

CARBONDALE.

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INSPECTION OF POST 187.

Grand Army of the Republic Members Pass a Pleasant Evening.

The William H. Davies Post, No. 187, with thirty members, in full uniform, was visited on Wednesday evening by District Inspector William S. Jones. The post was found to be in good condition. District Inspector Jones, who is an ex-commander of Post No. 123, Scranton, was present, and expressed his gratification with the condition of the post. Remarks were also made by D. C. Boncorte and J. M. Alexander.

A resolution was passed expressive of sympathy for T. D. Bradley, in view of recent death of his wife. Mr. Bradley was a charter member of the post, but is now connected with the veterans at Deland, Florida.

Mr. Alexander spoke of the great loss sustained by the Scranton Post in the death of D. M. Jones, with whom he was associated at Chambersburg.

JOHN FINCH SURPRISED.

His Many Friends Extend Congratulations on His Fiftieth Birthday.

A large number of his friends surprised John Finch at his home on Salem avenue, on Wednesday evening. They came to offer congratulations on his fiftieth birthday. H. L. Vail during the evening, made a short but appropriate address, presenting Mr. Finch with a handsome gold-headed cane as a token of their high esteem. The Magnolia quartette rendered a number of selections and added to the enjoyment of the occasion.

FOOT BALL GAME.

St. Thomas College Eleven Defeats the Crystal Athletic Club.

The Crystals were defeated by the St. Thomas team of Scranton, at Alumni Park Wednesday afternoon. Owing to the soft condition of the ground, the game was played with some difficulty, but was well contested. The Crystals had a number of good plays, and were confident of victory, but were disappointed. Their opponents were too strong for them. The final score resulted: St. Thomas, 16; Crystals, 6.

St. Thomas: Nallon, left end; Nealon, left tackle; Hansen, right tackle; Mitchell, center; Kirkwood, right guard; McLean, left guard; McLean, right guard; Eaton, left half back; Johnson, right half back; McDonald, full back; Conroy, left end; O'Brien, right end; Linsen-Brown and Forbes, time-keepers.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES.

R. J. Beamish, of Scranton, called on friends in this city Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Thomas Berryman, of Pittston, is visiting friends in town.

Miss Mary Watt and William Watt spent Wednesday with friends in Wilkes-Barre.

Mrs. Abram Hunsicker, of Collegeville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. S. Niles.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hiller, who have been visiting the former's parents, Rev. and Mrs. William Hiller, of Susquehanna, have returned home.

Catharine Murphy, of Lattin avenue, is quite ill with typhoid fever.

John Krisher, a laborer, twenty-six years old, died at the hospital Wednesday, the result of an injury of the spinal cord.

Miss Josephine Burr left yesterday for a visit in New York.

Mrs. S. Singer is entertaining Miss Martha Moore, of Scranton.

Mrs. Kingsbury Fuller is visiting friends in Wilkes-Barre.

H. E. Lucas, proprietor of the New York store, has returned from a business trip to New York city.

John H. Blackwood, of Scranton, spent yesterday in town.

Mrs. T. C. F. Johnson, of Scranton, is the guest of Mrs. John Lynch, of South Church street.

Misses Maggie and Mary Carden called on friends in Pittston Wednesday.

Fred Thompson is visiting in New York.

J. L. Stewart, of the Ontario and Western railroad, who has been working at his home in Middletown, N. Y., has returned to his position in this city.

On the 19th of this month Jacob D. Schermerhorn, engineer on the Jefferson division of the Erie, will have completed his thirty-first year in the service of the Erie company.

Rev. D. A. Rosen, of South Main street, has returned from a trip to New York state.

Miss Della Hayley has returned from Waymart, where she has been visiting friends.

Miss Ella Toren, of the West Side, is ill.

Miss Martha Harde, of Lincoln avenue, is visiting Miss Della Williams in Scranton.

The Young Ladies' Mission band of the First Presbyterian church were entertained at the home of Mrs. John S. Niles Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Dwight Craft gave a thimble party Wednesday afternoon and evening at her home on Richmond avenue. Supper was served from five to seven. Among those present were: Mesdames R. Craft, W. Hyatt, O. E. Histed, J. M. Peck, D. Wilson, G. W. Smith, F. Ball, S. Gritman, M. Myers, O. Dimock, O. Hudson, E. Atkinson, L. Craft, F. J. Love, T. Bottomly, G. Schoonover, G. Keefe.

Misses Frances Smith and Anna McNeill, of this city, will sing tonight at the fair in Jersey.

Mrs. George Lewsley leaves today for Oneonta, where she will visit her daughter.

H. Rivenburg, Mrs. Rivenburg and Minor Olmstead left yesterday for

JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. William Jenkins of West Pittston, is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. J. H. Mahady, of Dundaff street, spent Wednesday in Pittston.

