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will no doubt be an enjoyable affair. Refreshments will be served. Attorney J. Wood Platt and Laundryman Webar were in Scranton yesterday.

The Tunkhannock Athletic association has begun work in good earnest under the leadership of Harry Tinker. Mr. Tinker has had experience in this line of work.

**WILKES-BARRE.**  
The pastor Rev. T. Davies and his congregation of the Welsh Congregational Church, Wilkes-Barre, will hold a fair and festival during Christmas week to lift the heavy debt of \$4,500 on the church property.

At the December term of court forty-two cases on the calendar are against the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen at Towanda by members who were not paid amounts due them on account of the Lehigh Valley strike three years ago.

General quarterly meeting is in progress at the Free Methodist church, next door to the Armory, in charge of Presiding Elder Eakins. Services at 7.45 each night and at 2.30 on Friday and Saturday afternoons.

The Lehigh Valley pay days for December are: Dec. 11, Weatherly to Hazleton, Tomblin and Freshland, Mauch Chunk to Pottsville and vicinity; Dec. 16, Mauch Chunk to Wilkes-Barre and Coxtun; Dec. 17, Coxtun to Waverly and Sayre; Dec. 18, Sayre to Ithaca, Coxtun, Manchester and Roschester; Dec. 23, Elmira to Camden, Freeville and Sayre; Dec. 24, Sayre to Bernice, Avoca, Fairview and Mauch Chunk.

Abram Eckert will be executed on Tuesday next for the murder of Fred Bittenbender at Nanticoke. He appears, and he says he is, quite resigned and will meet his death calmly and bravely, but nevertheless a death watch has been appointed to stay with him until the day of his execution. The watchers are P. J. Foley and Daniel J. Reese, and one of them will be with the doomed man all the time, night or day.

Miss Ketcham, a pupil of Professor E. E. Southworth of Scranton, will make her debut as a concert pianist in the Young Men's Christian association, this city, on Tuesday evening next.

Henry Rudolph disappeared from his home in Tamaqua last Friday and no trace has been heard since. He was a shiftless disposition and of late became despondent. Before leaving home he donned an old suit of clothing, and it is feared he was carrying with him wandering through the woods as was his custom. The mountains have been scoured by searching parties, but no trace has been seen.

A grocery store owned by John McLaughlin on E. Second street, was burglarized on Tuesday night and a quantity of tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and several tins of salmon were carried away. The burglar evidently was well acquainted with the store and its proprietor, as he gained access by pushing open the transom and without any difficulty succeeded in breaking in the lock. Mr. McLaughlin estimates his loss at \$30.

The wedding of Miss Kathryn Fraley and David E. Jones, at Binghamton, some weeks ago, has just been made known. The groom is Plymouth conference member, and the bride the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Fraley, of River street, this city.

**JERMYN AND MAYFIELD.**  
An institute of school teachers of Jermyrn, Archbald, Mayfield and Scott schools will be held in Mayfield public school on Saturday afternoon.

The funeral of E. E. Powers, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Powers, was largely attended. Interment was made in Calvary cemetery.

It was decided at a meeting of the Crystal Fire company Wednesday evening that they will give a ball on New Year's eve. Invitations will be issued in a few days. A committee of three, consisting of W. G. Graves, John E. Kelly and Thomas Roberts was appointed to make arrangements for the occasion. All past members of the company have been highly successful, and this will be no exception.

An entertainment under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society of St. James church will be given at an early date by a large number of children. The entertainment is entitled "The Coming of Li Hung Chang," and will be something new and unique. The children have been rehearsing their parts for the past two weeks.

William Jones and two children, of Mayfield, are very ill at their home on Railroad street.

The Mayfield school board will convene in regular session this evening. The poles for electric lights have arrived, and in a few days will be placed in position. The council recently ordered five new arc lights, to be placed at the corner of Hill street, three at West Mayfield and one on Lackawanna street. These, in addition to ones now in use, will give the borough ample light.

George Benton, of Carbondale, circulated among friends here yesterday. The Christian Endeavor society of the First Baptist church held their monthly business meeting last Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Mae Prior, on Second street. The officers for the ensuing year were: President, Hon. J. W. Coddling and family have gone to Washington, D. C., to remain at their residence this winter.

The "Lancet Mail" is mailed for this place next Wednesday evening. Our insurance agencies are already distributing 197 calendars, some of which being very attractive.

The opera house is being fitted with city heat and electric light. The Ward House is undergoing some late improvements in their water supply.

Our merchants are attractively displaying their holiday goods and are enjoying excellent trade.

There are now six prisoners in our county jail.

C. A. Stowell, of Wyalusing, was a business man at the county seat Monday. We think Calvin would make a dandy "postage stamp" at that place, and, according to all reports, he has a good start towards winning the race.

The candy making department of Danner & Brennan is now kept busy both day and night preparing for their large wholesale and retail holiday trade. It has been necessary already to secure extra help in order to meet their demands. Sunday schools, as well as dealers, are supplied with everything found in the line of a confectionery store.

