

LIVE NEWS OF TWO PITTSSTONS

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AN EXCITING FOOT RACE. Two Sprinters Struggle for Supremacy on the Bridge.

E. G. Lynch and John J. Donnelly, of the Niagara Engine company, indulged in a sprinting match yesterday afternoon, greatly to the edification of a large host of their admirers. The race was run at 4:30 o'clock and took place on the Water street bridge. The distance was 100 yards. Lynch gave Donnelly five yards start. Jake Plington was started with the word off in good shape. The race was hotly contested up to the last twenty-five yards, when by a herculean effort on the part of Donnelly he broke the string ten yards in advance of Lynch. At the close of the race the victor and vanquished with their friends repaired to the company's rooms on Water street where a few hours' jollification was indulged in.

THE NINTH WARD CASE. Court Orders the Ballot Box Placed in the Custody of the Prothonotary.

The petition of Thomas J. Corcoran, the defeated candidate for councilman was considered by the court yesterday morning. The court decided that they had no authority to examine the ballots in the disputed case at the present, but ordered the ballot box of the ward to be sealed and placed in the custody of the prothonotary until the limit of time for instituting contest proceedings shall have expired.

PITTY PITTSSTON POINTERS. A Batch of Spicy Paragraphs for Harried Perusal.

Washington's birthday was appropriately observed in this place yesterday. The weather was all that could be desired, and had the effect of bringing large crowds of people to the streets. As a mark of respect many of the business places were closed. In the evening the fair now in progress under the auspices of the Eagle and "Hooks" were the objects of attraction for the young people and their visiting friends. Tony Farrell, the popular Irish comedian, will appear at Music hall next Tuesday evening in "My Calicoes". The news of the death of Mrs. Abram Nesbitt and J. M. Courtright, two well known people of the county seat, which occurred yesterday, was received with much regret by many persons in this place. Attorney James L. Morris of this place, has been appointed one of the tellers to make the official count of the election returns. The count began yesterday afternoon before Judges Rice and Woodward. The Gazette's red last evening when it quoted the address of the courts as saying "that they had no authority to examine the ballots in the disputed case." They have authority but not at present. A Hungarian, Mike Palakawitz residing at Yatesville was admitted to the hospital yesterday. He is suffering from an injured leg which it is thought will have to be amputated. While walking the railroad in that vicinity Monday last was run over by a train and one of his legs was badly injured. He was taken to his boarding house, where was allowed to remain without medical attendance until yesterday, when he was conveyed to the hospital. Mrs. Elizabeth Bryden, widow of the late James J. Bryden, of the West Side, received yesterday from John P. Green, reporter of Wyoming lodge, No. 89, Knights of Honor, a draft for \$3,000, the amount of insurance carried by Mr. Bryden. The Pittston township election was one of the most exciting in the history of that locality. It resulted in the election of James Keating and Patrick Granahan as supervisors, Patrick Jordan and Martin Tierney, school directors; Owen McLane, tax collector; Martin Holleran, treasurer; and Thomas Brown, registrar assessor. Mrs. Thomas Nichols, of the West-side, is on the sick list. Miss Kate Sax was a visitor in Scranton yesterday. Burgess-elect Maloney was in Wilkes-Barre yesterday. Abdnego Reese and wife returned yesterday from Pittsburg, where they have been visiting. George McQuillan is visiting his friends at Mauch Chunk. Mrs. Andrew Allen and children visited with friends here during the past week. Mary, wife of T. W. O'Brien, died at her home on North Main street last evening after a brief illness. She was 24 years old and was a daughter of ex-Burgess Babony, of Avoca. The funeral will occur on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock at St. John's church, where a mass of requiem will be sung. Interment will be made in St. Mary's cemetery, Avoca. Mrs. Rogers, of the West Side, has gone to Reading in response to a telegram announcing the illness of her nephew. Mrs. William Speers, of Scranton, is visiting friends in town. Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Milligan and family, of Wilkes-Barre, passed yesterday with the family of M. W. Morris, on William street. Miss Theresa Leshan, of Wilkes-Barre, is visiting the Misses Maloney, on North Main street.

