

News of the Suburbs.

WEST SIDE EVENTS.

Annual Military Ball of Company F Held in St. David's Hall—Committees That Were in Charge.

Company F, Thirtieth regiment, held their sixth annual ball last night in St. David's hall. The attendance was not as large as in former years. Last night's affair was very enjoyable to those who attended. Colonel Curran was present and in the grand march was escorted by Mrs. Eugene D. Follows. The soldiers boys were in uniform and, of course, these uniforms added a decided attractiveness to the affair. The hall was prettily decorated. Miss Nellie Curran played for dancing.

The officials of the dance were: John H. Mackreth, master of ceremonies; Morgan Edwards, conductor of dances; committee of arrangements, Lieutenant David J. Davis, Sergeant William Jones, Sergeant William Freeman, Harold Battin, Frank Raymond, John Mackreth, Morgan Edwards, Lieutenant H. P. Decker, treasurer, committee, Captain Fellows, Sergeant Carling, Corporal Downey, Wallace Moser, Latimer Reese, Edward Space, St. Andrew's council, committee in charge, manager, Frank Raymond, Corporal Carling, Thomas J. Davis, George L. Davis, Lemuel Phillips, door committee, William B. Newman, Albert J. Wall; cloak room committee, Corporal Allen, Eugene H. Fellows, Robert Pettit. The grand march was begun at 9.30 o'clock.

WE SHOULD NOT INTERFERE.

The Cuban question was given a calm, unimpassioned and impartial hearing last evening when the young men of St. Brendan council, Young Men's Institute debated the matter under the following text: "Resolved, that the United States should recognize the belligerency of Cuba." The question was decided in the negative. The affirmative side was: Thomas McLane, Austin Durkin, Thomas Hurst; negative, J. J. Durkin, James Quinn, and Frank McLane. The debate was very interesting. P. F. Duffy and J. J. Durkin gave special readings. The council has elected the following officers: President, M. J. Fitzgerald; first vice president, H. C. Gallagher; second vice president, James Shea; recording secretary, Chas. Canavan; financial secretary and treasurer, Patrick Duffy; corresponding secretary, Patrick Duffy; treasurer, James J. Brown; marshal, Austin Durkin; inside sentinel, James O'Malley; outside sentinel, Joseph Gannon; committee on resolutions, M. J. McAndrew, John Donahoe, William Vanston, Patrick Grady and Peter McCoy. Installation will be made on January 11, 1897. A smoker will be held on the same evening. On Jan. 6 in College hall, central city, the St. Brendan council will debate the same subject with the Father General Oughlan of Philadelphia. The next side debate will be Attorney M. P. Cawley, John F. Durkin and Harry C. Gallagher. They will have the negative side of the question. The men who will debate for the Philadelphia council are Dr. P. Charles Green, H. A. O'Callaghan and Richard A. Foley. Judge H. M. Edwards will be adjudicator.

NOW FOR THE HOSPITAL.

The Hospital association met last evening in the director's room of the West Side bank, every member except Mr. Twining, who was unavoidably detained, were present. Dr. M. J. Williams was temporarily appointed secretary in Mr. Twining's stead. Hon. John R. Farr presided. The following committee were named: Hospital, Dr. M. J. Williams, William Farrell, Llewellyn Roberts and Attorney W. Gaylord Thomas; finance, D. D. Evans, Alfred Twining and Senator C. C. Vaughn; purchasing, Dr. W. A. Payne, John A. Van Bergen, W. H. Freeman. Efforts will be made to have the hospital opened by January 1 and the hospital committee was instructed to urge this end. The necessary papers for the transfer of the property have been signed, the Phillips building has been vacated and only a few days will elapse before the greatly needed establishment is a fact.

BURIAL OF E. T. JOHNS.

