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CITY NOTES.

This evening at 8 o'clock the Woman's Keady league will have a free entertainment at the Institute. All graduates and their friends invited.

D. L. Flicks, H. L. Taylor and W. J. Tracy, the arbitrators in the case of C. H. Soper against the township of Lord Forge, filed an award yesterday in favor of Mr. Soper for \$63.25.

M. W. Lowry, D. J. Campbell and Thos. H. Kelly were yesterday appointed viewers of the sewer to be constructed on Wyoming and Water streets, Beech, Birch, Maple and Elm streets.

Thomas Murphy and Thomas Brooks, who fought a duel with pen knives on Lackawanna avenue Tuesday night, were sent to the county jail yesterday in default of a \$5 fine asked by Mayor Bailey.

Mrs. Mary Harritt sued the Scranton Railway company yesterday, to recover \$500 damages for personal injuries sustained while getting off one of the cars of the company at Seventh street on Aug. 7 last.

There will be a meeting of the select council tonight at which it is expected that the committee which has the mayor's appointment of F. J. McCann, A. F. Bedford and Hon. J. A. Scranton as park commissioners under consideration will present its report.

The South Steel mills are busily engaged in filling an order for 2,000 tons of steel rails, 60 pounds to the yard, which will be shipped to Australia. Special attention is being paid to the output as further orders are expected from this quarter of the globe are expected. The order will be ready for shipment in a few days.

The men employed at the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western car shops were ordered on ten hours' time yesterday. This is "tidings of great joy" to many as the foremen of the shops are mentioned. No particular cause for the increased time is assigned but the probabilities are that an increase in traffic necessitated this order.

Edwin H. Emory, of Clark's Summit, and Mary A. Griffiths, of Scranton; John A. Evans and Elizabeth Ott, of Taylor; Frank J. Barry, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Jennie Murphy, of Scranton; M. J. Hafferty and Margaret Mahoney, of Scranton; George Sanders and Naomi Jones, of Scranton; Frank P. Gibbs and Clara J. Conrad, of Scranton, were granted marriage licenses yesterday by the clerk of the court.

CITY TAKES AN APPEAL.

Viewers Did Not Divide Cost of Sewer Evidently, It Is Alleged.

City Solicitor McGinley yesterday took an appeal for the city from the report of the viewers on the Seventeenth District sewer on the South side.

The viewers assessed \$12,036.25 against the property owners and \$2,563.75 against the city. This is considered an unequal proportion for the city to bear and consequently an appeal has been taken.

STOLE HIS BLACKING.

Worth About Five Cents, but It Was a Plain Case of Larceny.

Louis Hopp, brighter than the average boy of 15 years, went to Alderman Howe yesterday and consulted with him about two fellow bootblacks who had victimized him. Young Hopp said that he placed his kit in the entrance to the Library building when the two boys took his best blacking and left an inferior kind.

Alderman Howe issued warrants for the boys' arrest.

WALDRON'S BIG HORSE SALE.

At One O'clock Today.

Waldron, the great Canadian horse shipper, will today sell two carloads of horses for what they will bring, at one o'clock at Cusick's Livery. They are of all sizes and colors and were selected by Mr. Waldron for this special sale, and are all to be sold today. Every horse was driven yesterday both single and double to demonstrate that they are thorough bred harness horses. Remember the hour—one o'clock today—Cusick's Livery.

Sleeping car for New York, via Lehigh Valley railroad, may be occupied at Wilkes-Barre after 9:00 p. m. Arrives New York 8:32 a. m. Tickets at 325 Lackawanna avenue.

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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SOME STATISTICS ABOUT THE COUNTY

Show the Total Value of Assessable Property and the Amount of Taxes.

DEBT OF THE COUNTY IS \$255,000

Aggregate Amount of County Tax for the Year 1897 is \$210,161.82 and the Aggregate Value of All Property Taxable for County Purposes is \$30,023,116 -- Amount of Money People of County Have Out at Interest is \$5,639,667.

