

WEST SCRANTON

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATE

W. E. THAYER ANNOUNCES HIMSELF FOR SELECT COUNCIL.

Will File Nomination Papers Today and Run Independent of the Vigilance Committee—Officers Elected and Installed—Caucuses in Fifteenth and Sixth Wards—Entertainment and Social—Fifteenth Anniversary of Ladies' Aid Society. Other Notes and Personals.

W. E. Thayer, who withdrew from the common councilmanic fight in the Fifth ward in order to seek the nomination for select council to succeed Richard H. Williams, resigned, and who refused to register with the vigilance committee, has decided to enter the race as an independent candidate, and will file his nomination papers today. He has issued the following announcement:

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 3, 1901.
To the Voters of the Fifth Ward:
Gentlemen: In announcing myself as a candidate for the office of select councilman to fill the unexpired term, I wish to explain that my reason for not participating in the caucus held on the 24th, was disapproval of the unscrupulous action in the excessive assessment for the nomination to an office for which there is no remuneration other than the honor, and I believe that such action is not conducive to good results.

Not having an axe to grind either for myself or others and the only incentive, the honorable one, to represent you, I have filed this day nomination papers as a citizen candidate and so each respectfully ask your vote and active help. If your views are in harmony with the above, I promise, if elected, to use my best endeavors to legislate in the best economical manner at all times for your interest. Election Jan. 8.

Yours truly,
W. E. Thayer.

The nomination papers contain the names of many of the most influential residents of the Fifth ward, including the names of George B. Carson, who has withdrawn from the fight.

Societies Elect Officers.
The Ladies' Aid society of the First Baptist church held their annual meeting last evening at the home of Mrs. B. G. Beddoe on South Main avenue, and elected the following officers: Mrs. B. G. Beddoe, president; Mrs. John Reed, first vice-president; Mrs. Thomas Thompson, second vice-president; Mrs. A. E. Holmes, secretary; Mrs. Bush, treasurer. The attendance was large and the reports showed an increased attendance.

Installation of Officers.
The newly elected officers of Washington Camp, No. 178, Patriotic Order of America, were installed last evening as follows: President, H. C. Hinnman; vice-president, Evan J. Jones; master of ceremonies, James Hattson; treasurer, J. G. Sanders; recording secretary, Stewart; financial secretary, L. V. Decker; conductor, George Hill; outside guard, John B. Williams; trustee, Robert L. L.

The following officers were installed last evening in the Robert Morris lodge: President, T. M. Davis; vice-president, T. M. Davis; recording secretary, T. M. Davis; financial secretary, T. M. Davis.

ABOUT THIS TIME LOOK OUT FOR COUGHS AND COLDS

TAKE DUFOUR'S FRENCH TAR.

Liberty Silk

Neck Ruffs for

Less Than Half Price

That's the good news this week for Saturday buyers. The assortment is complete, and they're all right in every way, except the price.

HERE ARE THE FIGURES FOR SATURDAY

98c Liberty Ruffs for 48c

\$1.50 Liberty Ruffs for 68c

\$1.98 Liberty Ruffs for 98c

They won't stay long with us at these figures. Take the hint and come early.

Globe Warehouse

PARK PLACE.

John Stansbury, of 827 Court street, spent Wednesday at Tunkhannock.

Falls, W. J. Smith and Mrs. Baker, of Falls, Wyoming county, are spending a few days with Mrs. Smith's brother, W. R. Ackerson, of 809 Wood street.

Higgins Stansbury, of Tunkhannock, is spending a few days with Mrs. George Stansbury, of Providence road.

OBITUARY.

Annie Sweeney, the year and one-half old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sweeney, of 319 Mulberry street, died yesterday. Funeral Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Kenneth, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kelly, of West Carbon street, died yesterday. Funeral at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

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CROKER'S TRIAL FOR MURDER.

Was Once Accused of Shooting a Man in a Saloon.
W. E. Curtis in the Chicago Record.

Several people have written me for information concerning Mr. Croker's trial for murder. He is a machinist by trade, and in his early days worked in the shops of the New York Central Railway company at Forty-second street. He started in politics in the district in which the Grand Central railway station is located, and his office was that of alderman for that ward. He was a follower of James O'Brien, but had a falling out with him in 1874. O'Brien prevented Croker's nomination for the council and nominated Bernard O'Neil in his place. On election day Croker, who was making the rounds of the district accompanied by a party of strong-armed and desperate followers, had an altercation with O'Brien and a number of his followers at the corner of Thirty-fourth street and Third avenue. According to the testimony in the murder trial O'Brien and Croker called each other hard names until both lost their tempers and began to fight. Mr. Croker testified that he hit O'Brien twice and that O'Brien struck him in the teeth. Then friends tried to separate them and a general melee followed, during which some one fired a pistol, and John McKenna, one of O'Brien's friends, who was struggling with Croker, fell mortally wounded. The whole party was arrested and taken to the station house, where Croker charged O'Brien with assault and O'Brien charged Croker with murder.

