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SCRANTON, MAY 8, 1899.

The food which tried to puff itself up to the dimensions of an elephant puffed a little way and then exploded.

Firemen's Day. That Scranton needs a paid fire department goes without saying...

An Interesting Tussle with a Trust. In 1891 the legislature of Missouri enacted a law containing the proviso that "any purchaser of any article or commodity from any individual, company, or corporation transacting business contrary to the preceding sections of this act, shall not be liable for the price or payment of such article or commodity..."

An Efficient Administrator. The prediction of Senator Dewey that five years hence Theodore Roosevelt will ride into the white house on a tidal wave may or may not be realized...

Theodore Roosevelt Practical Reformer. A change has just taken place in the French ministry of war. Critics of Alger will take new courage.

THE SCRANTON TRIBUNE—MONDAY, MAY 8, 1899.

were the questions asked under the Roosevelt regime:

1. State generally what you consider to be the duties of the position you are being examined for.

2. Describe any building of which you have been janitor, indicating size of building, number of stories and rooms, purpose for which used, nature of care given, number and kind of elevators, heating apparatus, closets, etc.

3. How would you care for and clean a bathroom floor?

4. How would you tell a good soap for cleaning purposes?

5. Name five other supplies desirable to be kept on hand for cleaning purposes and state for what and how each is used.

6. Suppose you found a defect or break in the plumbing of a building of which you were in charge. Write a report to the superintendent of the buildings stating the case concisely, yet fully, assuming such facts as you choose.

7. Do you know any tests for leaks in gas pipes or plumbing? If so, describe them.

8. How should stoves and stovepipes be cared for when not in use during the summer season?

9. What is the purpose of stove black-paint and how does it work and how is it best applied?

10. How do you treat a coal stove that emits coal gas?

The ability to use common sense in public administration is very rare. Roosevelt has it and he has also rare qualities of energy, courage and perseverance. It is a good sign when the public keeps its eye fastened upon such a man.

A good deal of unnecessary worrying is being done over the future of General Miles. Miles has shown that he is competent to take care of himself.

Not until the firemen of Scranton are paid for their labors will justice be done to them.

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What Hurt. "What's the matter?" asked the friend. "You're not angry because that man accused you of being the political boss of this town?"

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