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The next mayor of Scranton can be either a creature of special interests, a mere marionette ready to dance as the concluded power tugs at the strings, or he can be a man carrying his sovereignty under his own hat and ready in duty's name to stand up against every form of municipal crookedness, jobbery or prostitution of public power to dishonest private ends. The marionette type is the type that usually crawls into office when leading citizens are indifferent or foolishly divided.

The Only Salvation.

While the decision of the Republican city committee to cast overboard the rule forbidding any Republican to vote at the spring primaries who cut the party ticket at the preceding fall election is the only one which could have averted party suicide in view of the recent large defection to Swallow, the substitution of a rule compelling every voter at the primary to pledge in advance loyal support to the nominees is a harmless bit of haw-making, of which there cannot possibly be assurance of enforcement. In view of the fact that only three years and many of the Res publicans now avowed aspirants for municipal office defiantly bolted the party after participating in its primaries, electing the present nondescript administration, it is not likely that serious attempt will be made to enforce a rule which, if adopted earlier, would have put every one of these bolters permanently outside the party pale.

As the rules stand now, the Crawford system will have no other effect than to make it possible for two or three populous wards to combine and capture. the fat places on the ticket, regardless of the consequences on election day. Opportunity and incentive remain for the same frames as before, while a new premium is put on false personation and repeating. It is to be hoped that the good sense of the party as a whole. will avail to neutralize the notorious. inequalities of this new-fangled scheme of primaries and, in spite of them, to put up a clean, representative, business-like ticket which can will at the polls by deserving to win. Unless it does: unless party control is kept out of the stained hands of the plotters and the wreckers of three years ago, a Republican nomination on Jan, 14 next will probably not be worth much to its recipient.

Isn't it about time that the Repubbean Democrats in Pennsylvania made known whom they are going to put up for Fulted States senator against Senator Quay?

Self Help for the Cubans.

Ex-Mayor Charles A. Schleren, of Brooklyn, treasurer of the Central Cuban Relief committee appointed by President McKinley to distribute the American people's contributions to the starving victims of Weylerism and its attendant evils, announces that that

anthropy will carry itself, obedient to the ratural laws of commerce. To help terward a work of this kind should be a noble American ambition, as well t≤, in time, a profitable one.

Where there is much smoke there : ome fire. England's mooilization of fleets on a war footing, Russia's diptomatle anxiety to play for American fuvor and Kalser Wilhelm's haste to get home from Jerusalem all seem t point to a probable early dropping of comething on the European chessboard. Whatever it shall be that will drop, keep your ear open for a dull, sickening thud.

West Point.

At present the number of cadets at West Point military academy is 379, ot about enough to supply second lieutenants for a regular army of 22,000 men on a peace basis. The academy car accommodate 700 cadets without enlargement. In his forthcoming annual report it is understood that the secretary of war will recommend that congress authorize an increase in the num ber of cadets to at least 500, taking as his basis for this recommendation the fact that our regular army will for some time to come have to be much targer than it was when 370 cadets each cear supplied it with subaltern officers For our part we believe that congress could profitably go further than this. There ought to be not less than three United States military schools like West Point and two naval academies like that at Annapolis. The United States government could well afford to train 1,500 to 2,500 young men each year in military tactics upon condition that after graduation those for whom there were no furnediate vacancles in the army would be subject to military assignment in time of war. The tuition boing turnished free by the government, this would be a fair bargain. West Point gives a good education for civil pursuits and no man graduating from it would have reason to feel that his time had been ill spent, even though he could not be taken at once into the DUDIN'S

It is easy enough to whip a volunteer army into shape in a pinch if you to say? have the trained officers to do it; of ficers who have been specially prepared for just such an emergency. The military troubles of the past few months have shown conclusively, however, that trying to train the officers and the men at the same time is both slow and ostly-costly in a money sense and also costly in human lives. The prejudice which volunteer troops had at the beginning against "West Pointers" has that the West Pointers, in camp and on battle line, know how to make out requisitions, how to observe the rules of sanitation, how to look after their horses and their men-in short, how to command. Those who didn't realize six months ago realize today that the best officer to fight under is the officer who knows how, and we want more men throughout the country who, if another war should come, would at once know how.

