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**CITY NOTES**

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES.**—At 7:45 o'clock tonight there will be special children's services at the Linden Street synagogue in celebration of the Hanukkah festival.

**HELD UNDER ARREST.**—At a meeting of the board of trustees at Harrisburg, Pa., yesterday, the case of Augustine Noll, convicted in this county of murder in the second degree, was held under arrest.

**ILLEGAL PRACTICE.**—Mrs. Ellen Rendshaw, of West Scranton, was held in \$200 bail by Alderman Miller yesterday night on the charge of illegally practicing medicine. A man named Robinson preferred the charge.

**DISLOCATED SHOULDER.**—Stephen Lessing, of Joseph, was taken to the Lackawanna hospital yesterday with a dislocated shoulder. While he was unloading planks from a car outside a Jessup breaker one of the heavy timbers fell and struck him, seriously injuring his shoulder.

**ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIETY MEETING.**—There will be a meeting of St. Joseph's society at St. Thomas' College chapel this afternoon at 3 o'clock to receive reports from the committees in charge of the Foundling Home concert. All parties having tickets are requested to make returns at this meeting.

**LARCENY OF OVERCOAT.**—Katherine McGinnis, of Raymond court, was held in \$500 bail by Alderman Miller yesterday on the charge of the larceny of an overcoat belonging to Thomas Butler, colored. It is alleged that the McGinnis woman entered the saloon where Butler was working and removed the overcoat, which was later found in her possession.

**EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED.**—L. T. Davis, formerly manager of the Whitford shoe company, was yesterday held in \$200 bail by Alderman Kason on the charge of embezzling \$300 of the company's funds. Some weeks ago he left the city and a shortage was discovered in his accounts. He returned soon afterwards and claims that he has since been endeavoring to settle the case.

**TO MEET FOR PRACTICE.**—The following members of the old Scranton team will report for practice Saturday afternoon at 2:30 sharp at Athletic park: Conroy, Charles Gilbert, Zang, Sweeney, Walsh, Dan Gilbert, Posner, Decker, Coggins, Fred Gilbert, John Keeffe, Cleveland, Moran. The team met for signal practice last night and are in first class condition for the Christmas game.

**IS STILL MISSING.**—John Munley, the Avoca constable for whose arrest a warrant was issued Dec. 14 by Alderman Miller on the charge of assaulting the conductor and motorman of a Moosic street car, is still at large, and his whereabouts is wrapped in mystery. The warrant was issued at the instance of the special officers of the Scranton Railway company, and it is alleged that Munley not only assaulted the car's crew, but also terrorized the passengers and broke several windows.

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**CONCERT TOMORROW NIGHT.**  
Cornell Clubs Will Be Heard at Bicycle Club House.

The glee, banjo and mandolin clubs of Cornell University give a joint concert Saturday night in the Scranton Bicycle club hall. Although it is their first appearance in this city, their fame as entertainers has been spread abroad by the Scranton alumni who have taken a personal interest in making the concert a success. The fifty young men in the party represent the musical talent of the university, the places having been won by competition. After the concert, which will begin early, the students will be entertained with dancing.

The clubs arrived in New York last evening and the program was well received by the large audiences. This is the last concert on the trip, the other cities visited being Wilmington, Washington, Pittsburgh, Bradford and Rochester. The program differs in many respects from the usual college musical performance. It begins with the song of the university, "Far Above Cayuga's Waters," and will be followed by the low strains of the Cornell Evening song, "The Aye." The old familiar songs and tunes have been dropped for a new line of college music which has become popular with end of the century students.

**MAYOR MOIR WILL NOT SIGN THE BILL.**  
Sent a Communication to Councils Last Night with Reference to the Asphalt Repair Bill.

Mayor Moir has sought legal advice as to whether he should sign the bill for \$4,250, the seventh quarterly payment to the Barber Asphalt company under their \$175,000 contract, as he has decided that under no consideration whatever will he approve of the bill.

This final decision was announced last night in a communication sent to council. After citing the terms of the contract and referring to the recent revelations of bribery in Alderman Fuller's court, which sworn testimony he says is uncontradicted, the mayor continues:

"I understand the law, no person or corporation who by offering bribes or rewards for the votes of councilmen or for the approval of the executive of the city does the same in violation of the public morals and the laws of this commonwealth should have the assistance of the law to repay the benefits of their own unlawful acts. Fraud, bribery and collusion will vitiate any transaction, and therefore if fraud in obtaining this agreement or contract be shown, either expressed or implied, the parties cannot enforce the agreement which they themselves have violated the law to obtain. As the matter stands, I believe it to be my duty as chief executive of this city to withhold my approval of this bill."

In speaking about the matter to a Tribune man yesterday, the mayor said:

"I was forced to arrive at this conclusion after hearing the earnest requests made by many of our best citizens. Many of the very men who two years ago were doing everything in their power to get me to sign the ordinance awarding this contract are now asking me not to sign this bill. They do this because they believe now, as I believe, that the law is on their side. In council, that this contract was born in sin and conceived in iniquity.

"The burden of proof rests now entirely with the asphalt company. Its officials have not denied any of the statements made in Alderman Fuller's office. They will not themselves defend the defendants in a pretty good-sized lawsuit one of these days.

"When the communication was read in select council last night it was referred to the pavement committee, desiring the protest of Mr. Chittenden, who believed that council had nothing to do with the matter, it being to his mind, merely a question to be settled between the mayor and the asphalt company."

**QUINNAN'S REPORT WAS HOTLY ATTACKED**  
Matter of the Indebtedness of Lackawanna Township Up for Consideration in Court.

A large part of the morning session of court yesterday was taken up by arguments on the exceptions to the report of Hon. John P. Quinnan, commissioner in the matter of the indebtedness of Lackawanna township.

