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SCRANTON, MAY 16, 1902.

For governor of Pennsylvania, on the issue of an open field and fair play,

JOHN P. ELKIN, of Indiana. subject to the will of the Republican

The Suspense Ended.

masses.

NCERTAINTY is the bane of business. The commercial Interests of Northeastern

to win. In the long run it will win. Pennsylvania have for weeks Manipulation may defeat the will of been under a pall of uncertainty. This the people in the state convention, but has lifted. The community now knows should it do so. John P. Elkin will yet what to expect. Passion among the live to triumph grandly. Heretofore he representatives of the mine workers has been content to be a lieutenant, has outvoted reason; a challenge to shouldering the burdens and the blame battle from the operators timed to fit of older men and taking punishment

their convenience has been accepted; and there is no visible escape from a battle to a finish. Deplorable as this is, it has its ad-

vantages. It fixes a basis of calculain our commonwealth's political aftion and promises to focus and to end fairs; and this no matter what result in one grand struggle the unrest which shall be registered on June 11. has permeated the industrial life of

the anthracite coal fields since the successful coal strike of two years ago. Had the decision at Hazieton been

otherwise, there would doubtless have been a prolongation of turmoil and uncertainty almost as hurtful to prosperity as a wholesale strike, with a strike always in ugly prospect as the probable eventual outcome. Every generation has to have its lesson.

Meanwhile, the men, women and children inhabiting this portion of the earth must live, and that insures a certain minimum of business. Of all the communities in the coal fields Scranton promises to suffer the least,

She has varied industries, mostly prosperous; and the percentage of wages carned in mining or allied to it is here probably the smallest. Although it will be a burden felt by all, the only

mire his pure-blooded pluck and smil- the sentence, dismiss the proceedings, ing self-confidence, there would not be award a new trial, or make such other the ghost of a show for Senator Quay judgment or order as substantial justice shall require; and the Supreme to consummate Elkin's defeat. -In the meantime, Mr. Elkin, where- court may, upon such hearing, take ever opportunity offers, continues his any additional evidence which it deems personal appeal to the people. He necessary in the interest of justice. spoke in Shamokin Wednesday night. This provision shall apply to all ap-An enthusiastic assemblage heard and peals now pending or hereafter taken." cheered him. In the course of his re-The Cuban constitution provides that marks he again defined his attitude in all laws existing at the time of the the current canvass. His words give a transfer shall be continued. This insures the permanency of the foregoing good insight into the man. He said: vital amendment. The value of this As you know, I am a candidate for governor.

It is not know, I am a contractive for governor, is not provide the nomination. It would afferd me much pleasure to receive the four votes of the dele-gates from Northumberland county. If a major-ity of your people favor my nomination, then it is a minimum for the pardoning power. Thus to be assumed that wheever the delegates elected shall be they will oblige the sentiment of the people and vote for me at the state convention. If a majority of your people do not favor my It a majority of your people do not favor my nomination, then I do not desire nor expect the The strange thing about this condition of affairs is that the United States ores of your delegates. In order to avertain what the sentiment of authorities should not have remedied our people on this question is, under the rules it sooner. However, a late remedied it sooner this people on this question, my name has been better than none. In coming years the service done to Cuba by Senator Hanna your primaries on Saturday whether you prenot candidacy or that of some other gentleman governor. The name of Mr. Watres has also in his engerness to aid a friend will, we dare say, be appreciated at its true

a registered in your county, and it seems that contect here is limited to the two of us. My spetitor is a most working gentleman. I know hing but good of him. He is homorable and worth. During the present state of anxiety upright in his dealing with his fellowmen. His official and public record is most creditable, and over unsolved questions of the hour it is not likely that even a small bet no one can make any criticism of his private life. He, like myself, has gone out before the people could be secured upon the probable result of the Danish West Indies sale end made an open, manly contest as a candidate

couraged feeling.

pose, however, and they are now bending their efforts to defeat the nomination of both of us

aimed at official superiors. Circum-

stances have put him forward in his

own right and title. You will see him

grow to be easily the giant personality

In acknowledging that self-respect

firmed an opinion of long standing.

Exemplary.

ing his self-respect.

EWIS NINON, one of the

men in the United States,

lasted as boss of Tammany

deadlock. I had hoped that the contest might be confined to the two of us. It seemed to me that if the leaders of the party did not favor my nomination Mr. Reid's lack of appreciation must give the sentinels of liberty a dis- of ey would have selected my aggressive opponent their condidate. This did not suit their pur-

Hence, it resolves leads into a question for the peach to decide. I would like every man who h condidute for this honor to come out in the As we continue our preparations to n and go before the propie in the counties where primaries are yet to be held, so that the proaching battle we note: Under our Republican policy the American people may have in opportunity of expressing their preference among all the candidates. This is the only fair method of deciding the contro-

workman is fully protected. The staples of food are produced on our own soil, while our protect-ive tariff enables manufacturers to pay the highst wages of any country in the we Frank and manly talk like this ought What better indication of the prospetity of the

scople can be had than deposits of savings. Five cars ago the amount on deposit in the savings anks of the United States was \$1,940,000,000; now \$2,640,000,000, an increase of \$700,000,600, or \$140,000,000 a year.

