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"Come, Benny, 'tis time you were going to bed."  
"Come along on your pillow your tired little head."  
"Way, Auntie, how funny. I don't go by day."  
"The sun is shining, I'll go out to play."  
"The sun is not shining, my child, it is night;  
But our people use the Suburban Light."

## Lackawanna THE Laundry.

Drop in, we will win the doubtful by our works.

## Special Notice

ABOUT Sept. 20th our new store will be completed, which will be the largest Carpet, Wall Paper, Drapery and Curtain Store in the State, and we will show the largest stock of new goods in each department ever shown in Scranton.

## Williams & W'Anally

Carpet, Drapery and Wall Paper.

127 WYOMING AVE.

### CITY NOTES.

In the estate of L. B. Potter, late of this city, letters of administration were granted to the widow, Helen C. Potter, yesterday by Register Hopkins.

Emma Byers, aged 18, yesterday had Charles Bacon, aged 18, arraigned before Alderman Miller on the charge of being the father of her child. He gave bail to answer at court.

Simon Arushan, Polish, one of the Lloyd street crowd that cracked a comrade's skull with a billiard cue, last winter, was released from jail yesterday after serving five months in the county jail.

The teachers' committee of the board of control met last night to select additional teachers to preside over annexes that will have to be opened in several districts, owing to the overcrowded condition of the schools.

A drunken man who gave his name as John Green and his residence, Washington avenue, was run over by a carriage on Penn avenue at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. He was uninjured. Patrolman Dan Jones locked him up for safe keeping.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Hamilton Press Brick company of this city was held yesterday and the following gentlemen were elected as officers for the ensuing year: President, A. M. Albertson; vice-president, William Albertson; treasurer, C. O. Cutler; secretary, Arthur Hitchcock.

Marriage licenses were granted yesterday by Clerk of the Courts John H. Thomas to George Greenway and Anna E. Fisher, of Greenfield; John Swett and Maria Grill, of Blakely; Edward Lewis, of North Abington, and Lillian Tucker, of Scott township. Lewis is 21 years old and the girl is only 15.

A rehearsal of the United Christian Endeavor choir, to prepare for singing at the rally on Thursday evening next, will be held Monday evening at 8 o'clock, at the Penn Avenue Baptist church. This is the final rehearsal of the United choir, and therefore should be a large one. A day event will be the only public appearance of it. Notices of importance to all members are to be given at 8 o'clock. J. B. Baruch, a Jewish Rabbi of Jerusalem, will lecture in Howley Bros' hall, corner Penn avenue and Mulberry street, tomorrow evening at 7 o'clock. Subject, "Moses and Washington." Admission free; all welcome.

### SCRANTON BUSINESS COLLEGE.

#### Thirty-Nine Towns Represented.

Students have already enrolled from the following towns: Scranton, Providence, Hyde Park, Green Ridge and the South Side are not included in the list.

Dunmore, Olyphant, Pittston, Minooka, Chinchilla, Factoryville, Peckville, Daleville, Moosic, Schultzville, Brooklyn, Throop, Lovellton, South Bethlehem, Lehigh View, New Columbia, Brookville, Moscow, Newfoundland, Avoca, Taylor, Clark's Summit, Kizer's, Nicholson, Forest City, Stull, Arlington, Mt. Pleasant Mills, Brandt, Montrose, Vandling, Orangeville, Springville, Glenwood, White Mills, Thornburgh, Liberty, N. Y., S. L. Linden, Mabel, (2); Aretupia, Peru, S. Lake.

#### CAUSED BY GAS EXPLOSION.

Last Night's Fire at the L. I. & S. Company's Blast Furnaces.

Hot clinders set fire to an accumulation of gas in a "dead" furnace at the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company's blast furnaces at 11 o'clock last night, and the explosion which ensued ignited the timbering on the charging platform. The company hands extinguished the blaze with the aid of the hose used about the furnace.

An alarm was sounded from box 21, but before the fire companies arrived the flames were under control.

#### FIFTY DOLLARS FOR THE BOYS.

John Jermyn Appreciates Work Done at Coal Exchange Fire.

