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CITY NOTES.

The will of Ellisa A. Lane, late of Jericho, was yesterday admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to his wife, Mrs. Lane.

Patrick J. McDonnell, tax collector of Archibald borough yesterday filed with court his bill for \$77.00, which was approved. The defendant, Mrs. Henry E. McGee, Justin Bishop, Patrick McDonnell, William Frear and P. J. Walsh.

August Kiesel, who received an injury to his eye about one week ago, yesterday was taken to the Philadelphia hospital. He is brother of Miss Mary Kiesel, nurse for the Board of Associated Charities, who accompanied him to Philadelphia.

A squad of policemen last night made one of the periodic visits to the bottoms at the West Tenth and found there eight tramps, loaded in all sorts of shares about the hollows and trying to keep warm. They were locked in the central police station on a charge of vagrancy.

The Methodist Episcopal Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Wyoming district will hold a convention today in the Franklin Street Methodist Episcopal church at Wilkes-Barre. There will be two sessions, morning and afternoon. A large delegation of Scranton ladies will attend the convention. Mrs. M. H. Hart, of Wilkes-Barre, is president.

Friends of Joseph Huntington, who is traveling in the south, have been very much annoyed at the sensational and entirely untrue articles appearing in the Scranton papers on Sunday. When last heard from Mr. Huntington, though ill, he was recovering, and the article which appeared in the Sunday paper was entirely unwarranted.

John Fowler, treasurer of the Lackawanna Trust and Safe Deposit company, visited yesterday at the home of Mrs. S. A. Scott. Mr. Fowler brought home with him a mouse's head, which is one of the finest specimens ever seen in this city. The animal which, by its death, brought a great gift to Mr. Fowler, was shot at Liverpool, Maine, Nova Scotia. The head, with the ears, was placed on an exhibition in the window of Siebeck & Watkins, on Lackawanna avenue.

The international convention of Epworth Leagues will be held in Toronto, Canada, July 12-15. The Epworth League of this city comprises ten chapters, with a membership of 1,500, and among the different chapters a lively interest is manifested, and a large delegation from this city and vicinity will doubtless attend. G. P. Whittemore, president of the city union, will visit Toronto early in April. In the interest of the union to arrange for the accommodation of those who attend from this section, the rates of fare have been fixed at one fare for the round trip, \$5.00 from Scranton.

THEY WERE OFF IN A BUNCH.

Thirty-four prisoners discharged at One Time Yesterday. Thirty-four prisoners were discharged from the city jail yesterday afternoon at the same time. All but one of them were released on an order of court because the bills against them had been ignored by the grand jury. The thirty-fourth one was John Barrett, who was freed from serving additional time for costs on petition of the county commissioners.

The thirty-three who were discharged through the goodness of the grand jury were: James Hynes, Powell Burnett, Mary Holman, Michael Cashmore, John Dragoin, Hester Pennell, Frank Kaspraszewski, Todd Lebeck, Casper Pierre, Thomas Ross, Charles Slack, William Price, Michael Barrett, Jack Barrett, Andrew Croll, Florin Drummond, George Ferris, John Gushkevich, Jacob Krishando, Eugene O'Grady, Anna Rhodes, Stanley Shutes, William Scott.

FOR DESERTING HIS WIFE.

That is the Charge on Which Mark Melvin Was Arrested.

Mrs. Nellie Melvin appeared before Alderman Howe yesterday afternoon and swore out a warrant for the arrest of her husband, Mark Melvin, who, it was charged, deserted her and a little daughter on the night of March 21. Melvin was arrested and appeared, but the case was amicably settled, and husband and wife went home together.

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DEATH OF THE REV. JOHN EVANS

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WAS WELL KNOWN IN THIS CITY

A Man of Brilliant Attainments and Famous as a Pulpit Orator and Theologian—His Wife is a Daughter of Benjamin Hughes, of This City—News of the Clergyman's Death a Sad Surprise to His Friends.

Rev. John Evans, M. A., one of the best known Americans of Welsh birth in this country, died at 8.25 o'clock Monday night at his home in Westerly, R. I. The news of his death came by telegraph yesterday morning to Reese G. Brooks and Mrs. A. B. Eynon, the former an intimate friend and the latter



REV. JOHN EVANS.

for a sister of the wife of the departed clergyman. It was quickly circulated among the deceased's host of friends in this city and a general sadness and surprise was created.

The dispatches did not give the cause of death, and no further information has been received up to a late hour last night. The demise, however, may have been sudden one, as a letter received Monday from Mrs. Evans by her father, Benjamin Hughes, general inside foreman of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company, did not refer to any illness in the family. Mr. Hughes, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. A. B. Eynon, and Mr. and Mrs. John Reiss will leave this morning for Westerly to attend the funeral.

