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PERSONAL. Hon. P. E. Timlin has returned home from New York City.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. [Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied for publication by the writer's name. The Tribune does not assume responsibility for opinions here expressed.]

Says He Is Not in Jail. Editor of the Tribune—Sir: I desire, through the columns of your paper, to deny the article published in your issue of March 5, stating that my husband "was arrested at his home in Dalton by a postoffice inspector from Buffalo."

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Real Estate For Sale and Rent. We have for sale an elegant colonial residence, Linden street, facing Clay Avenue; another at Green Ridge, opposite residence of Mrs. Bunnell; these two residences are of the very highest class houses in the city.

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CLAIM THEY OBEYED LAW OF THE LORD. CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS POSITION IN THE WEAVER CASE. Did Not Know the Case Was Diphtheria, but for Fear It Might Be Some Such Disease According to Physicians' Directions, They Took Usual Precautions to Prevent Contagion, Not Through Any Fear on Their Own Account, but Out of Respect to the Views of Others. The Verdict.

An inquest into the death of Raymond Weaver, the boy whose Christian Science parents did not have medical attention during a fatal illness of diphtheria, was held in the arbitration room of the court house last night, after several postponements. Discussions between Coroner Roberts and the witnesses and the difficulty which some of the jurors experienced in arriving at a decision before the Christian Scientists' doctrines were the features.

THE WITNESSES HEARD. Mr. and Mrs. George L. Weaver, the parents, and Miss Lydia Weaver, the sister of the boy; David N. McKee, professional Christian Science healer, and Miss Chapman, a Christian Science nurse, and Dr. Gardner, were the witnesses heard.

In their belief contagion is prevented by the same means that disease is cured, "the realization of the presence and omnipotence of God." However, that those not of their faith and not in a position to avail themselves of this means of avoiding disease might be protected they caused the boy to be quarantined in one of the rooms of the house with a nurse; Miss Weaver was kept home from her work in the International Correspondence school, and Mr. Weaver changed his clothes on going out, drove in a carriage when he occasionally went to his office and did as much of his business as possible by telephone.

The father, with tears in his eyes, told how his boy fully realized the doctrine of Christian Science. "He was born a Christian Scientist," the father said. "He realized the power of God to heal. He was a noble, true boy, doctor. Oh, if you only knew him. He lived as he died, a true Christian Scientist. Did he understand? Why, doctor, he would come home from school and finding his mother not feeling well, would read to her from our Science and Health, pray with her for a while, and then saying 'Mother, now I guess you're all right,' would run off and play."

GIVEN NO MEDICINES. They admitted that he was not given any medicine, but claimed there was nothing to be wanted in the way of diet or care there was not furnished him.

All of the Christian Scientist witnesses professed having been cured at one time or another by Christian Scientist treatment after the other treatments had ignobly failed.

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Dr. Gardner simply testified that he violated no rule of the board of health or of ethics in giving a death certificate under the conditions named. He has done it before and believes it perfectly proper, although he would not

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do it indiscriminately. The jury returned the following verdict: "We, the undersigned jury, do find that Raymond H. Weaver came to his death from lack of medical attendance for which a certain treatment known as Christian Science was substituted. We ensure the practice of physicians issuing burial permits in cases where they have not been personally in attendance prior to death, as was done in this case."

MISSIONARY WORKERS. They Had a Meeting in the Elm Park Church—Miss Hawley's Paper on Philippine Islands.

The union of Women's Foreign Mission societies of the city met in the parlors of the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal church yesterday afternoon and held a very interesting meeting. The Rev. H. D. Gardner, who presided, inquired started made formal protest to the proceedings on the ground that the coroner had no jurisdiction. The objection was noted and the hearing begun.

Miss Hawley, of the Providence auxiliary, then read a most interesting paper on "The Philippine Islands." She vividly described the geographical structure of our new possessions. "Leprosy is the disease which menaces the islands," said the speaker. "And many unfortunate lepers are seen there." She next drifted into a general description of the animals of the land, mentioning the domestic pig, but felines and oxen, the wild cats and other quadrupeds.

