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BEFORE BREAKFAST.

It is probable that more people have grow familiar with the needs and sims of the children's ward in the Lackawanna hospital through the mute testimony of the little wodden cradles sines pince that hey could possibly have done otherwise. through the untiring exertions of the enter vising lady, whose heart has been in the work he children's ward is an accomplished fac-Largely through her efforts it has been equipped and stands complete for service today. Among the contributions to the various ap

cintments connected with this charity as been more valued than the invalid chair, a Christmas gift from No. 36 school. of the pupils in this school come from

humble homes, but ever before their eyes have been the pathetic scenes attendant upon an institution so varied in its lines of work as the Lackawanna hospital. They have seen the sick little children carried tenderly through the dou-They have seen the pale little faces at ndows and perhaps have more than once heard the wailing cry of suffering from the poor mortal who was meant to be happy and light-hearted. No wonder that these pictures daily painted in sombre tones on their narrow porizon touch the kind hearts of the small people who throng the great school building on Franklin avenue. They gave 835 for that softfooted chair moving noiselessly on its muffled wheels, and in many days to come they will feel s thrill of pride at the sight of some pallid child geing gently borne into the sunlight and fresh air. Miss Stevenson and the teachers and pupils of No. 36 school will long be blessed by the

changing inmates of the children's ward.

A few weeks ago the school children of the city contributed about \$250 to the children's ward, and this sum has been reserved for the endowment of a bed, the whole amount nece sary being \$500. This sum, it is hoped, may be reached later by the gifts of the school children.

A committee under the direction of Miss Jen nie Reynolds, will serve a luncheon and a tea on Thursday of this week in rooms on the old Young Men's Christian association site for the beauti of the ground improvements at the Home for the Friendless. The grading necessitated heavy expenses and the grounds committee as-sumed the debt. This entertainment of Thursday, it is hoped, will cover the amount needed, Luncheon for business men will be served at soon at a nominal price.

A "First Aid to the Injured" class is to be formed at the Hahnemann hospital and maidens fair are hastening to curoll. "Why," exclaimed a pretty girl yesterday. "You get one of those badges and it lets you in anywhere, fires, mine aves, everything."
"Even a dog fight, I suppose?" added her

cynical papa. "Why on earth should you want to go to fires, anway?" demanded her mother.

"Well, we wont," added the young woman 'but don't you know it is perfectly lovely to be able to save a person's life if he happens to try to commit suicide or anything, and then when people break their arms it is so nice to have them all set beautifully before the docfor gets them and to read in the papers next day that 'but for the presence of mind and skill of Miss So-and-So Mr. So-and-So might have lost

A "First Aid to the Injured" series of lessons is sure to be popular. The up-to-date young woman wants to be helpful and cool-headed. This will train ber in the way.

As long as she doesn't experiment on her friends with the result of placing tourniquets in the wrong spot and mix of her antidotes for poison with certain fatality to the victims her essons will be a boon to the community Scranton young women are rather cool and col-lected and will doubtless imbibe information in manner to reflect pride and honor on themelves and their instructors

Luther Keller was elected apperintendent of the Penn Avenue Sunday school last Sunday for the fifteenth time. When he casually mentioned the fact to Mr. Sturges that gentleman re-marked reflectively: "Too long, Keller, too long." And now Mr. Keller is wondering if Mr. sturges' experience with councilment to making urges' experience with councilmen is making

Apropos of the now much discussed pass ques-tion, it was August Faure who said: "If the railways want to make friends with the com-ing generation, why don't they give passes to brides and grooms starting out on their wedding trips? It should be an easy matter to issue marriage certificates with mileage coupons at-

tached. That would undoubtedly induce many young men to get married who are now holding off because of the expenses of a wedding trip."

PERSONAL.

Robert Wilson, agent for the Municipal league is ill with the grip at his home in Green Ridge Miss Eva Danner, of Webster avenue, has re-turned after a sojourn of cix months in Pich-

mond, Va. E. E. Robathan, of the county commissioner office, was at his desk again yesterday, after severe illness.

Miss Mary Davies has returned after a ter-days' vacation spent with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Harmon, of Pittsburg. Detective Charles Silverburg is nome from

an extended sojourn in Michigan and Indiana much improved in health. Mrs. Charles Ford and daughter, Helen, of Marshwood, and Mrs. Tuck, formerly of Wilkes-Barre, will leave today for a three months' stay

in Florida. II. A. Reynolds, of the Traction company, who has been confined at his home for the past two weeks with an attack of pleurisy, is slowly improving.

Chester De Vonde, the well known theatrica star, engaged this week at Carbondale, spent the afternoon in this city yesterday with his friend, Manager, Brown, of the Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. Stiles, of Fulton, N. Y., paren of Dr. F. A. Stiles, the recently appointed junios surgeon at the Moses Taylor hospital, are being entertained by Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Laubach.

