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BEFORE BREAKFAST. ()))

Lakewood in the New Jersey pines, fifty-two miles from New York, commands the attention of many Scrantonians seeking a winter place of so-journ as the most popular, healthful Selection, "Am Schoon Blauen See winter resort in the North, The climate of Lakewood seldom varies, and the bracing, pine-laden air is so dry Piano Solo, Grand Waltz De Concert, that cold is scarcely noticed. In fact akewood is a combined winter resort for fashion and outdoor sports, and for persons affected with lung and throat troubles. The village has the finest appointed and largest hotels existing and innumerable high-class boarding houses. Winter at Lakewood is like summer at Saratoga. The finest kind of roads and most romantic drives are here, and a beautiful lake skirts the village where skating and ice boating form inviting features. Lakewood is reached only by the Cenwal Railroad of New Jersey, whose district passenger agent in Scranton is J. S. Swisher,

The Civics club will hold its first meeting this evening at 8 o'clock. The following papers will be presented: "The Works of a Civics Club in Scranton," "Historical Review of Currency as a Medium of Exchange," "The Currency of the United States," "The Report of the Indianapolis Monetary Commission." The reading of each paper will be followed by a brief discussion in which you are invited to participate.

An evidence of a proper appreciation of values was given at the Wyoming avenue fire the other night when young gentleman was asked to assist in removing the most valuable articles from one of the buildings that were threatened with destruction by the fire fiend. The young man responded readily and started for the building with the alacrity of a professional lifesaver. The hoarse cries of the firemen were mingled with the roar of the puffing steamers and wild-eyed men and women gazed in awe upon the fearful scene as the crackling, blazing timbers and crumbling walls fell with a frightful crash, sending thousands of brilliant sparks of fire shooting heavenward like tiny meteors. The sable skies of night were made lurid by the awful glare and the scene was sufficient to make the stoutest heart quail. But the rescuer hesitated not. With set features and firm bearing he rushed into the threatened building while the crowd watched anxiously without. In a few moments the rescuer returned. A smile of triumph was on his face and in his arms was a dress suit case filled with bottled beer!

A reporter assigned to a strange town, with orders to "get news," was looking about for undertakers, justices of the peace and physicians. In the darkness of a side street he dimly saw a sign tacked to the side of a house:

The rest was easy. The reporter rang the door bell, was greeted by a grufflooking old gentleman with white

whiskers. "Good evening, doctor; any news?" The white-whiskered man paused. cleared his mouth of some dark fluid before he spoke, and slowly said: "W'all, there's not much I know of. Bill Jones' horse is sick and Hank Thompson's grey mare has a bad

He was a horse doctor.

METHODS OF TEACHING.

Are Being Observed in the County by Prof. Bible.

Professor George W. Bible, principal of the East Stroudsburg Normal school, has for several days been visiting the Lackawanna county schools, accompanied by County Superintendent Tay-Professor Bible's inspection has been for the purpose of gaining infor-

mation upon what is required of teachers graduating from the Normal school. The East Stroudsburg school is the one located in the seven counties com-prising the Thirteenth Normal district, The head of its faculty, Professor Bible, though a comparatively young man, is one of the leading normal instructors of the state. His services are

now sought for the Rockford Normal school in New York. The teaching in the Scranton schools will be observed by Professor Bible be fore the end of the month.

REJECTED MAN'S REVENGE sent His Dog Forth Bearing a Card

Denouncing His Rival. Man's faithful friend has been put to many uses, but for novelty in the mat-ter of making itself useful the hamgoes to August Yeminiski's bone g

August and his dog live in Park Place, and not far from their habita-tion resides George Bulrns. August and George both ardently loved a fair neighbor who spells her name Felia Noyenski. August, it appears, was bested in the fight for the fair Felia, and, so it is hinted in high Hungarian circles, evoked a terrible scheme for

He wrote a card setting forth that his detested rival was this and that, and that he had done so and so, the said card being emblazoned in letters each an inch long. It was a little too tart even for the Sunday papers, but he was bound to get it before the public, so he struck on the novel idea of making his dog the medium of publi-

The card was hung about the dog's neck, a bell was attached to his collar and on Sunday, Jan. 30, last, the animal was turned loose to wander at will and publish broadcast the alleged bad character and misdoings of its master's rival.

It created a big scandal, of course, and ever since nothing else has been talked of in the set in which the prin-

Buirns has retained Attorney George W. Beale to prosecute Yeminiski for slander, A \$3,000 damage suit was in-stituted yesterday, and with it was filed a declaration setting forth what is related above. What the card contained was very interesting, but on account of lack of space and some other considerations it is impossible to

PROGRAMME FOR DAVIS' BENEFIT. Well-Known Artists Who Will Par-

ticipate in It. following programme will be rendered at the testimonial benefit to George E. Davis in the Lyceum theatre

PART FIRST.