Chief P. J. Hickey, of the fire department, received the following letter yesterday from John Jermyn:

Scranton, Sept. 23, 1896.  
Dear Sir:—Enclosed find my check for \$50. Please direct the boys who worked on the Coal Exchange.

Yours respectfully,  
John Jermyn,  
Per George B. Jermyn.

#### EX-SHERIFF FAHEY SUE.

John S. Luce and the Scranton Knitting Company Want Damages.

John J. Fahey was sued yesterday for damages for something dating back to when he was sheriff of Lackawanna county. The suit is brought by Attorney O. B. Partridge, representing John S. Luce and the Scranton Knitting Company. The amount of damages is not specified in the papers filed, but it will be probably about \$1,000.

The Knitting company bought the machinery in the factory in the upstairs of the Howley building on Penn avenue and Mulberry street. Mr. Howley claimed that the sale of the building to him included some machinery

claimed by the Knitting company, and there was a replevin suit in court to determine the ownership of the goods. The damage suit against Mr. Fahey is for some alleged failure on his part to exact a sufficient bond for the custody of the property at issue pending the suit.

#### HE DID NOT BEAT THE BILL.

A Boarder Released from Jail on a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

Attorney James J. O'Malley secured the release of Theodore Dunkle from jail yesterday on a writ of habeas corpus. Dunkle was boarding with Mrs. John Nelson, of the North End, and made arrangements to leave and go to a house across the street, but he owed her \$3.50 and she had a warrant sworn out charging him with beating a board bill. He was sent to jail in default of bail.

Mr. O'Malley took the case before Judge Edwards and a hearing was held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The defendant's petition alleged that he had made no attempt at all to leave the house, but he simply kept boarding with Mrs. Nelson and had no intention of defrauding her. He asked to be released on the ground that it was simply a debt and the only action that could be taken under the circumstances would be a civil one. Judge Edwards discharged him.

#### SLIGHTLY DAMAGED STOCK.

Frank P. Christian Wants to Put in an Entirely New Stock.

As our many readers are now aware that the large hat and gents' furnishing store of Frank P. Christian, at 412 Spruce street, has been damaged by water owing to a recent fire on the fourth floor of his building, it will be a pleasure to know that his entire stock, slightly damaged, will be sold at a very reasonable price.

This is not a "fire sale," but owing to the past reputation of Mr. Christian for handling nothing but the best line of goods, it is his desire to replenish his store with entirely new stock, and everything, regardless whether damaged or not, will be sold at a great reduction, and this will only be done to cart into oblivion the idea that Christian the hatter has in store anything but new goods.

The insurance adjusters are now working on the stock, and the announcement of the beginning of the sale will be made in a few days. The contents of the store consist of an extensive ready-made, up-to-date clothing department on the second floor over the gents' furnishing store, which was to be in shape for opening yesterday, but has been postponed for a few days. It will be to the advantage of everyone to await the opening of the clothing, hat and gents' furnishing departments.

#### SOUTH BEFORE THE WAR.

Good Performance at the Academy of Music Last Evening.

There are entertainments before the public that appeal more strongly to the artistic sensibilities than "South Before the War," which was given at the Academy last night by a large audience, but there are few that furnish more genuine amusement. The great part of the company is made up of colored people who sing and dance in a way that their white brethren can never hope to imitate. There is no let up and very few dull spots in the performance.

The moment the curtain is raised until it is lowered there is something to entertain and hold the attention of the audience.

The idea of the entertainment is to give people an idea of the bright side of slavery where the negro pursued a happy-go-lucky kind of an existence and spent his time mainly in singing and dancing.

Some of the very clever white members of the company were Frank A. Howard, Billy Williams, Frank White and Thomas E. Glynn. The performance will be repeated at the Academy this afternoon and evening.

#### DOUBLED ITS MEMBERSHIP.

Young Men's Republican Club Effect Permanent Organization.

By initiating seventy-three new members last night at its second meeting, the Young Men's Republican club just doubled its membership. Acting on the suggestion of Secretary Joseph Baumeister, each member was charged with the duty of bringing in a new member at next Friday night's meeting. This way it is hoped to increase the membership to 500 within a short time.

