PERSONAL.

Poor Director Charles Tropp is in New York city.

A. W. Jurisch left yesterday for Sullivan county on a deer hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Mulford, of Unadilla, N. Y., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Luce, of Hyde Park avenue.

J. H. Laine is in the city.

Miss Carroll, who, for several years, was head clerk for the firm of C. G. Boland & Co., of this city, has resigned her position and will soon become a resident of Philadelphia.

Hon. Theodore Hart, editor of the Pittston Gazette, which has been pronounced by competent judges the most stalwart Republican daily in Luzerne county, called on Scranton friends yesterday afternoon, and inspected The Tribune's new plant. Mr. Hart has been asked by many prominent Republicans to be a candidate for national delegate from Luzerne county, and has consented to permit the use of his name. In 1880 he ran for delegate, but the convention elected Mr. Farnham, of Wilkes-Barre, and Mr. Albright, of Scranton, as delegates, afterward choosing Mr. Hart and Mr. Alexander, of Carbondale, as alternates. Inasmuch as Wilkes-Barre has several times had the delegateships, Mr. Hart believes that next year the two extreme ends of the county will be accorded recognition, thus coupling his candidacy with that of Representative Leisenring.

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Second Chamber concert, Y. M. C. A. Hall, Dec. 12, at eight o'clock.

There's no two prices at Turnquest's, the jeweler, 205 Washington avenue. **

THE JURY CANNOT AGREE

Guilt or Innocence of Joseph Thomas Is Puzzling Them.

CELEBRATED HIS ACQUITTAL

Thomas Kane, Accused of Robbery, Acquitted by the Jury and He Went Out and Got Drunk—Judge Gunster Sent Him Up.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the jury that heard the case against Joseph Thomas, the 17-year-old stripling from the Sibley, charged with a serious crime by Angeline Cockerill, a 12-year-old girl, retired to find a verdict, but they could not agree and remained out all night. It is likely they will come into court this morning and ask to be discharged.

Thomas Kane, of Carbondale, was returned not guilty of robbing James S. Cobb, and immediately after the verdict was taken the case against him in which he is charged with burglarizing the house of John Higgins, of Carbondale, was called for trial. Kane appeared in court in a highly intoxicated condition and Judge Gunster ordered the sheriff to take charge of him. Warden Jay brought the hilarious defendant to jail and when Kane got sober enough he was taken back to court. Another case had been called and the one against him was not taken up. He may be tried today.

W. L. Weatherby and Collins Weatherby, his son, were tried in the main court for assault and battery upon Dallas Woodmancy. They live in Scott township and on June 9 got into a fight over some trivial matter. Woodmancy alleged that the father and son struck him divers times on the head with a club. The jury found the defendants not guilty and ordered the prosecutor to pay one-fourth of the costs and the elder Weatherby to pay the three-fourths. District Attorney Jones represented the commonwealth and Attorneys Hulslander & Vosburg the defendants.

Celebrated the Event.

Rosario Genachero was tried on a charge of felonious attempt upon the life of Mrs. Joseph Tomaine. Attorney John T. Martin defended the prisoner and District Attorney Jones represented the commonwealth. It was alleged that on the 6th of last September Genachero came to the house of the prosecutrix and without a word of warning or any provocation fired two shots at her, and one at her husband. The defense was that they had not been on good terms and when he heard that the Tomaines were going back to Italy, he went to their house and fired the shots in a Fourth of July spirit to express his delight at their departure. The jury was out at adjournment. This case was tried before Judge Edwards in No. 2 court.

The next case was against Patrick and Rose Healey, an old couple living at the "Beach" in Spring Brook township. They formerly lived in Greenwood. Mrs. Mary Aston is the prosecutrix. Attorney John J. Murphy represented the defendants and Attorney David J. Davis the commonwealth. The charge is that on July 31 last five cows belonging to the Aston family got into Healey's barn, and when Mrs. Aston crossed over to see about getting the cows out Mrs. Healey assaulted her with a club and Mr. Healey with a pitchfork.

Clark, of South Abington, on Trial.

William N. Clark, a South Abington butcher, and a man about 50 years of age, strong and muscular looking, was tried before Judge Gunster for horse whipping a cripple boy, Arthur Dateson, 14 years old. District Attorney Jones and Attorney B. F. Ackerly represented the commonwealth and Attorneys Hulslander & Vosburg, the defendant.

