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CITY NOTES

TEACHERS' PAY TODAY.—The teachers in the various city schools will receive their February pay today.

BATTLE FUNERAL.—The funeral of Francis Battle will take place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence, 14 Maple street.

ACCUSED OF HOUSEBREAKING.—Robert Moyle was committed to the county jail last night by Alderman Jones, of Carbondale, on the charges of house-breaking and threats.

CONWAY INJURED.—James Conway, a miner, was yesterday injured by a fall of rock and was taken to the Moses Taylor hospital. He was badly bruised but no bones were broken.

NIGHT SCHOOLS CLOSED.—The night schools in all parts of the city were closed last night, the four months of twenty days each for which they were to be open having elapsed.

D. & H. PAYS.—The Delaware and Hudson company paid the trackage south of Scranton yesterday. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company have completed the February pay in this section.

SECURE THIS EVENING.—This evening at 8 o'clock Mrs. Gerolde will speak at the Young Women's Christian association on "Household Economics." Mrs. Randall, of the Elm Park church, will sing. All women are cordially invited.

MEETING THIS MORNING.—The managers of the Home for the Friendless will hold a special meeting tomorrow at 10 a. m. at the Young Women's Christian association to consider important business. A full attendance is requested.

A HAT SOCIAL.—The Young People's Christian union of All Souls' Universalist church on Pine street will conduct a "hat social" this evening in the church. Each gentleman attending will be expected to trim a hat within a certain period of time.

HAND CLUSHELD.—Jacob Kans, of 333 Elm street, while at work in the North Street mill yesterday, had his hand caught between the bunnies of two cars and badly injured, two of the fingers being

severely crushed. He was taken to the Moses Taylor hospital.

REMAINS RECEIVED.

Bodies of Manila Heroes at National Express Company's Office.

The bodies of four United States soldiers who died in the Philippines were received by the National Express company yesterday, coming direct from San Francisco and were forwarded severally to Reading, Port Carbon, Lancaster and Girardville.

They were the remains respectively of Private Joseph Grogan, who was killed in action June 13, 1899, at Manila, and who was a member of Company I, Twenty-first United States Infantry, and whose body is being forwarded to Michael Ryan, at Port Carbon; Private Christian Bosold, Private Charles Curley and Corporal Jacob Brown.

Corporal Brown was a member of Company I, Fourteenth regiment, United States Infantry, and his death was the result of the poisonous bite of an insect. His remains go to Mrs. Elizabeth Booth, at Lancaster. Christian Bosold belonged to Company M, Seventeenth Infantry, and his body will be sent to Mrs. Mary Bosold, of Reading. Disease was the cause of his death, as it was also of Private Charles Curley, of Company H, Twenty-first regiment, United States Infantry, and whose remains go to Mrs. Catherine Curley, of Girardville.

A large number of bodies of dead soldiers have been received recently by the National Express company, only a few days ago one being forwarded to Bloomsburg from here.

APPEAL HAS BEEN TAKEN.

City Not Satisfied with Judge Archibald's Ruling.

City Solicitor Vosburg has taken an appeal to the supreme court from the ruling of Judge Archibald in the case of Hannah Levers against the city of Scranton. It will be remembered that the property of the defendant is located at the corner of Lehigh street and Decker's court. A sewer was put in both streets and the city endeavored to collect two sewer assessments. The case was taken to the local court and Judge Archibald decided that the city could not collect two assessments.

The supreme court has already decided that two assessments can be collected and unless the judges wish to reverse their former decision they will undoubtedly sustain the city's appeal. The United States supreme court has decided on one occasion, it is understood, that such a collection cannot be made.

City Solicitor Vosburg stated yesterday that while the collection of two assessments might not seem fair at the present time, still some standard had to be set, as no absolutely perfect system of taxation has yet been devised.

YOUNG BOYS ARRESTED.

Louis Epstein and Harry Seigle Charged with Larceny.

