

# SOME EDUCATIONAL CONTEST REWARDS

## Interesting Description of the Sohmer Piano.

### GOLD AND SILVER WATCHES

Special Rewards That Are Well Worth the Effort of a Few Weeks. Inducements for Those Who Do Not Care for the Scholarships—The Piano Is One of Unusual Beauty and Value—Those Who Start Before August 1 Will Finish Well Up on the List.

THE INTEREST aroused by the first announcements of The Tribune's Educational Contest is still very lively, and not a day passes but there are entries. The feature of the contest the past few days has been the enrolling of the names of young ladies. These are more especially from outside the city, and The Tribune is pleased to extend a cordial welcome to these workers, for they are particularly desirable for this kind of effort, and when they do start in on an ambitious project they take hold with a vim and earnestness which their brothers would do well to emulate.

**Opportunity Still Open.**  
The opportunity to enroll in the army of progress and education is not yet lost. There is yet time enough for the ones who have been hesitating to come forward and place their names on the books of the contest—hesitating between hope of being able to obtain substantial advancement and winning a fine reward for their labor, and fear that they may not possess the regularity necessary to make a success of the canvass. But there is no way of forecasting a result in such a competition. The only test is an actual trial of your skill, tact and perseverance. You may as well be among the winners of these special rewards as some boy or girl of your acquaintance. Some of them have seen an opportunity and grasped it; you may as well do likewise, and if you have faith in your superior abilities you should be able to beat them in a fair, open contest.

**The Special Rewards.**  
The Tribune's Educational Contest has excited great interest all through this section of Pennsylvania, because of the extremely liberal nature of the special rewards offered in connection with it. The educational rewards have been dwelt upon more than any of the others, because they will appeal more to the class of young men and women who are ambitious, for they present to them an opportunity to endow themselves with facilities for higher education. But the other rewards, aside from those of a scholastic nature, present inducements for all to come into this competition, irrespective of age or sex, or condition. Especially desirable in its value and attractiveness is the special reward No. 3, the Sohmer piano.

This special reward is one of great beauty, and is in itself an incentive for the greatest amount of labor, and combined with it is a silken scarf and a stool of the same wood and finish as the piano, bringing the value of the special reward up to \$485. We present an illustration of this piano, and will give a brief description of it and of the many features that are combined to make it one of the very best instruments of its kind.

The piano selected is a cabinet-grand, style 5B, and is on exhibition in the windows of J. W. Guernsey's music rooms, 314 Washington avenue. It has attracted the universal admiration of all who have seen it, and a number who have tried its tones have been delighted with its volume and purity, its richness and singing quality, and its sympathetic character throughout the entire scale.

**Where It Is Manufactured.**  
Sohmer & Co.'s piano factory is situated at Astoria, Long Island, N. Y., opposite Eighty-sixth street, New York city. Their building is adapted and planned entirely for the manufacture of pianofortes, it is a model in every detail and is one of the most extensive in the country, complete in every department. It is supplied with the best labor-saving machinery and with every facility, arrangement and improvement for economical production. Sohmer & Co. permit no piano to leave their establishment without a careful inspection, in order to insure perfection in every part.

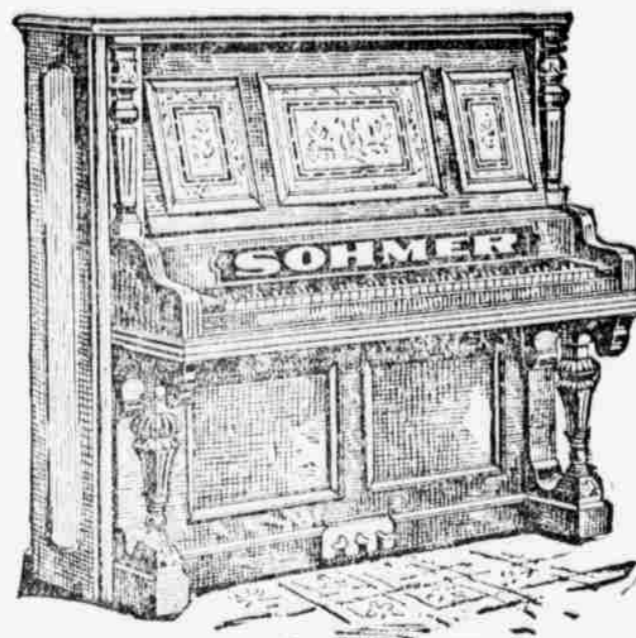
**The Guarantee.**  
Wherever the Sohmer piano have been introduced they have gained the approbation of the best musical authorities. The name of Sohmer & Co. upon

a piano is a guarantee of excellence. The following is the form of a guarantee given with each pianoforte manufactured by Sohmer & Co.:

We, the undersigned, warrant the pianoforte No. — to be a perfect instrument in every respect (made of the best seasoned material), and hold ourselves responsible for any defect in material or manufacture except when exposed to extreme heat, cold or dampness, for the term of six years from date. Sohmer & Co., New York.

