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CITY NOTES

IMPEACHMENT HEARING,-The defense in the Kelly impeachment proceedings will begin to present its testimony reday before Commissioner J. W. Car-

INOUEST HELD,-Charles Tester, representating Coroner Longstreet, went to Peckville last night to hold and inquest on the deaths of Joseph Walsh and Peter Wasnak, who were killed at the Ontario and Western crossing in that borough.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.-The anmust Christians tree exercises for the Liederkranz children were held Weinersday night at Music hall and proved a source of face enjoyment to both young

MR. HAND IS MANAGER.-The annonneement which appeared in Monnay's Tribune to the effect that Joseph Taylor is now matricer of the Scranton Brewing company proves to have been incorract. Michael Hand, the founder of the prew-ery, continues to fill the position of man-

MANAGERS WILL RECEIVE. - On Jan. 2, 1899, the magnetis of the Young Women's Christian association will receive from 1 to 10 p. m., at the rooms, 25 Washington avenue. There will be a choice musical programme and a gym-nastum (0)B. Ladies and gentlemen friends of the association, are invited,

BRUTALPTY CHARGED .-- A case of alleged brutality on the part of a husband was aired yesterday before Alderman Howe, Mr and Mrs. Henry C. Schaefer, of Mr Prospect avenue, were the princi-pals. Mrs. Schaefer said her husband had beaten and kicked her and threat-ened her life. He was held in \$300 bail to in the family

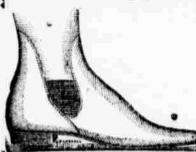
LICENSES TO WED. - Marriage censes were yesterday granted to John M. Bold, of Old Forge, and Mary Suliivan, of Taylor; Joseph Rupp, of Lackawanna, and Margaret Ann Carey, of Duryea; Eugene J. Call, of 342 Franklin avenue, and Hattie Bouncin, of 129 Robitson street; Arthur W. Frasier, of Jubilee, and Gersude Bedell or Sonare Too: Richard Lindner and Mary E. Hollis, of New York.

FUNERAL OF MRS. MARY MULLEN, The funeral of Mrs. Mary Mullen was held from the family residence on Anthony street yesterday morning. At 10.30 o'clock a mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Peter's cathedral by Rev. P. J. Gough. Interment was made in Cathedral cemetery. The pall-hearers were: Mat-thew and William Loughney, Michael Patrick Walsh, Edward Mullen and Mulderig.

AT RESCUE MISSION .- At the Rescue mission, III Franklin avenue, the service tonight will be of a special character. The evangelists, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Newell, will be present and will make the prin-cipal addresses of the evening. They will also sing a number of pieces of sacred songs to guitar accompaniment. Mrs. Newell is perhaps better known to some as Miss Hanawalt, formerly organist and missionary at the Rescue mission. Other features of tonight's zervice will be the hearty congregational singing and the interesting testimonles of the mission converts. Superintendent Hendsey announces "watch night service" for the last night of the dying year. One of the features of the watch night will be singing by the South Carolina jubilee singers,

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CASES TO BE HEARD BY SUPERIOR COURT

TRIAL LIST FOR THE SESSION TO BE HELD HERE.

The Term Will Commence Monday, January 9, 1899, and Will Continue Two Weeks-Cases from Luzerne, Columbia, Montour, Lackawanna, Monroe, Carbon and Wyoming to Be Argued the First Week, and Those from Bradford, Susquehanna, Wayne and Pike the Second Week.

