

LIVE QUESTIONS

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FREELAND TRIBUNE.

Commencing with Monday, February 10, 1896, and continuing through the year, the TRIBUNE proposes to publish a series of able articles upon subjects of vital and general interest to our readers. Eminent thinkers and writers of national reputation on Social, Economic and Industrial Problems have promised contributions upon topics of universal interest. The list of authors, and the comprehensive group of "Live Questions" that will be treated by them, can be seen on this page, and will, we confidently believe, merit the hearty interest of readers who are already interested in these themes, and are anxious to receive the most rational opinions obtainable.

All articles will be prepared in an inquiring and scientific spirit, and will be non-sectional and non-partisan. Vigor and simplicity of statement will be aimed at, and all phases of reform thought will be fairly and impartially presented. Upon subjects about which there is a variety of candid opinions, all sides will receive an equal opportunity to be heard, that the truth may, if possible, be arrived at.

This is the first co-operative attempt upon the part of able writers to thoroughly discuss all the interesting phases of social and industrial life for the masses who would be the beneficiaries of substantial reforms, and the arrangements made by the TRIBUNE give us the sole privilege of publishing the articles in this town. They can be read in no other Freeland paper, and those of our readers who are not subscribers should have their names placed on the list without delay.

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The "Great Moral Party" in Luzerne.

There was a time, not many years ago, when the claim was made by Republican leaders that their organization was the "great moral party" of the country. Luzerne and its neighboring counties were strongly Democratic then, and the apparent difference in the methods of the two parties in such matters as primaries, conventions, etc., caused not a few to believe that in the Republican ranks were to be found the better elements of the people in each locality. However, any one who resided in a community wherein the Republicans predominated to an extent that would admit of them showing their greed in its true light knew there was no foundation for any claim which held that Republican politicians were one whit whiter than those of any other party, notwithstanding the repeated assertions of sanctimonious hypocrites of the "great moral party."

If there has been any doubt in the matter the events of the past two years in Republican circles furnish abundant proof that for either genuine kid-gloved corruption or open bootlegging the "great moral party" of this county is head and shoulders above all competitors. The time was when, after a Democratic convention, the moralists would roll their eyes upward and deplore that there were men who persisted in being Democrats. That was the time when a Republican county nomination was equivalent to an overwhelming defeat, and the party had to go begging for candidates.

Internal dissensions and quarrels reduced the Democratic strength in Luzerne year by year, and suddenly the Republicans found themselves sufficiently strong to elect their county and district nominees. Then began a reign of corruption and low politics the like of which was never dreamed of even in the palmiest days of Democracy. The convention in 1894 was one huge mass of bribe-takers and bribers, who understood each other and transacted their lawlessness openly. Charges and counter-charges of money taken and money given were made by and against the broadcloth "moralists," and to hide from the general public the true facts the party found itself compelled to adopt stringent rules against the illegal use of money by prospective candidates.

But the pent-up greed for office was too strong to stop before paper rules, and the convention of 1895 was a repetition of its predecessor. Money was freely offered and taken, and those whose pills were not able to respond to the demands of the hoodle delegates were given hush money or promises of appointments so that they would tie their tongues.

To such an extent has this pernicious system permeated the party that when a man announces himself as a delegate to a Republican convention the knowing ones smile and wonder what is his price. Whether the office sought be one that has a salary attached or is merely an honorary one, a cash consideration, or its equivalent in promises, is part of the method that is necessary to pursue to obtain it. The recent Quay-Hastings debauchery was proof of this, and another instance of later date can be named. One of the Luzerne delegates to the Republican national convention goes there with a stain upon his election. Morgan R. Morgans, it is claimed, was chosen by the votes of bribed delegates last Tuesday, and the stench that surrounds the circumstances is so strong that the party organ has found it necessary to puff out a big denial in Morgans' behalf.

Such is the condition of Republicanism in Luzerne, and it is no better in any other community where the party feels secure of its power. An organization that is controlled by men who lead it for what is in it may flourish for awhile, but its doom is sealed. All the Democrats need to do is to wait a year or two at the utmost. The rise of Republicanism in Luzerne was rapid, but the fall of the same party can be counted upon to be more so. Already the elements of disintegration have made their appearance in the ranks, and it requires only a few more conventions to incite the voters at large to rise up and sweep out of power the hoodlers and bribers who now occupy the seats of honor.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she became Miss, she cried for Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Old newspapers for sale.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Yvette Guilbert, the French celebrity, is responsible for the latest fashion of wearing long black gloves with evening dress. It is all the go in New York. Mrs. Reed, wife of the speaker of the house, does not go out in society this winter because of the death of her mother, which occurred last summer. Mr. Reed's daughter, who is a sweet-looking blonde, was "out" last winter and is among the gay set this year.