Hence by all means increase the at tendance at West Point, or, better still, build two or three new West Points and throw them open to the young men of the courtry to all who want to attend, and can pass the necessary examinations, regardless of politics or pull. It would be real economy. school by it; the blue cheory, which opens at i a. m., turns while at subrise and closes at noon; the morning glory. The Washington Star warns negro-bailing whites in the South that 'y are making inevitable either a new force bill separating national from local elections and protecting the negro in his right to vote for congressmen and presidential electors, or a law cutting down the South's representation in congress to fit the vote that the South permits to be polled and counted. The South cannot have its cake and eat it, too: To De-Crokerize the Democracy. John Brisben Walker, millionaire mine owner, editor of the Cosmopolitan magazine, founder of the Cosmopolitan university and leader in a dozer other movements which are at least large in the beginning, has now undertaken the task of organizing a Democratic party in New York city in opposition to Tammany Hall. "It is now evident." says Mr. Walker that the control of the machinery of the Democratic party, in both the city and state of New York, has passed completely into the hands of a man fee by the proper officers of the United whose views are at variance with every known principle of Democracy-who is the embodiment of everything that is hateful to Democrats. Notwithstanding the protest by the votes of dissatisfled Democrate at the late election, there is no sign of weakening in the power of Richard Croker. The immense sums which are being extracted from the community on various pretences give him an unlimited corruption fund and enable him to grasp the levers of his political machinery with a hold from which no power within the orlief of any kind with regard to said classes, and be done with the subject at ganization can remove him. Democracy is already more than a term of one grand sweep, and take it out of our miseculde politics forever." Perhaps this would be economy in the long run. uproach in New York; with every hour's management and violation of the principles of Democracy, it will become Congressmen Hitt, of Illinois, chairman more and more odious. With no hope f the house committee on foreign affairs, again mentioned for the English en-assy. Mr. Hitt could have been minister of reform within, there remains but one way to unseat the men who have o Spain in place of General Woodford resident McKinley urged kim repeatedly taken possession of the party solely for their own personal aggrandizement. take the place as a personal favor and who, by continued appeals to the basest motives, may indefinitely hold tter six months' service, but Mr. Hitt' ofter six months' service, but Mr. Hitt's health was not robust and he felt that it would be difficult for a new member to take up the threads of his committee work in the house. Mr. Hitt is one of th-ablest and best respected members of congress. He would make an ideal am-basisador to England. their power. The only way out from both Crokerism and Plattism seems to be by a combination of those who believe in the republic and who are will-

ministration of laws in protection of the rights of the poor equally with the rich. It is a brave programme, Mr. Walker, but why not save time by co-operat-

ing directly with the Republican party? Miss Jessie Schley, the priestess of

eace, whose visit to Spain during the recent war was the subject of much deserved ridicule, confesses that she is in a dilemma. According to her story i was due to her representations to the queen regent that Spain sued for peace. Miss Schley assured the authorities at Madrid that if they would call off their war dogs Uncle Sam would let them off easily: "and now," she adds bitterly,

"he is grabbing everything in sight." Jessie ought to apply for an injune tion.

All this Mugwump talk about fore

ng American rule upon reluctant isianders is net nonsense. The president's plan is to give every new possession complete home rule, as broad as Australia has or Canada. When the natives outgrow that they can set up for themselves or stay with Uncle Sam at their option. Two of the Spanish ships that Dewey

sunk at Manila are already raised and docked and Dewey will see to it that they aren't towed into the huerlcane belt before they are filled for selling.

