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REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS.-C. C. Ferber, E.

Politics, to be sure, is "mighty onsartin', but it is interesting to observe that the prophets who were recently fortelling Colonel Quay's rejection by the senate are not so cocksure now.

Colonel Sanderson's Letter-

THE LETTER from Colonel Sanderson, in another colnum, pregents an instructive review of the Branchil condition of our city movernment, and has the merit of being uncommonly frank. It holds up the balance sheet for public inspection and shows that as things are going the city is steadily spending more money than it is receiving. The city, it points out, is doing this entirely apart from the matter of new improvements; the city is spending in every day, couline expenses a good deal more money, year after year, than the city is taking in. As Colonel Sanderson phrases it, the city is cutting its garment without reference

On the subject of new improvements we differ somewhat from what seems to be the tenor of our correspondent's remarks, although all must admit that he is conscientious and courageous in his position. There are some improves linsure the supremacy of reason. They ments which the city cannot afford to postpope, even though to get them higher taxes. The city must have more cost. It must have sidewalks in newat no late day, a genuine safety viaduct over the death trup on West wrong, regardless of the tax cost.

pay rolls for political purposes of the names of men who do not fairly earn by public service all that they receive: and in the innumerable little wastes which can be stopped by the election of clean and intelligent councilmen, is to commit the meanest kind of crime, because the injury involved extends to every taxpayer. We are not at this time prepared to go further into the question of a remedy for these evils can hardly be wondered at that they than to advise the election next month of good men to councils; but the curstion of plugging the leaks that are robbing Scranton of conveniences center like Indianapolis. which it ought to have without extracost, and forcing the payment of taxes higher than there is any necessity for, except when especially autherized, is one well worthy of public consideration and one which sooner or later, will have to be taken up in

Both state and interior departments deny that Webster Davis, the South African traveler, who has been riding in Paul Kruger's private car, is clothed with any diplomatic mission. The government does not promos to let international complications arise from Webster's reluctance to pay car fare.

Practical Sanitation.

HE RESULTS elsowhere summarized, of the investigation which the Green Ridge Woman's club has made into the question of the panitary condition of the dairies which furnish Scranton with its milk supply are of a nature to call for increased activity and authority on the part of the food inspection department. They not only illustrate how carelessness in the dairies must be watched, if the public health is to be protected; but also club can be very helpful in aiding the

As bearing upon this important tople we present in this issue the text of passage of a law requiring them to a valuable paper on "The Standard of take out licenses from the commis-Our City's Milk Supply," read yerterday before this club by Dr. Jacob at stated intervals sworn statements of Helmer, It considers the subject very thoroughly from the standpoint of transactions, after the manner of napractical science and is an important contribution to the public's information. In the light of the recent visitations of serious epidemics too much care cannot be exercised in safeguarding the purity and cleanliness of the milk supply especially and of foods in general. Where indifference means death, it pays to be alert.

Another scientist has intimated that he can store the rays of sunlight for The discovery which Professor Coles ment of hastily constructed and ill-con-

next to perpetual motion.

stocks and has never quarreled with that Boni has an impregnable case against the Paris press.

The Better Flan. W N YESTERDAY'S mail came the letter which is appended. The writer of it, we understand, is a member and an officer of the United Mine Workers of America:

Editor of The Tribune-Sir: Just a word to correct any false impression which may be created by your leading editorial in Monday's 1880c. here was no Indianapolis representative late meeting of the miners in on. They were all employes of he various companies gathered to dismesionately discuss and, if possible, macefully perfect a settlement of the only grievances under which they at resent suffer, "men to men and in a str-minded American manner," A paper of The Tribune's standing should not resort to such subtle subterfuges to pal-liate the mistake made by the operators in ignoring the reasonable request of the 55 Logan St., Wilkes-Barre.

