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SCRANTON, FEBRUARY 26, 1902.

Report has it that one reason why so many Pittston saloon keepers grew careless of the liquor law was because the mayor of Pittston said it was to be a wide open town.

Short Shrift for Stray Dogs.

THE LIABILITY to rabies from the bites of unmuzzled dogs is about one case in ten million exposures; and it is well established that more harm results from a scare on the subject than from all the dog bites that ever were bitten.

But dog bites are not pleasant at best. Neither is the spectacle of many tramp curs eluding around the streets of a populous city.

Chiefly, the order of the director of public safety commanding the police to effect an early reduction in the orphaned canine population of Scranton will be generally approved.

If anybody tries to raise a rabies scare in your neighborhood, don't get excited and think your last hour has come. But, on the other hand, don't try to resist the police extinction of stray curs. On general principles it is a public necessity.

What a pleasure it is to see the brethren of the board of control dwelling together in harmony. So mote it always be.

Colonel Watres' Candidacy.

THE ASSERTION is made in dispatches from Pittsburg that Colonel J. A. Watres, Lackawanna's only present aspirant for the governorship, is about to begin a contest for delegates in Allegheny county.

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Little has reached us here at home of the colonel's plans; but if the foregoing version of them is true it speaks well for Lackawanna county and for the party. Should Colonel Watres' candidacy result in his nomination, that obviously would be of advantage to this county.

In an interview given out by him in Pittsburg Colonel Watres says he has put up his delegates in this county and does not anticipate that they will be opposed. In that statement we have no doubt that he is correct.

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The newspaper viscerators are no longer prophesying that President Roosevelt will put his foot in it. They are beginning to recognize that he is a president with a head.

About the Pink Slip.

TO IMPUTE dishonesty to a body of business men when a more charitable view is possible is often unfair. It is possible that it was unfair in the case of the board of fire underwriters for the Pittsford department whose course in the pink slip matter we censured yesterday.

Against such a ruling the minority had a good right to protest. The majority was wise in not ignoring the points of manifest justice in their protest.

The name of William M. Laffan now appears at the head of the editorial page of the New York Sun, indicating that control of that paper has passed into his hands.

representative local underwriters we are assured that the singular course of the middle department board has not had their unqualified approval.

The communication from a number of local underwriters to which we give place in another column presents with ability all the defense that can be made in behalf of the board's course.

The effort of Wellington of Maryland to make out that William McKinley was a liar and trickster can hardly be pronounced a successful success.

Disfranchising a State.

THE POINT raised in Senator Tillman's behalf, that the senate has no right under the constitution, short of a sentence of expulsion, to withhold from any state its due participation in the votes of the senate, had merit in it.

The conduct of Tillman merits the penalty of expulsion. It is flagrantly bully-like and defiant. Even worse than his first fight on the floor of the senate was his audacious refusal to decline the president's invitation to attend the dinner in honor of Prince Henry.

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of the brilliance and wonderful versatility which it displayed during the lifetime of Charles A. Dana, the Sun is yet easily the most readable newspaper printed in the English language and one of the foremost reaching in its influence upon contemporary thought.

Avoid Reform by Jerks.

OUR neighboring city of Pittston is just now in the throes of agitation over the refusal of the Luzerne license court of 23 liquor licenses, applied for by members of the Anti-Saloon league.

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scarcely taking enough food to sustain existence and using no stimulants whatever; to stay so it were in a world where all men are as shadows and only he is real.

Padewski could have been great in almost any line he had chosen a wonderful is this ability to concentrate his entire energies on the subject at hand.

Let a Pole come to him with a tale of woe and a prompt reply to prayer is assured by the lavish gifts he bestows.

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