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PERSONAL

School Director John J. Collins, of Carbondale, was in the city yesterday on a visit. Attorney T. Cramer Von Storch will leave this morning for Philadelphia on business.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

(Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied by the name of the writer.) The Tribune will not be held responsible for opinions here expressed.

LET THE VOTERS THINK

Good Judgment Will Be Required at Coming Election. ELECTION GOOD AND CAPABLE MEN

They Are Essential to the Future Welfare of the City—Unworthy Men Are Urging Their Claims to Office in Many Wards.



"YOU SEE, I STAND IN." Type of Statesman That Ought to Be Kept Out of Councils.

and present indications lead to the hope that the agitation in favor of councilmen who have good business qualifications and moral ideas of integrity will be productive of beneficial results.

Wanted His Support. "Of course I can count on your support," he said, familiarly patting the property owner on the back.

Trouble in the Seventh. The Seventh ward is a Democratic stronghold and is noted as the scene of many hard fought battles for the control of the ward offices.

SIX WEARY WILLIES.

Squad of Tramps Refuse to Do Work for the City Until They Are Fed in a Better Manner. Six weary and lazy tramps, who were yesterday sentenced by Alderman Fitzsimmons to labor on the streets, refused to submit to the sentence and complained of being poorly fed.

A JURY WILL DECIDE.

Judge Archbald Rules Against the Award of Arbitrators. In the fall of 1892 a joint fair was held at the Driving park under the auspices of the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society and the Lackawanna County Agricultural Society.

of the fair should be divided. When the bills were all paid the State society demanded the sum of \$1,738.28 as half of the net proceeds.

The defendants appealed from the award and Judge Archbald took the papers and passed upon them. He handed down an opinion on the ground that there were sufficient reasons to let the case go to a jury and he heard in court. The case will go on the calendar and be tried in its regular order.

IN LOCAL THEATERS.

Lew Dockstader's admirable minstrel company will give a rattling performance of fun and music at the Academy of Music next Friday night.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week will be presented at Davis' theater a new melodrama entitled "Blacklisted," a play that is said to contain all the elements that go to make up an interesting and at the same time exciting evening's entertainment.

Wilford Clarke, as Major Wellington De Boote, will be seen at the Frothingham Friday and Saturday, in "The Widow Hunt." Mr. Clarke enacted Major De Boote, a character made famous by his talented father.

The old favorite, Daniel Sully, who first became popular with theater-goers in "The Corner Grocery," will present Daniel L. Hart's new play, "O'Neil, Washington, D. C.," at the Academy of Music on Monday evening, Jan. 14.

The Little Tootoon, a catchy and laughable comic opera, will be staged at the Academy of Music Jan. 21. The music and libretto are the work of David G. John, the well-known composer, who is now making his home on the West Side.

NEWS OF THE RAILROADS.

Engineer Charles Schooster, of the Delaware and Hudson railroad, is laid up with a severe attack of quinsy. Wages of car inspectors on the Jersey Central railroad will be reduced this week.

H. M. Brewer, assistant secretary at the Young Men's Christian association, was absent from duty yesterday participating in the rejoicings over the arrival of a baby son.

Rev. J. R. Angelo's lecture last night on "Blunders" was a great treat to the large audience which had assembled. The term "blunder" had a wide range and included errors, mistakes, etc., amusing illustrations of which were given.

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PLANS FOR A NEW CHURCH

Committee Appointed to Secure Them for First Presbyterian Church.

OFFICERS THAT WERE CHOSEN

Frank D. Watts, Isaac Post and Charles C. Mattes Named as Trustees—Amount Realized on Recent Market in the Army.

A largely attended meeting of the congregation of the First Presbyterian church on Washington avenue, E. P. Kingsbury was chosen to preside and W. J. Hand acted as secretary of the meeting, which transacted considerable important business.

A resolution was adopted providing that the Madison avenue lots recently purchased be devoted solely to the erection of a church and that another lot be secured for a paragon. Considerable opposition was offered to the resolution, but a committee was appointed to secure plans and specifications for a paragon and a church, the latter not to be erected until the church property on Washington avenue is sold at not less than \$1,000 per front foot, according to a resolution adopted last October by the trustees.

Committee on Plans.

The plans committee was appointed as follows: W. W. Scranton, W. F. Hattison, James B. Schell, A. H. Storrs, W. J. Hand, P. E. Platt and Charles C. Mattes.

Frank D. Watts, Isaac Post and Charles C. Mattes were elected trustees for two years and to fill vacancies on the board.

The net proceeds of the Market conducted by the women of the church in the armory last December was \$1,921, as shown in the report of Miss Katharine M. Winton, secretary of the Market executive committee.

Renting of the Pews. A. W. Dickson was appointed auctioneer, and from the rental of pews for the coming year a total of \$94.50 was bid in premiums in addition to the regular prices. It was decided to hereafter depart from a past custom of giving options on the pews for five year terms. Some minor business was transacted before adjournment.

NEWS OF THE SOUTH SIDE.

Rumor Concerning Resumption of Work at Steel Mill Could Not Be Verified—The Girl Arrested for Theft.

There is a rumor among the employes of the South Steel mill that operations will be resumed at the mill soon. In every newspaper of the city a press dispatch was published to the effect that the Pennsylvania Steel company had distributed an order for 30,000 tons of steel rails among four mills in the pool trust and the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company was named as one of the beneficiaries of this order.

She Is a Bad Little Girl.

Constable Joseph Woelkers arrested 13-year-old Katie McCann, who lives with her step-father, on Cedar avenue, the charge against her being larceny. She was in the habit of hanging around Kramer's butcher shop on Cedar avenue and usually after she left it was no-where to be seen and some scraps of meat had disappeared.

A Morning Marriage.

At St. Mary's German Catholic church, on River street, yesterday morning, Rev. Father Christ, the pastor, united in marriage the prominent young couple of the South Side, Miss Lena Steigler, of Green Ridge, and Anthony Meyers, of Prospect avenue, were married with a nuptial mass.



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