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CITY NOTES

BOYS' CHORUS.—The Boys' Chorus will meet in the high school Friday afternoon, March 30, at 1.30 o'clock.

ONLY A WITNESS.—John Gaughan, whose name was mentioned in yesterday's Tribune, in connection with the Harris burglary case, was only a witness.

THE BUSINESS WOMAN.—At the Young Women's Christian Association rooms this evening, at 8 o'clock, Miss May Emory will speak on "The Business Woman."

KELLY FUNERAL.—The funeral of the late Mary Kelly, of 803 Hampton street, will take place at 9 o'clock this morning. Interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery.

MICHAEL GILROY WANTED.—A letter received by Detective Moir yesterday from P. J. Gilroy, of Leadville, Col., asking about the whereabouts of his brother, Michael, who resides in this city.

CREDITORS' MEETING.—A meeting of the creditors of Aaron S. Stoll, bankrupt, was held yesterday afternoon in the office of Referee in Bankruptcy Van Wormer and A. F. Duffy, of Jermyn & Duffy, was elected trustee.

CHANGED QUARTERS.—Attorneys R. L. Levy, J. M. Walker, Frank Lynch and R. U. Capwell, have moved from their quarters in the Meads building, and are now settled in a suite of offices on the second floor of the Paul building.

CIGARMAKERS MEET.—Cigarmakers' union, No. 26, last night held a meeting in Workmen's hall on Lackawanna avenue. Daniel Harris was elected delegate to the session of the Blue Label league of the Cigarmakers of Pennsylvania, which will be held in May in Lancaster.

MINERS' EXAMINATION.—William P. Griffiths, William Merrick and Thomas Hallstone, composing the miners' examining board of the First district, will meet at the arbitration room, in the court house, April 2, at 9 o'clock, to conduct an examination of applicants for miners' certificates.

SICKLER INJURED.—Bert Sickler, of 1000 West Market street, was badly injured yesterday morning by jumping off an engine, and was taken to the Lackawanna hospital. Sickler jumped off the engine at Churchilla, and falling against a switch had his ankle broken. He rested easily at the hospital yesterday.

P. J. KELLY APPOINTED.—P. J. Kelly, who has had charge of the supply room in the Linden street car barn, has been promoted to the position of superin-

endent of transportation on the Carbon-dale line of the Scranton Railway company. Mr. Kelly's position will be filled by William Mav, who is promoted from conductor.

ADVERTISING MYSTERY.—An ingenious advertisement is being distributed throughout the city, consisting of the single word "Kom." People who see this word starting at them from fence posts, bill boards and in street cars are asked each other, "What is 'Kom'?" It will take the newspapers to answer this problem.

PARK IMPROVEMENTS.—Peter Stipp has been awarded the contract for the improvements to be made this year at Nay Aug park, the figure being \$7,500. Mr. Stipp will begin work next week. The architect, architect Edgerton, of Philadelphia, has been in the city for the past few days in consultation with the park commissioners.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY.—The funeral of the late Frederick Brodie was held from St. Peter's cathedral yesterday morning. Rev. D. J. MacDonnell celebrated a high mass of requiem. Interment was made in the Cathedral cemetery. The pallbearers were: John Roche, P. J. Devereux, Edward Halligan, Frederick Riel, Michael Walsh and Abe Getta.

BENEFIT FOR HOSPITAL.—All persons interested in the good work being done in our midst by the Hahnemann hospital are earnestly requested to be present at 3 o'clock this afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. T. L. Watkins, on Monroe avenue, when plans will be discussed for the series of entertainments to be given in May for the benefit of that institution.

SUCCESSFUL SOCIAL.—The social and supper given by the ladies of All Souls' Universalist church, at the residence of Mrs. F. E. Loomis, 545 Madison avenue, on Wednesday evening, was a success from two points of view, financially and socially. The "trimmings" given by the young ladies of this church two weeks ago, produced such a fund of merriment that it will probably be repeated in the near future.

RUNAWAY BOY ARRESTED.—Word was yesterday received at police headquarters from Chief of Police Sol Stuart, of Weather, that the young son of George Smith, of South Washington avenue, who left home about 10 o'clock, taking with him two twenty-dollar bills and a gold watch belonging to his father, had been captured. Detective John Moir leaves the city this morning in order to bring back the young offender.

PRESENTMENTS TODAY. Grand Jury Believes It Has Sufficient Evidence to Warrant It in Returning a Number of Persons.

Presentments will be made today in a number of cases against councilmen and other Lexow victims, in which the grand jury believes sufficient evidence has been secured to warrant an indictment. Judge Edwards will pass upon these, and if he approves of them they will be then formally voted upon to determine whether or not indictments will be reported. It is probable the public will hear from the jury on Saturday.

There was a story afloat yesterday to the effect that the presentments against the councilmen had been submitted to Judge Edwards, and that he had advised the jury he could not approve of them. A denial of this came from an authoritative source. "Though we may report on Saturday," said one of the jurors yesterday, "it will likely be a very partial report. Unless certain witnesses, who are, to our minds, absolutely necessary to this investigation, put in an appearance tomorrow, it is very probable we will adjourn over to next week and continue till we secure the testimony of these witnesses. The public, we are convinced, would not be satisfied if we adjourned finally without first having exhausted every reasonable effort to make the investigation complete and thorough. We propose to satisfy the public."

