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BEFORE BREAKFAST. [[]]

That corner which Fierist Clark has shaved off his establishment at Wash- ner so realistic as to hold his audience ington avenue and Spruce street, is great place for meelings-unexpectof parcels and some one else come charging around from the other street at full speed with the natural results The other day a woman was hurrying along just at that point when a man with his head bent and a rather savlook on his countenance ran against her and just as he did so apparently with no application to her or the existing circumstances he ejaculated "d-n!" in a suppressed tone of voler. Of course he apologized. After picking up his umbrella and hers and to undergo an operation. a few other belongings of each that were scattered in the vicinity. He had just separated from another man who passed on across the street and his remark -vidently resulted from some unpleasant turn in the conversation and had been uttered in unconscious solilo-

Two taby carriages collided there Yesterday afternoon and their respective occupants nearly changed places at the shock: a prospect which seemed to interest the infants for they both set up a chirruping and crowing quite amusing to hear. The owners of the babies and vehicles took the matter in quite a different spirit and glared at each other flercely.

One morning last week a woman with a paper pall of cysters created conster-nation in the breast of a fair maiden, and havor with her apparel, because of an unexpected mishap at this corner. That the pail was very full of oysters was certain from the fact that after ssemingly several hundred were planted about that locality for the space of two rods, the policeman stationed at the corner fished three out of his pockets, while the girl who regarded her self the victim of assault and battery found two very damp ones in the high collar of her sealskin coat, one nestling cosily in the fur of her muff having betrayed its presence by trickling down the front of her gown. This corner is probably the innocent looking cause of more exclamations and bumps than any other spot in the city.

Mrs. F. A. Warner, of Jacksonville Fla., has sent to friends in this city some beautiful sea shells as Christmas



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souvenirs. Among them are pink and white Pond Lily shells from the West Indies which make attractive watch charms. Mrs. Warner is a dealer in shells and curios who does a considerable business with Scrantonians who have visited Jacksonville.

Even as far away as St. Paul, Minn., the recent Greater Scranton Issue of The Tribune has brought forth comment. An ex-Scrantonian now living in that city and a friend of Secretary Atherton, of the board of trade, has written the latter in reference to an extract from the Greater Scranton edition which was reproduced in the Philadelphia Record. The writer indi-cated the pleasure with which he had read the article and felicitated Mr. Atherion on below the active representative of this city's trade body.

Hon, Howard K. Sanderson, of Lynn, Mass., who will be one of the speakers at the New England banquet is the oungest member of the Massachusetts legislature Though a Republican be represents a district that is usually strongly Democratic. While in this city he will be the guest of A. F. Law, with whom he traveled on the continent three years ago.

Mrs. Elizabeth Morse, of New York, will deliver an art lecture this afternoon at the Young Women's Christian association, which will be most interesting to those who wish to know more about American artists. These lectures have been most popular in other cities.

. . . Mrs. E. G. Worden will give a chilren's party tomorrow afternoon at her home, 1026 Pine street, from 5 o'clock, in honor of Lorraine Weichel and Carol Finn.

PERSONAL.

Hon, P. P. Smith left for Philadelphia Colonel H. M. Boies and wife left yes-

General John B. Gordon is a guest of R. B. Williams, of Jefferson avenue. The Howard Piace African Methodist Episcopal church fair, under the man-agement of Mrs. H. A. Grant with an ante orps of ladies, will continue until Wedstay or Thursday night.

Rev. Fathers Cabill and Goggan, who ave been assisting in missionary work the Church of the Holy Cross, left yea-erday atternoon for Buffalo. Rev. Fath-r Klernan left Sunday afternoon for

sterday as delegates to the meeting of e National board of trade in Washingon: D. C. The meetings begin today at

ST. THOMAS' LECTURE COURSE.

Rev. D. J. Stafford, D. D., Will Open It Tonight With "Macbeth."