On Sept. 3 last, young Dateson and Harry Dymond, another boy, were gathering butternuts from a tree on the roadside skirting Mr. Clark's premises. The tree is about 100 feet from the toll gate. The defendant was returning from Scranton and he got out of his vehicle and ran after the boys. He horsewhipped Dateson severely, drawing blood from the boy's disabled leg and right shoulder.

The boy testified and so did young Dymond. The defendant's attorneys tried to prove that the tree was on his premises. Mrs. Fannie Tinkham, the toll gate keeper, was an eye witness of the whipping. She was asked how far away from the tree she was at the time. "Well, sir," she said, "it was 6 rods, lacking 3 feet and 9 inches from where I was standing to the tree." She also measured the distance from the tree to the wall enclosing the defendant's premises and found the tree to be 2 feet and 19 inches on the outside. The case was given to the jury just before adjournment.

Defense That Was Offered.

The defense was that the Clarks did not strike the cripple boy at all; that he saw the boys taking nuts from the tree and was annoyed for a long time with their depredations; that she shouted to them to scoot away and in the hurry to get down from the tree that Dateson fell down on the stone wall and was thereby injured.

The defendant went on the stand and swore that the boys were very insolent, particularly the Dymond boy. He admitted that he applied the horsewhip to Dymond, but did not touch Dateson at all. The latter, he said, was injured by the stones of the wall falling on him. The jury went out to find a verdict a little while before adjournment.

ALLEGORY OF AMERICA.

Will Be Given for the Benefit of the Lackawanna Hospital.

On January 14 and 15 at the Academy of Music will be given the grand "Allegory of America" for the benefit of the Lackawanna Hospital. There will be about 300 persons in the cast, all residents of the city, and the entertainment will consist of dialogue and tableaux, illustrating the history of America from the time of its discovery by Columbus until the present time. It is not only entertaining, but instructive as well.

Every effort will be made to have the costumes and arrangement of the tableaux, as well as all of the dialogues, historically correct. To assist in raising funds there will be a handsome souvenir programme issued, in the compilation of which the merchants, manufacturers and others will be asked to assist.

MONEY IS PLENTIFUL.

New York Investors Are Buying Up Municipal Bonds.

Money is so plentiful in New York that the investors are seeking everywhere for a place to use it. Even the street improvement bonds of municipalities are being eagerly sought for by big financial institutions which heretofore looked upon such investments as mere trifles not worthy of consideration. City Controller Widmayer is in receipt of letters almost daily from the financial centers asking for statements of the city's credit and whether or not we have any bonds for sale.

Yesterday at the request of the New York Savings Bank's association he compiled a statement of the issues of street improvement bonds and will forward it to them today. It shows that bonds to the amount of $190,622.62 have been issued; $144,960.86 has been paid for redemption, and on July 30, 1895, there was still outstanding $45,661.76.

These bonds have all been issued for street paving, principally asphalt, but do not represent the total amount spent for paving, as the first payment is always made in cash.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

SALVINI—This evening Scranton theater goers will have an opportunity of seeing Alexander Salvini at the Academy of Music in "The Three Guardsmen." One does not realize the beauty of "The Three Guardsmen" until it is seen in action. Dramatized it is action intensified. Not a gap remains unfilled; not a word unsuited to the motive and result. The scene is laid in the French court at a time when kings were slaves to popes; when women were the merchandise to power; when honor was a thing of name flashed in the gleam of a rapier and be buried in the slime of deeds; when might was right and infamy owned both; when treason crawled before him who paid his service highest. In this latter day, when war is not a matter of a despot's whim, when a subject's head is his own, provided he respects his fellows, this page of chivalry comes as a moral lesson and an amusing satire. By the touch of Dumas' genius, it becomes as wine to the blood, since it is life, long-bottled in the flagons of history. Salvini plays the dashing guardsman with the impetuosity of the born cavilier.

HUMANITY—The production of "Humanity" at the Academy Thursday and Friday evenings revives the memory of its substantial success achieved. There are twenty-six speaking parts in the drama, and fuly one hundred persons are engaged on the stage, in addition to twelve thoroughbred horses and a pack of hounds. These are used in the hunting and battle scenes. The cast includes Joseph Grismer, Miss Phoebe Davies, Hardee Kirkland, Miss Bebe Vining, Miss Arline Athens, C. Jay Williams, Clarence Ferguson, Fannie C. Jackson, John Haney and others. The scenery, a most potent factor in the production, is the joint work of John A. Thompson, Harley Merry and J. R. Wilkins.

