PERSONAL.

Pay your gas bills today and save the discount.

Patrolman Rodham is ill with rheumatism at his home in Park place.

James P. Taylor, proprietor and editor of the Independent Republican, of Montrose, one of the oldest and most staple weekly publications in this section of the state, was in Scranton yesterday.

Dr. Allen Norton Leete returned Monday night from Los Angeles, Cal., where he proved his right to the $50,000 he recently fell heir to at that place. The first payment on the bequest will be made by the executors in July.

NOTED ABOUT TOWN.

Colonel E. H. Ripple's appointment as commissary general of the National Guard of the state was confirmed by the senate yesterday at Harrisburg. It makes the colonel a member of the governor's staff with the same title he now bears. The office of commissary is a most important one to the state and members of the guard, but it will not make such serious inroads on Mr. Ripple's time as the colonelcy of the Thirteenth regiment did. The resignation of Colonel Ripple as the commander of that regiment was handed to the governor several weeks ago and the new appointment, of course, carries with it the acceptance of that resignation. Lieutenant Colonel Coursen will be the next colonel, and Major Mattes will, in all probability, be the next lieutenant colonel.

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It was with deep regret that Colonel Ripple found it necessary to resign the command of the Thirteenth regiment, with which he had so long been indentified, but increasing business matters that required his attention made it imperative for him to do so, as he was no longer able to give the position the amount of time it required and he declined to be simply a figure head, neglecting the duties of the office to subordinates. He took a fatherly interest in the members of the regiment and they reciprocated by a loyalty to him and a devotion to duty that has had much to do with placing the regiment in the conspicuous place it has for years occupied.

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A delegation of local Knights Templar, consisting of A. B. Holmes, Postmaster F. M. Vandling, Julius Stevens, W. S. Millar, Joseph Ainsley, jr., A. H. Shopland, C. W. Gunster, and J. G. Bailey, left yesterday afternoon for Binghamton to pay a fraternal visit to Malta Commandery, Knights Templar, of that city.

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The locomotive used on the stage of the Academy of Music last night in the production of M. J. Gilbride's play, "Without a Name," was made by T. F. Rush, of Scranton street, and is one of the best stage locomotives now in use. It is about one-half the size of an ordinary steam road engine, but is perfect in design and appointments and is painted in an artistic manner. It contains a miniature boiler of the regulation locomotive type and the heat used to manufacture steam is furnished by a gasoline furnace. The engine represents many weeks of patient work and its actual cost is placed at more than $500.

CHURCH AND EMIGRATION

Paper Read by Attorney H. M. Streeter on That Subject.

THE FLOOD SHOULD BE CHECKED

It Is a Duty the Church Owes to the Country and Christian Civilization That It Assist in Shutting Out the Undesirable Element.

At the regular meeting of the Men's league held at the Penn Avenue Baptist church last evening a paper was read by Attorney H. M. Streeter upon "The Relation of the Church Toward the Undesirable Emigrant." The tenure of the paper favored the restriction of emigration, as it was contended that the present class of emigrants to this country were undesirable and dangerous to the well being of the country. Formerly the country needed the aid of emigrants in a marked degree, but in the present day, as a result of competition in all the trades and industries, there had been a considerable reduction in wages, with a corresponding decrease in the demand for unskilled laborers. The motive of emigrants had also changed materially; formerly they poured into this country owing to a lack of liberty in their native land, but now they flocked to the states owing to a lack of bread.

On an average, there ware 1,000,000 people constantly out of work in this country and every year there were 460,000 places to be filled in our productive industries; but, as against this, there were 500,000 applicants added to the population annually, leaving each year an added surplus of 40,000 to the army of the unemployed.

What Phillips Brooks Said.

In order to emphasize his argument Mr. Streeter read the following quotation from Rev. Phillips Brooks, D. D.: "If the world in the great march of centuries is going to be responsible for the development of certain national characteristics, built up by a larger type of manhood, here, then, for the world's sake, for the sake of those very nations that would pour in upon us that which would disturb that development, we have a right to stand guard over it."