Overture, "Zampa" Bauer's Orchestra. Baritone Solo, "The Bandolero, G. W. Chadwike

Mr. John T. Watkins. Recitation, "The Message".....Proctor Miss Bessie Slote, with Plano Accompaniment.

Violin Solo, Selected...Mr. Vanderveken Duet and Specialty, Introducing Double Jig and Wing Dance.

The Randall Sisters Specialty, "The Yankee Farmer," Mr. Charles J. Randall

PART SECOND.

Mr. T. Reeve Song and Imitations. Miss Katle Rooney Of the Katle Reoney Company, Recitation, "Dr. Jokyl and Mr. Hyde.

Banjo SoloMr. George Carr

A NIGHT WITH THE VETERANS.

Interesting Social Session at the Griffin Post Rooms.

A very enjoyable camp fire was held at the close of the regular 'uster of Lieutenant Ezra S. Griffin Post last evening, and the comrades were regaled with a luncheon, consisting of sandwiches, fried oysters, coffee, etc., which was furnished by the commander, A. B. Stevens, who is a very enthusiastic Grand Army man. Mr. Stevens is serving his second term, which shows the esteem in which he is held by the members of the post.

After partaking of the lunch the post was entertained by Comrade Fish, who related his experience in marching while at the Buffalo encampment. His story was graphically and ludicrously told. He was followed by Comrade Pearce, who gave his experiences as a rebel prisoner, which was told only as one can tell it who suffered months in those prisons. The chaplain, Comrade Scott, sang an original produc-tion. "How Morey Led the Band," which was the gem of the evening and

was a surprise to the comrade. Comrade Morey replied to the effort of the chaplain by relating a drama in which the chaplain and the Fourth Iowa cavalry were very conspicuous. Comrade Scott served three years in well-known fighting regiment. "Tenting Tonight" was sung by the members of the post, led by Comrade Wright. One by one the veterans are passing away, but as the number decreases those remaining seem to stand closer and touch elbows with a stronger affection if possible than ever.

SCRANTON BUSINESS COLLEGE DIARY

Monday. Request from a prominent nsurance man for a lady stenographer; another from an attorney for a young man stenographer; one from a corporation for a young man bookkeeper, Tuesday. Mr. Peter J. Walsh goes to work for Garney, Brown & Co. Sent

by the College Wednesday, Request for a lady ookkeeper.

Thursday, Miss Eva Durie takes charge of the books for the Burr Drug Co. Sent by the College, Request from a corporation for five lady bookkeepers; request for another lady book-

Friday. Mr. Lesher writes to a "I have a very good position. friend: Have accounts with over a thousand. Plenty of work, but nothing I don't understand. For this I have no one to thank but the Scranton Business Col-

position as bookkeeper for Mr. J. B. Poore, machine manufacturer. Sent by the College.

Week ending Saturday, Feb. 5. Any doubting the accuracy of the above doubting the accuracy and verify.

DIED.

EVANS.—In West Scranton, Feb. 4, 1838, Mrs. Thomas C. Evans, about 40 years of age, at the residence, 323 North Main avenue. Funeral announcement

DISPOSING OF THE RELIEF FUND

Through Council.

PROVISIONS IT CONTAINS

Directs That the City Clerk Issue Warrant to the Treasurer of the Scranton Ftremen's Relief Association for the Amount Intended for the Firemen by the Act of June, 28, 1895 -- A Councilman's Opinion.

At Thursday night's meeting of select council the following ordinance which has passed the lower branch, was received and referred to the fire department committee for considera-

Section 1.—Be it ordained by the select and common councils of the city of Scranton: That all such sums of money as may be received by the city treasurer in accordance with the act of assembly pproved June 28, 1895, be and is hereby eclared to be received for the benefit of the Scranton Firemen's Relief asso-

Sec. 2.-That the city treasurer is here by directed to enter such sums on the re-cipt thereof under a special account and to report the said amount annually to the ity clerk who is hereby directed to issue warrant therefor in favor of the treasurer of the Scranton Firemen's Relief association immediately after the recity treasurer.

Sec. 3.-That any ordinance or part of ordinance conflicting with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same is hereby repealed so far as the same affects this ordinance.

This is another attempt to convert the money received from the foreign insurance companies of the state for the use of the firemen. A law was passed by the legislature directing that the two per cent, paid by foreign in-surance companies on all business done in Pennsylvania be turned over to the various municipalities to create a fund for the payment of firemen disabled through services rendered at fires Without exception the councilmen of the city are warmly in favor of using the fund for the firemen and for nothing else, but it is seemingly difficult to get legislation on the subject that will not run counter to the constitution.

