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**PERSONAL.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Strong, of Pittston, were in the city yesterday.  
Miss Edith Smith has returned from a visit with Willoughby Barrre.  
C. L. Griffin has returned from Harrisburg, where he attended the Photographic state convention.  
Mrs. J. J. O'Hara and little daughter, Marie and Annie, of Pittston, have returned home from a visit with Mrs. P. J. Moran.  
G. W. Miller, of the firm of Weichel & Miller, will leave today for a business visit to Philadelphia, Wheeling, W. Va., and Erie, Liverpool, O.  
Mrs. H. C. Shaffer entertained a few of her lady friends with a winter luncheon Wednesday afternoon at her home, 102 North Washington avenue.  
J. H. Laine, ex-manager of the Frothingham theater and Laurel Hill park, is in the city. Within a week he will have completed his arrangement as advertising manager for the Atlantic exposition and will become the United States traveling representative of the Exposition Internationale, which begins next September in the City of Mexico and will continue six months.  
T. C. Farrell, chairman of the local grievance committee of Elmira, N. Y., is among the trainmen, who are in session here as a representative of Chemung, John, No. 22, of Elmira. Mr. Farrell is well known along the entire system of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad and has many warm friends among the railroad fraternity. While attending the convention he will be the guest of his mother, Mrs. M. A. Farrell, of Say Aug.

**FI. FA. WAS ISSUED.**  
It is Directed Against Attorney George W. Beale, Administrator.  
A writ of fi. fa. was issued from the orphan's court yesterday directing the sheriff to seize the property of Attorney George W. Beale and sell it to collect the sum of \$1,525.15 with interest from Dec. 21, 1895. The papers will be served by the sheriff today.  
Mr. Beale was named as executor in the last will and testament of E. K. Ellis, deceased, and as such took charge of upwards of \$5,000 in cash, besides some valuable real estate. Esther Meade, one of the Ellis heirs, came in for the \$1,525.15, as her share. She is now dead and her administrators, Henry Meade and H. J. Meade, by their attorney A. D. Dean, have caused a writ to be issued directed against Executor Beale for the collection of the amount.  
On Dec. 29 last Judge Gunster issued an order directing Attorney Beale to file a bond in the sum of \$5,000 for the faithful performance of his duties as executor of the Ellis estate, otherwise the court would declare his trust as executor invalid and thereupon appoint an administrator. The time for filing the bond has been extended until Feb. 5.

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**INSURANCE MEN BANQUET**  
Prudential Insurance Company Staff at the Hotel Terrace.  
**RECOGNITION OF SERVICES**  
Company Gave the Feast for the Agents' Record Last Year—Several Won Special Prizes—Details of the Affair.

The Prudential Insurance company of America, through its superintendent of the Scranton district, H. J. Schubert, last night gave a banquet at the Hotel Terrace to its large corps of assistant superintendents, agents, clerks and medical examiners. The banquet was in recognition of the splendid showing made by the staff for the year ending Dec. 31, at which time a certain increase over the business of 1894 had been written.  
During last summer the home office of the company held out its offer through Superintendent Schubert, its agents were awarded of it and the feast was won. Prizes were distributed as follows during the evening for the largest amount of insurance written by individual solicitors during the year: First prize, \$15, John Garvey, of Scranton; second prize, \$10, W. H. Decker, of Carbondale; third prize, \$10, Assistant Superintendent A. H. Smith, of Scranton.

