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CITY NOTES.

This is the last week for filing liquor licenses. The estimate committee of councils will meet tonight. The Excelsior Athletic club will hold a smoker in their rooms Friday evening, Feb. 12. Thomas S. Allen and Miss Margaret Meiner of this city, were married by Alderman Wright yesterday. James McCorky will be at the Young Men's Christian association this afternoon at 3:30 to lead his Bible class. Watson & Zimmerman, attorneys-at-law, have moved into their handsome new offices in the Board of Trade building. The Board of Associated Charities of Scranton will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the poor board room, Municipal building. The Chautauqua circle of the Young Women's Christian association will give an entertainment at their rooms. All are invited. Samuel Moon, collector of the Second ward of Carbonate, settled his 1896 duplicate with the county commissioners yesterday. A water pipe which burst on the third floor of the court house has badly damaged the newly frescoed ceiling in court room No. 2. The reception and formal opening of the Scranton club building in the Baltimore evening of next week. The annual election will be held this week Saturday night. In the estate of William Sissenberger, late of Scranton, a will was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to the widow, Philippine Sissenberger. A widow's pension was granted Margaret McNally, of this city, and an original pension to Joseph Hayden, of Elmhurst, by the pension bureau in Washington yesterday. The Delaware and Hudson company paid its employees yesterday at the Baltimore mine, the Baltimore tunnel and the Conyngham shaft, all of which are located in Wilkes-Barre. Mrs. Davenport, the woman who was taken dangerously ill in the Kootenai building, Sunday night, is reported from the Lackawanna hospital as being on the road to recovery. Thomas Dolan, a Minocha boy, was committed to the county jail last night to await trial on the charge of stealing pigeons from Andrew Scanlon. He was released later in the evening on bail. Marriage licenses were yesterday granted to Patrick Conery and Katie McNamara, of Scranton; Thomas S. Allen and Margaret Meiner, of Scranton; Willard Stanley Benjamin, of Scranton, and May Greatrix, of Erieburg. The report of the viewers on the new road in South Abington township was yesterday conditionally confirmed by court. It is to be fifty feet wide, except where it passes over the lands of Mary Covey. There the width is to be forty feet. The fourth of the standard contract of the Young Men's Christian association will be given tonight in the Young Men's Christian association hall. Leonard Powers will be the orator. He is well known in this city. There is no more clever impersonator in the country than Mr. Powers. Through Attorneys Carpenter & Fleitz, George D. Brown yesterday filed a demurrer in the equity case brought against him Saturday by Patrick McHale. Brown alleges that the plaintiff is not entitled to relief at law but that a defense alleged is not in writing and therefore void under the act of June 8, 1881. Last week's mortality report of the board is remarkable for the extent of measles, the low death rate and the absence of any deaths from contagious disease. There was one new case of typhoid, one of scarlet fever, eight of diphtheria and fifteen of measles and twenty-eight deaths from all causes. At yesterday morning's stated weekly meeting of Methodist ministers at Elm Park church, the subject, "Gospel Meetings," was discussed. The chief feature of the discussion was a paper by Rev. Dr. W. G. Simpson, of West Pittston. Addresses were made by Rev. Dr. C. M. Clifton, Rev. J. B. Sweet, Rev. A. F. Chaffee and Rev. J. L. Race. At a meeting of the board of health last night, held specially to consider proposals for repairing and remodeling the furnace at the crematory, the bid of P. M. Egan of \$20 was accepted. Other bidders were Joseph Daxner, of this city, and J. G. Smith, of New York city, who was the original bidder of the furnace. Each bidder submitted a number of plans. John Troy, of the South Side, was arraigned before Alderman Wright yesterday on a charge of assault and battery preferred by Daniel Forbes, also of the South Side. There was no sufficient evidence to hold the accused and the case was dismissed and the cost placed on Forbes. He had no money and was given until 9 o'clock this morning to raise it. Not Quite Everybody. During our sale of table linens we have disposed of such large quantities that we are apt to think we have sold to every family in the city. For five days you can buy German or Irish table cloths and napkins at the lowest prices ever quoted in this city. Our sale of sheetings and muslins at cut prices continues for the balance of the week. Last chamber concert, Thursday night.

SCHOOL CONTROLLERS GO FORWARD A LITTLE

A Step Taken Toward Settling a Troublesome Problem.

