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**CITY NOTES**

**COMMITTEE MEETING.**—The light and water committee of select council will meet at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the city clerk's office.

**SPECIAL MEETING.**—There will be a special meeting of common council tonight at 7.30 o'clock to take action on the death of Edward P. Wenzel, of the Tenth ward.

**FUNERAL OF OBADIAH ARNOLD.**—The funeral of Obadiah Arnold will be held at the residence, 11 Adams avenue, Dunmore, Sunday at 2 p. m. Interment Forest Hill cemetery.

**INSANE PATIENT DEAD.**—William Lewis, aged 52, an insane patient at Hill-side home, died yesterday. He was received in December, 1897, from the Scranton poor farm and was a charge on the Hittston district.

**INFORMAL RECEPTION.**—An informal reception will be held at the Young Women's Christian association, 312 First street, for Miss Bertha Mearns, former secretary of the association. Members and friends of the association are cordially invited.

**LIEDERKRANZ BAL MASQUE.**—The annual bal masque of the Scranton Liederkranz has been set for Feb. 1 of this year. The committee of arrangements is already hard at work and proposes to make this year's event surpass any of its predecessors.

**SENT TO JAIL.**—John McAndrews, who was arrested Monday night with a number of damp articles of clothing in his possession, was sent to the county jail yesterday by Mayor Bailey. The clothing was found on the line of a man named Logan, who resides on New street.

**LAST EVENING'S FIRE.**—The alarm of fire sounded from box 41 shortly after 9 o'clock last night was caused by a fire at the residence of Mrs. F. W. Wenzel, 327 West street, Bellevue. In a closet a bundle of carpet rags were afire. The family stated that they could not give the cause for the blaze. The damage was slight.

**BOARD OF ENGINEERS MEETING.**—The board of engineers of the fire department will meet in the office of Chief Hickey tonight to take action on the death of assistant Chief James O'Malley, of the 13th district, and Common Councilman Edward Wenzel, who was chairman of the board of fire commissioners.

**CHILDREN'S CLASS.**—In the gymnasium at the Young Women's Christian association on Saturday morning, the physical director will organize a class for children. This class will meet once a week on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. All children wishing to join should be at the gymnasium promptly at 9 o'clock on Saturday.

**LECTURE FEB. 5.**—Great care is being taken to make the lecture to be delivered in the Calvary Reformed church on Thursday, Feb. 5, one of the best ever delivered in the city. The subject is timely, "Our War with Spain," the accommodations are from the best sources, good lantern slides from Riley Bros, and the best of the Scranton Camera club. The pastor, Rev. G. W. Welsh, in preparing his lecture is using the latest apparatus available. Over 100 views will be used.

**CRANO IN SYRACUSE.**  
Telegram to Mr. Kerr of the Weiting to Mr. Long of the Lyceum.  
Mr. H. R. Long, manager of the Lyceum, yesterday received the following telegram from Mr. John L. Kerr, formerly of this city, but now manager of the new Weiting in Syracuse, N. Y. in praise of Henry Lee's production of "Cyrano de Bergerac," which will be at the Lyceum tomorrow afternoon and evening:  
Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 20.  
"Cyrano de Bergerac" was put on in a most elaborate manner by an exceptionally large company and gave immense satisfaction here last night.  
(Signed) John L. Kerr, Manager New Weiting, Syracuse.

**The Wilkes-Barre Record** can be had in Scranton at the news stands of Reiman Bros., 614 Spruce and 503 Linden streets; Mac, Lackawanna avenue.

**DIED.**  
JORDAN.—In South Scranton, Jan. 18, 1899, Miss Margaret Jordan, of Madisonville, at the home here, sister of Jacob Rosar, 617 Back street. Funeral Saturday forenoon. The deceased will be taken to Moscow for interment.

**STACKPOLE.**—In Scranton, Jan. 20, 1899, Margaret Stackpole, 31 months old, child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stackpole, 322 Lavelle court. Funeral Saturday afternoon.

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**What is Dr. Alexander's Lung Healer?**  
It is a remedy put up and compounded from the direct copy of a favorite prescription used by a celebrated physician and specialist for over twenty years, for lung and throat troubles. It is guaranteed to do all that it claims for it. It is not a "cure all," but it will certainly relieve all lung diseases, cure coughs, colds and bronchitis, prevent the grip, so common now, pneumonia and consumption by its timely action on the sensitive lung. Thousands of bottles were sold last year and thousands of souls saved from an early grave by its use. Free samples are being freely distributed from house to house during the week. Try it, you will not be deceived.