Following is the trial list for the two vecks' session of the Superior court which begins in this city Monday, Jan , 1899, at H o'clock a. m. During the first week arguments will be heard b ases from the counties of Luzerne Columbia, Montour, Lackawanna, Mon roe, Carbon and Wyoming. One cas from Philadelphia county will also be

heard during the first week-Cases from the countles of Bradford Susquehanna, Wayne and Tike are sedown for the second week. The John Gibbons habeas corpus case is on the second week's list:

MONDAY, JANUARY, 9, 1889. Joseph Martachowski vs. Peter Failon executor of the estate of Frank Orowitz eceased, appellant; appeal from common deas, Luzerne county Commonwealth vs. A. Lincoln Lanots

appellam; appeal quarter sessions, Phildelphia county. Emerald Beneficial association, Franch No. 72, vs. William Burice, M. J. Ford (now John J. Ford, administrator), and

Andrew Quinn, appellants; appeal and ertiorari, common pleas, Luzerne county, F. J. Schwab vs. Sarah i., Bickel, appellant; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Luzerne county, Richard and John Walsh vs. Harry Ash-

ord, appellant; appeal and certicrari. common pleas, Luzerne county. Dominick Wojocheski vs. the Central Railroad Company of New Jetsey, appellants; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Luzerne county,

Borough of Dorranceton, appellant, vs he Wilkese Barce Athletic Park company appeal and certiorari, common pieze, Luerne county, Margaret Rick vs. city of Wilker-Barre

ppellant; appeal and certiorari, commo

pleas, Larerne county, Commonwealth of Pearseylvania ex. rel. Harry Liem, appellant, vs. R. P. Robinson; appeal and certiorari, commor pleas, Luzerne county,

Ida Case Brown vs. Thomas Atkinson xecutor of C. W. Case, deceased, appellant, and James Martin, sheriff of Lu zerne county; appeal and certiorari common pleas, Luzerne county. In equity Martha Drinker and Charles G, Back-ley vs. James S, Wilson, appellant; appeal and certiovari, common pleas, Columbi

Myron I. Low and George Ivey vs. Edward Ivey, appellant; appeal, commo-pleas, Columbia county, Hagerstown Steam Engine and Machin ompany of Washington county, now to

se of William Krickbaum, appellant, v John Moury; appeal and certifrari, ects mon pleas, Columbia county, Conrad Lee, appellant, vs. Exeter club awner or reputed owner, and William O'Malley & Son, contractors; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Luzerne counts Levi B. Sprout, Charles H. Sprout and John Waldron, trading under the firm name of Sprout, Waldron & Co. vs. Em-

tierari, ecmmon pleas, Lackawanna county. Bixler & Correll vs. J. B. Lesh, appelant, appeal and certiorari, common pleas E. Sweet vs. Hannah J. Lewis, appellant; appeal and certificari, common pleas,

ory J. Ehrgood, appellant, appeal and cer-

Lackawanna county. Gibbons & Nolan vs. Ellen Moran, et appellants: appeal and certiorari, ommon pleas, Lackawanna. Borough of Taylor vs. the Central Penn-

ylvania Telephone and Supply company, appellants; appeal and certiorari, comon pleas. Lackawanna county, Emory J. Ehrgood vs. Moscow Water company, appellant; appeal and certiorari, common pleas. Lackawanna county.

Washington LeGrand vs. the Wilkes Barre and Wyoming Valley Traction co pany, appellants; appeal and certiorari on pleas, Luzerne county. Olles Stanton, vs. Scranton Traction

ompany, appellant; appeal and sertiscari, common pleas, Lackawanna county. City of Wilkes-Barre vs. Joseph Garabed, appellant; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Luzerne county. C. P. Jadwin, appellant, vs. Robert E

Hurley; appeal and certiorari, common oleas, Lackawanna county.

N. S. Drum and R. C. Drum, appellants

vs. Jacob Uplinger; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Luzerne county. J. C. Powell, appellant, vs. W. C. Gay-ley; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Luzern county.

Sons of Poland No. 115, vs. M. Filipiak, Ylaning Bonin and Rev. B. Dembenski, ector, appellant; appeal and certiorari, ommon pleas, Luzerne county, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. F. L. Hammer, appellant; appeal and certi-

quarter sessions, Lackawanna P. J. Kistler, Hannah M. Mehrkam, Douglas Hehrkam, T. F. Kleinton vs. C. O. Schreifer, appellant; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Carbon county, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, va.

