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Time	Temp.	Wind	Clouds	Bar.	Dir.	Rel. Hum.	Vis.
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9:00	65	20	72	30.0	110	85	10
10:00	66	20	72	30.0	110	85	10
11:00	67	20	72	30.0	110	85	10
12:00	68	20	72	30.0	110	85	10

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.
Local data for Dec. 2, 1900:
Highest temperature, 45 degrees;
lowest temperature, 33 degrees;
humidity, 85 per cent.
8 a. m., 85 per cent.
8 p. m., 85 per cent.

PERSONAL.

Miss Hingford, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Helen Sanderson on North Washington avenue.

Daniel Burr is occupying his new home on Monroe avenue, recently purchased from S. J. Lebecker.

Miss Marjorie Warren spent Thanksgiving with her parents on Madison avenue. She has returned to Farmington.

Miss Hud, of Watertown, N. Y., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Hand, on Jefferson avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Clark, who have been in Missoula, Montana, for several months, returned to this city Friday night, and are at the Y.M.C.A.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jackson and family, of Wilkes-Barre, spent a part of last week with Mrs. Jackson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Harpe, of Quincy avenue.

Announcement was made on Saturday of the marriage last Monday of William H. Gillette and Miss Victoria B. Stanton. The groom is well known about the city, and the bride is a daughter of ex-Soljour A. A. Younger went to Harrisburg Saturday to argue the Northern Boulevard case, and he will go from there to Philadelphia to argue an appeal from Schuylkill county before the superior court.

John R. Williams has resigned his position as assistant postmaster of Wilkes-Barre, to become private secretary for Congressman William C. Sullivan. Mr. Williams formerly served in a similar capacity for Congressman Morgan B. Williams, of Wilkes-Barre.

Scranton Athletic club's first opens tonight at Athletic hall, Alder street, admission, 10 cents.

THE FINAL REHEARSALS.

Everything in Readiness for the Opera Carnival.

The final rehearsals for the opera carnival were held Saturday night. The details are now all completed for the finest amateur event ever given in Scranton. The matinee performance will begin at 2:30 this afternoon. The programme will not last longer than two hours. Seats for the matinee will still be secured. The evening house is all taken.

It will please many of his friends in this city to know that Mr. Dixie arrived yesterday and will assist in directing the opera. Mr. and Mrs. Dixie are guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Watkins.

The souvenir programme, which has been prepared by Mr. A. H. Storer, is unique and effective. Its mechanical work is the donation of the International Correspondence Schools to the hospital benefit, and is artistic and beautiful with title and name-pages of the operas done in poster style.

The charming Cielucha, with fifty dancers, is one of the most attractive features of the entertainment, while the magnificent aria from "Mignon," sung by Mrs. H. H. Hardy, is the climax of the musical programme.

The closing number is the "Mikado," with Miss Spencer, Miss Gallen and Miss Duncan as the three little maids; Messrs. Emerick, Bunnell and Williams in the other roles.

Bauer's orchestra will play for the entertainment, Charles Doersam conducting.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FORWARD MOVEMENT

First Convention in the Wyoming District Will Open in the Simpson M. E. Church Today.

The inaugural convention in the Twentieth Century Forward Movement of the Methodist Episcopal church in the Wyoming district will be held today and tomorrow in the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church. Many of the most prominent and distinguished clergymen in the Wyoming conference will attend the convention and to the movement, and some interesting meetings are anticipated.

The first session will begin at 2 o'clock this afternoon, when Rev. Austin Griffin, D. D., the presiding elder, will state the object of the convention. Rev. W. H. Pearce, D. D., of Wilkes-Barre, will discuss the new movement, and Rev. C. E. Mogg will answer the question, "Will the New Century Demand a New Methodism?" The afternoon sessions will be participated in by Rev. J. H. Prosser, Rev. C. B. Henry, Rev. H. H. Wilbur and Rev. H. D. Smith.

This evening Rev. A. W. Hayes, D. D., of Binghamton, N. Y., will deliver an address on "Five Historic Graves," and lessons for the Twentieth Century. Tomorrow morning Rev. L. L. Sprague, D. D., principal of Wyoming seminary, will speak on "Our Schools in the Twentieth Century," and Rev. S. Moore, D. D., will lead the discussion on the subject, "Rev. G. A. Cary, M. A., will tell us, "A Positive Christian Experience Is Necessary for a Christian Worker," and the subject will be discussed by Rev. S. Jay, M. A., and Rev. Will H. Hiller.

