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CITY NOTES

SOCIAL TONIGHT.—The Elks Dancing class will conduct a social in Economy hall tonight. Masked Ball.—The second annual masquerade ball of the Young Men's Hebrew Benevolent club will be held at Music hall this evening. BOARD OF CHARITIES.—The board of associated charities of Scranton will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the postmaster's room, Postoffice building.

We offer subject to previous sale \$12,000 Economy Steam Heat Company Gold Bonds 5 Per Cent. Free of Tax. Maturity 1930.

This company was organized in 1900, and has been successful from the start. It is the only steam heating company in the city of Scranton, and is controlled by representative men. The bonds are considered to be a desirable investment.

HELD UNDER BAIL.—Fred Curry, of Taylor, was held under \$500 bail by Alderman Miller last night on the charge of defrauding his boarding mistress of a \$15 bill.

OWEN FLYNN OR MRS. CONNORS.—The fiscal postoffice authorities are in receipt of a letter asking for information regarding either Owen Flynn or Mrs. Connors, of this city. It is signed by Mrs. Mary Moore, 2316 Pennell avenue, Chicago.

THROW LIGHTED LAMP.—Hugh Wall, of Howard place, was arrested by Patrolmen Conroy and Hart last night. Wall went home last evening pretty much under the influence of liquor and was found lying face down in the gutter in the house by breaking furniture, throwing lighted lamps, etc.

CHARGED WITH STEALING DOGS.—Edward McGuire and Miles Row, were arraigned before Alderman Miller last night charged with stealing four bull dogs from M. Lipson, of 424 Penn street, who was the owner of the dogs. The dogs were held under \$500 bail each for appearance in court.

MAIL CARRYING CONTRACT.—The five-year contract for carrying the mail from the local postoffice to the several depots and the street cars has been awarded to Walter E. Gunster, of this city, who was the lowest bidder. The contract dates from July 1 of this year to June 30, 1905.

MEETING DID NOT TAKE PLACE.—The meeting of the board of directors, called for last night in the board of trade assembly room under the patronage of W. E. Smythe, who congratulated the board on its success in securing the postoffice building, and the secretary of the board, Mr. J. H. Smith, were present.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING.—The quarterly meeting of the Scranton Archdiocese and Women's auxiliary to the board of missions, will be held at St. Luke's P. E. church next Tuesday. Addresses will be made by Rev. Mr. Young, missionary to Japan, and Miss Julia Hines, secretary of the Women's auxiliary of the church in the United States.

OFFICERS CHOSEN.—The following officers were yesterday afternoon re-elected by the board of directors of the Third National bank: President, William Connelley; vice president, Henry H. Williams; secretary, William Connelley; directors are as follows: William Connelley, Henry Hines, Luther Keller, J. Benjamin Dimick, James Albrecht, Thomas H. Watkins, G. H. Catlin, Alfred Hand, James Connelley.

ELI PERKINS, HONORIST.—Eli Perkins, the famous humorist, will lecture at the high school on Thursday evening, January 24. Two lectures will be given, "The Told Round of the News" and "Philosophy, Wit and Humor." To those who desire to hear the famous speaker, the opportunity of securing seats awaits at Powell's music store, where the program is open for inspection. Reserved seats, 50 cents.

STENOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION.—A. C. Beckwith, of Chicago, air brake instructor for the International Correspondence schools, gave a stenographic exhibition and lecture at the Railroad Young Men's Christian association last evening, outlining the advantages of the air brake system on railroads and explaining the intricacies of the work to a large number of railroad men. The stenographic club sang several songs, and a large number of the audience formed among Lackawanna club members and the lectures are for the purpose of aiding and instructing the men in the work. Another exhibition will be given this evening in the rooms.

AT ANTI STREET CHURCH.—The Drummer Evangelist, Rev. W. H. Williams, begins a week of special revival meetings tonight in the Anti Street Methodist church in Little England, commencing each evening at 7:30 o'clock. The list of subjects are: Tuesday evening, "No Room for Jesus"; Wednesday evening, "Conversion"; Thursday evening, "Conscience"; Friday evening, "The Last Invitation"; Saturday, 3 p. m., sermon to children, subject, "The First Start"; Saturday evening, "Will We Know Our Friends in Heaven"; Sunday afternoon, sermon to men, no boys admitted, subject, "Social Purity"; Sunday evening, "The Young Man and His Company"; Monday evening, farewell sermon.

