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DRAPERIES.
LACE.
CURTAINS.
WINDOW
SHADES.
Etc.

CITY NOTES.

"Join the Bites."

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company held yesterday at the Commercial, Archbald and Hyde Park mines. The Delaware and Hudson company yesterday held its regular meeting at the city and Carverville and the employees of the Marville mine.

A charter was granted at the state department in Harrisburg yesterday to the Traders and Bankers' Mutual Life Association. The charter has no conditions in it.

In the replevin suit of William Morley against Dr. F. S. Douglas a verdict for the plaintiff was rendered last week and yesterday the court refused a writ for a new trial.

Henry Chester, of Sixteenth street, and Michael Bolton, of Luzerne street, both accused of abusing their families, were tried before Alderman Miller yesterday and held for court.

The trunk of handling the Lackawanna Traction company's line from Dunmore to Olyphant along the back track was started by Contractor Page in Dunmore in about two weeks.

Tickets for the concert which is to be given on April 11 by the Woman's Keeley League can be had at the following places: McConna's, Lewis' Confection, Larkin & Melvin's and P. P. Christian's.

The time for filing exceptions to the report of Attorney John B. Collins, master of the court, will expire on Friday next. The board of examiners of the bar has been appointed to determine the inadvisability of Taylor before Lackawanna township, has been extended five days.

The board of examiners of the bar in the sum of \$200 as treasurer of the Price Library association of Taylor was filed in court yesterday with Owen Watkins and William P. Griffith as bondsmen.

Michael J. Carroll's bond in the sum of \$50 as treasurer of Daniel O'Connell council, Young Men's Institute, of 31 Atlantic, was filed in court yesterday. Martin McDonough and Henry W. Coyle are the sureties.

The Ladies' auxiliary of the Patriotic Order Sons of America will meet in Fuller's hall, Lackawanna avenue, Friday evening next and hereafter. All those who have signed applications are requested to be present.

The Ladies' club and Poney club of St. Luke's will have a sale of fancy articles and decorated china in the new store in the Arcade, on Wyoming avenue, next Tuesday and Wednesday, afternoon and evening.

For the benefit of the Blues the Old Folks' concert, recently given in the Young Men's Institute, will be repeated April 11. Among the soloists will be Mr. Wooley and Mrs. Joseph O'Brien.

Garrett Hooley, of Olyphant, was arrested last evening on the charge of assault and battery preferred by his wife. The warrant was issued before Justice of the Peace P. J. McNally. The defendant could give bail and was committed to jail.

The Lawrence and was to have given a concert from the Frothingham portico last evening, but owing to the chilly weather it was postponed. It will be given either Saturday or Monday evening. Other concerts will follow as long as the portico stands, which will be at least until April 15.

They Are Stylish.

On Thursday Strawbridge & Clothier, of Philadelphia, will make a grand display of ladies' suits, coats and capes in our cloak department. This firm is not only the largest retailer of fine dress goods, but also the largest manufacturer of stylish garments in the country. We invite all our friends to call and post themselves regarding this line of goods. Suits may be ordered from samples.

Mills & Hagen.

WILLIAM DOLLAR COUNCIL

Such is the Expiring Legislative Body.

IS NOT AN O'PROBRIOUS TITLE

Instead It Is a Distinction to Be Proud of for Many Reasons—Review of the Legislation for the Fiscal Year Just Closing.

CALL FOR A CONVENTION.

Scranton, March 25, 1896.

The Republicans of the First Legislative district of Lackawanna county will assemble in convention at St. David's hall, at Scranton, Pa., on Tuesday, April 7, 1896, at 7 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the Republican convention, which will meet at Harrisburg, April 27, 1896. Election for delegates to the convention will be held at the following polling places on Saturday, April 4, 1896, between the hours of 8 and 12 m. in the following districts entitled to representation as follows:

First ward, First district..... 2
Second ward, First district..... 2
Third ward, First district..... 2
Fourth ward, First district..... 2
Fifth ward, First district..... 2
Sixth ward, First district..... 2
Seventh ward, First district..... 2
Eighth ward, First district..... 2
Ninth ward, First district..... 2
Tenth ward, First district..... 2
Eleventh ward, First district..... 2
Twelfth ward, First district..... 2
Thirteenth ward, First district..... 2
Fourteenth ward, First district..... 2
Fifteenth ward, First district..... 2
Sixteenth ward, First district..... 2
Seventeenth ward, First district..... 2
Eighteenth ward, First district..... 2
Nineteenth ward, First district..... 2
Twentieth ward, First district..... 2
Twenty-first ward, First district..... 2
Twenty-second ward, First district..... 2
Total..... 38

Vigilance committees will please take notice and sever the necessary proceedings.