In his ante-mortem statement John McKenna stated that Croker shot him. He said:
"I saw O'Brien and Croker quarrelling and I ran, and Croker shot me. I saw Croker strike O'Brien and shoot him. The revolver was so close that the powder burned my ear."
Two policemen gave similar testimony. Mr. Croker was indicted for murder and spent two months in the Tombs awaiting trial. After deliberating seventeen hours the jurors reported that they were unable to agree and were discharged. Six members of the jury were in favor of a verdict of murder in the first degree. The other six were willing to find him guilty of manslaughter, but did not believe that he fired the shot deliberately with intent to kill McKenna. Thus he was neither convicted nor acquitted.

GROWTH OF OUR NAILS.

From Atwood's Magazine.
Finger nails and toe nails, being merely flattened growths of the same kind of cells that the hairs are made of, increase in about the same way, though the rate of progress has not been so carefully studied. Some say that the finger nails grow at the rate of one-thirtieth of an inch a week. Bean estimates that it takes twenty weeks to restore a thumb nail, and thirty-six weeks to restore a toe nail.

A SOUR STOMACH

Is Often the Real Cause of a Sour Temper.

That the condition of the digestive organs has a marked effect upon the character of disposition is a truism as old as the hills. Old Ben Johnson wisely said "the pleasure of living depends upon the liver" and it is a fact which none may dispute that a sunny disposition more often results from a healthy digestion than from any other cause.

Acid dyspepsia, commonly called sour stomach or heartburn, is caused by slow digestion of food; instead of being promptly digested and converted into blood, bone and muscle, it lies in the stomach for hours, fermenting and decaying, creating gases which cause pressure on the lungs and heart, short breath and general discomfort and irritation.

Such half digested food is indeed poor nourishment for the body, brain and nerves and the result is shown in irritable tempers, unaccountable headaches and that depressing condition called the "blues" but how quickly all these disappear when appetite and digestion are restored.

Laxative medicines only irritate the already irritated stomach and bowels and have no effect upon actual digestion of food.

The sensible course to follow is to make use of simple natural digestives like Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals until the stomach has a chance to recuperate.

The natural digestives which every healthy stomach contains are pepsins, diastase and hydrochloric and lactic acids, and when any of these are lacking the trouble begins; the reason Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are so valuable and successful in curing stomach troubles is because they contain, in a pleasant concentrated tablet form all these absolutely necessary essentials for perfect digestion and assimilation of food.

Henry Kirkpatrick, of Lawrence, Mass., says: "Men and women whose occupation precludes an active outdoor life should make it a daily practice to use Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets after meals, for what it was to be free from stomach weakness; I had no appetite whatever for breakfast and very little for any other meal."

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The success and popularity of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is enormous, and it is deserved, and every druggist in the United States, Canada and Great Britain has a good word for this meritorious preparation.

SOUTH SCRANTON NOTES.

The basket ball game played last night between the Defenders, of this part of the city, and the Crackerjacks, from Providence, was a furious game fought to the hilt and the end. The score was 26-2, in favor of the Defenders. The features of the game were the basket throwing of Tighe, Quinn, and Kraft. The men lined up as follows: Defenders—Tighe, right center; R. R. Quinn, right forward; T. Quinn, left forward; M. Snyder, right guard; A. Morality, left guard; Crackerjacks—P. McCloskey, right center; L. White, left center; H. Davis, right forward; F. Davis, left forward; B. Gorman, right guard; C. Miller, left guard. The umpires were Michael Murphy and John McGrath. Referee, M. Nealon. Timekeeper, Robert Connolly. The Defenders will play the following games: With the Crackerjacks at the Auditorium at Providence, Saturday night, January 5, and the Sanderson Hill Stars at the St. John Hall, corner of Stone and Hickory streets, Thursday, January 10.

H. F. Ziegler, of Cedar avenue, is confined to his home with an attack of grip.

Mary, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Carey, of Stone avenue, is seriously ill.

St. Mary's church choir will meet for rehearsal this evening.

George Robling, of Cedar avenue, has returned to Buffalo to resume his studies.

P. J. Gallagher and M. J. Nealon left yesterday on a business trip to New York.

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DUNMORE DOINGS

TELEPHONE ORDINANCE DEFEATED IN COUNCIL.