Stephen E. Farrow et al., George Koons, William Richards, appellants; apand certiorari, quarter sessions Carbon county. Betsey Frost vs. Chartes Allen, uppel-Yyoming county.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Fred L. Tryne, appellant; appeal and cer-icrarl, quarter sessions. Wyoming county, Myrtie L. Lindsey, the Susquehanus Mutual Fire Insurance company of Harrishurg, Pa., appellant; appeal and certi-orari, common pleas, Wyoming county. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Anna Sackett, prosecutrix, vs. William W. Sackett, appellant; appeal and certiorari,

quarter sessions, Luzerne county, MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 1899, Commonwealth vs. John Gibbons, appelant; appeal and certiorars, Lackawanna

8. J. Little, appellant, vs. Lehigh Valley Railroad company, garnishee of Louis Halliette: appeal and certiorari, common

pleas, Bradford county, William Little, administrator of George S. Barker, deceased, vs. A. C. Fairchild and George Grace, appellants; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Bradford

Simon Gibbs, Almira F. Gibbs vs. Mary B. Tiffany, W. B. and Julia A. Tiffany, pellants; appeal and certiorari, commo leas, Bradford county, In re: Estate of Calvin A. Simons, de-

used, in the matter of exceptions to widow's inventory and appraisement, Cyrena E. Simons, widow; A. J. Adams, appellant; appeal and certiorari, orphang court, Susquehanna county.

Silas Hartley, appellant, vs. G. W.

Weideman; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Susquehanna county.

Lena M. Stafford, administratrix of B Stafford, vs. the township of Euckingham, appellant; appeal and certifical common pleas. Wayne county.
In re: Maintenance of Madeline Stevens, minor child of A. B. Stevens; A. B. Stevens, ppellant; appeal and certiorari,

quarter sessions, Wayne county, Among the prominent out-of-town attorneys who are to be present at the sessions are John T. Len han, George H. Troutman, John McCahren, B. Mc-

Manus, C. F. Bohan, Edward A. Lynch, S. J. Strauss, J. F. O'Neil, John M. Garman, T. D. Garman, H. W. Palmer, Andrew H. McClintock, George H. Butler, William S. McLean, Charles E. Keck, E. V. Jackson, Ernest K. Little Charles D. Fester, James R. Scouton George S. Ferris, J. L. Lennhan, H. A. Fuller, Charies F. McHugh, Agib Ricketts, C. W. Kline, Abner Smith, Frank Needham, Martin J. Muthall, Charles E. Terry, S. F. McGovern, T. R. Martin, of Luxerne county; J. G. Freeze, Charles G. Barkley, J. B. Robinson, Fred. Beler, Andrew L. Fritz, James Searlet, Robert Little, of Columbia county; Freynan, Hedyt & Nothstein, James S. Blery, Bolliett & Seidle, of Carbon county; James W. Piatt, Sittser & Dersheimer, James E. Frear, C E. Terry, of Wyoming county; S. W Little, Henry Streeter, L. N. Evans Rodney A, Mercur, Overton & Ingham H. F. Maynard, of Bradford county; W D. E. Ainey, Edson W. Safford, Mc-Collum & Smith, T. J. Davis, of Susquehanna county: E. C. Mumford, H Wilson, William H. Lee, A. T. Scarle,

Henry Wilson, of Wayne county. The afterness from this county who have cases on the list are Jessup & Jessup, Watson, Diehl & Kemmerer, Warren & Knapp, Vosburg & Dawson, W. W. Baylor, S. B. Price, Thomas F. Wells, James E. Burr, E. C. Newcomb, M. A. McGinley, O'Brien & Kelly, John M. Harris, L. H. Burns, John R. Ed-wards, Patterson & Wilcox, C. Comegys, John R. Jones.

TWO PLAYERS SIGNED.

