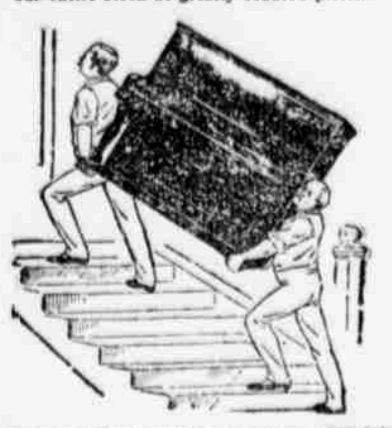


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## CITY NOTES

**MEETING THIS MORNING.**—There will be a meeting this morning of the directors of the Florence Mission, at 125 Washington avenue.

**LACKAWANNA TRANSFERRED.**—Court, yesterday, transferred to 105 Wyoming avenue, the restaurant license for 105 Wyoming avenue, held by J. H. Connor.

**SLOCUM REVISION.**—All members of the Slocum family are requested to attend a basket picnic and reunion at Nichols' grove, near Clark's Summit depot, on Wednesday, Aug. 1.

**STANTON FUNERAL.**—The funeral of the late John P. Stanton, of the South Side, will take place Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock, from St. John's church, Fig. street. Interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery.

**MISS SWINGLE IMPROVING.**—The condition of Miss Alice Swingle, whom Bert Roberts attempted to assault last week on the old boulevard, is improving.

## THE SPEEDWAY HOTEL

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## BOARD RECEIVES BIDS FOR SUPPLIES

USUAL COMPETITORS AGAIN IN THE FIELD.

Proposals on the Two Principal Articles Show Wide Variance—Contracts Awarded for Furnishing Coal and Wood—Attendance Officer Martin Joyce Is Again Heard from in the Matter of Enumerating School Children—New School to Be Established in the Eleventh Ward.

Bids for furnishing school supplies for the coming year were opened at last night's meeting of the board of control and referred to the supply committee. The bidders are R. E. Prendergast, Reynolds Bros., T. E. Price, Peters Bros., the Foote & Fuller company, the McConnell School Supply company, of Philadelphia, and Lindsay & Co.

Lindsay & Co.'s bid was rejected because it was not accompanied by the prescribed certified check. The bid was on ink only. The Foote & Fuller company bid only on hardware. The bids on the two principal articles, pads and pencils, were as follows:

R. E. Prendergast—Pencil pads, \$14.49; pencils, \$12.24.

Reynolds Bros.—Pencil pads, \$14.50; pencils, \$12.25.

T. E. Price—Pencil pads—\$15.50; pencils, \$12.25.

McConnell School Supply Co., Philadelphia—Pencil pads, \$12.99; pencils, \$10.25.

Peters Bros.—Pencil pads, \$17.

The supply committee recommended the awarding of contracts for furnishing coal and wood to the schools of the city for the coming year and the recommendations were adopted as follows:

First district, to Hugh Gilman, at \$1.57 for pea coal, and \$2.49 for large sizes.

Second district, to Michael Gilman, at \$1.73 for pea coal, and \$2.45 for large sizes.

Third district, to the T. J. Turner Coal company, at \$1.70 for pea coal and \$2.42 for large sizes.

Wood for all the districts, to James Flynn, at \$2 per cord, in one ton wagon, and \$1.90 per cord in two ton wagon, for kindling wood, and at \$1.75 and \$2.50 for coarse or slab wood. The coal and wood is to be delivered only upon an order from the principals at the various buildings, and upon a receipt for coal or wood to be provided by the board of control, to which is attached a receipt which is to be presented to the principal and signed by him at the time of the delivery of the coal or wood. No coal or wood will be paid for unless such order and receipt, properly signed, accompanies the bill.

## FROM ATTENDANCE OFFICER.

The following communication from Attendance Officer Martin Joyce was read and ordered filed. It tends to show that the county assessors did not enumerate all the school children in the city districts and that the school district in consequence will be deprived of a goodly share of the state appropriation that would otherwise come to it, the appropriation being based partially on the number of school children in a district:

Scranton, July 23, 1900.

To the Board of Control, a motion, adopted. Gentlemen: In pursuance to a July 9, 1900, by the board on July 9, I have called on the county assessors. They have informed me that they have made no rule limiting the registration of scholars to 200, and that no instructions to that effect have been given to the district assessors within the city of Scranton. The assessors further said that they do not know whether any assessor had stopped to complete the registration of his district, where the enumeration for services ought to exceed \$20.

The registration of scholars between 6 and 16 years of age for 1900 and 1901 are given below: also the full registration, 6 to 21 years, for 1900 within the city. All this is given according to the registration of the ward districts from copies furnished by the county assessors:

1900, 6 to 16 years, 20,325.

1901, 6 to 16 years, 20,325.

