

# News of the Suburbs.

## WEST SIDE EVENTS.

### What Representative Men Think About the Amendments to the Viaduct Ordinance—General Disgust Felt.

Among the public spirited citizens on the West Side the action of common council Thursday night in tacking on a raft of amendments to the viaduct ordinance was looked upon with general disgust. The question is: "Will the attention paid to other sections of the city makes votes for the viaduct measure, or will the additional appropriations asked for injure the proposition on election day?"

Druggist John J. Davies, to a Tribune reporter, expressed his opposition to the "tacked on" amendments. Mr. Davies thought that the people would not vote for so great an appropriation. "But," said he, "do you know that some people are in favor of these other improvements at this time. They think that by helping the people in other sections Hyde Park itself would be benefited; that the viaduct measure will never pass on its own single merits, but that it must have some side issue which tickles the selfish spirit of other than Hyde Parkers."

Mr. Davies' favored style of viaduct is the kind built on Market street, in Philadelphia. This would be a solid construction of masonry, built on and taking the place of West Lackawanna avenue. The buildings on the sides could be so remodelled that the viaduct would be to them as the roof was before the change. The second story, for instance, would be the first under the new order of things, and the stories below the top of the viaduct could be used as store rooms or as cellars.

H. D. Jones, ex-city assessor, and a member of the West Side Board of Trade, is one of the few West Side people who favor the tacking on. Mr. Jones' words show shrewdness, at least: "That Wyoming avenue extension," he said, "is needed. There is only one street in the city which is a direct outlet to the Green Ridge section, that is the tacked on Washington avenue. By extending Wyoming avenue the city would have a better outlet, as the grade is better."

Mr. Jones favors the viaduct on the south side of the avenue, according to the Oliver plan. "I do not believe in the tacking on business. He pointed out that Hyde Park did not want the Linden street bridge; it was forced upon us. What is wanted is the street duct, that above all other earthly things."

John H. Reynolds calls upon the West Side councilmen to unite in opposing any improvement advanced by any other party the city until the viaduct proposition is allowed to go before the people. T. Fellows, Mason, ex-president of the board of trade, is not in favor of the tacked on improvements. He favors the Oliver plan. The plan of viaduct, which is to cross from Neill's court to the southern end of the Lackawanna avenue bridge does not meet with much favor. Quite a number of gentlemen had plans of their own. One was to bridge across from the corner of Fairview avenue and Erie street to the Scranton end of the Lackawanna avenue bridge. Councilman Gilroy was much talked of. One viaduct enthusiast who paid his compliments to him, said: "He wants to buy his own property and have some one else pay an exorbitant price for it."

### YESTERDAY'S CONFERENCE.

President E. M. Clarke, of the Scranton Traction company yesterday afternoon with General Manager Frank Sullivan, Jr. held a short conference with members of the West Side board of trade in regard to the street car service on the West Side. The meeting was held in the directors' room of the West Side bank and there were present, besides the two company officials, E. M. Clarke, president of the board; Alfred Twining, A. H. Morse, T. Fellows, Mason, Dr. P. E. Struttler, Hon. John R. Parr, F. F. Farwell, Common Councilman Simon Thomas, and common councilman Joseph Oliver. The chief subject of the conference was the proposed Lafayette street line. The company is anxious to construct a line from Main avenue to the Back road and to give a twenty minute service to the people in the untapped Keyser valley. Owing to the narrowness of the first three blocks on Lafayette street a track is looked upon with disfavor by the property owners. So anxious is the company to have the line opened on this street that at the conference yesterday President Clarke in behalf of his company offered to pave the entire width of the street for the three narrow blocks for the privilege of laying the track on the side close to the curb stone. The board did not favor the Lafayette street line at any consideration and the discussion turned to other thoroughfares. The most feasible plan proposed and the one which is likely to be adopted

is to go over the present Swetland street line to Bromley avenue thence to Lafayette and track to the valley. The company gave out that the Luzerne, Washburn and Swetland street lines would be extended. It is the intention to extend the Washburn street line to either Grant or Van Buren avenue and thence to Jackson street and to the foot of the mountain. The company promised to grade Washburn street, Grant and Sherman avenues where the tracks were laid. Mr. Clarke after reviewing the territory through which it is proposed to extend the lines returned to Philadelphia on the 2:28 train yesterday afternoon.