Louis Epstein, a young boy of the central city, and Harry Seigle, of the South Washington avenue flats, were arraigned before Mayor Moir in police court yesterday morning, charged with the larceny of several articles in Jonas Long's Sons' store Wednesday afternoon.

They were noticed while in the store acting in a very suspicious manner, and after they had left the place Police Captain Edwards arrested them in a hunch wagon. At first they denied their guilt, but on being searched they found to have on their persons a small silver watch, an amount of candy and several pieces of cheap jewelry.

At the hearing yesterday morning Floorwalker G. W. Dunn, of Jonas Long's Sons' store, appeared against the prisoners and Mayor Moir held them in \$500 bail, in default of which they were taken to the county jail.

E. Robinson Sons' Celebrated Book Beer.

On tap tomorrow and all next week.

NEW TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.

May Be Located in the Wymbys Building on Wyoming Avenue.

The promoters of the new telephone company are negotiating with M. F. Wymbys for the rental of his building on Wyoming avenue, opposite the Westminster, for the permanent location of the new telephone exchange.

Mr. Wymbys was in Wilkes-Barre yesterday inspecting the building and equipments of the exchange recently established there, and obtaining information relative to what changes will be necessary in his building in this city to conform with the company's requirements.

A conference will be held on Monday next between owner Wymbys and the telephone people, when the transfer will probably be made.

Keystone Book Beer on Tap.

Saturday, March 17.

BEN JOHNSON'S ASH WAGON.

Caused Much Comment Yesterday Among Men About Town.

If there is a city ordinance prohibiting the hauling over the streets of ashes in such vehicles as the one used by Ben Johnson yesterday, the authority should enforce it without delay.

For several blocks the contents of the wagon were strewn along the pavement and it was only through the most fortunate circumstances that the rear wheels did not fall from the axle. First one and then the other would drag along the asphalt and on Lackawanna avenue several narrow escapes were recorded from colliding with street cars.

When Franklin avenue was reached one of the wheels gave way and the vehicle was drawn on the other three. The driver sat unmoved on the seat, unmindful of the somewhat perilous position he occupied.

Keystone Book Beer on Saturday.

BOUSE WAS POISONED.

He Drank Coffee Containing Carbolic Acid.

Simean Bous, night watchman at the Pennsylvania Coal company's yards at Moosic, almost lost his life Tuesday night last from the effects of carbolic acid placed in his dinner pail with intent. It is believed to kill him.

After eating his midnight meal from his pail he became deathly sick and with great difficulty reached his home, where Dr. S. S. Watson gave him medical attention and he soon rallied. The doctor discovered distinct traces of carbolic acid in the coffee remaining in the pail.

No Licenses in Three Days.

During the past three days not a single application for a marriage license has been received at Clerk of the Courts Daniel's office.

This is the first time in the memory of the clerks of that office that so long a period has passed without an application being filed.

Court House News Notes.

James M. Dade, collector of Roaring

COUNTY MUST PAY THE DISPUTED FEES

SOLICITOR H. L. TAYLOR SO ADVISES COMMISSIONERS.

Constables and Magistrates Can Now Collect Their Claims for Work in "Non Est Inventus" Cases—Secretary Potter, of the Carriage Trimmers' Union, Sued for Libel by W. E. Gilhoel—Silk Weaving Company Claims Damages from a Thrower Firm—Equity Suit Argued.

Now the county commissioners say they will pay the "non est inventus" claims of constables and magistrates. Yesterday they gave out the following for publication:

Scranton, Pa., March 15, 1900. To John Courier Morris, John Penman and John J. Durkin, County Commissioners.

Gentlemen: In reply to your inquiry in regard to the payment of costs by the county in misdemeanor cases, I am satisfied that the county is primarily liable for the payment of, and should pay, the costs of prosecution upon the termination of the prosecution, which said prosecution may be terminated in either of two ways:

First—By the bill of indictment being ignored by the grand jury.