1900, 6 to 21 years, 25,260.

Comparing the registrations of 1899 and 1900, increases are shown in eleven wards, and decreases in ten wards.

There were 1,234 pupils between 8 and 12 years of age enrolled in the public schools in 1899, not registered by the assessors. That number is not included in the foregoing figures. I am now about to begin the preparation of the registration copies for the coming year, and the principals and teachers at the opening of schools in September.

Respectfully submitted, Martin Joyce, Attendance Officer.

## SOME RECOMMENDATIONS.

The building committee recommended the erection of an iron fence about No. 22 school; that an annex to No. 35 be rented again this year from the Penn Avenue Baptist church; that self-closing faucets be placed in all the schools; that the water be kept by the school for flushing purposes, and that janitors be instructed to practice more rigid economy with water.

An offer from P. F. and M. T. Howley to supply self-closing faucets was referred to the building committee with power to act.

The contract for painting the outside of the window sashes and doors of the High school was awarded to Rehrig & Back for \$125.

Supervising Engineer Harris recommended \$750 worth of plumbing improvements at the High school. The matter was referred to the High and Training school committee with power to act.

The petition of taxpayers of the Third district of the Eleventh ward, west of the Delaware and Hudson tracks, for the establishing of a primary school in that district, was referred to the building committee with instructions to look up quarters. The danger of small children being hurt or killed in crossing the tracks to get to No. 3 school makes the new school necessary. It is claimed. The building committee was given power to make whatever improvements may be found necessary to place new No. 2 in shape for occupancy by the time school opens. These improvements will include grading, fencing and the like.

As the board does not meet again for three weeks, the secretary was instructed to pay the time bills as they come due.

## Every Portion of Chicago.

The Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway, in connection with the Elevated Railway system of Chicago, will take you direct to almost any part of that city you may wish to reach. The trains of the Union Elevated Loop leave from the Lake Shore depot in the metropolis of the West so that all passengers on the Lake Shore have to do is to step from one train into another, and they can reach almost any part of Chicago without the expense of cabs and hacks. This is only one of the many advantages offered by the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway. Full particulars may be found in the little book entitled "The Union Elevated Loop in Chicago," which will be sent free of charge on application to A. J. Smith, G. P. A., Lake Shore Railway, Cleveland, Ohio.

## LOCAL WEATHER STATION.

Appliances and Equipment Have Been Shipped from Washington.

W. E. Donaldson, who will have charge of the United States weather station here in the city waiting for the arrival of the instruments and appliances that are necessary to equip the station. He said yesterday afternoon:

"I received word from Washington that the equipment for the station would be shipped today or tomorrow, some by express, and the remainder by freight. After it arrives here it will only take a few days to get the station in working shape. We will have three rooms on the fifth floor of the Connell building for our station and space on the roof to expose our instruments, which are automatic and register the different phases of the weather in the apartments on the fifth floor."

Mr. Donaldson said he will have one assistant here and that they will receive weather reports and weather maps daily from all parts of the United States and portions of Canada. They will issue a weather map and forecast postal card which will be furnished to any person in this part of the state who will promise to display it for the benefit of the public provided that they live within such distance of Scranton as to have the postal card or map reach them not later than 6 p. m. on the day it is issued.

"I will have a telephone placed in the office as soon as we are in shape to do business," said Mr. Donaldson, "and any interested person will be privileged to call us at any time and ascertain what the weather conditions are in any given part of the country. I expect to compile a list of persons who for one reason or another are interested in the progress of cold waves. When the approach of a cold wave is noted we will call these persons up on the phone and notify them of the approach of the cold spell."

For the present the forecast sent out from this station will be the one prepared at Washington. Later it may be made a forecast station as well. This rests with the officers of the weather bureau at Washington.

At the request of Mr. Donaldson, Postmaster Ripple issued directions to the letter carriers to furnish lists of factories, hotels, drug stores, banks, mine offices, machine shops and like places where the public will be best served by a display of forecast cards. They will be delivered in the central city on the last morning of each week, and in the outlying districts on the first afternoon delivery.

## LATEST IN MINSTRELSY.

Primrose and Dockstader Will Present It at Lyceum Tonight.

In presenting this, their latest creation in minstrelsy, Messrs. Primrose and Dockstader have furnished a public many new surprises and novel features, also a complete new scenic and lighting equipment, and give to the public the only first-class and meritorious minstrel entertainment in the city. Primrose & Dockstader and their company of minstrel artists will be the attraction at the Lyceum tonight.

They have by their past proven to the theatergoers that minstrelsy is a choice form of entertainment, when properly given, and that they have been giving and is equal in and some respects superior to the legitimate drama of today. Messrs. Primrose & Dockstader have surrounded themselves this season with a company of comedians, vocalists and specialists which has never been equaled before. The scenic and lighting effects and the costumes are said to be far ahead of anything ever before attempted in this line, making in all the most meritorious and legitimate minstrel performance the world has ever seen.