### MEETING OF ELDERS.

A quarterly meeting of the board of elders of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church was held last evening in the pastor's room. Rev. J. G. Eckman, elder of the Wyoming district, presided over the session. There were present Rev. J. B. Sweet, John Fern, S. W. Wright, C. W. Lull, George Floyd, Henry Hays, J. P. Acker, Henry Bigelow.

### NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Bert Eynon, a student at the University of Pennsylvania, returned yesterday afternoon to spend the Christmas season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Eynon, of North Hyde Park avenue.

Mrs. Mary Davis, of Hampton street, is visiting in Philadelphia.

The following officers have been elected by the Sunday school of the Scranton Street Baptist church: Dr. R. G. Beddoe, superintendent; W. D. Morris, assistant superintendent; Geo. Watkins, secretary; Fred Nee, treasurer; Miss Clara Reed, organist; Miss Sadie Bush, assistant; David T. Evans, chorister. The production of the cantata, "Santa Claus' Surprise," Christmas night, is being anxiously awaited by the school children.

Miss Gertrude Ackenbach, of Reading, is visiting West Side friends.

Miss Clara Reed, of North Sumner avenue, has returned from Bloomsburg State Normal school, and with her friend, Miss Marilla Gates, of Susquehanna, will spend the holiday season with her parents.

Thomas Carson, inside foreman at the Storrs mine, was injured last Friday by a fall of iron coal. The man struck Mr. Carson's right foot, badly crushing the member. He will be confined to his home on Washburn street for a number of weeks.

Choice cut flowers and flower designs at Palmer & McDonalds, 544 Spruce.

Services at the Salvation Army indoor camp tomorrow will be as follows: 7 a. m., one hour at the cross; 10:30, love feast, bread and water; 3 p. m., this service will be conducted by the Epworth league of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church; 7:30, subject, "Heaven in the Fire." Ensign William De Garia will be assisted by Happy Sam Gully, of Plymouth, Pa., on Saturday and all day on Sunday. All persons are cordially invited.

Camp 178, Patriotic Order Sons of America, will furnish a room in the new West Side hospital at a cost of \$100.

The Welsh Philosophical society will hold a regular meeting this evening. At a meeting held last night in St. Leo's hall on North Main avenue Father Whelan Young, pastor, Irish Catholic Benevolent union, elected the following officers: John White, president; John Donohoe, vice-president; J. P. Crowley, financial secretary; Walter Hatney, recording secretary; J. H. Brown, treasurer; Patrick Shevelin, sergeant-at-arms; John Saul, Thomas Keenan, James Kealey, tellers; Edward McGuire, Edward Walsh, S. Burke, P. Shevelin, W. Ruane, stewards. A committee was appointed to confer with the other branches of the union in this county for the purpose of arranging for the national convention to be held in this city Aug. 19 and 20, 1897.

Dr. E. Y. Harrison, Dentist, Mears Hall, 113 S. Main avenue.

St. David's church, corner of Bromley avenue and Jackson street, will hold services on Christmas morning at 6 o'clock and at 10:30 o'clock. The church choir will sing special music at each service and at 10:30 o'clock Rev. M. H. Mill will preach.

St. Mark's Lutheran church will observe the Christmas season with appropriate services. The Sunday school will hold a Christmas festival on Thursday, Christmas eve, at 7:30. A number of the children will take part in the festival program. On Christmas Day there will be an early matin service at 7 a. m. Vesper service at 7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach a special sermon, commemorating the Savior's birth. Special music has been prepared by the choir under the direction of Miss Martha Evans. The public is cordially invited to all the services. The holy communion will be celebrated Sunday following Christmas, at which time there will be a reception of new members.

The latest and best styles, Roberts, 126 North Main.