A Christian Workers' conference and open parliament will follow, and dinner will be served in the church by the Ladies' Aid society. A symposium will be held in the afternoon, and several important subjects will be discussed. The subjects are as follows:

"Power of Personal Influence," Rev. C. M. Sturman; "Preaching That Stirs to Action," Rev. Manley S. Hard, D. D.; "Entrance to Church Made Easy," Rev. C. M. Gilpin, D. D. The closing session will be held tomorrow evening, when Rev. James Benninger will lead the devotional exercises and the pastoral service will be conducted by Rev. M. S. Hard, D. D.

THE TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY.

Yesterday's Services at the Hickory Street Presbyterian Church.

The congregation of the Hickory Street Presbyterian church yesterday celebrated the twelfth anniversary of the dedication of the new church and the fifth anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. W. A. Nord.

Both the morning and evening services were very well attended, and an extra collection taken up for the church met with a very generous response. Dr. Nord's morning theme was taken from John xv: 5, "I am the vine, ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit, for without me you can do nothing."

Dr. Nord incidentally referred to the founding of the church and the work accomplished by it since its beginning. Last night he chose as his text, "The Lord hath redeemed Jerusalem," Matthew xxi: 9. "Just as the disciples of Christ helped the Savior to enter Jerusalem," he preached, "so it is today. The Lord builds his kingdom, through his disciples."

During Dr. Nord's pastorate, the church has decreased its indebtedness from \$110 to \$0. The arvon social held last week netted \$22.25, and on Thanksgiving a \$25 collection was taken and given to the Home for the Friendless.

Scranton Business College.

"Schools may come and schools may go, but we go on forever," advertised a former competitor. He has been going nearly ever since. Others, too, have been coming and going more or less recently. We are "stayers," however.

FUNERAL OF MISS DEVERS.

Was Held Saturday Afternoon from Home of Her Sister.

The funeral of the late Miss Nora Devers was held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon from the home of her sister, Mrs. John M. Devers, 414 City street. Sorrowing friends of the dead woman were present in large throngs, both at the house and at St. Peter's cathedral, where services were held prior to interment in the Cathedral cemetery.

The pallbearers were: Edmund Roche, M. H. Hingins, William Dugan, James Flynn, T. N. Cullen and William Cusick.

Spend Your Evenings Profitably.

Young men and women who are employed during the day should qualify themselves to earn larger salaries by spending their evenings at the Scranton Business College night school.

Lady Bookkeepers.

For some months past there has been unusual demand at the Scranton Business College for lady bookkeepers.

AGREEMENT ARRIVED AT

TERMS THAT THE COUNCILMEN ACCEPTED.

Men's Union Attorneys Will Ask for Verdict of Not Guilty Today in Consideration of the Indicted Men Resigning, Admitting They Did Wrong, Agreeing Not to Seek or Accept Public Office for Five Years and Raising a Fund of \$2,200 for Charity.

When criminal court opens this morning it is expected that attorneys for the Men's union will request the court to permit verdicts of not guilty to be taken in the cases charging accepting and soliciting bribes against the following: Common Councilman D. H. Reese, First ward; Common Councilman M. V. Morris, Second ward; Common Councilman James J. Grier, Third ward; Common Councilman W. V. Griffiths, Fifth ward; Common Councilman C. E. Godshall, Fifth ward; Common Councilman C. E. Wenzel, Fourth ward; Common Councilman T. M. Watkins, Fifteenth ward; Common Councilman T. F. Morris, Eighteenth ward; Select Councilman Simon Thomas, Fourth ward; Select Councilman Coyne, Twentieth ward.

Former Select Councilman H. T. Fellows of the Fifteenth ward, is also included in the list of the eleven indicted.

This action will be taken as the result of a conference concluded about 11:30 Saturday night in the office of Attorney M. A. McGinley in the Conwell building, at which the above men agreed to the following conditions:

They wrote their resignations as councilmen to take effect Dec. 10.

They signed a paper agreeing not to seek or accept a public office during the next five years, and admitting that their official conduct at some time since they entered councils was such as to leave them liable to a prosecution.

They agree to make up a purse of \$2,200, which is to be devoted to charitable purposes.

There have been many conferences between the councilmen and their attorneys, Joseph O'Brien, George Horn, M. A. McGinley and John F. Scragg during the last week and at these conferences various propositions were talked over and presented to the officers of the Men's union. Late Saturday night the councilmen decided to accept the above as the best conditions they could obtain in order to avoid the expense and notoriety of a trial, to pay nothing of the unpleasant consequences that might follow.

AWAY FROM HERE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

William J. Freeman Has Returned to This City After a Quarter of a Century in Patagonia.

