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THE TRIBUNE HAS A LARGER BONA FIDE CIRCULATION AMONG SCRANTON BUSINESS MEN THAN ANY OTHER MORNING PAPER

LEVI MORTON IS NOMINATED

Ex-Vice President Selected for Governor o New York on First Ballot.

PATRIOTIC PLATFORM ADOPTED

The Nominating Address Is Made by General Benjamin F. Tracy, and the Name of the Veteran Republican Is Received with Loud Applause—Only One Ballot Is Taken to Decide the Question—The Platform Adopted.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 18.

WHEN the Republican state convention re-assembled this afternoon Hon. Warner Miller was introduced as temporary chairman. He declared: That every indication points to Republican success this fall.

He spoke of the Democratic gerrymander and said that the messages from Vermont and Maine speak in no uncertain terms of the tide which has

LEVI P. MORTON.
Republican Candidate for Governor of the State of New York.

set in Republican favor. Continuing, he said: "We have not only the record of our own party to appeal to, but the record of the Democratic party to point to. When we yielded up the reins of government we left the government with sufficient revenue for all its public affairs.

A little more than ninety days after the Democratic party came into power the country was in the throes of a money panic, the like of which had never been experienced in this or any other country. After this had gone on for some time the Democratic president called congress together to devise means to save the nation. The people have had an object lesson, the effect of which will last for a generation.

Mr. Miller then described the prolonged fight to obtain tariff legislation and said that it finally passed a tariff bill carried through by treason. He said the long promised boom of prosperity had not arrived in this country but that paens of joy could be heard from all over the line in Canada and from the shops and factories in Germany.

When Mr. Miller finished his remarks the Hon. Sereno Payne submitted the report of the committee on resolutions.

THE PLATFORM.

The following is the platform reported by the committee on resolutions:

The Republicans of New York, in convention assembled, exchange heartiest greetings to the Republicans of Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Oregon, Vermont and Maine for their prompt and just judgment on an incompetent Democratic administration. They voice the verdict of the people that the path of protection is the path of prosperity, and we congratulate the Democratic sugar planters of Louisiana on their courageous declaration of independence of party trammels that endanger the material prosperity of their state.

The Democratic president of the United States, and the Democratic chairman of the ways and means committee of the house of representatives have announced that the war against the protected industries of the country has just begun, and that it is to be prosecuted to the bitter end. On behalf of the wage earner, the agriculturist, the business man and every sacred interest in the Empire state of the union, the Republican party of the state of New York in convention assembled accepts this challenge and pledges its faith to defend against all assault the rights of the workingman and his employer, both wantonly invaded by reckless demagogues.

We invite the people to compare the pledges of the Democratic party with the performances of a Democratic administration. The fitness and capacity of the Democrats to govern must be judged by its record. Its most important achievement thus far has been fitly characterized by the chief executive of its choice as one of "perfidy and dishonor." Denouncing political corruption, it has rewarded the largest contributors to its campaign funds by the bestowal of foreign missions; denouncing trusts, it permitted one of them to formulate its tariff bill, promising a continuance of the vigorous foreign policy established by the lamented James G. Blaine, it substituted a "policy of infamy" when Hawaii was freely offered us; denouncing the Sherman act as a cowardly makeshift, it was enabled to repeal the silver purchasing clause of that act only by the help of Republican senators; arraigning protection as "a fraud upon labor" it passed a mongrel protective measure so tainted with scandal that it barely escaped the veto of a Democratic president; advocating free raw materials and an extension of our foreign trade, it destroyed all the profitable reciprocal agreements made by President Harrison; pledging itself to the payment of "just and liberal pensions," it treats the Union soldier as if the Grand Army badge were the badge of beggary and brigandage; pledging retrenchment, it exceeded, at the last session of congress the expenditures of the corresponding session of the last Republican congress by $27,000,000 in the face of decreasing revenues; and after it had added $50,000,000 to the public debt while pretending to be in favor of individual freedom it has hastened to enact an odious income tax force bill, empowering deputy collectors to enter the homes of citizens and compel them by threats of official summons and heavy penalties to disclose their private affairs.