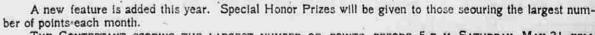
"The arguments in favor of the creation of an American mercantile marine are unanswerable. The opposition comes largely if not mainly from the representatives of foreign ships which now monopolize the ocean carrying trade. Why should we, a practical nation, stand so completely in our own light? Why do not the manufacturers and the wage earners in their employ-the most skillful and intelligent labor in the world-arouse themselves and demand that American interests shall no longer be sacrificed to those of our rivals in other commercial tries?"-Troy Times.

Large exports and small imports may generally and Tammanyism cannot exist under be looked upon as an indication of a healthy ra-tional condition. The claim that is made that the same roof, Mr. Nixon has conbecause our imports are large there is something the matter with the workings of the protective tariff, is not a truthfui one, for an examination of the government figures show that practically or the government figures show that practically one-half of these importations are manufacturers' materials, amounting in March to \$41,000,000. This means nothing but the greatest activity among American factories and the consequent enablest and cleanest young ployment of labor. The other articles imported are very largely those which we cannot produce ourselves, simply showing that the American just four months and three days. Then he resigned peremptorily, "saying he people have some surplus money to spend for forcould not continue longer without losign products.

American Free Traders, who, blind to the mat Nixon had been chosen by Croker, when the latter made a feint at re-tretive policy, continue to demand its destruc-tiring, because in the first place he had tion, should pay attention to what is going on in relous benefits we have received from our protiring, because in the first place he had exhibited executive and administrative other countries. Germany has already seen the advantages of the protective system and has forti-fied herself behind a tariff wall. Even free trade qualities of a high order; also because would be idle to deny that the strike he was wealthy, popular and not mix- England has begun to perceive her error and would be idle to deny that the strike due in any of the shady doings which weakness and an agitation in favor of a processed of the shady doings which we tariff is stirring the kinedom. If the



Points. given a choice of the remaining rewards, and so on through the list. The contestant who secures the highest number of points during any calendar month of the contest will receive a special honor reward, this reward being entirely independ-ent of the ultimate disposition of the scholarships. Each contestant failing to secure a special reward will be given 10 per cent, of all money he or she turns in. All subscriptions must be paid in advance. Only new subscribers will be counted. Henewals by persons whose names are already on our sub-scription list will not be credited. The Tribune will investi-sate ench subscription and if found irregular in any way reserves the right to reject it. No transfers can be made after credit has once been given. All subscriptions and the cash to pay for them must be handed in at The Tribune office within the week in which they are secured, so that papers can be sent to the sub-scribers at once. Subscriptions must be written on blanks, which can be secured at The Tribune office, or will be sent by mail.



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thing to do is to face the inevitable nunfully and hide the white feather. Behind the cloud the sun shine. brightly and the cloud cannot obscure it forever.

The publication of another with- Nixon found out that he was being drawal rumor is evidence that the am- made use of as a mere figurehead he munition supply of Mr. Elkin's opponents is running low.

## Why Elkin Is Strong.

N PTS review of the political situation the Philadelphia Ledger, an importial newspaper says: "Republican leaders who

are with Senator Quay in the gabernatorial contest are becoming alarmed at the progress Attorney General Elkin is making in capturing delegates in the country districts. Every county In which the attorney general has made a light for delegates, except one district in Luzerne and one in Schuvikill. he has won, and every victory seems to encourage his friends in other districts to renewed efforts. On Tuesday he added two counties to his list, Armstrong and Forest, with four delegates. much to the disgust of the Quayites, who are beginning to display concern as to their ability to control the state convention. The attorney general's supporters do not show any signs of weakening in the contest. They claim that Mr. Eikin is much stronger among the active men in the party and with the people since his rejection by Senator Quay than he was when he was understood to have been the choice of the organization for governor."

There is just one inaccuracy in this quotation. Mr. Elkin was not defeated in Luzerne county. The popular vote instructed in his favor and delegates Feil and Morgans, the choice of the stood in Cuba, an appeal from a court people, will be seated at Harrisburg unless revolutionary factics shall provall. In Schuylkill no opportunity for an expression of the people at a direct primary was afforded; and the Elkin following had to fight a desperate and resourceful group of federal office. holders, including an assistant United