It will be remembered, Mr. Quinnan in his report essayed to select the good from the bad claims, as he viewed them under the law and the evidence, and then throw out what he considered bad. The total indebtedness of the township, summing up all the presented claims, was in round numbers \$40,000. Mr. Quinnan threw out about \$20,000 worth of these claims. Yesterday the attorneys representing these disallowed claims strove to have court send back the report to the commissioner with instructions to include their respective claims in the approved list.

Among the attorneys who took turns at tearing up the commissioner's findings were: Boers & Grambs, Joseph O'Brien, Willard, Warren & Knapp, Walter Briggs, Volles & Torrey, George D. Taylor, T. P. Halsey, James E. Watkins, P. W. Stokes and Cornelius Conroy. Attorney M. J. Donahoe, solicitor of Lackawanna township, opposed them.

**ANOTHER PAIR OF DIVORCES.**  
Two more divorces were decreed by court yesterday, Judge Kelly handling them down.

**EXTRA WORK WAS DONE.**  
Attorney William H. Roe, referee in the case of Frank Egil against William Friedman and William Goodman, filed a report yesterday, containing a finding in favor of the plaintiff, and against both defendants in the sum of \$22.24, the full amount of the claim.

Egil claimed for extra work on a wall which he built for Friedman and which was ordered by Goodman, who was supervising the construction, as agent for Friedman. Goodman denied that the extra work was either ordered or

**COUNTER SUIT BROUGHT.**  
Attorney Beale Begins Proceedings Against B. E. Ketchum

Attorney George W. Beale yesterday began an action before Alderman Miller, of the Sixth ward, against A. E. Ketchum to recover attorney fees in the case of B. E. Ketchum, whom he defended on the charge of embezzlement.

This action is a counter one to that wherein Ketchum seeks the return of money from Mr. Beale, and which the latter claims he offered to adjust with a settlement of his fees.

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**LUKAN CASE WAS HEARD**  
SOLD AT RETAIL UNDER BOTTLER'S LICENSE.

**His Attorney Claims That He Should Be Sentenced as Directed in the Act of 1891, but This Idea Is Opposed by the Attorney for the Municipal League, Who Contends That Lukan Ought to Be Sentenced Under the Act of 1887—Other Court House News.**

At the last term of criminal court, John Lukan, the Carouse avenue bottler, was convicted of selling at retail. When he was called up for sentence, his attorney, Joseph O'Brien, contended that he could not be given the penalty prescribed by the Act of 1887, the minimum of which is \$500 fine and three months in the county jail, because he was not guilty of selling without a license. The sentence should be imposed, Mr. O'Brien held, under the Act of 1891, which prescribes that a bottler who exceeds the authority of his license shall pay a fine not exceeding \$100 and be imprisoned for not more than sixty days, either or both at the discretion of the court. The matter came up in argument court yesterday.

Fred E. Boers, of counsel for the Municipal league, which is prosecuting the case, held that Lukan should be sentenced under the 1887 act, because it was under that act the indictment was drawn and under that act he was convicted. Furthermore, he pointed out that, at the time of Lukan's arrest, Lukan had no license whatever. He had purchased the bottling establishment from a man named Ross, but had neglected to have the license transferred, and it was not until six weeks after the arrest that the transfer was accomplished. Court held the motion under advisement. Other cases were disposed of as follows:

**COMMON PLEAS.**  
Judgment Reversed—Commonwealth against John Wisley, et al., for conspiracy.

Rule Reinstated—S. Goffred, trustee, against H. Arnstadt et al., exceptions to affidavit of defense.

Argued—James Saul and Stephen Byer against City Clerk Martin T. Lavelle, mandamus; Winfield Collins against Thomas Collins, rule to open judgment.

**QUARTER SESSIONS.**  
Continued—Commonwealth against Morris Warner, appeal from summary conviction; in re change of polling place, Fourth district, Second ward, Scranton; Commonwealth against Robert Meyer, rule to remit forfeiture; Forest City port directors, appeal from order of removal; Commonwealth against Peter Carroll, rule to strike off forfeiture; Commonwealth against Joseph Kellavague, rule to remit forfeiture; Commonwealth against Michael Cunningham, rule for a new trial; in re condemnation of Providence and Abington turnpike, exceptions to appointment of master and jury of view.

Discontinued—Commonwealth against H. W. Howard, appeal from summary conviction.

Rule Absolute—Commonwealth against Frank Henning, rule to remit costs; Commonwealth against J. P. Kelly, rule to remit costs; Commonwealth against Katherine Angelo, rule to remit costs; in re rule to change polling place in North Abington; Commonwealth against George E. Gramer, rule to remit costs.

Argued—Commonwealth against John T. Howe, rule to set aside finding of grand jury; Commonwealth against Jennie Robbins, rule to strike off forfeiture.

Submitted—Commonwealth against John Ferguson, rule to strike off forfeiture; in re contested election of Nicholas Glynn and Thomas Henning.

**ORPHANS' COURT.**  
Argued—Estate of Nathaniel Pitch, exceptions to auditor's report; estate of Alice Noble, exceptions to auditor's report; estate of Phebe Amy Simm-H, exceptions to auditor's report.

Continued—Estate of Joseph V. Reich, exceptions to auditor's report; estate of A. C. Conolly, rule to remove executor; estate of Rebecca Colby, exceptions to first partial account; estate of John W. East, exceptions to auditor's report.

Submitted—Estate of Walter Dickmough et al., rule to discharge executor; estate of Frank Wilkowski, rule to discharge administrator.

Rule Discharged—Estate of Calvin Parsons, rule for an accounting.

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