Between 7 and 8 o'clock in the hotel parlors the guests were received by Superintendent Schubert and introduced to W. E. King, of Newark, the head of Division K in which the Scranton district is located and who was the representative at the home office at the banquet. Those present included representatives from agencies in towns from Pittston to Forest City and Honesdale and numbered about forty-seven, the number of agents in the district. Added to these were several medical examiners, assistant superintendents and clerks who swelled the total number to nearly seventy-five persons. After an hour of introductions, conversation and discussion of insurance matters the company filed into the dining room.  
An Appetizing Menu.  
The banquet table was arranged in the form of an open square and supported a large number of delicately shaded banquet lamps, jardiniere of ferns, palms and blossoms and the usual accessories of opulent trimmings. Banquet and several of his managers occupied a corner of the room and executed a continuous programme of delightful music.  
The menu was as follows:  
Blue Point, Half Shell, Oysters, Almonds, Roasted Neck, Potatoes a la Parisienne, Chicken, Young Turkey, Cranberries, Striped Bass, Potato Gratin, Fench, a la Prudential, Lobster, Assorted Cakes, Fruit, Foreign and Domestic, Coffee.  
Those present were: Of Scranton, Superintendent H. J. Schubert, Assistant Superintendent W. E. Quinlan, Assistant Superintendent W. M. Douglas, Assistant Superintendent A. H. Smith, Assistant Superintendent W. G. Hill, S. J. Hanson, C. R. Bryant, S. Treat, Homer Nicholson, Palmer Freeman, W. A. Morgan, R. S. Walsh, I. C. Dubois, M. C. Nelson, P. Huggins, D. Green, F. Van Busen, H. W. Pitzer, J. G. Vege, G. Morgan, John Hartman, J. H. Cooper, H. A. Scott, H. A. Cramer, G. C. Griswold, G. E. Stanley, Attorney W. S. Hulshander, Attorney A. A. Vosburg, W. G. Fulton, M. D. L. S. Barnes, M. S. of Newark, W. P. King, of Elizabeth, Superintendent W. E. Rathjens, of Williamsport, Superintendent G. W. Andrews, of Wilkes-Barre, John Grady, of Peckville, P. B. Van Stickle, M. D. of Fortiway, A. Davis, M. D. of Taylor, J. S. Fortney, M. D., of Honesdale, Assistant Superintendent A. P. Bryant, Geo. Schweinsinger, J. P. Seelie, W. C. Hawker, and R. W. Wheeler, of Archbald, Assistant Superintendent P. F. Kilty, W. T. Cummings, T. W. Loftus, M. J. Gallagher, M. J. Swift, M. Haggerty and T. Burke, of Carbondale, Assistant Superintendent J. O'Malley, W. H. Decker, A. T. O'Neil, W. J. Meyers, J. J. Grier, W. J. Smith, P. Muldoon, F. Walker, F. Flanagan and P. A. Larkin; of Pittston, Assistant Superintendent J. W. Grier, W. M. Collier, M. E. Collier, E. Stickle, T. Manning and Joseph Coyne; of Avoca, J. H. Ward.

**SPRING INSPECTIONS.**  
Major Miller Will Soon Examine Third Brigade Organizations.  
Brigade Inspector W. S. Miller has received from Governor Hastings, commander in chief of the Pennsylvania National Guard, through Adjutant General Stewart, an order dated Jan. 21 to inspect the several organizations of this, the Third brigade, during February, March and April under the direction of Colonel Edward Morrell, inspector general.  
Major Miller will begin the inspections Feb. 24. He has not announced his itinerary. Where the companies of a regiment are stationed at different localities, transportation will be furnished to two field officers of such regiment in order that they may be present at the inspection of the various companies composing the command. Major Miller, upon completion of the inspections, will within ten days report to the inspector general. Special reports will be forwarded at once in cases requiring the immediate attention of headquarters.  
**MARRS IS VERY BRAVE.**  
Ready to Get Married Without a Cent But Struck a Snag.  
Clerk of the Courts John H. Thomas had two gushing young visitors yesterday afternoon who knocked at the door of the matrimonial parlors and

**THE JONES TRESPASS SUIT**  
Surprising Testimony Given by Michael Toomey.  
**HE HEARD AN ENGINE WHISTLE**  
Was Six Hundred Yards from the Crossing at the Time—Other Testimony That Was Heard During the Progress of the Trial.