PERJURY IS THE CHARGE NOW MADE

Warrants Issued for T. J. Coyne, Si mon Thomas and Morris V. Morris, ex-Councilmen.

T. J. Covne and Simon Thomas, for mer select councilmen, and Morris V. Morris, former common councilman had informations lodged against them resterday before Alderman Fuller by the Municipal League, charging them with perjury. The warrants have been issued and Mr. Coyne was arrested yesterday by Officer Huffling, of the League. Messrs, Thomas and Morris are out of the city and the warrants

have not yet been served upon them. The charges are based upon the testimony given by these men at recent hearings in the cases against other councilmen in which they swore they never received money or anything else of value for their vote in councils and that they knew of no efforts to corrupt councilmen, All three of the men resigned their seats in councils to put an end to the cases against them which were being pushed by the Municipal League in which they were charged with soliciting and accepting bribes.

Mr. Coyne was given a hearing yes terday afternoon. Detective J. S. Haris, of New York, was called, who testifled that in May last he had some negotiations with Coyne by which the latter was to get fourteen votes in select council for the amendment of the license tax ordinance then before that body and receive \$1,400 when the ordinance passed second reading, and as much more when it was passed finally and signed by the mayor, the intention being that each man should

receive \$200. On May 14 at 8.50 p. m. Harris said that Coyne came to his room in the Rudolph and after asking that the \$1,400 be paid over on the following Saturday, Coyne remarked that he was hard up and Harris gave him \$20 on account, which Coyne accepted and

placed in his pocket. the Sawyer detective agency of New York, with which Harris is also consected, swore that he was in the room djoining No. 24 on the night of May 14 and saw Harris give Coyne the \$20 He also heard the conversation that

passed between the men. At the hearing the league was represented by Attorneys J. H. Torrey and E. C. Newcomb and Mr. Coyne by Attorney Joseph O'Brien. After the testimony of Harris and Whitney had been heard Mr. Newcomb asked that Mr. Coyne be held in bail. The alderman fixed the bail at \$2,500, and it was by ex-Patrolman Martin Curnished

GOD'S BOOK.

Clergy and Presidents' Meeting.

A meeting of the clergy, all denominations, and the presidents of the board of trade, all hospitals and charitable institutions in the city of Scranton will be asked to meet in the immediate future in the interest of charity. The date, time and place will be given in tomorrow's issue of this paper.

a clergyman from each church or denomination will be expected to attend the meeting because they all have the welfare of our charitable institutions at heart.

The presidents of the charitable institutions will be there because they not only want, but need, all the as sistance that they can get.

The president of the board of trade will naturally be there because he is ever ready to benefit our business pub lic and the community in general. At the meeting it will be shown that our business public are in a position to very materially assist our charitable

institutions, some of which are very much in need, and not have it cost them one cent. Why? Because, all they need do

to bring the result about is to simply give their regular patronage to the directory that I will publish this year, the entire profits of which will be given to lessen the needs of our charitable institutions, which the public must necessarily support

any way. There can be no doubt but that by exerting its influence in extending patonage to the project, this public can astonish even itself, by the amount that can thus be made available for our charities.

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COUNCILS TO ACT AT ONCE

> SPECIAL MEETING. A Resolution Will Be Introduced Tomorrow Night, Directing the

MAYOR MOIR HAS CALLED A

Scranton Railway Company to Furnish Transfers, and if It Refuses to Do So the City Solicitor Will Be Directed to Take Steps to Forfeit Its Franchises-Matter Will Be Fought in Court.

Mayor James Moir, realizing the necessity of taking immediate action to compel the Scranton Railway company to issue transfers, that corporation having announced that it will not do so on and after January 15, has called a special meeting of the select council for tomorrow night to take action on the matter.

The common council meets in regular session on that night and whatever action is taken can, of couse, be

Councilman D. W. Vaughan, it is understood, will introduce a resolution directing the company to furnish transfers after January 15, and directing the city solicitor to take the necessary steps to forfeit the company's franchises if within ten days it falls

to obey the order of councils. There is hardly any question but that the matter will be fought out in the courts, for the more the conditions surrounding the franchises granted to the various companies merged into the present Scranton Railway company are examined the more apparent does it become that the company officials didn't decide upon this step without careful thought, and that the city won't have everything its own way in seeking to compel the issuance of transfers.

COUNCILS WILL ACT.

It is also very apparent that prompt steps will be taken by councils to secure the passage of an ordinance providing for a heavy tax upon the company's gross receipts. Already several councilmen are looking up the law. and it would not be surprising if some such ordinance were introduced on Thursday night.