The county commissioners have just completed a table which is submitted annually to the secretary of internal affairs, showing the number of taxables, the number of acres of cleared and timber land and the amount at which all the real and personal property and all matter and things made taxable by the laws of Pennsylvania were valued this year and the amount of taxes assessed thereon for state and county purposes in the several assess-

Value of all Taxable Estate.	Aggregate Value of All Property Taxable for County Purposes.	Aggregate Amount of Money Out at Interest.	Amount of Money Taxed.
Archibald	\$39,817	\$33,817	\$3,778 72
Blakely	376,777	490,492	2,938 45
Bendish	194,000	296,962	1,448 31
Chilton	26,431	20,801	215 61
Covington	81,189	91,918	664 43
Cardonville Township	141,189	165,115	1,155 89
Carbondale City	1,715,830	1,890,983	6,619 69
Dickson City	503,378	586,438	4,065 07
Dunmore	1,565,228	1,617,228	10,629 99
Dutton	112,229	112,229	82 64
Elmhurst	32,328	29,983	279 22
Fell	486,372	520,317	3,705 22
Greenfield	109,616	170,021	1,190 15
Gouldsboro	111	6,884	43 95
Glenburn	72,918	79,238	555 39
Jefferson	111,979	118,229	831 89
Jermyn	269,846	271,538	1,800 99
West Abington	40,750	42,527	325 27
Lehigh	25,281	25,982	188 87
Lackawanna	969,027	988,067	6,016 68
Madison	213,031	219,521	1,497 31
Mallison	153,723	170,394	1,192 78
Newton	227,723	247,388	1,733 89
North Abington	86,227	90,607	651 26
Old Forge	792,821	780,156	5,455 29
Olyphant	167,609	171,570	3,999 59
Ransom	175,085	180,763	1,390 34
Roaring Brook	66,995	71,940	500 58
Scott	294,918	286,169	4,173 27
South Abington	229,298	221,442	155 69
Spring Brook	87,299	91,294	699 06
Thayer	428,735	428,735	2,493 15
Throop	257,967	269,710	2,105 24
Waverly	66,283	67,563	682 94
Winton	389,829	409,444	2,216 11
West Scranton	62,721	65,528	422 71
Scranton	29,186,088	35,696,925	126,626 47
Totals	\$30,023,116	\$30,023,116	\$210,161 82

RULES NOT ENFORCED.

Plumbers Make Known Their Grievances to the Members of the Board of Health.

Fifteen plumbers attended the special meeting of the board of health last evening, called for the purpose of listening to the grievance of this class of workmen in respect to the set of rules which the board recently proposed for the guidance of plumbers and in which, it is affirmed, there is at least one disastrous leak—i. e., the fact that the rules are not generally obeyed. The fifteen who were present last night are among those who observe the rules and their complaint was that they cannot successfully compete in business with the plumbers who ignore the board's mandate. After a thorough discussion the board resolved to ask councils to create the office of plumbing inspector for this city.

The meeting was not begun before 8:45 o'clock. Dr. W. A. Paine, president; Attorney George T. Horn and Henry F. Ziegler, constituted the quorum. The plumbers present were: M. T. Howley, James B. Doyle, Henry J. Gunster, Thomas Devine, Thomas Mullen, Lincoln Williams, Lewis Schumacher, John Snyder, Jacob Muller, Henry Wenzel, William Avery, A. C. Monies and John Johns. Besides the members of the board present Secretary R. J. Murray, Health Officer W. E. Allen, M. D., Food Inspector Cullen, Mounted Officer Burke and Building Inspector John Nelson. The latter was the centre of all discussion.

When the board made the rules (which are to perfect the sanitary system in dwellings) there was no officer to enforce them. Building Inspector Nelson consented to act as inspector, receiving no compensation whatever for this. Mr. Doyle stated to the board in his speech last night that the plumbers believe in the rules but by following them it entails an additional cost of at least 25 per cent. Hence the law-breakers have that much to play on in their bids. He cited instances of breaches of the rules.

Mr. Gunster, who next spoke, said decisively: "The inspector is not enforcing the laws." Building Inspector Nelson then responded. He showed that he has not time to attend to the plumbing inspection as it ought to be looked after. He spoke at length, answering satisfactorily the questions of plumbers and members of the board. He is about to prosecute one case of violation of the rules, he said. Mr. Nelson's popularity with the plumbers was expressed in: "You're all right," from one of the men.