Mr. Streeter then gave statistics, full of interest, showing the number of emigrants from different countries during the past twenty years, and the number of unskilled laborers who had sought these shores, showing that they were in a heavy preponderance over mechanics or skilled artizans capable of assisting in developing the resources of this great country. Statistics were also given showing the appalling percentage of illiterate persons included in the hordes of emigrants. From other statistics given the meeting was convinced that a considerable proportion of the inmates of prisons, insane asylums and paupers were persons of foreign birth, and that a relative comparison showed results favorable to inmates of native birth, in number and other respects. Statistics were also presented showing that the majority of emigrants were unaccompanied by their wives and children, who were left in their native land, until the emigrant could accumulate some money to carry back with him to his own shores, bringing nothing to this country and taking from of all he could in the meantime.

Comments were also made upon the large number of strikes and riots caused by unskilled foreign laborers and special references were made to the communications with the Italian government regarding the riots in New Orleans.

It Is a Duty They Owe.

The conclusion arrived at in the paper was that it was a religious and civil duty which the church owed to the country and christian civilization to assist in checking the flood of emigration so that the undesirable element might be kept out, and that attempts should be made to educate and christianize those of that class already in this country.

The discussion which followed wholly endorsed the sentiments expressed by Mr. Streeter, and it was decided that it was advisable to organize free kindergartens, night schools, enforce compulsory education and extended Sunday school mission work for the purpose of enlightening and educating the illiterate foreign population.

THREE CURTAIN CALLS.

M. J. Gilbride's Without a Name Given a Kindly Reception.

Judging from the uproarious enthusiasm which greeted M. J. Gilbride at the conclusion of the second act of "Without a Name," at the Academy of Music, his efforts as a dramatist and playright have won great favor from a large circle of admirers. Mr. Gilbride was compelled to respond to three successive calls and in returning his thanks stated that the outburst of enthusiasm was so unexpected that he could not find words to express his thanks for their appreciation of his efforts. He promised that it would be an incentive for him to stage a play which would ultimately redound to his credit and that of his city. T. F. Rush, who prepared the mechanical effects, was also compelled to respond to a call.

"Without a Name," conceding the difficulties to be encountered on the first night, met with undoubted success. The second act has a scene presenting a station on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, where a locomotive with steam hissing from the safety valve and the bell ringing out its warning notes, runs across the stage hauling a passenger car. The entry of the train was greeted with continued applause and the innovation was pronounced a great success. There are many points in the play which show that Mr. Gilbride has skill as a playright. At the conclusion of the second act C. T. Boland made a public presentation of a silk hat to Mr. Gilbride as a gift from A. Rose, a warm admirer. "City Government" will be presented at Olyphant tonight.

TO RELIEVE THE POOR.

Successful Entertainment by the Elm Park Zenith Boys.

A large audience accepted the invitation of the Elm Park Zenith boys to attend their entertainment last night, when a highly interesting programme was rendered. The first part opened with a pianoforte solo by Charles A. Doersam, after which the following numbers were given: Vocal solo, "In Old Madrid," Ross Surdam; recitation, Miss Edith Hallock; soprano solo, Mrs. J. E. Heckel; violin solo, "Seventh Air Varie" (De Beriot), William Allen; recitation, "Ugly Sam, and Why He Reformed, Showing the Efficacy of Prayer," LeGrand B. Cushman.

Miss Maggie Hale opened the second part with a recitation and the following were also given: Contralto solo, Miss Fannie Jones; recitation, Miss Lena Clark; duet, Mrs. J. E. Heckel and Miss Fannie Jones; recitation, "Courting," LeGrand B. Cushman. A considerable sum was gained by the entertainment, which will be devoted to relieving cases of destitution in the city.

CALLED ON THE PHINNEYS.

Members of the Volunteer Firemen's Association Paid Them a Visit.

A delegation from the Volunteer Firemen's association, last night, made a visit to the members of the General Phinney Engine company, on Dickson avenue, in the company parlors. The visitors were tendered a merry reception.

