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The indebtedness of the community to Mr. O. S. Johnson for his timely contribution of \$10,000 to the Y. M. C. A, building fund, enabling the immediate prosecution of the construction of tion of the city's business. the association's contemplated new home, deserves to be recognized by every one. It was a noble deed.

Thoughts for Labor Day.

HE SETTING apart of special times for the display by organized labor of evitordependence of all classes in the gain by one is real gain for all.

It takes all kinds of people to make a world and the broader-minded a Peter as on the ground of convenience man is the less he will be inclined to and by a familiar process of evolution think that any man or group of men, whatever their work or station in life, possesses a monopoly of good or bad qualities. A lessson for both labor and capital to learn, and one worth considering today, is that human nature is not determined wholly by the contents of the pocketbook and that true manhood is sntitled to the world's respect wherever found.

We are hearing a good deal just now about labor and capital, as if they were on the point of going to war with one another. It is unfortunately true, and why? Can any man doubt that a principal reason is in mutual misunderstandings? A committee of miners waits on an operator. Distorted reports have influenced in advance the minds of both, Each has one, therefore, is curt or snappish, the other is quick to take the same cue and in a short time trouble develops where a little patience and tact would have smoothed everything out. There are operators who, without provocation, swear at their employes as if they were so many dogs and no decent man, whatever his position in life, can have anything but contempt for such men. But these operators are exceptions to the rule. On the other hand, there are sometimes employes who wear a chip, looking for trouble, and these make a lot of mis-Care should be taken not to judge the the unjust habit of calling all employers scoundrels and robbers, just repairs. because they are employers, or of considering that every wage-earner who joins a union in the hope of bettering his condition in life, is therefore a plotter of agitation and an enemy of the man for whom he works. Whatever tends to embitter the employer and the employe, to make ill feeling between them, is to be deplored as harmful, not only to both of them, but also as hurtful to the general public, whose interests call loudly for peace; and he is the best friend of labor, as well as the best friend of capital and the truest benefactor of his race, who helps to remove intervening errors and to promote a harmonious settlement of differences, man to man. There is another thought worthy

of consideration at this time, thought which should make Labor Day one of the proudest days in the calendar. It is that in America no iron bar of caste dooms the son of a workingman to follow in his father's footsteps regardless of inherent aptitudes qualifying him to rise in life. In the old world the rule is that where you are born, there you must stay, and the exceptions to it are few; but Labor's lot is often hard; nobody gone through the mill. Inequalities or vanity than anything else. and injustices are many and exasperating; but that is true in all vocations and stations. The laborer works and his pay seems small. But when to his wife and children with the conit is not in the book of fate for him

tal must be fair, temperate and just; fying social conditions. He who sees let it be otherwise and invariably it the vigor of the peasant child of pays a penalty; for after all, the su- Europe nurtured on black bread and preme law of the land is the law laid sunshine may well doubt if petted and down in the Golden Rule.

Upon the only test vote at Kansan City a ma icrity of the Pennsylvania delegation supported the free silver plank—The Times.

The Pennsylvania representative on the platform committee voted against Bryan's free sliver plank, and the delegation as a whole unanimously adopted the Pattison resolution dodging an explicit avowal. Hence it is evident that the Democracy of Pennsylvania is eager to forget its free silverish past. This is shown by Brother Lynett's own paper, which, having in four years een on both sides of that question, now tries to relegate the whole matter to oblivion. Not convictions but tricks o catch votes seem to be the chief characteristic of the Bryanized Democracy. It strongly resembles opera bouffe.

Municipal Repairs.

ANY MONTHS ago The Tribune defined the need of a Taxpayers' association in Scranton and it naturally views with gratification the announcement that Mr. John M. Kemmerer intends to bring before the board of trade the question of the formation of one. This should have been done years ago: it is a policy which has been advocated insistently by this paper, and now that Scranton is likely soon to become a second-class city necessitating a reconstruction of its machinery of government, the time is ripe for seasonable and vigorous offorts to introduce system, economy and ordinary honesty into the transac-