PARTIAL INSURANCE COMPROMISE

It Makes Provision for Two Weeks, Protects Structures Now Building and Gives Opportunity for a Little Studying--Mr. Gibbons Unanimously Opposed to Any Kind of Plan Except Non-Insurance--School Districts to Be More Clearly Defined.

Last night's meeting of the school board agreed upon a temporary compromise adjustment of the insurance middle. A report of the insurance committee providing for the protection of buildings now in course of erection and for a postponement for two weeks of a proposition to reduce the total risks and gradually establish a reserve fund.



CONTROLLER JOHN GIBBONS.

was adopted but not without decided objections on the part of John Gibbons, chairman of the committee, and who did not sign the report. The report was as follows: Scranton, Pa., Feb. 8, 1897. To the President and Members of the Scranton Board of Control. Gentlemen--The committee on insurance desire to submit the following report: After having held several meetings upon the matter as referred to them we herewith submit report showing total amount of insurance held by the school districts, the total amount paid in premiums on the same, and the amount that would be returned to the board if the same should be cancelled July 1, 1897, as follows: Total amount of insurance in twenty-one agencies, \$385,300. Total amount paid in premiums, \$7,822.70 (or fraction over 2 per cent, on the amount insured) for five years. The amount that would be returned to the district, as per reports from the several agencies submitted to the committee, and hereto attached, if cancelled July 1, 1897, is \$3,311.05. In view of the fact that the entire number of policies have an average time to run from July 1, 1897, of nearly three years, and as we would receive but \$3,311.05 if the same were to be cancelled on the above mentioned date, and for which we paid \$7,822.70, or an average of \$1,565.24 per year, the majority being five-year policies, we earnestly request each member to give this matter careful attention in order that we may arrive at a satisfactory solution of the problem at the next meeting. It is the recommendation of the committee that new buildings now being erected shall be insured for no more than 40 per cent of their actual cost; that when such buildings shall be insured, the term of the policy shall not exceed the longest term policy now in existence and at 40 per cent of the cost of the building; that these several policies expire they be renewed only until the time of expiration of the longest term policy now in existence; and that when the term of the policy is not renewed; that an amount be set aside each year to the extent of \$2,000 as a nucleus for a reserve insurance fund. We recommend that \$10,000 dollars insurance be placed on No. 19, \$5,000 to be written by John Lentz and \$5,000 by W. F. Kiesel; also \$5,000 on No. 23, D. J. Campbell. SIGNATURES TO REPORT. The report was signed by Messrs. Jennings, Notz and Casey, the former presenting it and debating for its adoption. Mr. Jennings explained that the committee had found the insurance problem a hard one to adjust without the aid of expert counsel, but rather than do nothing and at the same time guard against blundering haste the committee majority had hit upon the suggestions embodied in the report. The plan he said, indicated a certain retrenchment and outlined a policy which if not finally approved would at least serve to get the question in tangible form and afford opportunity for investigation before the next meeting. The report provided for insuring buildings now being erected, and that kind of insurance he would always advocate, as the liability in such cases was very pronounced. A contrary view was advanced by Mr. Gibbons who continued his arguments offered at recent meetings and which were in decided opposition to carrying any insurance. The very fact that the premiums represented a low rate was, he said, an evidence that the

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CONRAD SCHROEDER THE OWNER

Structure Will Fill a Long Felt Want and Be an Ornament to Scranton Architecturally Speaking--Brief Description of the Plans for the House--It Will Be Modern and Up-to-Date in Every Particular--To Be Finished July.

Scranton is to have an up-to-date apartment house that will reflect credit alike on the city and the builder and owner, Conrad Schroeder. The building will be erected at the corner of Adams avenue and Clinton place, and work on the foundation is now being pushed rapidly forward. It is expected that the building will be completed in July and it is probable that S. Nash will conduct it. For several years there has been a constantly growing demand in this city for an apartment house, and Mr. Schroeder decided to fill this long-felt want and give the city a building of which it can justly be proud. The building will be 40 by 85 feet in size, and four stories high. The front will be of Indiana limestone laid in courses with attractive moldings about the windows, and a handsome carved entrance. The sides and rear walls will be of Roman brick. The courses of stones in the front will be from 15 to 17 inches thick and with the appropriate ornamentation it will reflect the front will be one of the handsomest in the city. In designing the building the convenience of those who will occupy it was the principal thing kept in mind. On the first floor there is a central entrance, on one side of which is a parlor 15 by 24, and on the other side a reception room 15 by 19. There is also an office 15 by 15, a dining room 12 by 14, kitchen, pantry, and a breakfast room in the basement are the lavatories, laundry, store rooms and provision and coal cellars. On the second floor a staircase opens into a corridor 9 feet wide, which runs from one end of the building to the other. From this corridor open twelve rooms, each supplied with a bath and clothes closet. The rooms will be about 13 by 15 in size, and will be so arranged that they can be rented singly or in suites. In the rear of this floor is a bath room for general use. The third floor is a duplicate of the second. On the rear of the fourth floor are eight rooms for the help required in the house and there are also eight rooms for guests. Large doors separate that portion of the floor which will be used by the help from the portion used by the guests. On this floor there is also a room for storing baggage. The building will be heated by steam and supplied with gas and electric light and electric call bells. The interior will be finished in a cheerful and artistic way that will harmonize with the beautiful exterior of the building. PRICE NO OBJECT.



