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CITY NOTES

PROGRESSIVE LECTURE.—The Catholic Young Women's club will conduct a progressive lecture at the Knights of Columbus rooms tonight. A large attendance is expected.

BANQUET TUESDAY NIGHT.—The Twentieth Century Literary society will hold a banquet in scenery hall, Tuesday evening, Feb. 13, at 8:30 p. m., in honor of its second anniversary.

SLEIGH OVERTURNED.—F. J. Platt's sleigh overturned in front of the postoffice Saturday, throwing the occupants out. No one was injured. The horse ran away, but was stopped before gaining very far.

SPRANG HER ANKLE.—Mrs. Annie Dempsey, of Canopus avenue, slipped on the icy-coated platform of the bridge at West Market street last night and sprained her ankle. She was taken to the Lackawanna hospital.

FELL FROM PORCH.—James Melvin, of 804 West Market street, slipped and fell, breaking his right ankle while walking down a pair of steps leading to the porch Friday. He was taken to the Lackawanna hospital Saturday.

FAREWELL PARTY.—The nurses at the Lackawanna hospital Saturday night tendered a farewell party to Miss Rose Steinmetz, who has been loan nurse at the hospital. Miss Steinmetz leaves tomorrow for her home in Akron, Ohio.

FUNERAL OF JOHN EARLY.—The funeral of John Early, who died at the Lackawanna hospital Friday, was held from Cusick's undertaking establishment on Washington avenue yesterday afternoon. Burial was made in the Catholic cemetery.

BODY OF CORPORAL HART.—The remains of Harry E. Hart, a corporal in the United States army, who died in the Philippines about six months ago, arrived in Scranton Friday and are to be taken to his city. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Hart, of Breaker street.

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WEEK'S CLEARING.—The Traders' National bank reports the following clearings for the week ending Feb. 9: Monday, \$207,700.42; Tuesday, \$188,212.10; Wednesday, \$117,235.89; Thursday, \$196,316.21; Friday, \$170,883.99; Saturday, \$124,317.48. Total, \$1,004,926.02. Corresponding week last year, \$716,618.87.

PRINCIPALS' ROUND TABLE.—A meeting of the Principals' Round Table will be held this evening at 7.45 in Principal Grant's office in the High school. It has been decided to hold these meetings in the evening instead of afternoon, as heretofore. A course in pedagogy and psychology will be commenced and a preliminary talk will be given by Superintendent Howell tonight.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.—Officers of the Ashby Lodge, No. 228, I. O. H., were installed Friday night by District Deputy Supreme Aronson E. D. Jones, Supreme Sentinel W. V. Hendricks and Aachen Louis A. Howell assisted Mr. Jones. At the conclusion of the ceremony a banquet was held. This evening the officers of the Scranton lodge, No. 117, will be installed in Knoll's hall.

PAY DAYS.—The Delaware and Hudson company paid Saturday at the Baltimore No. 2 mine, Baltimore tunnel and Cunningham shaft, at Wilkes-Barre, the Powderly and Carbonade mines, Nos. 1 and 2, at Carbonade. The Lackawanna company completed the semi-monthly pay Saturday at the Oxford, Dodge, Bellevue, Pines, Hocking, Taylor, Hampton, Sloan, Cayuga, Commercial, Franklin, Archbold and High Park mines. The yardmen will be paid today.

COMMEMORATION MASS.—A solemn pontifical anniversary mass in commemoration of the late Right Rev. Bishop O'Hara was held in St. Peter's cathedral Saturday by Right Rev. M. J. Hoban, bishop of Scranton. The officiating priest was Rev. J. J. O'Hara, pastor of St. Peter's. Rev. J. J. O'Hara, assistant pastor; Rev. Peter Gough, Rev. Myles McManus; deacon of the mass, Rev. L. Van Ray; sub-deacon, Rev. M. J. Loftus, Rev. George; master of ceremonies, Rev. John J. Griffin.

CARELESS BURGLAR THIS

FORGOT TO TAKE KEY FROM THE LOCK.

Patrolman Farry Surprises Young Epstein in Spruce Street Cigar Store.

Henry Epstein, 16 years of age, was found by Patrolman Farry at half past five o'clock yesterday morning, crouched behind a cigar case in Charles Falkowsky's cigar store, at 327 Spruce street, with the contents of the cash drawer, a dollar and forty cents, in his pocket.

The patrolman had just come on duty and was trying doors, when he noticed a key sticking in the lock of the cigar store. He opened the door, which was unlocked, but could hear and see nothing. He turned on the electric light and discovered young Epstein behind the show case.

At police headquarters the prisoner was searched and a dollar and forty cents found in his clothing. At first he claimed the money was his, but later was forced to admit that he had extracted it from the till. Epstein had a newspaper bag thrown over his shoulder, in which he undoubtedly intended to conceal pipes, cigars, etc., but was surprised before completing the job. In addition to a couple of packages of cigarettes, a dollar and sixty cents in pennies was also found in his clothing. The police say these were obtained by breaking open a slot machine.

