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**UNION LABEL**

**CITY NOTES**

**W. C. T. U. MEETING.**—The Central Woman's Christian Temperance union will meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock in Guernsey's hall.

**LACKAWANNA DAY.**—The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company will pay at the Archbald and Hyde Park collisions today.

**MEETING TONIGHT.**—There will be a meeting of Division 125, Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees, this evening at 12 o'clock in Industrial hall, 408 Spruce street.

**HAPPY INQUEST.**—Corner J. J. Roberts will tonight conduct an inquest in Lynch's hotel, Old Forge, over the case of Patrick Rafferty, the police officer, killed by Thomas Ludden.

**FUNERAL OF MARTIN FARRELL.**—The funeral of Martin Farrell, the well-known strainer, who died at his home, 216 Spruce street, Sunday night, will be held at 5 o'clock Wednesday morning from his late home.

**PRIEST INJURED.**—Rev. J. J. Longman, of the cathedral, while attending a sick call slipped on an icy sidewalk and broke a bone in his right hand. While the injury proves very painful it does not incapacitate him.

**SPECIAL LUNCHEON SERVED.**—Proprietor P. S. O'Reilly, of Hotel Jermyan, served a special luncheon yesterday to a large number of his friends. All the delicacies of the season were served under the direction of Stewart R. P. Willet.

**ANNUAL MEETING.**—The annual business meeting of the Penn Avenue Baptist church will take place this evening.

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**REPORTS FROM THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF** Church work will be read and election of officers held.

**INFORMAL RECEPTION.**—An informal reception was held at the rooms of the Revue maison on Franklin avenue. Superintendent and Mrs. George G. Bannan received, assisted by several other ladies and gentlemen. In the evening a short service was conducted at the conclusion of which light refreshments were served.

**ROTHS' CHILD DISCHARGED.**—The case of Jacob Rothchild, the New Yorker, arrested Sunday for the theft of an overcoat from Simon Aronson at the Penn avenue synagogue, was yesterday discharged by Mayor Mohr. Aronson did not appear against Rothchild and for that reason it was deemed advisable to let the latter go free.

**NEW YEARS SOCIAL.**—The Junior Social club gave its New Year ball in Howell hall, at the corner of Penn avenue and the eighth street. A large number of young people were present and danced to the musical selections played on the piano by Miss Saltry. The committee in charge of the affair consisted of Thomas Ruddy, John Kelly and Professor John J. Judge.

**COMMITTED TO JAIL.**—Victor Dymally, of Mineola, was yesterday committed to the jail by Alderman M. J. O'Neil for assault and battery on Edward Plimsky. The first named is a laborer and had only been in Mineola a few days when, on November 12, he assaulted Plimsky. He was yesterday given his hearing by the justice and in default of bail was sent up.

**FINED FIVE DOLLARS.**—Martin McCormack, a motorman, was yesterday arraigned before Mayor Mohr on the charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. Early in the morning he caused a disturbance in Horn's saloon on Franklin avenue, and was promptly ejected. He flew into a passion and struck a revolver, fired at Jack Kessner, the bartender. Luckily his aim was poor and the bullet lodged in the wooden door. Yesterday morning Mayor Mohr fined McCormack \$5.

**GYMNASIUM PRACTICE.**—The new term at the association rooms, 26 Washington avenue, begins this week. Classes for all ages of girls and women, and for boys to 12 years of age. Classes meeting twice a week from January to May, the fees are \$2.50 for girls; \$2.00 for boys. Advanced children's classes, Monday and Thursday, 4 p. m. to 5:30; Monday and Thursday, 7:30 p. m. to 9:00; boys, Saturday, 9:30 a. m. to 11:00; children's, Saturday, 10:30 a. m.

**NEW YEAR'S RECEPTION.**  
Annual Event Conducted Yesterday at the Rooms of the Y. W. C. A.—Those Who Participated.

The annual New Year's reception given yesterday at the Young Women's Christian association rooms on Washington avenue, was a delightful success and was attended by a large number of the friends of the association.

The rooms were tastefully decorated with holiday sprays and as the guests arrived they were received by the following ladies, all members of the board of directors: Mrs. E. H. Hippie, Mrs. E. S. Gates, Mrs. L. N. Sears, Mrs. E. M. Gates, Mrs. Frank Wales, Mrs. John Schene, Miss Krighbaum, Mrs. A. D. Kennedy and Mrs. J. N. Rice.