For the information of those who may not have seen the editorial re-

ferred to, we reproduce what was said

in Monday's paper: HALT WILD-EYED AGITATION. So long as the coal companies in this region express their willingness to meet loyes on all matters pertaining to their autual relations, it is hard to under-tand why arybody out in Indianapolis no way connected as an employe with coal business of the Lackawanna ey should undertake or be permitted have a deciding voice in the question whether this community should have strike in the mines. Let the miners this valley meet the mine ewners and talk over all issues between them, as men to men. Let every effort be made on the part of both to get to the bettom all differences and to adjust those of regree in a straightforward, honor-die manner. This is the fair minded, American way. In no other way can the mutual presperity of mine employes and employers be promoted and the preserved. All men who realize what disaster is presaged to labor in the reck-less proposition of a general strike are now confronted with the serious duty of outting the charge on wild-eyed agitacan do this if they will.

On Sunday last the Associated Press necessitates a new bond issue and sent out this dispatch, dated Indianapolis, Jan. 20; "John Mitchell, presisewers: the lack of them is a public dent of the United Mine Workers, said danger, costing, in sickness and death, today in regard to the threatened strike twice as much as the sewers would of 100,000 anthracite coal miners, that there can be no authorized strike withly populated territory, and additional out definite action on the part of the London as a burlesque queen, Accordfire and police protection to keep pace national executive board of the United ing to the Post-Standard, it had always with the city's growth. It must have, Mine Workers." Last evening's Truth contained, also under an Indianapolis silk gown and blue silk stockings to date line, the following: "The anthra- match." Edna has them, together with Lackawanna avenue; and it can ill cite strike talked of in Central Penn- an international reputation, acquired afford to postpone the reasonable des sylvania will not occur. National velopment of Nay Aug park, its one Board Member Benjamin James, of general meeting place for summertime. Jeanesville, Pa., today said: 'President, why Syracuse should longer be jealous rest, recreation and innoceat pleasure. Mitchell and I agreed that it would be of Rochester in the possession of ex-To withhold from the people any of the height of folly to order a strike Consul Oscar F. Williams. these conveniences for one minute now," In this case it would appear longer than is absolutely necessary, that the deciding voice at Indianapolis except after a negative popular vote, for the present decided wisely, although having effect. The Iowa legislature would, as we view it, he a public that word "now" is ominous; yet we has just decided to postpone sympathy On the other hand, to spend city stand why anyhody out in Indianaromoney either extravagantly or care. Hs. or anywhere else remote from lessly on objects not at the moment Scranton, and especially anybody who British war office has been withholdessential: as, for instance, in the em- is in no way connected, either as an ing news in order to cushion the dropplayment of superfluous permanent employe or as an employer, with the ping place. men in the fire department; in the coal business of the Lackawanna valmultiplication without good reason of ley, should undertake or be permitted street lights; in the carrying on city to have a deciding voice in the question of whether this community should have visited upon it the awful mis-

fortune of a strike in the mines, Much the botter plan, it seems to us, would be for the mine employes who have grievances to go directly to their employers and seek to come to a fair understanding. The mine owners as a rule are pretty decent men who want to do the right and just thing; but It do not care to locate the management of their Luckawanna county hard coal business in a competitive soft coal

The Rev. Mr. Sheldon, who expects to conduct a Topcka daily paper for six days. "on Christian principles," will probably begin by discharging the man who swears to the circulation.

The Democratic Programme.

S A RESULT, we are told, of the conferences recently head by Colonel Bryan with the leaders of his following in congress, a definite programme of Democratic policy has been formulated, to hold good until the Democratic national convention. In substance, the Democratic leaders will advocate:

1. The suppression of the Insurrection in the Philippino islands. 2. The establishment of a republican of government there as soon as the insurrection is suppressed.

The withdrawat of the army as soon as such a government is in operation.