## BOTH BRANCHES MUST ACT.

Mayor Moir to Break Up a Practice of the Select Council.

Select council has fallen into the habit lately of passing resolutions of its own, deeming the concurrence of common council not necessary. Mayor Moir is determined to put a stop to this, and it is understood that he will call the attention of the select council to this fact at their next meeting.

He will veto the resolution directing the chief of police to furnish the select branch with report of absentions from duty on the part of policemen on the ground that common had no say in its passage.

The mayor claims that no resolution directing a city official to do a certain thing is binding unless adopted by both councils, and refers to the fact that the act of assembly always speaks of councils and never of council.

## It Is Perfectly Reliable.

"We have sold many different cough remedies, but none has given better satisfaction than Chamberlain's," says Mr. Charles E. Leighton, druggist, Newark, N. J. "It is perfectly safe and can be relied upon in all cases of coughs, colds or hoarseness. Sold by all druggists. Matthews Bros., Wholesale and Retail Agents."

Smoke The Pocono, 5c. cigar.

## BURGLAR RANSACKS JONES RESIDENCE

INTERIOR OF "FIELDSTONE" IS TURNED TOPSY-TURVY.

Some Time During Sunday Night, While the House Was Unattended, It Was Burglariously Entered and Every Nook and Cranny Searched for Valuables, but Strange to Say Not a Thing Is Missing, Though Valuables Galore Were All About. Were After Plate.

Fieldstone, the beautiful suburban residence of Thomas E. Jones, at Adams avenue and Green Ridge street, Danmore, was burglariously entered Sunday night and every room in the house ransacked. Strange to say, not a single article is missing.

The house was closed last Thursday, Mr. Jones had gone to Shelter Island and Mrs. Jones on that day left for Crystal Lake to visit at the cottage of District Attorney and Mrs. John H. Jones. The servants were given leaves of absence the day previous and the only one left to look after the place was the janitor, Duncan McDonald who lodges at his own home on Wyoming avenue.

He discovered the burglary when he came to the premises at 5 o'clock yesterday morning. The house sits fifty feet back from either street and is surrounded by heavy foliage, which shuts out the rays of the electric light at the corner and leaves the porch in total darkness.

A window opening on the main porch on the Green Ridge street side was the means of entrance. An attempt was made to pry open the heavy door, but it resisted the force of whatever lever was used upon it, and then attention was turned to the window. The indentations in the window sash and sill indicated that a pointed bar, rather than a chisel or "jimmy," was used. The catch on the inside of the window gave away and the lower window was pushed up.

The burglar evidently lit a lamp or lantern after gaining entrance, as half burnt matches of a kind unlike those used in the house were found on a card receiver just inside the window. It must be that the intruder spent several hours in searching the house, for every room on the three floors was thoroughly ransacked.

Desks, bureaux, trunks, valises, and even a music box were forced open, their contents examined, and in some disorder on the floor. Before the house was closed everything was carefully set in order, the furniture covered with sheeting and camphor and tobacco strown about to keep off a possible assault by moths. Yesterday, it looked as if it would take about three weeks to straighten things out again.

Mrs. Jones came down from Crystal Lake in the afternoon, upon being apprised of the burglary, and made a cursory examination of the various rooms, looking particularly here and there for special articles that would occur to her as being such as would invite a burglar's attention. Nothing, however, was discovered to be missing.

A sea-bank coat, an old-fashioned gold watch, a pair of pearl cuff buttons with diamond settings, candlesticks, match boxes, toilet articles, vases, fancy clocks and a hundred and one other things of no great bulk and considerable value, were ignored by the burglar.

Some of them, like the jewelry, possibly escaped his notice, but the other things could not have been very well overlooked, as they were for the most part stowed about on mantles or dressing cases, or contained in trunks which were ransacked.

## AFTER FAMILY PLATE.

The supposition is that the burglar was after the family plate and after discovering it was not in the house, or at all events, not where he could find it, went away disgruntled, refusing to take articles of small value and the risk that attaches to disposing of them. The plate was safely stored before the house was closed.

The Danmore police and County Detective Leighton are working on the case. The officer who is wont to patrol the beat on which the Jones house is located started on his vacation last week and no one was substituted in his place.

The gardener will sleep in the house during the remainder of the time the family is away.

## GREATER BUFFALO.

A MAP of the City of Greater Buffalo will be sent free upon application. A stamp enclosed for return postage, showing location of Mammoth Lackawanna Steel Plant that is now being built. Address: Kibbe's Real Estate and Loan Agency, 131 South Park Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

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- Belt Buckles, were one dollar and a quarter to four dollars. Now, 50c
- Silver Pins and Waist sets, were \$1 to \$2.50. Now, 25c and 50c
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