Hodson Will Pitch and O'Neil Will Catch for Scranton Next Season-Other Players as Good as Signed.

George S. Hodson, pitcher, and John O'Neill, catcher, two former players on Scranton clubs, have been signed by Manager Swift to play on the team now been organized to represent this city in the Eastern league.

Aside from being a drawing card, it believed Hodson will prove to be nore valuable than the average pitching timber of the league. O'Neill has had experience, but has not been thernightly tried out in fast company. He as given promise, however, of having the bottom requisite for future greatye in his line.

Holson was one of the winning pitchin 1891. He was secured from Bellefonte by Manager Swift. Previously, he had pitched for Altoona. He signed with Boston for 1895, but was released to Providence and played with that eam in 1896, 1897 and a part of last year. When it was decided last seaon by the castern league to make cut in salaries Hodson would not submit to it. He refused to sign with Providence, but accepted an engagement without contract to finish the eason with the Utlea club, which wen the New York league pennant.

John O'Neill is a Minooka boy. He prung from the 'back lot' class of players, for which Uncle Anson was dways on the hunt, O'Neill caught wo seasons for Niagara University of Buffalo and was signed by Manager for 1897. While giving great promise, it was considered that he was not sufficiently seasoned and was farmed to Cortland. He was then leaned to Roontract. At his own request he was released by Griffin at the close of the season and played last year with Can-

he had all but closed with seven players. As he expressed it: "I have them is sure as a manager could have them without their signature." Swift spokhopeful of his ability to gather together a good lot of men and expressed the opinion that he would begin the eason with as good a grasp on the championship as would any of the other clubs. He has made a wide circle of friends among managers and players from const to coust and will get the scent of proper material as speedily as anyone. As Swift himself is not an experiment in management, the cranks can console themselves with the probability that the season will open nupicionosly for Scranton.

For obvious reasons Mr. Swift, Hurey Long and City Controller E. J. Robinson, the men most prominently oncerned in the early arrangements. refrain from naming the players in sight and say they would rather not in prospect has not been permanently made as yet, but will be consummated in a few days. When that comes about the plan will be more definitely outfined and more interesting facts can be published.

FUNERAL OF JOSEPH H. PRYOR Remains Taken to Stroudsburg for Interment.

The funeral of the late Joseph H. Pryor, father of Sheriff C. E. Pryor, took place yesterday morning. Short services were held at the residence, 829 ant; appeal and certiorari, common pleas, Monroe avenue, by Rev. C. M. Giffir, D. D of the Elm Park church, after which the remains were taken on the 16 o'clock Delaware, Lackawanna and Western train to Stroudsburg for interment

The pall-bearers were three grandsons of the deceased, George B. Pryor, James Pryor and Edward Pryor, and Captain G. E. Thompson. The funeral was private.

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COAL TRADE FOR YEAR IS REVIEWED

ANTHRACITE HELD ITS OWN IN POINT OF TONNAGE.

Allotment of the Companies for the Year and the Tonnage That Was Shipped - During the First Six Months of the Year There Was Unanimity Upon the Point of Keeping Production Within the Demand - Bituminous Output of the United States.

The current number of the Coal Trade Journal has the following review of the coal trade for the year 1898; During the past year the anthracite output has huld its own in point of tonnage, through the stremous efforts of certain of the controlling interests. even in disregard of the effect which the tonnage produced may have had upon the price obtained for the commodity. At one time during the year it seemed that there would be a very much less tonnage shipped than was the case in the year preceding. This would have had such an undestrable effect upon the financial value of the properties that a change from a restrictive to an unlimited output policy was adopted.

MONTHLY TONNAGE.