In the absence of any specific clause in the act of assembly governing cities of the second class, Scranton, when she passes into that class, will continue to act under the present thirdclass city law governing the taxation of street railway companies. This law gives the city power to tax the cars the implied power to tax the poles and

City Solicitor Voeburg contends that the city cannot impose upon the street railway company a tax on its gross receipts which would exceed the aggregate amount of a tax of \$100 on each of its cars and a "reasonable tax on its poles and wires. Just what "reasonable" tax would be is a quesfion for the courts to decide, but it is believed that a tax of 5 per cent. on the gross receipts of the company, which would approximate about \$25,-000 a year, would be so considered.

The franchises granted the People's Street Railway company, of Luzerne county, the S ranton Passenger Rail-way come and the Valley Passen ger Ranway company, contain provisions which make the issue of transfers to all connecting and intersecting lines

ORIGINAL FRANCHISE. The original franchises of the Peo-

ple's Street Railway company, of Luzerne county, and the Scranton and Providence Street Railway company vere granted by special act of the legislature in 1867 and contained no provision for transfers, which were practically unheard of in those days. These gave the companies power to construct lines on Lackawanna and Wyoming avenues in the central city and to North Scranton and West Scranton, no routes being specified. These two companies were merged in 1868 and the main lines now running to West Scranton and North Scranton and the Green Ridge People s line were constructed under these practically unlimited franchises.

In 1889 the councils granted a franchise to the People's company permitting it to extend its tracks. lines at present operated under this franchise are out Washburn street to he cemetery, along Swetland street from Bromley to Main avenues, along Main avenue from Swetland to Jackson streets and the present Bellevue line. This franchise transfer provision.

In 1893, the People's company wanted to run its tracks up West Lackawanna avenue from Ninth street to Main avenue, and a franchise was granted permitting them to do so. This franchise contained the following clause:

"This company shall issue transfer tickets good on all its connecting and intersecting lines of street railway for a single fare, which shall not exceed

THE VITAL CLAUSE.

In the opinion of several well known lawyers seen yesterday by a Tribune man, this is the clause which the company will probably make its fight on. There are two contentions which can be made. One is that this clause does not apply to all the lines of street railway operated at that time by the com-

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pany, but only to the especial line for which the franchise was granted and O'BRIEN WAS which is not now in use.

The other contention is that the People's company had certain rights and powers invested in it by the legislature and that councils had no legal authority to abridge these rights by authorizing the issuance of transfers. Either point can be taken up if the ther falls.

The city will, of course, take the directly opposite side of the case. It will contend that the transfer provision in the last franchise was meant to cover every line operated by the company and that councils had a perfect right to pass such a provision and now has the perfect right to demand its enforcement.

There is hardly any question but that the whole case will hinge upon this particular clause. If the city can succeed in having the franchise of the People's Street Railway company forfeited it will place the Scranton Railway company in a position where it will be compelled to issue transfers as with the franchises of this company revoked it would be so crippled as to render the running of its cars almost mpossible.

If the company persists in its refusal to issue transfers after Jan. 15 and if the city falls in having the franchises of the People's Street Railway company forfeited, she will have to fall back on the other franchises which contain a transfer stipulation.

THREE FRANCHISES.

There are three of these. The first s the franchise which was granted the Valley Passenger Railway company in 1893. This franchise provided that transfers should be issued and gave over the use of a number of miles of the city's streets to the company, but on examination it will be found that the only streets under this franchise which are now being used for street railway purposes are the following

Washington avenue from Lackawanna avenue to Ash street; Franklin avenue from Mulberry street to Lackawanna avenue; Mulberry street from Franklin to Penn avenue; Swetland street or West Linden from Main ave-

nue to Ninth street. It is easy to see that if this franchise was forfeited the company could so re-arrange its present system of running cars as to do away with its necessity. Thus, for instance, the Franklin avenue line could be abanioned and the Providence and Green Ridge People's cars run into the central city through Penn avenue. The West Linden street line could be abandoned and the West Scranton cars run up Jackson street as they were up to three years ago.

The franchise of the Scranton Passenger Railway company, which in-cludes nearly all of the existing lines in South Scranton contains a provision to the effect that the company, when of such companies \$100 each and gives so directed by councils, shall issue transfer tickets to all connecting lines. Councils have never directed the company to issue transfers on these lines. but they can be expected to do so at once. It would seem as if in this particular case the issuing of the transfers to all passengers on South Scranton lines could be enforced.

JACKSON STREET LINE. The third franchise containing ransfer provision is a franchise granted to the People's company to construct a line up Jackson street to Garfield avenue and along that thoroughfare to Pettebone street to Main avenue. This line was never constructed but the franchise contains precisely the same clause as did the other franchise referred to at length above, emphatically and unequivocally declaring

This would seem to strengthen the city's side of the case as it puts councils on record twice as declaring that the People's company shall issue trans-

that "this company" shall issue trans-

fers on all its lines. Within recent years certain extensions to some of the franchises mentioned above have been granted. One of these is an extension to the Valley company's franchise and includes as express condition that transfers shall be issued when councils so desire. This extension includes the Nay Aug loop on Arthur avenue and Mulberry street. and Prescott avenue from Ash street to the city line.