We denounce northern Democratic congressmen for permitting southern members to protect the chief products of their section while removing or largely reducing protective duties on the products of the north, thus permitting the south by legal enactment of time of peace to destroy our prosperity and accomplish what it failed to do by illegal enactment in time of war.

On behalf of the farmers of New York, we protest against free wool, which means the destruction of our sheep husbandry and which has brought the price of wool to the lowest figure recorded. We denounce the federal administration for surrendering an annual revenue of $8,000,000 on wool and imposing a burden nearly ten times greater by levying a tax on sugar, the commonest household necessity. We protest against the removal of the protective barrier in the importation of Canadian agricultural products. The farm products of New York deserve protection equally with the rice of South Carolina and the sugar of Louisiana. We denounce the administration for striking out the agricultural schedule of the McKinley bill and substituting an agricultural free list fraught with ruin to the farmers.

We favor an honest dollar and oppose any effort, whether by the removal of the tax on state bank issues or the free coinage of silver, to lower our currency standard, and we favor an international agreement which shall result in the use of gold and silver as a circulating medium.

The remainder of the platform dwells on state issues. The platform was adopted without discussion.

General Benjamin F. Tracey, ex-secretary of the navy, was then recognized and going to the platform amid a storm of applause, proceeded to place in nomination the Hon. Levi P. Morton.

Mr. Tracy after a brief address placed in nomination the Hon. Levi P. Morton. When General Tracy named Mr. Morton there was cheering and handclapping for over a minute.

Then Colonel Archie Baxter, of Chemung, placed in nomination J. Sloat Fassett.

Silas B. Dutcher, of Kings, presented the name of General Stewart T. Woodford, of Kings, for governor.

The Hon. E. A. Nash, of Cattaragus, presented the name of General Daniel Butterfield, of New York.

F. X Parker, of St. Lawrence, followed with a speech urging the nomination of Leslie W. Russell.

Roll call was then proceeded with on the ballot for governor. It was 7.55 p. m. when the roll call was finished. The result was Morton 532½, Fassett 69, Woodford 40, Butterfield 29, Russell 20, Bliss 40½, Arkell 1. On motion of Silas B. Dutcher the nomination was made unanimous.

Senator Charles T. Saxton, of Wayne county, was nominated for lieutenant governor on the first ballot.

CATHOLIC KNIGHTS.

Convention of the Pennsylvania Branch in Session at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18.—The convention of the Pennsylvania branch of the Catholic Knights of America opened here this morning. The entire session was taken up with the appointment of committees and other routine work.

An important resolution was introduced affecting the beneficial feature of the organization, as follows:

Whereas, Experience has proven that in most cases the object a member has in joining a life insurance society ceases to exist after twenty years; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the supreme delegates from this state be instructed to present an amendment to supreme constitution to the following effect: Where a brother member of the Catholic Knights of America has continued, without interruption, a member in good standing for a period of twenty years, he may have the privilege of applying to the supreme council for an examination, and if it is found that said applicant is physically disabled from earning a livelihood, or financially unable to keep up his assessment any longer, that upon satisfactory proofs of same, the supreme secretary is required to draw an order upon the widow and orphan's fund for one half the amount of his certificate, and pay the same to the brother members, with the consent of beneficiary named in said certificate, and then cancel his policy and drop his name from the roll as a beneficiary member, but he can continue as a social member upon complying with all laws governing same.

The following letter containing the formal endorsement of the order by Archbishop Ryan was read:

ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE, LOGAN SQUARE,
PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18, 1894.

William Early, Chairman of Committee of Catholic Knights of America:

MY DEAR SIR—I authorize you to add my name to those of the prelates of the country who approve of your organization.

Yours sincerely,
P. J. RYAN,
Archbishop of Philadelphia.

A banquet was tendered the visiting knights and their ladies tonight at 99 Temple.

REFUSE TO COMPROMISE.

