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CITY NOTES.

The will of the late Owen Higgins, of Carbondale, was admitted to probate yesterday.

Frank R. Stocker, of Jermyn, has registered as a law student in the office of T. F. Walls.

Matthew Bean, ex-consortable of Old Force, is a candidate for delegate to the Republican county convention.

A fraudulent debtor's attachment has been issued against Frank M. Amsbury and in favor of John Bone & Sons for \$169.62.

During the absence of Rev. Rogers Israel, the pastor, the assistant will hold office hours from 10 to 11 a. m. daily at St. Luke's Episcopal rectory.

In the estate of Arthur Barrett, late of Winton, letters testamentary will be granted to his widow, Margaret Barrett, and she will be admitted to probate.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Michael McAndrew will occur this morning at 9 o'clock. A high mass of requiem will be celebrated in St. Paul's church, Green Ridge.

Eugene Cooperacki, the Polisher who was received at the Moses Taylor hospital on Tuesday afternoon suffering from burns received at the South mills, died early yesterday morning.

The G. W. West lodge, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, will have a clambake at Lake Poynter, Aug. 28. This event is an annual one and in past years has been most enjoyable.

There will be union bible class for the study of the Sunday school lesson this evening at 7.45 in Grace Reformed Episcopal church. Subject, "Paul's Ministry in Corinth." Acts xviii, 1-11. All are welcome.

In the case of Charles E. Silivius against S. N. Callender, the arbitrators filed an award in the sum of \$317.71 for the plaintiff. The arbitrators were Horace W. Hand, C. A. Battenberg and George E. Pryor.

The pension case of James Wheeler, of Monticello, Lackawanna county, Pa., was called up June 20 last and allowed July 27 at the rate of \$6 per month from April 11, 1882, under the act of June 7, 1880, aggregating in all \$57.

Electric City lodge, No. 213, Knights of Pythias, at their last convention had a very interesting meeting. One candidate was initiated to the rank of knight, one to the rank of knight and two candidates were elected to the rank of page.

There will be a reunion of the Dow and Tucker families at the home of E. M. Tucker, in Ararat township, on Thursday, Aug. 12, 1897. All the relatives of both families are invited to be present. Conveyances will be at the Ararat station to meet the train from Carbondale at 10.25.

Among the marriage licenses issued yesterday by the clerk of the county were those to James Coleman and Annie Wood, of Scranton; John Dyer and Mary Grimes, of Scranton; John F. Lott and Annie M. Stewart, of Scranton; F. H. Hatch, of Scranton, and Mrs. Emma J. Jones, of Nanticoke.

Photos half price today, Silivius, 103 South Main. Cloudy weather as good as sunshine for sittings.

Attend Waldron's big horse sale today at Cusick's stables.

When dizzy or drowsy take BEECHAM'S PILLS.

BIG WATER MELONS 15c.

AT THE SCRANTON CASH STORE.

TAYLOR BOROUGH HAS ITS "LEXOW"

Councilmen Wanted to Exterminate a Malicious Rumor.

BOODLE WAS CHARGED BY CITIZENS

After Killing the Electric Bond Ordinance, the Nasty Talk Compelled Councilman Gibbons to Resign and, Driven to Despair, an Investigation Was Conducted—Thirty Citizens Told Their Stories—Electric Light Officials Testified.

The councilmen of Taylor borough used quite an original and very effective means to silence a lot of talk which was current in Taylor to the effect that the councilmen were dishonest in their service to the people.

Monday and Tuesday evenings of this week were passed in regular investigation proceedings before Burgess Watkins of Taylor, the investigation being



HENRY E. HARRIS, President of the Taylor Council.

conducted at the demand of the councilmen, themselves.

The trouble is a sequence of the recent election in Taylor borough when it was decided by popular vote not to bond the borough for the purchase of an electric plant, owned by a private corporation. A few weeks previous to the election on July 10 a rumor was placed in the common mouth that the owners of the plant wanted \$3,900 for their property and that an additional \$900 was to be divided among the councilmen. The vote was to bond the borough for \$4,200.