Prince Henry of Battenberg, who goes with the Ashantee expedition, has taken the precaution to insure his life for \$500,000, so that if he is struck down by an African assegai, meeting the same fate which befell the prince imperial of France, his family will not be left in destitution.

Lord Salisbury is a vastly rich man. He received \$1,000,000 for his property in the Strand, he derives an immense income in the shape of untaxed ground rents in London and in the country, and while in office as prime minister he receives the pay attached to the office, and while out of office the pension of an ex-cabinet minister.

P. T. Barnum, the late showman, owned some property in Venezuela, which during one of the revolutions there several years ago was confiscated and destroyed. Through the United States government Mr. Barnum made a claim for compensation and was awarded \$1,400. The Venezuelan government was not able to pay a lump sum, but agreed to pay it in ten annual installments, with interest added. So the executors of the Barnum estate receive from the republic of Venezuela now each year a check for something like \$150.

NEWSPAPER WAIFS.

Not Literal.—"Teacher—"If a boy smites you on the right cheek, what should you do?" Dick Hicks—"Give it to him with me left."—Puck.

Edith—"I'm in a quandary!" Isabel—"How is that?" Edith—"Tom promises to stop drinking if I marry him, and Jack threatens to begin if I don't."—Tit-Bits.

Miss Pert—"Is Miss Strait Lace circus-spect?" Miss Caustic—"Circumspect! Why, she won't accompany a young man on the piano without a chaperon."—Salem Gazette.

In Chicago.—Visitor—"Where is it that man lives? Must be outside the city limits, isn't it?" Resident—"Outside the what?" Visitor—"The city limits." Resident—"We haven't any."—Puck.

A French confectioner, proud of his English and wishing to let patrons know that their wants should be attended to at once, without any delay, put out the sign: "Short Weights Here."—Harper's Bazar.

Parson—"I married Smithers with my first wife and he gave me \$50. When I married him to his second he gave me five dollars." Wiggles—"He knew more about matrimony the second time, I guess."—Harper's Bazar.

"Have a paper?" hawled a newsboy to an old gentleman from the country on Austin avenue. "No hurry, sonny. Perhaps after you have read it I'll glance over it," and as he passed down the street he muttered: "Nice folks, these Austin people; so polite to a stranger."—Texas Siftings.

FACTS FOR FARMERS.

A great deal more money would be consumed in the cities if the unadulterated article could be procured and its purity vouched for.

If you don't think the best stock pays look around through your neighborhood and see if the best farmers don't keep the best stock.

It is estimated that grain fed to suckling lambs designed for the butcher at an early day pays at the rate of two dollars a bushel for corn anywhere in the eastern and middle states.

English sheep owners litter the pens in which sheep are housed with burnt clay as a preventative of footrot. The clay acts as an absorbent and makes a good fertilizer.

Don't try to hatch chicken with hens in midwinter unless you are willing to devote time in caring for the broods. Hens cannot raise chicks in winter unless kept in a warm place.

When sulphur is given to animals in winter it is liable to cause them to take cold, as it opens the pores of the skin. It is said to also cause rheumatism if given during damp weather.

One reason why cattle will go out in the barnyard during inclement weather and endure cold and dampness in preference to remaining inside is that the stalls are too dark and cheerless.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Mascagni has taken up the duties of director of the Liceo musicale, founded by Rossini in his birthplace, Pesaro, and will give up composition for a time.

Mme. Jeanne Hugo, the granddaughter of Victor Hugo, who was recently divorced from her husband, Alphonse Daudet's son, is about to marry a young doctor of Paris.

Stanley and Mountney Jephson, the only white survivors of the expedition for the relief of Emin Pasha, have just erected a brass tablet in Kilmore church to the memory of their comrade, Surgeon Park.

French football is improving. The Racing club of Paris recently beat a 15 of Oxford men at the Rugby game at Levallois-Perret by one try to nothing, while the Olympique club beat the same 15 in the Bois de Boulogne by a goal to a try.

Three hundred and eighty-six distinct libel suits have been begun by as many priests against the Paris Journal on account of an article reflecting on the clergy of the Hautes Pyrenées. Each priest asks for \$20 damages, and if they win, the result of each lawsuit will be printed in five newspapers of Toulouse, and in 12 newspapers of Bordeaux and in 12 newspapers of the department.