All the producers kept at about their proportionate pace on the matter of made, tonnage, and this was about as during was at 1897, when the shipments were as fol-

ROWST:		
Companies. Alie	otment.	Shipments
Phil. & Reading	20,50	20.16
Lehigh Valley		15.43
Del., Lack & West		13.67
N. J. Central	11.70	11,36
Pennsylvania R. R	11.40	11, 45
Delaware & Hudson		21,42
Erle	4.00	1,01
Pennsylvania Coal Co.	4.00	4.27
Del., Susq. & Schuyikill		35.18
N. Y., Susq. & West		35.16
N. Y., Ont. & West		3.89
Total	90,00	300,00

In regard to the monthly tonnage will be seen from the schedule given that there was in the early months of the year a disposition to hold down, adopting the same policy in this direction which obtained during the year rs for Scratton in the state league 1897; only to let out in the later months. Statistics on this subject are as he-

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Month.	1507.	33066
January	LS54, BUT	3,455,000
February		2,762,000
March		2,760,600
April	2,572,170	2,029,730
Mas	2,723,925	2,239,660
June	2.929,601	3.026,971
July		21,770.619
August		-31,753,990
September		4,200,710
October		4,705,155
Nevember	1.53% Ser.	4,554,517
December	3,732,992	4,000,000
Total or	41,637,861	11,625,143

September, in the past year, was the Sandy Griffin to play with Scranton of 1897-so much so that retailers and of nearly 1,600. consumers felt that they were again deceived into buying, with no protecwould be sufficient to meet the requireents of the markets and enable the on their investment.

PRODUCTION KEPT DOWN,

In the first six months there was unminity upon the important point of keeping the product within the demand, but after that time there was the usual repetition of cutting loose on the tennage. Having put business in a posttion where prices are good, it is found that there are always parties who fancy that the market will take any quantity at that price, and they are powerful enough to secure a large monthly tonnage being fully able to sell their quota thereof, even if the others are

There seemed to be a decline in values after the first half of year, and this in spite of the fact that the tonnage had been held well under control, In the early summer months there was a very fair disposition on the part of discuss the grounds and other things the producing interests to keep ton-in prospect. The local organization mage in the mines rather than produce the producing interests to keep tonand place it upon an unwilling market, yet with this condition prevailing prices were low. It may truly be said that there was no improvement in prices until after the November storm, during which coal was not only lost in large uantities, and the carriers thereof upon the water broken up and disabled, but the use of it since that time has been on an enlarged scale in all requirements where anthracite enters into the ecoomy of the household.

Naturally the individual operator selfing coal upon the basis of 60 per cent, of the tide water price has not felt very well satisfied with the returns which have been received under the rates ruling, and the fact that he was also so largely on short time was a discouraging feature, so that a great bue and cry has been raised and propositions to build a new line of railroad

LITTLE POSSIBILITY.

It has also been stated that there is little possibility of artificially making up the price of anthracite to consumers to the high level of former years, in view of the other fuels which have ome into prominence, and one might take this statement as authoritative, for even within the past week officials of a prominent company have stated that unless there is a big change in the weather there is very little likelihood of a further advance in coal prices, as was contemplated after the first of the

The bituminous output in the United States is now equal to 148,000,000 net tons a year, and it is perhaps not surprising that this fuel is pushing aside the anthracite in many places or that its possibilities for foreign shipment are great. The average price at the mines is put at \$1 cents for the year 1897, but this includes many states where a local trade is secured at a price much above one dollar per ton,

FROM CAMP M'KENZIE.

Colonel Stillwell and Lieutenant Davis Return Home. Lieutenant Colonel F. W. Stillwell

and First Lieutenant David J. Davis, of Company P, returned home yester-day from Camp MacKenzie on leaves

oune, is highly pleased with its southern home. It is the healthlest and most pleasant camp they have yet had. Only about three dozen of the 888 men are on the sick list, and every day the num ber is lessened by the return of men who have been recuperating on furlough. As to the future movements of the regiment, nothing definite is known

they declare, Lieutenant Davis will spend a goo part of his time looking after his candidacy for the city controllership,

THE TRIBUNE ALMANAC.