Messrs. Howley, Monies and Snyder also spoke. At the suggestion of Mr. Gunster, on the suggestion of Mr. Horn, resolved to request councils to create the office of plumbing inspector. Building Inspector Nelson will prepare a written statement of his difficulty in attending to the inspection and the Master Plumbers' association will assist in inducing councils to make the office. The plumbers left happy in spirits.

Afterward the board instructed Secretary Murray to secure from City Solicitor McGinley an opinion on the eight-hour day law, passed by the legislature, as it affects the employees of the crematory.

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The grand jury presented its first report to court yesterday morning. It consisted of thirty-eight true bills and thirty-four ignored. One of the ignored bills charged Anthony Washlifskey, Aleck Pitchura and Frank Gajsky with the murder of Anthony Wintergrass, in Fell township, several weeks ago.

After the report was presented to court yesterday the jury considered the bills against George Van Horn, who murdered Mrs. Josephine Wecott in August, 1896, and Charles Abatte, who killed Vito Riamondi on the South Side on Labor Day. The return presented to the court yesterday is as follows:

TRUE BILLS.

Joseph Woelkers, assault and battery; Edward Curtis, assault and battery; Sarah Ann Curtis, assault and battery; Edmund Boyer, pros.; Edwin Curtis, assault and battery; Sarah Curtis, pros.; John Hall, assault and battery; John A. Evans, pros.; Albert Price, assault and battery; Mary Price, pros.; Frank Veroski, assault and battery; Charles Liposki, pros.; Oscar Aaronson, assault and battery; D. Edlesohn, pros.; James A. Wilson, assault and battery; John McMahon, pros.; John Moffatt, assault and battery; Charles Plummer, assault and battery; Ellen Klime, assault and battery; Bridget Maloney, pros.; Patrick Convey, assault and battery; Michael Maloney, pros.; Michael Lavelle, assault and battery; Ann Conner, pros.; Anthony McAndrew, assault and battery; P. G. Boland, pros.; Joseph Woelkers, larceny and receiving; William Haskins, pros.; Kate Conner, larceny and receiving; M. T. Smith, pros.; Giuseppe Rosa, larceny and receiving; Vito Samilo, pros.; Joseph Harenny and receiving; Thomas Edmunds, pros.; Ellen Baskaville, larceny and receiving; Kate Plummer, pros.; Mary Murphy, larceny and receiving; Minnie Dougherty, pros.; John S. Bortree and Peter Van Bergen, murder; Jacob Butterman, pros.; W. S. Rodney, breaking fence; Fuller Johnson, pros.; Julius Hopewell, aiding prisoner to escape; William Clifford, pros.; John Summers, aiding prisoner to escape; Fred Mink, pros.; Patrick L. Knies, defrauding boarding house; Mrs. J. Shoemaker, pros.; Albert Gordon, defrauding boarding house; Mary Hodge, pros.; John Warner, defrauding boarding house; M. J. Hodge, pros.; J. D. Eastman, false pretences; J. W. Rittenhouse, pros.; Frank McAndrew, selling liquor without a license; selling liquor on Sunday; keeping a gambling house; John Gashinsky, attempt at rape; Peter Mieskus, pros.; John McHale, fornication and bastardy; Maria Flynn, pros.; John Tierney, malicious mischief; P. J. Lynott, pros.; William Morgan, common scold; John M. Barrett, pros.; Maggie Reap, common scold; Mary Logan, pros.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

The Eight-Hour Law.

Sir: It is noticed that the city attorney and that of the school board have given their opinions as to the law passed by the last legislature, making eight hours a day's work for certain employees of the city. The opinion of the writer of these decisions make it appear that those employing help in many departments would be expected to pay the same wages for the eight hours as formerly for the ten hours, but the question arises in the minds of many, how is this increased expenditure met, as well as many other questions, which have been in my mind for some time. I am sure that the city is not to be considered as acting for the city's welfare, or promoting the interests of justice, in paying for such service twenty or more per cent. extra because the law make eight hours a day's work, and possibly to be expected to oblige some friendly politician may reduce the hours to five for a day's work? Then it is a well known fact that the money appropriated for street purposes in the outgoing districts has long past been used to pay for labor that gave but little value to the streets, but the amount paid for it has been a further reduction. Has the street commissioner the legal right to increase the wages of labor, or reduce the time of labor on the streets two-thirds for the year, and still leave the main thoroughfares to the city in the best condition they have ever been in?