MANY DIFFICULTIES. In the first place the legislature to prevent conflict with the constitution and to direct that the money be turned over to the city. There is nothing di-rectly to indicate that it shall be used for the firemen. That is known simply from the intention of the framers of the law. The constitution forbids a municipality from voting money for anything other than the proper expenses of the city government and that has caused more trouble for those who want the firemen to get the money the state legislature intended they should have.

The present ordinance some of the councilmen think is defective and illegal and it may have a serious time in getting through select council. One of them, in conversation with a Tribune reporter yesterday, said:
"I believe the ordinance is defective

the money over to the treasurer of the Scranton Firemen's Relief association

That money was intended for the fremen and they should have it, but it should be safeguarded by the city for those who are entitled to receive it and should be expended under the supervision of the city authorities."

With reference to an ordinance which n many respects seems to be identical with the present ordinance, the city solicitor of Allentown some time ago as follows:

ALLENTOWN OPINION.

"The only question to be considered whether the city has a right, under its charter, to appropriate money to the Allentown Firemen's Relief assolation. It is a well known principal of municipal law that a city has no powers except such as are expressed in its charter, or such as are necessarily implied in order to carry out the object of its incorporation. "The acts of assembly governing

cities of the third class does not conain any grant of power which would authorize a city to appropriate money to the Firemen's Relief association. In fact, if such power were contained in the acts of assembly it would avail nothing.

"The constitution of Pennsylvania, Article 9, Section 7, provides as follows: The general assembly shall not authorize any county, city, borough, township or incorporated district to become a stockholder in any company, association or corporation or to obtain or appropriate money for or loan its credit to any corporation, association, institution or individual.' Under this section the legislature would have no right to authorize a city to appropriate money to any corporation or association. In the case of Wilkes-Barre City hospital vs. the county of Luzerne, 84 Pennsylvania State Reports, page 55. The act of the 21st of May, 1874, enabling a private incorporated hospital to make requisition upon a county for the payment of its charges for the support of patients under its treatment even though they be paupers, was declared to be unconstitutional, since it was an appropriation of money by the county to a corporation.

MATTER OF REGRET.

"I regret that I cannot find any way to advise you to pay this money to the Allentown Firemen's Relief associa-tion. The objects of the association are such as appeal to every one's sympathies.

"The law on the subject is, however, very plain and hardly admits of any fruit. discussion. I must therefore advire you that you cannot lawfully authorize the payment of the warrant by countersigning the same."

In order to get around the embarrassing points of the law it was some months ago proposed to form a fire-men's relief board, consisting of two members from each fire company in Saturday, Miss Kate Lavelle accepts the city, together with the chief of the fire department, mayor, city treasurer and city controller. Claims for relief were to be reported by the members from each company and after being approved by the board, were to be presented to councils for passage, as other fire department bills are.

BENSON DAVIS FOR FILLING.

Accepts the Vacant Tail and Place on Democratic Ticket. At Thursday night's meeting of the

was decided to write Benson M. Davis, the present school controller from the RATE FOR KEEPING Fourth ward, to accept the place on the ticket made vacant by Mr. Jen-

nings' desertion. Mr. Davis accepted and his substi-tution was formally certified to the county commissioners yesterday by the Democratic city committee.

ROENTGEN RAY'S LECTURE t Charmed a Large Audience in th

High School Building. large audience marvelled and was entertained and instructed last night by a lecture on the Roentgen rays delivered in the high school auditorium by Dr. Goodspeed, of the University of Pennsylvania. Several qualified persons pronounced it the clearest and most able exposition of the X-ray theory and practice they had had, either from printed matter or discourse. The lecturer was introduced by ex-City

Solicitor James H. Torrey. Dr. Goodspeed gave his hearers a conception of the Roentgen rays by negative demonstration-by showing what it was not. The energy created from an induction coll, he described from an illustration of the water power possible from a reservoir at a great heighth, a matter of stored power let loose against non-resistance, the less air and consequently less resistance in a Crooks tube the greater the rate of travel of the electric current between

An elaborate array of tubes and othr X-ray apparatus was used by Dr. Goodspeed in practical demonstration. Forty views were shown by a stereopticon. Many of them were X-ray photographs taken in the University of Pennsylvania hospital. A photograph of Mr. Torrey's hand was "taken" and developed in about fifteen minutes and displayed to the audience. When Dr. Goodspeed concluded, the appreciation of his discourse was shown in a hearty colume of applause from the audience. The next lecture of the university ourse will be on Feb. 25, when Dr. Penniman will lecture on "Literature in the Age of Elizabeth."

AN ENTERTAINING PROGRAMME.

Was Rendered by Members of Scranton Business College Lyceum.