The botanical side of the islands was then spoken of, the various plants and flowers being described. The speaker closed her address by expressing her convictions that the Philippines present a good field for missionary work, the door to which was thrown open by Dewey's guns.

Opinions were then volunteered on the essay read on the Philippines, the various points of interest being discussed, after which the meeting was dismissed with the benediction.

COLLECTIONS FOR FEBRUARY. \$113,849.26 Taken in by Collector T. F. Penman.

The collections made by Collector of Internal Revenue Penman for the month of February were as follows: Collections on lists, \$18,116; beer stamps, \$78,106.10; spirit stamps, \$4,677.29; cigar and cigarette stamps, \$8,232.29; documentary stamps, \$12,258.49; tobacco stamps, \$7,959.89; special tax stamps, \$1,049.83; proprietary stamps, \$713.26; total, \$113,849.26.

The Postponed Lecture on Liquid Air will take place Tuesday evening, March 6th, at the High school auditorium. Reserved seats may be obtained at Matthews Bros.' drug store by the payments of 25 cents extra.

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PLACE THE BLAME ON THE COMPANY. VERDICT OF CORONER'S JURY IN MT. PLEASANT CASE. Believe It Was Due to the Fact That a Proper Appliance Was Not Used to Hold in Place the Lever by Which the Fans at the Clark Vein Were Operated—James Coulter, Who Had Charge of Men, Censured—Witnesses Who Were Examined and Their Testimony.

In the arbitration room of the court house yesterday afternoon the second session was held on the inquiry being conducted by Coroner J. J. Roberts into the cause of the accident at the Mt. Pleasant mine a week ago yesterday, by which Frank Woodward, John Regan, Thomas Williams and William Gilbert lost their lives through an accident to the carriage. The verdict of the jury places the responsibility for the accident on the company.

Yesterday's testimony developed the fact beyond question that the accident was caused by the safety fans at the Clark vein sticking out into the shaft, and it was indicated that the accident was due to one of two causes. Either the safety fans of Garfield Avenue, failed to fasten on the lever controlled by which Frank Woodward, John Regan, Thomas Williams and William Gilbert lost their lives through an accident to the carriage. The verdict of the jury places the responsibility for the accident on the company.

DAVIS' TESTIMONY. Davis is the footman at the Rider vein and went on duty on the morning of the accident about 6 o'clock. A few minutes before 7 o'clock the carriage, that was afterwards wrecked, went down to the Dunmore vein with a load of men, and then was pulled to the surface. When it came down again it stopped at the Rider vein and seven men got off, three remaining on the carriage. John Regan was standing in the Rider vein when the fans worked. He stepped on the carriage and witness signalled the engineer to drop the carriage to the Dunmore vein.

A moment or two after it started he heard a crash and knew something had happened. He reached the Clark vein by means of a slope, and was the first at the opening into the shaft where the wrecked carriage stood. The chains on the west side of the carriage were broken, as was one of the chains on the east side. The bottom of the carriage was hanging down the shaft supported only by one of the east side chains.

CONNECTING ROD BENT. He observed that the connecting rod between the lever and the fans was bent as if something had fallen down the shaft and struck it. The lever was half way down and on the ground under it he found the pin or spike which was used to keep the lever in place. After the accident the connecting rod had to be taken out and straightened. He heard nothing fall down the shaft from the time he came on duty that morning.

SMITH FELT A BUMP. Smith and Richards went down to the carriage on the trip before it was wrecked. Smith said he felt a bump after they left the Rider vein, but could not tell just where it occurred. He did not think they struck the fans at the Clark vein on the bump, but that it had been more severe.

According to the evidence adduced, we the undersigned jurors, do hereby find that the deceased, namely, John Regan, Thomas Williams, Frank Woodward and William Gilbert, came to their death on Monday, February 28, by falling down the shaft of the Mt. Pleasant mine, and that their death was due to negligence on the part of the said company in not having the proper appliance for the securing of the lever operating the fans in the said Mt. Pleasant mine properly secured when he left the Clark vein on the day of the accident.

