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The Schuylkill people who want the Legislature to amend the license law so as to remove from the discretion of the court the number of licenses that shall be granted.

The councils of Scranton are pretty thoroughly stirred up by the action of the trolley company in retaliating upon the citizens for their sympathy with the strikers by cutting off transfers and all free rides.

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THE WAGES OF SIN.

Several years ago the presiding elder of the Danville district M. E. Conference, preached a powerful sermon at Mountain Grove Camp Meeting.

The foregoing story is a very pretty one, and is going the rounds of the papers, but the murderer alluded to never saw Bloomsburg or Columbia County.

FOR MURDER.

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E. S. Gearhart, Esq. made the opening address to the jury for the defence. He said that the defence is ready to admit that Boyd Wintersteen fired the fatal shot that killed M. L. Fisher.

Boyd Wintersteen was sworn in his own behalf. He said he was forty-one years old, and was born in Columbia county. He related the incidents that occurred while he was employed on the Bennett farm.

"Don't you think you treated me mean?" said Wintersteen. "No, I don't," was the reply. "Well, how about that board bill at Strouse's, will you pay that?"

Wintersteen's story was not shaken by cross-examination. About thirty witnesses were called who testified to Wintersteen's previous good character for peaceableness.

The bell rang at 9:30 on Tuesday morning. Judge Hinckley and E. S. Gearhart addressed the jury on behalf of the defendant.

The jury came in at 9:45 o'clock last night and rendered a verdict of guilty of voluntary manslaughter.

The penalty for the crime of which Wintersteen stands convicted is solitary and separate confinement at hard labor for not to exceed twelve years, and a fine of not to exceed \$1,000.

The Burglar Was Wanted at Washington.

The following despatch appeared in the Philadelphia Press last Friday, from Wilkes-Barre, under date of January 17:

"A clipping from the Philadelphia Press, of October 25, under date of Wilkes-Barre, has resulted in clearing up a mystery that is of interest to Washington County.

District Attorney Jones to day received a photograph from the District Attorney of Washington County and the clipping. The item referred to the burglar who was shot dead at Cambra, this county, last October.

The Washington County authorities, by means of the description given, have been able to identify the dead burglar as a criminal who was wanted there, and for whom the police have been looking for six months.

Wants \$80,000 Damages

J. C. Begley, formerly the editor of the Windsor Journal, who was injured in the railroad accident at the station in Johnstown last July, has entered suit against the Pennsylvania railroad company for \$80,000.

Burglars Blow Safe Open

Burglars at Northumberland Tuesday morning succeeded in securing between \$30 and \$35 from the safe in the store of Van Allen Co. & Waples.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

FRIDAY.

Court convened at 2 p. m. Friday, with Associate Judges Fox and Kurtz on the bench.

Petitions of Thomas Mooney, John Ma'arkey, Wm. Gushalonis, Gottlieb Bernard, John Gushalonis, John Prekoski, Joseph Zarelski, Joseph Lionowicz, Joseph Yatevitch and Fabia Shamatis, for naturalization papers, filed. They were sworn and admitted as citizens of the United States.

SATURDAY.

Court convened at 4:10 p. m. Saturday. His Honor R. R. Little and Associate Judges Fox and Kurtz on the bench.

The motion for a new trial in the case of Riter Goss, convicted of manslaughter at December Court, was argued by Col. Freeze and Fred Ikelier for the defendant, and by District Attorney John G. Harman for the Commonwealth.

LICENSE COURT.

License Court convened at 10 a. m. Monday with Associate Judges Fox and Kurtz on the bench.

H. Mont. Smith, Esq., presented a petition of voters of the town of Bloomsburg for the removal of screens, etc., from the bars of hotels and saloons in the town of Bloomsburg.

J. G. Freeze, Esq., offered auditor's report in the estate of E. A. Rawlings for confirmation.

The judges decided to grant license to all old applicants against whom no remonstrances were filed, and those against whom remonstrances have been filed will be heard on Saturday, Jan. 26th at 10 a. m.

Fred Ikelier, Esq., presented a petition in the estate of Cornelius Reece to have property set aside to widow without the expense of an administration.

S. B. Karns, Esq., of Benton, presented a petition for the appointment of Clark Fiedler as constable to fill the unexpired term of W. B. Gibbons, who resigned.

Piano Tuning.

Will Guernsey, the piano tuner spent all last week in town. He will be here again the first week in February. Leave orders for tuning at this office.

Filipino Offer Allegiance.

Manila, January 22.—The disallowance by the Military Board of the claims of Holman & Co., merchants, of Iloilo, for damage to and destruction of property during the period of appeasement, which findings have been approved by General MacArthur, establishes a precedent against compensating for similar property losses in the territory in which the war operations were conducted.