Permanent organization was effected by continuing the temporary officers: all members are to be given colored people. Brief addresses were delivered by John G. McAskle and James J. H. Hamilton, next Friday night William Connell will address the club, and at the following meeting John G. McAskle will again be heard.

#### GRAND JURY FINISHES.

Will Make Its Final Report to Judge Edwards This Morning.

The grand jury finished its work yesterday and will this morning make its final report to Judge Edwards. The jury visited the county jail yesterday afternoon and, without doubt, have some recommendations to make as regards alterations and repairs of the building.

Before going to the jail the jurymen grouped themselves in front of the federal building and had their pictures taken. District Attorney John R. Thomas, Assistant District Attorney John E. Murray and County Detective Thomas Leyshon had their pictures taken with the jury.

#### JAMES DUNN'S LECTURE.

Will Speak Under the Auspices of the Women's Keeley League.

The lecture by James Dunn, at St. Thomas' college hall Tuesday, Sept. 23, under the auspices of the Women's Keeley league, promises to be a very entertaining event. In addition to the lecture proper, there will be a show address by Rev. P. J. McManus and music by the Grace Lutheran Church quartette.

Mr. Dunn is highly spoken of as a lecturer, and those who attend will be well entertained. No charge will be made for admission to the lecture.

#### A Hot Sheet.

That's what you'll say about the Sunday News. Be sure and get it. Among a host of other good things, next issue will contain the other side and letters in the Dayton Exchange case, Christian Science frauds, "crochet" in Second Presbyterian church, Officer Brown's brutality, he nearly kills an innocent man, then sneaks away in the darkness. Reliable inside political gossip, women in politics, queer fun in local swindle, "Kirkbride," a prize poem, first time published, Scotch dialect; Pastime's jottings of unusual interest, crisp pickings by Saunterer, rich gossip from Dunmore, Watson's harmony legion exposed, sketches of local politicians. Exclusive letters from Hyde Park, North End, Dunmore, etc., and the news of the week. Ask your newsboy for it, or get it at the news stands.

Keep cool and watch; it will surely pay to see the new arrival, 217 Lackawanna ave.

Fresh Sea Trout, 5c lb. Atlantic Fish Co., 118 Franklin st.

Mrs. Bradley has added dressmaking in connection with millinery.

## GANNON'S CASE COMES UP AGAIN

An Effort to Be Made to Have Him Released from County Jail.

### HAS BEEN THERE OVER TWO YEARS

Attorney Richard Busted, Jr., Was Retained by Some of Gannon's Friends and Has Filed a Petition in the Supreme Court for a Writ of Habeas Corpus—It Will Be Argued at Pittsburgh Next Month.

Attorney Richard Busted, Jr., has been retained in the case of James Gannon, who has been in the county jail for the last two years and four months for the purpose of securing his release from the county jail for confinement, as he claims that he is innocent of the crime for which he is confined, and he is willing to stand trial, to use his own words, until a very improbable thing occurs before he does what the court wants him to do.

The case without means, or it is likely that before now he would be at liberty. Mr. Busted has filed a petition in the Supreme court for a writ of habeas corpus, and Justice McCollum has granted a rule, which will be argued before the Supreme court at Pittsburgh next month during the second week of October. When seen at his office by a Tribune reporter yesterday, Mr. Busted said:

"There is very little in it for me, except that as such a case, the lot of this county I feel I ought to do all that lies in my power to secure the release from jail of a man who has committed no crime, and who is willing to stand trial, to use his own words, until a very improbable thing occurs before he does what the court wants him to do."

The history of the old man's imprisonment has appeared before in The Tribune, but it is such a peculiar case that it is worth repeating now. He was committed on June 16, 1894, by order of Judge Edwards for refusing to obey an order of the court to stand trial. The charge upon which he was committed on Swatland street is the cause of the trouble, and the litigation over it was instituted first in the mayor's court of Scranton in 1894.

Margaret Gannon was the prisoner's mother. She had two other children, Mrs. Margaret Ford and Mrs. Thomas Riel, but they were not in the case. Then a real estate dealer of the West Side. Her husband passed to his reward before long, and she was left to his death she lived from one to the other of her children, principally with Mrs. Riel.