W. A. FINE, Chairman.
J. H. REYNOLDS, Secretary.

Fourth Legislative District Convention.

Republicans of the Fourth legislative district will take notice that a convention will be held in "Lodge" hall in the town of Archbald on Tuesday, the 10th day of April, 1896, at 7 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of choosing two delegates to represent said district in the Republican state convention to be held at Harrisburg, April 27, 1896.

Vigilance committees will please take notice and sever the necessary proceedings at the regular places on Saturday, April 4, 1896, between the hours of 8 and 12 o'clock a. m.

E. A. JONES, Chairman.
S. S. JONES, Secretary.

\$611,618.35 IN FIVE YEARS.

The Dime Bank Makes a Showing on Its Birthday.

The Dime Deposit and Discount bank celebrated the fifth anniversary of its opening day yesterday, and its officers were displayed with pride a little statement which illustrates in a few lines a career of prosperity which it is claimed has never been equaled by any bank in the city in its first five years. The statement shows the amount of deposits and surplus and profits on the first of April of each year. Here it is:

Year	Deposits	Surplus and Profits
April 1, 1891	\$100,000.00	\$1,000.00
April 1, 1892	179,352.12	1,850.00
April 1, 1893	244,092.35	3,665.22
April 1, 1894	299,960.00	5,960.00
April 1, 1895	459,280.38	23,802.22
April 1, 1896	611,618.35	37,995.69

The directors were prouder of the record of 1895 than of any other. It shows no increase of deposits. But between April 1, 1893 and April 1, 1894, there came a year of trial and tribulation for banking institutions. Banks failed right and left all over the country and many which came through bore severe scars in the way of losses by decrease of the value of securities. The Dime bank went through the financial cyclone, not only without practical loss of deposits, but with a gain of \$6,000 in surplus and profits after having paid out \$200 in dividends showing an earning of twelve per cent. on the capital stock.

The success of the Dime bank is due to the great popularity among the people, which is shown by the fact that it has nearly 11,000 accounts upon its books and the great care with which it is managed. Charles Du Pont, President, the president, takes a deep interest in the institution and the directors are all workers. Cashier H. G. Dunham has long since attained a high reputation as a financier. His assistants in the bank are also competent, steady and trustworthy men.

The bank owns its own building with-out rent and has a large amount of real estate of incumbrance and its officers confidently hope that in the year which it commenced yesterday it will have the record of progress. It is headed for the front rank among Scranton banking institutions.

HAVE YOU A LAWN?

If So Use Fertilizer on It.

25 pounds of a first class fertilizer is fully the equal of 1 ton of stable manure. It does not disfigure your premises for months in order to get any benefit from it.

It does not produce weeds. It will make a more luxuriant growth of grass and a finer soil; its original cost is less than the expense of putting on less and the results are in every way much more satisfactory. We are handling the Lackawanna fertilizer and Chemical Co's goods than which there is no better made. We will warrant every pound of it we sell to prove entirely satisfactory in the long run.

The Scranton Cash Store,
P. P. Price, agent.

TOOK THE OATH OF OFFICE.

The Assessors Are the First of the New City Officials to Be Sworn In.

The incoming city assessors, Charles Fowler, Christian Flicks and William Deason, yesterday went before Mayor Conant and were sworn in. They are the first of the new city officials to take the oath of office.

The certificates of election of all city officers and councilmen, elected at the last election, were yesterday sent by Prothonotary Prior to Mayor Conant and him transmitted to City Clerk Lavelle for use at reorganization next Monday.

A Woman's Delight.

It is there is only one thing in the world that delights a woman's heart. It is a pretty hat of bonnet. The thousands of ladies who attended The Leader's, 121 and 126 Wyoming avenue, Easter opening showed plainly by their liberal purchases and complimentary remarks that they were charmed with the beautiful array of trimmed millinery. This popular confectionery has done much for the comfort of their customers as regards light, space and ventilation. Their store is now, since alterations are completed, one of the most up to date in the city. They will receive twice a week Parisian pattern hats which will be put on display as soon as received. Bear in mind that The Leader has stylish trimmed hats, complete from the most expensive models for \$1.75 up. No matter how low priced a hat you buy, it will possess style. Their prices will be in this as in other departments, always the lowest.