RAILROAD TIMETABLES

THE DELAWARE, SUSQUEHANNA AND SCHUYLKILL RAILROAD.

Time table in effect December 15, 1895.

Trains leave Drifton for Jeddo, Eckley, Hazle Brook, Stockton, Beaver Meadow Road, Roan and Hazleton Junction at 5:30, 6:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:03 a. m., 2:38 p. m., Sunday.

Trains leave Drifton for Harwood, Cranberry, Tomhicken and Deringer at 5:30 a. m. p. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:03 a. m., 2:38 p. m., Sunday.

Trains leave Drifton for Onedia Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Onedia and Shepton at 6:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 7:03 a. m., 2:38 p. m., Sunday.

Trains leave Hazleton Junction for Harwood, Cranberry, Tomhicken and Deringer at 6:35 a. m., daily except Sunday; and 8:35 a. m., 4:22 p. m., Sunday.

Trains leave Hazleton Junction for Onedia Junction, Harwood Road, Humboldt Road, Onedia and Shepton at 6:25, 11:10 a. m., 4:45 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 9:37 a. m., 3:05 p. m., Sunday.

Trains leave Deringer for Tomhicken, Cranberry, Harwood, Hazleton Junction, Roan, Hazle Brook, Stockton, Beaver Meadow Road, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 5:25 p. m., daily, except Sunday; and 8:25 a. m., 3:44 p. m., Sunday.

Trains leave Shepton for Onedia, Humboldt Road, Harwood Road, Onedia Junction, Hazleton Junction and Roan at 7:11 a. m., 12:40, 5:25 p. m., daily except Sunday; and 9:59 a. m., 5:44 p. m., Sunday.

Trains leave Shepton for Beaver Meadow Road, Stockton, Hazle Brook, Eckley, Jeddo and Drifton at 3:09, 5:47, 6:30 p. m., daily, except Sunday; and 10:18 a. m., 5:38 p. m., Sunday.

All trains connect at Hazleton Junction with electric cars for Hazleton, Jeannetteville, Audenried and other points on the Traction Company's line.

Trains leaving Drifton at 6:00 a. m., Hazleton Junction at 6:25 a. m., and Shepton at 7:11 a. m., connect at Onedia Junction with Lehigh Valley train east and west.

Trains leaving Drifton at 5:30 a. m. makes connection at Deringer with P. R. R. train for Westesbarre, Sunbury, Harrisburg and points west.

For the accommodation of passengers at way stations between Hazleton Junction and Deringer, an extra train will leave the former point at 3:50 p. m., daily, except Sunday, arriving at Deringer at 5:00 p. m.

J. D. TOLER, C. SMITH, Superintendent.

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6:05, 8:25, 9:33, 10:41 a. m., 1:35, 2:27, 3:15, 4:34, 6:15, 7:25, 8:05, 8:57 p. m., for Drifton, Jeddo, Lumber Yard, Stockton and Hazleton.

6:05, 8:25, 9:33 a. m., 1:35, 3:15, 4:34 p. m., for Mauch Chunk, Allentown, Bethlehem, Phila., Easton and New York.

6:05, 9:33, 10:41 a. m., 2:27, 4:25, 6:58 p. m., for Mahanoy City, Shenandoah and Pottsville.

7:25, 9:45 a. m., 11:58, 4:34 p. m., (via High and Branch) for White Haven, Glen Summit, Wilkes-Barre, Pittston and L. and B. Junction.

ARRIVE AT FREELAND.

11:40 a. m. and 3:21 p. m. for Drifton, Jeddo, Lumber Yard and Hazleton.

8:24 p. m. for Delano, Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, New York and Philadelphia.

7:25, 9:27, 10:56, 11:58 a. m., 12:58, 2:19, 4:34, 5:33, 6:58, 8:47 p. m., from Hazleton, Stockton, Lumber Yard, Jeddo and Drifton.

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SUNDAY TRAINS.

11:31 a. m. and 3:10 p. m., from Hazleton, Lumber Yard, Jeddo and Drifton.

11:31 a. m. from Delano, Hazleton, Philadelphia and Easton.

3:10 p. m. from Delano and Mahanoy region.

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Thomas J. Moore, president.
Thomas A. Buckley, secretary.

Approved January 22, 1896.
Patrick McLaughlin, burgess.

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