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It Marks an Epoch. JUDGED in the light of expected consequences, the successful conclusion in congress of the long fight for an isthmian canal constitutes a circumstance of the very first magnitude.

Electric Locomotion. THE POSSIBILITY that Scranton, through its coming connection with the Westinghouse interests, may be the theater of important experiments in the application of electricity to the long-distance hauling of freight and passengers, gives a local touch of interest to an article in the July Forum.

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mands with respect to this desired concession, the president is empowered to abandon the Panama route and to enter upon negotiations for the concessions required by the Nicaragua route.

Thus it can be seen that there is little danger of further fooling in this matter. Theodore Roosevelt will see to it that the canal shall be pushed forward just as fast as snail appear to be consistent with good work and safety.

Lord Kitchener declines to be lionized. He evidently proposes to keep his halo on.

A Noticeable Difference.

THE ACTION of the Democrats of the house in ignoring the so-called Philippine "outrages" and imperialism in general, and in confining their formulation of campaign issues to the trusts and the abuses of corporate power from which many people suffer is about the first exhibition of political wisdom that the present managers of the national Democracy have shown.

So long as the Democracy simply howled against the American soldier and the American flag, it was its own worst opponent. So long as its attitude in national affairs was merely to condemn everything done by the other side it received very little attention from intelligent people.

The howl over high prices following the enactment of the McKinley tariff elected Grover Cleveland. Those high prices were the best thing for the American workman that ever happened to him, because they indicated a revival of American industry and were the preliminary symptoms of the marvelous expansion of American production and commerce which, under the administration of the author of that tariff law and under the economic regime similar to the one which Cleveland and the Democratic party temporarily overthrew, placed this country far in the lead among the great nations of the earth and culminated in the most prosperous period in American history.

We are again having high prices—high in this sense, that they suffice to enable the payment of good and steady wages to labor, especially as compared with the wages paid under Democratic administration, while at the same time returning encouraging dividends to capital and enterprise. Hence the Democratic leaders in congress think that they can effect a repetition of history by repeating the campaign cries of 1892. In our judgment their expectation will be disappointed, and chiefly because there is in the white house a young man of financial and personal independence who has already put in motion the legal machinery necessary to develop the power of the federal government to restrain great combinations of capital from encroaching upon the natural rights of the people; and because the great mass of the people without regard to party have confidence in his honesty of purpose, fearlessness and good faith.

When Theodore Roosevelt started the federal department of justice upon the task of collecting information relative to the beef trust he established the issue which the leaders of the Democracy in the house are now feebly imitating; but with one very important difference. While the Democratic party has never done more than to call names and make faces at trusts, he took action. The voters have not failed to notice this difference.

Geologic discoveries in California have revealed that in early ages there was on this continent a species of flying reptile eight feet long and shaped like a crocodile. This has been replaced in modern times by the flying rumor, which is generally uglier and worse.

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lous to toss into the scrap heap. Says the Forum writer, Henry Harrison Supple:

"The cost of motive power in railway service is estimated at about forty per cent. and of labor at sixty per cent., and on this basis the influence of any economy in motive power would be less than one-half that which would appear from a direct comparison of fuel costs.

When it is considered, however, that the operating expenses practically equal the labor cost, it will be seen that the item of fuel is really only about twenty-five per cent. of the total cost. This means that even if electric traction were capable of saving one-half the fuel now required for steam locomotive traction, an altogether unwarranted assumption, the economy in total expense would be but twelve per cent. As a matter of fact, the most recent experience indicates that electric traction will enter as an auxiliary to the steam locomotive, that it will be used for suburban and local traffic, while powerful steam locomotives will retain their pre-eminence for hauling heavy through trains of high speed.

This, it must be confessed, does not look very encouraging to Mr. Westinghouse's expectation of the early substitution of electric for steam power in haulage. But there is no telling what this intensely practical wizard has up his sleeve. We trust that it will be something which, when it is produced for a show down, will contribute liberally to the growth of Scranton.

Greene and Gaynor, Oberlin Carter's alleged and fugitive pals in the Savannah harbor frauds, have thus far successfully resisted all attempts at their extradition. It is claimed that the officials of Quebec, or some of them, have shown very suspicious symptoms in their treatment of the application of agents of this government for the fugitives' return for trial. Let us hope that such suspicions are unwarranted.

During the past ten years America's import of canned fruits and vegetables was only four per cent. of the home production, while there was during the same period an increase of 350 per cent. in the export of canned fruits and of 136 per cent. in the export of canned vegetables. The time is not far distant when our tropical possessions will supply every want in these two directions not now supplied at home.

Yale has made James Whitcomb Riley a master of arts. Already he had become a master of hearts.

The Truth as to the Cost of Living

IN THE March number of the bulletin of the department of labor, the commissioner, Carroll D. Wright, has collected from published prices current on a certain day of each week from 1890 to 1901, inclusive. One of the articles the prices differ during the year, like butter, eggs, fruit and vegetables. But he gives the current price for each week during the year, and the footing of the several weeks is set down as the average price for the year. The price in Chicago for best beef cattle was in 1890 \$4.97 hundred pounds; in 1891, \$5.88, and for the seven years following, ranged from \$4.50 to \$5.50, averaging \$5.20. In 1890, \$5.99, and in 1891, \$6.12.