On next Monday morning The Tribune will place on sale at news-stands and through carriers copies of its almanae and political handbook for 1899. Especial pains have been taken to make this issue the most accurate and comprehensive of any yet issued. In addition to the usual records of local happenings and carefully revised directory of local organizations it will contain the most complete review of political subjects yet made, including the Crawford county rules and the official vote in Lackawanna and all adjacent counties, together with a mass of classified general information. As a ready reference book it will be found invaluable.

PRIESTS' NEW STATIONS.

Several Changes Recently Made Among Catholic Clergy.

A number of changes of station umong the Catholic priests of the Scranton diocese have recently been Rev. Joseph J. McCabe, was at Avoca as curate to Rev. Father Crane, goes to the South Side to take the place made vacant by Rev. J. A. Moffitt's transfer to the new parish at Taylor, Rev. Thomas F. Carmody, who was recently at Minooka, fills the vacancy at Avoca, and Rev. Walter A. Gorman, who was curate at Ashley, succeeded some time ago to Rev. Father Carmody's place at Minooka. Rev. Father Hurst, who was at Lovelton, became curate at Ashley.

Several other changes are in contemplation. Bishop Hoban will soon give up the rectorship of St. Leo's at Ashley and come to Scranton to permanently reside. This will call for the appointment of a new rector there and that will probably cause a chain of other transfers. The new parish at Jes- the woodwork necessary to their dissup is to be given a pastor and some play and arrangement was put in place one or two priests will be located in or provided, and this part of the denew parish to be erected in the Twelfth ward portion of the South day.

The vacancy at Towanda, which will follow Rev. Dr. Kelly's return to the Jesuit order, is not likely to occur for some time yet, as there is considerable parish work now under way which Rev. Dr. Kelly would like to see finished before leaving.

MASKED BURGLARS AGAIN.

Entered the Store of the Enterprise Coal Company. Eetween 2 and 3 o'clock Wednesday

morning the Anthracite store, owned by the Enterprise Coal company, at record-making month in the matter Excelsior, Schuylkill county, was brokof tonnage. In many respects the en into by a gang of burglars and robcourse of trade was similar to that bed of money and goods to the value

An entrance was effected through a window. William Horne and Harry tion given to the market by properly Swisher are employed as watchmen, holding back the tonnage. It was con- but they were not awakened until their chester and finished the 1897 season sidered by the conservative element in apartments were broken into and five there, though still under a Scranton the trade that there would be a market men, who were black handkerchiefs for \$8,000,000 tons of fresh mined coal over their faces as masks, stood over during 1808; this with the quantity car- them, threatening their lives at the ried over from the preceding year points of revolvers if they made any

The burglars then bound and gagge producers to secure a profitable return the watchmen, after which they proceeded to loot the store. They drilled holes in the safe, blew it open with an explosive and took from it about \$200 in cash. They selected a large amount of the most valuable goods from the shelves and counters, including a number of watches, in all valued at over \$500, and then hurried away. The Enterprise Coal company is composed of Scrantonians and ex-Mayor Connell, of this city, is general mana ger. During a severe wind storm a few weeks ago the breaker of the company was blown down.

HAD BEEN THERE BEFORE.

More Unwarranted Expense in Elec tion Contest. The examiners, stenographers and attorneys in the election contest got

together again yesterday to examine a single witness The witness was John Barrett, of the Second district of the Seventh ward. He was brought in on an attachment, but, as in nearly every previous in-stance, he showed that his arrest and extra costs which follow it were wholly unwarranted, he having answered the subpoena on the day directed,

MARRIED IN SAN FRANCISCO. Miss Kate Thornton and William Moran Wedded There.

Miss Kate Thornton, of West Marke street, and William Moran, of San Francisco, a former resident of the North End, were married at St. Mary's cathedral at San Francisco, by Rev. Father Hannigan, Wednesday, Mr. Moran went to California a few ears ago, and from there to South Africa, Upon his return to San Fran cisco he went into business. Mr. and

INDUSTRIAL JOTTINGS.

