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CITY NOTES. The Journeymen Barbers' union, No. 178, will hold its third annual ball in Music hall Monday evening next.

The estimate of cost of the proposed North End sewer system, involving nearly three miles of sewers, has been finished by City Engineer Phillips.

The board of control at its regular meeting Monday night will award contracts for heating and ventilating Nos. 6, 12, 25 and 28 buildings.

In police court, Albert Temple, who was arrested for looting at the Dickson works Thursday night was released yesterday morning upon his promise to find a bed to sleep in hereafter.

A banquet will be given tonight in the Scranton House, on Lackawanna avenue, in honor of ex-Sheriff Charles Robinson, Victor Koch, secretary of the Scranton House, Charles Miller and John Itenore, who will leave for Hot Springs, Ark., next week.

John C. Amanti and Miss Jennie Foote, of Scranton; Owen Gaven and Katie Fleming, of Scranton; James H. Walsh, of Lackawanna township, and Elizabeth Mitchell, of Avoca; Charles Allen and Elizabeth J. Thomas, of Carbonate; Bronislau Grunewsky and Mary Sylvanska, of Archbald; William Ludlans and Annie Piteavitz, of Scranton; Anton Veronika Grozka, of Prieshorst; John Gouka and Victoria Homoworna, of Scranton; Dionysius Pyroz and Helena Lesko, of Olyphant, were yesterday granted marriage licenses by Clerk of the Courts Thomas.

Goldsmith's Bazaar today advertises a novel proposition. They propose next Saturday to place on special sale, their entire stock of ladies' and misses' jackets. Your choice at the first hour, to 10 to 11 a. m. at \$7.00 and each succeeding hour the price for choice will be one dollar less. Read their ad in this issue.

Fruit Sale. 25 Oranges, 25c. Coursen's.

DIED. MARSER.—On Jan. 21, 1897, Mrs. H. Amanda Marser, widow of Dr. George W. Marser, age 71 years. Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral on Saturday morning at 10.30 o'clock, from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Sherer, 723 Madison avenue. Burial private.

AN ARTISTIC TREAT AT COLLEGE HALL

Lecture on Cloister and Studio by Hon. M. T. Corcoran.

PAINTING, MUSIC AND ELOQUENCE

These Are Happily Combined to Make a Most Entertaining Evening—Reproductions of the Masters' Brushes Shown with a Stereopticon and Described in Choice Phrase, While a Quartette Renders Appropriate Music in Subdued Accompaniment, Making Most Delightful Moments.

The lecture at St. Thomas' College hall last night by Hon. M. T. Corcoran, of Cincinnati, on "Cloister and Studio" was, as it was heralded, an intellectual treat. For a distinctively Catholic audience, such as was present, it is difficult to imagine an entertainment that could be more edifying, and any one,



HON. M. T. CORCORAN.

no matter how their religious sympathies might tend, could find ample instruction and entertainment to repay them for attending. In Senator Corcoran's conception of the subject and the exhaustive and able manner in which he discussed it.

His argument was to demonstrate that the mother church revived the arts from the tomb into which the decadence of Greece and Rome had plunged them, protected and nurtured them during the thousand years of the Christian era when in succession the Pagan persecutor, the Vandal and other barbarians of the North, the Iconoclasts, the Saracens, and the conflicts of people and power, threatened the obliteration of Christianity, civilization and art, and successfully bridged for art particularly its dark age between its resurrection and its renaissance. He pointed out how with the rise of the church from the catacombs art arose, and held that with the decline of the power of the church it declined, giving as example that since the entrance of Reformation into England, despite unusually favorable conditions no great artist has been produced.

THE REFUGE OF ART.

After giving a brief sketch of the troublesome times in Europe during the thousand years following the birth of Christ he went on to show that art during this period found refuge behind cloistered walls and emerged when conditions were again favorable for its reception with every evidence of most careful nurturing and the better for its retreat. And after emerging, he said, art received its inspiration from the cloister and its encouragement from the patronage of the church. Not only were these things true of paintings, architecture and music, he said, but applied in a great measure to the exact sciences.

