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PERSONAL.

Dr. H. B. Ware is in Philadelphia. Colonel H. A. Courson goes to Harrisburg today. Miss Mary Bristol has returned from a visit to New York.

A Bargain in Ribbons. Dresden Stripes and Checks, very large assortment of designs and colors; were 35 to 50 cents, now 25 cents.

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IMPORTANT EQUITY SUIT

Scranton Gas and Water Company is Defendant.

EVIDENCE TAKEN YESTERDAY

Judge McPherson, of Harrisburg, is the Chancellor—Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company and Others are the Plaintiffs.

Evidence was taken yesterday in one of the most important equity suits instituted in Lackawanna county. The defendant is the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, and the plaintiffs are the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, the Bethlehem South Water Company, and Samuel Wallace and others.

Another charter right was that the company could lease at any point along the course the privilege to any person or corporation of taking, storing or diverting water from the river for canal purposes, but was forbidden to take as much as would render the Lehigh unnavigable.

From time to time the towns along the river from White Haven to Easton began using water from either the canal or river for one purpose or another. Some time prior to October, 1885, the Scranton Gas and Water Company purchased a large tract of land along the Lehigh at Gouldsboro in this county, and in October the construction of a large dam on this tract of land was begun.

The Gas and Water company answered the bill of complaint by saying that they purchased a large acreage of land in Gouldsboro, and by virtue of the right that no one can deny them, they built a dam upon it.

Superintendent Ruddle, of the canal of the Lehigh and Navigation Company, who lives in March Chunk, was the first witness called. The testimony was taken by Court Stenographer H. H. Coston. Mr. Ruddle explained how the water in March Chunk, White Haven to Easton, the town of White Haven depends largely on the river for industry and solely for water supply.

Superintendent Neyer, of the Bethlehem South Gas and Water Company, testified that the company is a lessee of the Lehigh company and there is no other source of water supply in Bethlehem than the river.

A. S. Schropp, secretary of the Bethlehem Iron Company for the past thirty-two years, was examined. He testified that the works cover an area one and one-quarter miles in length by a quarter of a mile wide and usually employ 4,000 men.

Samuel Wallace, one of the plaintiffs, was the last witness called. He simply testified that it is essential for the people of White Haven to be supplied without any diminution from the present volume. The hearing will be resumed at 10 o'clock this morning, when the plaintiffs will offer further evidence.

SIX MORE PAGES ADDED.

Woman's Paper Will Consist of Thirty Instead of Twenty-four Pages.

So great has been the demand for advertising space and so many excellent articles have been received for publication that the ladies who have charge of "Our Woman's Newspaper," have decided to increase its size from twenty-four to thirty pages.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

What promises to be the most notable musical event of the season at the Academy of Music will be the appearance next Thursday night of the Lillian Russell Opera Company.

With Patti as the last of that European quartette constituted in the musical sphere of the present century; with a revival of grand opera during the past few years; with Melba, Schiacci, and Calce, and other foreign talents; with the American prima donna still inchoate in the studios of France, what can we expect of all these people who are among the foremost exponents, patrons—aye, exponents—of the higher art.

At the Frothingham Saturday night Elsie Ellsler, one of the most distinguished of American actresses, will appear as Camille. This engagement can scarcely fail to be an occasion of special interest.

Manager Burgess, of the Academy of Music has closed arrangements for the appearance of the Sages, hypnotists, at the theatre.

The Lake Erie is the "standard" in public favor is best evidenced by its achievements of past seasons, when in the face of sharp competition and general dullness throughout the valley, it far surpassed the most sanguine expectations.

Excursion to St. Louis, Mo. In order to accommodate those who desire to attend the National National convention to be held in St. Louis, Mo., June 16th, the Erie Railroad company have arranged to place on sale special excursion tickets to St. Louis and return.

The New Shoe Store OF CROUCH BROS. & BEATTY, IN THE MEARS BUILDING.

MEARS BUILDING, Cor. Washington and Spruce, Expect to Get OPEN ABOUT MAY 10.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Chosen for the County, Scranton and Dunmore Borough.

ALL THREE WERE UNOPOSED

W. J. Welsh Refused to Vote for Professor Howell—Salary of Superintendent Taylor Increased to \$3000. Professor Houser Promoted.

Professor George Howell was yesterday re-elected to the office of superintendent of schools for a term of three years. He had no opposition. When Professor Howell was first elected several months ago it was to fill the unexpired term of Professor George W. Phillips.

The meeting of the school controllers of the city to elect a superintendent was called to order at 2 p. m. by President George Mitchell and it was found that all of the members were present, except George Carson, of the Fifth ward. F. L. Wormser moved that the salary of the superintendent be fixed at \$2,500 and this was agreed to without opposition.

President Mitchell called for nominations for superintendent and Benson Davis, of the Fourth ward, named Professor Howell. He did not make a speech, but simply contented himself with naming his choice. A. L. Francis and T. J. Jennings seconded the nomination.

Mr. Jennings said that it was his privilege several months ago to nominate Professor Howell, a man of high ability, which he has since filled with such ability. It gave him great pleasure to second the proposition to re-elect him for three years.

County Superintendent of Schools J. C. Taylor was re-elected yesterday morning for three years, and his salary was raised from \$2,000 a year to \$3,000. Mr. Taylor's election was unanimous.

There are 229 directors in the county, exclusive of Scranton, Carbondale and Dunmore. At that time the roll call when the convention was called to order by Superintendent Taylor at 10 o'clock in the main room of the court house, was 122, a little more than half.

George W. Heemer, superintendent of the Hillside home, is president of the New School district, and he was nominated and chosen chairman of the convention. Morgan M. Williams, of Taylor; C. D. Sanderson, of Throop; William Walker, of Mayfield; and William Repp, of Old Forge, were chosen vice-presidents.

The salary question was first taken up by Griffith T. Davis, of Greenwood, president of the Lackawanna township district, who advanced an increase for the superintendent. Mr. Davis explained that the annual expenses amount to \$300 and when this is taken from his salary it reduces it very much.

A motion was made that the salary be raised from \$2,000 a year to \$2,500. This was amended to \$3,000. Before Mr. Heemer had time to state the

amendment there were a dozen on the floor calling for recognition and information. At length when parliamentary usage was restored, the amendment was put and then followed a lively debate.

The result of the roll call showed that 89 voted in favor of the increase and 28 against it. A loud-lunged director from the rear got up and registered a vigorous kick against the vote. He said he had not voted at all, but was sure that a good many voted in the affirmative who thought they were voting on the original motion.

The election of a superintendent was next in order, and J. W. Cure, of Greenfield township nominated Mr. Taylor. Dr. Mackey seconded the nomination and as there were no other names placed before the convention, the roll was called and Mr. Taylor was elected without a dissenting vote.

Lost in New York Repeated. "Lost in New York" was repeated at the Academy of Music last night before a good sized audience. The excellent work of the members of the company and the entertaining specialties were received with much favor.

Will Be Re-arrested. Alderman Millar, having failed to render his opinion in the Frothingham portfolio case within the specified ten days, will have Mr. Frothingham re-arrested today and will then make his decision.

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