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Secretary Hay says it is surprising how much he can learn from the newspapers about state department matters which but for them he never would know.

The Men Who Suffer.

The threat of the city controller and his advisers to interpose legal obstacles to the repair of our asphalt streets until beaten before the court of last resort, although aimed directly at the Harber company, is indirectly aimed at the people who drive or ride upon those thoroughfares.

If beaten in this legal battle, the controller and those who have prompted him to assume an obstructionist course will not reimburse the citizens who are put to expensive inconvenience in the meanwhile.

Yellow Journalism's Cure.

One of the most deplorable features of Sunday Journalism in Scranton at the present time is the prominence of the venomous insect vulgarly known as the "roast editor."

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can be found to invest a penny in it. But the company that now controls it bought it for a song and wiped out all the former obligations, and is working upon it today.

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rights and tries to pit its strength against that of modern civilization.

The fact that ex-Champion Fitzsimmons had nerve enough left to umpire a ball game indicates that he could not have been so badly used by by Jeffries after all.

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During the war of 1870, France clamored for mediators, but Bismarck would have none of them. There was not an hour during our late war, after Dewey's victory at Cavite, when Spain would not have welcomed mediation.

The truth is that only by war could Cuba be thoroughly and instantly delivered from the shackles of Spanish tyranny, and it is fortunate for the Cubans that in April, 1898, we were not hampered by an agreement such as is now proposed at The Hague, to accept mediation before engaging in a war.

THE NEW DIPLOMACY.

The Hague Letter in the Sun. It is time to record the remarkable change which has taken place in the estimation in which the American delegates are held by their colleagues. They were regarded at first in some quarters as almost interlopers, having no place in the discussion of a situation which the Old World powers considered strictly European.

"Gentlemen, we come here to do business. We are not here to discuss a subject to which we have no right to be admitted, and with a sincere purpose to reach a practical result. If we fail to accomplish that object we propose to inform the world why we failed and place the responsibility for that failure exactly where it belongs."

BRYAN'S BOLD AVOWAL.

Colonel Bryan's speeches continue to throw darkness on their subjects, but occasionally they are enlightening as to the colored himself. At Central, Ill., he had a good deal to say about the income tax and the part that he, as a member of the house of representatives, had in drafting the income tax law.

MIXED RELATIONSHIP.

Over the line in Ohio county a man named Miller married a widow who had a grown-up daughter. His father fell in love with the stepdaughter. The father became the son's son-in-law and the stepdaughter became his mother.

A Rude Awakening.

Wife—John, I wish you would let me have \$50 this morning. Husband—My dear, you must have dreamed that I married an heiress, didn't you?—Chicago News.

GRADATIM.

Heaven is not reached at a single bound; But we build the ladder by which we rise. From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies, And we mount to its summit round by round.

Wings for the angels, but feet for men! We may borrow the wings to find the way— We may hope, and resolve, and aspire, And pray; But our feet must rise, or we fall again.

The Fashion. REBUILDING SALE. Our entire stock, without reserve or exception, at most phenomenally low prices. 25C Will buy 10 yards of fine colored lawn, worth 50c. per yard. \$4.98 Your choice of any in stock of Ladies' Tailored Suits as long as they last. 25C And pick your choice of the best summer corset, worth 50c. each. 308 Lackawanna Avenue

Star Automatic Paper Fastener. REXFORD'S. SCRANTON, June 13. If we have a hobby—almost everybody has—our hobby is rings. This is a ring store—such a store as makes one naturally exclaim: "My, what a lot of rings!"

Reynolds Bros. STATIONERS and ENGRAVERS. Hotel Jermyn Building. FOR \$10 A Twenty-Year Gold-Filled Case With a 15-Jeweled Waltham Movement. Both Guaranteed.

The Deadly Sewer Gas. From a leaky drain may give the doctor a case of typhoid fever to work with unless you permit the plumber to get in his work on the drain first.

Luther Keller. LIME, CEMENT, SEWER PIPE, Etc. Yard and Office West Lackawanna Ave., SCRANTON, PA.

DUPONT'S POWDER. I have always been strongly opposed to lending my name or influence to put before the people any medicine not in general use by the medical profession, believing that were nine-tenths of the so-called medicines now in use stricken out of existence mankind would be the gainer and the science of medicine no loser.

FINLEY'S Special Summer Sale of Ladies' and Misses' Fine Muslin Underwear. Early in the spring we placed orders for a line of high class garments, comprising

Night Gowns, Long and Short Skirts, Corset Covers, Drawers, Etc. Which have just been received and will be placed on sale this morning. We take pleasure in bringing this particular line of goods to your notice—they being mostly made up from French patterns, are exceedingly handsome and of the newest designs.

New line of Children's Umbrella Skirts and Drawers, with lace and embroidery trimming—Elegant line of new Silk and Lawn Shirt Waists. 510 and 512 LACKAWANNA AVENUE THE MODERN HARDWARE STORE

Refrigerators. Cool and Comfortable. Customers find our store a pleasant place to do their shopping these warm days. A Practical Demonstration Of the "Student" Grill, the latest invention for cooking by gas, now being given at our store.

Foot & Shear Co., 179 Washington Ave. Water Coolers. The Hunt & Connell Co.

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