We open today an elegant new stock of parasols. Finley's.

DEAD MAN NO GOOD.

Dying Man Removed at Midnight to the Lackawanna Hospital.

At 11:50 o'clock last night Peter Bukczynski, who lives on a boarding house on the West side, was removed to the Lackawanna hospital in a cab and presented in order of admission for one of his boarders, Joseph Janowski, who was removed from the premises and who he stated was in the cab.

When the hospital attendants went to carry the patient to their foundry, they found that the body was still warm. It was evident that he had within a short time reached his last. The boarding house keeper said that he had not seen the man for some time and had been at his home less than a month as he refused to take care of the body and the hospital attendants were obliged to take the body to the morgue.

The order of admission was dated yesterday and was issued by Hon. Alfred Hand. Why the sick man had not been removed at an earlier hour could not be satisfactorily explained by the boarder.

There is just a suspicion that Janowski was not removed at an earlier hour than that he might not die in the house in which event the hospital attendants might have been called upon to bury him.

WEATHER DURING MARCH.

Substance of the Monthly Report of Observer H. E. Fane.

The local weather report for the month of March has been prepared by Local Observer H. E. Fane, and forwarded to Washington. It shows that a lower temperature prevailed than in any March for a number of years.

Twenty-nine and one-half degrees was the average temperature for the month. The warmest day was on Monday, 29 degrees, and the coldest day was the 9th, 7 degrees below zero. There were 107 hours of snow, the quantity being 2.38 inches, while the fall of snow amounted to 16 inches. The most snow on the ground at any one time was on the 11th when it attained a depth of 12 inches. A little over 4 inches of snow fell on the 12th, the heaviest fall in any one day. The heaviest rain fell on the 10th, the quantity being 1.25 inches. During the month there were 13 cloudy days and 7 partly cloudy.

MRS. W. F. CLIFFORD DEAD.

After an Illness of Eight Months She Passed Away Yesterday.

Mrs. W. F. Clifford died at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her home on Sixth street, between Cedar and Pine streets. She had been suffering for eight months, and the end was not unexpected. Her death leaves two children, a son and a daughter, both of whom are in the city. Mrs. Clifford was a sister of Mrs. M. J. Ketterick and Miss Margaret Lalley.

A BOWERY GIRL.

Occupied the Stage of the Frothingham for Four Acts Last Night.

It was a thankful audience that left the Frothingham last night; thankful because there were only four acts of "A Bowery Girl."

The house full turned it a "new scenic melodrama of New York life by Ada Lee Bascom" but it is our opinion that the author of the house bill was true to his name.

What was it like?

Well to be candid it beggars description. It is new, full of life, and some of the scenes are of the company are in the same condition.

If that is a recommendation it has it. For the rest there's no doubt about it. "A Bowery Girl" it won't do.

FOR SIMILAR OFFENSES.

Two Prisoners Released from the County Jail Yesterday.

Michael O'Malley, of Providence, was released from the county jail yesterday under the involuntary laws. He spent three months away from the outside world. The other prisoner, Jim, was lodged by a young woman. He was sentenced to pay a fine and costs. Not being able to do this he had to go to jail.

Ann Brooks, of Bellevue, who was confined in jail on a charge similar to the one of which O'Malley was guilty, was released yesterday. His trial will come off in two weeks. Joseph Andley, Jr., became his bondsman in the sum of \$500.

GRIEVES GIVES BAIL.

Assault of Dr. J. R. Newton Released from the County Jail.

Michael Grievess, of Minooka, went before Alderman Fuller yesterday and qualified in the sum of \$1,000 as bondsman for W. H. Grievess, who shot Dr. J. R. Newton Saturday night. The ball pieces were broken and the doctor was in jail and Grievess was released last night.

Dr. Newton is recovering rapidly from the effects of the ball, which was fired in the chest. It is expected that the defendant will be tried at the June session of criminal court on the charge of felonious assault.

WILKES-BARRIE ABSENT.