States treasurer, a deputy 'revenue collector and half a dozen postmasters, yet came within four delegates of winning. In every district where the has yet many things to learn in conpeople have taken a direct vote John P. Elkin has won. In not one instance situation was in reality a weak spot in hhs the popular majority declared

against him. Not a delegate has been elected for any other candidate by direct vote of the Republican people; and we doubt that one will be, Facts like these are significant. They

sible the vindication of his friend, are not to be underestimated. It is Major Rathbone, the war department small wonder that Senator Quay finds has issued instructions to General revolution threatened in his own Wood to promulgate before the formal county and feels under the necessity transfer on May 20 an amendment of of renting a house at Harrisburg and the law of criminal procedure to the occupying it for a period of ten days following effect:

before the convention. But for the im-"Upon an appeal to the Supreme mense wad of strength embodied in the court from the judgment and sentence solidified Philadelphia delegation, of a court, one conviction of a public whose members are confidently count- officer for a crime committed in the ed by Quay and Durham before one performance of his duties, the Supreme of them has been elected, and who, court shall have jurisdiction to review although taking orders, would sooner all questions of fact, law, and procedvote for John Elkin than any other ure arising upon the testimony, record, man in Pennsylvania, because they ad-

had caused public option to scourge had caused public optition to scourge and caused public optition to scourge af the United States are wise they will hold fast to that which is good. Every successful at-cause Croker expected through Nixon's tack on protection ever made in the United states was attended with disastrous results. gratitude and inexperience to run the Terre Haute Tribune. game while Nixon got the criticism and stood up to receive the blows. When

"The London Spectator views the ship combine with its usual philosophy and declares that the Americans are doing what was inevitable sooser ar later-claiming a share in Atlantic transport quietly called the district leaders toand that they are boing it in a way least likely to injure English interests. That's correct. And gether, spoke his resignation, put on his hat and walked out.

it might also be added that the American cap-ture of the trans-Atlantic trade is far less satis-factory to the people of this country tran it Undoubledly Nixon was sincerely of the belief, four months and three days would have been had that capture ago, that he could lift Tammany up to flying of the American flag over a big fleet of a plane of comparative respectability American-built ships,"-Troy Times,

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and restore it to its original place as An exchange of the Bryanite persuasion a reputable and useful auxiliary of "Democracy dusts the iron crown of labor," Does it refer to the "dusting" that the "crown stalwart politics. He failed to estimate accurately the force of habit. Years of labor" received when Cleveland was isoning ands and Coxey was marshalling all the trans of habit have made of Tammany a Washington?-Moravian Falls, N. C., Yellow huge enginery of spollation and oppres-Jacket. sion; a machinery whereby personal

enrichment or aggrandizement had Machinery has made it possible to work cherper and enable this navy yard to complete with othlong superseded principle. He tried ers, but not at the expense of our workingmen his best, failed, and manfully confessed will be seen below: fuilure. Employes

The endeavor was chivairie, December. The \$97..... disappointment no doubt is keen. But Nixon wins in getting away from bad His example should be a company. lesson,

"In December, 1897, there were 246 employes in the yard; in December, 1991, 910,"-Ports-mouth, N. H., Chronicle, Facts are facts. The It would probably be useless to attoregoing paragraph chows rearly four times as many workmen after five years of Republicanism, tempt to light the beef trust by abstaining from meat diet. As soon as We have now for three years been steadily tewe leave to exist upon cercals some purchasing American securities held by foreignors one will corner the wheat crop.

and the amount must have reached enormous figures. An Important Service.

N PRESSING for a new trial for Ester G. Plathbone, whom the Cuban courts convicted of compilcity in the Cuban postal trauds,

Earners. Wages, 24.9 Senator Hanna indirectly did a great New Hampshire..... service to Cuba. Under the law as it Rhode Island. It will be seen that in four of the above states of original trial to the appellate court could be taken on points of law only per cent, increase in wages is much more than and not on the discovery of new evithe per cent, increase in wage carners,

dence or on merit. In other words, the Let the country ring, from the Atlantic to the privilege of appeal was so limited in Pacific, from the Arctic to the tropics, will our hattle cry of "Protection, Progress and Prosner-ity" till the suncet gun is fixed on the first scope that the verdlet of the lower court in the case of a man of moderate means and social or political posi- Tuesday of November next, and we rejoice the victory, tion was practically final. Walter J. Ballard,

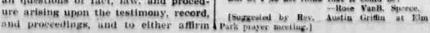
When we consider that the average Scheneetady, N. Y. court of original jurisdiction in Cuba HAD I BEEN THERE.

ducting trials fairly and justiy, this For The Tribune. Had I been there-at Jesus' cross --Where Joseph and where Nicodennis stoud, the insular judicial system and its cor-It may be that I'd not have begged rection is of wider importance than in It's place to take and suffer in His stead, But I-1 think I should! reference to any particular case. Upon the initiative of Senator Hanna, Achose

liad I been there--in Pilate's hallimmediate purpose is to secure if pos-When out before the mob the Savior stood, It may be that for His dear sake not have erayed that I the cross might take-But O, I think I should!

> Had I been there, when Pilate said "I find in flim he evil-only good"--When cruci hands had wov'n the thorny crown And on that hely brow had pressed it down--It may be that Pd, too, have passive stood With no protect, in that vast multitude--It may be, but I do not think I should.

Had I been there that loncly night When Jesus kucht in dark Gethaemane. I do not know-4 might have slept---While in His soul's deep agony He sweat. But O. I do not think that it could be!



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