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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

Mayor—JAMES MOHR, Treasurer—THOMAS R. BROOKS, Controller—F. J. WIDMAYER.

To voters who ballot in accordance with the promptings of personal prejudice or habit or who make their franchise a commodity of trade we can say nothing, because on such people argument and reason are generally wasted.

Not Worth the Risk.

When the February election of 1896 was held no member of the Democratic party in Scranton was more popular than the present mayor, Hon. James G. Bailey.

A Test as of Fire.

It must be confessed that the rapidity with which the French assembly elected a successor to M. Faure and the absence of friction attending the event inspire more hopeful expectations concerning France's immediate future.

Few men have been summoned to national leadership in the face of greater responsibility and less than confronted President Louis I. He has not only held his own in politics, but also with a crisis in morals.

To Exemplify Expansion's Benefits.

Preparations for the big exposition by means of which the citizens of St. Louis and the Southwest intend in 1903 to celebrate the centennial anniversary of the consummation of the Louisiana purchase.

position has not yet been defined, but if it shall go no further than to show the effectiveness of Anglo-Saxon pluck, courage and ingenuity in carrying forward over natural difficulties the benefits and conveniences and glories of modern civilization.

The Democratic party is an unsafe executor of public trusts. Don't let it continue to misgovern Scranton.

The Big Puzzle of the Nations.

The head of the English navy, Lord Charles Boscawen, who has recently completed a tour of China undertaken at the instance of the associated chambers of commerce of Great Britain.

"Conditions in China are ripe for the formation of a commercial alliance for the control of its almost and a heavy import tariff established, the commercial trade by the nations of the world which are most entitled to it, viz., Great Britain, the United States, Germany and Japan.

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At the farewell dinner given in New York this evening to Ambassador Joseph H. Choate, General O'Grady made a good point. He said that the ship of state had a fine pilot in the president, and that the crew in the American people, but there were some passengers aboard who were not the ship was out at sea were seasick. They were praying the captain to stop at a safe harbor, but a captain paying any attention to the fears of seasick passengers?

AN-THRACITE PROSPECTS.

From the Philadelphia Stockholder. Palpable evidences of the gradual but sure workings of the so-called anthracite coal trust are coming up, unmistakably to the surface. It cannot be doubted that since the beginning of the year a more policy has controlled the anthracite carrying railroads, and that the situation of the trade generally has undergone great improvement in the direction of a more business-like adjustment of output with relation to consumption, and of the maintenance of stable and more profitable prices. Official announcements of a combination of all individual operators is just made that Vice President W. H. Treadwell of the Lackawanna and will enter upon his duties on March 1. He will represent Morgan-Vanderbilt sentiment. This is a change of far greater significance than is superficially apparent. In brief, it is that the anthracite disturbing factor in all attempts hitherto to produce a better state of affairs among the anthracite interests is to be immediately eliminated, and the current efforts for better control of the anthracite traffic are to be quite materially promoted. Further substantial evidence in the same line is found in the fact that the movement for combining under one the individual operators is actually under way, the more prominent colliers in Lackawanna and Luzerne counties already having been organized provisionally, and the more numerous outside producers, representing invested capital of upwards of \$1,000,000, have entered the agreement which is to form the nucleus of a combination of all individual operators. It is true that the ostensible purpose of this organization is to inaugurate more effective competition with the larger companies, but it is a well-understood fact that it forms merely part of the general programme of centralization, and it is necessary preliminary to the absorption by the "combine" of all the individual interests in the anthracite fields. Thus, quietly, the deal is progressing, and those at present disposed to regard its consummation with a degree of skepticism will wake up some morning, not remote, to find it a very substantial reality.

A LITTLE ARMY HISTORY.

From the New York Sun. A little more than thirty years ago the general of the United States army was in command of a million of men, evoking known to the world had ever been in the lead of such an overwhelming fighting force. There had been nothing like it in the legends of Xerxes of Kubal Khan. The glitter from the bayonets in the great review, when the army collected about Washington marched for two days past the white house, would have lit the city of Washington. The Russian czar or the German emperor has never seen the like. A few months later that enormous military organization, having accomplished its purpose, was dissolved. Even the higher grades of command were kept up only long enough to do honor to the most distinguished of the surviving general. The army sank almost at once to a meagre force of 25,000 men, led by a major general. The country which had experienced the very greatest of all wars ended it with its republican sentiment undiminished in the faintest degree. Yet the cry of "militarism" is raised in opposition to the present state of our army from 25,000 men to 100,000, to meet the presidential duties left to us by victory in a war with a foreigner. It sounds as though some part of the army bill's opponents must have been born yesterday and the other must be as ignorant as Philip-ine savages of the institutions and history of the United States.

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