Mrs. Moran will reside in that city.

F. B. Morris, for many years ship ing agent for the Lehigh Valley Railroad company at Perth Amboy, died this week in a hospital in New York city. He was 62 years old and was cell known to railroaders all along the Valley road. The report that R. W. Kellow, of

this city, has resigned the position of roadmaster of the Delaware and Hudson railroad is incorrect. Owing to Mr. Kellow's illness he has been given an assistant in the person of M. J. Nugent, of Oneonta,

There is a report that Bamford Brothers, of Wilkes-Barre, and John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, are about to form a combination for the purpose of controlling the markets of raw silk, thrown silk and ribbons. The Bamfords are the largest manufacturers of ribbons in the world, with monster mills at Paterson and Belvidere, in New Jersey; Chaleroi and Wilkes-Barre, in Pennsylvania, and in North Carolina. The Bamfords a few days ago announced that they propose hereafter to deal in silk, raw and thrown and will have offices in New York city

day from Camp MacKenzie on leaves of absence, subject to recall at any moment by telegraphic notice.

They report that the Thirteenth, as told in Mr. Burke's letters to The Tri-

BACHELORS' BALL OCCURS TONIGHT

MUCH WORK ACCOMPLISHED AT THE LYCEUM YESTERDAY.

Floor Was Erected and Much of the Decorative Work Pushed Forward. Linoleum Has Been Spread Beneath the Crash Dancing Surface-Dancing Will Begin Soon After Nine O'clock-Only the Penn Avenue Entrance Will Be Used on This

Tonight will occur the Bachelor's

ball. The big annual social event in Scranton-in fact, the most distinctive mair of the kind in this part of the state. All of yesterday the committee was busily occupied in seeing that the letalls of the arrangements, long ago made, were being carried out and small army of men were hard at work transforming the interior of the Lycum theater into a grand ball hall. Out of a total of sixteen boxes to be used, all but four have been specially constructed. Of these temporary boxes here will be four on each side of the stage and four back of the railing which separates the seats in the orchestra circle from the dancing floor. Of the regular boxes, only the lower wo on each side of the house have been reserved. One of these is for the

patronesses

LINOLEUM USED. As in previous years, entrance to order to make the dancing floor firm and even. Heavy linoleum of double width, the whole weighing 3,000 pounds, has been taid and over this the crash will be stretched. Men were specially employed to strengthen the woodwork which supports the floor above the seats. It is now as solid as hammers and nails can make it. When it is figured that the linoleum was purchased outright and cost in the neighborhood of \$1.50 per double yard, the expense

incurred may be appreciated. The decorations by the florist were well under way last night and will be finished early this afternoon. The draperies, bric-a-brac, etc., were not brought into the theater yesterday, but corating will be performed during to-

As in previous years, entrance to the theater will not be possible from the Wyoming avenue side. The entrance will be on Penn avenue. canopy will be stretched from the street curb to the door. All the coming and going of carriages will be in charge of a competent man already selected. Duplicate checks will be used.

DANCING TO BEGIN EARLY. Dancing will commence so soon after o'clock as is warranted by the crowd, probably not later than 9.15 o'clock. The supper, music and other arrangements will be much the same as last year. The band and orchestra, which will play the intermission and dance music, respectively, will occupy positions at the extreme ends of the balcony. It has been determined that the music from the upper part of the house is heard better by the dancers, though the same comment does not apply to the many spectators who sit in the cir-

A calcium light will be placed in the gallery and used to intensify the beauty and color of the scene.

NEW MERCANTILE APPRAISER George F. Millet Appointed to Suc-

ceed T. S. Parker. The county commissioners yesterday appointed George F. Millett mercantile appraiser for the year 1899. Mr. Millett lives at 1020 Pine street and is a carpenter by occupation. T. S. Parker made the 1898 appraise-

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