The relinquishment of the soverlighty of the United States, but the xerolse of a protectorate over the slames in order to prevent foreign in-

beam of \$29,000,000 in bonds of the Philippine republic to reimburse the United States for the indemnity paid to

The policy with respect to trusts was defined in accordance with Colonel indicates that an energotic woman's Bryan's ideas. He proposes, it will be comembered, that the jurisdiction of authorities to locate objectionable con- the federal government be extended over all corporations engage t in interstate commerce; and he advocates the sioner of Internal revenue; to publish their financial condition and business tional bank statements; and to be subject, as are the national banks, to examination at any time by special

agents. The Democratic panacea for trust evils need not be considered at this time, for the reason that the Democracy is in a minority in the present congress and it devolves upon the maority party to meet this issue. The Republican party will not shirk its responsibility in this direction, neither use in heating and power. This is a will it be hurried forward by Demomatter worth experimenting upon, cratic gallery playing into the enact-

refuses to put to practical use would sidered laws. It will take time to be even in the most crude form prove sure that it is right and, once sure it will go ahead without fear or favor.

As to the Philippine programme, its Count Castellane says that he has perniciousness lies in the fact that it never gambled, never speculated in jumps rashly at conclusions, thereby complicating unnecessarily the duties his wife. If this is true, it is certain in hand. For example, it talks about the withdrawal of the army before the insurrection has been crushed. What would have been the effect upon the Union cause during our Civil war if, at the time that Grant was pressing down on Richmond the congress at Washington should have passed resolutions about withdrawing the army, setting up in the secoded territory a republican form of government and leaving to the secessionists full liberty of action subject only to a Yankee protectorate? So far from disarming, it would have strengthened the opposition and the Confederates would have fought the harder for unconditional success. Grant's terms were unconditional surrender; and not until those terms were accepted did the dominant power show its magnanimity.

Our parallel is subject to the qualification that the members of the Confederacy were intelligent men, fully civilized, having had large training for and experience in self-government, and fit in every way to begin hopefully the conduct of their own affairs. The Filipinos, on the other hand, represent not only every shade of social undervelopment from semi-civilization down to abject savagery, but also absolute inexperience in the principles and methods of intelligent self-government Moreover, they are of the Malay race, utterly unable to comprehend the sixnificance of Anglo-Saxon institutions, and habituated to recognize the supremacy of force alone. They must be thrashed into a receptive mood for imated upon it the awful mistortone of proved ideas of government before their government can be improved; and any policy which does not make unconditional surrender its first essential will simply sow great harvests of future mischief.

It is incredible that the practical men in the Democratic party do not realize this. The inference is compulsory that they do know it, and know it perfectly; and that their only motive for indulging in the buncombe talk of an independent Filipino republic based upon Aguinaldo getting the loot and Uncle Sam the trouble is the cheap partisan wish to find some means of deceiving the voters in order to hold together the rickety Democratic party organization-

The Syracuse-Post-Standard devotes a column and a half, in addition to a large portrait, to describing the new clothes of Edna May, a former resident of that city who has achieved fame in been Edna's ambition "to have a blue through pouring tea for the Prince of Wales. There is, therefore, no reason

Aiready the pro-Boer agitation is

It begins to look as though the

English class and a new teacher had just been employed. She stimed. "Miss," at which they marveled

the class was called next day there was not a girl who could not show two closely 11.200,000 persons in Germany thus inwritten pages of slang expressions. The sured, and so many of these had pulm tencher looked.
"Very good," she said. "Now trans-

late them into readable English." They haven't fooled with her since.

Ready if He Was.

Like many other public speakers, a well known lecturer has a great dislike has a habit of stopping short and watching the intruder to his seat, generally with the effect of reaking him look very sheepish and disconcerted relates London Tit-its. Some time back, while locturing in a large town, he was interputed by a grathering compare to late of the present time has been on his default by a grathering compare to late. turing in a large town, he was interputed by a gentleman coming in late and making a great noise with his creaking boots. The speaker stopped and stared as usual at the intruder, who seemed not to be in the least conscious that all eyes were upon him. At length, getting out of patience, the lecturer remarked, icily: "I am walting for you, sir."