A large audience assembled in the Scranton Business college rooms last evening to listen to one of the most interesting and amusing programmes rendered by the members of the Lyceum. A vocal solo was rendered by P. J. Whelan, a duet by Misses McNulty and Loftus, after which a mock trial was arranged in which the following persons took part: W. R. Morgan, W. D. G'Donnell, A. P. Gavin, P. J. Whelan, John Larkin, Margaret McNulty, Mame Nealon, Charles Fox, Hubert Gordon, Manley Latham, P. J. Demp-

The trial was well arranged and proved a source of merriment to those who attended. The society is in a flourishing condition and is a source from which the members receive a valuable training.

NO AGEEEMENT REACHED.

Jury in the Malin Case Was Still Out at Il O'clock p. m.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning the case of Patrick and Bridget Malia against the Scranton Traction company for the reason that it does not say was given to the jury. No verdict had what the Act of June 28, 1895, is, and been reached at adjournment and at furthermore, it contemplates turning 11 o'clock last night no agreement had been reached. This was the last case open for trial

which, as I view the law, cannot be done and which I believe should not be done even if it was possible to overcome the legal difficulties.

This was the last case the next session will occur during the week beginning Feb. 14. It is expected that Judge McPherson, of Dauphin county, will preside.

SCRANTON MARRIAGE IN OHIO.

Miss Mullen While on a Visit Marries a former Scrantonian.

Miss Tessie Mullen, of River street, vas married Thursday, at Cincinnati, o., to Edward Dempsey, formerly of rendered an opinion to the city con-troller of that city, which in part was clanati. The ceremony was performed at St. Edwards' church by Rev. Father Donahoe.

The bride was in Cincinnati on a vis it to her aunt, Mrs. Bacelle, having gone there about three months ago. Mr. Dempsey has resided in Cincinnati for three years.

Klondike Gold.

Mr. James I. McCullough, an experienced miner who has lived in Alaska for several years and is thoroughly familiar with the Yukon River territory and the supplies needed, is organizing and will personally accompany a special party to leave Buffalo via the Nickel Plate road, on Tuesday, February 8th, 1898. Mr. McCullough's long experience in Alaska enables him to give reliable information on all matters pertaining to the trip and after reaching the gold fields.

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INSANE PATIENTS

of the Scranton Liederkranz, to be held at their hall, Monday night, Feb. 7. Tickets can be had at Driesen's, 228 Lacks, ave. Home Committee of the Poor Board Instructed to Fix It.

OF THE SUPERINTENDENT BOND

Approved by the Board and Ordered Placed on File .- The Report of Superintendent Beemer Shows that There Were 430 Inmates in the Home on January 31-- John Simon Makes a Very Pathetic Plea for Assistance.

At yesterday's meeting of the poor board the home committee was in structed to report on a uniform price to be charged for the care of insane patients sent to the Hillside Home by other poor districts. The matter came up when the board was considering the advisability of receiving Robert Slaughter, of Honesdale, as an insane patient, the cost of his keeping to be charged to the Honesdale poor district. It was the opinion of the directors

that patients from outside districts should be charged such a sum as will recompense this district not only for the actual keeping, but also for the amount of money invested in the buildings and expended for repairs, attendants, etc. The home committee will report a figure including everything. It was decided to receive the Hones dale patient, the amount to be paid for him to be fixed when the home committee presents its report,

The bond of George W. Beemer, as superintendent of the farm, was read by Secretary Langstaff. It is in the sum of \$2,000 and has William Blume and Byron Ackerly as sureties. The bond was approved by the board and ordered filed.

Mr. Beemer's monthly report showed that there were 419 patients in the home on Dec. 31, 1897, and during the month of January twenty sane and fourteen insane were admitted. Fourteen sane and ten insane patients were discharged during the month, and five insane and one sane person died. On Jan. 31 the population of the district's colony at home was 432. Of this num-ber 147 are sane males and 52 sane females. The number of Insane males

is 108 and of insane females 116.

A number of applications for relief were heard by the board. John Simon who resides on River street, was one of these who appeared before the board. He is a gardner but has not had employment since November. His plea was real pathetic. He just wanted a bag of flour or something that would help him along for a little while until

he can get employment. He came here from Luzerne borough seven months ago, and is therefore a charge on that district. Director Terppe was instructed to see that the man or his wife and their four children do not suffer for the necessaries of life, and in the meantime Secretary Langstaff will find out what the Luzerne borough poor authorities are willing to do for the man. Several of the other applicants were women who were descried by their

husbands. OPENING OF WYOMING AVENUE.

Mayor Bailey Makes a Visit to Territory That Will Be Affected. Mayor James G. Balley and City Engineer Phillips yesterday afternoon

affected by the opening of Wyoming avenue, between Pine and Ash streets, The visit was for the purpose of giving Mayor Bailey an accurate idea of the proposed improvement before he takes action on the ordinance providing for the opening of Wyoming avenue, which is now before him for con-

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