This evening at 8 o'clock Rev. D. J. Stafford, D. D., of Washington, D. C., "Macbeth," perhaps the most sublime and impressive of Shakespeare's productions. It lends itself marvelously to the peculiar talent of Dr. Stafford, who makes his audience forget the present hour, and feel as if transported into the scenes and incidents portrayed, for It abounds In distinct characterizations, and pictorial charm, and poetic coloring to an extent not realized in the other

There is not an incident or feature opportunity for exquisite declamation e forgotton. Among other items of surpassing strength and beauty, we may refer to the soliloquy, the vision, of Macbeth; the dialogues between Lady Macbeth and her irresolute husband; the horrible features of Lady Macbeth's night wandering, and the words of Macduff when he hears of

th murder of his wife and children. These are gems of rarest beauty, and Dr. Stafford presents them in a manspell-bound.

ed ones, when you have your arms full TIMOTHY BURKE MUCH IMPROVED. Will Recover Without Having to Un-

dergo an Operation. The condition of Timothy Burke continued to improve Sunday night and yesterday, and last evening his attending physician reported him to be out of danger.

There was consultation yesterday in which Dr. Pepper, of Philadelphia, participated. The prognosis was that Mr. Burke would recover without having

Ninth Ward Caucus.

A caucus of the Republican voters of the Ninth ward, Scranton, will be held in the mayor's court room, Thursday evening, Dec. 16, 1897, between the hours of 6 p. m. and 8.30 p. m., for the purpose of nominating a school controller, an alderman and constable. (Signed) Vigilance Committee,

To Voters of the Ninth Ward.

The impression having gone abroad that I am not a candidate for nomination for the office of school controller of the oth ward. I take this opportunity to inform my friends that I am still a curand respectfully solicit their support on Thursday evening.

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CHAPFEE -In Scranton Dec. 12, 199, J. H. Chaffee, of Jamestown, N. Y., at the home of his son Rev. A. F. Chaffee, haster of the Asbery Methodist Episopal church, of this city. Puneral from

"LYNN.-In Sementon, Dec. 12, 1897, Malthew Flynn, at the home of his parents, Mr. Enos Flynn, of West Market street. Funeral Tuesday at 9 c. m. A requiem mass will be sung in Holy Rosary church. Burist in the Hyde Park Cathdie cemetery.

SLATTERY.-In Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 12.

1897. Katherine MacManama Slattery, wife of Mr. Joseph Slattery, of Brookyu. aged 52 years. Funeral from 1120 Mulberry street, Saganton, Tuesday, Dec. 14 at 5 o'clock. A high mass of requiem will be celebrated in St. Peter's cathedrat. Bariel in the Hyde Park Catholic cemetery.

WHITMORE.-In Dunmore, Pa., Dec. 13. 1897. George T. Whitmore, age 3 years and 7 months, son of E. G. Whitmore. Funeral Wednesday; private.

MR. DUNNING HAS SOMETHING IN VIEW

He and Health Officer Allen Get an Idea in New Jersey.

TO SOLVE THE GARBAGE QUESTION

Scranton's Street Commissioner Has Been Making Flying Trips and Getting Information to Present to Councils .- His Scheme, if Approved, Will Provide for a Systematic Collection and Disposal of to the City.

The present system of disposing of garbage, rubbish and street sweepings in Scranton is to be revolutionized if council take favorable action on a plan soon to be submitted to them by Street Commissioner Dunning. He has recently been investigating the problem in New York, Brooklyn and Buffalo, and is satisfied that the great bulk of refuse now gathered in a slip-shod manner can be properly eared for without expense to the city, and possibly with profit.

"From investigations I have already made," said Mr. Dunning to a Tribune reporter yesterday, "I feel satisfied that the disposal of rubbish and garbage can be made without municipal expense, provided councils will regulate the question by proper legisla-tion." On that point Mr. Dunning want d to be quoted correctly in order that his opinion might be fully understood. He has for sometime been making it a study from a scientific standpoint and his conclusions have been so thoroughly shaved by a wellto-do and influential Scranton business man that the latter has been exp rimenting with a view of ascertaining the profit that could be made from the sale of sortings.

HAVE A MARKET VALUE. A brief and general description of

the sorting system in New York city will give an idea of what Mr. Dunning has in view for Scranton:
A big bolt, several feet wide, runs

over a large sorting table and carries slowly before the gaze of a score or so President W. A. May and Colonet F. t., of pickers the rubbish from a large litchcock, of the board of trade, left receiving bin. From this slowly movof pickers the rubbish from a large ing belt each picker is supposed to remove one or two of the following kinds

Manilla paper, mixed paper, pasteoard, woolen rags, linsey carpet, wool carpet, white rags, black rags, mixed ags, shoes by the pound, shoes for repair, mixed copper, pewter, iron, good rubber, white rubber, overshoes, tin cans, glass, hair, hair cloth, hats by the pound, hats by the piece. Each of opens the lecture course for this win-ter at St. Thomas' College hall. His brings a profit to the person who gets the privilege of sorting it. In New York city the plant is owned by the city and operated by the contractor.