Morgan Sweeney, one of the witnesses who had been out of town, returned yesterday and presented himself for examination. E. J. Maloney, W. P. Boland and E. J. Robinson were recalled and examined at length. Other witnesses were George S. Horn, Select Councilman C. E. Chittenden and Miss Nellie Smith, of 318 Linden street.

GIRL'S NARROW ESCAPE. Jumped from a Moving Train in Lackawanna Yard.

A young woman, whose name could not be learned, had a narrow escape from injury yesterday afternoon in jumping from the Buffalo express after it had started from the Lackawanna avenue station at 3.30 o'clock.

In company with another young woman the train jumper entered the depot just as Station Master McCann had given the order to start, and she was assisted to one of the middle coaches while the train was moving.

Conductor Finnerty meanwhile had noticed the other young woman anxious to get aboard the train, and assisted her to the rear coach in safety. Everybody was excited at the incident, and even Superintendent Salisbury played a part in the little drama. He ordered the train stopped.

The first young woman, believing that her companion had been left behind, threw her valise from the moving train after it had passed out of the station and deliberately jumped off in the rear of the Scranton House.

Without a moment's delay she picked up her grip and started back to the station.

The train was then at a standstill and when she reached the rear platform met her companion waiting for her, as if she knew she had jumped off. She was quickly escorted inside the last coach and were lost to the sight of the crowd as the train pulled away.

ELKS ELECT OFFICERS. F. C. Smith Chosen Exalted Ruler to Succeed W. S. Millar.

Scranton lodge, No. 123, Beneficial and Protective Order of Elks, met last night in the club rooms on Franklin avenue and elected officers for the ensuing year. Exalted Ruler W. S. Millar was succeeded in his high office by F. C. Smith, of the Delaware. Lackawanna and Western railroad. Sol Goldsmith was chosen esteemed reading knight, and T. J. Jennings esteemed loyal knight. Fred C. Hand was elected esteemed lecturing knight. W. S. Gould was elected secretary for the fifth successive year, and H. J. Schuler was chosen treasurer for the third successive time. W. S. Millar was elected tyler, and David J. Reedy was made trustee for five years. W. S. Millar was elected delegate to the Grand lodge. J. C. Cohen was chosen alternate.

No other work was transacted, as all yearly reports and other business will be attended to next Thursday, when the installation of the officers will take place.

ABLE ADDRESSES ON SANITATION

DELIVERED BY MR. WINGATE AND MRS. LARNED.

The Meeting Was Held in Guernsey Hall and Was Attended by Large Number of the Members of the Central Labor Union—The Laboring Man, Mr. Wingate Said, Is the One Most Viciously Interested in Matters of Sanitation—What Mrs. Larned Said.

It is a pity that many thousands of the citizens of this city could not have been at Guernsey hall last night to hear the fine addresses which were given under the auspices of the Economic section of the Green Ridge Women's club. They would have heard some rather pointed remarks regarding the unsanitary conditions of the streets.

The platform was occupied by Mrs. Linda Hull Larned, of Syracuse, N. Y.; Mrs. C. P. Davidson, Mrs. I. J. Lansing, Mr. C. F. Wingate, of New York; Hon. John R. Farr, Rev. I. J. Lansing, D. D., Martin D. Flaherty, president of Central Labor union, and James A. Lansing. The seats at the right of the aisle were occupied by a body of men representing the labor organizations of the city. Many members and friends of the Women's club were also present.

Mrs. C. F. Davidson presided. The first speaker of the evening was C. F. Wingate, of New York, the famous civil engineer expert on sanitation, and who has probably done more to influence health legislation in the state of New York than any other man. Mr. Wingate spoke of the fact that the workingman's sole capital is his health and that, owing to the necessity of work, he is more exposed to disease in mine, shop and factory, where the conditions are apt to be unfavorable, than are other people. The Trades Union statistics show that the largest portion of his wages goes toward beneficial organization for emergencies of sickness and need. The fact that in the Printers' union strike \$174 went toward the strike fund, while \$40.25 was devoted to mutual benefit societies is a proof of this statement. The frequently made assertion that the workingman could save money if it were not for drink is not true. Drink is not the cause of his poverty, but often the result of it. The dampness and disease lead him to this result. Sanitary reform neutralizes the evil of the rum and the tenement.

IDEA ABANDONED. The idea that disease and epidemics were as inevitable and relentless as a cyclone or an earthquake has been abandoned. Lord Palmerston said when the people urged an appointment of a day of fasting and prayer because of the plague, he advised the petitioners to "go home and clean up."

At Memphis when the yellow fever was raging a statesman said: "We have enough heroism and self-sacrifice, we want drainage and common sense."

