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In prices Holiday Goods, to clear out remainders and Odds and Ends of Toys, Dolls, Games, Fancy Goods, Art Goods, finely bound and illustrated Presentation Books, Real Bargains this week in the above named goods.

At NORTON'S, 322 Lackawanna Ave.

The Piano

Used at the Sunday evening services at the Elm Park Church was a

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IN SOCIETY'S REALM.

This will be a very busy week in society.

WYOMING SEMINARY.

Opens for holiday vacation January 4.

January Magazines.

Beideman, 427 Spruce st. Open until noon today.

A Good Hotel Property.

For sale on very reasonable terms. Apply Dickson Brewing company, Dickson, Pa.

Fine Free Lunch.

Roast duck and fried oysters at Hotel Rudolph for all of today and evening.

Smoke the Pecos cigar, 5c.

The Wilkes-Barre Record can be had in Scranton at the news stands of Heintz Bros., 84 Spruce and 522 Lackawanna.

A Card.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People if it fails to cure your cough or cold.

PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Peck, of West Pittston, are receiving congratulations

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over the arrival of a daughter at their home. Peck was formerly a member of the firm of Millar & Peck, of this city.

FIVE HOURS IN QUICKSAND.

Three Men Have an Experience in a L. & W. B. Mine.

The three men imprisoned on Friday in the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre coal mines were rescued after being entombed for five hours.

PLENTY OF SLEIGHING.

More Snow Now Than There Has Been at Any Time This Winter—Weather Biting Cold for Two Days.

Just to prove what a consistent yet versatile fellow he is the weather man made several lightning changes last week and wound up by giving us a New Year's day almost identical with the one of a year ago.

MANY NEW APPOINTMENTS.

Vacancies in the Fire Department Are Ready to Be Filled.

Councils have passed measures or measures are now awaiting final action providing for the appointment of one permanent man each for Columbia Chemical company, Relief Hose company, Phoenix Chemical company, Victor Koch, Jr., Noy Aug Hose company, Mr. Mohr, Relief company, Charles Raynor, James Archibald's firm as Albright fire trustee has expired.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICES.

Several of Them Were Held Saturday Night.

A union gathering of Epworth league societies in Elm Park church watched the old year depart Saturday night.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

It Will Be Generally Observed This Week in Scranton.

This will be the week of prayer, a period commonly agreed upon by many denominations.

STOLE BILLIARD BALLS.

They Were Ivory and Valued at \$30. Culprit Was Arrested.

Three ivory billiard balls valued at \$30 disappeared while a billiard table and other paraphernalia owned by J. E. Van Kleef and J. G. Brandt, of 316 Lackawanna avenue, were being moved on Saturday.

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During 1868, the year following the passage of the former law, a total of 1,697 petitions were filed. The act of 1867 was repealed in 1878. During the 11 years of its life a total of 5,543 persons went into bankruptcy in the western district of Pennsylvania. Sullivan was the only county in the entire district that did not produce a bankrupt.

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