THE ENGINEER—For the last three days of this week "The Engineer" will be the attraction at Davis' theater. It was produced here early in the season and Manager Davis thought so well of it that he booked it for a return engagement. The Philadelphia Call says of the drama: "The company is a very strong one, while good clean comedy is interspersed throughout, and several good specialties are introduced at the proper time and place. The play was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience present."

BIG ADVERTISING SCHEME

E. A. Keeling, of New York, Is at the Head of the Project.

Circulars were yesterday received in this city by the board of trade, Mayor Connell and a number of prominent private citizens explaining in detail and calling for support for a novel scheme to advertise the products of this county in foreign lands.

The concern is known as the American Expedition association, and has temporary headquarters in New York city. It proposes to build a palatial yacht which will carry abroad a party of say 500 leading men of the county, representing every state and all of the larger cities, whose sole duty will be to just travel around and "praise things."

While all this is going on inland it is proposed to have an immense exposition ship moored at the principal seaport town, where the wonderful products of this great and glorous nation can be viewed.

E. A. Keeling, of New York, is the secretary of this association of Yankee boomers, and his address is the Sherman bank.

AS TO JUDICIAL SALES.

Taxes Must Be Filed Against Advertised Property Like Other Debts.

City Solicitor Torrey yesterday sent notice to City Treasurer Brooks that in accordance with an act of the last legislature taxes on lands advertised for sale must be filed against the property like a judgment before the sale takes place and are not collectable after the sale, as heretofore. The same rule, of course, holds good as regards county taxes.

This law will do away with the hardship entailed upon persons who have purchased land at sheriff's or other such sales and afterwards were confronted with a big bill of taxes. The taxes must be satisfied out of the money arising from the sale of the property.

GUESSING CONTEST CLOSED.

Those Who Won the Prizes at Goldsmith's Bazaar.

The Handkerchief Guessing Contest at Goldsmith's Bazaar closed Monday evening. They were counted yesterday morning by a disinterested person and the six lucky guessers were found to be Miss Maggie Wilson, city, first ladies' prize; Mrs. S. A. Mershon, Waverly, second ladies' prize; Miss Lizzie Bradley, city, third ladies' prize; Joseph S. Cary, city, first gentleman's prize; John York, city, second gentleman's prize; Arnold Roth, third gentleman's prize.

There were 1,545 handkerchiefs in the window. Ladies' nearest guess was 1,533; gentlemen's nearest guess was 1,590.

Bloeser's Endless Stock.

Bloeser's Household Supply store is one of the attractive holiday resorts this year with its new stock of Christmas goods. The immense store on the corner of Penn avenue and Spruce street is now filled with a stock of novelties which includes quaint designs in crockery and China goods, glassware, tinware, woodenware, lamps, toys, candy, books, wire goods, hardware, soaps, and in fact everything in the line of household supplies and general novelties. The store is attractive to Christmas buyers, who find many valuable and useful articles suitable for holiday presents that may be purchased at a moderate price.

You Forfeit Your Friend's Respect

If you offer him anything sham for a Christmas gift. Turnquest, 205 Washington avenue, has nothing of that sort to sell you, but if you want solid 14k. gold jewelry he can make it interesting for you. **

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Babies' three pin sets at Turnquest's.

THREE BIG EQUITY SUITS

Warring Water Companies Will Battle in Court.

CASES DISMISSED IN WAYNE

The Courts Are Asked to Restrain the Scranton Gas and Water Company from Taking Liquid from the Lehigh River.

Three equity suits were yesterday begun in the office of Prothonotary Pryor against the Scranton Gas and Water company, of this city. The complainants are the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, of Wilkes-Barre; the Bethlehem South Water company, of Carbon county, and R. C. Drum & Co., which embraces the White Haven Water company, the Carbon County Electric Light company, the Mauch Chunk Heat, Power and Electric Light company, the the Carbon County Improvement company, and the Citizens' Electric Light company, this latter combination representing the third complainant being from Carbon county also.

