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Women's Kangaroo and White Bros.' Box Calf Lace Shoes, made in the latest shapes and as well-fitting a shoe as money will buy. were \$3.50.



Men's Box Calf and Cordovan Lace Shoes, double soles, were \$5.00.

410 SPRUCE STREET.

CITY NOTES.

Bittenbender & Co, have the new 1898 model Sterling bleyele at their store on Franklin avenue.

Mrs. Denio Pick, of Keyser Valley, has been granted a pension of \$10 a month and back pay from September, 1897. The pension was procured by Alderman

A committee of the teachers of St. Luke's East End mission on Prescott avenue, will serve a meat supper on Washington's birthday from 5.39 to 7.39. Pickets, 20 cents.

There will be a meeting of the "Naci-rena Circle" at 3.36 o'clock p. m. Sun-day, Feb. 20, in the hall of the Excelsion Social club, over the Economy furniture store on Wyoming avenue

Friends of the late Mrs. I. F. Everhart can view the remains from 10 until 12 to-day at the family residence on Frankilla day at the family residence on Frankilla C. H. Miller, John Benore, George F. Friends of the late Mrs. I. F. Everhart avenue. The funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. in St. Luke's church.

It was Henry Armbrust, not John Armbrust, to whom Mr. Hendrick, of Clark's Summit, sold the steers that passed through the city Tuesday. Mr. Armbrust of the most extensive meat dealers

Dr. Parker, of New York, who is asnoon, 12.15, at the Young Women's Chrisction. All women and girls are invited to come.

A regular meeting of select council will be held this evening. The ordinance creating the office of plumbing inspector. runcided at the last meeting, will be called to for second and third readings. A large batch of electric light ordinances will be considered.

Lieutenant Colonel Lindsay, of Philacouncil of the Volunteers of America, council of the Volunteers of America, will be here today and conduct a meeting tenight at the Volunteer armory, 513 Lackawanna avenue. He will play at one time the cornet and organ.

At 7.25 last evening flames broke out in At 425 list evening flames broke out in the ruins of the partly burned Gorman stable on Spruce street. Fire had been smouldering in a pile of huy and straw and the strong what famed it into a thane. A still alarm was sent to the Chemical and its needless to say the fire was promptly extinguished.

Joseph Spurdia and Maria Perogos. Scranton: Joseph B. Mulhern, Peckville, and Elanche Cook, Factoryville; P. F. Quian and Mary E. McHugh, Scranton: John Mulloy and Katie Cawley, Scranton: John Monahan and Nellie Coor, Scranton: Authory liurke and Mary Mantey, Dunmore; Nicholas J. Hellring and Angula L. Gill Scranton, were staulted mar-Dummore: Nicholas J. Hellring and An-tic L. Gill, Scrantor, were granted mar-riage licenses yesterday.

SHILTZ ON THE WARPATH.

Bent His Mother by Way of Variety and Is Now in Juit.

For beating his mother and generally disarranging the furniture and crockery in his parents' nome on Elm street early yesterday morning, Wil-liam Shultz is in the county jail. Shultz is 24 years old, anything by occupation and well acquainted with the po-

The father left the house at 1 o'clock yerterday morning after unsuccessful- Saturday afternoon with his trainer ly trying to subdue the son, who was crazed by drink, and summoned Patrol-mer Serter and Schmidt. When they reached the place its interior was very much disrupted and the mother bore the marks of the son's blows. In police court yesterday morning Shultz, senior, appeared as complainant. Mayor Balley imposed a twenty-day penalty.

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THE KEATOR JURY **GIVES BIG VERDICT**

Makes an Award of \$4,670.83 and a Special Finding.

CONDITIONAL VERDICT, HOWEVER

Question Was Raised as to Whether or Not the Plaintiff Was a Passenger When the Injury Occurred, and Judge McPherson Reserved His Decision .- The Case of Catherine Sweeney Against the Traction Company Is Begun.

Mrs. Susan B. Kentor was yesterday awarded a verdict of \$4,670.83 against the Scranton Traction company.

The jury retired at 11.30 o'clock and

at 3.30 o'clock returned with the above finding and an affirmative answer to a special question submitted by Judge McPherson as to whether or not the plaintiff's injuries were sustained through the negligent-manner in which the defendant company's employe han-dled the trolley pole which broke and fell upon Mrs. Keator,

The reserved point is a new question law raised by Jessup & Jessup, atrneys for the company. When Mrs. Keator was injured she had a transfer in hand and was on her way to take a ear. The trolley pole in being changed broke in twain and one end of it fell upon her head and shoulders inflicting permanent injuries. The defense contended that she was not a passenger and could not legally sue as such. The verdict rests on Judge McPherson's dedsien of this point.