One Hundred Girls Employed in Cotton Mills on a Strike.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18.—One hundred girls employed at Campbell's woolen and cotton mills, at Twenty-fifth street and Washington avenue, struck today against a reduction of 20 per cent. in their wages. The girls refused to entertain a proposition to compromise.

Six hundred other hands are employed at the mills, and work will not be interrupted by the strike.

CONDENSED STATE TOPICS.

Jonas Smoker, 60 years old, was killed by a train at Gordonville.

James Patton, aged 55 years, committed suicide at his home, at Gelberton, yesterday.

A draught of carbolic acid, taken in mistake for gin, killed Thomas B. Young, a Wellsboro restaurant keeper.

Governor Pattison has respited George Dukvocic from Sept. 20 to Nov. 20. His mental condition will be inquired into.

The family of Percival Hallman, Zionville, is scourged with diphtheria. Three children have died in three days and five more are sick.

The Knights Templar commandery of Pittsburg has started an active movement to have the triennial encampment of 1898 held in that city.

Tired of life and wishing his wife to get $2,000 insurance on his life, Hugh W. McMurray, a Grand Army man of Findlay, O., shot himself fatally at Pittsburg.

The Harrisburg Casket Manufacturing company is in the hands of the sheriff. The Harrisburg National bank pushed an execution of $39,000.

TRAIN ROBBERS ARE SURPRISED

The Santa Fe Flyer Was a Veritable Arsenal.

BULLETS RAIN ON THE ROBBERS

Desperados Hold Up a Train on the Santa Fe Railroad and Receive a Warm Welcome from a Small Army in the Express Car—The Engineer Seriously Wounded—Two of the Bandits Already in Jail.

GORIN, Mo., Sept. 18.

THE Colorado and Utah express train on the Santa Fe road was held up by robbers at 3.30 o'clock this morning. The railroad and express officials had a warning of the plan to attack the train, and the train was met by a volley of buckshot and bullets. It is believed that at least two of the bandits lie dead in the woods near where the train was stopped. Two others who role for their rendezvous, twenty-one miles away were wounded. Before the guard on the cars fired upon the thieves, the latter shot Prescott, the engineer of the train, without any warning. His wound, it is believed, will not prove fatal.

The raid was planned three weeks ago, but was not put into execution till this morning. When the train left Chicago at 5 o'clock last evening, several railroad and express detectives, all armed, were taken on board. Chief Detective J. J. Kenny, of the Santa Fe, with D. C. Montgomery, his assistant, boarded the train at Joliet. At Streator they were joined by two more men who have been patrolling the line for twenty days. A. A. Matthews, who has been acting as a detective for the last two weeks, was taken on at Galesburg. He brought news that the robbers met early in the day and decided to leave their hiding place near Memphis at 8.30 o'clock last night to be ready for the Colorado and Utah express. They expected to make a haul of at least $50,000, the Monday run being always much heavier than any other day of the week.

AN ARSENAL ABOARD.

When the train reached Fort Madison, Ia., soon after midnight, Division Superintendent Stockton, of the Wells-Fargo Express company, got into the treasure-car. He carried a rifle that had formerly belonged to "Bill" Dalton. With him were four men. Their firearms were in the car, where they had been placed several days ago.

As the train drew near the place where the attack was expected, the Pullman car conductors and porters sought places of safety, and even the trainmen did not expose themselves unnecessarily. In the little compartment filled with armed men the lights were out and the windows were up. In each seat there were two men sitting sideways, the muzzles of their guns protruding over the sills. Behind them stood others, with guns at half cock resting on their arms.

A mile beyond Gorin the expected signal was sounded in the explosion of one torpedo. A sharp whistle from the locomotive gave notice that the engineer had heard it and immediately afterwards across the tracks, not fifty yards away, he saw a red light swinging. The air brakes were applied, and within twenty seconds the train was at a standstill.

AN ENGINEER SHOT.