Among the speechmakers of the visiting delegation were President Isidor Goodman, Frederick Whitman, of Relief company; H. H. Altemouse, of General Phinney company; Henry Kingsley, of Columbia company; A. E. Voorhees, secretary of the executive committee; T. F. Noone, of Excelsior company; Joseph Stewart, of Columbia company, and George Fassold, of Century company.

Tonight the delegation will visit Relief company in Petersburg.

DIED THIS MORNING.

Mrs. Stephen Gutheinz Passed Away After an Illness of Ten Days.

Mrs. Stephen Gutheinz died at her residence on Cedar avenue, South Side, at 12.20 this morning. Ten days ago she became ill of grip, which in a few days developed into pneumonia. Since Friday last her condition had been extremely critical and her death was not unexpected. She passed away without much suffering.

Mrs. Gutheinz was born in this city in 1856, and was accordingly 39 years of age. Her husband, the late Stephen Gutheinz, died a year ago the 6th of the present month. He was one of the most prominent German citizens of the South Side and was proprietor of the flourishing meat market which bore his name. Since his death the business had been conducted by Mrs. Gutheinz, now deceased.

Her death leaves parentless three small children, William, 11 years; Charles, 6; and Frieda, 2 years old. Funeral announcement will be made tomorrow.

CONROY TOOK MONEY.

Sent to County Jail for Twenty Days by Alderman Fitzsimmons.

While being served with drinks late Monday night in the saloon of John Wilzek, at Pittston avenue and Elm street, one of three men took $3 from behind the bar. The proprietor grappled with the man and a fight ensued. Wilzek was quite badly beaten.

Patrolman Sartor later arrested Thomas Conroy, aged 19 years, who was identified as the thief. He was sentenced by Alderman Fitzsimmons to twenty days in jail and to pay back the stolen money.

DUNMORE DOINGS.

Mrs. Langan is very ill at her home on Chestnut street.

Mrs. Isaac Butler is dangerously ill at her home, on Cherry street.

Mrs. Braisden and her daughter, Miss Grace Braisden, of Hawley, are visiting in town.

Miss Maggie Jones, of Peckville, is visiting at the home of Charles Bloes, on Dudley street.

Misses Mame Larken and Mary Murphy are visiting friends in Carbondale.

Philip Davis spent Monday with Hawley friends.

Do not forget the Loyal Legion entertainment this evening. A fine programme will be rendered, and a pleasant time is assured all.

The Magnolia quartette will be one of the leading features at the Indian village fair this evening. Interest in the fair is increasing and many articles are being chanced off nightly.

Killed His Father.

Reading, Pa., March 19.—John Oswald, aged 43, a farmer of Oley Line, this county, came home drunk last night and quarreled with his wife. His 16-year-old son interfered and in the struggle that followed the latter killed his father with a club.

THE WORLD OF LABOR.

