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When Cassius stabbed his benefactor, Caesar, he, too, did it on the plea of honest politics.

The D. L. & W.

IN REGARD to the periodically recurring rumor that the present control of the D. L. & W. Railroad company is to end at the next annual meeting...

The circulation by the press of unfounded rumors of this preposterous character does no possible good...

In the Right Direction.

IT HAS BEEN the privilege of Scrantonians upon many occasions to set good examples before the contemplation of other communities...

In many places the men who are engaged in the promotion of life insurance are not only business rivals, keen on each other's scent...

The Law as to Boycotts.

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ury of the United States, and the United States will bear all the expenses of the general government.

As for the government of the island, upon which public discussion divides, the Sun recommends a conservative course which ought to make a good basis of compromise.

Local governments should be organized in the towns and cities. The officers of these governments should be chosen by the people...

The question of a form of government is not immediately pressing. It can wait. The important need is to put the business interests of Porto Rico in the way of taking care of themselves.

Although the belief is very pronounced among well-informed persons that the government is paying too much money to the railroads...

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Fast Steamship Travel.

THE OTHER DAY it was said in a cable dispatch from London that the Viper, a British torpedo boat destroyer...

In an address delivered on Nov. 3 in London before the Institution of Junior Engineers, of which he is president, Mr. Parsons, the inventor of the Turbine, the first vessel to use turbine engines, gave an interesting forecast...

The Pessimist's Inquiry.

But the pessimist inquires, "Are we not drifting from the old landmarks and leaving the old doctrines? Are we not drifting toward liberalism?" I answer there may be some danger that in getting away from extreme dogmatism we may swing too far the other way.

High officials of Russia, Germany and France have now orally espoused the doctrine of an open commercial door into China but they all seem unwilling to put it into writing.

Uncalled For.

From the Wilkes-Barre Daily News. We agree with the Scranton Tribune that ex-Governor Watres' ingratitude towards ex-Senator Quay is uncalled for.

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WAS IN EVERY HOUSE.

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Bible should be read in every school and the American flag hoisted above every school building in the land.

NUBS OF KNOWLEDGE.

Fried wasp-soup is considered a great delicacy in China. Fully \$90,000 domestic animals, valued at \$6,000,000, are annually devoured by the wolves in Russia.

One test for distinguishing diamonds from glass and paste is to touch them to the tongue. The diamond feels much the colder.

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