Refreshments were served in the parlors from 1 to 10 o'clock p. m. Those who presided at the tables were: Miss Colvin, Mrs. H. J. Carr, Mrs. Koehler, Mrs. W. T. Hackett, Mrs. L. A. Waters, Miss Hawley, Mrs. Stratton and Dr. Anna Law.

In the afternoon an excellent gymnasium exhibition was given by the Junior class under the direction of the physical director, Miss Maria Michel.

The evening was divided into several periods and the entertainment in each was in charge of a prominent city musician. The first period was in charge of Mrs. B. T. Jayne. She sang exquisitely "Floating Days," by Bailey, and a bass solo entitled "Art of Saratoga," was sung by William Roberts.

Professor John T. Watkins was next in charge and during this period the Schubert quartette rendered several selections. Solos were given by Miss Shannon, Miss Matthews and Tom Beynon. Miss Florence Richmond was next in charge. Alfred Wadler rendered "By the Waters," and an instrumental trio composed of Miss Richmond, Harvey Blackwood and L. H. Welschuth, gave a selection. Miss Beatrice Morris recited cleverly and responded to two encores. She was followed by Mrs. Max Chapman and Miss Richmond, who played a piano duet. Albert Pilling rendered a violin solo, "The Mighty Deep," and Miss Florence Robertson gave a soprano solo.

The last period was under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Thiele. An instrumental trio consisting of Messrs. Thiele, Buchwald and O'Keefe, rendered two selections, one of which, in D major, by Mozart, provoked much applause. Miss Gertrude Moses, a young miss, executed a difficult piano solo, and Robert Johnson gave a tenor solo with splendid voice.

**LOCATION OF THE MONUMENT.**  
Site Selected by the Retiring County Commissioners.  
Guided by the recommendations of Engineer Bartl, the retiring board of county commissioners, located the site of the soldiers' and sailors' monument on the Adams avenue side of the court house, about fifty feet back from the curb and on a line with the Spruce street face of the court house.

This, in the opinion of Mr. Bartl was the safest and about the only safe place on which to locate the 600 tons of granite that will enter into the construction of the monument. The cut at the particular point has now been worked out, and never will be. It is safe to say operations in that neighborhood having ceased years ago.

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**DIED.**  
HESS—In Dunmore, January 1, 1900, Percy, 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hess, of Fourth street. The funeral will take place Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The remains will be taken to Hemlock Hollow, Wayne county, for interment.  
SHEKA—In Scranton, Jan. 1, Ann Shea, 152 1/2 Gardner avenue. Funeral in Huntington.

**CONTROLLER'S NAME IS NOT NECESSARY**  
SCHOOL WARRANTS DO NOT NEED HIS SIGNATURE.

Judge Archbald's Decision in the Case Brought to Test the City Controller's Right to Compensation for Supervising the Accounts of the School District Is Handed Down—A Way Out of a Seeming Difficulty Arising from the Repeal of the New County Act.

Judge Archbald, yesterday, handed down two opinions, one deciding that the city controller cannot be compelled to countersign school board warrants in a third class city, and the other ruling that mortgages filed in Luzerne county cannot be satisfied by order of a judge of this county.

The first mentioned ruling was in the test case of Washington Williams & Company against City Controller Edward Howell, which was brought suitably to test the controller's right to compensation for countersigning school warrants.

The act of May 23, 1874, under the provisions of which the controller has been exercising his parental supervision of the school district funds, makes no mention in its title of anything save municipal affairs. The clauses of the act bearing on this matter read substantially, "The controller shall supervise the accounts of all city officers and the school district." Under the general school laws it was sufficient for the president and secretary of the school board to sign school district warrants to make them payable.

**MUST BE DIRECT.**  
Judge Archbald holds that the clauses in question of the act of 1874 are a material regulation of the affairs of the school district and must be undertaken by direct and not by incidental legislation. Further he says:

No intimation of relation between cities of the third class and the school districts, which are enumerated in this statute, is contained in any provision of this character to be extended to such districts. They are entities in themselves, and the intention to do so, it cannot be undertaken in an act which purports in its title to deal with cities of the third class only. The act in question is clearly unconstitutional and the respondent was justified in refusing to recognize it. This view corresponds with that expressed by McPherson, J., in Baker vs. McKee, 6 Dick. 508, where a promissory mandamus was awarded on the school treasurer of Harrisburg to compel him to honor the warrant of the president and secretary of the school district, although not countersigned by the city controller.