MAL'S MISSION MEETING.—The meeting of the Scranton auxiliary of the American Mission, held at the home of Mrs. James A. Linnen yesterday, was well attended and of an interesting character. Mrs. J. A. Price presided. The subject of the day was the anniversary of Dr. Mal's first work in France. Articles were read illustrating the progress of the work, and announcements were made concerning the annual meeting in March. Mrs. Price, Mrs. R. L. Powell and Mrs. A. E. Law were among those who furnished the program. At the conclusion of the business session light refreshments were served by Mrs. Linnen, assisted by Mrs. Selden Blair, Miss Linnen and Miss Hanley.

FISKE JUBILEE SINGERS. Will Give a Concert in Second Presbyterian Church Tonight. The authorized successors of the Jubilee singers of Fiske university of Nashville, Tenn., will sing tonight in the Second Presbyterian church at 8 o'clock. In New York, Brooklyn, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago, their concerts have been received with great favor.

Admission to tonight's concert will be free. The great work of the Fiske Jubilee singers are doing among the freedmen will be presented and an offering will be taken. Everyone is welcome.

THE RESCUE MISSION. Board Met Last Evening and Elected Officers for the Year. The annual meeting of the directors of the Rescue Mission was held last night at the mission house on Franklin avenue. The directors present were: M. P. Larkin, J. Lawrence Stetle, C. H. Chandler, L. T. Mattox, L. M. Horton, W. E. Plumley, A. L. Bryden and Superintendent Sanborn.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, J. Lawrence Stetle; vice-president, L. T. Mattox; treasurer, Charles H. Chandler; secretary, W. E. Plumley. George G. Sanborn was re-elected superintendent, and Miss Weir re-engaged as missionary and organist. Plans are on foot to make the lodging house feature better than ever before.

ANNUAL TERM OF THE COURT

JUDGES OF THE SUPERIOR BENCH MEET TODAY.

Two of Their Number Will Be Absent on Account of Illness—Table Prepared Which Shows the Total Amount of Work the New Court Has Done Since Its Creation in 1896—Cases on the List for Argument During the Two Weeks' Term.

In the superior court room of the court house this morning at 10 o'clock the annual session of the superior court will be held. The following judges will be in attendance: President Judge C. E. Rice, of Wilkes-Barre; Judge James A. Beaver, of Bellefonte; Judge George B. Orady, of Huntington; Judge W. D. Porter, of Pittsburg; and Judge W. W. Porter, of Philadelphia. Judge P. P. Smith, of this city, and Judge John J. Mitchell, of Wellsboro, will not be present, both being ill. The judges all arrived in the city last night and are at the Jersey.

The growth of the business of the court since its creation in 1896 has been steady and shows the necessity there was for such a tribunal. A table compiled by Court Crier Taylor shows the amount of business done by the supreme and superior court since the creation of the latter:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Supreme Superior. 1896 492 481, 1897 718 599, 1898 625 434, 1899 698 699, 1900 553 481.

SUPERIOR COURT AHEAD. It will be observed that last year the Superior court had twenty-six more cases before it than the Supreme court. The number of cases from Lackawanna each year since the Superior court went into existence follows:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Supreme Superior. 1898 25 25, 1897 25 11, 1896 26 13, 1895 26 13, 1900 15 16.

The first case on the list today is one of the famous oleomargarine cases from Philadelphia. It will be submitted. The appellant, John L. Neill, was convicted in the superior sessions of Philadelphia county of selling oleomargarine unlawfully. The conviction was at the same time, but under three different indictments. The law says that a fine shall be imposed for the first conviction and imprisonment for the second and subsequent offenses. Neill was fined for his conviction under the first indictment and sentenced to thirty days' imprisonment under the second.

He alleges that he can only be fined, taking the ground that it was practically one conviction, and that the three indictments were all the outgrowth of the same transaction. Exactly the same facts were argued at the last hearing in Philadelphia in the Pink appeal. It is believed that the Neill case will be submitted today.

The trial list for the term which opens today is given below. During this week appeals from the courts of Carbon, Columbia, Monroe, Montgomery, Luzerne and Lackawanna counties will be heard. This is the list for this week: Commonwealth of Penna. vs. John L. Neill, appellant. Appeal from Q. S. Philadelphia county.