The steel rall pool failed to pool, yet prices are to remain at \$29 a ton. This means that all hands are heartfly sick of going but mess at a loss,

The pedal superiority of Harvard ov r Vale having been decided without loss of life, let us all prepare for Thanksgiving Spain relinquisites Cuba January nd as a forewell message ought to

ell Uncle Sam who blew up the Maine. Trust Dewey to take care of Aguin alio as soon as the negotiators gethrough at Paris.

General Shafter is somewhat silent these days, but, then, what is there

NEWS AND COMMENT

The phenomenon of certain species lowers opening and closing at particular hours has been utilized by an Ohio hand-scape gardener during the last summer to add a unique decoration to the grounds of John D. Rockefeller's country seat at Tarrytown, writes W. E. Curtis in the beginning against "West Pointers" has not survived the demonstrated fact that the West Pointers, in camp and bed is circular and divided into twelve oual parts. Each part contains a figure omposed of a flower, which opens or closes at the corresponding hour. Thus the 2-space is occupied by an H, made of hawkscod, which closes at 2 p. m. pro-daely. The hands, of course, are sta-tionary and merely ornamental. They are omposed of the common yellow dande-ion, which opens at 5.39 a. m. and closes at 5.30 p. m. They point to arrangements of flowers representing these figures. There has been difficulty in finding flowars to suit the various hours, and in some cases the figure has been made up of

more than one flower. Among those that have been used are the snow thistle, that closes at 1 p. m.; the sow thistle, that opens at 5 a. m. and begins to close at 11, but does not fully close until noon; the cellow goat's beard, which opens at 4 a.

the other day with a curlous cargo, con-sisting of 12,000 conary birds in cargo, the monkeys, 1,000 goldfish in tanks and two gobras. It required the entire time , three men during the voyage to feed the birds alone. They came from the Mariz mountains of Germany, where they are bred for the market, and were consigned to a New York term. GOLDSMITH'S C.B.

on New York arm.

President M Kinley hopes so to adjust he tariff relations of our prospective new olonies that there will be no hurtful com-otition between domestic and colonial inlustries. Since he tool, office the Amerion beet sugar industry has doubled. He loss not want to check this foriunate deelopment.

At the Paris exposition the United States will have more floor space than any other nation except France. We are to have 22,000 square fort, against Rus-sha's 180,000, Germany's 150,000 and Aus-tria's 110,000, England evidently isn's tables name at the fact show taking much stock in the Paris show.

it is worthy of note that If we take the Philippine islands and Cuba in addition to Hawaii we will practically control the cone sugar of the world. They produce duc-tenths of the total supply of case sugar.

THE TRUTH AT LAST.

From the Washington Star.

It is a noteworing circumstance that just as General Garcia is on the eve of visiting the United States to conter with the president on the subject of Cuba the last and most damaging of the charges brought against his men in the Santiago campaign is officially disposed of, leaving the Cubons under his com-mand at that time and himself with

record of character and efficiency to their credit.

The indictment brought consisted of three counts: (1) The insurgents were cowardly and wholly inefficient. They were represented as having rendered a aid at as to the United States forces. G on, gorged themselves with Uncle Sam: on, gorged themselves with Uncle Sam's grub, and then flunked when the fighting began. C0 They conducted themselves like savages in the presence of Spanish prisoners. Special mention was made of the way in which it was alleged they had behaved toward the sations from Ad-miral Cervera's fleet when those helpiess men were cust ashore after the Spanish

ships went down. It was stated that but for the intervention of the crews of the American ships the Cubans would have butchered the Spaniards.