The oath of allegiance has been administered in a church in Vigan to over one thousand persons, who acknowledged they had contributed to the insurgent cause. Chaplain Fitzgerald addressed the natives in Spanish. The parish priest translated his remarks into Ilocano and administered the oath.

About four hundred persons in the vicinity of Malabon assembled in the church and on the plaza have also taken the oath.

General Grant has made many captures and arrests. At present he is on a scouting expedition with over 50 men. Those who are proved to be insurgents are held.

Battery I, of the Third Artillery, has captured 50 armed men at Muntinupa. Various other minor captures and surrenders have been made in Southern Luzon.

The Eleventh Cavalry has arrived here on the transport Meade, from Camarines. They will sail for home on the same ship, February 1, as the Thirty-sixth Infantry. The men who are to sail Saturday were reviewed and addressed this evening by General MacArthur.

He thanked the soldiers enthusiastically for the part they had ably borne in the history-making epoch in the Philippines. He said they had sustained the traditions of a hardy and soldierly race and merited the plaudits of their countrymen on their return home.

Speaking of the various advantages of such occasions, General MacArthur said:

"The chief advantage is the engendering of a warlike spirit, without which no nation can continue to live and by which alone a nation is created and made perpetual."

The Twenty-seventh Regiment will sail February 5 and the Thirtieth February 15.

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Black Cheviot Suit, jacket silk lined, skirt lined with Peraline, seams on jacket and skirt strapped with satin and stitched. Reduced from \$22.00 to \$17.00.

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BIG INCREASE.

Roman Catholic Church Has 10,774,987 Members in the United States, a Growth of 645,312 in the Past Year—11,987 Priests.

According to the Catholic directory, just issued, the Roman Catholic population of the United States is 10,774,987, a growth during the year of 645,312.

The statistics for 1901 show that there are in the Catholic Church in the United States thirteen archbishops, one of whom is cardinal, and eighty bishops. The number of priests is 11,987, of whom 3010 are members of religious orders, and 8977 are secular clergymen.

There are 6127 churches, with resident priests, 3518 missions with churches and 1774 chapels. The archdiocese in New York is the richest in America.

It Wasn't in the Hat.

In the naturalization court at Wilkes-Barre, recently, one ambitious alien had a series of questions and answers that had been prepared and typewritten by a friend. He had pasted the list on the inside of his hat, which he held in front of him. Everything worked smoothly for a time and the questions of the court concerning American forms of government were quickly and intelligently answered.

Finally Judge Halsey sprung a simple question and the applicant looked startled and stared into the crown of his hat. He could not find an answer on his list, got red in the face, stammered and was finally called out at the plate.

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The February "New" Lippincott.

The Complete Novel of the month is entitled "A Novel Complication," by Edward S. Van Zile. This is a clever piece of humor founded on a case of mistaken identity. William F. Barton, an English capitalist, comes with his wife to America on a pleasure trip. His name on the register at the Hotel Waldorf is the signal for a rash of reporters and lion-hunters, who believe him to be William F. Barton, a writer of realistic fiction, whose reputation among the fair sex is world-wide.

Almost before they comprehend the situation, this hitherto quiet man and woman are the central figures in a whirlpool of excitement. Fortunately Mrs. Barton has literary aspirations and is familiar with the books supposed to have been written by her husband, so she comes to his rescue. Altogether, it is a lively tale, with just a touch of sentiment.

The series of College Tales begun in the January number is continued this month in a contribution by an alumnus of "Old Penn." "Smith of Pennsylvania," by Francis Churchill Williams, is a splendid specimen of student, doubtless to be found in every college, but this particular "Smith" must make the "Pennsylvania" boys feel like shouting a tripe "Hoo Ray!" The Penn-Harvard foot-ball game described at the close of the story is great.

"A Bloodless Vendetta," by Henry Wilton Thomas, author of "The Last Lady of Mullerry," is in the same vein as this volume. Unlike the Kentucky feud, this one in Italian New York is jolly and clever and ends happily.

"Mrs. Gaylord's Cellar Party," by a writer who borrows three stars from the firmament for a pen-name, is a hit at present-day society whose cry is "Give me novelty, or give me death!"

Elita Parker Butler contributes a local election story called "The Juniper-Street Episode." It shows that a tactful woman does not need the privilege of the ballot to elect her candidate to office.

Colonel Charles Pomeroy Button's paper on "Lincoln as an Antagonist" is full of meaty reminiscences by an old friendly-foe of the martyred President's. This is timely to the celebration of Lincoln's birthday, February 12.

The second article on "Talks with Chinese Women," by Lily Howard, is equally interesting with that published last month. We read much about high-class women in China, but Miss Howard elects to write about those in lowly life. This time she depicts the bright side of their lives.

So many stories are told about Barbara Frietchie's flag that the version entitled "True Barbara Frietchie," by Anna Fletcher, carries conviction with it.

Poems are contributed by Edwin L. Salda and Jennie Betts Hartwick.