The men who run our city govern ment are neither as good as they should be nor as black as they have been painted; most of them do as the average man would do in the same circumstances. Nothing is to be accomplished for improvement in methods by simply cailing names at them. There has been, however, a dences of its progress is in great deal of carelessness and confuaccord with the spirit of our times, sion in the doing of the city's busiwhich recognizes increasingly the in- ness; precedents have arisen which are extravagant, wasteful of time and community and appreciates that fair contrary to common sense; Peter has been relentlessly robbed to pay Paul, not so much because of Ill will toward there has, amidst all this carelessness. been a weakening of the civic conscience of some of our officials until men who would scorn to do a dishonest act in private life fall into the vicious habit of regarding the public welfare as a commodity of trade. Most of our boodlers are men primarily of good intent gone wrong through public neglect. Honesty in some men can stand guarded. There is today nothing in the city of Scranton calculated to bolster up the wavering honesty of the public official whose preference is to do the right thing, but who finds the temptations to dishonesty to be very numerous and effective and who goes in the direction of the strongest pres-

a wrong impression of the other. If of honest, carnest and experienced men, not cranks or theorists, would constitute a nucleus accound which the better impulses in municipal life could rally. It would afford an organization of the reputable influences which now. being disorganized, are too often subordinate to the disreputable influences. It would amount to nothing if appropriated to factional or selfish ends and nence a great deal of its usefulness vould depend upon the character of the men at its head. But there are plenty of good men of honest purpose and horse sense who might be induced to look upon service of this kind. chief, but they, also, are exceptions, under existing and prospective conditions, as representing a public duty, many by the few; not to fall into and it is to be hoped that these men will be arrayed in line for municipal

> A thorough investigation of school board methods may not come immediately in this town, but it is bound to ome some time, and when it comes it should be thorough.

Extravagance in Food.

XPERIMENTS made by Professor Atwater of Wesleyan university have established from a scientific standpoint that the cheaper and as a rule coarser food of the poor man's table is richer in nutritive qualities than the daintier viands of the rich. "Professor Atwater's report," says a press dispatch, contains a scathing rebuke to the manner of living among the wealthy in that there is three times as much food wasted as there is eaten. In general he finds that the American people could get twice as nutritious food for about half the money that they are now paying."

This is notoriously true, and the worst feature of it is that no signs of improvement are visible. Gourmandizing is a vice of increasing magnitude, in this free country, in splite of all our Restaurants and hotels encourage it by temporary woes, which ebb and flow offering menus which for widespread in every walk of life, harassing rich variety would put to blush the menus and poor alike, the grand fact remains of a court banquet in the time of true, notwithstanding what dema- Queen Elizabeth or Louis XIV. Even gogues may say to the contrary, that in the homes of people only moderthe roads to promotion are open to ately well to do the tendency is away all, and ability, not circumstance of from intelligent economy in foods. birth, is the password. Who are our Where health and strength can best rising young men? Are they the be promoted by inexpensive and simple spoiled darlings of inherited wealth or preparations the fashion is to strive the striving and ambitious children of for complicated collnary effects, and the poor? Take the big men in this both digestion and pocketbook suffer yery community. Where did they in consequence. Although nutrition tocome from? From palaces or cabins? day is cheaper than ever before, the "cost of living" is higher, and the difknows it better than one who has ference represents more of social pride

The American people inhabit a rich land whose resources are by no means exhausted or even half-developed. for his daily pay; his work is hard therefore they can, better than most folks, stand the factor of expense; but the weary task is over he can go home that is not the worst factor. There is reason to fear that our women have solution that his responsibility for the not the vigorous health and freedom day is ended; while often the anxieties from bodily ailments that their grandof his employer then only begin. If mothers had, and among men the prevalence of nervousness is perhaps to change his place in life the boy at as largely due to overtaxing the digesthis firegide has an unbounded vista of live mechanism, with resultant damage open opportunities, some of which the to the sympathetic nerves and poverty lad will realize if he has good stuff in of blood, as to changes in details of

pampered young America is the proper heir to the institutions our fathers have wrought.

Vermont will vote tomorrow and it will afford an interesting index of New England sentiment. It is, of course, safely Republican and no countries. particular effort has been made to bring out a large vote. The average Republican plurality in the past seven presidential elections at the Septemmorrow is between these figures it will have no particular significance; if below 23,869 it will indicate Republican defections; if in excess of 27,669 it will indicate Republican accessions.

A disciple of Isaac Walton, who angled in the vicinity of the Delaware Water Gap the other day, was fined \$30 for taking three bass that measured less than nine inches in length. It is pleasing to note that Scranton fishermen are in no danger of similar punishment. They are seldom on record as taking bass that weigh less than three pounds each.

The espousal of Bryan's flag-lowerng candidacy by a veteran soldier and patriot like Colonel Thomas Wentworth Higginson only shows that honored careers often end in hallucina-

The Chinese minister in London is quoted as favoring the election of Bryan. Maybe he thinks that with Bryan in the chair the killing of foreigners in China would be unopposed.

Russia's Proposal And Our Response

Frim the New York Sun.