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**HER INJURIES PROVED FATAL**

**MISS IDA BRYANT DIED YESTERDAY MORNING.**

She was Injured in the Accident at the Carbon Street Crossing on the Night of Friday, December 23. It Was Thought, Until a Week Ago, That She Would Recover. Blood Poison Set in and Death Resulted—Funeral Will Be Held Tuesday.

Miss Ida Bryant, who was so seriously injured in the Carbon street crossing accident, Friday, Dec. 23, died yesterday morning, at 7.35 o'clock at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bryant, of Theodore street.

Miss Bryant's injuries consisted of a badly lacerated arm, crushed feet and bruises and cuts on almost every part of her body. None of the injuries were of themselves a fatal nature and it was hoped until about a week ago that she would recover. Blood poisoning had, however, set in, lockjaw resulted and a terrible death came as a climax to her awful suffering.

She was 22 years of age and a dress maker by occupation. She was born in Indianapolis, Ind., and for a time resided with her parents in Bethany, Wayne county.

The funeral will take place from the home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock p. m. Rev. C. M. Griffin, D. D., Rev. G. C. Lyman and Rev. W. G. Watkins will conduct the services. Interment will be made in Forest Hill.

Thursday afternoon O'Brien & Kelly filed a damage suit in Miss Bryant's name against the Scranton Railway company and the Delaware and Hudson Canal company. Had she lived to prosecute the suit she undoubtedly would have been awarded heavy damages. As it is now, the companies can only be made liable to the young lady's parents for the cost of caring for her during the time she was suffering from the injuries, and for the loss of her companionship.

**INVITATION TO REV. PIERCE**  
Asked to Deliver a Course of Lectures at Los Angeles, Cal.

The pastor of the Penn Avenue Baptist church has for the second time been invited to deliver a course of lectures at the Mt. Winton Assembly and School of Methods of the Epworth League of the Pacific coast. The executive committee urgently request Mr. Pierce to give seven or eight addresses during their convention, to be held in Los Angeles, California, next February 21 to 24. The convention has representatives from all of the Epworth Leagues on the Pacific coast and west of the Rockies.

It is doubtful that Mr. Pierce will accept the invitation in consequence of the large number of sick of the congregation, and other calls for special pastoral ministries at this time. He feels that the present work of the church is progressing in such a marked degree that it might be unwise for him to be absent for the length of time the western trip would require.

**PLUMBERS' CONVENTION.**  
Extensive Arrangements Being Made for Entertaining Delegates.

The Scranton branch of the Master Plumbers' association is making extensive preparations for the entertainment of delegates to the state plumbers' convention, which will take place in this city, Feb. 15 and 16. A banquet and sight-seeing tours are among the means of entertainment being arranged for.

Over one hundred and fifty delegates from all over the state are expected to be in attendance. Carpenters' hall, Wyoming avenue, and the Knights of Columbus rooms in the same building are to be used for the sessions of the convention.

Frank P. Blythe, of Pittsburg, is president of the state association; James Doyle, of this city, is first vice-president, and Louis S. Barnes, of Philadelphia, is secretary.

**DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES.**  
Delegates to Monday's City Convention to Be Selected Today.

Democratic primaries will be held in the city districts today between 4 and 7 o'clock p. m., to select delegates to Monday's convention. A nearly every ward the candidates for mayor and the representatives of the leading majority candidates, Hon. John E. Roche and T. J. Jennings, and in a number of wards a three-cornered contest is in progress, with F. J. Neill's men, or free lance would-be delegates as the third corner.

Yesterday brought forth no new developments. There was a rumor about to the effect that there was a movement to make Colonel Herman Oschaden the majority candidate and Mr. Roche the candidate for treasurer, but the Roche men, when questioned concerning it, pooh-poohed the idea.

The fact that Mr. Roche and Mr. Jennings used special care to select as their candidates for delegates men whom they could place the greatest reliance makes it more than likely that any ticket having anybody else as candidate for mayor will win but little consideration in the convention.

Up to yesterday, E. J. Robinson, who is most frequently mentioned for the treasurer's nomination, had not indicated that he would accept a place on the ticket. C. R. Pitzer, W. A. Wilcox and Esdras Howell still continue to be talked of for the nomination for controller. The scramble which made the candidate for treasurer, but the nomination on the Republican side is totally lacking among the Democrats.

In such of the odd numbered wards as have not yet held caucuses, nominations will be made for common council and ward and district officers.