These charges have now, one by one these charges have now, one by one, been disproved by the highest authorities, Generals Lawton, Wheeler, Ludlow, and lastly General Miles, all make acknowl-edgment of services received at the hands of General Garcia and his forces, and General Miles in his report states that out only did General Garcia take orders from him, but succeeded in obedience to them in keeping a large force of Spanlard: out of Santiago after the American investiture of the city began. As to the allessed piltering and gormandizing by the Cubans, General Wheeler has explained that they merely picked up in plain view of everybod; what had been thrown away. The Americans found themaway, the Americans found then selves too heavily clad for the tropics, and upon landing and beginning their march inland began stripping themselves of all extras. The Cubans, who were nearly naked, gladly instehed up what hearly naked, glady instended up what their deliverers thus discarded, and clothed themselves with it. There was doubless some petty thievery, but Gen-eral Wheler explains away the gravest of the charges. The Cubans proved to be healthy feeders, because for the first time in three years they found them-selves at a houstful rails. selves at a bountiful table.

The last, the most serious charge all, has now been refuted by Admira Cervera himself, whose report of the d struction of his flort and all the atten ing circumstances is before the public After describing the p'liful plight of him





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neibility weil! organizatio cease on Jan. 1, when the American government takes control of Cuba, has sufficient funds and supplies to last until that time. Strenuous efforts are being made by its agents in Cuba to convey relief to the small settlements in the interior which, by reason of their remoteness from the chief distributing centers, have heretofore been overlooked. It is in these places that the suffering is greatest; it is of them that General Gomez and other representative Cubans have written with such eloquence of appeal to Admiral Sampson, President McKinley and the American people, Production being absolutely at a standstill throughout the island, these people, having neither tools, seed nor strength to work, are simply dying quietly by slow starvation, the weaker ones having succumbed already.

But ex-Mayor Schleren, while not himself in need of additional funds for the work which is in his charge, says there is a movement on foot among the members of the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott's church in Brooklyn to which he desires to call the attention of all people who are interested in the reconstruction of Cuba and the placing of the people of that island on their feel again. Mayer Schieren adds: "Mr. W. W. Howard, who did such a noble work in Armenia by establishing large farms to employ the distressed people of that unfortunate country, is at the head of the movement, which is to establish similar farms all over Cuba and give the starving inhabitants a chance to do something for themselves. The idea is to provide those who own farms, but are as destitute as those who do not, with proper implements to work their land and with seeds. It la alto intended to purchase large tracts of land in the impoverished districts and set the thousands of taborers on the island at work tilling the soil. The crops that they raise are to be sold for their benefit, and everything they need to start them will be provided gratis. This great work should be helped. The best charity that I know of is to help people to help themseiver. Give a man work and you benefit him more than you could ; in any other way. I believe this movement that has started in Dr. Abbott's church, if it can be carried on, will make the solution of the Cuban question comparatively easy."

Every observant student of the Cuban problem will agree that self-help is the only kind of help which can put Cubans on their feel. Continued gifts o' food and clothing without requiring lieve in: "An honest, fearless, unconwork in return would pauperize the island and take away what little stamma remains among its inhabitants. tion for the people of all franchises The Cubans will work when made to which should inure to their benefit, thus enderstand that otherwise they will removing from political spoils the chief set no foreign aid. Once taught to source of existing corruption; a strict work, they can be inured to habits adherence to the principles under which of industry and inrift. While this is our independence as a nation was teing achieved, hand values will re- achieved, namely, "that all govern-

appear, property will attract purchas-ers and soon a labor begun in phil-, the consent of the governed'; a just ad-German Lloyd line arrived at New York BEIDLEMAN, 137 Sprace St

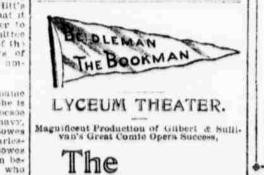
ing to sacrifice something to advance those ideals of government which have been held up to us by both Jefferson Miss Lotie Howes, whose stage bane and Lincoln."

is Charlotte Crane, announces that she is engaged to be mairied to Cader Rocsos Peterson, of the United Sinies mays, Beginning today and continuing daily for an indefinite time, Mr. Walker will the young man who escorted Miss Bowes to the neval cadets' big ball at Charles-ton, S. C., last winter, when Miss Bowes at Madison Square building in New York city confer with citizens who beton, S. C., tast whiter, when Miss Bowes was requested to leave the ball room be-cause she was an actress, and who showed his contempt for that request by leaving the place with her. Snobbery in trolled judiciary; the fullest educational privileges for all; the preservathis instance evidently proved a blessing distriction.