That City's Chess Players Cancelled Their Scranton Engagement.

The chess game arranged to take place last night in the city between teams of the Wilkes-Barre and Scranton Chess and Checker clubs was not played. It was not until yesterday afternoon that the chess players were notified that the Wilkes-Barre team could not come.

The next week has been suggested by the Wilkes-Barre team. The game on Thursday night will probably be selected, but no definite arrangement can be made at this time.

DOES NOT WANT POSITION.

A. B. Dunning, Jr., Will Continue as a Civil Engineer.

There is some talk about A. B. Dunning, Jr., accepting the position of street commissioner, which Mayor-elect Bailey has expressed a desire to tender to him. Mr. Dunning is a civil engineer and since his retirement from the office of county surveyor has been actively engaged building up a business for himself.

The petition invites that the order is for the purpose of bringing the ministrations of the church to the sick, needy and unfortunate classes and to establish a home in the country for convalescent men and boys.

This home will be built in Elmhurst on a commanding site and a building will be erected as soon as the weather permits. The order is to exist perpetually.

STEVENS GETS THE LAND

State Property Board Gives a Decision in His Favor.

IT IS A FORTY ACRE TRACT

Located Near the Archbald shaft and Underlaid with Coal—He Has Been Searching Titles for Years—May Have Far Reaching Effect.

A case was decided last Monday by the Pennsylvania board of property which affects the title of much valuable land throughout the state and especially in the Lackawanna region. Some time ago William H. Stevens, of this city, applied to the commonwealth for a patent for a 40-acre piece of land situated near the West mountain. The land has been claimed as the property of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company. Mr. Stevens claimed that the title to the land had never been received from the original owners, the commonwealth; hence, the property was still on the market. The state board decided in the Scrantonian's favor.

The decision is very important and may make many changes in the ownership of much land in this state. Property for which the present owners do not hold the original deed from the commonwealth are liable to be sold to any applicant upon his advancing the purchase money and the necessary record.

Mr. Stevens lives at 1008 Price street, West Side. He is married and is employed as clerk at Foster & Warren's office on Main street. A Tribune reporter saw him at the state building last evening. He talked with great reserve about the case. The facts of the case and his title in the important finding are as follows:

FACTS OF THE CASE.

Stevens has lived on the West Side since birth. His father, William P. Stevens, now deceased, owned land in Keyser Valley near where the test land is located. The younger Stevens discovered, several years ago, that much of the land in this region is unprotected by state deed. He decided to make a list of the unprotected land, to search up old deeds and ancient maps of land survey and finally he selected a forty-acre plot near the Archbald mine. Upon investigation he discovered that the piece of land purchased of the state is worth ten pounds in commonwealth money per hundred acres or about \$200 per acre. Stevens is equal to \$2,670. Accordingly, Mr. Stevens applied for the land, sending \$908 in payment thereof. The commonwealth received a valuable survey of the land, which is a valuable asset to the state. Stevens is not the only one in this valley. He merely acted as a spokesman for a number of gentlemen, who by this time have begun negotiations for the purchase of land. The decision leaves the railroad company in a dangerous position. It is understood that much of the land lying between Scranton and elsewhere is worthless save for the original claims of the state government. The decision will cause a rush for plots of land lying between Scranton and Stevens has caused a state consternation. His land is valuable chiefly for the coal that lies under it and the value of the land which increases in value as the Keyser Valley region builds up.

COVERED WITH TREES.

At the present time the land is covered with a growth of trees and is situated in a rugged swamp-like place. It was the principal which Stevens bought for. The state board of property consisted of the secretary of internal affairs, the attorney general and the secretary of the commonwealth.

Mr. Stevens' father, William P. Stevens, was murdered about 20 years ago on a tract of land near the one for which the son has now secured the patent. The murder was due to a dispute over the ownership of the land.

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150 PATTERN HATS FOR HALF PRICE:

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Will Open About April 1.

STREBECKER & WATKINS

CARPETS, DRAPERIES, ETC.

MARCH 29, 1896.

WE are making extensive additions to our show rooms and in one week will tear out front of our building to replace with modern show windows.

The interior will also be slightly rearranged to put in an Electric Passenger Elevator. To do this successfully we must make room for the army of mechanics employed on same, and we have decided to make a SPECIAL SALE for one week at SPECIAL PRICES.

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