SKETCH OF DECEASED.

John Evans was born in Llanyfry, Carmarthenshire, in 1841, and was one of the most distinguished of the theologians themselves as theologians and pulpit orators. He came to America shortly before the civil war and his first ministerial charge was in Lancaster, Pa. Afterward he came to Scranton and served in the First Welsh Baptist church, which was the home of Benjamin Hughes, in 1867. He became pastor of the First Welsh Baptist church. His work here won him the love and admiration of a vast number of people in the Lackawanna and Wyoming valleys. His fame spread, and he was successively called to pastorates of churches in Brooklyn, where his eldest daughter, Nellie, was married to Dr. Hoxie, a prominent physician of that city; and to Westport, where he has been stationed for the past seventeen years.

Besides his work in the pulpit Mr. Evans devoted much time to contemporary public affairs and his eloquent and humorous essays and orations were read from a widespread fame. Especially was he interested in his fellow countrymen.

AS A WELSH SCHOLAR.

Though American customs and the peculiarities of American living enabled him yet he never forgot the motherland and as a speaker of the Welsh tongue he was an authority. So local conference of Welsh ministers was a "symphony," one that had the genuine spirited ring to it unless one or the other of the distinguished brothers were there.

His zeal was intense. During his labors he made hosts of friends and every one refers to him familiarly as "Bro Evans." His last September he paid a visit to Scranton and thousands of people heard him preach at the First Welsh Baptist church. His death will be a surprise not only because he was not known to be ill, but for the reason that Rev. Fred Evans, his distinguished brother, is suffering from a fatal malady in Wales and the announcement of his death is daily expected.

The deceased is survived by his wife, three daughters, Mrs. Hoxie, of Brooklyn; Mrs. and Esther Evans, and one son, Benjamin Hughes Evans. A picture of Mr. Evans, as he appeared in earlier years, is herewith presented. Benjamin Hughes, father-in-law of the deceased, has but recently recovered from a fatal illness. He is now recovering from it from his daughter, Mrs. Eynon. Fortunately he has recovered from his injuries as to be able to attend the funeral.

GRAHAM WAS MIXED.

Thought He Lived on Platt Place, but He Didn't. John Graham, 30 years old, of the South Side, was so completely overcome with heat last night at 3 o'clock yesterday morning as to make several attempts to enter houses in Platt place on the assumption that his home was somewhere in that vicinity.

Graham had the neighborhood astir all day Monday morning. Some one called for police aid, and Graham, who was hatless and coatless, was run in. He was trying to force an entrance to Mr. Willie's house when arrested. A \$5 note settled his case in police court.

HE SPOKE ABOUT SNAILS.

Address of Charles Leroy Wheeler Before the Y. W. C. A.

The lecture on "Snails" given last evening at Young Women's Christian association by Charles Leroy Wheeler, of this city, was one of the most instructive ever delivered before the association. The inclement weather caused a small attendance, but those who were present thoroughly enjoyed Mr. Wheeler's talk.

He exhibited over eighty specimens of snails and in his discussion Mr. Wheeler showed a remarkable knowledge of the technical part of his subject matter. The lecture was under the

direction of the educational department.

QUORUM WAS NOT PRESENT.

No Meeting of the Board of Associated Charities Last Night.

There was no meeting of the Board of Associated Charities last evening owing to the absence of a quorum. J. R. Cohen handed over to the assistant treasurer, D. J. Phillips, the sum of \$14.16, the amount collected from the charity box recently placed in the rooms of the Excelsior Social club.

WEBB'S PATHETIC LETTER

Says His Wife Had Him Committed to County Jail to Get Him Out of the Way.

Mrs. Duggan, agent for the Board of Associated Charities, has received a letter from an inmate of the county jail which is a pathetic appeal for release on the grounds of an unjust imprisonment. The prisoner is Frederick Webb, whose home was in Olyphant, and he was incarcerated on January 13 to await trial for desertion.

In his letter to Mrs. Duggan the prisoner says that he is in jail for the reason that his wife wanted to get him out of the way "so that she can run around with other men." Webb says that he left home for five nights in succession, on this was based the charge of desertion. The reason that he left home, however, said Mr. Webb, was because his wife threatened to poison him. The letter goes on to say that Mrs. Webb is a frequenter of several hotels in this city, the names of which he mentions in his letter. He fears that his 12-year-old daughter will be "led astray" by the mother's actions and he begs to be released so that he may care for her and his two other children.