The Chinese sectorment has notified all applicants for military service that they will hereafter be examined in area-ery and stone silliging. Now if it had been mid singing. on mud stinging-

clined. 'We have surrendered to the Americans,' I told them. 'If you have poppy, water illy, pimpernet and marigoic urgeons with you, kindly permit them o attend to the wounded, several of ming at 5 a. m., 8 a. m. and 9 a. m., re spectively; the star of Bethlehem, which doses at 11; the passion flower, which spons at noon; the beauty of night, which whom are in a very bad condition." So that instead of being cowards and thieves opens at 5 p. m.; the evening primress which opens at 6; the white lychnis, open and savages, according to the wild yarns of the hour, the men commanded by General Garcia, according to official reing at 6, and the blue convolvulus at 2 a m. The clock is so arranged that from a ports, carried themselves like soldiers and were of service to the United States forces. Traducing the Cubans has so far listance it looks like an ordinary flows bed, but or close inspection none could ndstake it for anything other than what ot been emin-atly successful. Private Daizell is liberal. He writes the Washington Post that, if he were con DEPEW FOR SENATOR. ress he would in one act "provide for a niform, invariable service pension of \$12 From the Philadelphia Bulletin. month for every person who served durig the Spanish-American war, on land r sea. No pendon should be payable in The drift in New York politics apparently indicates the choice of Chauncey M ny case through any agent or attorney Depew as the successor of Murphy in th nor should any such be allowed any fee; but the persion should be made payable mate. As soon as the results of the election became krown many names wer aentioned for the position, including that f Choate, Elihu Root, ex-Minister Stewdirectly to the person entitled, whether soldier, sailor, marine, nurse, officer, or calisted man, or the dependent relative of such person. No proof should be reart L. Woodford and State Chairma Odell. At present, however, the genia Chauncey, like Abou Ben Adhem, lead ouired other than that of identity and all the rest, and, unless unexpected d velopments make their appearance b the rolls of the army and mayy. All cor-respondence in relation to such claims should pass fice in the mails, and all the applications should be cortified without fore the legislature meets, he seems like by to secure the support of the Republi-can machine and become the colleague of States, and especially by postmenters to the end that the full persion and all inhe silent and saturning Phil Depew has not always worked obedient ly in the organization harness, but he has generally been tactful enough to avoid arousing the intense personal antagonism stallments thereof might reach the applicant without charge. It arether act, and upon like conditions, I should provide a generally. ounty of \$100 to each and every person escribed above, with like restrictions as which has been so marked a feature of factional contests in New York Repubto proofs, certification, postage and attor-neys. In another act I should provide for lican polities. In later years he has us ally managed to retain the good will of the machine leaders without alienating the friendship of the independents, and his marked ability as a popular orator the appointment to offices in the rivil service of the persons so above described in preference to all others, precisely as the law now stards with reference to sol-law now stards with reference to sol-diers, sallors or marines of the civil war. This done, I should offer a joint reso-lation of congress closing the doors for-ever against all special legislation for rehas been a valuable factor in fighting the battles of his party. Mentally he is well qualified for the sen atorial toga. His fondness for jokes and the wittleisms with which his speeches have been plentifully sprinkled, have made many persons regard him chiefly as

> this reputation has not contributed to his political advancement. But there is sound foundation of intellectual expertonce in dealing with men and affairs be-beath all the playful humor, and the sucess with which this prince of after-din-er speakers has managed the vast and complicated business interests of Vanderbilts is a signal proof of his broad anacity.



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