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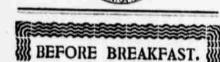
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The block on Mulberry street between Washington and Adams avenues is a favorite practice ground for embryo scorchers and bicycle trick riders. Last night, chilly as was the air, a number of would-be wheelmen were out on parade in that portion of the city. One of them had started down the hill on a lively gait and was aiming directly for the court in the rear of the city, although evidently against his "Head me off, somebody!" yeleld and visions of approaching disaster stirred up his fears. A girl was passing along in that vicinity and decided that she was predestined to fulfill his imperative instructions and she didn't like the prospect. She was undecided as to which would be more expedious, to run and hop into one of the spacious pieces of bric-a-brac which adorn the back yard of the City Hall, or to climb a tree box. If she didn't do something and do it pretty immediately she would head off the runaway wheleman in a manner not to be recommended for her safety. The only thing she could do by this time was to dodge behind a big and friendly telephone pole which she did as the bicycle man grazed its side and proceeded on into the before mentioned art collection of the City Hall, which unfortunately for him remained intact. And all the other riders, who had not come to grief, laughed vociferously.

One of the advantages of being a woman is that you are not expected to amoint yourself with codliver oil in order to become young and beautiful. Indeed you are advised not to try this process unless you have a desire to raise a healty beard on your face and neck. A "beauty friter" recommends this treatment to men who have hollow cheeks and are beginning to grow crow's feet. Hence if you notice a strong odor of fish in the vicinity of the young and lean man of fashion it is not that he is so faithfully keeping Lent in his diet as that he is using the cod-liver oil skin food. By the way, if anybody wishes to known about an excellent skin food, one that doesn't smell fishy, can be recommended by the

informally at a thimble tea yesterday

PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams, of Nich-

olson, is visiting relatives on Breaker

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Langfeld are in New York city. Miss Carolyne V. Dorsey left yesterday for New York city.

Attorney T. F. Wells has gone to Flor-ida where he expects to remain for two Mr. and Mrs. Sol. Goldsmith left yes terday for Florida where they will re-

main for several weeks.

Major W. S. Millar and his orderly, Mr. Keck, started yesterday on a tour of inspection of the companies of the Eighth regiment.

Attorney A. J. Colborn, jr., went to Philadelphia yesterday and today will try a case before Judge Butler in the Uni-ted States district court. Mrs. S. G. Barker, of Madison avenue sail on the steamer San Diego for West Indies from New York to be absent a month. Miss Barker went to New York to see her mother sail and will remain in New York for a short time.

PAUL JONES SUNG LAST NIGHT.

Waite Opera Company Successfully Begins Its Engagement.

Planquette's three-act opera, "Paul Jones," was sung for the first time in Scranton last night. It is the opera in which Agnes Huntington attracted much attention a few years ago. It contains many pretty and some very spirited numbers and was sung last night in a very satisfactory manner by Waite company, which opened a week's engagement at the Academy of Music. The opening of the engagement was very auspicious. There was a large audience and it received the opera with every manifestation of approval.

The company is one of the best that has been heard here at popular prices. Miss Myra Morella, who was entrusted the leading soprano role last night, is a graceful young woman, who has much dramatic ability in addition to a sweet, expressive voice that is particularly effective in the tender and sentimental passages of the opera. Marion Langdon also has an attractive personality and voice.

Joseph W. Smith, who has been freuently heard in this city, and Charles . Holmes had no difficulty in singing their way into the favor of the audience. Claude Amsden, Maurice Abbey, Herman Waldo and John Dewey managed to extract a good deal of humor from the comedy roles of the opera. Between the acts the Lily Quartette sang and Edgar Lowell was heard in songs that were illustrated by means of the stereopticon. The performance closed with the march of the Roman Guards, that evoked much enthusiasm. As a finale of the opera, Miss Morella punishment that awaits any one who insults the stars and stripes called forth thunders of applause.

This afternoon the company will sing the "Chimes of Normandy," and toaight in "Fra Diavolo."

DECISION IS REACHED.

Briggs and Ludwig Pianos Opinion in the School Board Case Expected March 14.