Charles D. Major and Miss Margaret Rees, both of the West Side, were

married Dec. 17 by Rev. D. P. Jones, pastor of the Abernethy church. Thomas J. Thomas and Mrs. Margaret Jones, both of the West Side, were married Dec. 17 by Rev. D. P. Jones, pastor of the Tabernacle church.

Dr. C. W. Colborn, Dentist, Rooms 104 North Main avenue.

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**SOUTH SIDE NEWS.**

The Welcome Social club held a ball in Callery's hall last night.

A game of football between the Juvenile and Cedar Avenue Stars foot ball teams is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon on the Stillwater grounds.

Adam Fasshold of Minooka is home from the Black Hills where he spent some time. Miss Alice McCabe, of Syracuse, has returned home after a month's visit with her sister, on River street.

Patrick Keeney, of Philadelphia, who was the guest of John A. Ward, of Pittston avenue, has returned home.

The Columbian council, Young Men's Institute, is preparing for a smoker, which will be held on New Year's night.

Caroline, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Berkley, of 317 Crown avenue, died Thursday night. The funeral will take place Sunday afternoon from the residence.

Contestants of company last night elected the following officers at its annual meeting: President, Charles Graff; vice-president, George Fasshold; treasurer, Edwin Frable; recording secretary, Emil Bonn; financial secretary, Rudolph Schaefer; trust, John A. Ward, Jr.; secretary, Hertz; foreman, Jacob Hafener; first assistant foreman, George Fasshold; second assistant foreman, John A. Ward, Jr.; foreman, assistant pipemen, John A. Miller, Jr., Ambrose Hertz, Harry Kelly, Henry Haines and Ambrose Hertz.

Kneller was re-elected permanent man and Lewis Schwane was favored for the office of district engineer.

A Christmas service for women will be held in the rooms of the Young Women's Christian association, 102 Cedar avenue, Sunday at 3:45 p. m. Mrs. J. L. Race will speak. There will be special Christmas music. Be sure and come.

J. C. MAUER has opened a first-class Carriage and Wagon making establishment at 343 Locust street. Horse shoeing a specialty. Mr. Mauer is a former resident of the South Side but recently began business on South Blakely street, Dunmore.

### Burgess Toy Store.

Everything new in toys, 812 Cedar ave.

### PROVIDENCE.

A contest and entertainment will be held in Archibald's hall on West Market street, Thursday evening, Dec. 24, under the auspices of Court Royal Hood No. 7, Forest of America. During the entertainment, a maff, a ring and a lady's bicycle, for which several ladies have been bidding during the last few months, will be awarded to the successful contestants. The following program of songs, selections, addresses by chairman, song, selected, Evan W. Lewis; recitation, Titus Dancy; address by chairman, song, selected, J. Owens; address, John B. Davis; song, selected, Mrs. D. D. Lewis; awarding of ring; selection, comic, A. N. Jankin; song, selected, Esau Price; awarding of bicycle. Garfield lodge, Loval Knights of America, will conduct their usual program on West Market street Tuesday evening, Dec. 22. A graphophone has been secured for the entertainment of the evening.

Mrs. David P. Davis, of Green street, has returned from Nanticoke, where she attended the funeral of her son, John.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Steele entertained a few of their friends a few evenings ago at their home, on Jackson street. Music and games were indulged in and an enjoyable time spent. Those present were: Mrs. Steele, Mrs. J. H. Steele, Mrs. Blanche Hallstead, Miss Shaw and Messrs. Howell and Tallie Gabriel, George Keifer and James Giddley.

Miss Julia Martin, of Stanton street, who underwent an operation for the removal of a neuralgia of the eye a few days ago, is rapidly recovering.

Miss Eva Steele, of Honesdale, is the guest of Miss Jennie Field, of Thompson street.

Caswallon Davis, who has been engaged in Kvaug's store for the past month is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis, of Warren street.

Rose Lloyd, of North Main avenue, has returned from Baltimore, Md.

The North End's first and second basket ball teams will play in Company's gymnasium Christmas afternoon. The game will start at 1:30. After the game there will be roller skating.