The speaker then said: "I am glad to learn that the workers in the Scranton own their homes and that through building and loan associations more of these are being obtained. You are paying for your house on the installment plan and you grudge every cent that threatens a payment. When they want to run a sewer through your property you protest and say: 'What is the use? Do you realize what a money value you have in these improvements and what a setback property gets when a neglect of sanitation has been allowed to take place?'"

Certain diseases are now known as preventable. This is only since the Crimean war. There are great names to which the advocates of sanitation may point. Moses was the first, and his law is still in force. The Jews in their method of slaughtering their cattle refused to eat tainted food, their results in the length of their race, Consumption and cancer are almost unknown among them. Hippocrates, Dr. Jenner, Priestly, Pasteur, Koch, Eli Whitney, who made it possible for a man to wear a clean shirt; Colonel Waring, Prof. Chandler, C. L. Brace, Florence Nightingale, Clara Barton, Baker Billings and others form the list of those who have made it possible to avoid disease.

In the filthy tenements the children die. In the crowded East the plagues move down thousands where a hot bed of contagion is always existing.

INSPECTION OF CELLARS. Mr. Wingate then gave practical suggestions, recommended a rigid inspection of cellars, which must be kept dry and well ventilated, also the noxious exhalations are continuously drawn upward into the living rooms.

"Never, under any circumstances," he said, "allow slops thrown out of the house; the greasy, soapy water clogs the pipes."

He is a fascinating conversationalist and has the happiest optimism in his views. Mrs. Larned is pretty, graceful and distinctly charming. She will address the ladies of the city today at 3.30 at the Green Ridge library.

AUDITORS CASE IS A RATHER WEAK ONE

JUDGE SAVIDGE PRACTICALLY TELLS THE JURY SO.

Delivers a Two Hours' Charge in Which He Says That the Only Thing the Commissioners Could Possibly Have Been Guilty of Was a Mistake in Judgment, and if the Mistake Was Not Negligently Made They Can Not Be Held Liable—Other Court Matters.

Those who sat through Judge Savidge's two-hour charge, ending at 5.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, will have left the court house with a firm conviction that the court at all events had not been led to see any irregularity, negligence or exercise of bad judgment on the part of the county commissioners in the hour house reconstruction matter.

He said positively to the jury that no fraud had been shown, and as much as said that there was no evidence of negligence. There might have been mistakes made in some matters, he said, but before the jury could say such was the case it must find that the commissioners did not make use of all the lights they possess, and exercise their full and best discretion. Did they do the best they could under the circumstances? If they did then no matter what errors may have resulted the commissioners can not be held personally liable.

It was very evident from the judge's charge that he was not deeply impressed with the case made out by the auditors. There was no mistaking that a jury would gather from his words and manner that he wanted to say: "If you think as I do you'll bring in a verdict for the defendants."

CLOSING SPEECHES. The closing speech for the commissioners' side was made by Mr. Kelly, while Mr. Hannah summed up for the auditors. Judge Savidge requested the jury to report at 7.50 this morning if it agreed on a verdict before that time, as he was anxious to get home on the 8.30 o'clock train.

Yesterday made the eighth day that the case was actually on trial. Seven hundred pages of Stenographer H. H. Costen's short-hand notes were required to record the testimony.

Things were dragging along drearily about each side house yesterday afternoon until the attorney in the Republic-Frothingham case came to make their closing arguments. Then it was different.

Whatever it was that suggested such a thing does not develop, but it appears each side had come to the conclusion that the principal on the other side was a fit subject for a proper tongue-lashing, and they got it.

Mr. Holgate, who isn't a bad sort of hand at all, at this kind of thing, was wholly regardless of Mr. Republic's feelings, when he came to sum up for the defense. Mr. O'Brien returned the compliment when he came to size up Mr. Frothingham, and the compliment was returned with interest.

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WOMEN'S CLUB RECEPTION. Given in Honor of Mrs. Larned and Mr. Wingate.

The Green Ridge Women's club gave a beautiful reception yesterday at the Green Ridge library in honor of C. F. Wingate, of New York, and Mrs. Virginia Hull Larned, of Syracuse. The guests of honor received by Mrs. I. J. Lansing and Mrs. C. P. Davidson.

The pretty rooms were elaborately decorated, pink being the prevailing color. The table was notably attractive with exquisite linen, pink shaded candleabra and richly wrought silver. Mrs. C. D. Simpson, Mrs. James Dickson, Mrs. Helen Franklin and Miss Sanderson presided. The frappe table, containing a huge bowl piled with pink-tinted ice, was placed in a cosy corner, where Mrs. J. W. Howarth presided. Mrs. G. A. Doune, Mrs. R. E. Hurley, the Misses Gerecke, Miss Nettleton and others assisted.

Mr. Wingate made a most pleasing impression. He is a fascinating conversationalist and has the happiest optimism in his views. Mrs. Larned is pretty, graceful and distinctly charming. She will address the ladies of the city today at 3.30 at the Green Ridge library.

DEATH OF JOHN WASHIK. John Washik died at the Lackawanna hospital yesterday of burns received in one of the Elk Hill Coal company's mines last week.

He was injured by an explosion of gas and was taken to the hospital. His life was despaired of from the first, the burns inflicted being of a terrible nature.

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