An uninformed person wouldn't appreclate a gift of a lot of tin cans, but they are worth \$3.25 a wagon load In New York the Brewer's association pays \$1.75 per gross for beer bottles. Each of the other lots has its value. It costs nothing for steam to run the

machinery. After the rubbish has passed the pickers it drops from the belt into a bin and is carried by an of the play that does not afford an endless belt into a fire-box and burned, the heat generating steam for the and analysis-and the manner in which | plant. The amount of fuel is so great he presents the selections made by that more than enough steam is genhim makes an impression which cannot erated. It might be imagined that the gas and smoke from the boiler plant would be a nasty smelling nuisance, Such is not the case, however, The the deed, the remorse, from the lines smoke and gases are forced by a blower back into the flames and burned free of all odor.

For years the Scranton board of health and the successive heads of the street department have been at their wits' end for a remedy against the scattering of refuse about the streets, something that is no less a sanitary problem than one of cleanliness. An opportunity for light on the subject was offered in the meeting of the New Jersey Sanitary association at Lakewood, N. J., last week and it was attended by Mr. Dunning and Dr. W. E. Allen, health officer of the city. The New Jersey cities on account of low, level and marshy lands and an absence investigations of sewage and other sanitary questions to greater length than any state in the union. In that state it is a science and not a political prob-

ADVOCATED SORTING SYSTEM. Much of the information gained by the two Scranton officials was from Rudolph Herring, of New York city, late chairman of the committee appointed by the National Sanitary board to investigate the garbage question, and M. M. Baker, C. E., associate editor of the Engineering News. They both advocated the sorting system mentioned in the foreging and which includes a system for disposing of 'wet" garbage. This latter makes it possible to extract marketable grease and fats, but the method is too technical to be described briefly here. Mr. Dunning has made three trips to New York, Buffale and Brooklyn at his own expense and in a week or so will continue his investigations in Philadelphia and New York, chiefly in the

latter city, which possesses what is recognized as the model sorting and garbage plant. He will study it as a civil engineer, which is his profession but will be accompanied by a wellknown mechanical engineer of city, who will investigate from the latter standpoint. They will then return to Scranton to prepare drawings and plans for a plant suitable to this city and which will accompany Mr. Dunning's communication to councils on

Mr. Dunning will, however, first address the board of health in reference to the matter, as that body will meanwhile receive a report from Dr. Allen and ask for further information.

If the plan is approved by councils, householders, storekeepers and others will be obliged to sort their "wet" and "dry" garbage and rubbish, place it in galvanized iron cans on the curbstone twice or thrice a week and have it removed free of expense to them by whoever is awarded by councils the privilege. It is not unlikely that the cost of removing street sweepings can also be entirely done away with. In many cities this is performed gratis by persons who sell the sweepings for fertilizer.

HALF IS LEARAGE.

It is claimed that fully one-half of the refuse now taken off the streets is leakage from ask and garbage wagons. Much of the paper and litter is from stores or is blown from the collecting

Some mercantile concerns pay for the removal of refuse matter, others have it done without cost and others receive pay from the garbage men-all according to the nature of the refuse. The result is that the whole system is irregular, unsanitary and unclean.

TRIED TO CHOKE AN ENGINE.

Number of West Scranton Urchins Have Fun Which Cost Money. Hyde Park boys found a dispatched log to a field near Robinson's brew ery Sunday. They tied a rope about its neck and dragged the dog to the bridge on Swetland street, cross the Delaware, Lackawanna and West-ern tracks. Then they dropped the dog over the railing and waited for the milk train due in this city at 1.30 p. in On the spur of the moment the boys

iccided to drop the dog into the snoke stack of the engine. But the aim was bad and the dispatched conine smashed square against Rubbish and Garbage Without Cost | the glass front of the headlight on the

engine of the milk train. The after part of the escapade was enacted in Alderman Miliar's office last night. Special Officer Durkin had succeeded in serving warrants on Wil-Deckelnick, John Winfield Fernal, John Peirce, Peter Larkin, Edward and Gomer Farr, brothers; a boy ramed Dodge, "Dick" McHugh, Joseph Madigan,Sammle Weislerberg and Roy Smith. McHugh was there as a wit-

After a whole lot of bother Willie Decklenick, John Winfield Fernat and Sammie Weislerberg were fined \$5 each, The parents of the two latter paid the

Willie Decklenick had to wait for an pay his fine, he was discharged. He said that he would take his wages as the alderman.