The Sohmer style B is five feet, three inches wide and four feet, six inches high. The keyboard is 7 1/2 octaves, and the piano has an overstrung scale, three-stringed repeating action. It is finished in Walnut, with handsomely carved legs, curved and polished panels, double-hinged fall board and full-length music rack and pianissimo pedal. It is one of the most beautiful pianos ever seen in this city, and the fortunate winner will be well repaid for the energy expended in securing enough points to become its possessor.

**Tone and Workmanship.**  
The tone of this piano is particularly distinguished on account of its volume and purity. Its touch, or action, is responsive, and unites, with absolute



Sohmer Cabinet-Grand Piano, Style 5B.

precision, a delicacy and pliability not found in many pianos of equal or greater cost. The workmanship is shown in the perfect finishing of every part and in the skilful use of the best material. By an original and improved method of strengthening the frame the piano acquires extraordinary strength, and is enabled to sustain the enormous tensional strain of the strings, endowing it with splendid sonority, power and brilliancy. In its wood, its metal stand not merely as an ornamental piece of furniture, but as a musical instrument, for a day or year only, but for a life time.

**A Voluntary Tribute.**  
A Scranton musician, well and favorably known as a pianist of exceptional ability, has voluntarily sent us the following testimonial:

Scranton, Pa., July 19, 1900.  
Sir: Permit me to congratulate you on the magnificent piano you have secured as a prize for one of the winners in your educational contest. I have played on many pianos in my life, but never upon one which in tone, touch and action was the superior of the one you offer. It will be truly "a thing of beauty and a joy forever" to the fortunate contestant who succeeds in securing it. Wishing you every success in increasing the circulation of The Tribune, I remain, respectfully yours,

**Other Special Rewards.**  
Among the other special rewards offered in this Educational Contest are two gold watches, known as rewards

### RULES OF THE CONTEST

The special rewards will be given to the persons securing the largest number of points.  
Points will be credited to contestants securing new subscribers to the Scranton Tribune as follows:

- One Month's Subscription, \$ 50 1
- Three Month's Subscription, 125 3
- Six Month's Subscription, 250 6
- One Year's Subscription, 500 12

The contestant with the highest number of points will be given a choice from the list of special rewards as contestants with the second highest number of points will be given a choice of the remaining rewards, and so on through the list.

Each contestant failing to secure a special reward will be given 10 per cent. of all money he or she has in advance. Subscriptions must be paid in advance.  
Only new subscribers will be counted. Renewals by persons already on our subscription list will not be counted.  
No transfers can be made after credit has been given.

All subscriptions, and the cash to pay the same, must be handed in at The Tribune office within the week in which they are secured, so that papers may be sent to the subscribers at once. Subscriptions must be written on blanks, which can be secured at The Tribune office, or will be sent by mail.  
The contest will close promptly at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, September 29, 1900.

No. 8 and 10. The first, No. 8, is a solid gold watch, furnished either in lady's or gentleman's size, according to the wish of the winner, and valued at \$50. This watch is one of the hand-somest designs of the Illinois Watch company, one of the most celebrated makers in this country. The case is of solid gold, warranted 14-karat United States assay, and is chased artistically. The works are the best Springfield movement, full jeweled, with safety-pinion, and are warranted to be absolutely correct. This special reward is of surpassing merit, and can be seen at any time in the windows of Mr. Nicholson's jewelry store, 317 Lackawanna avenue.

Special reward No. 10 is also a gold watch, either in lady's or gentleman's size. If this watch is taken in a lady's size it will be furnished in a solid gold case, with Springfield movement, and valued at \$50. If the winner prefers a gentleman's size watch he will receive a gold-filled case instead, warranted for twenty years, and also of the value

of \$50, or he may have a solid silver watch of the same value, as he prefers. These watches are also made by the Illinois Watch company and fitted with fine Springfield movement. The lady's size is a 14-karat gold case, handsomely chased, and warranted. The solid silver watch, offered as an option with the gold-filled case, is of the very best manufacture and of the highest grade of workmanship. These watches are available for view at E. Schimpf's jewelry store.

### NICHOLSON.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Nicholson, July 20.—Last evening Mr. and Mrs. William H. Knapp gave a party in honor of their son, Albert's marriage. The parlors were all very prettily decorated with various kinds of cut flowers, ferns, palms and dainty vines. Mirthful sports were indulged in until a late hour, when refreshments were served, after which Miss Carrie Snyder favored the guests with a couple of vocal solos, and Clarence and Albert Knapp entertained with two cornet duets. Mr. and Mrs. Knapp were the recipients of many handsome presents. Those present were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Loomis, Dr. and Mrs. Harry K. Wilkins, Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Niles, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown, Mrs. Martin Crook, Mrs. A. W. Stark, Mrs. W. E. Lord, Mrs. Eugene Squires, Mrs. Horace G. Mack, Mrs. Mercy Rush, Mrs. Draper Shaw, Misses Carrie Walker, Nellie Shaw, Bessie Burke, Minnie Burke, Mabel Conrad, Carrie Snyder, Grace Snyder, Nellie Mack,

who has been appointed a surgeon in the United States regular army, with headquarters in the Philippines, started for San Francisco today. His salary will be \$1,800 per year, and expenses.