In re Catawissa and Main township road, Stephen Martin and Harvey Shugart, supervisors, appellants. Appeal and cert. Q. S. Columbia county. W. H. Harris, prothonotary and clerk of the county vs. Columbia county, appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Columbia county.

O. B. Melick vs. Pennsylvania Railroad company, appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Columbia county. The General Fire Extinguisher company of the state of New York vs. the Maceo Carpet works, appellants. Appeal and cert. C. P. Columbia county.

McKinney Evans & Co. vs. L. G. Stephens, appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Wyoming county. E. K. Gilton et al. vs. Lehigh Valley Railroad company, appellants. Appeal and cert. C. P. Wyoming county. Henry Mann & Son, appellants, vs. David Saltsberg et al., appeal and cert. C. P. Luzerne county.

Kanter & Cohen, appellants vs. David Saltsberg et al., appeal and cert. C. P. Luzerne county. I. S. Sprague, appellant vs. David Saltsberg et al., appeal and cert. C. P. Luzerne county. Harry C. Mason vs. James Quinn et al., appellants. In equity. Appeal and cert. C. P. Luzerne county. Theophile A. Leisinger vs. J. K. Davis et al., appellants. Appeal and cert. C. P. Luzerne county.

Cable Co., appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Lackawanna county. Elias C. Kelly vs. James F. Donnelly, appellant. In equity. Appeal and cert. Equity court, Lackawanna county. City of Scranton, appellant vs. Henry Beckett estate. Appeal and cert. C. P. Lackawanna county.

FOR NEXT WEEK. Next week appeals from Bradford, Pike, Susquehanna and Wayne counties will have a hearing. The cases set down are: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. David L. Long, appellant. Appeal and cert. O. and T. Philadelphia county. Transferred from Philadelphia.

Mary O. Koffles, Illa Nobles Williams, appellants vs. John C. Piollet, et al., commissioners of roads, Wayne township, appeal and cert. C. P. Wayne county. Commonwealth vs. Benjamin Ayres, appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Bradford county. Vera Gould vs. F. H. Cortright, sheriff, appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Wayne county. In re estate of Nelson Potter, deceased, Curtis Stone, appellant. Appeal and cert. O. C. Susquehanna county.

In re road in Herrick and Ararat townships, Consolidated Water Supply Co. and Uniondale Water Co., appellants. Appeal and cert. Q. S. Susquehanna county.

Stone, appellant vs. George B. Rogers, appellant and cert. C. P. Susquehanna county. Jacob States vs. The First National bank of Montreal, appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Susquehanna county.

M. J. McColburn vs. M. T. Perigo, Polly T. Perigo, administratrix, appellant. Appeal and cert. C. P. Susquehanna county. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. Frederick Busch, appellant. Appeal and cert. O. and T. Susquehanna county.

LITTLE TESTIMONY OF IMPORTANCE

Yesterday's Hearing in the Councilmanic Cases Was Almost Barren of Results—Boland Heard.

Another hearing in the bribery cases brought by the Municipal League against Councilmen E. J. Coleman, Thomas O'Boyle, Edward James, H. H. Williams, T. C. Maloney, John Anderson and P. F. McCann was held yesterday afternoon in the office of Alderman Fuller.

The only witness examined was ex-City Treasurer C. G. Boland. Attorney James H. Torrey, who cross-examined Mr. Boland, intimated a great many things in his questions, but didn't succeed in getting the witness to admit many of them.

Mr. Boland testified that he was one of the original incorporators of the Municipal League, and that he was in connection with T. J. Power, E. J. Robinson, George Horn, Conrad Schroeder and others. He had talked to Councilman McCann, who introduced the amendments which killed the first ordinance, but money was not mentioned. He talked with E. J. Maloney after the new franchise was finally granted and Maloney intimated that there was a consideration for which Councilman Coyne should have acted by the old company.

Maloney had offered to contribute a lot of money to fund out the treachery of the councilmen. Maloney said nothing about councilmen being on the pay roll of the old company. The only councilman, Mr. Boland said, who had talked to him directly about money was H. T. Fellows. He couldn't remember that anyone professing to represent councilmen had asked for money.

