

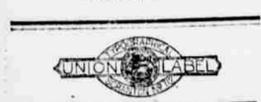
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OUR STORE Will Be Open Evenings Until Christmas.

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CITY NOTES.

Ebenezer P. Davys, of this city, was granted a patent yesterday at Washington for a toaster.

Patrick Dempsey, of Pine Brook, arrested on complaint of his wife, was fined \$5 yesterday morning by Mayor Bailey.

The stock and fixtures in the grocery store of Guy R. Bohl was sold yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Ryan. A. B. Bohl became the purchaser for the store.

The program for "Pine Virginia," which will be the attraction at the Academy of Music Friday and Saturday, will open this morning at 8 o'clock. Tickets will be given out at 8 p. m.

Archie Duffy and Edward Sheridan, vagrants arrested for begging Monday at the county jail for thirty days by Mayor Bailey.

Nelson G. Teets has resigned the position of financial secretary of the Central Labor Union in order to devote all his time to the duties of his new office, manager of the Retail Clerks' National Protective Association.

The collections which may be made in the public schools for the year ending December 31, in accordance with the permission granted by the board of control, should be sent direct to Miss Kramer, at the hospital, or William T. Smith.

The recently organized council of the Young Men's Institute at Capouse, Pa., and Green Hill, Pa., will hold their annual meeting at the Hotel Capouse, on New Year's Day, with a reception in the evening at the Hotel Capouse.

At a meeting of Division No. 29, A. O. U. of Green Hill, Monday night, the following officers for the coming year were elected: President, Martin Pergandus; vice-president, John Ruan; recording secretary, Patrick Melby; financial secretary, John M. Walsh; treasurer, Peter D. Mahon.

The funeral of Francis Gidlow will take place this morning at 9 o'clock. Services will be held in St. Peter's cathedral and the remains will be taken to New York, where interment will be made Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Services will be held at 10 o'clock in St. Paul's church.

Willie, 4-year-old son of ex-County Executive John J. Shea, died yesterday of an illness of four days of age.

The Athletic Association was organized Monday night in Columbia hall, at Wyoming avenue and Hickory street, with a membership of seventy-five.

The inquiry for seats for the Christmas performances at the Frothingham has been without precedent in the history of the theater, but no seats are promised or held in advance for any show that will have an equal chance.

Patrick Mulvaney, of the seventh ward, was arrested for drunkenness on Tuesday and committed to the county jail by Mayor Bailey.

Superintendent of Carriers W. D. Roche is authorized for the statement that he is making this year more than he ever was during any previous holiday season.

"WIZARD" SCHAFFER COMING HERE Will Give an Exhibition at Baekus' Billiard Parlors Next Monday.

Jacob Schaefer, known as the "Wizard" throughout the billiard world, and Wm. A. Spinks, the young western champion, will appear in a billiard exhibition at the rooms of George Baekus, on Washington avenue, next Monday night.

Bittenbender & Co. are now exhibiting a fine line of juvenile bicycles in their windows at 313 Spruce street, which are the best 97 models.

Dr. McDowell, dentist, 210 Adams avenue.

If You Want to Buy any Christmas presents, we will sell you goods at less than one-half the cost before, to close out the entire stock before April 1st.

DAVIDOW BROS., 217 Lacka. ave.

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Good Cameras at our Holiday branch, 203 Wash. ave.

Courses is the Lowest. Candy, Fruits, Cigars and Groceries, 429 Lackawanna avenue.

LAST NIGHT'S RARE MUSICAL TREAT

Sieveking-Bispham Concert at the Frothingham Theater.

PERSONALITY OF THE PIANIST

His Appearance Gives No Hint of the His Intensely Artistic Temperament or His Marvelous Mastery of the Key Board—Mr. Bispham Proved Himself the Prince of Baritone—Both Repeatedly Encored.

If the height of art be to conceal art, the singing of David Bispham and the piano playing of Martinus Sieveking, were the brilliant artists in the Frothingham theater last evening, rise very near to the pinnacle of possible artistic achievement.