He says that he has always supported his family and the store book will show that his wife got \$30 or \$35 worth of goods every month for years past. He prays that Mrs. Duggan will take his case before the court so that he may be released. He also asks for the arrest of his wife and her assistance with directions where Mrs. Duggan can find his wife in Olyphant, and it is signed "Frederick Webb."

The letter was sent to Mrs. Duggan yesterday and was read last night in the poor board rooms, where a few members of the board of Associated Charities, though not enough to make a quorum, met in an ex-officio way. E. J. Lynett read the letter. Mrs. Duggan was advised to secure a writ of habeas corpus and secure Webb's immediate release.

ART LOAN EXHIBITION.

Will Open Tonight in the Board of Trade Building.

The art loan exhibit that was to have opened yesterday in the board of trade building will not be open until this evening. It is to be opened for the benefit of the Great Edge Library. John Graubard, a young artist of this city, who has attained a standing of no little note, is assisting in the management of the exhibit.

About seventy pictures in water or oil were hung during the day. There has been, too, a large number of tapestries and curios delivered, and they will be arranged today.

The committee which is arranging the exhibit has been at work but a comparatively brief time and has not had an opportunity to solicit loans from many persons whose names had been suggested. The management will feel grateful for loans of paintings, curios and tapestries from persons who have not been communicated with.

A sign which is to be placed in the window of the large vacant store room on the ground floor of the building. The walls have been covered with a suitable background and scores of incandescent lights have been put in place, so that a proper light is insured.

PATRICK CASEY INJURED.

Fell from the E. and W. V. Bridge at New Street.

Patrick Casey, of Luzerne street, Bellevue, was painfully injured Monday night by falling from the Erie and Washington alley bridge which spans the Erie street crossing. Casey was returning from Dunmore along the railroad track, and in the darkness walked off the bridge. Both of his ankles were strained and he sustained several severe bruises.

A passerby took Casey lying on the asphalt pavement under the bridge and had him removed to his home.

MR. MATHEWS DECLINED THE CALL.

Expects to Go to Chicago When He Leaves Scranton.

Rev. Newman Mathews, who resigned the pastorate of the Puritan Congregational church, North End, has declined a call from the Congregational church at Randolph, N. Y. Mr. Mathews expects to go to Chicago when he leaves Scranton.

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ASPHALT QUESTION IS ALL IN A MUSS

Select Council Committee Smothered in Arguments.

INSIDE DEAL OUT OF THE BAG

Neither the Barber Nor the Columbia Company Guiltless if Their Agents Are to Be Believed—Committee Met the Agents and Property Owners, but Had No Opportunity for Deliberation—Meeting Tomorrow Evening.

Last night's meeting of the pavement committee of select council, attended by a large number of property owners, developed that the Barber company and Dunn Bros. are determined to defeat the effort to award to the Columbia Construction company, of Syracuse, the contract for paving Mulberry street. It was the liveliest of the many meetings various kinds on the pavement question.

The charge was openly made by P. J. Quinlan, the Columbia agent, that he had seen the contract papers between the Barber company and Dunn Bros, whereby the former was to have had 2 cents per square yard lower on the Mulberry contract, and that Dunn Bros. were to receive a similar advantage in the next subsequent contract.

Mr. Quinlan said that he would make affidavit to this statement if necessary. Mr. Hook, of New York city, general agent of the Barber company, retailed by exclaiming in an aside which was not heard by all in the room, "Yes, and your attorney tried to make the same kind of an arrangement with me, too." These statements, however, were overlooked by the committee and property owners. It was not cared who did the work or how, as long as it was according to contract and specifications; at least the little signs of the rival agents caused no discussion.

MANLEY WANTED TO ADJOURN.

The meeting was held in select council chambers, Mr. Wagner, chairman of the committee, presided. The other members present were Messrs. Thomas, Launing, Manley and Roche. Mr. Manley urged an adjournment because City Engineer Phillips was not present, common council's award having been referred to the committee "in conjunction with the city engineer." Mr. Manley's wish was quickly negatived. Others present were ex-City Solicitor I. H. Burns, who appeared as the representative of Dunn Bros.; Thomas Quinn, Select Councilmen Fellows and Childers, Common Councilman Kelly. When the session opened Mr. Burns addressed the committee in the interest of Dunn Bros. He remarked that a year ago Dunn Bros. bid for paving Monroe avenue on specifications identical with those of Mulberry street had been accepted. The work was stopped, nevertheless, because land asphalt was being laid. In that instance the city had established a precedent and created the impression among bidders that land asphalt would not be permitted. Dunn Bros. had in consequence submitted only a lake asphalt bid in the present case.