Antecedent to her death there was a long period of sickness, with consequent large expense. Mrs. Riel paid the funeral expenses, too, and in consideration of these things her mother left her the property of the lot of land on Swatland street, which was valued at a balance of \$23.71 due to Mr. Swatland on the purchase money on the lot. The prisoner went to Mr. Riel, paid the amount and got a deed in his own name.

WAS IN POSSESSION.

Mrs. Riel was in possession and she refused to vacate, setting up her claim on the ground that she had supported the old woman for a long time, paid for medicine and doctor bills, and paid the funeral expenses. She being in possession, the prisoner began an action of ejectment. It came up for trial in January, 1895, after many delays, and the court found in favor of the old woman. The prisoner was ordered to vacate the lot and was committed to the county jail for non-payment of the costs of the trial.

The claim upon which the prisoner rested his right to the lot was that he bought the lot himself and gave his mother the money whereof to make the payments. He lived at home with her and the savings from his earnings went to pay Mr. Swatland. When she died, and he paid the balance due to Mr. Swatland, he gave him a right to claim the lot, that every penny paid on it was his earnings.

But the verdict directed was in favor of the plaintiff only on condition that Mrs. Riel should neglect or fail to pay to him the \$23.71 balance due, and also the interest on it from the time she paid it to the date of the verdict. Mrs. Riel's attorney paid into court the \$23.71 and interest and all costs, and by the terms of the verdict, judgment was recorded in her favor.

GANNON ASKED TO SIGN.

She then applied to the prothonotary for a deed and deed was called upon to sign it over. He refused and an attachment issued from the court and he was brought in and directed to execute the deed. He had defiance to the court and the result was his imprisonment. He was soon released, however, because the equity court was the one in which action should be brought to compel Gannon to execute the deed.

The case was referred to Attorney George S. Horn as master and examiner to report on the law and facts in the case. Mr. Horn decided that Gannon should execute the deed, but Judge Gunster refused to confirm his report. It went to the Supreme court and Judge Gunster's ruling was reversed. Gannon was then directed to execute the deed and he refused. An attachment was issued for his arrest and on September 16, 1894, he was brought before Judge Edwards, and still refusing to comply with the order of court, was committed to jail for non-payment of the costs of the trial.

He has been in the county jail ever since, and he is now in the county jail for non-payment of the costs of the trial.

PETITION NOW FILED.

The contention in the petition now filed is that Gannon bought the property himself to furnish his parents a home until they died. He subsequently married, and with his wife went to live in the home he had provided for them. During his absence his sister, Mary, married Thomas Riel, and with her husband came to live with the old people. His ownership of the property was not disputed for many years, nor was family dissensions arose.

Then his father, Patrick, and Thomas Riel set up a claim that it was the property of his mother, Margaret Gannon, basing their claim upon the fact that she had made the payments to Mr. Swatland for the property. Here the dispute arises. Gannon claims that while it is true she made the payments, yet they were made for him with his money, she acting as his agent. The entire litigation has grown out of this one question.

Mr. Busted reluctantly spoke of this case, and said he had taken it up only after he was appealed to by various times by some friends of the prisoner. He felt great diffidence in entering upon a case that had been so long at issue, and was persuaded to take it up more from his own belief in the injustice of Gannon's confinement.

HE WAS ADJUDGED INSANE.

John Lierman's Wife Died and It Drove Him Crazy.

In chambers before Judge Edwards yesterday afternoon there was an inquisition in lunacy in the case of John Lierman. A jury of six, consisting of Martin Price, John J. Higgins, Thomas J. Gentry, Edwin Hodgson, S. P. Williams, and Malachi Kelley was sworn to determine whether or not Lierman is capable of managing his estate. These jurors were sworn to take the regular panel in common pleas court.

Evidence was adduced to prove that he has been insane since Aug. 10, when

his wife died. He became melancholy and imagined she was murdered and that the same persons who caused her death were lying in wait for him also. He is 35 years old and possessed of a farm of ninety acres in Madison township, on the road between Moscow and Drickler. There is a mortgage of \$2,000 on it held by Barney Slocum. He owns the property at the corner of Irving avenue and Hickory street on the South Side. That is encumbered with a mortgage of over \$1,500.

