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PERSONAL.

Miss Anna Sands, of Peckville, was in this city yesterday. Mr. Thomas F. Torrey, of New York, spent Easter in the city. Miss Mary Barrett, of Carbondale, spent Saturday with friends in this city.

Attorney John M. Harris is expected to return from Cleveland, O., tonight. Arthur Phillips, a student at Lafayette college, is home for the Easter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Yost spent yesterday in Wilkes-Barre as guests of Dr. and Mrs. Gearhart. Professor and Mrs. Hayden Evans, of North Bromley avenue, have as their guest Miss Stella Bailey, of Waverly.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wolf and Mr. and Mrs. John Simpson have returned from a fortnight's stay in Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Spencer have returned from Florida, where they spent the winter. Mr. Spencer is much improved in health.

BOUT WILL START EARLY.

There will be no delay in tomorrow night's boxing contest. It has been promised by the American Sporting club that the Mullens-McPadden glove contest tomorrow night will be concluded early. An effort will be made to begin the preliminary between Cuff and McLoughlin at 8.30 o'clock or at 8.45 at the latest. This will be done in response to many requests from patrons of the club up and down the valley, who will be given an opportunity to catch the 10.25 southbound and 11 o'clock northbound Delaware and Hudson trains for home.

The attendance promises to be large. Many will be attracted by the presence in the ring of Referee Sam C. Austin, sporting editor of the Pocono Gazette. There is in addition a natural curiosity to see the work of the men who fought draws with McPartland, Eddie Connelly and "Spike" Sullivan. Mullens had that honor in his bouts with the two former, while McPadden's biggest performance was his draw with Sullivan. The men are expected to reach Scranton today.

FATHER MATHEW MEN IN CONVENTION

Quarterly Session of the Societies of the Second District.

THREE VERY IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Project of Admitting Associate Members, Helping Financially Poor Societies and of Giving Special Attention to the Formation of Cadet and Ladies' Societies Are Discussed--Diocesan President Lavin and Others Make Addresses.

A quarterly convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence societies of the Second District of the Scranton Diocesan union, was held yesterday afternoon at St. Mary's hall, West Market street, under the auspices of the Father Whitty Young Men's T. A. R. The societies comprising the district were represented by four delegates and an interesting session was the result.

The convention was presided over by R. A. Maloney, of the Father Whitty society, president of the district. After the usual introductory routine, Charles Lavin, of Wilkes-Barre, president of the Diocesan union was introduced and made an address of congratulation and encouragement and concluded with the advice that more effort be expended in the up-building of the cadet and ladies societies. Addresses were also made by J. C. Gallagher, of the West Side, and Michael Jennings, of Avoca, a veteran total abstainer, who proudly wears a Father Mathew badge which was pinned on his breast by the great apostle of temperance, himself, in Ireland, nearly fifty years ago.

Resolutions of condolence were adopted on the death of John McTiernan, former president of the Second district.

FUND TO BE DISTRIBUTED.

After a lengthy discussion as to the distribution of the funds left over from the national convention held here last August, a motion was passed instructing District Secretary W. P. Quinn to distribute to the societies their pro-rata share of the surplus. Three societies introduced at the previous convention were then taken up for discussion. The first was an amendment to the constitution, which will permit members to form a society without becoming associated with the financial benefits feature. The second was a project to establish a fund to assist societies that have depleted treasuries. The third looked to the appointment of a standing committee to aid in and encourage the formation of cadet and ladies societies. No definite action was taken on the first question; the second was declared impracticable and the third was adopted, the chair appointing the following to act on the committee: Father Mathew's, J. C. Gallagher; St. John's, John Joyce; St. Cecilia's, Miss Bolton; St. Leo's, J. H. Devine; St. Peter's, M. J. O'Toole; St. Aloysius, J. J. Brown; Father Whitty's, Anthony Lotter; St. Mary's, Theodore Sherman; St. Paul's, Thomas J. Mahon; St. Patrick's, Patrick Boyle; St. Joseph's, John Connolly; St. Irene's, Mrs. Edgar Connell; St. Aloysius' cadets, William Daniels; St. Peter's cadets, J. R. McLain; St. John's cadets, Thomas Harrison; Father Mathew cadets, John Harrison; St. Paul's cadets, W. E. Ryan; St. Mary's cadets, Joseph Lynch; St. Joseph's cadets, M. J. McCrea.

DELEGATES ENTERTAINED.

The place of holding the next convention was left to the discretion of the board of government. A supper and entertainment given by the Father Whitty's and the Ladies' auxiliary, followed the convention.

WRECK NEAR MOUNTAIN PARK.