HIS OPENING NUMBER.

For his opening number he chose Beethoven's famous Moonlight sonata, followed for purposes of contrast by Chopin's fantasia in B minor, op. 49.

For his second number he offered three compositions of his own—of interesting study built upon the theme of the angust ball, an exceedingly dainty and poetic bit of harmonized melody called "Forest Echoes," and a study de concert of exceptional brilliance.

Mr. Sieveking's playing as the writer of this notice does, without critical knowledge or pretension, and only with a wish to record the what he saw and heard, is to be said simply that very rarely, indeed, does one come within one's privilege to hear an artist playing so intimately the poetic temperament with a masterly mastery of the piano force leaving it to be desired. He is not only a player great in technique, but one even greater in his ability to subdue every light and shade of the tone colors to his reading of the composer in hand.

MR. BISPHAM'S SINGING.

And now, how shall we do justice to Mr. Bispham? To say that he is the prince of baritones, with a voice that even if unmastered would make him famous—and if mastered thoroughly—and with a dramatic power, a fineness of matured intelligence and a magnetic presence which before he sounds a note, prepare his auditors for the enjoyment that is to follow, is to say scarcely more than a fraction of what ought to be said if one would convey to those who have never heard him an idea of his merits.

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HE WAS NOT DEFRAUDED.

No Answers Bittenbender & Co. to Allegations of Former Partner. Abraham Bittenbender and John M. Kemmerer, defendants in the equity suit brought by Emily Bittenbender, to have annulled the agreement to a dissolution of partnership, yesterday made answer to the bill of the plaintiffs, through their attorneys, Ward & Horn.

he says that he did not always have ready access to the books. They aver that at the time of the dissolution the stock was valued at \$82,461.13, less 20 per cent.; the notes and judgments, \$8,512.26, less 20 per cent.; book accounts, \$14,342.13, less 20 per cent., and that these items total \$83,703.13 in excess of the ready money it had in bank.

They admit that their Franklin avenue property was carried on the inventory at \$40,000, and the Millin avenue property at \$18,000 but these figures were put down in order to make a good showing of assets and this was understood by the plaintiffs. The total value of the firm's assets including the lots held in common was at the time of dissolution \$128,623.99 and that the plaintiffs received their full one-third. The plaintiffs claimed that the firm's wealth was \$225,512.75 and that they were defrauded out of one-third of the difference of \$39,000, nearly.

WELCOMING A NEW PASTOR.

Rev. George M. Welsh Greeted by Clergymen and Congregation. The congregation of the Calvary Reformed church of Gibson street, tendered a public reception to its new pastor, Rev. George M. Welsh, last night. The auditorium of the church was appropriately decorated for the occasion with evergreens and plants, and above the pulpit in large letters of evergreen was the motto, "The Calvary Church." A large congregation was in attendance.



REV. GEORGE M. WELSH.

Among the special features of the musical program were a solo by Miss Edith Du Bois and a duet by Miss Du Bois and Miss Mattie Munson. Refreshments were served in the lecture hall at the conclusion of the exercises in the auditorium.

ELMHURST TANNERY BURNED.

It Is No Great Loss, as It Was Not Being Used. Fire broke out in the Elmhurst tannery at 10 o'clock last night and in two hours time it was reduced to ashes. The building belonged to the Scranton Gas and Water company, the tannery having been purchased by it recently with the intention of demolishing it as the board of health complained that it was polluting the Roaring Brook. The machinery had all been removed by the previous owners, the Union Tannery company. The loss therefore is trifling.

REAPPOINTED TEN DAYS AFTER HIS RESIGNATION WAS ACCEPTED.

Three times did Alderman Millar resign as mayor and inspector of the third ward. The first time it was not accepted. The second time, it was not accepted. The third time it was, after he urged its acceptance on the score that it took up too much of his time.

UNIQUE CHRISTMAS DISPLAY.

