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PERSONAL

Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Ware are at Asbury Park. T. J. Foster and family are summering at Preston Park. Patrolman David Parry goes on his annual vacation today.

THE POOR TAX MAN IS GIVEN A PLACE

WILL HAVE QUARTERS IN CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Matter Was Adjusted Yesterday at a Conference of Members of the Public Buildings Committee of Select Council, City Treasurer Robinson and Poor Tax Collector Farr's Representative—Select and Common Council Meet Tomorrow Night. Other Items from the City Hall.

Poor Tax Collector Farr was yesterday installed in a corner of the city treasurer's office by the buildings committee of select council.

At the last meeting of the select a communication was received from Mayor Moir asking that a special committee be appointed to confer with the city treasurer and poor tax collector with reference to the question.

A door which has been closed for years was re-opened yesterday and will give access to the poor director's office from the space in the office reserved for the use of the public.

Two Council Meetings. There will be a meeting of the select and common councils Thursday night.

Payment of Taxes. There is a probability that at tomorrow night's meeting of council steps will be taken to extend the time for paying city taxes.

Gathered in the Offices. There will be a meeting of the fire department committee of common council tonight.

HAD A NARROW ESCAPE. Frightened Horse Tried to Dash in Front of a Train.

An unknown man driving a single horse attached to a light buggy had a narrow escape from injury and perhaps death on Lackawanna avenue about 8 o'clock last evening.

\$5.00 to Niagara Falls and Return via the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

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OTHER LIBEL SUITS.

Editors Little and O'Toole Are Again Placed Under Arrest.

Civil and criminal actions for libelous words printed in Sunday's Scrantonian were brought yesterday by Colonel E. H. Ripple against Richard Little and Michael O'Toole, the editor and associate editor, respectively, of that disreputable paper.

In the civil suit the declaration was filed in the prothonotary's office by the attorneys in the case, E. C. Newcomb and O'Brien & Kelly. The declaration sets forth the libelous words in detail. Damages are asked in the sum of \$10,000. The regulation bail of \$1,000 for each was asked. Captives were issued for them and they went before the sheriff and entered bail. ex-Mayor John H. Fellows again coming to their rescue.

Warrants were sworn out before Alderman Kannon. The accused were notified of the fact and told to appear at a hearing to be held this morning at 10 o'clock.

AN EXPLOSION OF GAS

One Man Was Very Seriously Buried in the Pine Brook Mine Yesterday Morning.

A severe explosion occurred about 9:30 yesterday morning in the Pine Brook shaft of the Scranton Coal company. One man was quite seriously burned as a result.

The explosion took place in the upper or Clark vein. Daniel Galvin, the injured man, was in his chamber about to fire a blast when his naked lamp ignited a quantity of gas which had mysteriously accumulated, causing the explosion. The gasway is so narrow at this point that the concussion produced was tremendous.

Everett Mellday, a pump runner, who was working at his pump, about 200 feet away was blown about fifteen feet by the rush of air. Two miles that were in the vicinity of the explosion were instantly killed.

During the excitement attendant upon the explosion one of the door tenders started the cry that the breaker was on fire. This caused a panic among the men, and desperate efforts were made to secure places on the carriages. In the meantime the news of the explosion spread to the surface and the wives of the miners living in the vicinity gathered around the head of the shaft thinking that a serious disaster had occurred.

Belles' Horse and Carriage. He Recovered Them and Brought Them Back to Scranton.

Liverman Belles has returned from Newark where he went to identify Fred Smith the young man who stole his horse and wagon. At Portland Smith traded horses and Mr. Belles succeeded in recovering his animal there. At Newark he recovered the wagon and he brought both back to the city with him.

Callender Reunion. The annual gathering of the descendants of Samuel Callender will be held on Wednesday, the twenty-third of August, at the Memorial Chapel in Elizabeth.

\$1.00 Heart Lake and Return \$1.00. Take the D. & W. train leaving Scranton at 9:00 a. m., Sunday, Aug. 13, and enjoy a few days' outing at picturesque Heart Lake, delightful grove, large pavilion, refreshment stands, fine boating. Returning train will reach Scranton at 8:10 p. m.

SARDINE BARGAINS. Fancy Boneless, 15c. \$1.75 dozen. As good with bones, 12c. Full halves, 15c, worth 25c. We offer fancy boneless, full halves, full size 25c, \$2.75 doz. Magnum, 35c, \$3.45 doz.

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WEST SIDE BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

MATTER OF PARKS CONSIDERED AT LENGTH.

There Was a General Sentiment in Favor of the Purchase of the Round Woods for a Public Park and a General Agreement That the Price Asked for It Is Too High—Resolutions on Councils' Action with Reference to the Telephone Franchise.

The West Side board of trade met last evening and discussed the purchase of the Round woods for a public park. The subject was thoroughly discussed as will be seen by the accompanying comments and after much debate was finally referred to the parks committee with power to act. The telephone ordinance was also referred to, and some pointed resolutions adopted regarding the report of the select council committee.

REASONS FLIMSY. Resolved, That the West Side board of trade, that we look upon and consider all the reasons set forth in the said report, very flimsy, subterfuge, and a denial to the city itself of a considerable source of revenue.

Resolved, That there is not one good reason set forth in said report for denying the franchise prayed for.

Resolved, That it is highly time that the city councilmen set aside their individual interests of whatsoever nature they may be and instead of a limited few, and legislate with respect to this and other propositions in the interests of the people.

Resolved, That no good reason has been advanced against competition in telephone service in this city, but in denying a franchise to a second company, the city council are depriving those who now use telephones of a great saving in price and of invaluable advantages and convenience in other respects in telephone services which are enjoyed by the citizens of many cities and town throughout the country.

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