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CITY NOTES

ALDERMANIO MARRIAGE.-George Barnes and Alice Spencer were yesterday married by Alderman Rasson. Both parties live in West

DISORDERLY CONDUCT .- George Jennings, of South Scranton, was yesterday committed to the county jail by Alderman Kasson. Drunkenness and disorderly conduct are the charges pre-

STRUCK BY COAL.—Anthony Alexgino, a la-horer at the Pine Brook colliery, was taken to the Lackawanna hospital yesterday suffering from severe cut in the arm where he was struck by a piece of flying coal.

FINGER CRUSHED.-Dennis Nealon, of 525 Luzerne street, had the top of one of his fingers crushed with a rail while at work yesterday in the South Steel mill. The crushed part was amputated at the Moses Taylor hospital.

DINNERS TO THE POOR .- Provisions for the Christmas dinners to the poor, which are usually provided by St. Luke's, are to be sent to the parish house today, where a committee of the Women's guild will be in waiting to re-

SPRIGS OF HOLLY.—The Bethany Beach Improvement company, which is composed largely of Scrantonians, is distributing a unique souvenir of Christmas in the shape of sprigs of holly grown on their tract of land, which is known as Bethany Beach, and is on the shore of Dela-STRUCK BY CYCLIST .- George Miller, the

colored barn boss of C. H. Schadt was struck by a bicyclist while crossing Washington avenue at New street last night. He was thrown to the avenuent and had one of his hands badly inared. He received treatment at the Lackawanna

FOR THE HOSPITAL -- Contributions to the the investment of the patients in Lackawanna espital are again requested. Heretofore the site roas charity of Scranton has not been appared to in vain for this purpose, and it is obtidently expected at the hospital that the resent Christmas season will not prove to be executional.

A FUNERAL SERMON.—Last Saturday the stex. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes buried their oldest cauchter. Miss Hughes had been a very useful includer of the Adams Avenue chapel, New York

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street, of which Mr. Hughes is paster. The will preach his daughter's funeral ser-tomorrow evening at 7.30.

PROF. BUELL REMEMBERED.

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Former Pupils. The class of 1901 of the School of the Lackawanna gave a highly enjoyable entertainment and dance at the school rooms last night, and incidentally the affair was made the occasion of the presentation to Prof. Walter H. Buell, of Hotchkiss, Mass., with a loving cup by the alumni and alumnae of Lackawanna, who remember the hours spent at the institution under

his guidance. The loving cup was also in the nature of a tribute to the crystal weding of Professor Buell. It is of rock crystal, with silver standard, and bears the pretty inscription, "Dec. 29, 1900. Presented to Prof. W. H. Buell by former students of 'the Lackawanna,' in loving remembrance of bygone

Last night's exercises were largely attended and thoroughly successful. The main school room was handsomely decorated with Princeton and Yale banners, while above all predominated the crimson and white of Lackawanna

The senior class of the school put on a two-act comedy, to begin the entertainment, and the young actors did their roles more than justice. "The Best Laid Plans" was the title of the play, and the scene was the country home of one Mrs. Wycherly.

Walter E. Gunster, esq., then made the speech in presenting the cup. In a few apt words Professor Buell expressed his appreciation of the honor tone him, and spoke feelingly about the school and its future.

YOUNG CAMPBELL PEACHED.

Youthful Shoplifter Causes Arrest of His Pal, Eugene Murphy.

James Campbell, of Fourth street, the boy who was on Thursday night arrested in Jonas Long's Sons' store. having been caught in the act of taking articles from the counter, "peached" yesterday morning to the police on his fellow conspirator, the boy who ran away.

This boy, he said, was Eugene Mur-phy, of 535 Third street. The police hied themselves to that place and arrested the Murphy boy, who is about 15 years old. On his clothes were found a number of stolen articles, including paper dolls, gold stick pins and other trinkets, which were identified as having been taken from the Long store.

He was arraigned before Alderman Miller and held in \$500 bail, which was furnished. The Campbell boy was allowed to go on his own recognizance.

OFFICERS WERE INSTALLED.

Members of Union Lodge, F. and A. M., Had an Enjoyable Night.

The newly elected officers of Union odge, No. 291, Free and Accepted Masons, were last night installed in Masonic hall by E. P. Kingsbury, acting as district deputy grand master. After the installation ceremony there was a bounteous repast served by Caterer Barnes.