The jury decided that he is not capable of managing his estate and he was adjudged a legal lunatic. Attorney M. J. Martin represented the inquisition. Judge Edwards approved of the findings.

### GILLETTE'S SECRET SERVICE.

Strong Cast Interpreted the Drama at Frothingham Last Night.

A strong cast did for William Gillette last evening what a poorer one would have failed to do, namely, made successful, in the old man's equally brilliant acting to save it. "Secret Service" suggests comparison with "Held by the Enemy," and is even more dramatic and stirring in its presentation, but lacks the fine shading brought out in the older play and is especially deficient in humor. But for Odette Tyler's fine impersonation as "Carmeline," ably supplemented within the limitations of his part by Walter Thomas as the boy soldier, there would have been no reason for the success of the drama's somber environment.

Odette Tyler, in other words, really is the play; although Miss Busby and Mr. Gillette himself deserve our thanks for admirable interpretations. The audience at the Frothingham last evening was large and enthusiastic and there were numerous recalls. The drama will be repeated tonight.

### TIRELESS ENDEAVORERS.

Are Still Hard at Work Arranging for the Big State Convention--Rally Next Thursday Night.

Yesterday the Christian Endeavor society executive and committee continued the activity that has been so apparent during the recent past. Their concern that the big gathering shall be a success and its anticipated results are being foreshadowed by the amount of preliminary work.

Last night the reception committee met in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian church to discuss the arrangements in the Young Men's Christian association building and the central city members of the entertainment committee in the Second Presbyterian church. In addition there were—as will be the case until the eve of the convention—numerous conferences during the day between some of the committee and one or more of the chairmen and executives on whom rests the main responsibilities.

Miss Della P. Evans and E. S. Williams presided over the reception committee's deliberations in the First Presbyterian church lecture room. This committee is one of the largest and most important any. It is composed of ten members from each of the city's twenty-three Endeavor societies and is offered by four captains representing as many sections of the city. The committee has already been designated as the headquarters for delegates from certain quarters.

After being piloted to church headquarters the delegates will be shown by sub-committees from the entertainment committee to their hotels or home quarters which have already been engaged. Members of the reception committee will be distinguished by white caps of especial design which will be distributed Thursday.

The schedule of societies assigned to meet trains arriving at different hours was announced as follows:

8 a. m. to 12 m. In charge of Captain Kist—First Presbyterian, Penn Avenue Baptist, North End Baptist, South End Baptist, Dunmore Presbyterian, United Evangelists.

12 m. to 4 p. m. In charge of Captain Keen—Green Ridge Presbyterian, Adams Avenue Baptist, First Presbyterian, African Methodist Episcopal, Second Presbyterian, Sherman Avenue Mission, Dunmore Baptist, Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.

4 p. m. to 9 p. m. In charge of Captain Smith—Washington Street Presbyterian, Grace Lutheran, Plymouth Congregational, Grace Reformed, Puritan Congregational, Calvary Baptist, Welsh Congregational, Providence.

9 p. m. to 12 a. m. In charge of Captain Wilcock—First Presbyterian, Green Ridge Presbyterian, Dunmore Presbyterian, North End Baptist, Plymouth Congregational, Providence Baptist.

The final and big rally prior to the convention and when nearly every member of all the numerous committees will gather for the last general instructions, will be held Thursday evening in the Penn Avenue Baptist church beginning at 7:45 o'clock. An hour will be devoted to service of prayer, address and song; the new officers of the city union will be introduced and then will follow what is announced as a "practical meeting." The reception and entertainment committee will perform their duties during the duties that will be required during the convention.

During the evening the mammoth program will start in earnest, and each of its three divisions will render individual selections. The choir will meet in the church Monday evening at 8 o'clock for rehearsal.

The decoration committee at its meeting last night in the Young Men's Christian association building completed its final contracting and arrangements for the decoration of Elm Park church, the Frothingham, Academy of Music and the Young Men's Christian association building which will be the scene of the convention on Friday.

The trimming of the interiors of these four structures will be on a scale never before attempted, as far as bunting is concerned in relation to the three latter buildings, and bunting in the case of Elm Park church.