This rumor was passed around until on election day it was the only thing talked about and it is said that the defeat of the "bond" plan was the work of this pernicious report. The councilmen, at the time, did all they could to assure the voters of the falsity of the rumor but events show how they succeeded.

The ordinance killed the councilmen bargained for quiet. But still the damaging story that \$400 was to be devoted to personal interests was on the public tongue. It got so tantalizing to John Gibbons, councilman of the first ward, that at the last meeting of council he submitted his resignation.

GIBBONS STARTED IT.

Henry E. Harris, president of the council, and a brother of ex-Assistant District Attorney John M. Harris, in an official capacity, asked Mr. Gibbons for his reasons for resigning. Mr. Gibbons stated that he was pestered most to death by the "boodle" rumor. President Harris immediately set about to exterminate said rumor forever.

He went before Burgess Watkins and swore out subpoenas for about thirty citizens of Taylor, commanding them to appear at Burgess Watkins' office last Monday night and bring along with them whatever evidence they had at hand which substantiated the insult to the councilmen.

Subpoenas were also served on Fred Durr, W. K. Beck and John Weber, three of the directors of the Lackawanna Electric company, which wanted to sell the electric plant.

The citizens responded in sufficient numbers to overcrowd Burgess Watkins' office. Testimony was heard from a dozen or so men, but all denied that they had played any part in the spreading of the "boodle" rumor. Jones, one of the witnesses, did not believe in the existence of an Almighty Being, and it wasn't hard work for him to believe in the dishonesty of councilmen. His evidence was not effective from the very foundation.

IMPORTANT TESTIMONY.

The testimony of James Mapleson and Sam Evans was the most important of any. These men, it was alleged, were the originators of the report. One night while in the central city they called at Fred Durr's place on Lackawanna avenue and they afterward spread the rumor that Mr. Durr told them that the directors wanted only \$3,900 for the plant.

When placed on the stand Mapleson denied having made the statement; Evans maintained that Mr. Durr had made the statement accredited to him. Mr. Durr, Mr. Weber and Mr. Beck were severally placed on the stand and swore that the original amount asked was \$4,200. Mr. Durr denied having given any other figure to Evans and Mapleson.

The investigation was closed Tuesday night, the councilmen deciding that their "Lexow" was worthy of a "not guilty" verdict. During the investigation the councilmen asked that if any man had ought to say against them let him stand forth and say it. The most serious complaint was made by "Schooner" Jones who wanted "more fire plugs in the first ward."

Judging from the conversation of a number of voters yesterday the councilmen will have to institute another Lexow. This latest complaint is in the words of a voter. He said:

"Who was it that caused that investigation? Who's going to pay the expenses for them subpoenas? It ain't right," he continued, "that the borough should pay the freight for the councilmen's excursion!" And the crowd said "no indeed."

Another Investigation.

The people in Lackawanna township also are having a little pot of troubles for their delictation. The auditors questioned some of the items in the school board's accounts and last Tuesday night, at the same time as the Taylor councilmen were perspiring in Burgess Watkins' office, the auditors "investigated" several citizens of the district. Attorney R. A. Zimmerman appeared for the auditors. Thomas Kelley, who did

repairs upon some of the school buildings; Robert Driscoll, a painter; Peter Higgins, a carpenter; and J. Higgins, who furnished coal, were among those who were questioned concerning the bills they had submitted. James Grimes and Elias Davis were also examined. No mistakes were found. The investigation will be continued tomorrow night.

DUNMORE BOND ISSUE.