A decision in the quo warranto proedings instituted by John Jermyn against the board of control has been reached by the local court and an opinion is expected on March 14, when the

sessions will resume. It is broadly intimated that the finding is in favor of the board of six. Whether it is that the board of tweny-one has received this intimation or that they merely conjecture the decision will be against them is only to be guessed, but the controllers whom such any caucus had been held. Mr. Noon a decision will oust are already pre- and Mr. Flanagan "refuted" what they paring to cross-suit their opponents by attacking the legality of their election, They contend, and quote law for it,

too, that no one man's name can ap pear on the same ballot for two different offices. Five of the six elected directors, Messrs, Godfrey, Evans, Barker, Phillips and Neuls, were also candidates for membership on the board of control. Their names not only appeared on the ballot for two different offices, but, it is contended, appeared twice in what the law prescribes as 'the same column.

There is a question as to what is "the same column." The controller candidates and director candidates were printed one under the other, but there was a division made in the column, which it will be claimed totally divorced the two sets of nomi-

In view of the fact that the law pro vides that the school board itself shall fill vacancies that may occur between elections, the interesting question arises, will Mr. Fellows have the naming of the other five members in case both sides shall win; that is, if the board of twenty-one should be knocked out and the election of Messrs. Godfrey, Evans, Barker, Phillips and Neuls declared Illegal?

SALTPETRE KILLED HIM.

The Coroner's Jury Says Remington Swallowed It by Accident.

A verdict of accidental death was found last night by a coroner's jury in case of Paul Remington, of Raymond court. Remington, it will be re-membered, died at the Lackawanna hospital last week after having told the physician he had swallowed saltpeter by mistake.

Testimony was offered at the inquest by those in the house where Remington boarded that he had swallowed saltpeter in mistake for epsom salts. Traces of saltpeter were revealed by a chemical analysis of the stomach and contents by Chemist Benjamin.

LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD.

Reduction in Fares to New York and Return.

Commencing March 1st, 1895, the continuous passage excursion rate from Scranton to New York, Jersey City, Newark and Elizabeth Junction will be \$6.50; tickets good for thirty (30) days. For time of trains and further particulars consult Lehigh Valley ticket

Conference of Baptist Ministers. The Haptist ministers held a conference the Penn Avenue Baptist church yes-rday morning. It was attended by ev. R. S. Roderick, Honesdale; Rev. T. E. Jepson, Carbondale: Rev. R. D. Minch, Hawley: Rev. H. F. Hall, Hollisterville; Rev. J. R. Ellis, Blakely: Rev. D. J. Williams, Rev. J. O. Williams, Rev. W. O. Lowell, Rev. W. G. Watkins, Rev. Mr. Jones, Rev. W. F. Ford and Rev. S. F. Matthews.

Miss Burns entertained a few friends stops . Grip and Stubborn Colds, that "hang on."

FIRST CRACK AT CITY FINANCES

Nearly \$55,000 Lopped from the Appro priation Last Night.

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE AT WORK

Department Hends or Representatives Danced on the Carpet Before the Committee, and Those Whose Estimates Were Considered Saw the Figures Reduced to About the Same as Last Year -- Committee Members Are Obliged to Agree to Bury Politics and Whittle.

The joint estimates committee of ouncils held its second meeting last evening. By request the heads or representatives were present from nearly all the city departments and were heard in explanation of their respective

assessments. When the meeting was called to order by Chairman Ross the committee was confronted with a condition represented in the following figures: Esti-mated revenue for 1898, \$295,100; estimated expenditures, \$368,093.40; amendments to expenditures, \$117,963.59, or, a total estimated expenditure of \$486,056.-99 against a revenue of \$295,100; deduction required in the estimates, exclusive of amendments, \$72,993.40. These department representatives were present: R. J. Beamish, mayor's secretary; City Treasurer Boland, City Controller Robinson, Street Commissioner A. B. Dunning, City Assessor William Dawson, Chief of Police Robling, Sec retary Murray and Dr. W. E. Allen, of the board of health; Librarian Carr, of the Scranton Public library, Park Commissioners J. A. Scranton and A.

P. Bedford. After explanations had been heard from the department heads or representatives, amendments to the appropriation ordinance were made as follows, with the understanding that the changes were not necessarily permanent and that they followed as closely as possible the 1897 appropriations:

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Police	64,670	90 53,510
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Public park	N 16.947	25
Board of as	peals 3.245	09
General city	73.245	50
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Not reached by the committee.

NO CAUCUS THEY SAID.