A broken wheel was the cause of the smash-up. A broken wheel caused the wreck of part of a Jersey Central freight train near Mountain Park Saturday. The north and southbound tracks were torn up and traffic blocked for six hours. The wreck occurred at 8 o'clock in the morning. The train was No. 421 in charge of Conductor Samuel Elke, of Ashley, and Engineer Hineman, of White Haven.

There were no trainmen on the cars which took the track. Brakemen forward and rear were riding on the train jumped to escape the effects of a possible total smashup. They escaped injury. Four cars were completely wrecked and three others badly damaged.

DRIVER BOY INJURED.

Mine Car Passed Over His Arm, Badly Lacerating It. Arthur Reese, employed as a driver at the Pine Brook mines, of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company, met with a serious accident Saturday morning. He was riding on a front bumper of his car, and jumping off to put in a "sprag," was thrown forward in such a manner as to bring his left arm under the car.

The arm was wrenched and the flesh and sinews badly torn. He was removed to the Moses Taylor Hospital. He is about 18 years of age and a son of Mrs. Richard R. Reese, of Lafayette street.

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DIED.

DAVIES.—In West Scranton, Ap. 10, 1898, Margaret, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davies, at the residence, 180 Washburn street. Funeral Tuesday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock from the residence. Interment at Washburn street cemetery.

DUNN.—In Scranton, April 9, 1898, Catherine Dunn, mother of Rev. J. I. Dunn, of St. Paul's church, Green Ridge, aged 69 years. Interment will be made in Wilmington, Del.

KELLY.—In Archbald, April 9, 1898, Thomas Kelly, at 9.30 o'clock. Funeral Monday forenoon at 10 o'clock. A high mass of requiem will be celebrated in St. Thomas' church. Interment in the Archbald Catholic cemetery.

MOWERY.—In West Scranton, April 9, 1898, Mrs. Jennie Mowery, 29 years of age, at the residence, 512 North Filmore avenue. Funeral this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the residence. Interment at Washburn street cemetery.

RHODES.—At Clark's Green, Saturday, April 9, 1898, A. Forest Rhodes, aged 40 years and 8 months. Funeral Tuesday at 2.30 p. m. in the Clark's Green Methodist Episcopal church. Interment at Clu Y's Green.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE TODAY.

This Afternoon Occurs the First of the Five-Day Sessions.

The city teachers' institute will begin this afternoon at 2 o'clock in the high school auditorium and will continue during the week, concluding with a final session Friday morning. Excepting today and Friday there will be a morning and an afternoon session daily and lectures this evening and tomorrow and Wednesday evenings.

President A. L. Francois, of the board of control, will open this afternoon's session. There will be an address by A. B. Stevens and a discussion of "The Language Problem" by Professor M. G. Brumbaugh.

This evening Rev. Dr. B. S. MacArthur, of Calvary Baptist church, New York city, will lecture on "Sunny Spain from Historic Hillsides." Tomorrow evening's lecture will be by Professor Brumbaugh on "The Teche-County." On Wednesday evening Colonel George N. McCain, the newspaper correspondent, will tell of "Cuba, Its Romances and Revolutions."

BEFORE BREAKFAST.

It takes the little people of this town to raise money. The manner in which they succeeded at St. Mary's, Harold Norton, Harold Connolly, work, Nettie Schlager, Helen Connell, Harold Welles; Easter novelties, Jessie Connell, Lawrence Connell, Edgar Connell; pillow table, Carleton Connell, Dorothy Beckwith, which contained a Gladys and Luella Connell. Edgar Connell was in charge of the fish pond, which did a rushing business. Miss Anna McAnulty and several young friends served refreshments. Others assisting were Florence Porter, Helen Beckwith, Mattie Edgely, Helen Simpson, Orrin Christian, Bernard Connell, Homer Price.

It is probable that this time the Symphony orchestra will have the audience it deserves. Its great concert on April 18. Seldom has the advance sale for a musical event proved so well. The coming of Max Heinrich will mark an epoch in the musical history of Scranton.

Mr. Mortimer P. Giffin was admitted to the New York conference last week, leading the delegates which contained a large number of young men, in the examinations. Mr. Giffin will be stationed at Bayside during the coming year. He is a son of Rev. Dr. C. M. Giffin, of the Elm Park church.

The Misses Matthews entertained at cards Saturday evening in honor of their guests, Miss Kirke, of St. Paul, and Miss Williams, of Brooklyn. Mrs. G. P. Griffiths gave a thimble tea last week for the same visitors. Among the other guests were Mrs. H. P. Simpson, Mrs. E. Watson, Miss Hunt, Miss Bolin, Miss Augusta Archbald, Miss Dickson, Miss Welles, Miss McLeod, Miss Louise Matthews, Miss Simpson, Miss Grace Kingsbury, Miss Coleman, the Misses Reynolds and the Misses Matthews.