The rule for the mandamus to compel the controller to countersign the school district warrants is discharged. This means that the school warrants hereafter will not go to the city controller's office at all. The signature of the president and secretary is all that will hereafter be required.

The second case was brought by Catherine Ollendike, of Throop, to have satisfaction entered on a mortgage on a property in this county that is recorded in Luzerne county.

**CANNOT BE DONE.**  
Judge Archbald says this cannot be done, as the Lackawanna court lacks jurisdiction. The "new county" act of 1878 provided that a certified copy of the records of the county should be transmitted to the new county and then proceeded upon as if originally recorded in the new county. This act however has been repealed and this provision falls.

Judge Archbald, however, sees a way out of the difficulty. He says:

There is nothing that we can see to prevent a resurvey of the lands in this county as though it had never been recorded, and then proceed upon it as the law provides. If the satisfaction is obtained in this way in this county it will undoubtedly discharge the premises from the lien of the mortgage wherever else recorded, and that is all that can be legally asked for.

This question of an important one bearing as it does on matters of lien, searches and titles, and we have endeavored to give it the attention which it deserves. It is not new, having been decided a number of years ago in this court in the same way that we now decide it. In re petition of P. E. Swartz, No. 34, January term, 1885. The decision there made was followed in practice at a time but having never been reported has evidently been lost sight of. It is to be hoped that the present case will settle the procedure in this respect. To members of the profession in the opinion now expressed or its affirmance or reversal on appeal to the courts above us.

**COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.**  
Many of the constables made their quarterly returns yesterday. Not a single illegal drinking place was reported. The rule for a new trial in the case of M. L. Brown vs. the store The store Konecny was discharged yesterday by Judge Archbald.

In the matter of the rule on Mary McDonough to let her writ in ejectment, Judge Archbald yesterday handed down an opinion discharging the rule.

A rule for a quo warranto was yesterday granted to let the respective claims of Oliver Ledy and E. E. Robinson to a vacant place on the Carbonade pier board. Ledy was elected by popular vote to serve for four years when the reorganization was effected last year. Robinson, however, was appointed to the board for a two-year term, the ward he represented being apportioned a term of this extent.

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**NEW YEAR'S DAY OBSERVANCE.**  
Jingle of Sleigh Bells Made Music During the Day.  
The New Year showed its appreciation of the royal ovation with which it was ushered in by showering down the first snow fall of the winter that is not an extremely heavy fall, but it was sufficient to make sleighing on the paved streets, and was of the meanly, lasting kind, that makes an excellent bottom.

The day was too cold to make sleighing the most inviting of pastimes, but nevertheless many took advantage of the opportunity for a limited enjoyment of the primal winter sport.

The day was generally observed, the mines, mills and factories being shut down, and most of the stores and public offices closed.

Resolutions were passed at the meeting of all sides, and the customary New Year's calls were by no means wanting.

**COMBINING INTERESTS.**  
Local Telephone Companies Are Getting in Shape to Give a More Extended Service.

Manager S. E. Wayland of the People's Telephone Co. of this city, has returned from Cleveland, O., where he represented the State of Pennsylvania in a committee embracing representatives from Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, as well as this state, says the Wilkes-Barre Record. "The committee will be the order of the day, on all sides, and the customary New Year's calls were by no means wanting."

The volume of business has, however, grown to such magnitude, the interchange business being remarkable in its demands, that it has been found necessary to work under general rules of the school and methods of handling the business. The construction and equipment of lines also demands attention. The committee which met in Toledo recently decided to leave the management of the details to an interstate trade committee consisting of a member from each state to be chosen by the respective state associations.

**FLORIDA.**  
Two Weeks' Tour via Pennsylvania Railroad.  
The first Pennsylvania railroad tour of the season of Jacksonville, allowing two weeks in Florida, will leave New York and Philadelphia February 6.

Excursion tickets, including railway transportation, Pullman accommodations (one berth), and meals en route in both directions while traveling on the special train, will be sold at the following rates: New York, \$50.00; Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Baltimore, and Washington, \$48.00; Pittsburgh, \$52.00; and at proportionate rates from other points.