Edward T. Johns was buried yesterday afternoon from his late residence on South Bromley avenue. The funeral was largely attended and was a fitting tribute to the good life of the departed. At the house, where the services were conducted, many friends assisted in the observed. Rev. David Jones, pastor of the First Welsh Congregational church, preached a fine eulogy in the Welsh language. Rev. Hugh Davis, of the Welsh Calvinistic Methodist church, read Scripture and offered a prayer in the Welsh language and Rev. T. Bell, of the Plymouth Congregational church, spoke a few

words of comfort to the family. There was a wealth of floral testimonials. The flower bearers were: James Dinmick, John Randall and William Bettelty. The pallbearers were: John R. Johns, George F. Eynon, Daniel Davis, Bromley Williams, William R. Thomas and Richard Williams. Interment was made in Washburn street cemetery. From out of town the following were the persons at the funeral: Miss Mary and Elias Evans, John L. and David Evans, of Danville; Mrs. Daniel Evans, of Moscow; Miss Annie Roberts and Charles Roberts, of Wilkes-Barre. The funeral was in charge of William Price & Son.

NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS.

John Hall and son, Henry, of Eynon street, left yesterday to visit E. H. Howe, formerly of this city, but now of Marion, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. William Watkins, of Factoryville, were West Side visitors Monday.

Rev. J. B. Sweet will preach a patriotic sermon next Sunday evening to the members of Nay Aug council, No. 314, American Mechanics.

A delegation from Camp 178, Patriots Order Sons of America, went to Clark's Summit last evening, where District President Daniel W. Phillips conducted initiatory forms.

Rev. J. Nichols has returned to his home at Atlantic City after a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Randolph Jones, of Jackson street.

Mrs. Samuel Morgan, of Lykens, has returned home after a visit here.

Mrs. Sarah Kresge, of North Hyde Park avenue, is visiting at Pittston.

Born, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Evans, of Washburn street.

A child of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Howell, of South Garfield avenue, is recovering from an illness.

The indoor camp meeting of the Salvation Army was addressed last evening by Rev. John Griffith, of late the pastor of the Sumner Avenue Presbyterian church.

Miss Mary Jane Lewis, daughter of Thomas Lewis, of Acker avenue, died yesterday. She had been an invalid for some time. The funeral will take place at 2.30 Thursday afternoon.

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GREEN RIDGE.

The eight-year-old daughter of Mr. Price, of Larch street, is seriously ill. Two more skulls were yesterday dug out of a sand pit opposite the Scranton Lace factory by boys employed in Manville breaker, who carried the skulls through the streets on the end of long poles.

Miss Anna Hart, of Pittston, is visiting friends in Green Ridge.

Conrad Schroeder has removed the old gate which Gardener Sanderson erected on Marion street many years ago, and replaced it with a new iron gate.

New porches have been erected over the entrance to apartments in Howe's row on Lackawanna avenue.

Master Leonard Rittenhouse, of Washington avenue, is ill.

The Green Ridge Women's Christian Temperance union this year has undertaken a new departure, that of Floral mission and tomorrow the committee will be at the rooms on Penn avenue, after 1 p. m. to receive donations of money, coal, groceries, clothing and articles that will benefit the needy. The alms will be distributed during the holidays. Exercises will be held at 2.30 and at 7.30 p. m. County President Mrs. C. D. Simpson and Miss Fannie Raub, county superintendent of Floral mission, are expected to be present and address the meeting, and also other prominent speakers.

DUNMORE.

If it were not for the gaily and artistically decorated stores and also the numerous amusements which are being busily arranged, one would hardly think, judging from the appearance of the weather, that Christmas was so near at hand. The congregation of St. Mary's church will hold a fair in Manley's hall during the holidays, and the Knights and Ladies of the Golden Eagle will hold one in Odd Fellows' hall. The Neptune Fire company will give a

ball in Keystone hall on December 21 to be followed on Christmas night with another ball under the auspices of the Nonpartisan club.

Miss Jennie Foley, of Mount Cobb, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Ellis, of Church street.

Herman Brunning, of Brook street, is beautifying his home by a new coat of paint.

Miss Kate Young, of Elm street, has returned from a visit with friends in Pittston.

Edward Mittee, of Webster avenue, is suffering from a sprained back.

The quilt game between William Medeiros, of Scranton, and William Willis, of Dunmore, was won in a miserably played game by the former. Willis was given 25 points start out of the possible base with the aid of crutches.

A raffle for a silver watch will take place Thursday evening, December 24, under the auspices of the Enterprise football team.

Mrs. Young is seriously ill at her home, corner of Cherry and Elm streets.

Clarence DeBow, of Grove street, has returned from a visit with friends in Carbondale.

Miss Jessie Weatherly, of East Benton is the guest of Miss Mertie Finch, of Cherry street.