From the dense undergrowth north of the track four men advanced toward the train. The face of each was hidden by a black mask. One of the men ran to the engine. He carried a rifle and when within ten feet of the tender, brought it to his shoulder, pointed it at Prescott, the engineer, and as he shouted, "Hold up your hands," pulled the trigger. Prescott fell to the floor of his cab with a bullet in his right breast. Kinney jumped to the top of the tender and fired almost into the face of the masked robber, who, though injured, managed to move back into the shade of the woods. The firing about the engine was followed almost immediately by a volley from the smoking car.

The robbers did not return the fire until they had fallen back into the woods. Then they fired only two shots. An incessant firing was kept up from the car windows, and some of the detectives left the train, and attempted to discover the course taken by the fleeing bandits. Their horses were hidden not more than 100 yards away, and when the posse from the train reached the spot they saw one horse galloping north. A well directed shot brought it low, but there was no rider on its back. The place where the horses were tied was soon found, and cut hitching straps showed that one man at least had life enough left to make his escape.

PASSENGERS IN A PANIC.

The shooting, which was the first intimation the passengers on the train had of the expected attack by the robbers, caused a panic in the chair and sleeping-cars. The cry "Train-robbers" went through the train, and when the excitement was at its height the brakeman put his head in the door and shouted, "Keep your heads down, ladies and gentlemen, Train-robbers outside." Many of the passengers sought safety by lying flat on the floor of the cars.

It is nearly three weeks since the Santa Fe and the Wells Fargo officials received an intimation that a raid on one of their trains was contemplated. Since then their express cars have been well guarded. Detective Kinney's watcher gave him twenty-four hours notice of two premeditated raids that were despoiled by rain. Great secrecy was preserved in placing the guards on the trains, only one or two being taken on at any one station. When the danger point had been passed the men would drop off at different stations, working back east along the road in the day time, and repeating the operation the next night.

TWO ROBBERS CAPTURED.

MEMPHIS, Sept. 18.—Two of the Santa Fe train robbers were captured near here this morning. They were brought to Memphis and lodged in jail. They are Charles Abrams and Link Overfield.

Abrams is the man who shot Engineer Prescott. He is badly wounded and not expected to live. He received the charge of buckshot fired by the detective concealed on the tender after Engineer Prescott fell. Abrams was the leader of the gang and boarded the engine in advance of his companions and received the charge of buckshot full in the face. The force of detectives marvelled at the time that Abrams was able to move away six feet much less escape to the woods, which he did. Detective Kenney, of the Santa Fe, says he is on the trial of the other two robbers and expects to capture both of them before nightfall. Engineer Prescott is not fatally hurt.

STATE FIREMEN.

The Fifteenth Annual Convention at Norristown.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Sept. 18.—The fifteenth annual convention of the State Firemen's association of Pennsylvania, began this afternoon in the court house, but routine business was not taken up until this afternoon.

Immediately after the opening session was called to order the proper officers received the credentials of delegates and enrollment fees. While this was going on a motion was made to adjourn in memory of the late Henry A. Derr, of Norristown, the first president of the association. The delegates, then, headed by a band, proceeded to Mr. Derr's tomb in Montgomery cemetery, where appropriate addresses were made and a tribute erected in the form of a large floral design.

This afternoon's proceedings opened with an address of welcome by Judge Swartz on behalf of the borough, and by J. P. Hale Jenkins on behalf of the local fire department. Reading, Johnstown and Scranton are having a lively contest for next year's convention, Reading spending probably several thousand dollars to campaign. A vote will be taken tomorrow.

Another contest is for president. The contestants are Gilbert W. Thompson, of Lansdale, and George W. Brooke, of Coatesville.

At this afternoon's session the following nominations for officers were made: President—George W. Brooke, of Coatesville; Gilbert L. Thompson, of Lansdale, and George W. Gray, of Plymouth. Vice presidents, four to be chosen—John T. Gorman, of Philadelphia; Leyshon Thomas, jr., of Norristown; George G. Jones, of Chester, and A. W. Mantindel, of Hatboro. Recording secretary—W. W. Winder, of Reading. Corresponding secretary—James A. Green, of Carlisle. Treasurer—John Slingluff, of Norristown. Reading, Montrose and Johnstown were placed in nomination as the places for holding the next convention.

