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CITY NOTES.

The Electric Chautauque circle met last night at the home of M. P. Carter.
Kate Kelly, of Archbold, was arrested for being drunk on the streets and committed to the county jail for fifteen days.
George Heibich, charged with criminal assault, was yesterday admitted to bail before Judge Archbold in the sum of \$500. Ignatia Collis became his bondsman.
Brian Collins yesterday entered bail before Judge Archbold in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace toward all good people and particularly his wife. Edwin Fraule was his bondsman.
The Teachers' Mutual Benefit association will hold its regular monthly meeting at 10 o'clock Saturday morning in the board of control rooms. Large and prompt attendance is requested.
Martin Gavin, of this city, and James Farrell, of Plymouth, have been matched to fight a fight, says the Pittston Gazette. The time and place for the event has not been decided upon as yet.
There will be a meeting of the Yale Alumni of this city in the office of Colonel E. M. Boles in the Commonwealth building at 3 o'clock this evening. All Yale men are cordially invited to be present.
Don't forget that today is donation day at the Green Ridge Woman's Christian Temperance union rooms. Donations of money, coal, groceries, provisions, clothing or anything that would benefit the needy will be received.
A convention of the societies of the Second district of the Scranton Catholic Total Abstinence union will be held in Pharmacy hall, South Side, on the second Sunday of January under the auspices of St. Aloysius Young Men's society.
The sheet's sale Williams' business colleges in this city, Dunmore and Olyphant will take place next Wednesday. The Scranton college will be at 11 a. m. and the Dunmore college at 11 a. m. and the Olyphant college at 3 p. m.
The will of Edward T. Johns, late of the West Side, was admitted to probate yesterday and letters testamentary granted to the widow, Ann T. Johns, and the son, John E. Johns. The estate was equally divided among the surviving members of the family.
The family of Mrs. Anna Zavichukna, of Scranton, John Kelly, of Scranton, and Katie Butler, of Lackawanna township; Charles L. Major and Maggie Hees, of Scranton; Beth Griffiths and Leonard Lewis, of Taylor; Theodore Klein, of Carbondale, and Ida Shaffer, of Gravity, were yesterday granted marriage licenses by Clerk of the Courts John H. Thomas.
At Tuesday night's meeting of John Boyle O'Reilly council, Young Men's institute, the following officers were elected: President, John Collins; first vice-president, Edward Morris; second vice-president, Bart Leonard; recording secretary, John J. Varley; recording secretary, John Varley; recording secretary, George McMullen; J. H. Burke; executive committee, R. J. Bourke, J. J. Scott and P. E. Kruen.

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Something Unique.
If you wish to give articles a little outside of the usual assortments you will find these upon our counters.
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HORSE STEPPED ON HER HEAD.

Pupil at No. 36 School Seriously Injured While Playing.
At recess yesterday morning Lottie Crossdale and Maud Fahrig, 10-year-old pupils in No. 36 school on Franklin street, were playing on the street and were knocked down by a horse driven by a huckster. The horse stepped on the Crossdale girl's head and injured her skull. The other girl escaped without injury.
The injured girl was unconscious and was first removed to the school and afterward taken to the Lackawanna hospital, where an operation was performed on her by Dr. Fulton, assisted by Dr. Connell. She is a daughter of E. B. Crossdale, of 236 Millin avenue, foreman at Frit's harness shop on Lackawanna avenue.

THE FIRE PATROL LAST NIGHT.

Given a Fine Presentation by Mr. Shea and His Company.
The interesting drama, "The Fire Patrol" was produced last night at the Academy of Music before a well pleased audience by Thomas E. Shea and his company. Mr. Shea was seen in the dual role of Jack Dallas, sheriff of Deadwood, Cal., and Hon. Mason Morgan, a Colorado mining king. Henry Tests, Miss Nesmith and the others capable members of the company gave Mr. Shea excellent support.
Tonight Mr. Shea will essay "Richelleu" and on Saturday afternoon "The Man-o'-War's-Man" will be given another production.

Auction Sale.

Of Oriental Rugs, Carpets and Japanese ware at 500 Lack'a. ave. We have given away goods during these last two days, and intend to do so today, too. Do not fail to attend the sale.

Mr. Bishop in songs that will please on December 22, at Frothingham.

Our Candy Department will be crowded. Leave your orders early in the week. E. G. Courson.