The lecture was made especially entertaining by reproductions of the cloistered studio, the paintings and architecture and sculpture with the aid of a stereopticon, and the music, with the assistance of Prof. Hlydny Evans and a quartette consisting of Mrs. Lizzie Hughes-Brundage, soprano; Miss Margaret Jones, alto; Thomas Boynton, tenor, and Richard Thomas (Llew Herbert) bass. The most delightful moments of the evening, as it stood behind the scenes, it was particularly impressive when there was thrown on the canvas the representation of some such scene as Gutzmer's "Trio in the Convent" and its companion painting, "Siesta in the Cloister," or Correggio's "Holy Night," to which the "Adeste Fideles" is held as inseparable.

Preceding the lecture, Attorney R. J. Burke, of John Boyle O'Reilly council No. 124, Young Men's Institute, under the auspices of which organization the lecture was given made a brief speech in which he outlined the aims and principles of the Institute and elaborated upon its motto, "Pro Deo; Pro Patria; Pro God and Native Land." At the conclusion of the lecture an informal reception was tendered Senator Corcoran at the Institute rooms in the old Traders' National Bank building.

Senator Corcoran represents in the Ohio senate the district comprising the city of Cincinnati. He is a young man and a lawyer, and is especially distinguished as a lecturer and political writer, much of his talent being devoted in the line of newspaper work. He holds the position of supreme first vice-president in the Young Men's Institute.

SHE IS KNOWN HEREBABOUTS.

A Dunmore Marriage Annulled in the Widgy City. The following item from the Chicago Dispatch of the 18th inst. is of local interest from the fact that the subject is a native of these parts and recently appeared in Davis' Theatre in this city:

"Bessie J. Eastwood is on her way to join the theatrical company with which she is connected, and carries a new divorce decree. "Late on Saturday her case was heard by Judge Gibbons, who at once concluded that Mrs. Eastwood was entitled to her freedom. The defendant was S. Douglas Eastwood, who married her March 16, 1890, at Dunmore, Pa. They lived together until September 16, 1896.

"Mrs. Eastwood is engaged with a Bunch of Keys Company, and was formerly quite prominent in certain west side social circles. Her parents now live on Washington boulevard, and are fairly well to do. Mrs. Eastwood has two children, Henry F. and Blanche Eastwood, the custody of whom was awarded to her. According to her story she never had any particular trouble with her husband and

the separation was the result of non-compatibility. "Evidently she said, seemed to grow tired of married life in general and of her in particular. Then, too, he thought she was able to support herself and didn't care to exert himself for her good. The case seemed to be on where a divorce had been agreed upon or it had at least been agreed that a divorce was the best way out of a difficulty. An effort was made to have the evidence heard by Judge Tuthill at 4.30 o'clock Friday afternoon, but he had gone home before the parties arrived. Mrs. Eastwood had to, on this account, delay her departure for the east one day."

Prior to her marriage, Mrs. Eastwood or Eastman to refer to her by her proper name, was Miss Bessie Fuller. She resided on the West Side where her father was a merchant and she frequently moved with her parents to Peckville. While living there she was married to a man named Eastman.

SECOND NIGHT OF BEN HUR

Large Audience Saw the Spectacular Pantomime—Can Be Seen This Afternoon and Evening.

"Ben-Hur" was witnessed at the Frothingham last night by an audience larger than on the opening night and which was privileged to see the improvement that was to be expected with a second effort. There was a more noticeable promptness, and whatever stiffness attended the initial performance was entirely absent, things indicative that the merit of this afternoon's and tonight's presentation will be most excellent.

There was no change in the programme and no additional solos, Eloise Phelps, Miss Spencer and Miss Simpson dancing the individual numbers with the meritorious grace as on Thursday night. The latter's work is all the more commendable when it is considered the fact that she had but three rehearsals in which to learn the intricate figures of her dance. The solo had been assigned to another who was unable to take part and Miss Simpson was selected with but a few days in which to rehearse.

While all the dances are exceptionally well executed, those of the little girls as the Butterflies and Sprites Fantasia seem to be received with the most favor. The choruses are Mrs. Frank Jermyn and Mrs. C. R. Parks. A minor part in the programme makes the latter's name appear as "Packer." Whatever partiality is shown the little ones, however, is wholly due to the spirit of sympathy always attached to juveniles and does not indicate that the dancing of the young ladies can be criticised. Their execution is splendid and it is hard to imagine any improvement.