Mr. Burns argued further that there was the possibility that the laying of land asphalt might be prevented in a legal action. This would be because the specifications required for asphalt "equally as suitable" as pitch lake asphalt instead of providing for either land or lake variety.

ATTORNEY STOKES CRITICISED.

Attorney Stokes, for the property owners, sought to criticize Mr. Quinlan for appearing in the interest of Dunn Bros. after having represented them a year ago, when they occupied much of the same position as does the Columbia company now. Mr. Stokes then referred to witnesses of the owners of abutting property for the cheaper pavement.

Then began the real pyrotechnic display of the good and bad qualities of lake and land asphalt according to the statements of Mr. Hook and Mr. Quinlan. Mr. Hook began it and Mr. Quinlan finished it, the former occupying almost an hour and the latter rehearsing the qualities of lake asphalt. Their arguments were nothing new and were about the same as have been heard so frequently at the city hall during the last year.

Hardly any emphatic statement of an unusual character made by either agent failed to receive a denial from the other and a volume of proof in support of his claim.

As an example, Mr. Hook asserted that the "rocket" or holes which remain after the land asphalt had been removed from them, did not result with asphalt material, thus proving that land asphalt was a "dead" deposit. Mr. Quinlan emphatically denied this, saying the "rocket's" gradually settled and designing the holes below, and read a statement in confirmation, a statement made by an asphalt expert. Mr. Hook contended that the author of the statement had never admitted his error.

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All were willing that their experience should be published, believing, rightly that they might thus do good to others.

In these columns have already been published, the letters received from Congressman Meredith, Bell, Groat and Powers.

Now comes a letter from Congressman Robert Neill, of Arkansas, as follows: "My home is at Batesville, Ark. During the last spring and summer my eldest daughter, then 17 years of age, was in very poor health, suffering from general debility, nervous prostration and frequent slight fevers. She had the best medical attention, but apparently with little benefit. In the latter part of September last, while still feeble she began the use of Paine's celery compound, and improved in health continuously. In three months she had fully recovered, and is now in perfect health. I am bound to think the remedy

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David sworn to by some city official on Feb. 9, and Mr. Quinlan stated that the same party had expressed himself "exactly opposite" in the February number of Municipal Engineering. And so the debate continued.

In answer to a question from Mr. Stokes, Mr. Hook admitted that Scranton had some poor lake asphalt pavements. They were laid, however, many years ago by an inexperienced local firm. Methods had improved since then and the lake asphalt pavements recently laid were good ones.

Mr. Leonard, in a brief address, remarked that from a business standpoint the lowest bid was the one to be accepted, admitting even that its material and workmanship on the surface of the pavement would be the poorer. If each company was bound to furnish a quality substantial concrete base, if the Columbia company's asphalt work was useless, the bond and the difference in cost would be more than sufficient to pay for having the work done over again.

The committee adjourned to meet tomorrow night at 7.30 o'clock. Select council will meet Friday night, when will be afforded, maybe, the last opportunity for awarding the contract in the old council and before reorganization. This committee has had an chance to voice its individual opinions.

August Robinson, who really bid for the Dunn Bros. is out of the race, as his bid was not in accordance with the conditions under which the bids were to be received.

RUN DOWN BY A TRAIN.

Yet Bernard 4 chron Was Only Slightly Injured.

Bernard Urban, of the North End, was struck by a full moving train in a block yesterday morning, and the injury he received was a few slight bruises about the shoulders and back.

Urban's escape is remarkable. He was walking along the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western tracks near the Cayuga transfer when the train struck him. He was thrown violently to the side of the track, but, to the surprise of the train hands, he quickly arose to his feet and walked away. The excitement of the moment, however, had not subsided, and he fell prostrate to the ground.

He lay there for about an hour, when some one came along and picked him up. He was taken to the Lackawanna hospital, where he told the attendants that he did not hear the train until it was too late to get off the track.

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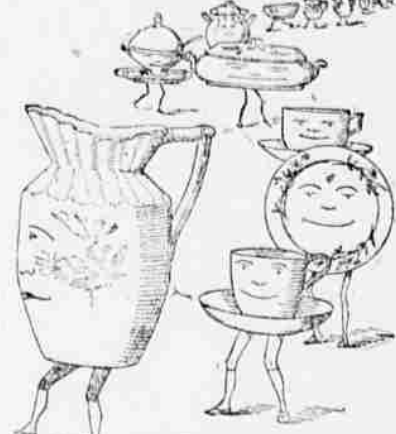
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