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SCRANTON, MAY 25, 1900.
FOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
CHARLES EMORY SMITH,
OF PENNSYLVANIA.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.
State.
Congressmen at Large—GALUSHA A. GROW,
ROBERT H. FORTMILLER.

Legislative.
First District—FRANK S. QUINN, JR.
Second District—JOHN S. HUBBARD, JR.
Third District—EDWARD JAMES, JR.
Fourth District—P. A. PHILLIPS.

No one can question the sincerity of Mr. Sturges if he continues the fight after viewing the Philadelphia newspaper portraits of himself.

Clean Up!
FOR THE TAXES which they are paying, the citizens of Scranton ought to have regular collections of garbage made under the auspices of the city.

But if the time is not auspicious for the city's engaging in this enterprise there should certainly be a more vigilant and energetic enforcement of the sanitary laws and ordinances touching the matter of household waste.

Why Honesty Pays.
THE REMARKS of the Philadelphia Record under the heading, "A Lesson from Scranton," quoted elsewhere, are based upon a mistaken conception as to the origin of the present movement for better local government.

The Doer envoys are no doubt good promoters, but their scheme is not alluring to the one who carefully looks over the ground.
Pennsylvania's Great Commoner.

THE APPROPRIATE suggestion has been made that special honor should be paid at the St. Louis World's fair in 1903, in commemoration of the Louisiana purchase, to Galusha A. Grow, the author of the homestead law, the one great instrument in hastening the marvelous development of the territory comprehended within that purchase.

It is worthy of note in this connection that Mr. Grow takes a view of the present problem of expansion strictly in keeping with the precedents of his young manhood and directly opposed to the view held by so-called "anti-imperialists," who doubt the ability of one of our fool counterbalances the vote of another fool and in the long run the common sense and common honesty of the plain people predominate and determine the policies of the government.

under the very system of government which the anti-imperialists affect to distrust; therefore, he looks forward without misgiving to the new problems arising out of the war with Spain, and presents an inspiring picture of hopefulness and patriotic vigor carried forward to the age where most men exhibit the pessimism of waning physical forces.

Most appropriate, consequently, is the suggestion that special honors be paid to him at St. Louis.

That Toll Gate in the Park.
THE PRESENCE of a toll gate in a public park has nothing to commend it but its novelty and that can well be spared.

The reason given for the continuance of the Elmhurst Boulevard company's toll gate in Nay Aug park is that the boulevard people, as a condition of its removal, want the city to reimburse them for the cost of their steel bridge spanning Roaring Brook just below the falls.

It is charged against Mr. Neely that he also encouraged the stamp-collecting fiasco. That ought to condemn him beyond hope or pardon.

The Sportsmen's club of Wilkes-Barre has accomplished a good work in aiming to exterminate the Mount Vernon, N. Y., pot-hunters, who tried to ship a large lot of game to New York last winter.

The question whether the army campaign shall go on or stay in a practical manner, to be determined in a practical manner. Because many worthy citizens oppose it on principle and for reasons which have more to do with theory than with facts presents no justification for its abolition if in the practical judgment of a majority of the reputable officers of the army its abolition would work detrimental results upon the enlisted men.

Anxious newspapers may now find occupation for a time in settling the question as to who owns the Lehigh Valley railroad.
In the matter of filing papers Mr. Clark shows more enterprise than Mr. Maginnis.

"A LESSON FROM SCRANTON."
From the Philadelphia Record.
There are several widely different theories as to who is behind the prosecution of the eighteen Scranton councilmen who were arrested on Monday last on the charge of soliciting bribes.

Conditions in Porto Rico.
VICTOR S. CLARK, who was president of the Porto Rico Insular board of education under the military government, has returned to Washington with some interesting information concerning the educational outlook in that dependency.

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the vernacular of the island, a Spanish patois, and the more advanced schools provide instruction in English only. If the Foraker bill had provided for civil service examinations in the English language for all those natives desiring appointment to positions in the island, it would have helped very materially the efforts of the educators there, for then it would have been a great incentive for the natives to acquire English, and would have resulted in the more rapid establishment of English schools.

As to general conditions in the island and the tenor of Mr. Clark's report is hopeful. Among the substantial elements in the native population American rule is welcomed and appreciated, the chief discord arising from native prejudices who fall to get offices. An orderly condition of affairs prevails, the excitement growing out of congress' enactment of a revenue tariff has mostly subsided and gradual progress is being made in the re-creating of insular institutions to accord with American principles.

Here is a statement adopted by the Manufacturers' club of Philadelphia which deserves the widest publicity: "The present national administration has been peculiarly identified with the economic policy which has so largely contributed to our prosperous condition. It is imbued with the best of Americanism and animated by a lofty spirit of patriotism and nationality. It has our firm and unwavering support under the wise auspices of the present incumbent. The financial policy of the nation has been settled upon a secure basis and the menace of a false financial system has largely disappeared. But the advocates of that system, combining with the advocates of Populism and Socialism and all the other elements of discontent and disaster, are gathering their forces for a further effort to establish themselves upon the ruin of our industrial civilization, so carefully and so painfully built up, and it concerns all citizens, and in particular the manufacturers and business men of this country, whose interests are so largely in the scale, to see to it that no indifference, no overconfidence, shall give the enemies of order and prosperity the opportunity to destroy the splendid edifice of national welfare which is the admiration of the world today."