When the Keator jury had retired the case of Catherine Sweeney against the Traction company was taken up. W. H. McArniff, of Wilkes-Barre and T. P. Hoban appeared as counsel for the plaintiff. Jessup & Jessup represented he defendant company.

Mrs. Sweeney was injured in August. 895, by being run down on Lackawanna avenue near the Washington avenue intersection. She was crossing the street in front of Hengler's bakery coming from the south to the north side. A Taylor car struck her as she was in the middle of the track knecking her down and dragging her for some distance beneath the car. She was injured to such an extent she claims, that \$10,000 would be small compersation for her. She and her witlesses claim that the motorman gave no signal by ringing the bell or any

The defense is that Mrs. Sweeney merged suddenly from behind a covred ice wagon and darted across the track immediately in front of the car. There was no negligence on the comany's part, it is claimed, and Mrs. Sweeney was guilty of contributory negligence, because the accident aid not occur at a crossing.

GONE TO HOT SPRINGS.

Large Party of Scrantonians Have Gone to That Resort.

A party of well known Scranton men left here yesterday on an elaborately arranged trip to Hot Springs, Arkan-Mitchell, Victor Koch, Peter Zeigler, Frank Thon pson, Emil Weichel Frank Dwyer, Victor Wenzel, M. H. Dale, C. D. Wegman and R. T. Gould and John H. Thomas, of Carbondale.

They left Scranton in a parlor car attached to the 12.55 noon Delaware, Lackawanna and Western train for friends in honor of their twenty-fifth commonwealth of Pennsylvania possisting Dr. Giffin in the special services at the Elm Park church, will speak today joined by ex-Senator Charles E. Stadler, Albert Bing, H. G. Clausen, the the German language, after which rebrewer and commissioner of parks, and E. M. Trautmann.

The western trip will be made in a Pennsylvania railroad express train leaving Hoboken at 1.15 o'clock this afternoon. The car has been stocked and equipped by James Timmons, traveling passenger agent of the company. who will accompany the party through to its destination. From St. Louis the car will be taken to Hot Springs over the Missouri Pacific road.

About six weeks will be spent at the Hot Springs. The trip was planned for only purposes of health and pleasure and is one of several jaunts of the past although the present party is larger than any of its predecessors. A dozen or more friends of the travelers bid them bon journey at the Lackawanna

BOBBY DOBBS MATCHED.

Will Box the Pacific Coast Champion

been arranged by Jack Skelly, manager of the American Sporting club. It will be twenty rounds at 133 pounds between Bobby Dobbs, of Minneapolis, colored lightweight champion of the world, and Bob Kane, of San Francisco, lightweight champion of the Pacific coast. The contest takes place next Wednesday night in Music pass upon the disputed value of the land taken by the company under the right Hall. Kane is the boxer who was matched

here last September. It will be re-membered he broke his ankle in Long Island city while training for the event and was taken to the Long Island city hospital, where he was confined for two months. He will be in Scranton and will give the talent here an op-

Kane's right to the Pacific coast lightweight championship is unques-tioned. He first won the title in 1891 bath, Mr. M. J. Purceil has decided to of Australia, in fifty-three rounds, from Carson City, where they trained together for the latter's mill with etc., etc. Trusting that this offer will Young Corbett. Before he broke his ankle Kane defeated Billy Steffers at M. J. Purcell.

Troy, N. Y. A six-round preliminary at catchweights will be decided between Reddy Connolly, of Philadelphia, who was put out by Jim Judge last year, and the latter's brother, "Jack Livingston," of Pittston.

MR. MONTGOMERY'S HORSE,

Causes a Charge by the Society for Prevention of Cruetty, etc.

The case against H. W. Montgomery, the insurance agent, who is charged with cruelty to animals, was continued before Alderman Howe yesterday. The alderman reserved his de-

will be announced today.

Constable Cole, of the Seventeenth ward, who is an agent for the Scranton Society for the Prevention of Cru-

elty to Animals, was the prosecutor. Els evidence and that of others was to the effect that Mr. Montgomery had left his horse hitched to a post in Spruce street for nearly three hours Monday afternoon, the animal being clipped and covered with only a small blanket which was constantly being blown from its back and several times replaced by pedestrians. They testi-fied that the horse shivered from cold until taken by Patrolman Duggan to Scutt's stables.

The testimony of Mr. Montgomery and others was that the weather was mild-above freezing-on the afternoon in question, that the horse was not cold, that the covering was sufficient and that the allegation of the prose cution that the animal was left stand-ing for nearly three hours was untrue. Alderman Howe remarked that he wished a better understanding of the law on the matter before reaching a

SACRED CONCERT SUNDAY NIGHT.