Usually the trial of trespass suits arising out of accidents at a grade crossing is tedious, but the case of David J. Jones against the Delaware and Hudson Canal company in No. 2 court room before Judge McClure is quite interesting.  
There was a rattling time for a few minutes yesterday afternoon, Esquire Jones called as a witness for the defense, Michael Toomey, a young man named Michael Toomey, of Carbon street. When Toomey took his seat in the box he was asked if he remembered Sept. 2, 1895, the date of the accident. The question had to be shouted in his ear as well as all other interrogatories put to him. He said on the above named evening he was walking along Love road about 300 yards from the Delaware and Hudson tracks and when the freight train which caused the accident was about 500 yards from the Carbon street crossing, he heard the whistle of the engine blow twice.  
There was such laughter following this statement that the court, jury and audience took a minute's recess and enjoyed it. Judge Jessup afterwards brought out the fact that Toomey was not a deaf then as he now is.  
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**EXCEPTIONS FILED.**  
Edwin Frable Objects to Joseph P. Kramer, the Republican Nominee.  
Attorney C. C. Donovan, representing Edwin Frable, Democratic nominee for select council in the Nineteenth ward, yesterday filed in the office of Prothonotary Pryor exceptions to the certificate of nomination of Joseph P. Kramer, as the Republican candidate for select council in the same ward. Court filed Wednesday morning, Feb. 5, at 9 o'clock as the date for a hearing.  
The petition represents that Frable was nominated by the Democrats of the Nineteenth at a ward caucus held on Jan. 11, 1896, a certificate of which nomination was filed in the office of the county commissioners on Jan. 20 subsequent.  
That at the regular caucus of the ward held on Jan. 15, he said Edwin Frable, a Republican candidate for a resolution then and there passed, deciding not to place in nomination against him any candidate; and that John H. Chase and Oscar Strachan were then nominated for constable and assessor respectively, a certificate of which nomination was filed with the county commissioners on Jan. 17.  
But on Jan. 21, Joseph P. Kramer filed in the office of the commissioners a paper purporting to be a certificate of nomination made at a Republican caucus of the Nineteenth ward, held on Jan. 21, certifying that Kramer was nominated for select council, John H. Chase, for constable, and Oscar Strachan, for assessor. And that on Jan. 28 Kramer filed nomination papers wherein he was nominated for select council, Chase for constable, and Strachan for assessor, and that among the persons certifying to the nomination papers are those who certified to the certificate of nomination.  
The following objections are made specifically: That the certificate of nomination is not one of any convention or primary meeting or caucus held under the rules of the Republican party or by any board authorized to certify nominations representing the Republican party of the Nineteenth ward.  
That the certificate is not a legal certificate of nomination made by a caucus of the Republican party in the Nineteenth ward in that the said caucus was not called by any person authorized to call a caucus of said party, nor was the caucus held and conducted according to the rules of the Republican party in said ward.  
**THE RECORD IS READY.**  
That in Merito Murder Case Will be Certified to Governor Today.  
Deputy Clerk of the Courts Emil B. Egan has prepared a certified copy of the record in the Merito homicide case, and will transmit the same to the executive department today or tomorrow, in order that Governor Hastings may appoint the date of execution.  
The law requires that the record must be certified to the governor within ten days after sentence of death has been pronounced. The attorneys for the condemned man have not taken any steps yet toward carrying the case to the Supreme court, and meanwhile the prisoner has inposed his careless and indifferent attitude into an uneasy and restless frame of mind. He has very little to say in the jail and spends his waking hours brooding.  
He has said that there is only a slight ray of hope for him and he talks like one, when he has anything to say to the keeper at the jail, who would be glad that the criminal should approach and let the matter be over with the record which has to be sent consists of a copy of the commitment to jail, the true bill returned by the grand jury, the evidence and charge of the court, proceedings for a new trial and the motion refusing it, and the death sentence.

**LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER.**  
Company Formed to Supply These Things to the Residents of Oliphant.  
Last week a charter was granted by the state department to the Oliphant Light, Heat and Power company, and last evening the documents were received from Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, James E. Bennett. The capital stock of the company is \$12,000 and its name implies the purpose for which it has been organized. The construction of the plant will soon be begun.  
The charter members are: Joseph H. Kelley, D. H. Eddy, James J. Cummings, John J. Fallon, William McMahon, John E. Cummings, W. G. Robertson, C. D. Sanderson, H. W. Dolman, James J. H. Hamilton and Edward P. Blewitt.

**MANDAMUS IS ISSUED.**  
Court Directs Oliphant Council to Receive Edward J. Burke as a Member.  
Judge Archbald yesterday afternoon granted a writ of prerogative mandamus directed to the Oliphant board of council to receive Edward J. Burke as a member of the body to serve until the expiration of the term which will be the first Monday of March, 1896.  
James J. Flynn, who was sworn out in the council, has served two years of the term, or since March, 1894.  
The mandamus is returnable to court on Friday, Feb. 7, and if the council does not accord Mr. Burke his seat there will be an attachment issued for contempt.  
**Captain Crawford Tonight.**  
This evening Captain Jack Crawford, the post-sect, will lecture in Young Men's Christian Association hall. The captain is a remarkable personage and has gone gallant service for his country in the Indian campaigns of the west during the last twenty years. He is a most interesting talker and a large audience will no doubt gather tonight to listen to him.  
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**AN APPEAL FILED.**  
Handley's Executors Object to H. E. Paine's Appraisal.  
Ex-Congressman Lemuel A. Sherman, as attorney representing himself, John T. Richards and Attorney General H. W. Palmer, of Wilkes-Barre, executors of the estate of the late Judge Handley, filed an appeal yesterday in the orphans' court from the appraisal made by H. E. Paine for the collection of collateral inheritance tax.  
A citation was directed as prayed for to the executor of Willis W. S. Hopkins to certify to the court a record of the appointment of Paine, the date he took office entering upon his duties, and the bond he filed for the faithful performance of the same.  
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Fifty large landscape fruits, &c., beautiful new subjects, size 2 1/2x2 1/2 inches, elegant new design frames. A two dollar picture.

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