EXECUTOR'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Mistake He Shares an Estate With One Who Is Not an Heir. Attorney M. J. Martin, auditor in the estate of P. C. Callahan, deceased,

filed his report in court yesterday, and it was given conditional approval, The decedant is survived by a widow, now Mrs. N. J. Norton, and three sons, George, John and James. He held title to the property at 228 Lackawanna avenue, but it was in trust for his children. It appears that the property was sold for taxes soon after the death of Mr. Callahan, and the executor bought it in for the estate, Presuming that this was regular, the executor continued during eight years following the death of Mr. Callaban to divide the revenues from the property equally among the widow and three children. The auditor declares that the widow was not entitled to any share whatever

in the property. Her husband was estopped from benefitting from his neglect as truste and consequently the sale to the estate was irregular. The estate having no interest in the property, the wife therefore has no inter-The fact that the children knew of

and countenanced the action of the executor in paying a share to the mother saves the executor from being com-pelled to reimburse the children for the money paid to the mother, which amounted, all told, to \$3,113.31.

DR. RANK RESIGNS.

Junior Physician at the Lackawanna Hospital Will Leave for Home.

At a meeting of the directors of the Lackawarna Hospital association last night it was decided to purchase an X-ray machine for use at the hospital The apparatus will be secured as ear-

Dr. H. P. Rank, resident physician handed in his resignation last night. Dr. Rank will leave within a few days for Pine Grove, Pa., his native town and will engage in a private practice which he discontinued six menths ago to accept the position at the hospital. Dr. Rank has proved entirely satisfactory to the management of the hospital and leaves with the well wisher and respect of his brother physicians.

GREEN RIDGE MASONS.

The Annual Election of Officers Was Held Last Night.

Green Ridge lodge, No. 597, Free and Accepted Masons, held its annual election last night, Jesse E. Clifford, the retiring worshipful master, was chosen representative to the Grand lodge Other officers were elected as follows Worshipful master, Bradley Woodhull; senior warden, George S. Atkins; of grade, have probably carried their junior warden, Eevjamin Imisen; treasurer, R. A. Zimmerman; secre tary, E. G. Stevens: trustees, C. S. Seamans, E. D. Hughes and J. 1. Medway. They will be installed on the evening of St. John's Day, Monday

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Scranton audiences are not renowned for their enthusiasm or for yielding even a faint meed of appreciative demonstration to a speaker or to most en tertainments. General Gordon could not possibly have guessed such a fachast night by the reception given his and his address at Y. M. C. A. hall, The auditorium was filled and the sight of the flag of the Union draped over the reading stand possibly was the first incentive to enthusiasm. At any rate, when the tall, spare figure the great Confederate leader appeared on the platform there was a phenomhour but his parents not coming to enal and contagious burst of applause General Gordon's pleasant, kindly face and his characteristic southern accent slate-picker at the Oxford breaker to are sure to make a delightful impres sion. He has a marvelous gift of story telling and often rises to a height of eloquence that thrills his listener.

His happy salutation, "Ladies, com ides and countrymen, it is a southern soldier who comes to you, but one wh is true as any man in this broad re public to that flag," captivated hi audience at the outset. He then said that he did not propose to speak so much of the great battles of the war as to portray important phases and in idents, relating to the last days of the Confederacy. He believed that every soldier who fell on either side turned his pale face to the sky in response to the call of duty as he conceived it. The boundaries of the Confederacy were Gettysburg and Vicksburg-Apcomattox and Greensburg. When the sun of its success went down to rise no more, it left on both sides a record of valor and devotion such as this world has never withoused in any other Intriod of history.

WHY HE CROSSED. The reason for Lee's crossing the Potomac, General Gordon humorously described as hunger on the part of the southern troops and the sight of Pennsylvania's fat, fertile lands, with the cattle and grain. Then, social reciprocity also entered into the matter, as they owed visits to the Yankees, although or the occasion of the call made upon them at Antietam, McClellan had been given such a hearty welcome as not (Continued on Page 8.)

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