There were five tables arranged and at them were seated over 125 of the members of the lodge and invited guests. Mr. Kingsbury acted as toastmaster, and brief addresses were made by Mayor Moir, Rev. Dr. J. B. Sweet, David J. Davis and Ellery Thornley. The officers installed were as follows: Vorshipful master, J. F. Wardell enior warden, Fred E. Sykes; junior warden, Edward M. Truesdell; secre-tary, Morris A. Clarke; treasurer, E. P.

Kingsbury. LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied, for publica-tion, by the writer's name. The Tribune does not assume responsibility for opinions here expressed.]

Not a Mammoth Organ.

Editor of The Tribune-

Sir: In Thursday's issue of The Tribune there is an article from your Carbondale correspondent descriptive of the new organ now being erected in the Trinity Episcopal church of that city, headed "A Mammoth Organ." While congratulating the church on their choice of a builder (Hutchings, of Hoston), who is noted for his fine instruments, permit me to say as one whose knowledge of pipe organs is somewhat comprehensive that the organ mentioned is not a main moth one in any sense of the word. The mam-moth organs of the world are like those in the town halls at Sydney, Liverpool and Leeds, the Royal Albert Hall, in London, the Auditorium, in Chicago, the churches of Saint Sulpice and Noti Dame, in Paris, the Cathedral of Ulm, in Germany, and Saint Bartholomew, in New York, which contain from four to five keyboards and possess from eighty to one hundred and twentyeight sounding stops, not to mention combination pistons, combination pedals and couplers in great profusion. When compared with these an organ with two keyboards and nineteen sounding stops can scarcely be called mammoth.

The statement, also made in this article, that the Carbondale organ was the largest in Northeastern Pennsylvania, with the "possible" exception of the organ in Elm Park church, this city, is far from the truth. The organs in the Elm Park church, Franklin Street Methodist Episcopal church, Wilkes-Barre, and the Metho-lier Paissand church, Wilkes-Barre, and the Methodist Episcopal church, Kingston, none of which can be called manmoth, are all nearly, if not quite, twice as large as the Carbondale organ, and there are several organs in this city as large as the latter, not to mention others in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

This letter is not sent with any desire that the Carbondale church shall think any less of their instrument, which, for its size, has admirable specifications, but to correct an erroneous impression as to what constitutes a mammoth or Very truly,
J. Altred Pennington.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 21, 1900.

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TAKING OF TESTIMONY BEGUN YESTERDAY.

The Main Question at Issue Is Whether or Not the Proposed Expenditure for Consequential Damages Is a Debt That Can Be Contracted Without the Consent of the People-The Plaintiff Is Testing Matter with View of Securing Himself and Others.

Arguments on the bill of equity brought by Luther Keller to test the validity of the ordinance providing for the West Lackawanna avenue viaduct were herd yesterday before Judge John P. Kelly, in court room No. 2. I. H. Burns and H. M. Streeter appeared for Mr. Keller. City Solicitor A. A. Vosburg, Major Everett Warren and J. S. Clarke, of Philadelphia, appeared in defense of the ordinance. Col. F. L. Hitchcock and Charles E. Daniels appeared respectively for the Scranton and West side boards

The ordinance it attacked mainly on the ground that the contemplated expenditure is illegal in that it will increase the city's debt beyond the two per cent. limit, which, under the law. can only be done by a vote of the

The defense is that the proposed expenditure is not such a debt as the law contemplates in its limitation, and further that if it should be held to be a debt subject to said limitation, it would be saved from exceeding the limit by reason of the fact that the subtraction of \$250,000 debt, which was authorized by a vote of the people for the construction of the Roaring Brook and Linden street bridges. would leave a margin sufficient to include the proposed expenditure. The attacking party holds that this

subtraction cannot be made; that a debt created by vote of the people is to be regarded in the same light as one created by councils, when this matter of limitation is considered. The city does not make any actual expenditure, the defense contends.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company and the Scranton Railway company pay the entire cost of the viaduct. The city only assumes the resultant damages, and unliquidated damages are not held by he law to be debt. Mr. Clarke was heard specially or

this latter contention. He went ex-clusively into the definition of debt asd indebtedness, the words used in Sec. 8, Art. 9, of the constitution in which the limitation in question is presented. Among other proofs adcanced in support of his argument vere excerpts from the standard auhorities to the effect that "debt must be for a definite amount due by certain and express agreement," and that "debt is properly opposed to unliquidated damages."