Mrs. Olive Bronson, of Bayonne, N. J., and Mrs. C. W. Conrad, of New York, are E. J. Matthews and family, of Grand street, are visiting relatives in Herkimer county, N. Y.

H. C. Yarrington is ill at his home on Willow street.

Mrs. Charles Frobenberg and daughter, Miss Lena, of Newton, N. J., are visiting at Lake Como, Wayne county.

The Susquehanna club will play ball in Windsor this afternoon, with the home team.

Miss Simpson of Windsor, N. Y., who has suffered some of the effects of the influenza epidemic, is recovering from the effects of the disease.

Miss Helle Greenwood is visiting her parents at Lake Como, Wayne county.

D. I. Roberts, of New York, general passenger agent of the Erie railroad, passed through town last night, on a western trip.

Our sister borough, Forest City, still signs for a bond of trade, and refuses to sign at Lake Como.

St. Joseph's Cadets, of Forest City, will, on Saturday, run an excursion to Riverside Park, Lansboro.

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Telephone company still hopes to get a franchise permitting them to run the lines of Forest City. The directors of the company recently tabled a resolution granting the company a franchise.

William J. Pike, of Hallstead, paid secretary to Congressman Galusha A. Grov, is enjoying a trip to California.

It would require a forty-horse power magnifying glass to see the "Independent Republican party of Susquehanna county."

Walter B. Tewkesbury, a student at the University of Pennsylvania, whose home is at Brooklyn, this county, won international fame at the Paris games, by running the 400-metre hurdle race at the exposition on Monday last.

The Lackawanna company has built a new turn-table at Hallstead.

Maitland Hays, of Hallstead, has taken a position as Pullman car conductor.

The will of the late Oscar Washburn, esq., of Gibson, this county, who died several years ago, leaving considerable property, is to be contested in the courts by the heirs of the estate, to whom the property would go in case the will is found to be invalid.

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Miss Bessie Kuthline, of Jenningsville, Pa., is spending a few days here with her sister, Mrs. E. L. Watkins.

Miss Frances Hark will speak at the Baptist church tomorrow morning instead of the regular morning services. Her subject will be along the line of missionary work. Miss Hark is from Lewisburg, Pa.

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**FOREST CITY.**  
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E. F. Ames is visiting friends at Waymart.

Misses Helene Dummer and Lydia Hudson started Thursday for Crystal lake, where they will spend a week as the guests of Mrs. J. E. Broadhead.

Miss Estella Allen, who has been spending some weeks with Honesdale friends at the seashore, is at home again.

Miss Myrtle Alexander, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Ti-

# FIRE SALE

## Mercereau & Connell

Today we place on sale our stock of ROGER BROS.' SILVER KNIVES, FORKS, SPOONS and FANCY PIECES. There are many good bargains in this lot of goods, and the first customers will get the best choice. If there is anything in this line you want, don't wait until it's too late.

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### HONESDALE.

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Honesdale, July 20.—Mrs. T. B. Clark and her daughter are with relatives in Hingham, Mass.

South Bethlehem, of Washington, Kansas, is being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Kimble.

Dr. P. B. Peterson, of Honesdale, has a brother who has been a practicing dentist for the past twelve years in Tien-Tsin, China. He has not been heard from since May 28.

The Seventh Day Adventists have erected their tent at the foot of Honesdale. They will commence holding services this evening.

Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock the Pittston Boat and Honesdale teams will play on the Honesdale field.

Present indications point strongly toward the starting of the old glass factory plant located near the Lake depot for the manufacture of fruit jars and bottles.

Dr. Harry C. Marry, second lieutenant of Company E, having passed a successful examination, has been appointed an assistant surgeon in the regular army. He is to have at once for San Francisco and will be assigned to the volunteer service at Manila.

Saturday afternoon an excursion will be run from Scranton to Honesdale under the auspices of the Honesdale Catering company. Train leaves Scranton at 2.30, returning, leave Honesdale at 3.40 p. m. Excursionists will be entertained by the Maple City band while in Honesdale.

The Misses Malie and Florence Gebelin, of Bethlehem, Pa., N. J., have come to spend the summer with their grandmothers, Mrs. Wheeler, on Third street.

Company E is receiving a number of new recruits. Last evening the company drilled on the green at the foot of Park street in the presence of a large audience. At the close of the drill Rev. W. H. Scott, chaplain of the regiment, in a neat little speech, presented to Second Lieutenant Harry C. Marry, who has received a commission as surgeon in the regular United States army, a regulation sword and belt. The gift was from the officers and members of Company E, of which he was a popular member.

Rev. James Pope, of Pleasant Mount, exchanged pulpits with Rev. H. J. Crane last Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Brandt, of Scranton, is spending a week's vacation with her parents.

Those who are experimenting in camping on the shore of Lewis lake are not ready to pronounce it a brilliant success. Some of the time passed in the woods in many instances fairly impressive. During the period of the advance the market looked strong for a considerable time. The advance was not so clear as it appeared, and the market was not so strong as it seemed. This is due to the fact that the advance began from the village ground of a considerable number of stocks.

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### WALL STREET REVIEW.

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