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CITY NOTES. LITERATURE SECTION - The literature section of the Young Women's Christian association...

MANAGERS' MEETING - There will be a meeting of the managers of the Young Women's Christian association...

A CANDY PULL - At the Young Women's Christian association there will be a member's social and candy pull...

HE WAS BROKEN - James Donahue, a laborer at the South Street mill, was badly injured while at work yesterday...

CHURCH SEPPER - The ladies of the Penn Avenue Baptist church will serve one of their popular suppers...

CHARGED WITH THREATS - Mrs. Theresa Tompsett, of Dunmore, was held in \$500 bail yesterday by Alderman Kason...

ART EXHIBITION - An exhibition of work of the pupils of the art department of the Hardenberg school will be given...

BERT HOLTAM ARRESTED - Bert Holtam was arrested last night on a warrant issued by Alderman Miller charging him with larceny...

PAY-DAYS - The Delaware and Hudson Railroad company paid its employees at the North Scranton repair shop...

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men at the Oxford, Dodge and Bellevue collieries, and today the men at the car shops and the miners at the Payne, Taylor and Holden collieries will receive their wages.

D. & H. WANTS MORE MINES. Possibility of It Securing the Ladin and Langcliffe Properties. In yesterday's Tribune there appeared an Associated Press despatch from Wilkes-Barre announcing that negotiations are under way for the purchase by the Delaware and Hudson company of the collieries of the Ladin and Langcliffe Coal company...

FOUGHT A DUEL IN A DARK FIELD. Secretary Mahy, of Young Men's Christian Association Has Another Exciting Experience. If Secretary George G. Mahy, of the Young Men's Christian association, hears the appearance today of a man "who has been shot at and missed," his appearance will be only in keeping with his general make-up - perfectly honest, Mr. Mahy, last night, had that not altogether delightful experience of dodging a bullet.

Mr. Mahy lives on Quincey avenue, in the last house on the left-hand side, facing north on the Delaware Taylor hospital. Just beyond it are the common skirting the boundary line between the city and Dunmore. Three young girls from Pine Brook, who had been visiting the household at Fred R. Stark's home, which is next but one to Mr. Mahy's, started on the return journey through the big field about 9:45 o'clock p. m. They had proceeded about seventy-five yards into the dark field when they espied a man strolling on ahead of them. They altered their course somewhat to avoid passing near him, and were going along unthinkingly and without further thought of the man, who had been lost sight of in the darkness, when suddenly from a hollow, which they were just about to enter, a dark figure of a man sprang up before them and made an attempt to seize the nearest girl.

He stumbled as he was about to lay hold of her, and she thus escaped his clutch. Before he could make another grab, the girls were speeding away in the direction where they came, shouting at the top of their voices for help. Secretary Mahy heard the screams, and taking his revolver, rushed out to investigate. The girls by this time had reached Quincey avenue again, and almost ran into Mr. Mahy, who emerged from his front gate. The villain still pursued them, but when he saw them reach a point of safety his disappointment evidently angered him and he let fly a large cobble, which narrowly missed one of the girls' heads and bounded across the street.

He was turning about to retreat when Mr. Mahy turned into the field to capture him. The man did not run, but stood stolidly watching Mr. Mahy coming towards him, until the latter was within fifteen yards or so, when he raised a pistol slowly and deliberately and fired point blank at his would-be captor. The bullet whizzed past Mr. Mahy's head, but it did not hit him. Leveling his own revolver, he returned the fire, which, rebounding on a run, and as the whiz of the bullet and the flash of the powder showed that it was not a case of firing in the air unintentionally, the villain ducked and scooted down the hill. Mr. Mahy followed, firing as he ran, till the five chambers of his revolver were empty, but as on the occasion of a visit from a burglar five weeks ago, the shooting was all in vain, and before they had half crossed the commons the fugitive had secured such a lead with the aid of his terror-winged heels, that he succeeded in losing himself in the darkness.

Mr. Mahy, with Mr. Stark and John McCourt, who had come on the scene shortly after the shooting, did the field in search of the man, but without success. The girls went home under escort of Mr. Stark. AT THE EXCELSIOR CLUB. Novel Entertainment Will Be Given Tonight. A novel entertainment will be given tonight at the Excelsior Social club's house on Washington avenue, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the building fund of the new Jewish temple. The first part of the programme will consist of a magic doll show, in which a number of bona-fide flesh and bone individuals are to enact the roles of the saw-dust and kid variety of puppets. The curtain will rise promptly at 8 o'clock, and following the doll show, another novelty will be introduced in the form of the tombola, a French lottery game, in which for a small investment a person may secure a valuable prize. A number of tickets have already been sold and everything points to a great success, as the result of the evening's entertainment. One Fare for the Round Trip to Washington, D. C. For the centennial celebration of the establishment of the seat of government at Washington, the Central Railroad of New Jersey will sell tickets from all stations at one fare for the round trip. Tickets good to go on December 11 and to return on or before December 14.