The suits were filed in Wayne county first but were dismissed on the grounds of no jurisdiction. They have now been brought in this county. This transfer of the papers from one court to the other has enabled the Scranton Gas and Water company to prepare its answers, and accordingly an answer is filed with each suit.

Privilege That Was Granted.

The bills of complainants are substantially identical. They pray that the defendant company be restrained temporarily until hearing and perpetually thereafter from taking any water by any means from the Lehigh river.

The bill of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company sets forth that by an act of assembly approved March 20, 1818, Josiah White, George F. A. Hanto and Erskine Hazzard, of the county of Philadelphia, their heirs and assigns, were authorized to enter upon the Lehigh river, to open, enlarge and deepen the same in any part between the Great Falls and the mouth of the said river to make a good navigation for arks, rafts and boats, and to collect and receive tolls for the passage of the same thereon. The complainant after a large expenditure of money completed a canal and slack water navigation from the mouth of said river to White Haven, a distance of seventy-two miles, and the same became a public highway for the passage of boats, arks and rafts under rules and regulations lawfully adopted by the company.

In consequence of a flood in June, 1862, which destroyed the dams above Mauch Chunk, the legislature by an act approved March 4, 1863, authorized it to construct a railway from White Haven to Mauch Chunk, which relieved the complainant from keeping in repair its slackwater from Mauch Chunk.

Scranton People Notified.

After going through a history of the rights acquired from time to time by virtue of acts of the legislature the bill says that a representative of the Scranton Gas and Water company was notified that the intention of the defendant to erect a dam on the Lehigh river would not be permitted. Notwithstanding the warning, the work of constructing a dam across the Lehigh at a point near Gouldsboro has been begun with a view of pumping the water of the Lehigh so as to carry it to the Roaring Brook or to pipes leading to Scranton.

It is impossible the complainant says to anticipate or to foresee all the mischiefs which would result from diverting the water from the stream even in time of freshet as the flow of the current at such time subserves the purpose of scouring the bed and filling the hollows and pools which constitute the natural reservoirs to be drawn upon in other times and in view of the use of the water for domestic purposes by wtaer companies at Bethlehem and Catasaqua and for power at numerous points as well as for navigation, the retention of the entire flow of the river is of the utmost value and its diversion to non-riparian uses in another watershed is a wrong which should be perpetually enjoined.

Answer of the Defendant Company.

The answer of the Scranton Gas and Water company avers that the complainants are not entitled to prevent the defendant from building dams and works upon the land owned by the defendant; that it is not proposed to diminish the natural flow of water in times of drought; on the other hand that the more gradual supply of water which the forests preserve will be restored in a measure by the erection of the dam of the defendant, for it will keep back portions of the water and tend to keep up a more regular and gradual supply. That it is not proposed to take more water from the Lehigh river than always runs to waste in extreme high water at times of floods, and to store it in reservoirs solely and only for use in times of severe drought.

Ex-Justice Alfred Hand, ex-Judge H. A. Knapp and Attorney W. J. Hand represent the Scranton Gas and Water company. The complainants are represented by Attorney George Wharton Pepper, William E. Doster and Samuel Dickson, of Philadelphia; J. Davis Brodhead and H. S. Drinker, of Bethlehem. The court here has taken no action yet with regard to the suits.

FOR THE THRIFTY.

New Building and Loan Association Organized by Prominent Scrantonians.

The Artisans Building and Loan association was organized at the insurance office of D. J. Campbell, 421 Lackawanna avenue, last evening.

The following were elected officers: D. J. Campbell, president; O. B. Partridge, treasurer; Hon. J. C. Vaughan, secretary and attorney; M. J. Kelly, B. B. Megargee P. F. May and B. T. Castles, directors.

The association will be conducted on the monthly premium system. The next meeting will be held at the same place on next Tuesday evening when theboard of directors will be filled and stock will be issued to those applying.

NEW OFFICERS CHOSEN.

Annual Meeting of the Lackawanna County Medical Society.

A well attended meeting of the Lackawanna County Medical society was held last evening in the arbitration room of the court house. Nomination and election of officers to serve the ensuing year was the most important business done. It resulted as follows: President, Dr. H. B. Gardner; first vice-president, Dr. Walter M. Reedy; second vice-president, Dr. E. M. Pennypacker; secretary, Dr. James Stein; treasurer, Dr. L. M. Gates; censor, Dr. J. E. O'Brien, three years; librarian, Dr. Gardner.