PATRIOTIC GREEN RIDGE BOYS.

Presented with a Flag at the Baptist Church.

Green Ridge Baptist church was beautifully and tastefully decorated with flags and bunting Monday evening, the occasion being the presentation of a flag to the Boy's brigade, of which James M. Hughes is the captain, by Mrs. Mallery's Sunday school class. The boys marched in at 8 o'clock to music furnished by the Messrs. Conrad. Pastor Ford in a short and interesting speech gave a history of the Boy's brigade and outlined its objects.

After music, Colonel Hitchcock made the presentation speech, and delighted the boys with incidents of heroism and stories of the old flag. E. F. Chamberlain made the speech of acceptance on the part of the boys, after they had risen and saluted the flag and repeated the pledge of allegiance. With earnest words he exhorted the boys to live up to the pledges they had made. Corporal Prichard recited the "Star Spangled Banner." The singing of the national anthem terminated the patiotic meeting.

IN HONOR OF A VETERAN.

Party Given for J. B. Ashleman of Ada, Minn.

A party was given Monday night by C. P. Ashleman at his residence, 333 Twelfth street, for his brother, J. B. Ashleman, of Ada, Minn. The latter was a Grand Army of the Republic delegate at the recent encampment at Pittsburg. He was born in Wilkes-Barre and lived in Pennsylvania until the close of the war, since when he has resided in the west.

During the evening the choir of the First Baptist church rendered several choice selections and the company was favored with recitations by Miss Nettie Lewis. The guests included Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Morgan and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lewis and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. McGovern, Mr. and Mrs. William Archer, and other well-known people.

CEASES PUBLICATION.

The Scranton Evening Express No Longer Exists.

The Scranton Evening Express has suspended publication. The paper was started about three months ago and included in its editorial and reportorial departments a coterie of the city's clever journalists. The paper has not made money, although it started under unusually auspicious circumstances.

F. G. McKee, of Towanda, the proprietor of the sheet, placed his money in the business with the prospect of organizing a stock company. The latter plan did not materialize. The obligations of the paper will be met in full.

CAPTURE OF A THUG.

Gabriel Manzello Arrested for Murder of Tolmano Tomas.

READING, Pa., Sept. 18.—Gabriel Manzello, charged with the murder of Tolmano Tomas, a fellow countryman, at Port Clifton last May, was arrested here today. The accused shot his associate and robbed him of several hundred dollars.

Tomas was employed as a track hand by the reading company.

MRS. VANDERBILT SEEKS DIVORCE

She Is Determined to Seek Absolute Freedom from Willick.

A CHANGE IN THE PROGRAMME

All Efforts of Interested Friends to Patch Up Difficulties Have Failed. Publicity Has Spoiled the Plans Made for a Formal Separation and a Genuine Chicago Document Will Alone Satisfy the Ill-Sorted Couple.

MRS. WILLIAM K. VANDERBILT has finally decided to bring an action for a divorce against her husband, and, with her children, may arrive in New York at any time. Their homecoming will not be unexpected, for several members of the Vanderbilt family have been notified and a private letter received from Paris on Saturday by a friend confirmed the fact. The letter also said that Mrs. Vanderbilt, who was in Paris at the time the letter was written, had finally determined to come to America and go directly to Newport, where she will take up her residence in the great marble palace, given to her by her husband two years ago. She will live there for one year, and then, under the law of the state, will begin the suit.

The story was corroborated today, both at Newport and in this city, and there can be no doubt of its authenticity. At Newport the cottagers, many of whom are about to take their departure, have been watching the movements of a retinue of servants, who arrived at the Vanderbilt palace on Saturday and began at once to put things in readiness for the return of its mistress.

MRS. VANDERBILT'S PLANS.

A well known member of society has spent much time in Newport recently and who is familiar with every movement of any consequence made by Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt said today, in speaking of the return of Mrs. Vanderbilt: "It is true that Mrs. Vanderbilt is to return and immediately. It is quite possible that she is now on her way to this country, but I do not know the steamship upon which she intended to sail.

