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SCRANTON, SEPTEMBER 17, 1898.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

STATE.

Governor—WILLIAM A. STONE. Lieutenant Governor—J. S. GOBIN. Secretary of Internal Affairs—JAMES W. LATA.

Judge of Superior Court—W. W. PORTER. Judge of Common Pleas—SAMUEL A. DAVENPORT. CLERKS—A. G. GROW.

COUNTY.

Judge—WILLIAM CONNELL. Judge—W. W. PORTER. Judge—JOHN J. ROBERTS, M. D. Judge—GEORGE E. STEVENSON.

LEGISLATIVE.

Senate.

President—JAMES C. VAUGHAN. House.

Speaker—JOHN H. FARR. Chief Clerk—JOHN SCHUBERT, JR. Chief Clerk—JOHN SCHUBERT, JR. Chief Clerk—JOHN SCHUBERT, JR.

COLONEL STONE'S PLATFORM.

When elected to the office of Governor, I shall have the respect to the people of this State who have given me the honor of their suffrage. I shall not attempt to win their approval and my experience has taught me that that can best be done by an honest, modest, daily discharge of public duty.

That there are tricks in all trades is shown by the street corner campaigners of the Fanning type who employ confederates to ask silly questions and be squelched to the great delectation of the audience.

The Volunteers.

The proposition of Governor Hastings to recruit up the regular army to the legal limit and furlough the volunteers for three months pending the conclusion of a treaty of peace is one that will commend itself to the good judgment of the country.

Foremost among these, of course, is the anxiety of parents and relatives for the soldiers' return. This just now is intensified by exaggerated fears of camp sickness and mortality until its existence in every community is a factor to be reckoned with.

We do not believe that the patriotism of the American people has suddenly evaporated or that the clamor for the volunteers' return would continue if the public believed there was further need of the volunteer army to effect the purposes of the government.

Qualities That Spell Defeat.

We learn from Dr. Swallow's Harrisburg organ that the Tribune is a "brazen hypocrite" and "HIMMELG," the last named in capital letters. Our contemporary has reached this conclusion because we do not concur in its endorsement of private scandal as a weapon in politics.

It is an interesting circumstance that of the 670 American marines who took part in the land campaign in the vicinity of Santiago not one lost his life through sickness nor was the percentage of sickness among them at any time in excess of 2 1/2.

These mud batteries do no permanent damage and we are consequently perfectly willing to stand target until there is something better in view.

pression of belief that "if the right to use private scandal as a weapon in politics is sanctioned by the votes of the people of Pennsylvania, the slight restraint heretofore existing upon political discussion will immediately disappear and there will be such a saturnalia of obscenity and filth as to deter every honest and sensitive man from aspiring to usefulness in public life and thus give command of politics more firmly than ever to the unprincipled, the vicious and the vile."

General Grosvenor asserts that when on the 23d day of last April war against Spain was declared we did not have ammunition enough to fire five rounds to each American cannon; but months before, in anticipation of trouble, the president, unknown to anybody except a trusted few, had sent in hermetically sealed cars long trains of ammunition from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast and thence via the cruiser Baltimore to Dewey, who used it at Manila on May 1 as history already knows.

The Question of Paving Repairs. It appears from the opinion of the city solicitor that in the present condition of its finances the city of Scranton, through councils and mayor, may increase its bonded indebtedness by the sum of \$68,000 without submitting the question to a popular vote.

The subject behind this legal opinion is the question of bettering the condition of the asphalted streets. It is admitted by all that the existing condition of these streets is disgraceful. Improvement of them in some way is imperative and to this end four propositions have appeared:

(1) An ordinance by Mr. Roche to spend \$70,000 in resurfacing three miles of these streets; (2) an ordinance by Mr. Keller to submit to competitive bidding for a term of years the contract of keeping all the asphalted streets in repair continually; (3) the proposition that the city buy a repair plant of its own and do its own repairing; and (4) a suggestion that the much-used business thoroughfares in the central city be repaved with granite blocks.

Of these four propositions the fourth is plainly out of the question at this time, since it would require the unanimous consent of the property-holders, who have already voted once and cannot be made to pay a second paving assessment; the third is inexpedient, since the many repairs now needed, if made with due expedition, would require the purchase of a larger plant and equipment than would be needed after the long accumulated breaks and cracks had once been remedied; and with respect to the Roche ordinance it is to be noted that even if the city were in mood to incur \$70,000 of extra indebtedness at this time and could be assured that so large a sum under present conditions would be expended honestly and with business-like economy, the resurfacing of three miles of streets would leave unaffected the several other miles of asphalted streets which almost equally cry for attention and repair.

If the latter were under consideration by a board of business men carrying into municipal affairs the method of private enterprise, it is not to be doubted that the method embodied in the Keller ordinance would instantly receive favor. Under it the competitive feature assures an economical rate while the division of the cost into annual payments would easily make it possible, with due economy in councils in other directions, to carry the expense of paving repairs out of the ordinary revenues without increasing the tax levy.