It Can Be Seen at Alex. Dunn's Hat Store. There is no Christmas display in the city, probably which attracts more attention than that of Alex. Dunn, the hatter. Alongside of his store is a platform on which a real sleigh to which a reindeer is attached.

FOR STEALING TIMBER.

Warrants Issued for Four Twentieth Ward Men by Alderman Millar. For some past the Scranton Gas and Water company has been annoyed by timber thieves who have been cutting in Roaring Brook township. A trap was laid for the men and it is alleged that Hugh Gilmore, Martin Cawley, Patrick Boland and Luke Walsh, of the Twentieth ward, were caught taking some timber.

THIS IS IMPORTANT TO YOU.

And to your wife, son and daughter. You want a home that is comfortable, warm and bright. You want a home that is in the center and select part of Scranton at a handy and convenient walking distance from the city, churches, stores and depots, on Adams, Jefferson, Madison or Monroe avenues.

Open Soon.

J. Bolz, the Furrier, 128 Wyoming avenue, whose stock was damaged by the late evening fire, will open in a few days and will offer you bargains that have never been shown to the people of Scranton.

Bicycles for Boys.

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Steam Heating and Plumbing.

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In diamonds at Davidow Bros., 217 Lacka. ave. Now is the time to buy.

Look at the crowds buying. Please buy your orders early; open until midnight.

Buy Her a Cameo.

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JUST A LITTLE MORE OF THE BEAUTIFUL

Sleigh Bells' Jingle Heard Last Night for the First Time.

PROMISE OF SCRANTON WEATHER

It Continues Cold and Promises to Grow Colder—Business Men Are Happy and the Railroad Men and Miners Hope to Be Happy Soon. There Was Not Enough Snow to Interfere with Street Car Traffic.

The snow fall of yesterday and last evening was hailed with pleasure by young and old. Christmas, without snow makes the heart sad. There was not enough of it to make sleighing possible, except on the asphalted streets, but the jingle of bells was heard on these thoroughfares last evening.

It seemed probable during the afternoon that a heavy fall would come and that the ground would be covered to a depth of several inches, but this hope was disappointed by the appearance of the moon from behind the clouds, and a slight drizzle a clear sky overcast the city.

The merchants had been anxiously looking for the beautiful, for it is an incentive to better business. Yesterday they say. The small boy likes to see the snow because it provides enjoyment for him with his sled. It gives the blacksmith more work, and it gives the coal man a greater demand for his anthracite.

In the office of the Scranton Traction company a note is posted requiring the employees to be ready to respond in case of a heavy fall. So far the running of its cars has not been interrupted to any extent. The sweepers were sent out over all the lines yesterday.

To the railroad men the snow and promised cold weather are the greatest boon. It is a relief to be out of the street. There is such a dullness at present that many conductors have been put back at braking and new brakemen have had to be drafted. Less than half the usual number of trains were "worked out" on the board last night. What colder weather would mean to the miners is not to be doubted upon. Their deplorable condition and the beneficent change that would result from a good, long cold snap are too familiar to Scrantonians.

GREAT SHOW THIS WEEK.

Manager Davis Offers a Fine Performance to His Patrons. "Little Boy Blue" is the bill at Davis' theater this week, and it is not saying too much to state that it is one of the best bills that the house has presented. It is a pastime with scenes and appropriate intervals for specialties. Harry Thorne is the clown and Matt McCormick essays the roll of pantomime.

Among the scenes presented are "Moonlit Station," "Farm of Plenty," "Police Station and Shoe Shop," "The Mystic Chamber," "The Palace of Novelties," "The Shop and the Warehouse," "Abode of Darkness," and "The Grotto of Happiness." In each scene there is a different specialty introduced by the famous surveyors of fun and bewildered as Dick Leggett, change artist and vocalist; Alice Jennings, Eddie O'Brien and little Anna Mabel O'Brien, in songs, dances and a novel sparring exhibit. Maria Wynne, songs and clog dances; the three Rees, contortionists and knockabout comedians, and Levine and Booth, equilibrist.