He remembered having talked to Wade Finn about Simon Thomas, Finn said the old company had offered to give Thomas money to pay his hotel expenses, the witness said, and Finn suggested that if the new company "loaned" Thomas that amount, he would vote for the new franchise. He couldn't say positively whether or not he had given Finn \$500 to be "loaned" to Thomas through Harry Hatton. "I can't say whether I did or didn't," said he.

Mr. Torrey was just starting in to ask Mr. Boland about his knowledge concerning the paying of money or money by the men to whom the charter was transferred before any money was needed for actual expenses when Mr. Sturges broke in with: "Oh, we'd better adjourn this until tomorrow, because you will probably be better able to recall these things. He'll be better prepared then. He hasn't had any notice, you know."

The hearing was postponed until this afternoon at 4 o'clock. AWFUL EXPERIENCE OF JOHN GUNS. For Ten Hours He Lay Unconscious in the Lackawanna River—Was Frozen in a Terrible Manner. Stunned and unable to move a muscle to help himself John Guns, of Stafford avenue and Elm street, was found lying almost totally submerged in the cold waters of the Lackawanna river, early yesterday morning. For ten hours Guns had occupied this extremely uncomfortable position, and if he succeeds in pulling through with his life he can thank only the skill and science and his lucky stars that he is still in the land of the living.

THOSE THREE NEW SCHOOLS

SCHOOL BOARD POSTPONES ACTION ON QUESTION.

The Building Committee Formally Recommended Their Erection, but Captain May Moved for a Postponement Until After Reorganization—Motion Seconded by Dr. O'Malley, Which Shows the Way the Land Lies—Vaccination Time Limit Extended.

The proposition to erect three new school buildings in various parts of the city received a temporary setback from the board of control last night, it being decided to postpone action until the first meeting in March, or until after the reorganization of the board.

The matter was brought up by Chairman Roche, of the building committee, who read the report of that body recommending that the following new buildings be erected during the coming year, the money to pay for them to come from the appropriations for the fiscal year 1901-1902: Sixth ward, twelve room building; First ward, eight room building; Second ward, twelve room building.

Captain May immediately moved that action be postponed until the first meeting in March. Mr. Gibbons arose to explain his views on the matter as a member of the building committee. He said he opposed the erection of any more buildings at the meeting of the committee.

He believed that the three buildings would be erected in the First ward, he said, was a bad one because many citizens of the ward were opposed to the location of the site. The Second ward needed a building badly and if the project to erect the other two buildings was going to be put through, he'd favor including that ward. The motion to postpone was adopted.

AN INDICATION. The fact that Captain May made the motion and that Dr. O'Malley seconded it can be taken as a very good indication that they're going to be in this year with the powers that be, instead of with the opposition, as they were last year. It is generally understood that Mr. Jany will be re-elected chairman, with a good many votes to spare. The idea of having the matter postponed was so that the new organization, which will fix the appropriations, will be able to have its say as to how they shall be spent.

The building committee also recommended that electric lights be installed in schools No. 14 and 26, and that twelve flag poles be purchased at \$50 each. The first recommendation was adopted, but the flag pole question was referred back to the committee for further consideration, when it was learned that only six were actually needed at present.

All the bills presented by the building committee were approved, with one notable exception. This was a bill for \$4 presented by Controller Howell for carriage hire. Mr. Roche explained that the carriage was used by the two appraisers engaged by the controller to inspect the lots in the Sixth ward which he contended the school board paid too much for.

"Well, that's pretty nifty," ejaculated Mr. Gibbons. "If we've got the legal right to pay that bill, we should pay it, but I have strong doubts that we have." The bill was not passed.

TIME EXTENDED. Upon motion of Dr. O'Malley, the board decided to extend the time limit for the vaccination of children from January 15 to February 1. Mr. Jennings said that he and a number of other members of the board were in receipt of an anonymous letter, which suggested that the vaccine virus being used by some of the local physicians was not of the best.

He quoted a story he had heard about two children who told their parents that the physician who vaccinated them wanted to know if they wanted the "cheap or the dear kind." He asked the doctor if any of the virus used in this city was of an inferior character.

The doctor replied that the vaccine matter used by the physicians of this city was the standard article, prepared under proper aseptic conditions and that there was no disparity in the price charged to physicians. No bad result could come from vaccination, he said, if it were properly done.

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