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REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

For School Directors. Three Years—PETER NEULS, Eleventh ward. Three Years—D. I. PHILLIPS, Fifth ward.

Official advices from Madrid say the Cuban war has cost Spain to date \$240,000,000, not counting \$100,000,000 in arrears due from Cuba.

Turn Him Out.

Complaints have reached us from many directions concerning the gross vulgarity and at times positive indecency of many of the performances given recently in Music Hall.

The manager of this theater, Fenyozy by name, leaves us understanding from the Lieberkranz. We deem it hardly likely that the officers of this society knew, when they signed the lease, to what base uses this fellow Fenyozy intended to put their property.

We therefore notify the Lieberkranz of the imposition which must have been practiced upon them and express our belief that they will promptly take steps to rid their premises of its present pollution.

The Philadelphia Inquirer says "there is no doubt that the coming state convention will be expressive of the will of the people." But there is, and that's where all the trouble comes in.

The Y. M. C. A. Fire.

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guess nobody pretends that the literacy test is perfect. Unfortunately its critics offer no superior substitute. Then content themselves with denouncing it on general principles, and in the face of a problem which even they admit is of extreme gravity they present no better figure than that of shallow obstructionists who appear to be determined to "agin the government."

We shall not now undertake to controvert the figures of the Buffalo Express, for the very good reason that the Express' argument can readily be conceded by every believer in immigration restriction without in the slightest degree weakening the case for restriction. Common observation suffices to satisfy any fair-minded American whose lot has been cast in close proximity to the channels of alien immigration that this government has been entirely too indiscriminating in its political hospitality.

Congress will pass the Lodge bill, the president will sign it and in operation it will vindicate its sponsors.

By the exclusion of American fruit, which is better and cheaper than the French and Italian products, Germany has inflicted a great wrong upon the poorer classes of that country. A more vivid illustration of the folly of cutting off one's nose to spite the face was probably never given than this silly attempt on part of the Prussian ministry to get even with the United States for some fancied grievance brought about by the present tariff laws.

Service Worthy of Pay.

The following is taken from the Wilkes-Barre Times: There is such a great contrast in the amount of losses from fires in this city and in Scranton that there must be some way of accounting for it rather than to ascribe it to accident. The conditions as to sort of buildings and inflammability of contents are about the same in both cities so these can be left out of consideration in looking for the cause.

These being eliminated there is only one other reason we can think of to account for the greater amount of losses in Scranton and that is that there must be a difference in the efficiency of the fire departments, which acts to Scranton's disadvantage. We have never heard any charges that Scranton's department was not a good one but we know that it is made up of volunteers who receive no pay and must earn their living away from the engine house.

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something first superficial, then imperceptible, and finally non-existent.

From one point of view it is not surprising that this view of American patriotism should emanate from the New York Evening Post. It is eminently characteristic of that journal that it should look upon love of country as an attenuated emotion, incapable of enduring the slightest shock and finally at any time to vanish into thin air on the smallest provocation.

Be this as it may, the argument of the Evening Post will not have convincing effect in the love of country which dwell in the breasts of the patriots of the thirteen original colonies who expanded with the expansion of our domain.

LET BLANCO BEWARE. Blanco has served notice on the insurgents that unless they lay down their arms within thirty days the government will resort to severe measures.

THE PROPER FEELING. From the Scranton Times. The Republican this morning makes great acknowledgment to the Tribune for the loan of telegraphic matter.

WORTHY TO BE UNDERSTOOD. From the Philadelphia Press. A reputable public journal today is greatly to be commended for its attention to the public demand.

A LEBANON VIEW. From the Report. John's out for governor! Tell the glad tidings everywhere and whoop up the boys! Let there be no hesitation.

AN IMAGINARY DANGER. Rochester Democrat and Chronicle. The latest objection to the annexation of Hawaii is that there is danger that our country may become so large that we cannot properly govern it.

THE CUBAN POLICY. "The president's policy is weak and shameful," said the excited citizen who was holding forth on Cuba.

A SAD AFFAIR. Maria—"I thought you were choking to death. Why don't you chew your rats more before you eat them?"

Times Have Changed. Not long ago two angels who were flying over the vast plains of China happened to meet.

An Exchange of Comments. On the fact that the demand for poetry grows less each year and yet the number of persons who write poetry seems to be on the increase.

Binghamton Debating Societies. Binghamton debating societies came together the other night and discussed the question as to whether the pen is mightier than the sword.

It is asserted that in the recent controversy over Chinese ports England did not "back down." The British journals want it distinctly understood that England simply receded.

It is announced that the people of Kansas have about paid off their debts and that the state is entering upon a season of unusual prosperity.

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THIS extreme cold weather will last for some time. This is the prediction of all weather prophets, which of course is conducive to the use of Heavy Clothing.

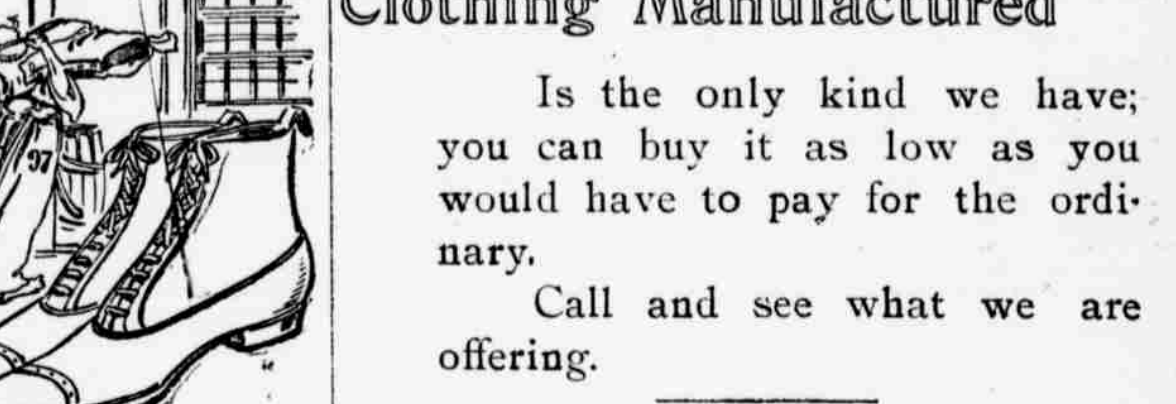
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