Second—By a verdict of a jury and sentence of the court.

The sentence of the court is necessary in the second mode only.

In regard to the payment of witnesses, the county shall only pay the costs of such witnesses as the district attorney shall certify were incurred by his order and were in attendance and necessary to the trial of the case. This liability began in 1887 by virtue of act of assembly of May 19, 1887, P. L. 28, which act of assembly was interpreted by Justice Mitchell (supreme court) by opinion in Allen vs. Delaware Co., 181 Pa. State, page 256, etc., fully sustaining this opinion. Yours truly, H. L. Taylor, County Solicitor.

In paying these claims, however, it is the intention of the commissioners to scrutinize every bill carefully and, where there is any appearance of unwarranted charges, the claimant will be called in and made to prove his claim or suffer it to be reduced to what the commissioners consider a reasonable limit.

Arguments in an Equity Suit.

Arguments were heard yesterday before Judge Edwards in the equity suit of J. D. Peck, assignee and trustee of the estates of Henry J. and Frederick Kunz, for the benefit of their creditors, against Sprinkles Brothers, W. S. Diehl and Hon. John P. Kelly appearing for the plaintiff and T. P. Hoban for the defendants.

The plaintiff claims that on June 14, 1897, Kunz Brothers, contractors and builders, of Winton, while insolvent, transferred their book accounts and other property to the defendants, thereby preventing their creditors from recovering their claims. The defendants deny that there was any collusion or fraud and say that the judgment note of \$4,000 on which they seized the Kunz Brothers property was given to cover an account of \$3,100 which was owing them by the defendant Kunz Brothers. The plaintiff claims the property was valued at \$9,000. The defendants say it was only worth \$1,525.

Union Man Sued for Libel.

W. E. Gilhoel, proprietor of Gilhoel's carriage works, instituted a suit yesterday against Thomas A. Potter, secretary of the Carriage Trimmers' union, to recover \$5,000 for libel.

In an affidavit filed by Mr. Gilhoel's attorney, Joseph F. Gilroy, it is alleged that on March 14, 1900, Secretary Potter composed and published the following libel: "He (meaning Gilhoel) has discharged all union men in his employ without paying them their just dues," by which, it is averred, Secretary Potter meant Mr. Gilhoel was unfriendly to union labor and sought to bring him into disrepute.

The alleged libel was contained in a letter sent to one of Mr. Gilhoel's largest customers. It is claimed by Mr. Gilhoel that similar letters were sent to other customers. A capias for Secretary Potter's arrest was placed in the hands of the sheriff last evening. Bail is required in the sum of \$1,000.

Got Twisted in the Twisting.

In throwing silk the thread on one kind of spool is thrown to the right and that on another kind of spool is thrown to the left. H. Renard & Son, throwsters, were employed by the Lackawanna Silk company to throw a number of bales of silk valued at \$1,000 in the raw state. Instead of throwing the one kind to the right and the other to the left, it is alleged, they threw the other kind to the right and the one kind to the left and thereby caused 2,971 1/2 yards of crepe de chine, woven from this twisted twist, to be sold at a loss of \$1,840.77.

The weaver yesterday sued the throwsters to recover this amount, a trespass suit being the form of action. H. C. Reynolds and Taylor & Lewis are the Lackawanna company's attorneys.

The Final Hearing.

Referee John J. Murphy yesterday heard the final testimony in the case of Mary Barrett against the city of Scranton. City Controller Vosburg summed up for the city, and the defendant's side of the case was looked after by Attorneys Cawley & Shean.

Mrs. Barrett, who resides on Carbon street, claims damages to the extent of \$15,000 in two separate suits brought against the city. She claims that the damage was caused by the overflow of water from the street onto her property, damaging it and causing sickness in her family.

Shooting Affrays Passed Upon.