WE HAVE REFORE US the text of the prooffice to our state department and of the reply which has not only been sent to but also communicated to Great Britain, an, France, Germany, Italy and Austria, ned in the order of the importance of their ation to the Far Eastern question. beumenia constitute the first definite step hich has been taken toward the solution of the binese problem since the rescue of the lega-

It will be observed that the announcement of The representative of the St. Petersburg office has informed us that "Russia has ected the Russian minister to retire with his icial personnel from Pekin; that the Russian sops will likewise be withdrawn; and that, ben the government of China shall regain the ins of government, and afford an authority ith which the other powers can deal, and shall express a desire to cuter into negotiations the Russian government will also name a representative for that purpose." The gist of our repig is contained in the following sentence: "Unless there is such a general expression by the wers in favor of continued occupation as to edify the views expressed by the government (Russia, and lead to a general agreement for continued occapation, we shall give instructions to the commanders of the American forces in had a right to expect, and thus further China to withdraw our troops from Pokin."

ne modified by the views of any other power; abilities it does not for an instant take lut onsequently, our reply must be construed as a account the dire effects of violence which is all account the views of violence which is all most certain to ensue if the strike is greatly are as the withdrawal of troops from Pekin is prolonged.

Oncerned. To this exist co-operation will take ace without regard to what the other powers neerred may think or do about the matter, a matter of fact, France will undoubtedly a course in accord with that taken by ussia and the United States, and we presume at the same thing may be said of Japan, pre-ided there should be an understanding that no orther opposition will be made by Russla to the mikado's occupation of Cores. England has ot yet been heard from officially, but we do of see how she can persist in keeping her coops at Pekin, and thus cripple the power of he reigning dynasty to restore order and ar-ange satisfactory terms of peace, if she be incore in her professed desire of preserving bina's territorial integrity. If England sides with the four powers above named, it will be a atter of indifference what the German emperor nd his Italian and Austrian satellites may wish o do, as they certainly would not be permitted thwart the concerted designs of the five other

What is the significance of the policy an-counced by Russia and accepted by the United states? Its aim is identical with that which rigland and France had in view in 1860, when, ally refrained from touching the Forbidden (ity: paid for everything which their soldiers equired when in the Chinese capital, and vacuated the metropolis as soon as the terms of a treaty could be negotiated with Prince Kung, the representative of the Emperor Hienong, who had fled to Jehol, a remote place mong the mountains beyond the Great Wall, the policy of forbearance was then adopted heuse of a profound conviction that it was ex-use of a profound conviction that it was ex-dlent to "save the face," or, in other wards, eserve the prestige, of the reigning Manchu masty as far as possible; that dynasty being e sole authority with which it seemed worth nie to treat, and the sole possessor of adminis stive machinery adequate to the enforcement treaty provisions, it was not that the Brit a and French governments felt the slightest empathy for Hienfung personally; on the conry before or after the fact to the treacher apturing and brutal torturing of Sir Harry and other foreign diplomats. They be however, that they had administered to lesson so severe that, thereafter, he and security of the lesson broke the heart of plung, who died within a year, and it causes he treaty concluded in 1800 to be kept sub tantially inviolate for forty years.

Now, for those powers which are sincere and mendacions in their professed desire of olding thins from further dismemberment o are at this time stronger reasons for oting the policy of forbearance pursued in than existed when that policy was formuited. In 1800, the Tai-ping rebellion had gone in for seven years and had furnished evidence nat the imperial government, unless assisted y fereigners, would probably be impotent to appress it. The head of the rebellion, a proseed Christian, supported by Christian con-erts, had been crowned emperor at Nankin, nd was muster of a considerable part of the ser valley of the Yangtse. His dynasty, had aucceeded in founding one, must have been ogressive by virtue of the very elecumstances, sider which it had been evolved. Nevertheless, he British and French governments, after a second study of the situation, and mindful of the istorical fact that no change in dynasties in bina has been accomplished without far-reach ug convulsions extending over a great tract of time, were convinced that by far the quicked and surest way to restore order and assure the becruance of treaties would be to disconnecting the convince that the leave the recent and assure the ace the rebels and to leave the reigning Manch musty in possession of such dignity and au-crity as it retained or could recover. It would bority as it retained or could recover. It would be ridiculous to compare the ill-armed gangs of Boxers, who could have been suppressed in week but for the encouragement given them by Prince Tuan and other temporary favorities of the empress regent, with the well-organized and multitudinous Tai-pings, who, almost certainly, would have overthrown the Manchu dynasty but for the assistance given to the latter by American and English adventurers. The canhim. Finally, labor as well as capi- their occupations growing out of modi- press regent has had a lesson quite as severe as

that which was administered to her husband Helofung in 1860, and, if her dignity and au-Heinfung in 1860, and, if her dignity and au-thority be not too seriously impaired by the allies, she will have but to lift her finger to subject her misleading advisers to condign pun-labilities and to put a summary end to the Boxer uprising. We say the empress regent, because, although the Emperor Kwang-su is still the titular sovereign of China, and orders are issued in his name, yet, by a rescript put forth by him in 1808, the active exercise of all his powers was delegated to the empress dowager in the capacity of regent, and the validity of that delegation has been recognized by foreign