Will Be Given by Cathedral Choir in College Hatt.

The cathedral choir will give a sacred concert in College hall Sunday evening under the direction of W. P. Schilling, director of the choir, which will be assisted by Miss Edith Du Bois, Victoria Gruener, Gustav Reppert, John Brunner, Otto Stoeckel, Al-bin Korn and Bauer's orchestra. The following programme will be rendered:

PART 1. Quartette and Chorus, "Gloria"....Haydn (From Third Mass.) Fi. M. Schilling, Lizzie Snow, James Folan, Peter Snyder and Cathedral Choir, Remarks—Rev. J. J. B. Feeley.

Quartette, "O Maria"Italian Metody Margaret Murphy, Margaret Kane, William Kenney, E. F. Mellon. Haritone Solo, "O Salutaris", J. Wiegand John P. Ketrick. Soprano Solo, "Ave Maria in E.

A. H. Rosewig Margaret O'Boyle. Quartette, "Bone Pastor" Caroni Lizzie O'Boyle, Cecelia O'Boyle, W. R. Bradbury, Joseph A. Murphy, Tenor Solo, "Give Alms of Thy Goods,"

Fred Schilling James J. Folan.

W. R. Bradbury. PART II. Solo and Double Quartetie, "Waldandacht".....Fr. Abt Gustav Reppet, Joseph Miller, John

Brunner, Otto Stoeckel, Peter Snyder, F. Becker, J. Schreiber, G. Schmidt, L. Haberstroh.

Baritone Solo, "O Salutaris",Fr. Abt Thomas P. Murphy, Quartette, "Veni Creator", ...Lambillotte Mamie Burke, Josephine Rafter, Joseph Murphy, Peter Snyder, Soprano Solo, "Ave Maria", Bach-Gounod (With Violin Obligato.) Florence M. Schilling. e. "Ave Verum".....

B. Lavelle, Laura Rafter, Joseph Miller, Peter Snyder,

Reppert. Chorus, "Domine from Requiem" . Mozart Mozart's last and grandest composition.

PRESENTATION TO THEIR PASTOR.

Pleasant Surprise Received by Rev. and Mrs. Haendiges.

Cathedral Choir.

Rev. and Mrs. Philip Hendiges, the former pastor of the Adams Avenue German Methodist Episcopal church, were tendered a reception Tuesday evening in the church parlors by the members of the congregation and anniversary of their marriage. During freshments were served. Rev. and Mrs. Hendiges were the re-

cipients of many handsome presents, special buffet car attached to the fast | notably among them was a silver tea service, presented as a token of esteem and appreciation of Mr. Hendiges' services, by the congregation.

The presentation speech was made by Rev. Mr. Bubeck, of the South Side, and was responded to by Mr. Hendiges in a touching manner.

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.

Court will begin the official count of Tuesday's vote at noon. In the case of Mary Campbell against Thomas Cenroy and others, court yesterday granted an order vacating the judgment against the Mary Conroy estate.
Formal answer was made yesterday by the respondents in the case of Joseph Jermyn against the school board. The answer avers that the relator has not stated such a case as entitles him to relief in a court of equity.

John Perana, Mike Leinshok and Gus-

Here Next Wednesday.

Another good boxing contest has been arranged by Jack Skelly, manger of the American Sporting club.

In the case of Cuppen against the Oak of eminent domain

kane is the boxer who was matched by the American club to meet Dobbs here last September. It will be re-bere last September. It will be re-granted yesterday by Register Koch to Eva Kizer. The will of Harriet Nichols. late of Scranton, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary granted to Harriet Henry. Letters testamentary were granted to Anna Connell in the estate of Mary McAndrew, late of Scranton

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LEVY POLE TAX Interesting Question Brought Up Vester-

day in Argument Court. POSTAL COMPANY AGAINST TAYLOR

The Borough Levied a Tax of \$1 on Each Telegraph, Telephone and not he is a member of the bar. Electric Light Pole in the Borough and Now the Postal Telegraph Action Declared Illegal -- The Fel-

lows-Smith Case.

A case of importance to the boroughs of the state of Pennsylvania was argued yesterday morning in court, being the case of the borough of Taylor against the Postal Telegraph and Cable company, a foreign corporation doing business in the state of Pennsylvania The case was argued for the borough by J. M. Harris, borough solicitor, and the defendant company was represented by Watson & Zimmerman, Mr. Zimmerman making the argument for the company.

whether the plaintiff, in the absence of any express legislative grant and in the absence of any agreement between the parties, could impose a fee or charge upon the defendant for the care and inspection of its telegraph poles and wires.