The key which Epstein had was of brass and had been filed to fit that particular lock. It is thought that Epstein may have committed the greater number of minor burglaries that have taken place within the past two years. As in this case, the burglars have demonstrated their knowledge of the habits of the police.

Epstein was arraigned before the mayor in police court and held under \$500 bail on the charge of burglary.

Epstein is a member of the famous Epstein family, of Raymond court, who have been mixed up in numerous criminal proceedings. One of his brothers is now stationed in the Glen Mills reformatory, near Philadelphia.

ALL THE MINE LAWS.

A Valuable Miners' Book for Free Distribution.

A publication of much interest to the mine workers and operators of this section is "The Anthracite Mine Laws of Pennsylvania," in handy book form, which is being prepared by Mr. C. F. Miller, publisher of this city.

The work will be gratuitously distributed among mine officials and employees—this course being made possible through the advertising patronage bestowed upon the publication by enterprising merchants and business men.

Reaching and being kept by twenty thousand persons connected with the mining industry, its value as a medium of publicity can hardly be overestimated.

It will give the mine worker an exact knowledge of his rights and responsibilities under the laws of this state, which will do much toward generating a better general understanding of the mining industry and employer.

The legal regulations covering the duties in all classes of service have been carefully arranged, under their respective heads, together with the reports and new laws passed during the last session of the legislature—the whole compilation being indexed for instant reference. In the issue of this large edition, Mr. Miller has assumed much responsibility, but his manner of presenting it to the business public, in an advertising medium, on its merits alone, instead of trying to get the customary sentimental support of some labor organization, will undoubtedly commend him to Scranton commercial interests and secure substantial returns for his enterprise.

ESTIMATES FOR THE YEAR.

Not Yet Presented by the Heads of Departments.

The estimates of the various heads of the city departments for the coming fiscal year have not yet been presented to council. City Controller Howell said yesterday, because several of the heads of departments have not filed them with him.

He said he would endeavor to have them ready for next Thursday night's meeting, but explained that he could not be held accountable for the failure of certain officials to file the estimates with him. Select council passed a resolution last Thursday night, directing their immediate presentation. The law says they must be presented on Jan. 1.

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WORK OF THE BIBLE SOCIETY

FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED LAST NIGHT.

A Largely Attended Meeting Held in the Elm Park Church and Addressed by President, ex-Justice Alfred Hand, and the Secretary of the American Bible Society, Rev. John Fox, D. D., of New York City—Report of Rev. H. G. Harned Shows Good Work Done.

The forty-fifth anniversary of the Lackawanna County Bible society was celebrated last night in the Elm Park Methodist Episcopal church, where an especially large audience was gathered.

The meeting was presided over by ex-Justice Alfred Hand, who has been for many years the president of the organization and who has given much of his time and his support to the wonderful work which the society has accomplished in the past and is doing at the present time. The judge gave an address, in which he said:

REMARKS OF ALFRED HAND.

On the twenty-fifth of November, 1856, the Lackawanna Bible society was organized at Adams Avenue Methodist Episcopal church. This was twenty-two years before we were separated as a county from Luzerne. The society took the Indian name given to the society, and has held it ever since. As I glance over the history and see the names of Rev. George Peck, D. D., who occupied the chair, and delivered the first address, and Miss J. H. B. Peck, who was elected the first president, and others who were present, the name Lackawanna has another unique force, for it signifies the meeting of two streams, which we might call the Episcopal and the Presbyterian, united in a Christian benevolence as broad as the phrase, "The Bible without note or comment," which is the foundation principle of our movement. It is also significant that we should set out under the protection and sanction of Methodist colors, with whom there is the idea that "with without words is dead," and St. James, of all men, was inspired of heaven.

The thirtieth anniversary was held in the Adams Avenue church, also, when there seems to have been a tremendous gathering of the original Bible loving class, and a host of other evangelical brethren, who had joined in gathering for the celebration. The contributions for the first year were \$104; the value of the books, \$24.48. We donated \$28.25 in value of Bibles. Our credit seems to have been good with the parent society for \$26.67, which we owed at the end of the year.

During the existence of this organization we have received aid from the neighborhood of \$30,000, including Bibles sold and given away and expenses of a visiting collection. Several complete campaigns have been made in an effort to supply every family who had no Bible with one. About 1800 Thomas Gillette left us a legacy of \$5,000. This work has been a quiet one, only by accident and not generally to diminish audiences. We have always had a good number of staunch supporters, whose annual contributions of a steady amount continued as long as they lived, and some of which are kept up by their descendants. This number ought to be increased a hundredfold, simple but profound appreciation of what the Bible is to our race, and what it means to the political and social, to the individual life and culture, of what the distribution means to the poor, the afflicted, the dependent, and the lost would inspire all to give up to become one of a noble lot, and to give us \$10 each year. We owe it to ourselves, not only to set every willing receiver, rich or poor, has a Bible, but one of the noblest and most can Bible society, whose representative is with us tonight, whose aim and scope is to print the Bible in every known language of the world. We are the American nation is standing today before the civilized religions and pagan world as a factor to be dealt with on the high lines of frank, honest and benevolent diplomacy, which shall bring us unswerving peace and good will among all the nations of the world, we are forced to trace back power to a tree and open Bible. Men, we are otherwise, may try to blink the truth, but it stands as a fact in the beginning of our free political history and progress and as a prophetic fact stamped on the future as clearly as if it were written in broad lines of light in the sky.