It is a perception of the wisdom of refraining from annihilating the prestige of the em-press regent in the eyes of the Chinese people which has caused the allied commanders at ber polls is 27,669 but the plurality on the vote for governor two years ago was only 23,869. If the plurality towill withdraw their soldiers from the Chinese capital. It is the only policy which offers so much as the semblance of a promise of a quick and satisfactory solution of the complicated

Why the Strike Should Be Averted

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

A MONG the anthracite newspapers there is not a note of discord on the question of the threatened strike in that region. Indeed, A threatened strike in that region. Indeed, it might fairly be said that the press of the entire state looks forward with apprehension to the probability of a struggle between the operators and the men. There are rumors in the territory immediately affected that the prospective lock-out was in reality planned by agents of the bituminous interests, which would of secessity profit by a general suspension in the authracite region, through an increase of their own sales and the widening of their own marlicts. For it is a truth easily proved by an ap-peal to the history of such struggles in the anthracite territory, that there has never been prolonged strike there but that the soft coa men stepped into fields not previously invaded by them and held at least a large portion of them thereafter. Throughout the Schuylkill and Lebanon Valleys, portions of the state where an-thracite once was king, the dense smoke of bituminous coal issues because of the long strike of fourteen years ago. Strive as they would the authracite producers could not regain the fool hold they had before that contest.

This then, the loss of territory now held by them, is one of the first reasons why the Inquire still hopes the moderation of the strike leader and the calm judgment of the operators will yet avert the threatened culamity. The less of a market is, after all, only another name for the restriction of trade and this the anthracite peple are now not in a position to invite. Be convincing as that reason is it is far from b ing the only one which should temper the de-liberations of those into whose hands the set-tlement of the question has fallen. The men themselves will be the heaviest learns. Experi-ence has shown that even when they win a prolonged struggle of this character they yet tain a net loss never afterwards to be regained the meanwhile their wives and children are forced to endure untold privations. Save to those who were fortunate to husband savings for many years, and the number of these is not he St. Petersburg government's intentions is large, the close of every strike leaves them a no wise conditioned on the approval of any legacy of debt which must be paid or worr so St. Petersburg government's intentions is large, the close of every arrise leaves them a no wise conditioned on the approval of any legacy of debt which must be paid or worn therefore the power. It is, on the contrary, a positive claration of an unswerving purpose which is be forthwith translated into accomplished t. The representative of the St. Petersburg and sustenance and drep at appalling rates into

Of the lesses of the operators themselves comfort of the operators or their families. But what of the business men, the merchants and other dealers, who rely upon the miners' trade for their existence and who are consequently bound to go to the wall when that stops? Mer of limited means themselves they must deny needy patrons the necessaries of life of allow their goods to go without the slighter assurance of receiving payment for them. Al building will be postponed, throwing carpenters masons, lathers, etc., out of work which they poverishing the community. Industries which were projected will be halted and many of those We repeat that Russia has given not the already in operation will be fortunate to except collapse. And appalling as is this list of prol-abilities it does not for an instant take list

That the men have grievances is known from ne end of the state to the other, and the grievances, it is only fair to say, ought to be comedied. If, however, the miners cannot at this time obtain all they ask they ought to

THE ALLY OF AGUINALDO.

From the Rochester Post-Express.

In due time Mr. Bryan's speech will reach Aguinaldo and the other leaders of the rebels in Luzon. It will be very pleasant reading for them. They want precisely what Mr. Bryan wants to give—an independent government, bro-tected by the army and navy of the United States. Mr. Bryan virtuelly says to Aguinaldo: "If you surrender now, while the Republicans are in power in the United States, your cause Mr. Bryan virtually says to Aguinale is lost; therefore continue the struggle; go or killing American soldiers; keep on firing on the Stars and Stripes; and when I am mangurated esident I will make it my business to see that you get what you want.

More than a year ago General Otis wrote "The only hope of the insurgent leaders is it United States aid. They proclaim the near United States aid. They proclaim the near overthrow of the present administration to be followed by their independence and recognition by the United States. This is the influence which enables them to bold out."