The names of the three young ladies who appear in the stately tableau are not in the programme. They are Miss Nellie Drake, Miss Hull and Miss Grace Conley.

The lower boxes last night were sold to C. S. Weston, E. L. Fuller and T. H. Watkins and Major J. W. Oakford, the latter being the purchaser of two; an upper box to C. D. Jones, the lowest to W. T. Smith, E. H. Sturges, Judge E. N. Willard and Major Everett Warren, and the upper logs to T. J. Foster, Henry Belin, Jr., C. D. Jones, H. P. Simpson and J. B. Dimmick.

It was incorrectly stated yesterday that all the seats had been sold for last night and that but few were to be obtained for the two performances today. Up to 7 o'clock last night many desirable seats were unsold; for today's matinee and night performances good seats may be obtained.

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ANOTHER FROM LACKAWANNA.

Peter Mullen Objects to P. F. Foley's Nomination for School Director. According to Peter Mullen's sworn declaration the right of suffrage is not wholly regulated by statute down in the southwest district of Lackawanna county.

Mullen yesterday filed objections to the nomination of P. F. Foley as director of the office of school director and the objections were based on the grounds that four non-residents of the district and sixteen or more non-residents of the United States were voted for the Foleyites; and further, the primary board pursued its duties without first being sworn.

In his recital of particulars Mullen avers that according to Democratic custom in the township, the conferees apportioned the nomination for school director to the southwest district, January 9 the primaries were held. Foley received 92 votes and Mullen 92. Before the vote was finally counted a Foley ballot was found in a box other than the one used as a ballot-box and this was also counted. Daniel Hartnett, James Reardon, Michael Shea, and Timothy Collier, Jr., who voted for Foley, he alleges were not residents of the district and James Cotter, Michael Hartnett, Patrick Hartnett, James Hartnett, Jacob Sencarich, William Reseski, James Selveska, Frank Paski, Powele Paski, Stanley Gowestki, James Shea and others also voted, and voted for Foley.

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RECITAL BY PUPILS.

Given Yesterday Afternoon in the Studio of J. M. Chance. J. M. Chance gave his first piano pupils' recital in his studio yesterday afternoon at 4.30. The following program was rendered from memory and reflected much credit upon the ability of both teacher and pupils:

- (a) Allegro.....Hummel (b) Allegretto.....Bonn Mabel Runnie. (a) The Tulp.....Lieber (b) The Fountains.....Bohm Mary Gearhart. Narcisus.....Novin Ruth Hanley. Second Mazurka.....Goddard Charles Doersam. (a) Adagio. (b) Presto. From Sonata Pathetique, Margaret Gould. Beethoven

Mr. Chance leaves Monday morning for a trip through Old Mexico with H. G. Clark, superintendent of the Missouri Pacific railroad. He will join the party in St. Louis and will be gone until March 1.

DAILEY IN A GOOD THING.

Amused a Large Audience at the Academy Last Night. Jovial Pete Dailey, the greatest jollier in the business, was at the Academy of Music last night in his new farce "A Good Thing." Dailey jollied the audience, the members of the company and he even drew a smile from the stage hands occasionally. The farce is about something or other in some way related to a female seminary and an auction house but the subject matter of the farce really doesn't make any "never-mind" to use the classic language of Buck Moran in the "Rising Generation."

Dailey was there and that was enough. But he was not the only one. Flora Irwin, who stepped into the shoes of her sister, May Irwin, as Dailey's leading lady, was very much in evidence in three different characters. She is uniquely clever and sang her favorite negro songs last night in a way that called forth unbounded applause.

James T. Kelly is another entertaining member of the company and Wil-

PROSPECTING FOR COAL. Wilkes-Barre Capitalists Have Invaded a New Field. Geologists and mining experts have always entertained a vague idea that there were coal deposits on the mountains between here and Bear Lake. It is not generally known that experts are at present prospecting for coal in that district. For several months past a number of prospectors have been at work driving in tunnels on a ledge on the mountain up Shade's Creek. The workmen are boarding at Blakeslies. They have, it is stated, opened up a small vein, which is not of sufficient thickness to be of marketable use. However, the indications are that they will open up a vein of sufficient thickness and quality to work profitably. The syndicate at present prospecting is composed of Wilkes-Barreans.—Wilkes-Barre Record.

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