The grand jury yesterday passed upon the Jessup murder case, in which Peter Chipliano is charged with the killing of August Calanauer on January 22, and the Dunmore shooting affray, in which Officers Keys and Snyder were wounded by the two alleged anarchists, Gulhoth and Merlier, captured in Canada last month.

It is expected the jury will make a return this morning and a final report Saturday afternoon.

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VIN MARIANI

REFUSE SUBSTITUTES. Vin Mariani is on sale at drug stores throughout the world. Though imitation may be considered the highest compliment, the public is especially cautioned against substitutes and imitations attempted, owing to the popularity of Vin Mariani.

Brook township, settled his 1899 duplicate with the county commissioners yesterday.

The hearing in the divorce case of C. Oscar Wolfe against Nella Wolfe, which was to have taken place before Judge Edwards, was postponed on account of the imminent illness of the respondent.

Thomas C. Darrow, of Dickson City, was released under \$500 bail yesterday, furnished before Judge Edwards. He was arrested on the charge of carrying concealed weapons and threatening to kill his wife.

HEAVY SNOW STORM.

It Set in Before Noon Yesterday and Was Still at It at 2 O'Clock This Morning.

What our rural relatives are pleased to term a "sugar snow," because of its tendency to stimulate the run of maple sap, began shortly before noon yesterday and at 1 o'clock this morning had piled itself six inches high on the level throughout all the region round.

Wilkes-Barre reported a full foot; Binghamton said five inches in response to the Tribune's inquiry and along the lines of the Lackawanna as far as Washington, N. J., the reports had it from eight to twelve inches deep. Only a light wind accompanied the fall and the steam roads in consequence had little worry except over possibilities. The midnight trains came along on good time and the dispatcher's office said the later trains were not far behind their schedules.

It was different, though, in the city. Along towards 9 o'clock p. m. the trolley cars found it just barely possible to get over grades and two hours later it was impossible for them to beat a walk, except going down hill.

On the long runs the late cars were practically stalled. The only way they could make any progress was in following one of the big sweepers and these, with all their power, had no easy time in making appreciable headway.

Men were kept at work all night running the sweepers and working in the broom and shovel brigades, but their efforts availed little, owing to the great number of miles of track and the fact the storm kept working over the top.

The trolley company's office cheerfully said at an early hour this morning that everything would be all right by daybreak. "Snow and sleet all day Friday" is what the weather bureau prognosticates at midnight.

INDEPENDENT COMPANIES.

Organization of Telephone Corporations to Be Attempted.

S. E. Wayland, the general manager of the new Lackawanna Telephone company of this city, and also of the Peoples' Telephone company, of Wilkes-Barre, is making an effort to have the independent telephone companies of this state organized into an association so that a long-distance system may be established.

With this end in view he has sent a circular letter to the officials of every independent company in the state asking them to attend a meeting in Harrisburg on April 10 for the purpose of forming such an association.

Other matters of mutual concern, such as taxation and state legislation, will also be discussed at the meeting.

NO BASE BALL FOR SCRANTON.

Efforts to Establish an Atlantic Team Here Abandoned.

Scranton will not be represented in the Atlantic league, as baseball clubs this season unless outside capitalists can be induced to establish a team here.

That fact was announced yesterday by M. E. Sanders, who has been interested himself along that line for several weeks. He notified President Fogel yesterday that he will not attend the meeting in Allentown today and has abandoned the canvass for subscriptions.

Altogether pledges were secured for \$1,300 towards the support of a team in this city, but that is not sufficient to insure its success.

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Silks Grenadines, open work stripe Taffeta Silk for Waists and Trimmings, full line of street and evening shades at \$1.00.

Silks New Printed Pure Silk Foulards, in shades of navy, royal, dahlia, reseda, prune, brown, etc. We positively guarantee the wear of this silk, 75c.

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METHODIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY WORK

ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING HELD YESTERDAY.

One Hundred Members of the Association Assembled at the Court Street Methodist Episcopal Church and Carry Out an Interesting Programme—Encouraging Reports Made by the Officers and Committees—Mrs. T. H. Dale Re-elected President.

