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SCRANTON, JANUARY 8, 1902. The renomination at last night's Seventeenth ward primaries of Frank S. Barker for school controller by a handsome plurality, after a spirited but friendly fight, is a satisfactory outcome.

Public Baths. MUCH HAS been said, and much more ought to be said, about the need of free public baths in Scranton. This is a very real need in every large city.

Next to free public baths in value to the community come baths under private auspices, at low cost. Indeed, there is good argument for not making municipal baths free, but for fixing the price at a figure which will make the enterprise self-sustaining with good management.

An Intelligent Statement. THE United States Export association is a non-partisan business association to widen American markets and keep labor and capital profitably employed.

Unpublished History. I PUBLIC discussions of our foreign relations the statement has frequently been made and denied that Russia helped to prevent our Civil War.

In the "Life of Thucydides" the distinct assertion is made that immediately after Louisiana had been ceded to England to join with France in breaking the North's blockade of the Confederate ports.

In collaboration of this assertion the Sun now prints a letter from John Bigelow, at the time our consul at Paris, and an intimate friend of Mr. Seward, our secretary of state.

There is no getting away from the soundness of these conclusions. They point to a duty that the Republican majority in congress must not shirk.

Upon the supposition that Senator Platt, of New York, may not care to return to the senate, the problem of choosing his successor is engaging the attention of the Empire State Republicans.

An interesting token of Russian friendship for the United States is given in the Russian government's placing at the disposal of Dr. Horace N. Allen, our newly-appointed minister to Ceres, a special car to take him by rail from St. Petersburg over the Trans-Siberian railroad to Port Arthur.

Last year the mines of the United States contributed to the world's wealth \$1,650,000,000. These figures convey little meaning to the mind.

In the forthcoming or sixteenth annual report of the commissioner of labor of the United States, Hon. Carroll D. Wright, which is expected from the press in the course of the next few months, an exhaustive study of the strikes and lockouts of the past twenty years is to be presented.

Many of the farms given away to original settlers in Oklahoma two years ago, are now selling for \$100,000 apiece. With an area the size of Ohio, half a million good people owning property the assessed valuation of which is \$300,000,000, and having every modern convenience and comfort, it is going to be hard to keep Oklahoma from soon becoming a state.

Editor Meek, of the Bellefonte Watchman, who has been sued for libel by State Treasurer-elect Frank G. Harris, on account of the publication during the last campaign of slanderous attacks, threatens to subpoena every politician of note in the state and "lift the lid." Our recollection is that this threat has been made before.

Twenty years ago there were not more than 5,000 telephones in use in this country. The latest figures show that there are now in use more than 2,000,000 phones. When that Kentucky farmer gets his wireless phone system in working order, telephones will be a drug on the market.

To the unjudicial mind, it always seems as though there was something wrong with the "stop, look and listen" technically that has been the means of saving so much money for corporations in case of accident.

Latest reports indicate that Webster Davis is becoming more moderate. He is now willing to divide the blame for the continuation of the Boer war between President Roosevelt and congress.

It is feared in some quarters that the absence of red fire and ginger in President Palma's policy may make it unpopular with his constituents in the late insurrection.

The proposed bill against flirting, which has been introduced in the New York legislature, will, if enacted, probably open up a new field for expert testimony.

From long range, it looks as though the advance agents of the Chinese court began to put on airs rather early in the game.

It is pleasing to note that the Hanna and Foraker factions have promised to be merciful to each other.

THE MAN WITH THE HOE. For The Tribune. "The man with the hoe" is a libel based on the libel of the human race.

Take all the pathways that lead to fame, And of the pilgrims ask, where they came, And you'll learn that they who the highest go Spring from the stock of the man with the hoe.

OUR GREATEST NEEDS. Editor of The Tribune:— Sir: The following are a few of the many reasons why congress should pass a liberal ship subsidy bill immediately.

Because we have only enough vessels to properly do the business of our lakes, rivers, harbors and coasts.

Because we have only one line of mid-ocean steamers crossing the Atlantic to Europe, only seven steamers crossing the Pacific to Asia, and only three steamers to Australia.

Because Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and other nations have subsidized, regular lines of fast steamers to North and South America, Asia, Africa, Australia and Europe, to the extent of \$20,000,000 annually.

Because the United States is the largest producer of steel and coal, enabling us both to build and run many more vessels readily.