School District Will Dispose of Preliminary to an Issue of Bonds a Statement Showing the Financial Condition of the Dunmore School District has been filed as follows with the clerk of the courts:

Actual indebtedness:
Peter Stipp, building contracts, No. 2 school, \$9,000 00
Gibbons, Flynn & Co., No. 4 school addition, 5,750 90
Smead-Wills Co., No. 1 school, 1,700 50
John A. Duckworth, 143 50
Peeney & Williams, 143 75
Extra addition, No. 4 school, 85 09
Outstanding orders, 2,260 47
Total, \$19,212 32
Balance due by T. E. Boland, tax collector, 4,000 00
\$15,212 32

The amount of the last assessed valuation in the school district, including the assessment of June, is \$1,517,028. The amount of debt to be named is \$19,212.32, the interest being at the rate of 5% each. The bonds are to mature June 25, 1907, but are to be redeemable at call in their numerical order. The amount of tax levied and assessed to pay the indebtedness is 3 1/2 mills. The statement is signed by W. R. Wilson, president, and M. F. Glynn, secretary of the board of school directors.

BIG FIELDS WILL START.

Many Entries for Next Week's Trotting and Bicycle Events at the Driving Park

Along with the preliminary arrangements for next week's big trotting and racing meeting at the Scranton Driving park is the selection among lovers of the sport that the affair will equal in its realization all that has been promised and anticipated.

The entries for the four days, from Tuesday to Friday, inclusive, closed Tuesday night with a big field of starters assured for every race and more entries being received through letters mailed from a distance on the final entry day.

Entries have been received from Iowa, West Virginia, Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York, and when they appear in The Tribune on Saturday will be found to contain many of the best known animals on the eastern tracks. There is certainly an inducement in the purses ranging from \$200 to \$500, the \$100 for a new track record, and the fact that there are more large purses than small ones.

Two or more bicycle races are to be conducted each day under the sanction of the League of American Wheelmen. The number of entries already received for the bicycle events have exceeded the most sanguine expectations. From present indications from fifteen to seventeen starters will line up for each event. The very best amateurs throughout Northern Pennsylvania have already entered, together with several New York state cranks. If the weather is fine, some eight-edge wheeling can be looked for.

Mr. Rice has done the most in the way of good prizes in order to attract fast riders, and he has certainly been successful, as is shown by the large number of entries received.

RECORD WASN'T LOWERED.

Gentry and Robert J. Fail to Reduce the Combination Park Time.

Medford, Mass., July 28.—Neither Robert J. (2:01 1/2) nor John R. Gentry (2:00 3/4), the famous pair, was able to lower his record on that of the track (2:04 1/4) at Combination park this afternoon, and none of the 2,500 or more spectators who braved the cold, raw northeast wind had the slightest idea they would be able to do so.

The best that Gentry could do was 2:07 flat, while Robert J. was a trifle slower, making the mile in 2:08 1/2. The pacers made an excellent showing, considering the fact that they had the wind in their teeth at the start, down the stretch and at the finish. Gentry finished very strong and made the better showing. His quarters were made in 32. 1:03 1/2, 1:35 1/2, 2:07. Robert J.'s quarters were 32. 1:03 1/2, 1:35, 2:08 1/2.

TROUBLE AT THE HOSPITAL.

Differences Between the Surgeons and the Board of Directors.

Differences seem to exist between at least one member of the Lackawanna hospital board of directors and Dr. Andrews, house physician at the hospital. Charges have been preferred against the physician and he has requested an immediate investigation.

Notices calling for a special meeting of the board have been sent to the several members and it is likely that the session will be held sometime today. Several of the members of the board were approached by a Tribune reporter but they declined to be quoted upon any part of the apparent differences. If affairs are not satisfactorily arranged Dr. Andrews will positively resign and return to Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Gilbert, junior house physician, will follow suit and accompany his friend. They will there engage in private practice together.

CHEAP RATE TO PHILADELPHIA.

Round Trip Fare of \$4.82 During the L. A. W. Meet.