A similar condition of things is shown in almost every article of consumption. The prices in 1890 and 1891 were nearly as high as shown for 1900 and 1901, while from 1894 to 1897 there was a general depression in almost everything. We have selected a number of the most important items, which, if analyzed, will show that it did not cost a family for necessities in 1901 more than it did in 1890:

Fuel—Average annual price per ton in New York harbor: Anthracite coal, 1890, 1896, 1901. Broken, \$3.45, \$3.25, \$3.55. Chestnut, 3.25, 3.55, 4.32. Egg, 3.41, 3.54, 4.05. Stove, 3.71, 3.79, 4.32. Lowest price, highest, 1892, \$4.60. Bituminous—Lowest, 1892, \$2.40; highest, 1892, \$3.50.

Buildings materials have materially advanced, and with the demand of bricklayers and carpenters for a shorter day and an increase in wages, many who had contemplated building a home will be compelled to put up with their present quarters a while longer.

Men's boots and shoes with one exception, are lower than the average for twelve years. Calicoes, sheetings, almost all grades of sheetings, Wamsutta and New York mills sheetings and silk cloths are below the average. Some dress goods for women, and men's cloths are slightly above the average. Builders' hardware, mechanics' tools and iron and iron goods generally range from 10 to 25 per cent. higher.

MR. CONNELL'S CANDIDACY.

From the Carbonate Leader. The near approach of the Republican primaries has caused the political pot to boil merrily. The list of candidates for nomination has aroused much interest. There is a very general discussion of the names that will come before the party voters on July 8 and in a majority of cases there is the usual division of opinion. But both the rank and file appear to have settled largely on Hon. William Connell for a renomination to congress.

This is the leading office to be filled this fall and the fact that the minds of the Republicans seem already fixed on a candidate shows that they appreciate the faithful and efficient work done by Congressman Connell for the district and the party at large. That he is the most formidable candidate he could put forward goes without saying. He has demonstrated that he is admirably fitted to look after all local interests and through his efforts and influence the district has been recognized by congress and the national administration as never before. Much greater work will be done if the party to renominate him is therefore apparent. In honoring him the Republicans will honor themselves and the entire district.

Mr. Connell has been an active and successful worker at Washington since his first election to congress. He has certainly earned the right to a re-election. He has shown a high degree of ability since his first election to a political career.

WAKE UP, CONGRESS.

Editor of The Tribune— Sir: In the past ten years our trade with the Orient has gained more than 254 per cent. This is very gratifying, but the question immediately arises, how much greater would it have been had we possessed regular lines of American owned ocean steamships making weekly sailings to all the principal ports of Asia and Oceania? Think of the immense amount we shall have paid out to foreigners for freights on the \$120,000,000 shipped, and to be supplied, in 1902.

Without enlarging on the national prestige we have in mind to gain, is it not humiliating that our consul general at Bangkok, Siam, is obliged to say: "In eighteen years I have not seen a single vessel in this port flying the American flag at the masthead, except on a Sunday."

As pertinently as the Prince of Wales recently said, "Wake up, England," we say, "anent the ship subsidy bill, 'Wake up, congress.'" —Walter J. Ballard, Schenectady, N. Y., June 28.

MADE AN EXCELLENT RECORD.

From the Olyphant Gazette. Congressman Connell should be nominated by a large majority for an excellent record and his name adds strength to the ticket.

An Offer That Jefferson Could Not Accept.

Joseph Jefferson, the veteran actor, in a Philadelphia theatre recently spoke at a meeting in the interest of the Actors' Church Alliance, and, after expounding the cause of the believers in the Shakespeare theory of authorship, as opposed to the Baconian theory, told a story of an experience in "Rip Van Winkle." He said that in a western town, after an evening of the play, he received a profusely complimentary letter from a citizen, who afterwards called "My name is Dunk," he said, "I am the inventor of 'Dunk's Patent Spring Bed.' Mr. Jefferson, I've been mightily pleased with your play, and as you have been in the theatre, you've given me and mine I want to make you a present of one of my spring beds."

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Rules of the Contest.

The special rewards will be given to the person securing the largest number of points. Points will be credited to contestants securing new subscribers to The Scranton Tribune as follows: One month's subscription... \$50; 1 Three months' subscription... 1.50; 3 Six months' subscription... 2.50; 6 One year's subscription... 5.00; 12. The contestant with the highest number of points will be given a choice from the list of special rewards; the contestant with the second highest number of points will be 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 independent of the ultimate disposition of the scholarships. Exact 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. Renewals by persons whose names are already on our subscription list will not be credited. The Tribune will investigate each subscription and if found irregular in any way reserves the right to refuse 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 subscribers at once. Subscriptions must be written on blanks, which can be secured at The Tribune office, or will be sent by mail.

Special Honor Prizes for June.

Two Special Honor Prizes are to be presented to the contestants securing the largest number of points during the month of June. Only points scored during June will be counted. First Prize—Ten Dollars in Gold. Second Prize—Five Dollars in Gold. Special Honor Prizes for July, August, September and October will be announced later.

Those wishing to enter the Contest should send in their names at once. All questions concerning the plan will be cheerfully answered. Address all communications to CONTEST EDITOR, Scranton Tribune, Scranton, Pa.

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