Scholarships. The combined scholarship (a contract entitling the holder to both complete courses), now offered by the Scranton Business College for \$100, is so liberal a contract that very many are purchasing it. This offer will soon be withdrawn. Pianos and Organs at Guernsey Hall at greatly reduced prices for the holidays. Terms are easy and goods the best in the market, 314 Washington avenue, Scranton, Pa. Toys, Hardware and Furniture. At bargain prices. Athletic club fair.

SALE OF JUNK BY MINORS. LAW SAYS IT IS ILLEGAL TO PURCHASE FROM THEM.

In the Porter Cases Which Were Called Before Judge Edwards for Trial Yesterday Attorney John F. Scragg Raised the Point That the Law Which Was Passed in 1890 Is Contrary to the Constitution. Judge Refused to Quash the Indictment on That Ground.

Before Judge H. M. Edwards yesterday Attorney John F. Scragg raised the question of the constitutionality of the act of 1890 which makes it a misdemeanor to buy junk from minors. This is the first time the matter has been before the court and was raised yesterday in the cases against Alomanzo and Alonzo Porter, the West Lackawanna avenue junk dealers who are charged with receiving stolen goods, buying from minors, and failing to keep a record of purchases of junk as required by law. Scragg filed the following paper asking that the indictment be quashed:

The defendants in this case respectfully request that the indictment in this case against them be quashed. First - Because the act of assembly of 5th of May, 1890, P. L. 180, page 217, under which the indictment is drawn, is unconstitutional in that it is in conflict with Article I, Section 10, and the constitution of Pennsylvania in that it reserves defendants acquiring and possessing property.

Second - Because said act of assembly is in direct conflict with Section 1 of Article I of the constitution of the United States in that it imposes the obligation of constraints. Judge Edwards refused to quash the indictment, and Mr. Scragg had an exception noted. In the event of the conviction of his clients, an appeal will probably be taken to the Supreme court and the constitutional point involved tested. A jury was sworn in the case yesterday afternoon, and this morning the work of taking testimony will begin. The other cases heard yesterday were:

JUDGE ARCHBALD. After court opened yesterday morning Judge John Medon was returned not guilty by the jury before whom he was tried Tuesday on a charge of ricketing the young son of Steve Markswick of Maxwell. He was recommended to the extreme mercy of the court. Tuesday night a jury was sworn in the case of John Lukian, charged with selling liquor without a license. Robert Wilson of the Municipal League was the prosecutor and he and his detectives bought intoxicants in Lukian's place on Capouse avenue. No evidence was offered by the defense, but Attorney Joseph O'Brien, who represented Lukian, objected to the indictment on the ground that Lukian was selling liquor without a license when, as a matter of fact, he had a bottle's license. Mr. O'Brien said the indictment was at variance with the facts and should be quashed. Judge Archbald refused to do this and submitted the case to the jury. A verdict of not guilty was returned.

J. C. Taylor pleaded guilty to selling liquor without a license preferred by Robert Wilson of the Municipal League. He will be sentenced Saturday. J. J. Hartwell did not appear to answer a charge of selling liquor without a license preferred also by Mr. Wilson and his bail was forfeited and a capias was issued for him. The following cases: Adolph Crupinski, assault and battery, Albert Crupinski, prosecutrix; Antonio Shekopski, attempt at criminal assault, Rosa Rorvelski, prosecutrix; John Rega did not appear to prosecute Joseph Vilelo of unlawful resolutions and a verdict of not guilty was returned.

Michael Gallagher was tried for selling liquor without a license at 519 Clearfield avenue. Robert Wilson was the prosecutor. Several of his agents testified to buying liquor there. There was evidence of some other sales. The defense was that Gallagher owns the building and rented the basement to his sister, Kate Gallagher, who runs a small grocery store. He knew she sold liquor and protested against her action for a Christmas gift. Call and get prices and terms. J. W. Guernsey, proprietor, 314-316 Washington avenue, Scranton, Pa.

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ing \$135 from D. S. Johnson, an engineer who resides at Stroudsburg. He said that a few weeks ago he was walking along the street one night when he was accosted by the defendant who after talking with him for a few minutes shoved her hand into his trousers pocket and took out his pocketbook containing \$125. She then ran away with it. He identified the defendant as the one who took the money.

Later in the night the police arrested her at her home in Dunmore and \$82 in money was found in a trunk. It was also shown that the defendant has a bad police record at Cleveland, O., and Indianapolis, Ind., for pocket picking and larceny. She served a term in the workhouse at Indianapolis under the name of Yeager. A short time before her arrest for the offense for which she was tried yesterday she picked the pockets of a man on Linden street and when he tried to take his money away from her she stabbed him.

The defense was an alibi. The Pond woman alleged that she spent the entire evening and night with her husband a man who goes by the name of Morris, and who, the defendant said, is a professional gambler. First they went to a club house at Lackawanna and Adams avenues where they played pool and from there to the home of Mrs. Stevenson in Center street, where they visited for a time going from there directly home. A verdict had not been returned at adjournment hour.