Shortly before he was killed, General Lawton, as gallant a soldier as ever fought under the flag of the Great Republic, wrote: "If I am shot by a Filipino bullet it might as well come from one of my own new, because I know from observations confirmed by contured prisoners that

observations confirmed by captured prisoners that the continuance of fighting is chiefly due to re-ports that are sent out from America."

Theodore Schwan, brigadier-general of volunteers, after a long campaign in the Philippines said in a letter to the adjutant-general of our army: "In the main, the insurgents rest their (1) the supposed necessity American toops wi he under of abandoning many of their present positions owing to the impossibility of amply-ing the latter during the wet season; and (2) upon the success of the Democratic or anti-ex-pansion party in the coming presidential cam-paign in the United States."

Lieutenant Ryan, formerly of the First Nel to in regiment and now one of the officers of the Forty-fifth United States volunteers, recently wrote a letter to the Nebraska State Journal, in which he saked, "Who holds the gun to the in-surgent's shoulder?" He answered the quetion himself when he said: "I note what is said about the natives having backing from outside powers, but I am sorry to say the strongest backing they have comes from the United States. The insurgents continue fighting because certain traitors have by speeches and arts given the Filipinos to understand that if they just hold cut a little longer the next presidential election will bring a change of party and a withdrawal of troops. I have been told over and over by the peaceful natives how the insurgent soldiers robbes their homes, took their clothes and made them work for them. Time and again I pick up in-surgent papers with translations of speeches made at home against our government. I see some of them have been cheered by our fellow countrymen. Surely such a cheer would be nusic to a soldier dying on the field in Luzon Here we have a built for the enemy in from and a hayonet for the knives that creep up is the fear, but how can we reach those who us in the back from home? When the fact is settled that the states will uphold the common der in chief of the army then will the war is ended. But just so long as the American pap repeat these insurrects speeches against commander and as long as they say he will he elected, just so long will some robbing leader hold a band of thiever around him in hopes the American soldler will be recalled."

And now Mr. Bryan, the candidate of the emocratic party for president, by holding our sopes of independence to the Filipinos and urg-ing them to continue the fight till he is presi-ient, dispels the last Josht that may have remained in the mind of patriotic Democrats an makes the altuation clear to all. He is the ally of Aguinuldo.

in the United States who will not sustain Mr. Bryan in the policy he has laid down. They Bryan in the policy he has laid down. They do not doubt the capacity of the American peoto hal doubt the capacity of the American peo-pie to solve any problem that may be presented to them; they are not afraid of meeting squarely any situation that may arise; they love their country; they are proud of the capacity of their countrymen to govern wisely and well; and they love their flag, hate these who fight against it, and have nothing but contempt for those politi-cal leaders who advocate a policy of cowardly surrender to the forces of disorder.

THE BOXER'S FINISH.

The Boxer wimbled down the way And gliggered on the rocks, And waggled with his ingletray And then began to box.

The Boxer met the foreign man, Who freely gligged him one-The glabber spiffed the inglispan, The Boxer's on the run. -Chicago Times-Herald.

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At the end of the great Civil War there was many a poor soldier who came out of the smoke of battle without bruises, but with broken health on account of the hardships which he had gone through. Many of those who had escaped the bullets were just as badly wounded through stomach and digestive troubles brought on by camp life. A Justice of the Peace for Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, in relating his experience of years before, recently said: "I served four years in the Civil War, and spent ten months of that time in a Southern military prison in which, as is well known, the bill of fare was not high but rough, and which deranged my stomach and bowels to such an extent that I have been a continuous sufferer from indigestion and constipation ever since. I recently procured a box of Ripans Tabules and gave them a trial and was both pleased and surprised to find I could eat the most hearty food without inconvenience, which I have not been able to do for thirty years. I would not be without Ripans Tabules for many times their cost."

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We are going to give scholarships and other special rewards to the ten persons who will be most successful and attain the highest number of points in our Educational Contest. By scholarships we mean a full course of study, paying the tuition charges in each, and in the cases of the two leading scholarships. The Tribune will not only pay all tuition charges but will also pay the board of the fortunate winners during the life of the scholarship, covering four and three years respectively.

In addition to the ten special rewards, and in order to compensate those who may enter upon this work and not be successful in obtaining one of these, The Tribune will give to every one who succeeds in obtaining subscribers under the terms of this contest ten (10) per cent, of all the money from subscriptions they may succeed in winning for it.

All letters of inquiry should be addressed to "Editor of the Educational Contest, Scranton Tribune, Scranton, Pa." The Tribune will be pleased to answer any inquiries for additional information and urges those interested to write if in doubt on any

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Washington avenue) \$455.
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Wyoming avenue)

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