The organization is calculated to maintain discipline as well as to teach the principles of government. It consists of president, vice-president, secretary of state, secretary of the treasury, secretary of the interior, secretary of industry, secretary of public works and secretary of agriculture, each of whom have their respective and appropriate duties assigned. They also have their senate, and common and Supreme court, and justices of the peace, one for each night in the week, who see that no scuffling or quarreling is indulged in, and those who enter into the game of industrial department, without the permission of the secretary of state, are brought before him and fined. He also summons any one accused of slander or libel, and if he pleads not guilty, he can employ a lawyer, of which there are two, and appeal to the Supreme court, which consists of two boys and two adults. The senate consists of seven members, appointed by the secretary of state, and meets every Saturday to transact the business of the club and to make new rules. This business is transacted according to parliamentary rules, the clerk of the senate keeping the record.

The social department consists of twenty companies, lettered from A to T, which meet on the nights respectively appointed for them, four companies to a night. There is a senator for each night, whose work is to see that the boys who have just joined are provided with games and are made to feel at home. Every night the tables for games are full with boys playing checkers, etc., as are also the reading tables, which have all kinds of papers containing wholesome reading. The boys are fond of reading and some of them are always at the tables. The work of the architectural department is highly creditable, as is shown by the examples on exhibition in the club room, as are also the examples of the boys' printing, their "Red Ribbon" and "Red Ribbon Leaflets," being written as well as printed by the boys. These boys are mainly from the lower classes, many having been "bad boys" before they were brought into the association, and the good accomplished in one can properly estimate.

In addition to this great work for the boys, the parish owns and maintains an attractive retreat on the mountains, where they send two hundred women and their children during the winter season, who otherwise would never get a breath of invigorating fresh air.



LYMAN J. GAGE, SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

NOT STRANGE.
From the Philadelphia Press.
Serious this Cuban scandal is. As Senator Platt said Wednesday, Senator Bacon has no monopoly of the shame and humiliation felt over his revelations. Careful selections were made for these posts. The men chosen failed under temptation. Naval surroundings, large temptations and the opportunities of a newly organized service proved too much for their integrity. This is the familiar experience of every great business when it newly organizes a branch. It is so when railroads acquire a new branch, or when a manufacturing company sets up a new plant, near or distant, or when a great department store opens or acquires a new store in another city. There is probably not a business man of wide experience who reads these lines who is not aware that, under these conditions, irregularities almost occur in the new branch, plant or store, in greater proportion than in the old, established organization, where the men are all tried. But when this weakness comes the responsible inquiry must be as to its treatment. The record here is unimpeachable. The administration itself discovered the frauds. It exposed them. It is investigating them. It will punish them. Democratic interference with this work was certain. For the Democrats of the senate and house a national disgrace presents itself as a partisan opportunity, but the country will not be deceived. The acts and the instructions of the postmaster general demonstrate that these scandals will be probed to the bottom. Still more the occasion is to be made the opportunity for investigating the Cuban service, being its expenses, improving its efficiency, and devising a system which will prevent such scandals in the future.

A MODEL WORKING CHURCH.
From the Lancaster New Era.
St. Luke's church, Scranton, in which the late diocesan convention was held, is in some respects in the lead of similar institutions in the state and fully abreast of them in all respects. The parish has one of the handsomest, most commodious and best appointed church edifices in the diocese, but it is not of that we propose to speak in this connection. It was the Parish House and the facilities it affords for work among the boys and the poor of the parish and in the neighborhood that attracted our attention and commanded our admiration. It is an elegant structure, with basement, the auditorium of the main store, where the business sessions of the convention were held, with its latest improved chairs, being ample to accommodate a large assembly is reserved, and there are rooms for various parish purposes, and a club room on the third floor which is reached by an elevator, beside commodious stairways.

But the unique feature is the "Boys Industrial Association." It has enrolled over three hundred members, has an industrial department consisting of four trades—chair caning, carpentering, printing and architectural drawing, each in charge of an instructor and a room devoted to social games, which are presided over by men and women of the parish in turn each evening. There is also a complete gymnasium, in charge of a popular gymnasium, and it was interesting to see the proficiency to which the little fellows had attained in these healthful exercises. There is a bath room in the industrial department, with dressing and toilet rooms, and three cold water and three warm water nozzles. The boys enjoy the bath hugely, and they are thus taught "cleanliness is next to godliness." The toilet room contains four marble basins, with dressing seats and plenty of towels and soap, to help pay for which one cent a bath is charged. The best discipline is reserved, for every boy five boys being allowed to take a bath at one time.

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