About 100 women had no more gift of prophecy than the weather bureau yesterday morning and betook themselves to the annual district missionary meeting of the Methodist church at the Court Street Methodist Episcopal church, believing in the innocence of their hearts that the snow scheduled for today would not be ahead of time. There was one pair of overhauses in the entire outfit, which may be enough at a tea, but isn't sufficient at a missionary meeting, and there was much consternation when the afternoon session adjourned.

It was an interesting meeting and one well attended. The programme was carried out almost literally, which is a new thing in programmes. Mrs. T. H. Dale presided.

The morning session opened with devotional exercises conducted by Mrs. J. L. Race, after which Mrs. Dale made her remarks. The address of greeting was charmingly given by Mrs. G. C. Lyman. Mrs. H. M. Bass gave a graceful response. Mrs. W. H. Peck read the minutes of the last annual meeting. Mrs. George Llewellyn read the report of the treasurer, Mrs. R. G. Brooks, who was absent. Mrs. W. G. Simpson read the corresponding secretary's report, which was encouraging in its details. There are thirteen auxiliaries. Miss Eva Metcalf, a tiny maiden of Park Place, sang a solo.

ADDRESSES BY CLERGYMEN.

Rev. J. L. Race and Rev. G. C. Lyman then gave brief addresses, full of interest and encouragement. Mrs. G. W. Moser made an earnest appeal for greater effort in the work, and Mrs. Austin Griffin gave an excellent report of the deaconesses' work, the sum of \$1,018.77 has been raised in this conference toward the training school at Rush Hall.

Mrs. W. H. Pearce made brief remarks, after which Mrs. W. G. Simpson called for the reports of auxiliaries. Mrs. George M. Kulp, the conference corresponding secretary, made an interesting address, which was followed by Miss Hawley, the city missionary of Elm Park church, who told of a box sent to a clergyman on the frontier from that church and related a number of interesting incidents connected with her work.

Mrs. C. E. Mogg, the conference organizer, gave her report and told of the need experienced. Mrs. Pearce reported that about \$1,800 had been pledged for the twentieth century fund. This conference has been apportioned \$5,000 to be raised for that fund. Committees were appointed as follows:

Resolutions—Mrs. H. M. Prendergast, Mrs. Austin Griffin, Miss Emma Lewis. Nominations—Mrs. J. M. Thomas, Mrs. W. H. Peck, Mrs. W. G. Simpson.

Place of Meeting—Mrs. G. E. Mezy, Mrs. George Llewellyn, Mrs. J. C. Murdock.

The clergymen present were presented to the assemblage and the session adjourned. The afternoon session opened with the devotional exercises, conducted by Mrs. C. E. Mogg. Mrs. Palmer, of Hawley, offered prayer. Mrs. J. W. Thomas read the report of the secretary of supplies.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. T. H. Dale; vice president, Mrs. J. B. Sweet; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. G. Simpson; recording secretary, Mrs. G. E. Mezy; treasurer, Mrs. R. G. Brooks.

The officers of the preceding year were all re-elected with the exception of Mrs. W. H. Peck, who declined the position of secretary, having served in that capacity for some years.

Rev. L. C. Murdock, of Keystone, gave the address of the afternoon, which was one of great interest, and related chiefly to a proposed work among foreign speaking people. A little maid of four years sang a solo in a much appreciated fashion, and the session adjourned with the benediction by Rev. G. C. Lyman, pastor of the church.

Among those present from out of town were: Mrs. C. E. Mogg, Mrs. G. B. Kulp, Mrs. W. H. Pearce, of Wilkes-Barre; Mrs. M. E. Palmer, Mrs. Cooper, of Hawley; Mrs. O. L. Severson, Mrs. J. W. Thomas, Mrs. W. C. Thomas, of West Pittston; Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Murdock, of Kingston.

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