all his giory. In order to better appreciate the imperious esti-matten in which this kingly knight of the savel is held, a carbetture recently ap-tented in one of the Democratic morning dulies here in which the dome of the caregive the countersign, and the trie were at once ushered into the august presence of that mighty attency which controls of that mighty attency which controls delegation from Pennsylvania in the delegation from Pennsylvania in the of that mighty anency which controls the destinics of the world—tomey.

Passing through the cush-room where all dishersements of the fremany are made, a gigantic heavy fron door was unhocked and we were admitted into an ordinarily sized vault, containing large sums of gold, eliver and paper money. The attendant in charge—a very pleasant and courteous gentleman—first snowed us a ten thousand dollar bill, placed in a glass frame, so as to show both the front and back parts of the bill. This bill is kep as a curiosity, being the first and only one ever issued. A package about eight or time inches long containing bills of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, was next handed us for inspection, said to be valued at one million dollars. Mr. Powderly instantly clapped it under his arm and said. "Oh for the wings of a dave, and an easy means of escape;" bit the stout iron cage soon put a quietus on his vain imaginings. The other Scranston, whom it we predices to describe, being so well and the agreements of the sound of the most influential meanorm of the house; Gain-ba A. Grow old and that are gone; Branna of Schurykill, who leave that rings out like a longer than a first and only one of the most influent tolker, the large and to me still reduce. The form Lamaster, tell, reduce, dispute and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and debater; Dalaell, of Phitsborg, speak and courteous, a spicually speaker and deba

thining five thousand delars in gold, and one containing a thousand delars in all one containing a thousand delars in all one containing a thousand allow delays against white delays against the lower house. Therefore, the form military hearing, he can stall being filled with white canves-bags, and each bag containing a thousand allow delays against the lower house. Therefore, and the lower house. Therefore, and the lower house. nill-dog looking senia trious and on attentive listener bussing of the gubernatorial bee in connet provided he is not named own successor in congress, Cherley Stom of Warren, dark hair and beard, slight, lyer coin?" asked we of the cashier, feady tanker, but violenced coil and "No," he said. "Soldom ever. Silver diver very pronounced honed coil and ollars seem to be a drug on the market of the house, having served in as a representation." What an instructive lesson this of the house, having served in as a representation. ready talker, fair velee, authorization sentative since gress, tall and well proportioned a gree worker, very popular, makes no fuss, out like the bed-bug go's there all the same, is reputed to be very wealthy, can expeto congress on long as he wants to Philadelphia can't do better than to s him, pliy there are not more or his kind in congress. Were it not for postmeting this letter beyond the proper limit I we als like to give a short description of the peronnel of the remaining members of our lelegation, but as there are twenty-eight of them in all, I will be obliged to iefer it until later on.

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