Her return has been contemplated for several weeks past, or since she determined to secure a divorce from Mr. Vanderbilt. She intends to go to Newport and live there quietly until she obtains her divorce. The cause of her wishing for one is well known. I do not know, and I don't think anybody else knows, whether the suit will be contested or not, but there are reasons for supposing that Mr. Vanderbilt will not oppose an action. He is at present in Scotland with several friends, shooting, and will return to New York probably inside of the next six weeks. As I understand it, he does not intend to come back on his steam yacht, the Valiant, but will leave her on the other side, which would indicate that he did not intend remaining here very long. The news that Mrs. Vanderbilt would seek a divorce first reached here on Saturday, and before that it was generally supposed by friends of both parties that there would simply be a formal separation. This step was, I believe, determined upon at one time on account of the children, but Mrs. Vanderbilt probably determined to make a more radical action against her husband when she learned that their differences had become known in America and that the story had been told more or less accurately in the newspapers."

BAPTIST MINISTERS.

Annual Conference Partially Finished at Factoryville Monday.

The Baptist Pastors' conference, of Scranton and vicinity, held their annual banquet at Keystone academy, Factoryville, on Monday. This was the formal opening of the conference, and it was a very propitious one.

Through the kindness of the principal, Professor F. M. Loomis, the conference was treated to a very excellent dinner served in the beautiful dining hall of the academy. After partaking of the rich repast, the members of the conference with their wives, repaired to the parlors where a very excellent programme was carried out. Rev. W. G. Watkins, president of the conference, in his usual pleasant manner acted as toastmaster.

Rev. M. J. Watkins, of Factoryville, spoke on "Blue Monday: Its Cause and Remedy;" Rev. J. R. Ellis, of Blakely, "The Demands of the Age on the Christian Ministry;" Rev. T. J. Collins, of Scranton, "Should the Pastor Have a Sabbath or Rest Day? If So, What Day Should It Be?" Rev. D. L. Hughes, D. D., of Scranton, "Should Adherents of Christian Science, So Called, Have Membership in a Baptist Church;" in the absence of the next speaker, Rev. W. J. Guest, Rev. A. B. Browe, of Waverly, "The Sphere of the Minister's Wife;" Rev. Warren G. Partridge, of Scranton, "What Books Should Constitute the Ministers Library." Owing to the lateness of the hour the topic, "The relationship subsisting between Keystone academy and the Baptists of northeastern Pennsylvania: are we alive to the interest of the academy and is it rendering to us what is due as an educational force?" was deferred till the meeting of the conference next Monday morning at which time the subject will be discussed by Rev. D. G. Williams.

The conference will meet Monday morning at 10.30 in the parlors of the Penn Avenue Baptist church. The time will be devoted to "Vacation Reminiscences."

FUNERAL OF HUMPHREY BRADLEY.

Buried According to the Church and Elks' Ritual.

A large concourse of friends attended the funneral of the late Humphrey Bradley yesterday afternoon. Services were held in the residence on Gibson street and Adams avenue and were conducted by Rev. W. H. Pearce, D.D., of the Elm Park church; Rev. M. D. Fuller, of Providence, and Rev. Richard Hiorns. The Elm Park quartette sang appropriate hymns.

The pall bearers were from the Scranton lodge of Elks, of which deceased was a member, as follows: C. E. Pryor, D. W. Connelly, Thomas Barrowman, John Benore, M. E. McDonald and John Simpson. Interment was made at Forest Hill cemetery, where services were conducted according to the Elks' ritual.

FIRE UNDERWRITERS MEET.

Said to Have Taken Action on Recent Fire.

The Fire Underwriters' association of this city met in weekly session yesterday morning in the Commonwealth building. The meetings of the association are held on Tuesday of each week and the agents are bound by the constitution and by-laws not to reveal any of the deliberations.

It is understood that the meeting yesterday was a most important one in view of the fact that business was done in relation to the recent disastrous fire.

DULL DAY IN COURT.