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MEETING OF THE STEEL RAIL MEN

Leaders of the Pool Are in Favor of an Elastic Agreement.

THEY ARE MENACED BY CARNEGIE

Far-reaching Effect of His Agreement With Rockefeller—Old Prices to Be Maintained—An Effort Being Made to So Adjust Rates That All Interests Will Be Satisfied—Some of the Rumors That Are Current.

"The representatives of the leading steel rail manufacturers of the country met at this city, and today there was a continuation of the discussion of matters in connection with the steel rail pool," says yesterday afternoon's Commercial Advertiser. "While the main points have been agreed upon for the regulation of the steel rail output, the details still remain to be worked out."
"Prices, it is said, will be but little changed, and there is little danger of demoralization, as happened with the case of steel billets, although most of the members of the steel rail pool are also members of the billet association."
"It is known that the difficulty of the present meeting is to make such a division of the allotment that all will be satisfied, but it is generally believed that the outcome will be a thorough understanding."
"From an authoritative source it was learned today that all the members recognized the importance of maintaining the steel rail output and that almost all had manifested a willingness to compromise. There is still, however, considerable dissatisfaction expressed on the part of certain representatives of the allotment, and the adjustment of percentages is yet to be decided by the special committee which was appointed to consider the case."
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BEAM MANUFACTURERS.

"It was announced today that the beam manufacturers have come together and settled their allotment. The trade in pig iron has been quiet in all centers in view of the uncertainty of the steel billet pool and its future. From an authoritative source it was learned today that although most of the manufacturers represented at the conference are connected with the billet pool, nothing concerning the latter interest has been discussed."
"The deal just completed the Carnegie company will be in a position to control over 20 per cent. of the annual output of pig iron. It was further stated that the announcement today of the completion of this deal will menace the steel rail pool."

ALARM AT PITTSBURG.

By United Press.
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 17.—The demoralization in the steel market since the adjournment of the "pool" meeting in Pittsburgh last week has created alarm among the heaviest producers and has caused them to meet at a meeting of the kind connected with the association be called for next week in New York. The competition for business has been so keen that it is claimed profits have been wiped out for everybody.
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PAINTERS' UNION ORGANIZED.

Officers Were Elected and They Will Be Installed Next Friday Night.
In response to invitations sent around among the painters and decorators of the city who do not already belong to the local union of the Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators, there was a meeting held at a meeting held in Hulbert's hall, Wyoming avenue, last night and another local union was organized.
Philip Thomas, national organizer of the American Federation of Labor, with which the painters' brotherhood is affiliated, was present and spoke on the benefits accruing from organization. William F. Keiper, organizer of the painters' brotherhood, was present at the meeting and followed in the same train. Both are residents of Scranton.
Officers were elected as follows: President, Alfred Atkinson; vice-president, Michael Meckler; financial secretary, F. M. Pedrick; recording secretary, Garrie Storm; conductor, Harry Brown; preceptor, Eugene Barton; warden, John H. Hester. There will be a meeting next Thursday evening, at which installation of officers will take place.

SCHILLER LODGE INSTALLATION.

Ceremony at Masonic Hall Was Followed by a Banquet.
The recently elected officers of Schiller lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, were last night installed at Masonic hall on Penn avenue. A banquet followed the installation.
District Deputy Grand Master T. F. Wells conducted the installation. He was assisted by Past Masters Leithner, Decker, Seamans and Holmes. The officers installed were: Worshipful master, Philip Robinson; senior warden, Henry C. Dimler; junior warden, George D. Brandt; secretary, C. S. Gelbert, and treasurer, Joseph H. Gunster. At the banquet F. L. Wormser was toastmaster. Speeches were made by District Deputy Wells and Messrs. Decker, Eaton, Goodman and Seamans, Robinson and Stipp.

THE LADIES ENTERTAINED.

Interesting Programme Presented at Griffin Post Rooms.
An entertainment was held last night at the rooms of Lieutenant Ezra S. Griffin, Women's Relief corps, No. 53, at which a literary and musical programme was presented. In connection with the entertainment there was a drawing of a pair of blankets valued at \$10. The price of admission was 10 cents and each ticket entitled the holder to a chance in the drawing.
Samuel H. Stevens and Captain Fred Anshel supervised the drawing. The tickets were placed in a box and, and Esther Cahoon, a young miss, took out

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