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REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

Committee—E. VAN R. MORRIS.

For the benefit of the Scranton Times we will say that The Tribune's circulation was never so large, substantial, loyal or profitable as it is today.

Appeal of the Delinquent Tax Case.

BY THE appeal which it is to be made to the Supreme court in the matter of the delinquent tax collectorship it is hoped that a clearer view may be had of the law in this case.

It is, indeed, an open question whether Article XVII of the charter, which provides that "all city officers and employees shall receive a fixed salary for their services," makes possible a basis of compensation for the collector of delinquent taxes resting on a percentage of collections.

Light Breaking for Cuba.

GRADUALLY the muddle at Washington over what should be done for Cuba is clarifying. It now appears that the sudden determination of the Republican members of the house ways and means committee to take off the war taxes before considering the Cuban issue was in pursuance of a political play.

In the meantime, that accomplished legislative architect, Senator Spooner, has devised what may prove a useful compromise measure. He proposes that the United States charge full duty rates on all Cuban sugar and tobacco coming in from Cuba, but in consideration of the agreement of the Cuban republic to reduce the Cuban tariffs on American goods going into Cuba, the United States is to refund to the Cuban government, say 40 per cent. of the duties collected on Cuban sugar and tobacco.

which the United States would not be directly concerned. We have no doubt that substantially what the president asks and what good faith and a clean national conscience demand for Cuba will be awarded by the present congress at the present session and with very little further delay.

We advise all who are open to evidence, argument and conviction in the Schley case to get, read and ponder a copy of the "comment" on Schley's appeal laid before the president by the judge advocates of the court of inquiry, Captain Leamy, and his legal counsel, Mr. Hanna. It absolutely demolishes the Schley myth.

Yankeeedom's One Hundred.

IT MUST be conceded that the German Kaiser knows his business. The latest proof is embodied in the New York Sun's story of the plans of a luncheon which certain business men are to give in honor of Prince Henry, Feb. 25.

From this it appears that the Kaiser told the German ambassador that he wished his brother to meet one hundred of the Americans who are chiefly responsible for the wonderful advances in industry and commerce made by the American people in the past few years.

The Kaiser's wish will be complied with. It is not an easy task to pick out the one hundred men of most importance in the business life of a country so full of great men and men reputedly great as is the United States.

Because, as the spokeswoman of the legion women at their formal reception by the Empress Dowager, Mrs. Conger, the wife of our minister to China, used kind instead of abusive words, she is receiving sharp criticism among the foreigners at Peking.

Too Good.

CAN A MAN be too good? This question may seem absurd, but every little while something arises which appears to give point to it. One of these occurrences has just taken place in Nebraska.

In the town of Bellwood there lived for fifteen years a man by the name of Gould. He was an elder in a church; he taught in the Sunday school; he practiced abstemiousness from all the visible small vices that in other men call for professional probation; he was a teacher of morals, was made the theme of many eulogistic references.

Our observation is that the man who does not try to be unnaturally good, but is content with being just healthily good, or humanly good, with a reasonable spillway for the overflow of natural tendencies, makes, in the long run, the safer fellow in a position of trust.

It is asserted by the London correspondent of the New York Sun that a settlement of the South African difficulty on the basis of a complete autonomy for the conquered republics as enjoyed by the people of Canada was recently possible to the Boers, who, through their foreign agent, Dr. Leyds, threw it aside, with the assertion that they would accept nothing short of unconditional independence. This is magnificent; but it is not sensible.

HE IS THE WORLD'S GREATEST MERCHANT

Richard Lindbergh in Alabaster's. IN THE LONG list of American multi-millionaires few names have little or no significance in the average reader's consciousness among these is the name of Marshall Field. It is seldom heard outside of Chicago, except in connection with the name of the greatest merchant in the world, and, possibly, the third richest man in the United States.

Another foundation stone of his success has been business integrity. The house of Marshall Field & Co. is as far above suspicion as Carnegie's. The great merchant has escaped the obloquy of "Money" Marshall Field, but the adjective is indelibly stamped upon his business reputation.

Only of late years has it been possible to obtain his photograph, but the best counterfeiter in the world has failed to make a copy that does not do him justice. It is faithful only in showing his white hair and mustache, and the well-traced features of a man who has lived a strenuous life. It cannot put the rapid glance in the cold, gray eyes, set far back in the head.

OUTLINE STUDIES OF HUMAN NATURE

One on Ingalls. A good story from the New York Times is told of the railroad magnate, M. E. Ingalls. Ingalls is allied with the Vanderbilt system in the Middle West, and like all prominent railroad men, he maintains a residence in the city to which he is required to state their errand before being admitted to the great man.

From the Saturday Evening Post. Women are the real scientific experts; they break men's hearts without hurting them. The author of many eulogistic articles on the long list of famous women is prompt.

That Biscuit Story Again. He checked home the other evening in a frame of mind from which affairs at his office had not exactly suited him, and his temper was ruffled. When he sat down to supper his wife noticed his depression, but made no comment.

IT FILLS THE BILL. There are numerous directories before the public designed for the benefit of advertisers, but none is more compact or handy for reference than the "Blue Book," issued by the J. Walter Thompson Co., New York City.

Always Busy. A shoe that fits the eye should fit the foot—or you don't want it. There is style—effect of smartness in our shoes which appeals to good dressers—but more important—every pair of our gentlemen's \$5 shoes are at this time \$4, which is important to the economist.

What Justice Is Like. While M. Constant, the artist, was spending a day with President Loubet at Reims, he was asked by his host upon what subject he was now engaged. "Oh, in President," said the other, "I am painting a big canvas symbolizing justice."

FINLEY'S

New Embroideries and White Dress Fabrics

The New Spring White Wash Fabrics and Embroideries are here in profusion, they have just been opened, and are ready for your inspection.

When you have seen them you will certainly pronounce them the prettiest collection you have ever seen.

It is unnecessary for us to go into a detail description of these lines, sufficient to say, they are up to our usual high standard of excellence--containing all that is new and desirable.

Office Desks and Office Furniture



New and Complete Assortment. Being the LARGEST FURNITURE DEALERS IN SCRANTON. We carry the greatest assortment of up-to-date Office Furniture. You are invited to examine our new line before purchasing.

Hill & Connell. 121 Washington Avenue.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK OF SCRANTON. Capital, \$200,000. Surplus, \$550,000.

FRED R. SMITH. ELECTRIC AND GAS FIXTURES, GAS STOVES. 507 Linden Street. Board of Trade Building.

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.

Advertisement for various business services including building contractors, bakeries, and contractors.

Your Last Opportunity...

To take advantage of Our Great Removal Sale is this week, and perhaps not all the week either, as we shall try and get into our new store before Saturday, if possible, so come today or tomorrow and secure some of these bargains:

Advertisement for carpet department and curtain bargains with price lists.

Advertisement for Williams & McAnulty, 126 Washington Avenue.

Advertisement for E. Schimpff, E. Schimpff, 317 Lackawanna Ave.

HALF COST SALE At Crane's

Advertisement for Crane's Half Cost Sale with list of clothing items and prices.