Because, in a time of war and at all times, unless our merchant marine is largely increased, we are at the mercy of foreign nations for the carrying of 91.8 of our gigantic exports and imports.

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REBUKED BY THE BISHOP. Bishop Whittle tells the following little story, which may serve as an object lesson for some of the nervous meetings in a lonely mountain district.

"My ma says I'm the best boy in all the town, you know; And I believe it, for you see, What my ma says is so."

"Does your father know very much?" asked one small boy of another. "Well," replied the other, "he knows me, and I'm a good deal."

"Who was George Washington, Nellie?" asked the teacher of a little girl in the primary department. "Wasn't she Mrs. Washington's second husband?" was the truthful but rather unexpected reply.

"Mamma," said little Johnny at the breakfast table the other morning, "this is awful old butter, isn't it?" "Why do you think it is old, dear?" asked his mother.

"Cause," replied Johnny, "I just found a gray hair in it."

Little Clara tossed about in her bed, looking at the moon, which was beaming brightly through the curtainless window.

"A few days later Bobby dined at a neighbor's and being offered some delicious cream he said: 'Haven't you folks got any spun cream?'"

Always Busy Shoe Stores, 114-116 Wyoming Ave. A Second-Class City with a First-Class Stock of the finest Cut Glass, Sterling Silverware Clocks, Etc.

Suitable for Wedding Gifts. Mercereau & Connell, 132 Wyoming Avenue.

FINLEY'S January Sale of Fine Muslin Underwear. Fine Cambrie, Nainsook and Muslin Undergarments of superior workmanship and beautiful finish.

CORSET COVERS from 19c to \$6.00. NIGHT GOWNS from 75c to \$15.00. CHEMISES from 50c to \$4.50. DRAWERS from 25c to \$4.50. LONG SKIRTS from 98c to \$15.00. SHORT SKIRTS from 35c to \$3.00. CHILDREN'S DRAWERS Special lot Children's Drawers, made from good quality fine muslin.

Headquarters for Incandescent Gas Mantles, Portable Lamps. THE NEW DISCOVERY Kern Incandescent Gas Lamp. Gunster & Forsyth 253-257 Penn Avenue.

Hill & Connell's Holiday Furniture. There can be no more appropriate gift than one of the following lines, all of which are marked in plain figures:

Writing Desks, Dressing Tables, Fancy Tables, Cheval Glasses, Parlor Cabinets, Music Cabinets, Book Cases, Screens, Lounges, Work Tables, Easy Chairs, Gill Chairs, Inlaid Chairs, Rockers, Sliding Stands, Pedestals, Jardinieres, Morris Chairs.

Low prices and large assortment to select from, of well made and desirable patterns. Hill & Connell 121 N. Washington Ave. Allis-Chalmers Co Successors to Machine Business of Dickson Manufacturing Co., Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Stationary Engines, Boilers, Mining Machinery, Pumps.

SCRANTON'S BUSINESS HOUSES. THESE ENTERPRISING DEALERS CAN SUPPLY YOUR NEEDS OF EVERY CHARACTER PROMPTLY AND SATISFACTORILY. BUILDING CONTRACTOR, FOR SALE, J. B. WOOLSEY & CO CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS. PLATE GLASS AND LUMBER OF ALL KINDS. SECURITY BUILDING & SAVINGS UNION. E. JOSEPH KUETTEL. HORN'S MEAT MARKET.

REMOVAL SALE. We have determined to reduce our stock prior to our removal to our new building at our former location, 129 Wyoming avenue. Special Clearance Prices on Entire Stock. Carpets, Draperies, Rugs, Linoleums, Shades, etc. WALLPAPER. 510-512 Lackawanna Ave.

GOODS STORED FREE OF CHARGE. Williams & McAnulty, Temporary Store, 126 Washington Avenue.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF SCRANTON. Organized 1872. Depository of the United States. Capital, \$200,000 Surplus, \$550,000. WILLIAM CONNELL, President. HENRY BELIN, JR., Vice President. WILLIAM H. PECK, Cashier.

THE SMITH PREMIER TYPEWRITER. Occupies an Imperishable Position in the BUSINESS WORLD. Unquestionable Superior Merit. The Smith Premier Typewriter Co., Scranton Branch Office, Nos. 1 and 3, Arcade Building.

Are You a Lover of the Beautiful? A Difference. There is as much difference in diamonds as there is in human faces, and not infrequently as much hidden deception. E. Schimpff, 317 Lackawanna Ave.