Tomorrow afternoon the home of Mrs. E. S. Moffat will be a scene of lively interest among many interested ones—and who is not interested in the children and their work especially when they work for such a cause as the Home for the Friendless? "The Merry Workers" have for weeks been preparing beautiful things for a sale and their efforts will be seen on this occasion to great advantage.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Watson entertained a party of young ladies at luncheon at the Scranton club, Saturday noon. The young ladies were: Miss Mary Thatcher, Kansas City; Miss Ella Watson, Washington, D. C.; Miss Maud Matthews, Newburg, N. Y.; and the Misses Bennet, Wats and Hill, of Scranton.

TONIGHT'S EVENTS.

Meeting of the school board. Shea's comedians at the Linden. Ball of Patriotic Guards in Music hall. A Contented Wife at the Lyceum. Dance of Seigel's pupils at his academy. Ball of St. Paul's Tourist club in Mears' hall.

Ball of Young Men's Traveling club in St. David's hall. Social of South Side Tourist club in Snover's hall, Penn avenue. The Scranton Saucer-trundle will give a concert in Natter's hall. A dance will follow.

Entertainment in African Methodist Episcopal church for the benefit of the pastor. Lecture of Rev. R. S. MacArthur, D. D. This is the first of the teachers' institute course. "Wife" at the Academy of Music by the company headed by Miss Alma Chester.

A roll call of the congregation of the Plymouth Congregational church will be held at the church. St. Joseph's German Catholic society and their friends will dance in St. Mary's hall, South Scranton. Coming out party given by Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Bennel, of North Washington avenue, for their daughter.

Reception for Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis' Monday night class in Excelsior club house, Washington avenue. South Scranton will hold their annual ball in their hall in this evening. Tea and reception by Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Linn, of Jefferson avenue, introducing into society their 7 daughter, Miss Mary Linn.

Ball of St. Peter's Young Men's Catholic Total Abstinence and Benevolent society, of Bellevue, in Economy hall, Wyoming avenue. Children's party given by Dr. and Mrs. B. P. Longstreet at their home on Wyoming avenue for their daughter, Miss Anna Longstreet.

Subscription dance at Bicycle club house given by a committee consisting of David Hoken, Walter Stevens, Max Beswell and Lawrence Waters. The Senior Epworth league of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal church will hold a social at the church parlors, corner of Money avenue and Delaware street.

The congregation of St. David's Episcopal church will meet at the church for the annual roll call. Reports will be received and passed upon and other business of importance transacted.

H. H. WINTERS INSTANTLY KILLED

Grasped the Two Carbons of an Arc Light and Got a Frightful Shock.

HIS HANDS VERY BADLY BURNED

Mr. Winters Was Vice-President of Dunmore Electric Light, Heat and Power Company and Was Assisting Lineman Armbrust to Fix a Defective Lamp When the Accident Occurred--Was a Son of the Late Dr. Peter Winters.

H. H. Winters, vice-president of the Dunmore Electric Light, Heat and Power company, was instantly killed in Dunmore Saturday evening by electricity. Thirty-five hundred volts of the electric fluid, about four times the voltage necessary to kill, struck him lifeless while he was aiding one of the company's linemen to repair a faulty circuit.

While talking with a group of friends in the postoffice, Mr. Winters was told by Patrolman Bulger that the arc lamp in front of Murphy's hotel was out and was affecting the service of other lamps on the circuit. Mr. Winters sought Lineman John Armbrust and went with the latter to fix the defective lamp.

Armbrust climbed the pole and lowered the lamp. He cautioned Mr. Winters to be careful in handling the mechanism of the lamp and was making his way down the pole when Mr. Winters was heard to groan and then fell lifeless.

GRASPED THE CARBONS.

He had grasped the two carbons in the lamp, completing a deadly circuit, which was made more deadly by the contact of his feet on the street car rail.

The body was carried into the hotel and, Dr. Frank Winters, the unfortunate man's brother, summoned. While calls were hurriedly sent to Drs. Murphy, Garvey and Brown, Dr. Winters pronounced his brother dead. The hope that he could be resuscitated led the four physicians and Frank E. Wago, general manager of the company, to work over the body for an hour and a half. Artificial respiration and other means were employed, but to no avail. He had been killed in the fraction of a second by an abnormal voltage of 3,500.