DATES FOR RACES AND FAIR. Annual Meeting of the Maitland Fair

and Driving Park Association. At the annual meeting, yesterday, of he Maitland Fair and Driving Park association, J. U. Hopewell was elected president; J. W. Carpenter, viceesident; A. C. Smith, secretary; W. S. Huslander, treasurer; D. L. Potter, superintendent and Van C. Decker, M. D. Potter and W. S. Huslander, directors.

It was arranged to have special races on July 4, for the 2:20 and 2.33 classes, and again on August 10, for various classes, to be later announced. The annual fair will be held September 10, 11, 12 and 13.

Traders National Bank Meeting. The Traders National Bank held their annual meeting of shareholders for the election of directors for the ensuing year, January 8th, at the office of The Traders National Bank.

The judges of the election were Geo. W. Finn, Willard Matthews, and H. W. Rowley. At the close of the polls the judges reported the following gentlemen duly elected to serve as directors for the ensuing year: John T. Porter. Jos. J. Jermyn

Chas. Schlager. Chas. P. Matthews, M. S. Kemmerer, . E. Chittenden, W. L. Connell W. W. Watson

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There was another hearing before Alderman Fuller yesterday in the councilmanic bribery cases but nothing of any importance was elicited from Richard O'Brien, the only witness examined.

Before the hearing began Select Councilman Thomas O'Boyle entered the office in company with his attorney, I. H. Burns, and said he was ready to enter ball. He had heard that a warrant was out for him and was on his way to the alderman's office to enter bail when he met Officer Huffling who served the warrant upon him.

"Do you admit there is probable cause for your arrest," asked Alderman Fuller. "I admit nothing of the kind," replied Mr. O'Boyle, with considerable vigor.

"I cannot allow you to enter bail then," said the alderman. "We have to go into a hearing" and Mr. O'Boyle's case went down with those against Select Councilmen J. J. Mc-Andrew and T. C. Melvin, Common Councilman E. J. Coleman, and former Select Councilmen R. H. Williams and P. F. McCann, all of whom are charge with soliciting and accepting bribes.

MR. O'BRIEN CALLED. Richard O'Brien was called immedately after the hearing opened. He is director of the Central Pennsylvania Celephone and Supply company, and took an active interest in defending the ordinance granting a franchise to the Lackawana Telephoe company in 1898. He prepared some of the amendments which were attached to that ordinance in councils. His purpose was to make It impossible for anyone to go into the elephone business here as a rival to his company for speculative or stock

obbing purposes. "Did it cost any money to have these amendments made?" he was asked by E. C. Newcomb, one of the attorneys or the league, who examined Mr. O'Brien.

"I do not know. "Did you handle any of the money?" "Certainly not," came Mr. O'Brien's uick and decisive reply.

He was examined at length about the statement made by P. W. Gallagher hat Mr. O'Brien had given him money to use in councils. That statement was not true, the witness said. He had never even talked about money with Mr. Gallagher in connection with the councilmen. He requested Mr. Galagher to help them to oppose the ordinance granting a franchise to the Lackawanna Telephone company, be-cause he understood Mr. Gallagher had influence with councilmen,

WHAT HE SAID. Mr. O'Brien was also questioned at length about conversations with E. J. Maloney, assistant superintendent of never instructed Mr. Majoney to use money with councilmen or talked with him about the use of money further than to say at the time the first Lackawanna franchise ordinance was in troduced in councils that he wanted to know nothing about the use of money in fighting the franchise. He had heard that money was used in councils in such emergencies, but would have nothing to do with anything of the kind and wanted to know

nothing about it, Mr. O'Brien said he had a conversa tion with Mr. Maloney about three weeks age, the latter coming here at the request of the witness. He told Mr. Maloney to tell all he knew about the fight on the telephone ordinances in councils. E. B. Sturges told the witness that he had evidence that would convict Mr. Maloney, but if the latter told what he knew Mr. Sturges would make it as easy as he could for him. These facts the witness communicated to Mr. Maloney. He was asked if Mr. Maloney was not in Canada jus before he came here and said he did not know. He does not know where

he is at present. Mr. O'Brien said he knew nothing about the telephone company having number of councilmen on its pay roll. further than what he had seen in the papers. He could not say whether or not the books of the telephone com pany used in 1898 are now in this city and could not say whether or not the company keeps an expense account that would include items of expense incurred in forwarding or resisting leg-

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