The retiring president, Dr. Capwell, thanked his associates warmly for the courteous and thoughtful manner they had treated him during his incumbency. Dr. Gardner gave expression to kindred sentiments for the honor conferred upon him when he took the chair.

As is the custom for all retiring presidents, Dr. Capwell read a paper. The subject is usually the medical progress of the year. He said he took the liberty of deviating from this rule and prepared a paper on "Serum Therapeutics." It was highly commended by the members present.

LECTURE ON ANGELO.

Delivered by Attorney A. V. Bower in Green Ridge Presbyterian Church.

The lecture delivered by Attorney A. V. Bower in the Green Ridge Presbyterian church, illustrated by stereopticon views of the original paintings, was a rare treat to all who attended the church last evening.

The lecturer showed a thorough understanding of the life and genius of Angelo; a knowledge acquired by a careful study in the galleries of Europe, of the masterpieces of the great Italian.

Mr. Bower has the rare faculty of completely absorbing the attention of his audience, and leading them back into the past.

The story of the life of Angelo is a wonder. The lecturer led his hearers all along the rugged path of the great artist from his youth until his death at 91 when he was still busy and active, but dwelt particularly upon his unparalleled achievement in the Sistine chapel in Rome; the tombs of the De Medici and the mighty Moses. It was a new presentation of this wonderful man and one long to be remembered.

HAD TO STOP THE "AD."

A lady who had a house to rent called at The Tribune office and inserted a "House to rent" adlet. The first insertion brought several applicants, while the second insertion kept her busy answering callers, and secured a proper tenant. The continuation of it caused her to leave her home and visit the office, to request that the "ad." be discontinued. She could have placarded the house with "To rent" for an indefinite period, and be the loser of several months' rent, but an "adlet" in The Tribune saved all that, and she is the better for it. Many instances of this kind could be related. They tell a story. It pays to let the people know that you have a house to rent, a horse for sale, or if you want a servant. If you desire to prove the truthfulness of this story call at our office and inquire.

THE QUEEN OF LIARS.

Mrs. Fiske Scored a Triumph in It at the Frothingham.

After an absence of a number of years, the greater part of which she spent in study, Minnie Maddern Fiske again made her appearance before a Scranton audience last night in the Frothingham. "The Queen of Liars," adapted from the French of Alphouse Daudet and Leon Hennique, by her husband, Harrison Grey Fiske, was the vehicle in which she made her appearance.

It is a fascinating psychological study of the motives that sway a woman with a past who has married a good man. This man she deeply loves and to prevent a discovery of the hideous past she lies. Each lie requires another to extricate her from the mesh the preceding one has entangled her in and at last overwhelmed by the embarrasments her prevarications have caused her she takes poison.

In the interpretation of this character Mrs. Fiske delighted the audience and showed that during the years she has been off the stage her powers as an actress have greatly matured and expanded. She brought a fine intelligence, the proper temperament and a natural artistic method of acting to the interpretation of the role that called forth the warmest tributes of appreciation from the audience.

Mrs. Fiske was supoprted by an excellent company, which included James Neill, Frank R. Mills, Albert Grau, Ida Waterman, Helen Macbeth and Mary Maddern.

FUNERAL OF MR. DIMMICK.

Interment Made in Forest Hill Cemetery Yesterday Morning.

In Forest Hill cemetery yesterday morning, in the presence of immediate relatives and Rev. F. S. Ballentine, the body of Attorney Edward C. Dimmick was consigned to mother earth.

The funeral services were public and were conducted in the late residence of Mr. Dimmick, at 1606 Sanderson avenue. They were attended by members of the Lackawanna bar and many of the most prominent citizens of the city.

Rev. Mr. Ballentine conducted the funeral services after which the remains were conveyed to Forest Hill cemetery where interment was made privately. The pallbearers were Attorney Cornelius Comegys, Alderman A. C. Bailey, J. Atticus Robertson, E. J. Lynett, G. Brown, James S. Carmalt, E. B. Sturges and M. Fine.

Many beautiful floral tributes were laid on Mr. Dimmick's casket.

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There Are Good Reasons

For going to Turnquest, the jeweler, for your Christmas gifts which can only be verified on a visit to the store at 205 Washington avenue. If you fail to appreciate them there will be no sale.

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