The flesh of each hand had been badly burned by the current. Mr. Winters was familiar with the construction of arc lamps and it is presumed he accidentally came in contact with positive and negative carbons or had mistakenly supposed he had shut off the current by means of a switch in the top of the lamp.

PROMINENT YOUNG MAN.

Mr. Winters was 25 years old, and one of the prominent young business men of the borough. He was a son of Dr. Peter Winters, deceased, and was soon to be married. On the death of his father he inherited over \$15,000. He was a member of the Patriotic Order Sons of America, Knights of Malta and Junior Order United American Mechanics. One year ago he was elected borough auditor and had two years to serve in that office.

The directors of the company will take action on Mr. Winters' death at their regular meeting this evening. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at the house on Blakely street.

SALARIES MAY BE INCREASED.

Proposition Will Be Considered at Board of Control Meeting.

A matter of great interest to city teachers, a proposition to increase their salaries, will be discussed and probably decided at this evening's regular meeting of the board of control. Whatever action is taken will be in continuation of Saturday evening's meeting of the teachers' committee, which debated the subject at length.

At the committee meeting an increase of 10 per cent. in salaries and an addition of ten teachers to the number already employed, was suggested. It was argued that the pay of teachers in Scranton is lower than in any other city in the state, but that the increased assessment gave opportunity for reform. Normal school graduates are now paid \$25 per month for the first year and those holding, in addition, high school graduation certificates receive \$28 during the first year.

Last year's estimate for teachers' pay was \$12,000, exclusive of the high and training school. The estimate for 1898 is \$16,000. A part of the proposed increase is to be for ten additional teachers.

It is by no means certain that the changes, which are to be recommended by the teachers' committee tonight will meet with immediate approval by the board. Several members contend the proposed increase is suggested by political patronage and not by necessity.

DISCOVERED A GEM.

Manner in Which the Music of Pierrot and Pierrette Was Found.

The Symphony society will play, in their concert on Monday, April 18, at the Lyceum theatre, an adaptation of "Pierrot and Pierrette," also duet by Burgin, arranged by Theodore Hemberger and scored by him for the orchestra expressly for this concert. The

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history of the finding of this duet seems like a fairy tale. It was in the spring of '92, on Kemer Strasse in Stuttgart, Germany, that two young men accidentally found a deserted music studio. Heaps of stray pages of manuscript lay scattered on the floor, half hidden by dust, relics of inkpots and cobwebs. Turning some of the sheets that lay in a pile, with the toe of his boot, one of the young men noticed a peculiarly decorated sheet of music. Picking it up and humming the melody, he found that he had unearthed a wonderful piece of music. He searched through the room till the last scrap was found. This music was the first printed edition of Burgin's beautiful duet. It was published long ago by the celebrated Italian publisher, Ricordi, at Milan. After seven years delay Mr. Hemberger has been able to place this really wonderful piece of music before the public. It is written in four numbers. The first number bears a serenade of intensely amorous conception, it is followed by a midnight scene with the quaint striking of the Italian chimes and is sweet and soft, and is sonorously portrayed by the reed instrument. The second number is a love duet that language cannot describe. The third is the betrothal ball or engagement reception in which every dance of the long ago is illustrated. The fourth is the nuptial carnival and illustrated the different ballets of masques, such as Columbine, Pantaloon, Polichello and the Cavalier of Captain Facense. Altogether it is the most beautiful composition of its kind that has been written.

JOHN H. THOMAS SURPRISED.

His Fifty-first Birthday Remembered by His Scranton Friends.

John H. Thomas, ex-clerk of the courts was 51 years old on Saturday. The anniversary was signalled by many of his Scranton friends who went to his home in Carbondale and surprised him with felicitations.

A supper, speech-making and the presentation of a substantial remembrance were included in the doings at Mr. Thomas' home. A mahogany roll-top desk was given to Mr. Thomas. E. E. Robathan, assistant commissioner's clerk, making the presentation speech. In addition to the following Scranton men, a large number of Mr. Thomas' Carbondale friends were present: Sheriff Pryor, Clerk of the courts, Thomas P. Daniels; deputy clerk of the courts, Emil Bonn; county commissioners, Giles Roberts and John Demuth; assistant commissioner's clerk, E. E. Robathan; deputy postmaster, D. W. Powell; Attorney W. R. Lewis, mail carrier John H. Phillips.

RUNAWAY AT GREEN RIDGE.

Robert Van Storch Was Thrown from a Wagon and Had His Leg Injured.

A horse attached to a delivery wagon owned by Morel Brothers, florists, ran away Saturday in Green Ridge. Robert Van Storch, the driver, was thrown out and had his leg badly injured.

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