THE PROPOSED APARTMENT HOUSE.

THE REAL WIDOW BROWN. Comedy Cleverly Presented at the Academy of Music Last Night. That sprightly comedy "The Real Widow Brown" was produced at the Academy of Music last night by one of A. G. Scammon's comedians which is headed by those jolly entertainers Douglas Atherton and Lizzie Gonzales. The comedy is not to be taken seriously for it was constructed simply for laughing purposes. During the progress of the piece specialties of a very entertaining character were given by Mr. Atherton, Miss Gonzales, Adolph Mayer, Edward Powers, John Havens and Beatrice Leslie. The performance will be repeated tonight. Resolutions of Central Labor Union. At a meeting of the Central Labor union last evening the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, that the Central Labor union of Scranton and vicinity, and the various labor organizations affiliating with the Central Labor union, do everything in their power, financially and otherwise, to assist the Board of Charities in their laudable work of assisting the poor and needy. Walnut dining room suite for sale, good as new; side board, extension table, two chairs, with arms; four other chairs. All chairs have leather seats. Rev. E. L. Miller, 612 Mulberry street. To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. Miss Carolyn V. Dorsey, teacher of elocution, oratory and diction, 516 Adams avenue. Twining, optician 125 Penn avenue, in Harris' drug store. Hours 9 a. m., 5 p. m. Great bargains in hair switches at Konecny's, hair dresser, 317 Lacka. ave.