Krupp is worth $2,000,000.
Brussels will become a seaport.
Boston has an electric carriage.
Millionaire Starin was a peddler.
Rawlins (Wyo.) has a paint mine.
New York city has 11,000 factories.
Denver has a 235-pound locomotive.
Glass coffins gain favor in Russia.
There are 17,000 styles of silk goods.
England uses 600,000 pounds of tea daily.
Europe announces false teeth for horses.
Uncle Sam has 2,675 women physicians.
We use 90,000,000 pounds of tea annually.
Italy exported 5,000,000,000 eggs last year.
Americans pay $10,000,000 a year for peanuts.
North Carolina gold mines will be worked.
It is estimated that $10,000,000 worth of German toys are annually sold in England.
The clothing of the women of the Sultan of Turkey costs $7,500,000 a year, so it is said.
About 350,000,000 feet of logs have been cut on the Menominee (Mich.) river this winter.
There is a new button made, apparently of twisted wire, with a large stone ball in the center.
A number of London streets are more popular on one side than on the other, and the rates of rent differ proportionately.
A fashionable dress designer in the West End of London is computed to make on an average between $25,000 and $30,000 a year.
Hair from the heads of criminals, paupers and dead people in China constitutes an article of export in that empire amounting to $500,000 yearly.
The entire circulation of the newspaper press of the world is estimated at 10,700,000,000 copies, and there exists one journal for every 82,600 inhabitants.
The average annual import of raw silk since 1888 has been 5,000,000 pounds; half comes from Japan, one-quarter from Europe and the rest from China.
The Queensland government has decided to throw open 1,500,000 acres of land throughout the colony for selection as grazing and homestead farms.
Chile proposes to try the experiment of state management of railways. The government has announced its intention of buying up all the existing roads.
One hundred and four thousand pounds of melon seeds is the amount raised in Kearney county, Kan., last year, which brought to thirty producers not less than $10,400.
Holland railroad managers are held to strict personal responsibility for the safety of their passengers. As a result railroad accidents are rare, and an average of only one death a year results from them.
Elbert, the center of the French woolen manufacture, is so well off that it has abolished nearly all its town taxes, and now petitions the government for leave to do away with the octroi, the duty on provisions entering the town.
Chicago has over thirty elevators, which handle 140,000,000 bushes of grain every year. The Union Stock Yards cover 350 acres and cost $3,000,000. They have eight miles of street and receive 8,000,000 head of stock every year. The meat exports exceed $100,000,000.
The title of doctor was invented for the especial benefit of the learned Irnerius, of the twelfth century. The title was conferred by the University of Bologna. The first doctor of medicine was William Gordenio, who received the title from the college at Asti, in 1329.

JOHN RAUB LEFT NO WILL

Will Be a Struggle Over Position of Administrator.

LEFT CONSIDERABLE PROPERTY

Attorney Hannah Argues Before Register of Wills Hopkins That the One Who Will Administrate on Estate of Deceased Must Be Nearest Relative.

Register of Wills William S. Hopkins is in a predicament somewhat after the fashion of the plight the ancient and esteemed King Solomon found confronting him when he was required to adjudicate the claim of the two mothers who both contended for the same child.

John W. Raub, who had never been married, boarded at 231 South Ninth street, in the family of Mrs. Martha J. Snover. He led a quiet bachelor's life, and through energy and enterprise accumulated a fortune of, perhaps, $15,000. The property consisted of a farm in Spring Brook township, real estate in Benton township, a small property on Jefferson avenue, some real estate in Dunmore and a good sized amount of personal property.

Two weeks ago he became ill of grip, which developed into acute pneumonia, and after a ten days' sickness he died, without making a distribution of his property. The funeral was held last week. Register of Wills Hopkins has been appealed to in the appointment of an administrator, and there is where the balance of law must come in to decide who shall be the administrator, since there are more than one relative seeking the trust.

Stating the Case to the Register.

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon the parties interested appeared in the register's office and their claims were heard by Deputy Register James Hopkins. Attorney H. M. Hannah was present in the interest of Mrs. Helen M. Clark, of Benton township, who claims to be a first cousin of the deceased. She believes that she is entitled to the appointment of administratrix on the ground that she is the nearest relative now living in this state. Attorney Hannah argues that the act of assembly provides that the administrator be the nearest relative.

Attorney W. J. Tracy was present in the interest of Undertaker A. R. Raub, who is a distant relative of the deceased. Mr. Raub has been asked by several relatives to become the administrator and in compliance with their requests he consented to ask for letters of administration.

And Attorney Frank T. Okell was present to represent the claim of Mrs. Snover, with whom the deceased boarded. Mrs. Snover alleges that Raub, before he died, made a nuncupative will, the terms of which were that she would become the sole legatee of all of his personal property. This is a will made by word of mouth in the presence of witnesses and holds good in law. Attorney Okell does not care who is appointed administrator; all he seeks is to see that his client is not chiseled out of the bequest made to her.

Half-Brother Is Living.

Then there is a half-brother living, Harrison Raub, who at present resides in Iowa. No attorney was present to plead his case, but telegrams have been sent to him apprising him of his brother's death. He has answered them and will come on here as soon as he arranges his affairs at his home.