**AN APPEAL FOR AID.**  
Will Be Issued in the Interest of the Y. M. C. A. Tent.

In another column will be found an article from The Tribune's correspondent at Camp MacKenzie, which shows the great necessity of supporting the Young Men's Christian association tent at that place.

The matter has for some time past been receiving the attention of the officers of the local Young Men's Christian association and a committee has been appointed consisting of Colonel P. L. Hitchcock, Colonel E. H. Ripple and George G. Mahy, general secretary of the local association, to arrange for subscriptions to carry on the work. It is likely that an appeal will be issued, which will be addressed particularly to the friends of the members of the Thirteenth regiment.

**JURY IS STILL DEADLOCKED**

No Word Received from Them During All of Yesterday.

Not a word was heard yesterday from the deadlocked Joyce-City of Scranton jury. They made no request to be discharged and the court showed no indication of any intention of calling them back. Judge Archbald who presided over the trial of the case, when asked if he proposed to let the jury fight it out, said: "They may as well settle it as any other jury." This would tend to indicate that the judge would let them either "kill" or "agree." Up to adjourning time, yesterday, the jury had been out fifty-three hours.

E. S. Williams had no cause to complain of the action of the jury in his case against John A. Meers. He sued for \$250. The jury yesterday morning came in with a verdict in his favor for \$349.53. By what process of reasoning they arrived at this figure does not develop. It is likely that the defense will ask for a modification of the verdict.

In the case of the Scranton Knitting company against John J. Howley, the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$40.42.

**GUNSTER FIXES LIMIT.**

West Ridge Coal Company Must Remove Its Fan House and Engines Not Later Than July 20, 1899.

July 20, 1899, was yesterday fixed by Judge Gunster as the limit of time in which the West Ridge Coal company must comply with the mandate of a supreme court, directing it to remove its mine machinery and other improvements from the three-acre plot in the Electric City Land and Improvement company's tract in Providence.

The land company purchased the surface of the tract from the Von Storch estate. The West Ridge company leased the surface to the Electric City, the Delaware and Hudson company having secured control of the upper veins. The coal company purchases three acres of the surface and despite a clause in the deed which directly forbade it, the coal company proceeded to sink a shaft and erect and maintain a fan house, and other mine buildings on the plot.

The land company applied for an injunction in the local courts in June, 1897, to restrain the coal company from proceeding with the fan house and other buildings. The injunction was refused, but the supreme court in October last reversed the lower court awarded the injunction and decreed that the coal company should forthwith cease operation of the fan house and other mine buildings. Instead of doing this, however, the coal company continued its mining operations and came into court with a petition for a modification of the supreme court decree whereby the petitioners would be granted reasonable time for making the necessary changes necessary to comply with the injunction order.

In support of the petition it was argued that if the shaft was abandoned at once the gas and water would accumulate and not only damage the petitioners' workings, but also the workings of the Delaware and Hudson company in the upper veins which are connected in various ways with the West Ridge workings. The danger that the workings of the Delaware and Hudson company would be subjected to was also put forward as an argument in support of the petition.

The land company opposes the modification on the ground that it was not made in good faith; that the coal company could have made the necessary changes without any delay and that the petition for the modification was nothing more or less than a ruse to fortify against a possible prosecution for contempt of court.

Judge Gunster, however, believes that it would be unjust to enforce immediate compliance with the supreme court's mandate and gives the coal company until July 20, 1899, to make the changes, providing it files a bond in the sum of \$5,000 to indemnify the land company for damages.

**CHILDREN WERE NEGLECTED**  
Taken from Their Mother and Placed in Home of the Friendless.

On complaint of the neighbors, frequently repeated, Mrs. Dugan, agent of the associated charities, yesterday, took possession of the two little daughters of Mrs. John Jewell, of 1012 West Lackawanna avenue, and had them committed to the care of the Home for the Friendless by Alderman Myron Kessner.

The charge that the children were woefully neglected was borne out by Patrolman David Parry, who stated at the hearing in the case, that when he

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**STATE CONVENTION AT PITTSBURG**

**BIG GATHERING OF Y. W. C. A. WORKERS.**

Ladies Who Will Probably Go from This City as Delegates—They Will Meet Many Old Friends and Co-workers at the Gathering—Among the Speakers Who Will Be Heard Are Prominent Y. W. C. A. Workers Who Reside in the Different Parts of the State.