Apparently quite unmoved, the affender Apparently quite unmoved, the affender Paul Potter, the American dramatist, whose play, "The Conguerors," has

'Now, Mr. B-, I am ready if you York next season.

Why He Was Afraid to Bid.

ity. An old farmer inspected it closely, seemed to think there was a bargain in it and yet he hesitated to bid.

General Eitehener opened the Wady-Halfa-Kharteum railroad on Desember 4 with a weekly service of trains. Tickets

"Yes, kinder," was the reply.
"Then why don't you bid and get it?"
"Wall, I've bought heaps o' things in dry goods and so on," slowly rejoined the old man, "and I never took home anything that the old woman thought was worth the price, If I got that 'ere robe for even 15 cents she'd grab it up, pull at one end, chaw on a corner and call out, 'cheated again—smore'n half cotton" That's th' reason I dasn't bid."—
Ohio State Journal.

hotel is being erected.

James Eads How, of St. Leans, who has given his fortune of 11.000,000 to the poor, says he was influenced to do this by the incident of the rich young men related in the tenth chapter of St. Mark's gosped.

Mr. How is a grandson of James R. Eads, the famous engineer who built the great Mississippi bridge at St. Louis.

Bernard C. Heese, who was graduated from the University of Michigan in 1859 with the degree of pharmaceutical chemist, and in 1891 with the degree of bache-

One Good Hit Deserves Another.

A comedian in a Parls theater recently a great hit out of a painful inci-While indulging in a bit of horselay on the stage he struck his head accidentally against one of the piliars of the scene upon the stage. The thud natives fear calves as if they were lions, caused a flutter of sympathy to pass one day he got four natives to bold a through the auditors. through the audience.
"No great harm done," said the comedian. "Just hand me a markin, a glass of water, and a sait-cellar."
These were brought, and he sait down, relimbed un trees.

folded the napkin in the form of a band-age, dipped it in the glass, and emptied the salt-cellar on the wet part. Having thus prepared a compress according to prescription, and when every one expected he would apply it to his

forehead, he gravely rose and tround the pillar.-Collier's Weekly. How Wars Begin.

Tommy was reading the war news. When he finished he came ever to his other and said:

"Well, suppose the English hauled own the American flog, and that the Here Tommy's father intervened "My dear," he said, 'the English

ould not-" Mother-"Excuse me, they would-"Now, dear, who ever heard of such thing?"

'Pray do not interrupt!" "But you are giving Tommy a wrong

"I'm net, sir!" "You are, madam!"
"Don't call me madam! I won't allow

"I'll call you what I choose!"
"I'm sorty I ever saw you! you are Tommy (going out)-"H's all right; bink I knew how wars begin,"-Collier;

Pertinent Impertinence. "Say, mister, do you want your bas asked a boy, running after a an who was hurrying along the street idently bound for the railway station. 'No, I don't," answered the man, a lit-

e sharply.
"I'll carry it all the way for a nickel, ersisted the boy ersisted the boy.
"I tell you I don't want it carried,"
ald the man, quickening his pace.
"Don't you?" said the boy, breaking
ito a trot to keep abreast of his victim. 'No. I don't'" said the man, clancing

reely at his small termenter.
Well, then, mister," said the urenin with an expression of anxious and innowith an expression of anxious and inno-cent inquiry on his round, dirty face, what are you carrying it for? Why lon't you set it down?"

He got the bag, and a dime.—Coller's

PROPER MONUMENT SITE.