JUDGE EDWARDS. John Most was the first man tried in the morning. He was charged by Joseph Nyser, who runs a saloon at the Bridge, with carrying concealed weapons. There was some evidence that Most flourished a revolver but none that he carried it on his person and court declared a verdict of not guilty.

John J. Burke was arraigned to answer a charge of malicious mischief preferred by Mrs. John Shonit. She testified that Burke threw a stone at her house, and the stone also hit her in the back. Upon that showing Burke withdrew his plea of not guilty and substituted one of guilty.

Mrs. Mary Baranko and Mrs. Mary Crapko reside on the Masonic mound. They had a quarrel one day about Mrs. Baranko's dog, which resulted in Mrs. Baranko severely beating Mrs. Crapko. She was found guilty.

George Clum and William Reynolds were returned guilty of stealing potatoes, pork, etc. from John A. Lee, a Scott township farmer, and Walter Reynolds of scolding some of the stolen goods. Charles Reynolds, who was indicted with the others for the larceny was returned not guilty.

STOLEN AT LOCK HAVEN. Owner of Jewelry, Found on Davis and McManus, Discovered. A short time ago Chief of Police Robbing sent out letters to the heads of the police departments in all the cities within a radius of 200 miles of Scranton, giving a description of the jewelry found in the possession of George E. Davis and Philip McManus, alias Frank Sloane, who were arrested on suspicion by the police a few weeks ago.

Yesterday he received a communication from Lock Haven, stating that the jewelry mentioned was stolen on the night of October 28 from the jewelry store of T. C. Hiltner, of that place. McManus and Davis were arrested here just three days afterwards. McManus was found to be an escaped prisoner from the Elmira reformatory, through a donation he has been taken, while Davis was released, there being no evidence to hold him. The jewelry, which is valued at \$50, will be returned to the Lock Haven jeweler.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR. At the regular meeting of Peter Williamson lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, held Tuesday night, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing Masonic year: Worshipful master, Alfred E. Connell; senior warden, Walter L. Hendwood; junior warden, Robert Peck; secretary, C. L. Van Buskirk; treasurer, Thomas E. Lydden; representative to the Grand lodge, Charles E. Dawson; trustees, Hon. W. L. Connell, B. A. Hill and Colonel L. A. Watres.

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A SPIKE MILL FOR SCRANTON. NATURE OF INDUSTRY SECURED BY BOARD OF TRADE.

The Name of the Firm Is Timmes & Hecht, and They Are at Present Located in Brooklyn, N. Y., Where They Operate a Big Spike Mill and Galvanizing Plant - They Will Establish, in Addition, a Rolling Mill in This City - Buildings Will Cover 32,625 Square Feet.

The exact nature of the new industry which is to be located in the Keever Valley, in West Scranton, through the efforts of the board of trade, as previously mentioned in The Tribune, can now be disclosed. It is to be a rolling mill, with a spike mill and a galvanizing plant in conjunction. The name of the firm is 'Timmes & Hecht, and they come from Brooklyn, N. Y., where they are at present located on North Sixth street. Mr. Timmes and his father before him have been in the same business for sixty years. Mr. Hecht is a new partner, taken in within the past two months. Mr. Timmes was in the city yesterday with the plans and specifications for the foundations for the buildings to be erected, and was to have met a number of local contractors in the morning. He discovered, however, that a change would have to be made in the plans before he could secure bids, and he accordingly left them with a local architect for alteration.

He left on the 8:30 train for New York, leaving instructions with Secretary Atherton to secure bids on the revised plans and forward them to him for consideration. He will return here next Monday, when he will confer with Mr. Hecht, and award the contract. Mr. Hecht will arrive the latter end of this week and will permanently locate here.

TO RUSH BUILDINGS. The idea is to get the foundations of the buildings completed before the snowy weather sets in, so that the work of erecting the superstructure can be commenced in the spring, as soon as the weather permits. There are to be five buildings and after a glance at their dimensions it is not surprising that 4-5 acres of ground were purchased by Messrs. Timmes and Hecht. The buildings and their dimensions are as follows: Rolling mill, 200x80 feet; spike mill, 150x50 feet; galvanizing plant, 125x25 feet; warehouse, 150x30 feet; office, 30x50 feet.

All the buildings will be of frame construction, one story high. An account of the nature of the industry it is probable that the ceilings will be at least twenty feet high. In the rolling mill, the machinery for which is being now purchased by Mr. Hecht, the iron rods for the manufacture of spikes will be prepared. The firm manufactures railroad, boat, ship and dock spikes of all kinds and all sizes. At present they buy their bar iron already prepared, but they have decided that it will be cheaper to prepare it themselves.

GALVANIZING PLANT. In the galvanizing plant, which is a new industry in this valley, they will galvanize certain varieties of their spikes and will be prepared to do any and all kinds of galvanizing work which may be sent them. They expect to have their plant in operation by the early part of next summer. It is understood that Secretary Atherton's estimate of the number of men who would be employed was much too conservative and that when operations are commenced no less than 150 men will be given employment.

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