Mr. Chittenden suggested that inasmuch as the Democratic members had caucused and drafted an amended ordinance and represented a majority of one of the committee that they be given an opportunity to present the draft, either last night or at an adjourned meeting, and that it be con-sidered amicably by the whole body. The Democratic members denied that 'charge" of Mr. Chittenden who in making the suggestion had not intendd to convey any spirit of criticism

Mr. Chittenden pointed out that inreased salaries and additional employes alone involved \$14,000 more than the estimated revnue and the com-mitte should realize without regard to party or politics that the axe must fall and the ordinace be amended to within about \$5,000 of what it was last year. Mr. Grier, Mr. Sweeney and Mr. Gilroy, Democrats, expressed them-selves as aware of the situation and anxious that the committee should perform its work in a non-partisan spirit so that the ordinace would not have to suffer from amendments after it was finally reported to councils.

With this understanding the departments were considered seriatum and amended as indicated in the foregoing summary.

City Controller Robinson presented a amounting to \$2,293.72 that would have to be provided for; Mr. Sweeney fered an amendment involving \$9,000 for opening an approach to the Spruce street bridge from Prospect avenue and Hemlock street, and from the city engineer was received an estimate of cost of \$153 for necessary catch basins.

When the committee adjourned the ordition of its labors was represented

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timates\$190,956 99 Amounty to be deducted less Amount deducted last night 54,735 00 Amount remaining to be deduct-

Amendments to be provided for \$117,963 55

Reductions were made as follows: Mayor's department, \$400; trensurer's, \$1,900; controller's, \$300; city hall and grounds, \$4,150; city engineer's, \$280; street commissioner's, \$32,595; assess ors', \$4,050; police, \$11,160. The committee had been at work two

hours when at 10 o'clock it adjourned to meet Friday evening.

HI'BBELL-BRAWN NUPTIALS.

Seremony Performed in the Penn

Avenue Baptist Church. Yesterday morning at 11.30 in the Penn Avenue Baptist church, Rev. Dr. Dixon united in wedlock Captain C. J. Hubbell and Miss Augusta M. Brawn. The chancel was beautiful with paims and flowers. To the music of Lohengrin's wedding march the bridal party came up the aisle. Miss Muriel Hub bell, daughter of the groom by a former marriage, was maid of honor; little Geneva Hubbell, a granddaughter, made a dainty flower-girl, and Mr. Harry C. Hubbell was the bride's escort. They were met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Edward

Dr. Dixon read the service in his usually impressive manner. Miss usually Brawn looked charming in an imported

plique velvet trimming and hat to match, and carried La France roses. Miss Hubbell was in white crepe de chene, with white sweet peas. Tiny Geneva Hubbell, only two years old

did her share of the honors with sweet gravity, looking very lovely in a dress ment of Committees. · Captain Hubbell was at one time naval officer and commanded one of our gunboats. He has recently returned

from Europe, where he went to introduce an electric lamp, his own inven-The happy couple will go south on

· LYING ON THE TRACK.

will reside in this city.

the wedding trip and on their return

Firemen Remove a Man from a Very Dangerous Position.

Another of the daily rescues from death on the rail happened yesterday and, as usual, the person "who nar-rowly escaped, etc.," was under the influence of liquor. He was Ollie Swartz who, after he had sobered, told the police he was a tramp, but who looks more like a farm-hand who had been on a spree and wished to conceal his

At 3.45 o'clock in the afternoon Permanent men William Campbell and Tillman, of Phoenix Chemical company, saw Swartz lying on his stomach across a rail of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western west-bound main track near the end of Jefferson ave-They pulled him from the track and telephoned for the police patrol. Swartz was dead drunk. He had evidently staggered up Lackawanna avenue or down Jefferson avenue and fallen where he was found. He will be given a hearing in police court this morning.

WILL ASK INJUNCTION.

Mine Inspector Roderick to Proceed Legally Against the Owner of the Richmond Shaft.

In response to a sumomns from Mine Inspector Edward Roderick, Robert Brownlee, chief of the newly created state bureau of mining, came up from Harrisburg yesterday to consult with reference to the trouble that has arisen at the Richmond colliery in North Scranton.

He spent the day in company with Inspector Roderick examining the mine and will devote a portion of to-day in securing Mr. Richmond's side of the

To a Tribune reporter who saw him at the Jermyn, last evening, Mr. Prownlee said that until he had heard Mr. Richmond's story he would have to reserve his judgment. His investigations so far, however, warranted him in saying that Inspector Roderick had not exceeded his authority.