The Fellows Title Suit and Hyde Park Bank Case. Are On.

In court room No. 1 the land case involving the title of Joseph Fellows to sixty acres of land, was on all of yesterday and it appears that a few days yet will elapse before all the testimony is heard.

The defendant was placed on the stand yesterday and the evidence was substantially a total denial of the claims set forth by the plaintiff. The afternoon was taken up with the reading of depositions and legal squabbles among the opposing attorneys.

The life insurance case before Judge Archbald in court room No. 2, between Thomas McHale and Bridget McLaughlin, of Archbald, was given to the jury at noon. McHale sued to recover $600 for money paid as premiums of a life insurance policy on the life of the deceased husband of the defendant. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

A few minutes before adjournment the assumpsit case of S. B. Mott, assignee of the Hyde Park bank, against C. P. Jadwin, to recover the face value of a note dated Oct. 17, 1879, with interest, drawn by the defendant in favor of H. Hansford, then cashier of the bank, was begun. Attorney E. Merrifield opened the case for the defense, but did not complete his argument to the jury. It will be resumed this morning. Mr. Merrifield is assisted in the case for the plaintiff by Attorney John R. Scragg and the defense is represented by Attorneys W. Gaylord Thomas and C. Comegys. The case will be transferred to the arbitration room, as Judge Savage, of Sunbury, is coming to hold court in room No. 2 for the rest of the week.

The jury in the case of John Mahon vs. the Elk Hill Coal and Iron company returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for $62.46.

SHE WANTS COLD CASH.

Mrs. Susanana Hanish Values Her Character at $1,000.

Under the chaperonage of Constable Patrick Henry, of Old Forge, a disturbed element of the Slavonic population of Barbertown journeyed to the arbitration room of the court house yesterday, where a slander suit was called for hearing before the following board of arbitrators: Hon. John P. Quinnan, John F. Cummings and Attorney C. B. Gardner.

Two months ago Casimir Drabund's wife was visited by the butcher with a bill for collection. Mrs. Susanna Hanish, her neighbor, poked her head out of the kitchen window and began to deride Mrs. Drabund for her delinquency. The interchange of compliments as the outcome of this officious piece of advice was joined in by Drabund, who said something that seriously reflected on the virtue of Mrs. Hanish.

Attorney M. J. Donahoe made a very clever case out of it for the prosecution, Ex-Judge W. H. Stanton represented the defendant. Damages in the sum of $1,000 are asked. The case was closed, but the arbitrator's reserved their decision.

BENEFIT FOR THE ELKS.

Roland Reed to Be at the Academy of Music Oct. 30.

The Scranton Lodge of Elks met last night and arranged for the appearance of Roland Reed in "The Politician" at the Academy of Music on Wednesday, Oct. 3.

This is said to be the best play in which Mr. Reed has appeared, and no doubt will draw a crowded house for the benefit of the Elks.

Improvements in the Y. M. C. A.

The Young Men's Christian association educational committee is getting ready to accommodate the members of their institution who desire the advantages of the educational department, by very largely increasing the capacity of the class rooms on the third floor. They have prepared a complete course of study in fourteen different branches: Arithmetic, algebra, architectural drawing, bookkeeping, English literature, grammar, history, penmanship, physics, stenography, vocal music, political economy, commercial law, mechanical drawing. They have secured the following gentlemen as teachers: Professor A. F. Tappen, John Taylor, W. H. Rowley, A. E. Sloan, H. D. Dean and Tallie Morgan. In all, nine competent instructors will be engaged. The report of the committee for last year's work showed the enrollment of 328 students against 93 on the year previous. With the experience gained in last year's work, the addition of two popular branches of study, an increase in the teaching force, and the help of last year's students, the management hope to surpass all previous records in this department of the association's activities.

WEATHER FORECAST.

RAIN. WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—*Forecast for eastern Pennsylvania, showers, probably clearing in the afternoon, slightly cooler, except in the vicinity of Harrisburg, variable winds. For western Pennsylvania, showers in the early morning followed in the interior by fair, variable winds.*

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