It is well known that the street department pays much larger wages than is paid in a general way in the city and vicinity, being a dollar and a half or two cents per day for such as employed, while plenty of better help is obtained for a dollar or one twenty-five per day, as it is in many other cities and towns. Can we expect a healthy growth in business and encourage new industries, when our authorities are excessive in expenditures, without usual prudence and consideration that men in business should act upon? I have long held the opinion that the eight-hour law, if it were enforceable one for the division of time in the employ of men and women, manual and mental labor, rest and sleep, although in the experience of a life of seventy-two years wherein much of the time I found it necessary to spend twelve or eighteen hours of the twenty-four at labor, I believe I have not suffered much in doing, yet I cannot believe that the people of this country can adopt eight hours for labor, and sustain the position as now occupy, much less can we go forward in production and compete successfully as we are just now beginning to do, in our exports to foreign countries, in which the hours of labor are much longer.

Honest labor, whether with the hands or brain, is commended in this country and it is hoped always will be, and it has its value as well as commodities or the coin. But we must be able to use all time to advantage of the man and the community. Rather than to waste much of it in idleness and at places where earnings can be spent and wasted to the injury of the man and the family, it would be far better to be at labor much longer hours. My design, however, was to draw attention to conditions, as being shown in decisions as to recent laws, and I trust Mr. Editor, the matter may be discussed in your and the other papers, Yours truly, William H. Richmond, Scranton, Sept. 15, 1897.

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Busy Fall Days

Seemed as though all Scranton was here this week. Here goes for another big day. Now is your time for thinking about

Trunks, Silverware, Pictures, China.

Watch Sale

Is being arranged. About two hundred Ladies' and Gentlemen's Watches at never-heard-of prices. See tomorrow's papers.

Real Cut Glass

Most every body likes rich in beauty and pretty in shape. Only trouble it's so costly. These pieces were—today they're not:

Champagne Tumblers—25c
Whiskey Tumblers—25c
Vinegar Cret—75c
Butter Dish—85c
Water Bottle—95c
Celery Dish—21c

Chatelaine Two special offers for two days. Made of alligator, grain leather, morocco, in brown, green, red, black—variety of shapes. 50c. and \$1.

Picture Offer Seems almost a sin to sell such values at such a price. Been advertised and sold—lots of 'em—at \$1 to \$2—good bargains, too. Today and tomorrow, choice 79c.

Oat Meals Last of the lot, but a lot of them yet. No such chance again—decorated in 3 colors and gold stripe—pretty shape. One day, 5c.

Clock Bargain Six parlor clocks join the parade of sacrifices today. Delf blue, Dresden china and black enamel—8-day—cathedral gong—half hour strike. Their value, \$6 and \$7. Now \$4.68.

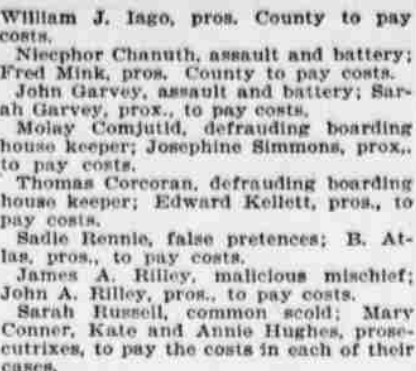
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A Talk

On Sharp Things, we mean Carvers particularly.

Carving Set Knife of best forged steel, scolloped edge, back made from bone saw. Wood handle; fork to match. Monday sale price, 19c. Knife sold separate, 10c.

Carving Set Of all steel, blades handles, 19c. Separate carvers, all prices.

Knives and Half dozen in Forks. set. Good steel blades; fork, best prongs, white bone handles, with steel protectors. Monday sale price, 74c.

Scissors. All kinds, all prices. We keep only best steel. Special for three days, 21c.

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