The dispute arese over a difference of opinion between Mr. Richmond and Inspector Roderick as to the safety of

On a visit there one week ago yesterday, the inspector found that the 'lagging" in the shaft of the second opening, which reaches from the Clark vein to the surface had been damaged by the ice, so much so he thought, that it would not fulfill its purpose of an emergency exit. He was also dissatisfied with the progress being made with the second opening from Dunmore vein No. 2 to the Clark vein. The Dunmore vein is the lowest vein of the workings and was but lately opened. An attempt was made to make the required second opening by timbering upward from iore but the eous character of this vein and the consequent inability to maintain a proper ventilation of the tunnel caused an abandonment of the project. In its stead a shaft was started from the Clark vein. The inspector claimed that the work on this shaft is not being

pushed. The possibility of an explosion or some such accident cutting off exit by the main shaft and leaving the men in the Dunmore vein with no means of exit and compelling the men in the upper veins to rely upon the damaged shaft that leads to the surface from the Clark vein caused Inspector Roderick to order the men out of the mine and instruct Mr. Richmond not to resume operations until the alleged defects had

een remedied. Wednesday, the inspector learned that the men were back in the mine and again he ordered them out. Some of them he says went in Thursday list of recently developed deficiencies and Friday but not enough to permit the colliery to resume operations. Mr. Richmond, so Inspector Roderick says, disputes his conclusion and opposes his directions. That the matter might be arbitrated from headquarters the inspector summoned the chief of the

> With the sanction of Chief Browniee, Inspector Roderick will to-day ask court for an injunction to prevent the colliery from being operated until the inner opening is completed and the outer one repaired.

WILL RESUME OPERATIONS TODAY. Some of the D., L. and W. Collieries

to Start Up Again. A number of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western collieries which have been shut down for the last ten

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SPLIT ALREADY IN **DEMOCRATIC RANKS**

Broke a Quorum to Prevent Appoint-

SEVERAL OF THEM WERE THROWN

President Francois' Selections Did Not Suit Some of His Colleagues, and to Prevent Him from Making the Appointments a Number of the Democrats Leave the Room and Cause an Adjournment -- Messrs. Davis and Casey Led Them.

Already the Democrats of the school oard are at loggerheads. Chairman Francois' selection of committeemen did not suit some of them and to prevent his making the appointments the disgruntled ones prevented last night's meeting by breaking up a quorum.

The regular meeting hour is 7.30, but it is customary to delay the call to order until about 7.45 o'clock. At 7.45 last night there was a quorum present, Messrs, Shires, Davis, Casey, May, Walsh, Joyce, Evans, Schriefer, Barker, Langan, Leonard and Francois being in their seats or about the room. There was a good deal of whispering going on among the Democrats before the meeting and during the reading of the minutes. It was very evident there was something in the air.

While Secretary Fellows was reading the proceedings of the last meeting the membership present gradually dwindled. Mr. Davis went out to con-sult with Superintendent Howell. Mr. Gibbons saw a friend in the corridor whom he wanted to see. Mr. Casey and Mr. Langan found something that had to be discussed privately and went out in a distant corner of the corridor to discuss it. Chairman Francois noticed what was going on and after glaring steadily ahead of him for a few minutes as if meditating something direful, brought down his gavel with a resounding whack and declared, the meeting adjourned.

"If they don't want a meeting they don't need to have it," he said angrily, as he put on his overcoat and de-scended from the president's platform 'If they want these committees appointed they can call a special meeting," he blurted out as he hustled through the door. Mr. Gibbons reappeared just

hairman I rancois disappeared, "This is baby work," said Mr. Gibbons, "No matter whom he is going to appoint, we ought to transact our business." The chief kick, it developed, came from Messrs, Casey and Davis, The latter had been promised a place at the head of one of the important committees and didn't get it. Mr. Davis' particular complaint was that Mr. Schriefer had been substituted for him

at the head of the building committee Messrs. Roche, Neuls and Schwass put in an appearance just after the meeting broke up and expressed surprise at the turn affairs had taken. Mr. Jennings did not reach the meeting room at all.

WILL OF B. F. HOLLISTER. His Extensive Estate Among His Three Children.

The will of the late Benjamin F. Hollister, of Covington, was admitted to probate yesterday by Register Koch and letters testamentary were granted to his son, Charles M. Hollister He bequeaths the "Homestead" farm

to his son, Charles. To his daughter, Eliza, he gives the "John Hollister farm on the easterly side of the Philadelphia and Great Bend turnpike, and to his son, A. E. Hollister, he gives the land on the westerly side of the turnpike, now occupied by devisee. first two bequests are conditional upon the recipients contributing \$13 a month to the support of their mother during her life. The mother has the use of the homestead and its furniture during her life and after her death the homestead descends to Charles, and the furniture to Eliza, excepting one bed and its bedding, which becomes the

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