Sir: Your editorial in this morning's aper in reference to the location of the ddiers' monument, seems to me most mely, and I write to express the name the matter may be reconsidered. and I write to express the hope The court house square, if allowed to emain as it is, will become more and sore beautiful, with the growth of the trees and the cuttivation of its sloon, lawns, but the good effects would i largely lost, by the emplacement of s ominent an object between the central le of buildings and any one of the sursunding streets, for the reason that the

stirety, to set off so large a structure the court house, and, moreover, the ection of an elaborate monument upon one of the four sides would destroy Aside from the question of the square, he monument, itself, should be so lo-rated as to have a central and com-nanding position in its environment, which would not be possible within the shadow of the court house. It is quite robable that, as you suggest, a suitable scatton could easily be selected in Nay

Aug Park, or about the entrance thereto Yours respectfully, J. Benjamin Dimmick. Scranton, Jan. 22

NUBS OF KNOWLEDGE.

A village without a name, consisting 500 fishermen's buts, occupies a posion every winter on Lake Huron. In Germany the question of insurance against storms, inumiations and other forces of nature is being considered and the principal companies have been requested to report their views to the gov-

ernment A firm of fish dealers in Mobile, Ala., experimenting with a railroad tank or in which, if successful, they will transport Spanish mackerel, pompano, Gulf bluefish and other Southern fishes

alive to Northern cities. Scotland seems a strange place to find statue of Abraham Lincoln, and yet there is one there. It adorns a metu-ment erected in old Caiton buryon ground, Edinburgh, to the memory of the

Apt in Siang.

The girls in one of the classes of a Lookyine private remoit found them gives up against the "real thing" a short line are to be a chrome yellow. The shades will graduate to the necessary of the shades will graduate to the low. The shades will graduate to the necessary of the shades will graduate to the low. time ago, says the Courier Journal. It Two coats will be required and nearly fifty tone of enamel paint will be con-

One of the latest German inventions, report tells us scriously, is beer lozen gers. These are made of the powder ob On the first day the teacher told her tained by evaporating lager beer, and class that she would not give a regular contain all the ingredients of this populerson, but each girl should write down all the slang she knew and bring that turn them into a sparkling ale is to dissolve them in water in which were given. of the next day's recitation.

That was a "cinch." Several girls who bonic acid gas has been added.

In 1889 a law was passed in Germany

passer/sed brothers and the rest who pos-possed other girls brothers set them to work. The result was marvelous. When and over must insure his life against sickness and old age. In 1898 there were ary consumption that thirty-seven of the insurance companies crected at their own expense a sanitarium for the care of these persons.

PERSONALITIES.

Baron von Windheim, chief of the Berto being interrupted during his lectures, for the study of our police methods, and if anyone happens to come in late he General Joubert's wife has gone with lin police, is coming to this country soon

spent a few seconds in arranging his whose play. "The Conquerors," has cout on the chair. Then, sitting down, he turned to the lecturer with a chairsting smile, and said:

"Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. L. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and New "Now Mr. H. am ready if you would be market in London and Mr. and Mr

The first wedding at the Tower of London in many years was that of the daughter of Sir Hugh Gough to C. H. At an auction sale of miscellaneous style, celebrated recently. The bridgi party was escorted by the Yeoman Wardens of the Tower. General Eltehener opened the Wady

a and yet be hesitated to bid.

"Think it cheap," asked the auctioneer, crying a 19-cent bid.

"Yes, kinder," was the reply.

"Then why don't you hid not."

list, and in 1893 with the degree of bache lor of science, is now employed as a chemist in the aniline and soda works o Ludwigshafen, Germany. This is largest chemical factory in the world.

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T IS suggested as a reason that Scran-ton women do not more generally embrace the club fad which is spreadembrace the club fad which is spreading over the country that there are so many pet charities in this city which demand their time that they do not yearn for the social atmosphere of club-life. This is to some extent true, There are about four great interests which keep the larger portion of the so-called women of leisure rushing about in a wild contest to were the claims of their wild contest to were the claims of their

wild contest to urge the claims of their favorites. These are the Lackawanna and Hahnemann hospitals, the Home for the Friendless and the Young Women's Christian association. Then there is the Florence mission which also receives its

meed of service.