Fred Matthews, of Newport county, of Monmouthshire, England, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Matthews, of Brook street.

Gipsy colliers is idle this week for repairs.

Born.—To Mr. and Mrs. William Purdy, of Church street, a boy.

Herbert Ellis, of Church street, has sufficiently improved as to enable him to walk about with the aid of crutches.

Miss Annie Mookney has returned to her home in Brooklyn, N. Y., after a short visit with friends in town.

Charles Correll, of Dudley street, has returned from a short visit with Carbondale friends.

Mrs. James Means, of Scranton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. William Young, of Cherry street.

DO IT IF YOU WANT TO.

Business men who relish paying out their good money for poster advertisements in ballooned special editions that are used mainly to kindle fires may do this if they wish; but the man who advertises in The Tribune will not be asked to pay something for nothing.

MINOOKA.

A large concourse of friends and relatives assembled at the home of the late Martin McCrea yesterday afternoon to pay respects to the remains before being conveyed to their last resting place. The O'Connell family, No. 184, Young Men's Institute and the Greenwood Union Accidental fund attended the funeral in a body. A handsome floral design in the shape of a pillow with the inscription "Y. M. I., Our Brother," was presented by the former. The pallbearers were John J. Joyce, John Crane, and M. J. Carroll, of the Institute, and John Toole, Anthony Connolly and William Fitzhugh, of the Accidental fund.

The remains were taken to the residence of Peter Higgins, where he will embark in business.

A number of our local pugilists will take part in the pugilistic carnival at Old Forge on Thursday evening, Dec. 24.

BIG FIGHT FOR THE LEHIGH RIVER

Scranton Gas and Water Company Declared the Winner.

JUDGE J. B. McPHERSON'S OPINION

He Denies the Right of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company to the Ownership of the River and Permits the Local Water Company to Divert the Overflow to the Roaring Brook—It is a Big Victory for This City as Well as the Water Company.

The Scranton Gas and Water company yesterday declared the winner of the famous suit brought against the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company and others to restrain it from using the waters of the Lehigh river. The decision was made by Judge J. B. McPherson, of Luzerne county, who was specially called to preside in the case. He dismissed the preliminary injunction but allowed the bills to stand to protect the plaintiffs in case the defendant does not live up to its plans as laid down in its answer to the injunction proceedings. The opinion which accompanied the decision covers twenty-seven closely typed written pages and is a most important and interesting document as it deals with an altogether new point of law and reviews the history of the Lehigh river, its water ways, and riparian and navigation rights and particularly the history of the Lehigh company since its inception in 1835. Owing to the local importance of the case, the opinion will be printed substantially in full in an early issue of The Tribune.

In order to provide against the possibility of a double injunction in case the Scranton Gas and Water company conceived and adopted the idea of availing itself of the use of the waters of the Lehigh river, the plaintiffs secured riparian rights by quietly purchasing land along the banks of the river near Gouldsboro and proceeded to erect works for diverting the Lehigh water to the water shed of Roaring Brook. The plans comprised a reservoir to catch and store the surplus water during the spring and winter months and a main pipe and a pipe line to carry the water over a divide of less than a mile to the headquarters of the Roaring Brook. It was proposed to use this pipe line to carry the water to the present supply of the Gas and Water company suffering for all purposes under ordinary circumstances.

AN INJUNCTION OBTAINED.

In January last just as the work was gotten under way the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, by its attorneys, the South Gas and Water company and Samuel Wallace and others instituted proceedings to restrain the Scranton company from carrying out its purpose of diverting the water of the Lehigh river from its source to mouth, together with all its tributaries.

The case was first taken to Wayne county, but the court there ruled it had no jurisdiction. The case was then removed to Luzerne county, where the plaintiff's side of the case was supported by such able counsel as the late Judge S. M. Dickson, George Wharton Pepper, the leading civil lawyers of the Philadelphia and Northampton's brilliant counsel, the General W. C. Doster, of Bethlehem, Hon. Alfred Hand and W. J. Hand and Hon. H. A. Knapp representing the Scranton Gas and Water company.

The importance of the case was widely commented upon at the time, involving as it did the general determination of the rights of riparian owners, as well as a determination of the rights of the Scranton Gas and Water company under its charter, and of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company in the granting of special powers and rights in the river Lehigh, which legislation covers a period of ninety-three years.