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION. Opening Session of Meeting Was Held in Plymouth Last Night. The one hundred and fifty-fourth session of the Wyoming Ministerial association opened in the Methodist Episcopal church, at Plymouth, last evening. Rev. Arthur G. Smith, D. D., presided and Rev. Ferris B. Connell recorded the minutes. The praise service was led by Rev. Frank James, of Centremore, and Rev. C. S.

Mason & Hamlin Pianofortes. Were found worthy of a HIGHER DISTINCTION than all others at the Philadelphia National Export Exposition, 1899. The Mason & Hamlin Pianos received the very Highest Honors and were the only pianos to receive such at the Philadelphia National Export Exposition, for in the case of the Mason & Hamlin Pianos the Jury of Awards did not rest by giving the Highest Medal in the group, but finding these instruments so distinguished by their tone quality and general superiority as to place them in a class by themselves, the Jury referred them to the Committee of Science and Arts of the Franklin Institute of Philadelphia, specially recommending that an extra exceptional Medal be bestowed.

L. B. POWELL & CO., 131-133 Washington Avenue, Scranton. CONNELL, of Dorrance, conducted the devotional exercises. Three sessions will be held today. After the business meeting in the morning the twentieth century movement will be discussed. The spiritual phase will be given by Rev. Wilson Treble and Rev. John Bradshaw, of Nantook, will lead the discussion. The thanks offering phase will be referred to by Rev. C. M. Giffin and Rev. William G. Simpson, of Scranton, will open the discussion. The afternoon session will be devoted to the business interests of the association and several topics will be discussed, among them being "Needful Qualifications of the Methodist Minister of Today," by Rev. H. H. Wilbur, Rev. E. V. Armstrong will open the discussion. "The General Conference of 1900" is Rev. F. Gendall's subject, and Rev. H. D. Smith will lead the discussion. "Wyoming District Methodism," by Rev. L. C. Murdock, of Kingston, and discussion by Rev. F. A. King. "Conference Evangelists" will be Rev. Stephen Jay's subject, and Rev. J. B. Sweet will lead the discussion. In the evening a praise service will be held. Rev. Austin Griffin will lead the consecration meeting and Rev. E. V. Armstrong will preach the sermon. The following clergymen from this city will attend the meeting today: Rev. C. M. Giffin, D. D., Rev. William Edgar, Rev. J. B. Sweet, Rev. James Benninger, Rev. W. G. Simpson, Rev. F. P. Doty.

BACKUS BOWLERS WIN. They Defeat the Scranton Bicycle Club Team by 99 Pins. The Backus bowling team last night played the representative rollers of the Scranton Bicycle club on the alleys of the latter organization and added another victory to its list by winning out by a score of 99 pins, having a total of 2,267 against 2,168. The game was merely the playing off of the first game of the series, which had since been declared null. In that game the Backus club won out by 148 pins, so last night's victory by only 99 merely diminishes the victorious team's record, counting by pins. Coon Moore was high man of the evening, leading the Backus club with 197 to his credit, and being closely followed by Captain Wardell, of the Bicycle club, with 191, made by very pretty rolling in the last game. Coons also had the highest average, making 167 1-3. Moore, a new player on the Bicycle club team, made his first appearance as a member of the first team bowlers, on a level alley, and rolled a very pretty game, having a high score of 169 and an average of 153 1-3. The detailed scores follow:

BACKUS TEAM. Will Welch 146 141 377. Moore 156 155 311. Becker 127 111 143. Coons 145 197 190. Hopkins (captain) 167 133 355. Totals 641 639 796.

BICYCLE CLUB. Worden 147 149 142. Roper 144 151 332. Northrup 128 140 144. Moore 169 169 337. Wardell (captain) 127 148 391. Totals 615 659 716.

Tonight the West End Wheelmen's Bowling club, of Wilkes-Barre, will visit the city and play the Backus men on their own alleys. The rollers from down the valley are still smarting from the defeat administered them last Friday evening in Wilkes-Barre by the local bowlers and tonight's game promises to be one of the most spirited played so far.

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