In August, 1875, a number of families left this city for South America, and after a journey of four months reached Patagonia. On Saturday, they returned one of the number, in the person of William J. Freeman, who is now visiting at the home of his brother, Thomas Freeman, at the corner of South Main avenue and West Locust street.

Mr. Freeman is now a resident of a colony called "The 16th of October," which is the date on which a settlement was effected. Other residents of that locality, who are known to many of the older residents of West Scranton, are William Rogers and family, formerly of Eynon street, Thomas Pugh and family, formerly of Hampton street, Enoch Davis and Mrs. David Jones, a sister of Mrs. William Richardson of North Sixth street.

There are about 3,500 people in the colony, and the Welsh language is spoken by them, both in their home and business life. Mr. Freeman was twenty-seven days journeying from the colony to Chumey, a distance of 300 miles, and the entire journey consumed about forty-five days in coming, as compared to four months when he went from here a quarter of a century ago. He intends remaining here until after the holidays, and expects to visit Wilkes-Barre and West Scranton on his homeward journey next February.

Prior to coming to Scranton, Mr. Freeman visited in New York, Chicago, Williamsburg, Iowa and West Virginia. He marvels at the progress made in North America during his absence, and is rejoiced to witness the vast improvement and industrial growth of Scranton, which was only a village when he left here. There is no comparison, he says, between North and South America as regards progressiveness in the present day.

The climate is similar, he says, but the surrounding country where he lives is very sparsely settled, the nearest town being Chubut. The chief products of the country are sheep, cattle, wool, hides and wheat, but the poor transportation facilities seriously interfere with the trade. The wool is transported across the country in large wagons, to which six or more horses are attached.

The country was first inhabited by Indians, but the frontiers are becoming acquainted with the resources, and are gradually taking advantage of the opportunities afforded. The Spanish are in the majority in Patagonia, and that language is taught exclusively in the public schools. Comparatively few are the German and English in the Argentine Republic, Mr. Freeman says, and is quite modern in its conveniences, having gas, street cars, telephones and other appliances.

He has already traveled over 15,000 miles since leaving home, and the entire trip will consume nearly a year's time. Yesterday a number of the traveler's relatives and friends called upon him and renewed old acquaintanceships.

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.

An amended declaration in the suit of Edmund Davis and wife against the Scranton Railway Company was filed yesterday by the attorneys for the plaintiffs, Mr. and Mrs. Davis are suing the company for \$20,000 damages. Both were passengers on a coach which was wrecked on the Delaware and Hudson tracks on Carbon street on the night of Dec. 23, 1898, and which was struck by a train. In their declaration the plaintiffs claim that Mrs. Davis had nervous prostration as the result of injuries she received. Her husband claims damages for the loss occasioned thereby.

Court on Saturday confirmed the report of Receiver Everett Warren in the equity proceedings growing out of litigation between A. F. Duffy and A. G. Gilmore, and the deed for the land disposed of was directed to be drawn in favor of the purchaser.

Attorney F. M. Lynch, borough solicitor of strike of the agents of the Glynch Sewage company in the matter growing out of a sewer in the First ward district of the borough.

Attorneys R. H. Grier and J. H. Grier, attorneys O'Brien and Martin, on Saturday began a suit in assumpsit to recover on a judgment for \$157 obtained in New York against Louis Driesen. A rule to show cause why a new trial should not be granted in the celebrated Bassett pond case of titles against Sweet was granted on Saturday and made returnable in argument court.

Costs Little.

Young men should realize that it costs less to spend their evenings at the Scranton Business College night school than it does to spend them on the street.

M'ANDREW'S STATEMENT.

Denies the Robbery Story in Its Entirety.

Police Officer John M'Andrew, of Olyphant, tells a story which puts a very different light on the yarn spun by Patrick Murray. The latter is an old man eighty-three years of age, and the other day he swore out a warrant before Alderman Miller for the arrest of M'Andrew, who he alleges took \$7 from him while he was a prisoner in the Olyphant lockup.

M'Andrew denies the robbery story in its entirety, and says that it has been years since Murray had that much money at one time, having been for a long time almost continuously a charge at the Hillside Home or at the almshouse of the Blandely district.

"The fact is," said Mr. M'Andrew, "in stating his case to the Tribune man, 'old man Murray is not altogether sound mentally and has given us no end of trouble. He would ask to be sent to the almshouse and after being there for a short time would leave and come back to Olyphant. He has been here until the humor would seize him that he would like to go back to the almshouse.'"