Assistant City Clerk Evan Morris and City Engineer Joseph P. Phillips were on the stand in the morning, presenting the ordinance and the blue print attached, and in the aftersoon Mr. Phillips was examined at length by Mr. Burns and cross-examined by Major Warren, on the visduct plans and the damaging effect the viadact will have on abutting property. Mr. Keller was on the stand in the

orning, explaining how the erectio of the viaduct would damage his property. In the course of his examination he made the statement that if the city would give him security for the expected damages the suit would be withdrawn.

The hearing will be continued to-

Swartz Makes Accusations.

Lafayette M. Swartz began proceedings yesterday to secure a divorce from his alleged unfaithful wife, Rachel Richards Swartz.

He says that on Nov. 24, 1900, and

Nov. 27, 1900, at 117 Grove street, Dunmore, she had relations with Edward Richards. They were married June 27, 1893, and lived together until the first of the present month.

Marriage Licenses.

John Peteritski Long Pond Pasha Klaban 135 Railroad avenue George Barnes Sherman avenue Alice Spencer 118 South Filmore avenue

OBITUARY.

Miss Hattie McCracken, aged 21 years, died at o'clock yesterday morning at her home, 146 outh Hyde Park avenue, after a ten weeks' illness. Deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy McCracken and a sister of Mrs. John F. Dean, Sallie, Bessie, Arch, Samuel, Roy and J. W. McCracken, the latter of Pen Yan, N. Y The funeral services will be conducted at th liouse tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock be Rev. J. P. Moffat, D. D., of the Washburn Street Presbyterian church, of which deceased was a member. Interment will be made in the Dunmore cemetery. Friends desiring to view the remains can do so between 12 and 1 o'clock to iorrow at the house.

Henry Volz, of 526 Lee court, died last night at his home of heart failure. Deceased was a clerk in the Scranton House and was well known clerk in the Scranton House and was well known in the city. He worked all yesterday, went home for supper and about 7.30 o'clock left to attend a lodge meeting. He returned about 9.45 o'clock and, sitting down, said to his wife: "Good-bye, I'm going fost. Doctors Allen and Dunnell were hastily summoned," but on their arrival a few minutes later found Volz was dead, a sudden attack of heart failure causing death. He was 46 years of age and livel in this city during the last seventeen years. He is survived by a wife, several young children, two brothers and wife, several young children, two brothers and one sister. During the past two years his health has been undermined by asthmatic trouble.

Edward Griffin, aged 80 years, died yesterday at the family home, 470 Mary street. He was one of the oldest residents of North Scranton and is survived by a wife and the following children: Ambrose, Edwin, Charles, Elizabeth and Mrs. B. E. Miller. The funeral will be held tomorrow ifternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence.

Mr. Yacki, of Beech street, died Thursday af-ternoon after a lingering illness. Deceased was 43 years of age and is survived by one daughter. The remains will be laid to rest today in

Mary, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Donnell, of Cherry street, died Thursday morning. She had been ill for some time, but was thought to be recovering. She was buried in the Cathedral cemetery.

Karl Kline, a carpenter, living at 1016 Staf-ford avenue, died yesterday at the Moses Taylor hospital. Mr. Kline was born in Germany. He will be buried in Washington cemetery. Leonard Sesel, of Meadow avenue, aged 59 years, died yesterday morning, leaving a wife and three children. Interment will be made Home of Deceased.

J. C. HIGHFIELD'S FUNERAL.

On Wednesday occurred the funeral of John C. Highfield, jr., the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western brakeman, who met such a distressing death at Factoryville, Monday, by falling from the roof of a car of the train on which he was working. Funeral services were conducted at the late residence of the deceased, 426 Monroe avenue, by Rev. R. F. Y. Pierce, pastor of the Penn Avenue Baptist church, Several appropriate selections were rendered by members of the church choir. The floral offerings were very beautiful and testified in an eloquent way to the esteem in which Mr. Highfield was held.