A meeting of the property owners interested in the paving of Mulberry street from Second to Center avenues, is hereby announced to take place on Monday evening, Sept. 23, 8 p. m. at council rooms, City Hall.

(Signed) W. Garney, Charles A. Burr, Victor Koch, Christ Minick, James Finch, Robert P. Koehler, A. C. Nettleton.

Ask Your Dealer for McGarragh's Insect Powder, 25 and 10-cent boxes. Never sold in bulk. Take no other.

Opening.

A dainty line of Children's Coats at the Baby Bazaar, 512 Spruce street.

Dr. H. F. Reynolds, Dentist, Williams Bldg., opp. postoffice.

Special attention and private dining rooms for dinner parties at Lohmann's, Spruce street. Service and cuisine unequalled in this city.

DIED.

HOPE—in Scranton, Pa., Sept. 23, 1896, Edw. Hope, aged 72 years, at the home of her parents, 425 Prospect avenue. Funeral notice later.

## HIS HEAD CUT OFF BY A FREIGHT TRAIN

Martin Kerwin, of Olyphant, Placed His Neck on the Rail.

### SUICIDE OCCURRED NEAR MOOSIC

Deceased Was a Cripple and Suffered an Attack of Insanity--He Got Down on His Knees When the Train Approached and Let It Kill Him--Remains Identified by a Letter Found in His Pocket--Coroner Longstreet Will Investigate Today.

Martin Kerwin, of Olyphant, a cripple 25 years old, placed his neck on the outside rail of the southbound track of the Delaware and Hudson railroad, between Minooka Junction and Moosic, at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and the fast freight train which was approaching cut his head off as completely as if it were done with the guillotine.

His body rolled to the side of the track from the rails, but the head was carried several feet and the face was so cut up from contact with the ties and ballast that the features were horribly distorted and unrecognizable. Kerwin was walking up the track, and when the train was about 100 yards away from him he stepped out of the way. The engineer blew the whistle and Kerwin took off his hat and waved it. He held it in his hand until the engine came within 50 feet, when he let it drop, got down on his knees and waved for the wheels to decapitate him.

There was no time to enable the engineer to stop, as he was going at not less than twelve miles an hour. He brought the train to a standstill as quickly as he could and the crew picked up the remains and brought them to the freight office at Moosic station.

IDENTIFIED BY A LETTER.

A search was made through his pockets to find something which might lead to his identification, and a letter was found that he had received in reply to an application for work. A telephone message was sent from Moosic to Olyphant, where he was taken to the passenger train arriving in this city at 3:15 at night. Undertaker Stevenson has charge and will prepare the body for burial. Coroner Longstreet will go to Olyphant this morning, empanel a jury, and view the remains. The testimony of the trainmen will be taken at a hearing some time next week.

Kerwin lived with a married sister in Olyphant. About 5 years ago he was injured in the mines and lost his right leg. Since that time he has been employed as a slate-cleaver boss, and he was addicted to the excessive use of alcoholic stimulants. His father has been dead a long time, and his mother died three months ago.

About a year ago his mind became unbalanced, but his attack did not make him violent. He was in the habit of going away from home without saying he was going, and he came back whenever it suited his fancy. It is presumed that he was on his way to visit another sister living in Mill Creek.

SMILE ON HIS FACE.

He made frequent trips there and nothing was thought of his absence from Olyphant. His mind was never such that he was not able to realize danger whenever he was on his way to visit another sister living in Mill Creek.

It was train No. 27 that killed him, and the engineer said that he had a smile on his face as he was getting down on his knees to lay his head on the rail.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

## AUTUMN MILLINERY.

The exhibition of Fall millinery has attracted such throngs as never before. Even our large, commodious quarters were too small for your comfort.

The store is as packed with newness gathered from every clime, and the latest fashions of Paris are here for your inspection.

Very nearly three hundred trimmed Hats and Bonnets attribute to this unmatched exhibit, while artists are at your bidding to take hints from these and from you and thus produce a Bonnet to your liking.

We don't let anybody give you quite as much for your money as you'll get here.

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## Clarke Bros.

POWELL'S Music Store.

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And other excellent makes. Prices and terms on application.

BEST SETS OF TEETH, \$8.00

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