At the Puritan Congregational church tomorrow the pastor, Rev. Newman Matthews, will preach at 11 a. m. on the subject "Taking Hold," and at 7 p. m. on "Kinship of Man to God."

Rev. D. M. Kinsler, pastor of the Christian church, will preach in the morning on "The Story of Pilate and Its Warning," and in the evening on "Beginning at Jerusalem."

Miss Frank Allen, of Gloverville, N. Y., is ill at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leach, of Wood street.

David Nicholas, of Putnam street, suffered a painful injury to the eye a few days ago, being struck by a flying piece of coal.

### DUNMORE.

The Rev. T. H. Barryworth, of Yonkers, N. Y., will occupy the pulpit in the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday evening.

The little 4-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McKeeburn was severely burned yesterday by her clothes catching fire.

The funeral of the late Edward F. Harper took place from his home, on Blakely street, yesterday afternoon and was largely attended. Rev. W. G. Edger of Providence, delivered a touching tribute to the deceased, who, with his upright and honorable life, he said, had richly earned resting place in heaven. The pall-bearers were William Powers, George Shost, Fred Amendt, Bushnell Brown, John Schmitt and Earl Stone. The Junior Order of American Mechanics, which society deceased had been an active member, attended in a body and had charge of the funeral. Interment was made in Dunmore cemetery.

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## RAILROAD NOTES.

While yet a young man George J. Fowler is an old railroad man. He began work as a newsboy in 1874, at the age of 12 years, on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western road, in whose service he has been continuously since. Four years later he became a brakeman in the Hoboken yard. After that he was transferred to Scranton and two years later was promoted to the position of passenger brakeman. He was promoted to the position of conductor in 1885, and in 1887 was given a passenger train on the Bloomsburg division. In April 1891 he was made a main line conductor, running Nos. 9 and 10. Now he is conductor of the United States express Nos. 11 and 12. Mr. Fowler is universally popular with the railroad boys and particularly in the Order of Railway Conductors, which he was on Sunday last elected to represent at the grand division meeting in Los Angeles, Cal., in May. His amiable wife, the daughter of Superintendent Garrett Bogart, who is closely allied with all work that pertains to the Ladies' auxiliary of the order, will accompany him as delegate from Elmira auxiliary, and on her return expects to



CONDUCTOR GEORGE J. FOWLER.

organize a Ladies' auxiliary to Lackawanna division. One of Mr. Fowler's predominant characteristics is his personable good nature and fondness for a good story, either as listener or relator. And, like all the railroad boys, many a good story is told at his expense. Here is one that Dame Rumor or Emory De Kay tells on him. George is very fond of fishing and bowling, and is especially fond of a trip to the mountains when Gene Smith accompanies him. The story goes that Gene saw on several mornings recently a full fledged dog grazing along the tracks near the point on the top of the Pocono, familiarly known among the Southern division boys as "Mary Heater Curve." A secret trip was arranged and just before the dawn of day the worthy pair armed with all the implements of war stepped off No. 12 at the aforementioned curve. Gene swore to George, in the presence of the waiting moon that before the sun would appear above the horizon they would be rejecting in the possession of a fine and juicy venison. George at a certain spot and told with bated breath, stood, in hand, the personification of gladness and expectancy. Suddenly there was a crash through the underbrush, the sharp crack of a rifle broke the stillness of gray morning, an echo reverberated over the mountains and down into Paradise Valley, and the next instant their couplings were being splattered, panting form of Mary Heater's 8-months-old calf. The word calf was ex-cused from their vocabulary for three months thereafter and even to this day, if any one mentions the word in their presence, it is taken as a personal remark.

### MINOOKA.

The Greenwood collieries are idle today.

James Powell has returned home from the Stroudsburg Normal school to spend the holidays with friends on Main street. H. C. Doud has returned home after a short business trip to Washington, D. C.

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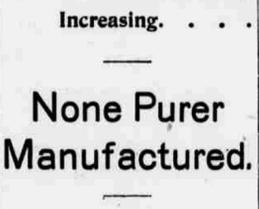
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