Mrs. J. H. Mahady, of Dundaff street, is visiting with rheumatism.

Miss Mary O'Brien, of Canaan street, visited friends in Forest City this week.

Miss Libbie Riley, of Pleasant Mount, who was the guest of Mrs. J. J. O'Boyle on River street, has returned home.

PRICEBURG.

The Elite dancing class organized on last Monday evening is a grand success. The class will meet Mr. Boland's evening at Smith's Music hall and will be taught by Professor Hector McLaughlin and Michael Kane.

Mrs. J. J. Walsh and son, Gerald, of Duryea, are visiting relatives in town.

Members of Eagle Hose company No. 1 are preparing for the opening of their fair during the coming holidays.

August Smith and son, George, victims of the late explosion in the Storrs' mine, are improving.

Miss Mary Jones, of North Main street, is suffering from an attack of diphtheria.

John Judge was a visitor in Peckville last evening.

Mrs. Albert Cleave is on the sick list.

ARCHBALD.

Michael Boland, one of the oldest and most widely known residents of this borough, died at his home on Laurel street, yesterday.

Mr. Boland, who met Mr. Boland had been sick only a week. He was on the passenger train that collided with a trip of granite cars on Thursday evening last week, and he was so unnerved by his experience that he was immediately obliged to go to bed.

He never recovered sufficiently to be able to get about, and yesterday he breathed his last. Mr. Boland was one of the most respected residents of this community, where he had lived for 40 years.

He held several offices of importance here, and during the labor reform movement of twenty years ago he was nominated for the office of county commissioner. After a long and exciting contest, in which the courts were appealed to, Mr. Boland's opponent was declared elected. During recent years he has been prominently identified with politics. He was a man of considerable ability, honest and generous and in every way deserving of the high esteem in which he was held.

He was a brother of Patrick Boland, of Scranton, and Peter Boland and Mrs. P. J. White, of this place. He was the father of Sarah, Katie, Lizzy, John and James E. Boland, of Scranton; Thomas, of Olyphant; Mrs. James McCarthy, of Carbondale, and Miss Maggie, known in religion as Sister Martin, at present in Scranton. The funeral will be held at 10:30 a. m. Saturday. Interment in Archbald Catholic cemetery.

HALLSTED.

H. Rimmer, the clerk of the Mitchell House, who has been ill, is now able to get out again.

E. Dehart, of Dover, N. J., is in town on business.

N. T. Mitchell is visiting friends and relatives at Cochection, N. Y.

Charles Fisher and Lillian Church have returned home after a visit with friends in Scranton.

The election of McKinley has brought out several candidates for the post office. There are already three candidates in the field, who are busy securing signatures to petitions for that office.

The McKinley election has been instrumental in our town in stimulating the advent of good times. The silk mill is arranging to add more looms to its equipment, and indications point to an extension of the building in the early spring.

E. F. Bernstein is improving his property at the West End.

The second degree was conferred in full ceremonial form Wednesday evening by Friendly Hand Lodge of Odd Fellows.

MOSCOW.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Loveland and Mrs. Henry Warrick were visitors in Scranton on Tuesday.

Miss Ella Polton spent Monday in Scranton.

W. G. Gaige, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Gaige.

Attorney Richard Busted, of Scranton, is in town on business.

Mrs. M. M. Evans, of Scranton, was the guest of Mrs. S. S. Trager Tuesday.

W. W. Hinds is spending a few weeks at his friends in the city.

Miss Minnie Masters, of Elmhurst, was a visitor in town Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Jane Hinds is visiting friends in Scranton.

Miss Williams spent Sunday with friends in Scranton.

THE STAGE AND MORALS.

From the New York Journal.

Dr. Parkhurst, who has been for some time contributing articles in a popular weekly, addressed to young men, takes up in his latest paper the subject of amusements, and incidentally the theater. With his customary candor, he says that he cannot speak of the theater from personal knowledge, but he has arrived at a conclusion to be hastily arrived at. Pure plays are produced and are well received every season. It is true they have not for a season or two been anything like so numerous as the plays which appeal to a morbid and debauched taste, but they make their way to the front now, and then, and manage to obtain a lengthened and honorable career.

"Shore Acres," and even the flimsy but wholesome "Old Homestead" only prove that a noble idea, a true sentiment or an appeal to our tenderest associations needs no vicious elements to make it acceptable. Still, Dr. Parkhurst's arraignment is not of the theater, but of the conditions which surround and limit it. He takes occasion to say as a number of other vigorous and liberal clergymen have said that in the abstract he believes in the theater as a vehicle not only of necessary recreation, but, in some measure, of education. The great problem of popular entertainment is how to draw the pure in mind back to the play house, and the problem cannot be solved until capital and enterprise join hands with a pure art ambition and give us a theater which is absolutely independent of the vices and appetites of a floating population.

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