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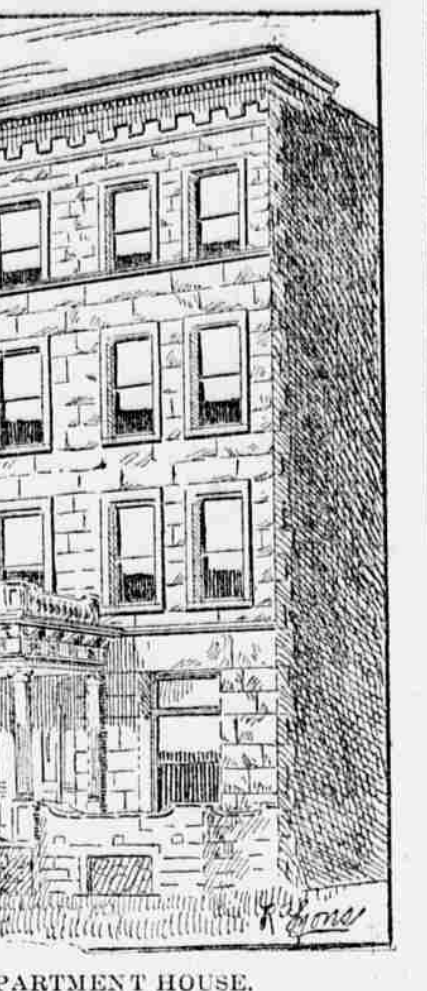
change his mind during the night, Constable Jones said he had been advised by County Detective LeVashon to delay the matter until District Attorney Jones could look up the law in the case. District Attorney Jones when approached on the subject, said: "Please do not connect me with that case in any way, shape or manner. I know nothing of it." MAD DOG ON THE HILL. Brought Down by Two Men Who Pursued It With Shot Guns. A mad dog was shot on the upper end of Jefferson avenue, by one of the residents of that locality who went in pursuit of it with shot guns. The dog had been running hither and thither in that locality from early morning and was, from all reports, undoubtedly afflicted with the rabies. It is thought a number of dogs were bitten. One was found that gave every indication of having been bitten, and was despatched by Patrolman Muir's revolver. THE SALE NOW ON. Sweeping Reductions in the Price of Ladies' and Men's Footwear. The Banister Shoe company have purchased Mr. I. Banister's shoe store, corner of Lackawanna and Wyoming avenues. Extensive improvements are contemplated in the store and building by the new firm. To make such improvements it is necessary to dispose of the immense stock. In consequence prices have been reduced and every pair of shoes in the store will be sold for about one-half of the actual value. THE SALE NOW ON. Sweeping Reductions in the Price of Ladies' and Men's Footwear. The Banister Shoe company have purchased Mr. I. Banister's shoe store, corner of Lackawanna and Wyoming avenues. Extensive improvements are contemplated in the store and building by the new firm. To make such improvements it is necessary to dispose of the immense stock. In consequence prices have been reduced and every pair of shoes in the store will be sold for about one-half of the actual value. Still Price Cutting For the benefit of the people. FINE CAPES AND JACKETS, AT LESS THAN HALF PRICE. JACKETS. What was \$7.00 is now \$2.98. What was 10.00 is now 4.75. What was 14.00 is now 6.50. CAPES. What was \$5.00 is now \$2.49. What was 10.00 is now 4.75. What was 15.00 is now 6.05. Big Bargains in Fur Capes. W. R. BLACK, 132 Wyoming Ave. SAWYER'S MILLINERY STORE A FEW ITEMS Picked Here and There FROM OUR WOODENWARE DEPT. Knife Trays, Varnished and Lined..... 10c Clothes Pins, per doz..... 1c Clothes Baskets, small, medium and large..... 44c, 49c, 59c Cedar Wash Tubs..... 64c, 84c, 95c Clothes Wringers..... Reduced to \$1.69 Clothes Bars, 4 ft., 4 fold..... 73c Wash Boards..... 10c Western Washing Machine \$3.98 Folding Ironing Table..... 95c Carpet Sweepers..... \$1.98 Wood Pail, 2 hoops..... 10c Our success in the new Kitchen Furnishing Department assures us that we have won the confidence of the public; and we take this opportunity of thanking our patrons for the manner in which they have taken advantage of our profit-bearing cash system and our unapproachable low prices. CLARKE BROTHERS Sohmer Piano Stands at the Head BEST SETS OF TEETH, \$8, Including the painless extracting of teeth by an entirely new process. 205 Washington Avenue, SCRANTON, PA. J. W. GUERNSEY, Prop. RUG BARGAINS. Black Fur Rugs \$1.75, former price \$2.25. Javanese Rugs, 26x54 inches, to close \$1.00, worth \$1.50. 9x12 ft. Japanese Rugs, \$6.50. 3x3 ft. Japanese Rugs, 60c. Brussels Mitre Rugs Half Price. Smyrna Rugs-- 30x60 inch \$1.50. Mat size 50c. SIEBECKER & WATKINS, 406 Lackawanna Ave. Opp. Wyoming House (LARGE WINDOW.)

THIRTIETH MASQUERADE BALL.

Was Held by the Turners in Their Hall on Seventh Street.

Thirty consecutive masquerade balls have been held by the Scranton Turn Verein and all have been noted for jollity and enjoyment. Last night's--the thirtieth--was no exception to its predecessors. Merriment reigned supreme from the moment the grand march began at 9:30 last night until the last dance was finished early this morning. Until midnight only those masked and in fancy costumes were allowed on the floor but after that hour came the unmasking and the privilege of the dancing floor was extended to every one who cared to avail themselves of it. There were fewer grotesque costumes than on previous years but fancy costumes were

in greater number and variety than ever before. The grand march in which about 80 couples participated was led by Prof. Carl Staiber and the members of the floor committee, Nelson Tests, Edward Vail and Fred Bauer, who were unmasked and wore sailor costumes. It was a motley assemblage that participated in that grand march, all kinds and conditions of people being represented. The Yellow Kid was of course numerously represented. Such a celebrated personage could not be expected to escape. Before the unmasking periods two special dances were given. One was the African war dance by eight of the active Turners attired as are the African savages when prepared for battle. The dancers were: Edward Eisele, Victor Noth, Joseph McDonald, William and Henry Vockroth, Theodore Heib, A. Henne and Charles Matuska. Not so wild or exciting but much more pleasing to the eye was the flower dance done by the following young ladies: Misses Mary Poacher, Emma McArthur, Rose Blatter, Lena Robinson, Jennie Noth, Emma Pittack, Mina Welcher, Miss



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