What the Bible is to the individual in purifying, stimulating and successful power, what it is for peace and good will between one man and his brother man, will become among all the nations of the world. As we glance at the sea powers facing civilized paganism in the east with all the involved mysteries of good and evil at work, it requires but a moment to see that the outcome must be the consummation which Revelation has predicted and the lifting up of every man, woman and child on the face of the earth.

IT WAS A BIG SUCCESS.

Closing Presentation of the Marie Antoinette Fete.

The benefit entertainments for the Home for the Friendless ended Saturday night with the most successful one of the series. General regret was felt that the performance could not be repeated another night, as the demand for tickets was great enough to have filled the house again. The patronage of both the afternoon and evening entertainments was very large.

Friends of the Home were generous in every possible way which could add to the fund. The flower booth realized a handsome sum, the candy and art objects were very successful, and the program was held for a creditable total, while considerable was realized from the balloting for the favorite dances. The Russian Flax Dance was successful in the evening contest, which was very lively. The prize was a satin banner with the illness of France as a decoration.

The Pierrot and Pierrot dance came in second, while the pretty dance of the Peases and Dairymaids third. The Little Peasant dance of the matinee won the Pierrot banner.

The Little Peasant dance of the matinee has been closely divided the honors with the Marie Antoinette dancers. Miss Evelyn Sauter was like a fairy in her pretty poses, and she sang most sweetly. Miss Jean Sauter, Ruth Wald, Elizabeth Anthony and Edith Russell were simply fascinating in their lovely flower dances. Miss Mary Greely's charming contralto solo was a leading feature, while Paula Hogan, Willie Gray, Helen Bay and Gilbert Edgar added much to the success of the affair. Of course, the Tammy Cohan was the centre of attraction much of the time.

No one who has not been directly engaged in the presentation of a big entertainment such as these have been can have an adequate conception of the enormous amount of work undertaken by the participants. To their faithful, willing efforts and the unstinted patronage and assistance of a multitude of friends the unbounded thanks of the Home management is due. The returns of the entertainments will be large, and it is hoped can be announced in a few days.

RELIGIOUS NOTES.

Rev. F. S. Ballentine, pastor of Christ's Episcopal church, and Rev. M. J. Messenger, pastor of Zion United Evangelical church, exchanged pulpits yesterday morning.

A love feast was held at the Hampton Street Methodist Episcopal church yesterday morning, and the evening. Rev. James Harned spoke interestingly on "Self-Indulgence."

"Imbued, the Martyr President," was the theme of the evening service at the First German Methodist Episcopal church last night. "A Great Example—Lincoln," was his theme.

Rev. James A. Sauter addressed the congregation at the St. Paul's Episcopal church yesterday morning on the subject of "Grace of Knowledge." "The Blood is the Redemption for the Sin" was his evening topic.

Rev. H. C. Harned, pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran church, is ill at his home on Prescott avenue. Rev. A. L. Ramey, Jr., D. D., of St. Mark's Lutheran church, conducted the services at St. Peter's yesterday afternoon.

Rev. Dr. McLeod preached on "Christian Science, Ancient and Modern," last evening. He pointedly asked the pertinent question: "Does Christian Science teach that there is no such thing as sin, or pain, or sickness, or death?"

A very interesting address was given at the family service of the Railroad Young Men's association at the Second Presbyterian church, last evening. Rev. J. B. Sweet, D. D., of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church, a large number of young men made up the audience.

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Girls from Bliss' Dunmore Mill and Petersburg and Simpson Plants Met Yesterday Afternoon.

There have been no new developments in the silk mill strike during the last few days, and matters have now settled down into what looks like a long-drawn-out deadlock. The owners all resolutely refuse to raise their original wage offers by a single penny.

Wednesday will be pay-day at Valentine Bliss' Dickinson mill, but Mr. Bliss states that no attempt will be made to prevail upon the girls to resume work. He said yesterday: "We will have no hollering as to their willingness to come back, nor will any inducements be offered. For my part, I will let the matter rest, and shut down the mills for a period of what I present looks like a few months, at least."

All of the big mills will be closed today, and no efforts will be made to operate them in any instance. Yesterday afternoon a meeting of the striking girls from Bliss' Dunmore mill was held at the residence of Mr. Bling, David & Schoen was held at Manley's hall in Dunmore. A large number of the girls from the two mills were present and were organized into a branch of the union by members of the Saugouquet local.

A meeting was also held in Minocka of the strikers at the Simpson mill, Miss Manning and Miss Early, of the Saugouquet workers, acted as organizers. At yesterday morning's meeting of the Central Labor union the strike was discussed by a delegate present. This morning the joint meeting at Carpenters' hall.

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