The feature of the entertainment is the sparring of Alice Jennings. She is a clever boxer and manages to make things quite lively for her sparring partner, Eddie O'Brien, who is an old boxing instructor. They gave a three round bout without any more hipodroming than is seen in the average sparring exhibition. Maria Wynne would cause the ordinary lightweight to hesitate about facing her with the mitts. O'Brien is also an exceedingly lively fighter and during the first round he was to any man who can be induced to stand up for a four round go.

HE IS STILL INSPECTOR MILLAR.

Reappointed Ten Days After His Resignation Was Accepted. Three times did Alderman Millar resign as mayor and inspector of the third ward. The first time it was not accepted. The second time, it was not accepted. The third time it was, after he urged its acceptance on the score that it took up too much of his time.

But ten days after he received notice that his resignation was accepted, he received another notice acquainting him of the fact that he was reappointed by General Gold. He has consented to accept the appointment and will start out soon after Jan. 1 on his visit of inspection. The order in which he will make his inspections will be as follows: Eighth, Fourth, Twelfth, Ninth, and Thirteenth regiments. The Thirteenth will be inspected some time in March.

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(LARGE WINDOW.)

REEVE JONES' RECITAL.

A Pleasing Programme Rendered by Well-Known Artists. The studio of Reeve Jones was filled Monday afternoon with a delighted audience composed of musical people of the city, on the occasion of his second recital. Mr. Jones was assisted by Miss Florence Richmond, who played the second piano part in Mendelssohn's Concerto, and by Mrs. G. A. B. Dittmick, who rendered the vocal numbers on the programme with usual artistic finish. The programme was as follows:

Concerto, G minor, Mendelssohn; (b) The Moonlight Sonata, Chopin; (c) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (d) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (e) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (f) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (g) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (h) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (i) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (j) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (k) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (l) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (m) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (n) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (o) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (p) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (q) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (r) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (s) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (t) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (u) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (v) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (w) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (x) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (y) The Last Waltz, Liszt; (z) The Last Waltz, Liszt.

GERMAN AT THE COUNTRY CLUB.

It Was the First Given at the New Club House. Last evening occurred the first German given at the Country club. Mrs. E. B. Jermyn and Mrs. A. H. Storrs were chaperones. The committee in charge was composed of Miss Augusta Simpson, Miss Beth Archibald and Miss Simpson. Miss Beth Archibald assisted by Miss Bellin, led the German, which took place after a dainty supper had been served.

Those present were Miss Hunt, Miss Winton, Miss Parke, Miss Grace Williams, Miss Jermyn, Miss Sue Jermyn, Miss Dale, E. B. Chase, A. E. Hunt, Sr., A. E. Hunt, Jr., George G. Brooks, John H. Brooks, H. B. Merrill, L. B. Fuller, F. S. Fuller, F. C. Fuller, Messrs. Hager, Bliss, James Blair, Jr., J. M. Boles, Bedford.

TURKEYS, CHICKENS, GOOSE AND DUCKS

We have received a large shipment of New York and Vermont state poultry, which is very fine. We invite the public to look at our stock before buying.

A. G. GILMORE & SON, People's market, 33 and 35 Lacka. ave.

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Contributions of Poultry, Meat and Provisions may be sent to St. Luke's parish room, 122 Wash. ave., on Wednesday, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 5 p. m.

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4 lbs French Mix'd Candy for 25c, 3 lbs French Cream Bon-Bons, 25c, 3 lbs Christmas Candy for 25c, 2 lbs Finest Chocolate Drops, 25c, Finest Peanut or Walnut Taffy, per pound 12c, Finest High Grade, Assorted, Regular 40c Mixtures, per lb 20c, Chocolate Dates, per pound, 7c, Jamaica Sweet Oranges, per do 25c, 3 lbs of the Following Mixed Nuts, for 25c, Almonds, Walnuts, Pecan, Brazils and Filberts.

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