The attorneys interested will file briefs with Register Hopkins and the coming of the half-brother will also be awaited. The register gave notice that he has reserved the appointment of an administrator.

IN LOCAL THEATERS.

Pugilist Peter Maher and his company will appear at the Academy of Music this evening in an excellent athletic and vaudeville entertainment. The play will conclude with a side-splitting farce entitled "McCracken's Reception," in which Peter Maher will give an exhibition of boxing with Harry Courtwright and Billy Hennessey with James Judge. Maher is regarded by many as the second best man in the country.

"In Old Kentucky" will be given at the Academy of Music on Thursday evening. It is an ambitious attempt to place before the public in an attractive and creditable way two kinds of life as they exist in Kentucky. Many novel features, peculiar only to the country in which the scene is laid, are introduced. The play has been enthusiastically received wherever it has been given, and is undoubtedly one of the most pretentious as well as one of the most successful productions of the year. "In Old Kentucky" is in no way connected with "Old Kentuck," which has appeared here at different occasions and at different theatres. This is a first class production under the management of Jacob Litt.

The thrilling and realistic play "The Police Patrol" will be presented Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Davis' theatre. The plot is founded on a sensational murder that occurred in Chicago some years ago, and that startling affair has been dramatized in a most striking and realistic manner, the succeeding incidents being faithfully produced. The play permits of the introduction of the interior of a police patrol station with the patrol wagon, horses, policemen and all the paraphernalia necessary to a station of the kind. The sensational element is relieved by some very bright comedy and pleasing specialities. The company is said to be an excellent one. The play has been presented at full standard prices heretofore.

OURS IS THE BEST.

Have the Most Complete and Practical Plant in the Country.

The sub-committee of councils' highway committee, to which was referred the ordinance of the Pennsylvania Heat, Light and Power company, and of which W. Findlay Brown is the chairman, returned yesterday from their visit to New York, Boston, Springfield, Albany, Scranton and Harrisburg. The committee was accompanied by President Hartman, of common council, and the object of the trip was to inspect the heat and power plants in operation in those cities, with a view of gaining a knowledge of the practical operations of these plants.

President Hartman spoke enthusiastically of the trip and of the various places visited. Scranton, he said, had the most complete and practical plant of any place visited. What action the committee will take on the ordinance Mr. Hartman was unable to say, but he is of the opinion that it will not get through the present councils.—Philadelphia Record.

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.

John Burns, a resident of Fell township, was yesterday appointed by the court to succeed Daniel Holey as auditor of the township. At the February election the latter was elected constable.

Marriage licenses were yesterday granted by the clerk of the courts to James H. James and Maggie A. Evans, both of Olyphant; and to Sherman A. Weeks, of Elmhurst, Tioga county, and Anna Lathrope, of Clark's Green.

Attorneys Jessups and Hand began an assumpsit suit in court yesterday against J. S., J. H., and H. D. Swarts, trading as co-partners under the name of the Swarts Lumber company. The plaintiff is the Utica Cabinet company and the amount in dispute is a book account of $169.12, bearing interest from Sept. 11, 1894.

The following constables filed their oaths of office with the clerk of the courts yesterday and furnished bonds in the sum of $1,000 each for the faithful performance of their duties: George W. Paterson, of LaPlume borough; Benjamin Harris, of the Second ward of Blakely; Edward N. Jones, of the Third ward of Blakely; I. P. Dolph, of the First ward of Dunmore, and John O'Connor, of the Third ward of Scranton.

On Sept. 11, 1891, Mrs. Mary Milmore, then alive and a resident of this city, took out a life insurance policy with the Industrial Benefit association of Syracuse, a corporation chartered under the state of New York. She named Frank E. Fiske the beneficiary. Her death occurred in August last year, and according to the terms of the policy $800 was due as the death payment to her estate. The company has not settled, although proofs of the woman's death were furnished. Attorney E. C. Newcomb, representing Fiske, instituted proceeding in court yesterday for the recovery of the $800 with interest from Sept. 1894.