"Frequently, while he has been around Olyphant, I have allowed him to sleep on the streets for the night. Every body in Olyphant knows that it has been many a day since Murray had \$7 on his person at one time, and when the warrant was served upon me it was so ridiculous that I merely went before the Justice of the Peace, Cummings and waived a hearing, and entered a plea of not guilty. It is of sufficient importance to warrant me in going to Scranton to have a hearing."

In Olyphant, Officer M'Andrew is highly regarded, and the charge of old man Murray has been scouted on all sides.

MAJORITY OF COUNCIL.

All this means that the Filinnes have firmly entrenched themselves in control. Whom the dear, good people may elect mayor matters not so long as the majority of council is in the hands of the "bosses" require. A majority of council, even in an equally divided city like Pittsburg, is admittedly easier to secure than a majority of the people at large. Scrantonians who have the modus operandi explained to them at length. It is quite familiar.

MAJORITY OF COUNCIL.

With these conditions in mind, it requires no great stretch of the imagination to see that Scranton is about to plunge into a lot of legislative bother. The Quayites, backed by many of the best men of Pittsburg, who are Democrats or else men prompted by ulterior motives, are bent on overturning the second class city charter so as to rehabilitate the mayor with the voters that were taken from him by the second class charter and vested in department directors. The Filinnes are determined that this shall not be done, and will go to almost any extreme to prevent it. For with Filinnes out of office, their anti-Quayism would be dealt a possibly fatal blow.

Instead of getting into the company of cities whose chief aim is to perfect a code of government that will be for the betterment of civic conditions, the Filinnes declare it to be unjust and say the Quayites are responsible for the accusation, alleging that the latter are willing even to give the city over to the Democrats if they could but overturn the present order of things.

WELL GOVERNED.

The Filinnes say the city is well and economically governed. The anti-charterites say it is not well governed and that the taxes are high. The total levy for Pittsburg is 20 mills. This includes city, school and poor tax. In Scranton the city, school and poor taxes amount to 28.8 mills. Second class city property is assessed for about eight-twelfths of its actual value. In a third class city five-twelfths is about a fair average of the assessors' valuation. According to the pro-charter people, Pittsburg naturally is the most expensive city in the United States to maintain, because of the enormous expense incurred to buy its many bridges and the unending succession of heavy, rocky grades. Besides this, Pittsburg has recently been buying and improving a number of large parks and levies each year a tax sufficient to retire one-third of its park bonds, besides its bonds for ordinary and necessary improvements. An appropriation of \$100,000 alone was made for the Carnegie library last year, although the conditions of the gift call for only \$40,000.

In theory the pro-charterites say: "The charter is meritorious because it destroys one-man-power and still keeps the individual responsibility within narrow confines; the three men who are responsible parties being directly answerable to the council, which can more readily deal with them if they are delinquent than the people at large could with the mayor under similar circumstances."

THE OPPOSITE VIEW.

The anti-charterites say: "The mayor should have the executive discretion now scattered among several officers, because the mayor is directly answerable to the people, while these department directors are answerable to a body of men which changes every two years, and which is practically unanswerable, in consequence, to no one. The department directors are elected every four years by an expiring council. If the directors can control these

SCRANTON AS A SECOND CLASS CITY

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of veto. His only appointees are five police magistrates. If he has any aspirations in the way of being a "boss" his position of mayor will not help him any. He cannot succeed himself, while the three "big guns" of the city, the directors of public works, public safety and charities, can, and, in Pittsburg and Allegheny, do succeed themselves. Pittsburg has had the same director of public safety from the time the office was created, in 1887; the same director of public works during the same period, (until June of this year), and the changes in the directorship of public charities have all been due to death or voluntary resignation. None of those whom I have seen were able to tell just what is lacking to make up a complete second class city code, but each was of the opinion that there is nothing important lacking. By combining the second class city laws under which Pittsburg is working with those under which Allegheny is working, a practically complete code is obtained. At least, such was the opinion of a number of the city authorities to whom this difficulty was presented. The general acts of 1861 and 1885 governing municipal improvements, such as paving, grading, sewerage and the like, are applicable to second class cities. These acts, Senator Flinn says, are practically a complete working charter in themselves for any city.

AVENUE OF ESCAPE.

If Scranton does not desire to go into the second class, all that is necessary is to go into the next legislature and before April arrives pass a bill fixing the limit between second and third class cities at 105,000, or any other figure above Scranton's population and below that of Allegheny, which is 128,000.

As far as I can learn there is no new legislation in course of preparation for second class cities. It is reported here that the Quayites in the next legislature will again attempt to make amendments to give the mayor the power he enjoys in third class cities, but nothing definite is known here of the matter.

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