The annual state convention of the Young Women's Christian association convenes next week at Pittsburg. This is the first time the Pittsburg association has entertained the state convention and they are doing everything in their power to make it a pleasant occasion. As they have had the national convention, they can well manage this state convention.

Miss S. E. Pence, their president, is a business woman of great ability, and a most congenial companion, whose travel and conversational powers make her welcome wherever she goes. And her earnestness and consecration, as well as social influence, have made the Pittsburg association one of the largest and best in the country.

Mrs. F. T. Pierson, the general secretary, is a most attractive woman, of unusual executive ability, and a very popular musician, being the leading singer in the quartette choir of one of the largest churches in the city. Her assistant secretary is Miss Adams, a graduate of Cornell university and of Gordon's Bible institute in Boston.

Some of our Scranton friends met her at Christmas time, when she visited our secretary, Miss Savage, who is her intimate friend.

Several will go from Scranton to the convention. The members of the state committee will be attending. Mrs. Ripple, the president of Scranton association, with several delegates will go Thursday. All delegates will be met at their trains if they send word before hand. They will be furnished with delegates' credentials by calling at the rooms. Any members who can go will be very welcome to join the party, or to come on at any time. If arriving unannounced or at a late hour in Pittsburg, they will have no difficulty in finding the association building, 139 Fifth street, near Penn avenue. And as there is a boarding home in connection with it, they will be accommodated until assigned to the home of their hostesses.

The Scrantonians will meet old friends there, as Miss Mary S. Dunn and Mrs. N. A. Lowery are both on the programme, and Miss Hays will be there. Among the speakers on the programme are Rev. Cornelius Woolfkin, of Brooklyn; the international secretary, Misses Taylor, Wila and House; Misses Stover and Meelching, secretaries of Williamsport and Wilkes-Barre; Misses Kirk and Hanna and Mrs. Wilbur, of leading colleges of the state; Mrs. Wadhams and Miss Bennett, of Wilkes-Barre, and other association workers.

Those who are mentioned as probable Scranton delegates are Mrs. H. M. Bolea, Mrs. E. H. Ripple, Mrs. H. J. Carr, Mrs. L. A. Watres, Mrs. N. E. Rice, Mrs. E. T. Jayne, Miss F. McAlpine, Mrs. John Silverwood, Mrs. P. S. Godfrey, Mrs. W. T. Hackett, Mrs. C. B. Derman, Mrs. L. M. Gates.

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Went to the house to get the children, he found them alone and without food or fire. Mrs. Jewell vigorously protested against the children being taken from her and created somewhat of a scene in the alderman's office.

**RATTLESNAKE MAN DEAD.**

Old John C. Geer Traded in Reptiles and Had a Cure for Bites.

John C. Geer, by profession a catcher and tamer of rattlesnakes and the discoverer of an alleged infallible cure for the bites of poisonous reptiles, has just died in Pike county. He was eighty-five years old.

In his early years Geer was a Delaware river ratter. He lived in wild and mountainous part of Sullivan county, where rattlesnake dens were many, and from boyhood it was his delight to make raids on them in the early spring, when the first warm days caused the snakes to crawl out on the ledges to sun themselves.

Later, he found it a profitable business to extract the oil from the snakes and sell it to the druggists for medicinal purposes. He also made a business of catching the snakes alive, and for years found a demand for all he could capture and ship to the New York market. At one time he shipped sixty-four rattlers in a dry goods box to Prof. Worth's museum in New York city. One of them bit the professor on the thumb.

In the last few years Geer's business of shipping rattlers was broken up. The shipments became so common that the trolleys objected strongly to handling the strong boxes in which the snakes were confined, being fearful of the result in case of accident. Their remonstrances brought about an order for the agent to refuse to receive the rattlers, and although Geer protested vigorously and offered to give bond to cure, free of charge, any one bitten by one of his snakes, the railroad officials refused to withdraw the order. Geer threatened to appeal to the interstate railroad commissioner, but finally gave up the business in disgust. He continued, however, to sell the oil, skins and rattles of the snakes.

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**WIVES FOR NEEDY NOBLES.**  
How Matrimonial Matters Are Arranged in Germany.

It is notorious that marriages are made in heaven, but to judge from facts brought to light by several law suits which have lately occupied Berlin courts—considerable assistance is rendered by earthly intermediaries of both sexes.

It transpired in one case just settled that a considerable business is done in Berlin by promoting marriages between officers in the army and rich Jewesses. The German nobility and upper classes (the Junkers) are, in general, poor, they are, however, very cliquey