Sometimes it seems that if all the women would combine in a grand effort to place all these institutions permanently beyond the menace of disaster of the fear of a curtailed usefulness, this everlasting haste and hustle might be abated for a few minutes and a little breathing space might be enjoyed. As things are now conducted there is absolutely no re-laxation of the strain. Each woman is tearing about as fast as she can in desperate greed after the interests of her own pet charity. There should be some method of relief from this tension, but just how it can be accomplished is difficult to suggest.

F THE members of the Young Ladies' society of the First Pres-byterian church wish to make an-other hit they should at once secure Mr. F. Hepkinson Smith for a return visit. He likes Scranton and we like him. By this time he has some delicious new stories to tell us. (By the way he put Scranton into his recent one of "That Tramp of Bob's," just slightly, but enough to indicate that our city is on the maps. A targe half could be filled with admirers of the man capable writing such a book as "The Other Fel

THE "HIRED GIRL" of the future is to be a man; so says Ameha Parr and there are many to eche her sentiments, for in not a few herseholds over the country the man is not exactly displacing the mood, for sh-had long since departed, but is filling a place of his own in a far better way, the house mistress declares, than his predecessor. The problem that women are crowding men out of employment seems to be thus solving itself.

The man of-all-work is appearing it this city. Several families have men do general housework. It is rather start-ling to enter your bed chamber and find a white clad colored man engaged in deftiy making your and and trunding a sweeper over the carnet, but you grow necusioned to the innovation and, and ing him faithful, next and suffiling in respect for you and your commands, you wonder how the house was ever man ged without his assistance. Several Japanese servants have been mployed to Scranton families and while there in some cases have proved a been in others they were insolent and carcless. The colored man-of-all-work seams at present to be a sensible fad.

THERE ARE numberless theater parties planned for Friday evening to welcome Miss Bertha Galland to her old home.

"T'm going a-cooking, sir," site said; Then I will marry you now," he cried.
"Oh, no: there are others," the maiden replied.

Properly Located.

"That deal you have just engineered will be quite a feather in your cap,"
"A feather in my cap!" echoed the financier. "It wil be a whole bunch of eathers in my wife's hat."-Washington

Too Much! Too Much!

"Are they smeeth Boers-the fellow who are fighting in South Africa?" But the British war news says many of them are being rifled."-Philadel

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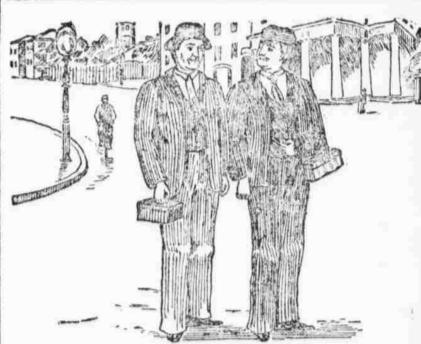
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I am a mill man and work ten hours per day and am compelled to work all the time to make both ends meet, so I try to keep well as much as possible. I never was sick in my life until I was caught on a shaft, which has broken me down, but these two months have seemed like living to me. I took down sick, the doctor came, gave me an injection of morphine and I went to sleep. That is about all there was to that. I was up and at work again but I kept getting down sick about one day in a week. I tried everything and was half sick all the time, but the change came the night I tried Ripans Tabules. Two months ago I bought of Young, the druggist in Lyon, Mass., one hundred and twenty Ripans Tabules and now I can say that I nover felt better. A friend of mine was going to work with me two weeks ago and he said to me "Why, Miller, what is the matter with you?" Of course I knew I was all right and I asked, in surprise, as the matter with you? Of course I knew I was an right and I asked, in surprise, "What do you mean?" He replied "Nothing, only that new walk you have got." I langhed and was not going to say anything when he said "What has done it Miller?" All I could say was Ripans Tabules have done it and the knowing how to take them. The next morning he had a box of the Tabules in his pocket. Last Saturday night I lought my second box containing one hundred and twenty Tabules and I mean to keep them on hand all the time.