

BRILLIANT PAGEANT OF SIR KNIGHTS

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Knight, young or old, but who will remember with pleasure the ball and reception of the conclude of 1895.

Indeed, the gathering was a most remarkable one. Arrayed in plume and sword were men whose personal worth and standing voiced the high character of the order whom their membership honored.

Congressmen, mayors of cities and other high officials standing in groups with men high in professional, military and business life, presented a scene impressive and not soon to be forgotten by the observer.

The toilets of the ladies were in keeping with the dignity and importance of the occasion. Scranton's ladies enjoyed the advantage over the



F. E. SIR JAMES H. CODDING, Of Towanda, Grand Commander, 1883.

visitors of being at home where it was possible for them to wear their elegant full dress gowns, which, coming from a distance would hesitate to trust to the raining agencies of trunk or traveling case.

"What shall be worn to the Templars' ball?" has, of course, been the uppermost question in many feminine minds for weeks past.

The floral display and decorations were, like all of the other complements of the event, suitable to the time and occasion.

Red, white and blue lights appeared everywhere, among the festoons of laurel which were strung from the top of the proscenium high above the dancers' heads and along the front of the balcony and gallery.

THEY ARRIVED EARLY. As early as 8:15 o'clock the Sir Knights and their guests began to arrive.

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Sliced Tongue, Ham Sandwiches, Bread and Butter Sandwiches, Croissants, Radishes, Angelfood Cake, Layer Cake, Chocolate Cake, Cocoanut Cake, Ice Cream, Coffee.

THE LOWER BOXES were occupied by the grand commandery officers and their wives. For at 8:15 o'clock the main and balcony galleries were literally packed with guests.

Following a half hour introductory concert the ball was opened by one of the best conducted grand marches ever seen in Scranton.

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off the gallery on the third floor. The main lobby was used as a promenade and for the serving of lemonade and frappe.

THE BALL COMMITTEE.

The ball committee consisted of E. Sir W. L. Connell, chairman; Sir J. Frank Siegel, master of ceremonies, and Eminent Sir Charles B. Derman, secretary.

The important subordinate committees whose work was directly responsible for the success of the ball were as follows: Programmes, printing, etc.

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had been courteously extended the commandery as a headquarters, were handsomely decorated with palms, plants, Australian pine and creeping plants.

The members of the committee on refreshments were a number of large ladies filled with assorted cut meats, fish, oysters, etc.

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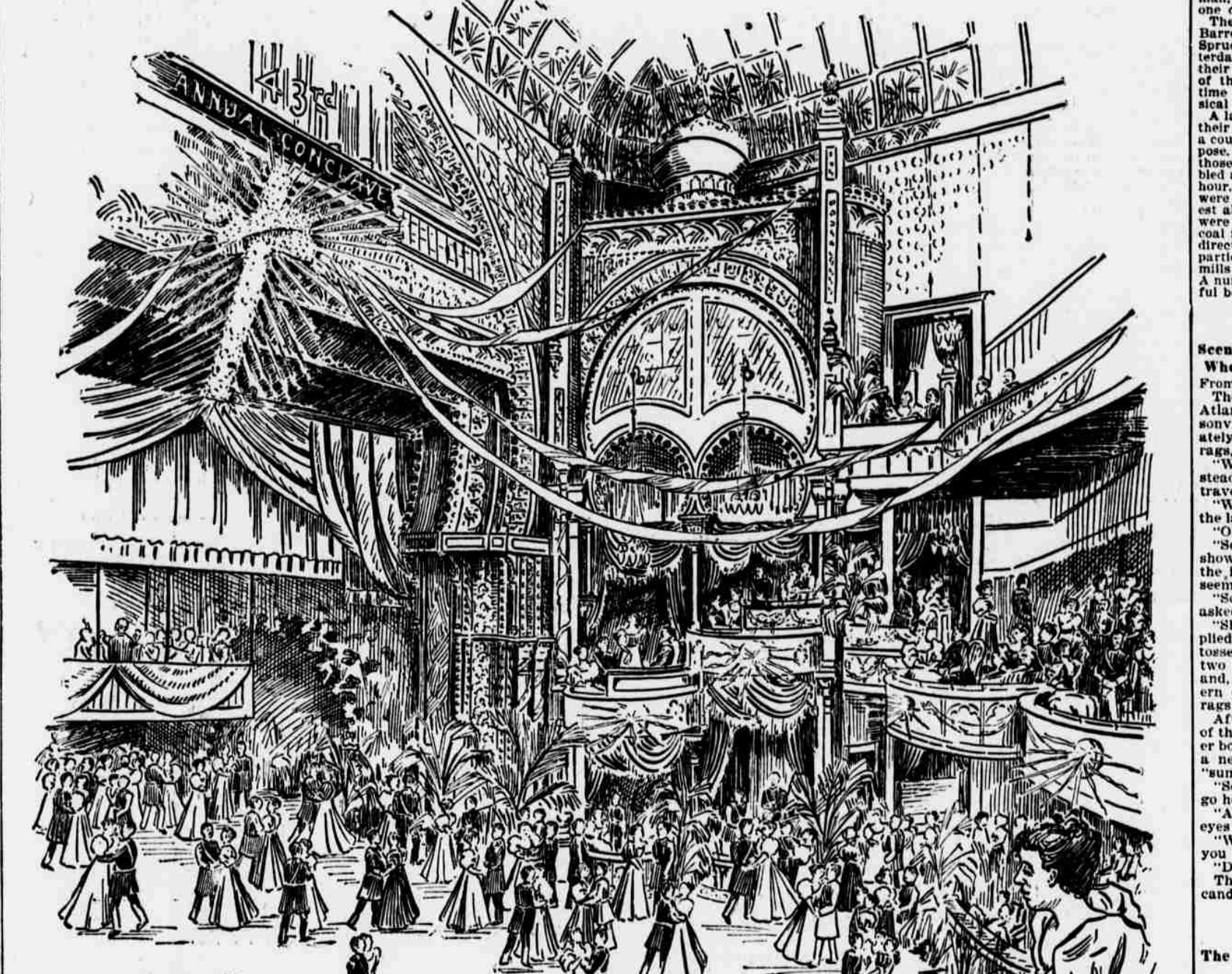
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