The case was argued on exceptions to the report of I. H. Burns, who was appointed referee under the Act of 1869. The referee decided that the borough had the power under the general Act of 1851 to impose such a charge as a compensation for the inspection and supervision of the wires and poles of the defendant; that this power was in the nature of police power, which was provided for by the general borough law by necessary implication.

The referee cited the case of the bor ough of Bethlehem against the Pennsylvania Telephone company (4 Northampton Reports, 389) and the case of Millerstown against Bell (123 Pa. St. 151). In these cases it was decided that an ordinance requiring a tele graph company to pay a fixed price for its poles fairly comes within the pelice power over the streets given by the Act of 1851.

ORDINANCE INVALID.

Mr. Zimmerman contended that the rdinance was invalid, that the conclusions of the referee were wrong because there was no express legislative grant empowering boroughs to impose tax on telephone poles and telephone wires, and that the sum of \$1 per pole was excessive and out of any proportion to the expense of maintaining such inspection and supervision over said oles and wires by the authority of the borough; that the tax was not in point of fact imposed as a compensation for the inspection and supervision of said poles and wires, but that it was imposed solely as a means of raising

In answer to this, Mr. Harris for the orough maintained that the amount mposed upon the defendant as a compensation for the inspection of its poles and wires was not to be measured in erms of the actual expense of making such inspection; that the inspection was actually made by the corporate officers of the borough by its high constable and police, and that the liabilsons and damage to property was a factor in its police power to charge the defendant with such a fee; that the sesses the police power over her roads and public highways, and, that when this power is handed over to a municipal corporation, the municipal corporation becomes the conservator of the reoples' rights and must assume the responsibility for injury done to per-sons and property, whether that be done by the municipal corporation herself or by corporations doing business within her limits. The rights to do business within the municipal corporation is not an absolute right but a qualified right and is subject to the regulations of the particular municipal corporation.

MERE COMPENSATION. It was further contended by Mr. Har-

ris that the sum charged by the ordinance for the inspection and the examination of the poles of the defendant was not made in the nature of a tax for revenue purposes, but that it was a mere compensation for the posression and obstruction of its streets and the occupation of its land; that the ordinance was not in restraint of trade; that it was not unreasonable that it did not impose a burden without a benefit; that it did not violate any of the provisions of the constitution of Pennsylvania but rather derives its authority clearly and by necessary implication from the constitution. Supreme court cases and some

United States cases, as well as several cases from the different judicial districts of this state, were quoted to sustain the points above advanced.

The arguments in the case of Joseph Fellows against Cornelius and J. Stanley Smith were concluded yesterday morning before Judge Purdy in the su-

perior court room.

Mr. Torrey finished the argument for the plaintiff begun the day before, and Cornelius Smith made a brief closing argument for the defense availing himself of the constitutional right of a man to plead his own case, whether or

The regular list for the day was heard before Judges Archbald, Gunster and Edwards in the main court room. Company Is Trying to Have That Excepting the case reported at length above, none of those argued were of unusual interest.

NEIGHBORS IN COURT

Defendant in Olyphant Turns Up as Prosecutor in Seranton.

A neighborly quarrel of all around variety and features was aired in Alderman Howe's court yesterday. The prosecutor was Charles Stanton and the defendants Mr. and Mrs. William Elby and William Cotmen. All the parties were from Priceburg.

Stanton alleged that he had been beaten by Cotmen and that the Elbys had put the finishing touches to the job. The court believed him and held Cotmen under \$300 and the Elbys under \$200 bail each to answer at court. Stanton had been arrested and arraigned before an Olyphant justice of the peace on Tuesday and held for court on charges preferred by yesterday's defendants.

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JUST SOME DIVORCE PETITIONS.

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Mary Benjamin, by her next friend, D. Pesanti, petitioned for divorce yeaterday from her husband, William Benjamin, of Taylor avenue. Cruelty is the ground for action. They were married March 15, 1882, and separated Feb. 15, 1898. Vosburg & Dawson are attorneys for the libeliant.

Walter H. Wilson, of Main street, Carbondale, through Attorney, Louis Gramer, filed an application for divorce from his wife, Josie Wilson, who de-serted him, he alleges, July 18, 1895, after they had been married five years.

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with heavy gold decoration, value \$2.00; now.....\$1.24 OILET SET-6 pieces print decoration, in 3 colors, worth \$1.75, now......\$1.39 DECORATED PITCHERS -Broken toilet sets that

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