The pall-bearers were Alfred Rosen-crantz, David Bessemer, John Reinhart, Howard Duryea, Martin McAdams and Guy Smith. Interment was made in Dunmore cemetery.

Mr. Highfield was a man universally admired and respected by all who knew him, and his sad death has caused general regret. He is survived by a wife and two daughters, May, aged four, and Ruth, aged two years.

DIVIDING CITY INTO DISTRICTS

Measure That Has Been Introduced

in Councils by Select Council-

man Clemons-Its Purpose. "An ordinance providing for the division of the city into districts for the appropriating of funds for street

repairs and imposing extra duties upon the street commissioner." How familiar these words are to the members of the city councils. They form the title to an ordinance which is introduced nearly every year with perisistent regularity and which is an-

nually killed or allowed to die a peaceful death. Select Councilman Clemons introduced the measure on Thursday night. It differs very slightly from the one introduced last year by Councilman Chittenden. It provides for the crea-

tion of our districts, as follows: First district-Seventh, Ninth, Tenth, Thirteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth wards. Second district-Fourth, Fifth, Sixth,

wards. Third district-First, Second, Third and Twenty-first wards. Fourth district-Eighth, Eleventh, Twelfth, Nineteenth and Twentleth

Fourteenth, Fifteenth and Eighteenth

wards. The ordinance provides that all money for street repairs shall be appropriated, not by wards, as at present, but by districts, and shall be expended under the direction of the street commissioner. The purpose of the ordinance is, of course, to do away with the evils of the present system of permitting the councilmen expend the appropriations for

street repairs. Under the second class city law the system of ward appropriations is done away with and the money for the improvement of the public highways is expended under the supervision of the chief of the bureau of strets and highways, an official corresponding to the street commissioner of a third class city.

TO ENFORCE VACCINATION. Certificates Must Be Filled Out Be-

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tificate before January 15 will be denied admittance to the public schools until he or she can present one.

fore Jan. 15.

and steam-fitters' supplies, and one

certificate has either been vaccinated Any child not presenting such a cer-

MME. HERRMAN'S ADMIRER.

Services Were Held at the Late The Mistress of Magic Has a Strange Experience in a Western City.

Stories almost without number have been printed regarding the experience of actresses with individuals of uneven intellect who become smitten with the charms of the fair ones that are usually heightened by the rays of the calclum light, and often prove to be annoying with persistent unsought at-tentions, Madame Adelaide Herrman, widow of the late magician, who is now playing in the Burke-Chase vaudeville company, seems to have been the last to arouse admiration beyond that which an excellent exhibition of talent would command. While filling an engagement in Indianapolis last week, members of the company noticed a man sitting upon the front row who seemed to have eyes for nothing except the act of Madame Herrman, a very beautiful woman, who gives a charming number in her "Night in Japan." At each performance the man, who had the appearance of an unsentimental tradesman, could be found in his place during the entire week. Mme. Herrman was not informed of the attentions which the other members of the troupe feared might be those of a crank, as the knowledge would, it was thought, detract her attention from the work of illusion, which requires the utmost skill and thoughtfulness. On the final performance, however,

the strange man who had scemed hitherto centent to drink in the beauty of the fair performer with burning glances, evidently plucked up courage, and during the applause that followed the crowning feature of Mmc. Herr-man's act suddenly tossed an envelope upon the stage at her feet. Without waiting to see where it fell he arose and hurried out of the theater. The Madame bowed acknowledgment and upon arriving at her dressing room opened the package. It contained a handsome brooch and a sheet of paper upon which was written in a bold hand:

O lady fair, thy beauty rare And definess so mysterious That supple grace and beaming face Half joking—half imperious— Doth make one sentimental,

Could I but press with fond caress
A kiss of lasting sweetness Upon the lips where nectar drips, I'd woo with modest neatness,

Or passion Oriental. After throwing the package upor the stage the man disappeared, and has not been seen since. And efforts to determine his identity have thus far been fruitless. Madame Herrman states that she feels grarified that the admiration in her case has taken the smitten individual has not, as is usually the rule, thought it the proper thing to pursue her with threats of murder and suicide.

CONCERT IS ON DEC. 29.

Wrong Date Has Been Given for Cornell Event.

It has been announced that the concert of the Cornell Music clubs would be given in the Bicycle club house tonight

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