The Central Railroad of New Jersey offers a splendid excursion rate of \$4.82 to Philadelphia and return during the League of American Wheelmen meet on Aug. 4, 5, 6 and 7.

Tickets will be good from Scranton on all trains going Aug. 3 and 4 and on all trains returning up to Aug. 9 inclusive.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

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Ask your Grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adults. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that milk-like flavor of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicious stomach receives it without distress. It is the life of coffee. 15 and 25 cts. per package. Sold by all grocers.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ARE GETTING READY

For the Big State Convention Here August 17-19.

READING KNIGHTS' UNIQUE PARADE

Five-Hundred of Them to Be Clothed in Arabic Costume—Arrangements Committee Last Night Made Important Plans—Something About the Sub-Committee—J. G. Hodgson to Be Grand Marshal.

The Knights of Pythias state convention to be held in this city Aug. 17, 18 and 19 will have as its special and most interesting feature to the public at large a night parade by 500 men from Reading dressed in the costumes of Arabs and, if possible, every man mounted. This parade will be on Wednesday night, Aug. 18, and on the morning of the same day the general parade will take place.

The 500 men from Reading will come here in special cars, leaving Reading early Tuesday morning. They will give a banquet after the parade. The contingent is composed of the members of the Dramatic Order, Knights of the Khorassan, of Reading. A letter received this week by Colonel Martin Joyce, of the local arrangement committee, announces the above stated intention of the visitors.

At the meeting of the general arrangements committee in Hulbert's hall last night sub-committee for the convention were named as follows:

THESE WILL RECEIVE.

Reception committee—John Bonore, Gus Wenzel, Joseph Treatway, David Brown, George Shafer, Philip Wirth, W. O. Powell, E. Williams, W. J. Murray, T. J. Jones, Charles C. Robinson, C. H. Weber, E. Brannan, C. Brady, D. D. Evans, Thomas Burkley, Lewis T. James, W. J. Jenkins, from the lodge; James Stevens, Joseph P. Phillips, C. W. Broadbent, from the uniform rank; Sir Knight D. Donaldson, Thomas Wilson, from Division 6; T. B. MacIntyre, Division 7.

Decorating committee—H. S. Dunnell, George E. Shafer, E. W. Lumlax, M. D. Grafte, D. D. Evans, W. H. Hoffman, E. DeWight, F. Keifer, J. M. Kohnstamm, W. Broadway, District Attorney John R. Jones, George O'Neil, Emil Bonn and F. J. Hickey.

The committee on parade has selected Lieutenant J. G. Hodgson, of Company 47, as grand marshal. Lodges will report their respective marshals to the grand marshal.

The convention will be held in the court house, and the drill of the Uniformed Rank will probably be held at Laurel Hill park on the morning of August 18. The press committee will make out the detailed programme.

AN ACTIVE OFFICER.

W. A. Shiffer presided last night. The meeting was attended by nearly every member of the committee. Colonel Martin Joyce is one of the most active men in the preparation for the big affair, and seems indispensable in directing the work.

U. S. ARMY HORSEMANSHIP.

Is a Patriotic Feature of Buffalo Bill's Wild West.

There is one feature with Buffalo Bill's Wild West show that certainly suggests more than a tinge of patriotism, and that is the riding of the United States regulars. They will be one of the star attractions seen with Buffalo Bill in this city tomorrow.

Of these riders an exchange says: "Colonel Sumner's regiment, from which the troop now with Colonel Cody comes, is stationed at Fort Meyer, Va.,



A MEXICAN RIDER.

near Washington, and is famous not only for its perfection in drill, but also for the skill of its soldiers in the exercises such as are to be seen in the Wild West exhibition. Few distinguished visitors to the national capital go away without making a trip to the fort to see the cavalrymen at their work and play, and their fame is known in military circles the world over. There, as

at West Point, all the exercises take place on a smooth, level surface, which everywhere affords a good footing for the thoroughly trained horses, while at the Wild West the cavalrymen perform their feats in the open air on grounds that are rough, uneven, hard in some spots, muddy in others, and in places soft, grassy turf.

