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TEN PAGES.
REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

State.
Justice of the Supreme Court—J. HAY BROWN, of Lancaster.

County.
Commissioners—JOHN COURIER MORRIS, of Scranton; JOHN PENMAN, of Olyphant.

Warm Up.
WHY SHOULD any Republican be apathetic this year? What excuse is there for the indifference manifested by many people toward the pending political campaign?

The enemy? The enemy? It is time for Republicans to warm up. The enemy is prosperous as never before, and the Republican party is entitled to the credit for this because the Democrats neglected just the opposite.

Next Year's Issues.
A SIGNIFICANT admission is made by Harper's Weekly when, in forecasting the presidential campaign, it confesses that by the time that contest begins events will most likely have eliminated the subject of "imperialism" from discussion.

That Y. M. C. A. Competition.
WE INCLINE to agree with the local architect who says that it would have been wise had the competition for plans for the new Young Men's Christian Association building been limited to Scranton.

A Lesson from Europe.
THE INDIANAPOLIS News is engaged in a good cause in admonishing the legislature of that state to pass a law providing for the planting and protection of fruit trees along the vacant road sides.

Life Insurance.
LIFE INSURANCE in its magnitude and in its importance is not surpassed by any other business in our country.

Ohio Republicans always thrive best when scared. They have been well scared this year.

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responsibility of their position; those of the largest companies paid out last year for expenses of management alone more than twenty-eight millions of dollars, a much higher percentage than it cost when their business did not equal one-half what it does now.

The three companies above referred to have it in their power to reduce expenses one-half, and an intelligent insuring public ought to lose no time in pointing out to them the necessity for doing so.

The companies here referred to last last year one hundred and sixty-one millions of insurance by lapses and thirty-six millions by death, which latter was about the normal rate for an old company.

In conclusion, we advise our readers to beware of the company or agent who offers something for nothing, or who makes a special offer because of "your prominence."

As a E. Kiefer, Republican candidate for county auditor, displayed fearlessness and ability while in that office and should be re-elected on merit.

The great navies of today are a mere experiment, of very uncertain issue. There is not a warship afloat the behavior of which in actual conflict any admiral in the world can safely forecast.

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ed, while in Normandy, naturally, apple trees are planted. Twenty years ago the roads of the northeast of France were lined with stately poplars, but they were continually sending off shoots into the meadows, and the farmers complained so strongly that axes and saws were brought out, and soon the roads were denuded.

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Judge Mitchell's nomination for the Superior court bench not only is a political concession to the independent element putting it in good humor but also is in the nature of a proper promotion.

As showing the "value of Mr. Schurz's judgment, the accuracy of his foresight and the remarkable quality of common sense with which he approaches the consideration of public questions" this correspondent makes the following quotation from a speech delivered by Mr. Schurz in Washington in April, 1896, in which he thus referred to the subject of increasing our navy:

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CURRENT VERSE.
The Tyrant Bread-and-Butter.
Ah, yes, old friend, I'd gladly spend
A peaceful time together.

How glad the hue of softest blue
Which fills the sky above me!

Alas! sweet art, that we must part,
But so deceives the tyrant.

There was Sorrow facing Joy,
For your smiling look at Pain;

There was Love with saffron eyes
Looking calmly down on Hate;

Jealousy, with her green eyes
And glad honest Truthfulness;

My sailor of seven.
My sailor of seven, your ship be a clipper,
And sturdy the heart of its dear little skipper!

The Story of Life.
Only the same old story, told in a different strain;

Only the same old story, but, oh, how the changes ring!

Sometimes in the hush of even, sometimes in the midst of strife.

John Bull uses 1,000,000,000 matches annually.

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A common needle threader is worth \$10,000 a year to its inventor, and the "restum ball"—a wooden ball fastened on a bit of rubber—brings in \$50,000 a year, and is only one of many toys as profitable.

The iron mine at Bell Island, Newfoundland, which is the principal property of the company, is said to be one of the most unique in the world.

The official figures in the report of the bureau of statistics, treasury department of the United States, show that there were imported last year into this country 1,538,956,750 grains of quinine, or about 29 grains for each inhabitant.

Diagram prepared by an expert for one of the large life insurance companies to illustrate the comparative longevity of clergymen, farmers, teachers, lawyers and doctors shows that 42 out of every 100 ministers of the gospel reach the age of 70.

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