For tickets, itineraries, and other information apply to ticket agents, Tourist Agent at 1136 Broadway, New York; 4 Court street, Brooklyn; 759 Broad street, Newark; N. J.; E. Courplander, Jr., passenger agent Baltimore district, Baltimore, Md.; Colin Studds, passenger agent Southern district, Washington, D. C.; Thos. E. Watt, passenger agent Western district, Pittsburgh, Pa.; or to Geo. W. Boyd, assistant general passenger agent, Broad street station, Philadelphia.

Smoke the Pocano, Jr. cigar.

**DID NOT WANT TO PAY.**  
Man Tried to Force His Way Into the Galety.  
During the progress of the Monto Carlo Girls' performance at the Galety theater, last night, an individual tried to pass the ticket-taker without having previously purchased a ticket.

He was held up, but insisted on entering the theater, and was at last forcibly put out by Special Officer Walter Williams. A short while after, the same man approached him with his coat off and a very belligerent air. He attacked the officer and was landed in the Central street police station.

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**DANIELS NAMED AS CHIEF CLERK**  
NEW COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DISMISS C. F. WAGNER.

Mr. Wagner's Recent Election to a Three-Year Term Is Ignored—Herbert L. Taylor, of Taylor & Lewis, Is Named as County Solicitor. County Treasurer's Commission Fixed at the Same Figure as Last Year—Prison Board Organized—Irwin Made Deputy Recorder.

Charles F. Wagner, for eighteen years an attaché of the county commissioners' office, and for eight years chief clerk, was yesterday, dismissed by the new county commissioners, and ex-clerk of the Courts W. G. Daniels placed in his stead.

There is some question as to the legality of the removal as a recent law makes the position of county commissioners' clerk elective, with a stipulated term of three years, and on Nov. 22, last, Mr. Wagner resigned and was then chosen to serve three years.

Mr. Morris, one of the new county commissioners, stated yesterday that leaving all other considerations aside, it was hardly right that the old board should select the chief clerk for its successor. Mr. Wagner had been given to understand that his appointment by the old commissioners was done with the knowledge and approval of a majority of the new commissioners and in consequence his disappointment was all the more keen.

Herbert L. Taylor, of Taylor & Lewis, was selected as county solicitor. The appointment of three clerks, jail physician, janitors and elevator man were put over till 10 o'clock this morning.

There is a probability that a couple of extra clerks will be permanently engaged to do the work that is now given out piecemeal at various seasons of the year.

The new county auditors organized by electing A. E. Kiefer chairman and E. W. Costello secretary. W. E. Johns, the only new member of the board, succeeds F. L. Ward.

The commissioners and auditors, in a joint session, fixed the commission of the county treasurer, making it the same as last year, 2 1/2 per cent, for collecting and the same for disbursing.

The prison board, composed of the president judge, sheriff and county commissioners, reorganized at 2 o'clock by electing Judge Archbald, chairman, and E. E. Rebathan, clerk.

Recorder Warnke yesterday announced the promotion of A. T. Irwin, copying clerk, to the position of deputy recorder, made vacant by the retirement of Miss Hattie Taylor.

**PIERCE'S MARKET**  
110-112-114 PENN AVENUE.  
DR. T. B. RODHAM INJURED.

Was the Victim of a Runaway Yesterday Morning.  
Dr. T. B. Rodham, of North Main avenue, yesterday morning met with a bad accident, his horse indulging in a runaway, the result of which will probably be that the doctor will have to keep to the house for a week or so, with an injured leg.

He was driving along Parker street, and near Bates street his horse took fright at a train passing overhead, on a railway bridge. The animal was badly scared and dashed down the street at a terrific rate of speed. It was brought to a sudden stop by colliding with a telegraph pole. The shock threw Dr. Rodham out of the carriage about ten feet, and his right leg was badly hurt.

The shafts of his carriage were broken, but the horse escaped without injury.

**China Hall**  
Now the year is almost over Some of us have lived in clover And none has had to be content with hay. Leave past troubles far behind you And just let us remind you That time is slipping very fast away.  
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- Black Peau de Soie, pure silk, \$1.25 goods for 95c.

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- Black Crepons, mohair top, \$1.00 goods for 79c.
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