That the men accomplish on such grounds, with half-trained horses, feats of horsemanship never before performed here, even by the highest-salaried barback riders in the narrow limits of a circus ring, seems remarkable to all who have had the privilege of witnessing them.

"Sergeant Thomas, who is in command of the detail, has served 10 years in the regular army, and was in the last Fine Ridge war, being commended for bravery. Corporal Wienart received a congressional medal for gallantry at Wounded Knee, Colonel Sumner of the Sixth United States cavalry, was in a box the opening night in New York, and accompanied his men on their first debut for their success with his western range horses, it being the first experiment of the kind. This shows the availability in the national emergency of the immense herds of these hardy animals in time of war."

"General N. A. Dudley, who was in command of the Sixth United States cavalry, is an almost daily auditor and lives over again the old times with his favorite scout—Bill Cody."

BOY HAS A CLOSE SHAVE.

A Wheel Narrowly Misses Crashing His Head.

Charles Neuman, a boy living on Aswell court, West Side, narrowly escaped death yesterday by having his head crushed beneath the wheel of a heavy dirt wagon.

Young Neuman fell from the wagon on Wyoming avenue and landed with his head directly in front of one of the wheels. Fortunately the vehicle was moving slowly and was stopped in time to avoid a possibly fatal accident. The boy escaped with a badly bruised head.

GOOD NEWS FOR WYOMING.

Red Ash Vein in Mr. Lookout Colliery Soon to Be Worked.

The work of pumping the water out of the air shaft down to the Red Ash vein at Mount Lookout colliery in Wyoming, in meeting with much success. The pump has been running only three days and has gained over 25 feet on the water. The depth of water in the shaft is about 100 feet. As soon as this water is pumped out, the work of mining coal from this vein will be begun.

The colliery is now working on full time and joy has come into the hearts of many because of this season of prosperity.

Is Your Brain Tired.

Use Horsford's Acid Phosphate. Dr. T. D. Crothers, Supt. Walnut Lodge Asylum, Hartford, Conn., says: "It is a remedy of great value in building up functional energy and brain force."

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied by insert of the writer's name. The Tribune will not be held responsible for opinions here expressed.]

"Przedzial" Manager Explains.

Scranton, Pa., July 28, 1897. Editor Tribune.

My Dear Sir: Please do me a personal favor and insert the following for the benefit of the general public:

In view of the statements made by an ex-employee of the Weekly Przedzial (Review) that it had failed and was no longer being published, on account of lack of circulation, I desire to inform the general public that the newspaper is issued regularly every week from its office, 329 Prospect avenue, this city. According to the records of the postmaster there was 24 pounds of the Review received at the postoffice during the month of June. There are twelve copies of the paper to be placed in Lackawanna city outside of Scranton, for which delivery no rate is charged. The Review has the largest circulation of any Polish newspaper in the state of Pennsylvania or any eastern state.

Rev. B. Dembinski, General Manager.

Carbondale, Pa., July 16, 1897.—I was feeling much worse out; I had a tired feeling, no appetite and could not sleep. Since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla I am able to sleep well and feel much better. George W. Norris.

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For Infants and Children.

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FOR THE WEST RIDGE CO.

Arbitrators File a Report Against the North End Lumber Co.

The case of the North End Lumber company, limited, against the West Ridge Coal company was decided for the defendant in the report of Arbitrators C. A. Battenberg, Thomas Quinton and Russell Dimmick.

The report was filed yesterday and it finds that the plaintiff had no cause for action.

China Hall.

Toilet Sets.

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Dinner Set, Porcelain Design

112 pieces Royal Sevres Porcelain, 3-color decoration, gold-lined, was cheap at the original price, \$12.50

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12 Tea Plates
12 Pie Plates
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