Chicago's new school superintendent, Dr. Andrews, is stirring up the fossils in great style. His latest suggestion is that a wholesome warm luncheon should be served at small cost to the pupils, in lieu of the sodden and indigestible cold rations that the average pupil heretofore has brought from home. He estimates that a warm luncheon counter could be made self-sustaining and at the same time furnish a valuable object lesson in good cookery.

Comparisons.

It is an interesting circumstance that of the 670 American marines who took part in the land campaign in the vicinity of Santiago not one lost his life through sickness nor was the percentage of sickness among them at any time in excess of 2 1/2. The officers of the Marine corps explain this remarkable immunity on the grounds that greater precautions were taken with the marines than with the army.

more necessary to provide against disease than against bullets, and consequently they observed, without complaint, the sanitary regulations prescribed by the officers. The officers had nearly all had experience in tropical countries and they carefully watched the diet of the soldiers, the drinking water and everything that conduced to their comfort and welfare.

A concession to build and control 800 miles of railway through the richest and most populous part of China has just been granted to an American company of which ex-Senator Bruce is the ruling spirit. The Imperial director of railways in China says he believes it is good policy to give all new railway concessions to Americans inasmuch as the United States has no designs on China.

"Up to the present time it is believed that the death list by bullets and wounds and by disease in our war with Spain has reached the terrible figure of nearly 3,000 men. Eleven thousand men fell dead and wounded at Chickamauga, and more than 16,000 men fell dead and wounded at Gettysburg. One hour at Gettysburg cost the American people more lives than has this war up to the present time.

The Swallow querulas are now attacking General Gobin because while commander-in-chief of the Grand Army he opposed opening that to the admission of others not Northern veterans of the civil war. They allege this to be a reflection upon the veterans of the war with Spain, but such an interpretation is palpably ridiculous in view of the fact that General Gobin is a veteran of that war himself.

Books and Authors. For The Tribune by Henry Howard Bellemann. I. Zangwill, the famous Hebrew novelist and critic, is now touring in America. It is not yet decided whether he will lecture here or not.

The nomination of Colonel Roosevelt for governor of New York will probably be made by acclamation, but in any event it is assured. Governor Black may get an endorsement for the senatorship and he may get nothing.

That good times have reached the great Northwest is shown in the annual report of the Northern Pacific railroad, just issued. Last year, after paying all dividends and fixed charges, this company salted down a surplus of \$489,828; this year its surplus is \$2,897,874, a gain of 600 per cent. No wonder the western Populist is taking in his shingle.

The New York Commercial Advertiser, in speaking of the resignation of General Gomez, takes occasion to express doubts that a Cuban army ever existed. If this is the case Spain must stand before the world without an equal as a believer in ghost stories.

Deprived of the salary of \$100 a month, Democratic Chairman Bynum's mission ceased with startling suddenness to be one for the unselfish uplifting of national politics.

Captain General Blanco confesses to a feeling of "deep resentment" against the United States. Well, the United States has not been electioneering for his good will.

The lack of curiosity displayed by many of those selected to investigate the war department is not shared by the public generally.

TOLD BY THE STARS.

Daily Horoscope Drawn by Ajacchus, The Tribune Astrologer. Astrological Cast: 1:43 a. m., for Saturday, September 17, 1898.

A child born on this day will be apt to lose its appetite and become melancholy if he acts in range of any of the loose eloquence that is floating about these pleasant evenings.

How to Get Good Results in War.

The management of the navy during the war has excited the admiration of the world. Its thorough equipment, defective in the single item of powder alone, and its wonderful effectiveness have made it the pride of the nation.

Nothing can be more completely true than that the difference between army management and navy management is the difference between expert direction and the contrary. The Advertiser has contended steadfastly that the general of the army should command the army and fight it, while a general staff should be organized to make all the preparations for the work of the general.

In spite of the disasters that have befallen our arms in some of our wars the practice is continued to this time of making the army a refuge for men who are densely ignorant of military duty, yet are placed in authority for political reasons.

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Richard Harding Davis and Stephen Crane are hard at work among the shambles of Santiago and Cuba, and we may look for some pleasant surprises in the way of war stories from these favorites at an early date.

Enthusiastic golfers will be pleased to learn that Mr. A. E. Frost, the famous artist, and W. G. Van Stryven, the famous producer at an early date "The Golfer's Alphabet," a humorous, artistic portrayal of America's now favorite sport.

One of the greatest dramatic successes of the season thus far is the production of Anthony Hope's new play, "The Adventures of Lord Rollo," at the Lyceum in New York. Mr. Sothern and the author (Miss Harned) as usual play the leading roles, and seem to have lost none of their well-earned popularity.

The countless admirers of "The Prisoner of Zenda" will find an equally pleasant surprise in "The Ride of Jennie," the joint production of George and Egerton Castle. To give even a hint of the plot would spoil the charm and novelty of the romance, but to assert that it will become a great favorite is putting it mildly.

Half a century ago, in New York last week, is preparing to stage "The Christian" in Washington, D. C. The initial performance will occur about Sept. 28. It will make its first appearance in New York Oct. 3. If Mr. Caine makes an extended stay in this country he will lecture on "The Proposed Anglo-American Alliance."

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