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MATTERS AT MINOOKA. Newsy Paragraphs from a Hauling Correspondent.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. MINOOKA, Pa., Feb. 22.—P. F. Cstick and John J. Egan attended the entertainment at St. Thomas college last night given by the St. Vincent de Paul society of the South Side. Misses Kate Reardon and Annie Cayne, of the South Side, visited Minooka friends yesterday. Mrs. Albert LeClair is suffering from a severe attack of the grip. The South Side Store company is suspending some of their help, owing to the illness of the store. In the shooting match which took place yesterday at Moosic, Johnnie Coyne, of this place, won the laurel in taking first prize, by shooting six out of seven. The Young American band, of this place, will hold an entertainment at social on Easter Monday night at St.

Joseph's hall, which promises to be one of the grandest of the season. A 6-year-old son of John Philbin, of Main street, is seriously ill and his recovery is doubtful. The measles are raging in this section. There are fully thirty cases reported in this place. James Connolly, an aged resident of this place, is seriously ill.

THE WORLD DO MOVE. Good Road Agitation Is Beginning to Hear Some Fruit.

The agitation of the subject of good roads is causing many communities to take active steps in securing the benefits to be derived from their construction. From the Atlantic to the Rocky mountains this good work is receiving more attention than at any former period in the history of the country, and when the public is thoroughly awakened to its importance an era of improvement will begin, which, from the rapid development that will follow, will be thoroughly American in its character, as no nation undertakes such measures of importance with the same enthusiastic determination. Townships and counties in both the eastern and western states are preparing to submit votes for issuing bonds for road purposes. In Pennsylvania the citizens of Abington township will vote during this year on the proposition to issue \$80,000 in bonds to macadamize the principal roads in the township. In Michigan the board of supervisors at Alpena will submit a vote at an early date for issuing \$75,000 in bonds to run fifty years, to be expended in improving the county roads. In no section of the country have the roads been so badly neglected as in the south, but, with the light that is being thrown on this important question by the press, it will not be slow in adopting such measures as will bring good roads—Industrial American.

Cooperative Roadmaking. The system in New Zealand of constructing roads by what are called cooperative contracts. In these a small party of men, generally six in number, is allotted a certain section or length of road; one of them is elected a "gauger" and trustee for the others to deal for them with the government. The government engineer states a price for the portion of the work, and as this is done by an unprejudiced officer it is generally accepted without a murmur by the men. The results usually have been very satisfactory. Progress payments are made fortnightly for the benefit of the men's families, and the whole amount is paid up in cash on the work being passed by the engineer. It is the intention of the government to provide small farms of 10 or 15 acres each for these workmen in village settlements so that they may be induced to make their homes in country districts and thus in some degree neutralize the centralizing tendency of modern industrial life.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Sound Sense from the Bench. In his address to the grand jury at the opening of the fall term at White Plains, N. Y., October 2, Judge Dykman, of the New York supreme court, called the attention of the grand jury to the condition of the highways throughout the country. He spoke briefly of the advantages of good highways to the farmers and general public; stated that it was the duty of the grand jury to see that the public roads were kept in proper repair; condemned the road from White Plains to Tarrytown through the rich town of Greenburgh; and advised them to bring the matter prominently before the public by indictment of officials or other persons who were responsible for the condition of the roads, if such responsibility could be fixed or by any means in their power.—Good Roads.

Underneath the Breastworks. Philadelphia Times, item. Quite a number of people have asked, "Where are the Democrats?" Has anybody thought of looking under Grow's majority?

Forgets About Home. Galveston News. Many a man who would like to reform the world has a front gate that won't stay shut.

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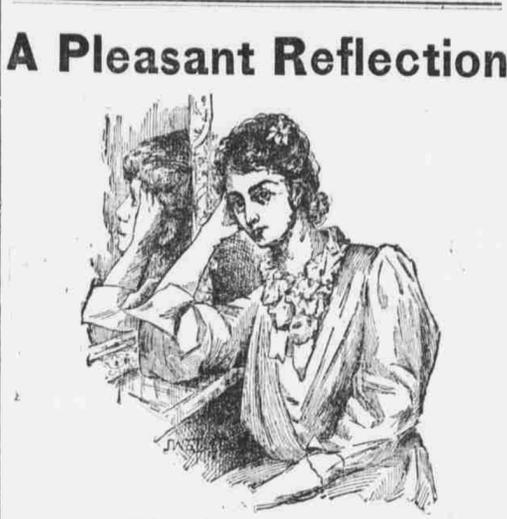
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