It Was Lost Last Night by Tie Vote. Ordinance Providing for a Tax on Poles Passed Third Reading—Steps to Be Taken to Cause Removal of the Toll Gate on the Drinker Turnpike—Revival Services Being Conducted by Rev. W. H. Williams Growing in Interest—Report of the Board of Health—Other Notes.

The borough council met in regular monthly session last night, with members present.

Mr. Brogan, of the sewer committee, stated that one of the viewers in the sewer matter informed him that the only reason their report had not been filed in court was that the signature of one of the viewers, Mr. W. H. O'Brien, could not be obtained, he having recently moved to New York.

Mr. Payton informed the council that he understands the cause of the delay is that the board of viewers have not complied with the law, not being property holders, as the law directs. He moved that the borough attorney be instructed to take such steps as may be necessary to compel the viewers to file their report, and the motion was adopted.

Complaint was made that many of the property owners in the Sixth ward have not complied with the ordinance directing them to lay sidewalks.

The secretary was ordered to notify all such that if the ordinance is not complied with the borough will proceed to lay the walks and enter liens.

The chief of police's report on electric lights showed that sixty-four had been cut out through the wires.

Ordinance No. 85, introduced by Mr. McAllister, regarding excavating of public streets and directing that all such work be done under the supervision of the street commissioner, and providing a penalty of \$10 for failure to comply with the same, passed first reading.

Ordinance No. 83, introduced by Mr. McAllister, providing for the taxing of all poles carrying electric wires, etc., in the sum of fifty cents per pole per year, passed third and final reading, with only Mr. Payton voting against it.

Ordinance No. 82, granting a franchise to the Lackawanna Telephone company, was defeated on third and final reading. Messrs. McAllister, Jones and Payton being in favor of and Messrs. McAllister, Brogan and Ward voting against it.

Borough Attorney Duggan informed council that the Drinker turnpike has been a free road since May 14 last, when report of viewers was confirmed by court. He advised that the chief of police be instructed to notify Mr. Rhoads to move his gate outside the borough limits at once, and upon his refusal to do so to proceed to tear it down. The chief of police was so ordered by council.

Council is to enter into a contract with Thomas Golden for furnishing poles for the borough at seventeen cents per pole.

The street commissioner's time sheet for \$179 was approved and ordered paid. The chief of police's time sheet for \$190 was also ordered paid. The fire department's time sheet, amounting to \$70, was approved and ordered paid. Miscellaneous bills, amounting to \$1,008.29, were approved and ordered drawn for the amounts.

A bill from the Scranton Gas and Water company for \$1,105 was laid on the table, and a committee, composed of Messrs. Ward, McAllister and Payton, was charged to endeavor to secure a better rate, it being thought the present charge of \$20 per plug for fifty-nine plugs was too high.

A bill from Philip Wagner, of the Electric Hose company, for \$125, for replacing a hose injured while responding to an alarm, was laid over until next meeting.

Ex-Tax Collector Boland appeared before the council for the purpose of settling up his accounts and at a late hour they were so engaged.

The Revival Services.

The revival meetings at the Methodist church now being conducted by the "drummer evangelist," Rev. W. H. Williams, are growing in numbers and interest with each succeeding service.

Mr. Williams is proving himself a master hand in conducting such meetings. This evangelist work has been his work for a number of years before. His preaching is up-to-date, with live subjects for each service. He took for his subject last night "Conversion."

"Conversion is a change of heart. It is the commencement of a divine life. A change of character in this, the things we once loved, we now hate. Where this love and hatred is wrought by the Holy Ghost it is the new birth, for conversion generates a hatred to all evil."

To be born twice is eternal life. To be born once is a eternal death. We may be born, but we may not know the time and place of conversion, but all should and can know it is done. The question is: Has there been a change of character and citizenship? Has our chief interest been transferred from this world to the world to come?

"Conversion is not tears, smiles, emotions or feeling. It is a change of character by divine grace. Hearts made right. The old life will give place to the new; the soul is moved and swayed by the power that will finally land us in glory. The soul will run in the line of duty to God and man, and the service of God will be natural and pleasant."

"This birth is from above. God is at every man's door. We must have it or heaven is lost. I am morally upright," says one. "I must be born again." "My character is above reproach," says another. "I must be born again, for the most refined are not fit for heaven without it."

"The hand that knocked at the Jew's ruler's heart is now knocking at yours. Shut the door against him and all is lost. Impenitent becomes penitent; proud becomes humble; unkind, kind; unfaithful, faithful. Ask my wife, she will tell you if I am converted."

If you will obey Him, the seed of heaven will fall into your heart and ripen into immortality. No life is so sinful, no heart so hard, that this new birth will not cure."

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