**TUNKHANNOCK.**  
Rodney Jewett Bardwell left on the midnight train for Colorado, where he is interested in a law firm.

Mrs. Rose Herrick went to Kingston this morning for a visit with her parents.

C. A. Hungerford visited in Springville, Susquehanna county, yesterday.

C. Byron Koon who has been visiting his family for the past two weeks, returned to Middletown, N. Y., where he is engaged in the red painting business.

Tunkhannock and Lake Carvay are to be connected by wire. Dr. John Denison has a private line to Dixon, a point two miles up the creek. A branch from Ferry Hilling's saw mill to the lake is now being built which will connect with the Dixon line and enter Dr. Denison's office at this place.

Charles B. Miller, a former resident of this place, has been elected a member of the state legislature. At the time of his election, Mr. Miller was superintendent of the Nanticoke schools at a salary of \$1,500 per annum. A successor has been appointed in his place.

The Living Authors Library social at the Presbyterian church this evening

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**CARBONDALE.**  
Readers will please note that advertisements, orders for job work, and items for publication left at the establishment of Shannon & Co., newdealers, North Main street, will receive prompt attention; office open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.]

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.**  
Mrs. R. A. Craft Honored by Ladies' Auxiliary of B. of L. E.  
Wednesday was the thirty-seventh birthday of Mrs. R. A. Craft, and the Ladies' auxiliary of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers happily surprised their honored president by a visit of congratulation. The members took the occasion to show their appreciation by presenting her with a handsome water pitcher and cup.

The presentation was offered with an appropriate address by Mrs. Coon. The gift expressed their good will for active efforts made during the year she has served as president of the association. The company enjoyed a pleasant evening, after bountiful refreshments had been served.

Among those present were Messrs. and Mesdames William Winn, W. Brink, T. Davis, D. La Rue, W. Hyatt, O. Histed, C. W. Smith, D. West by, M. Meyers, O. Hudson, S. Gritman, D. Craft and E. Parneller, of Mayfield Yard; Mesdames F. Coon, J. M. Peck, A. Hildfeldt, E. Atkinson, G. Dimick, W. Bingham, Miss Flossie Gritman and Mesdames F. Hall and A. Histed.

**LECTURE BY S. G. KERR.**  
At the Methodist Church—Scenes Witnessed in the Emerald Isle.  
A large audience at the Methodist church enjoyed the lecture on Wednesday evening delivered by S. G. Kerr. His lecture was given under the auspices of the Epworth League. Mr. Kerr, after an absence from his native land of forty years, returned to the scenes of early life, and so is able to give an interesting account of places visited in his "Trip Through Ireland." Many anecdotes illustrating his personal experience were related, which pleased the audience.

Mr. Kerr is the head of the firm of S. G. Kerr, Son & Co., of this city, and Scranton. His lecture, with its vivid descriptions, was deeply interesting.

**MEETING OF MITCHELL HOSE.**  
The Company Will Go in Full Uniform to Forest City.  
The Andrew Mitchell Hose company held a meeting in their rooms on Tuesday evening which was well attended by the members. The company voted to attend the entertainment of the Enterprise Hose company at Forest City December 16th. They will go in full uniform on that occasion. It was decided that each member should have a photograph taken, as it is desirable that the company should possess them.

A vote of thanks was extended to those furnished refreshments so generously on the morning of the fire in the building of Ely and Fulkerson.

**Officers of the Women's Relief Corps.**  
The Women's Relief corps met on Wednesday evening and elected officers for the year as follows: President, Mrs. Eleanor Gillis; senior vice president, Miss Eva Lowden; junior vice president, Miss Melissa Newton; treasurer, Mrs. Adeleye Chapman; Miss Jane Dilts; conductor, Miss Mattie Knoff; guard, Mrs. Clara Carleton; delegate, Mrs. Sarah Smith; alternate, Adeline Estabrook.

**Masonic Officers.**  
At a meeting of Carbondale lodge, No. 219, Free and Accepted Masons, on Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. M., Henry Carter; S. W., Charles V. Helms; I. W., Rev. E. J. Halsey; treasurer, S. A. McMullen secretary, H. B. Willbur; trustees, Frank E. Dennis, representative to grand lodge, J. B. Dr. D. L. Bailey, D. W. Humphrey; Vannan, Jr.

**Luncheon Party.**  
At her home on Canaan street, Mrs. R. D. Stuart entertained a party of ladies on Wednesday afternoon. There were present at this social gathering Mesdames A. W. Reynolds, C. T. Meaker, W. A. Manville, M. J. Shook, G. Jermyn; W. M. Lathrop, Miss Butler, Miss Jennie Butler, Miss Effie Davidson, of Scranton; and Miss Mattie Drake, of West Pittston.

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES.**  
The Misses Rose and Frances Walker and Mame Burns spent Wednesday

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