PLAINTIFF'S CONTENTION.

The contention of the plaintiffs was that the Gas and Water company had diverted the water of the Lehigh river to divert the water of the river or any part of it to any other water shed. They also contended that the charter of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, through granting the right of eminent domain, did not give it the power to take water from the Lehigh river, that particular stream, but only as it had been a piece of real estate, had been given by the legislature to the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, and that no one could divert the water of the Lehigh river, without an express enactment of the legislature.

The Gas and Water company in its answer, disclaimed any intention of diminishing the ordinary flow of the stream and averred that it was simply their purpose to store the surplus water in time of floods, which would otherwise be wasted, and to pump the water so stored into the Roaring brook or another storage reservoir, all of which it contended it was entitled to do under its charter, and that the right of eminent domain granted it by its charter and acts of assembly.

Judge McPherson, in his opinion, states that the issue presents a new point of law, never before decided in this state or in any of the cases brought before him. The new point is the right of a riparian owner in respect to the diverting of water to another water shed, when such diversion does not diminish the ordinary flow of the stream. The contention of the plaintiff that it had a right to do this, he says, is well founded. The legislature having empowered the Scranton Gas and Water company "to take water from any stream," gave it the right to take water from the Lehigh under certain limitations, as to quantity and interference with the rights of other owners.

He decided against the claim of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company that it owned the entire "corpus" of the stream, and further based his ruling on the grounds that no appreciable damage could result to the others invested with rights in the stream from the use which the Scranton Gas and Water company proposed to make of the river.

The Gas and Water company asked a favorable decision and kept on with the work on the new state and pipe line and with the completion of the reservoir will be ready to supply Scranton with an almost limitless amount of water.

Dressing cases at Reynolds Bros.

FAY FOSTER COMPANY.

Opens a Three Days' Engagement at Davis' Theatre Tomorrow.

Tomorrow afternoon the Fay Foster Extravaganza company will begin a three days' engagement at Davis' Theatre. They open with an amusing farce called "A Swell Reception at Newport." The entire company will take part in this, and the costumes are said to be magnificent, the lines witty, the ladies pretty, and the comedians past masters in the art of mirth-provoking repartee.

The folio is exceptionally strong, being composed of such well known people as Lowry and Hanly, Campbell and Beard, Leslie and Curdy. The great Judges, Marie Rossette, Clara Chassee, Harry La Marr and others. The show closes with a laughable burlesque entitled "One Night on the Royal Blue Line." Standing room will no doubt be at a premium during this engagement.

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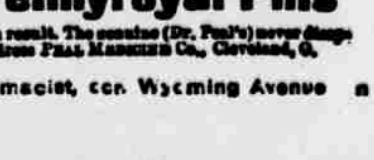
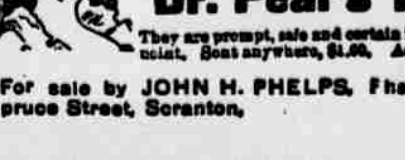
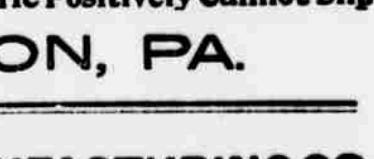
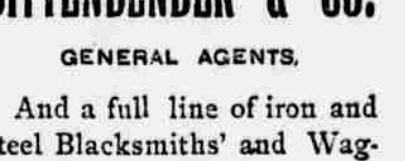
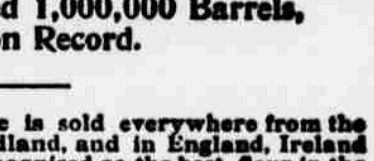
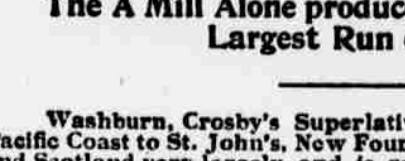
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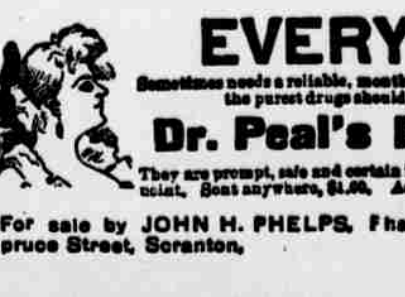
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