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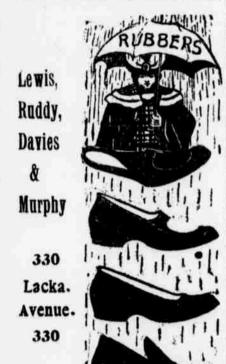
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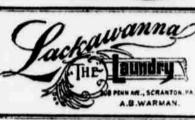
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WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Local data for February 10, 1801: 

## PERSONAL.

A. C. Twischell has returned from an extended trip in New England and the west. Miss Annie Rurey, of Honesdale, is visiting Mrs. C. W. Treverton, of Sanderson avenue.

mer resident of Scranton, is visiting his daughters in this city. Fred J. Amsden, the architect and G. A. leader, who was taken very sick with the grip lest Thursday, is reported much improved. Mrs. S. S. Detrick, of East Strondsburg. her niece, Mrs. Marcia Smith, of Mount Pocono, visited Mrs. H. W. Dusenberry, of North Wyoming

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MR. KELLER OBJECTS.

Says Common Council Is Not Hold ing Up Fire Ordinance.

Common Councilman Luther Keler, of the Seventeenth ward, takes exceptions to the implication by Se-Councilnman C. E. Chittenden that the common council is holding up his (Mr. Chittenden's) fire department reorganization ordinance.

"The common council is not holding it up," said Mr. Keller lest night, "The ordinance is not still in the bands of the committee, as Mr. Chittenden asserts. It has passed one reading already, and if it is satisfactory it can be finally passed at one more meeting. The resignations of the eight members of the common branch and other matters have prevented its being brought up for final discussion.

"I favor the general idea of Mr. Chittenden's ordinance, namely- the corganization of the fire department along paid lines, but I am not prepared to say as to whether the numer of men for each company which the ordinance provides is the proper

"The bandling of Thursday's fire settles the fact in my mind once and or all that we must have a paid are lepartment at once and do away altogether with the volunteer force. I om not seeking to discredit the work of the volunteer fremen. They did poble work on Thursday, or, at least, the majority of them did, but the ystem is bad. There can be no semblance of discipline or order in the department while it exists.

"The chief is not to blame for the deplorable manner in which the fire was handled. He simply did the best he could under existing conditions, He can never bring order out of the chaos which now exists in the department until the volunteer force is disbanded. believe that provision should be made in the coming appropriation ordinance for enough additional permanent men to properly equip the department without the need of vol-

"I am heartily in favor of an investigation that we may fix the blame or the spread of the flames on Thursday last."

THE FEDERAL COURT BILL

HAS PASSED HOUSE OF REPRE-SENTATIVES. Prospects Are Bright for Its Pass-

age in the Senate Also-Long Fight Made for It. Congressman Connell's bill providing

for the creation of a new federal court district in Pennsylvania, with Scranton as its center, passed the house of representatives, Saturday. There are strong assurances that it will pass the senate, in the course of a week or so. The new district is to be known as

the Middle district, and to be composed of the counties of Lackawanna, Wyoming, Bradford, Monroe, Wayne, Pike, Susquehanna. Carbon, Tloga, Potter, Cameron, Clinton, Lycoming, Center Union, Snyder, Mifflin, Juniata, Northumberland, Montour, Columbia, Sullivan, Luzerne, Dauphin, Lebanon, Perry, Huntingdon, Fulton, Franklin, Adams, York and Cumberland.

The terms of court are to be held in Scranton, Williamsport and Harris-burg twice a year. The first session of court is to take place at Harrisburg on the first Monday of May, 1901. A listrict judge, a marshal and district attorney are to be appointed, with the

usual court clerks.

This bill has been before congress repeatedly for a quarter of a century or more, but the representatives from the western part of the state always sucseeded in killing it. When Mr. Connell first took his seat in congress he re-introduced the measure and set out to have it passed. A deputation from that municipality and, with Scranton, headed by Judge Archbald, went to Washington and argued before the judiciary committee in the bill's favor, and succeeded in securing assurances of a favorable consideration, but the bill did not get out of the committee's hands and died with the expiration of congress.

Nothing daunted, Mr. Conneil again presented the bill to this congress and about a year ago succeeded in having it reported from committee. Since then he has been paving a way for its passage through the house, and finally when he had its path made smooth, allowed it to come up. There was not a single vote against it. Representatives Dalzell and Acheson, who had previously worked against it, are said to have helped materially in pushing it through.

The main purpose of the creation of the new district is to give convenience to those of its people who have litigation in the United States court. At present they are compelled to travel to Pittsburg unless the court happens to be having its brief annual sitting in Scranton, and as may be believed this was a great hardship to people of distant counties, especially when they would be compelled to take with them a lot of witnesses.

The new judge, district attorney and marshal will be named by the president, and the judge in turn will name the clerks. The appointment of judge is for life. Changes in administration effect changes in the other offices, but the judges are never disturbed.

LINCOLN'S ANNIVERSARY.

Exercises Will Be Held in Guernsey's Hall Tomorrow Night.

Lincoln's anniversary will be served tomorrow night in Guernsey hall by Lieutenant Ezra S. Griffin post, Camp 8, Sons of Veterans. A literary and inusical entertainment programme has been prepared.

The following programme will be rendered: Remarks, Judge Affred Darte, of Wilkes-Earre, and member of Camp 169; also remarks by John T. Howe, W. G. Moser and J. R. Farr, of Camp No. 8: recitations by the Misses Susin Gross, Nellie Durkin and Miss Barrowman; comic song. Orley Pratt; vocal solo, John McWilliams; song and banjo, Daniel Green and William Harvard; mandolin and violin. Hand

At the conclusion of this programme John R. Farr will present badges to the Spanish-American war veterans who are members of the Sons of Veterans' organization: Lewis E. Reed, Ely P. Whetstone, C. F. Thomas, Fred Stevens, William J. Marvin and C. I Rozelle. Veterans and their family and the general public are invited to be present. Admission is free. The entertalnment will begin at 8.15 p. m.

brothers.

Change of Train Service Lackawanna

Railroad. Effective Monday, February 11. Train No. 1, west-bound, leaving Scranton at 1.65 p. m., and train No. 4, east-bound, leaving Scranton at 12.55 p. m., not run west of Elmira.

### **CONNELL ON** RIPPER BILL

WHAT THE CONGRESSMAN THINKS ABOUT IT.

Believes That Scranton Should Continue to Confer with Pittsburg and Allegheny Until an Agreement Is Reached on the Main Lines of the Charter-He Is Ready to Give His Support to the Kind of a Charter Scranton Wants-Committee Goes to Harrisburg Today.

The following statement from Congressman Connell, in the form of an nterview with him at Washington on Friday by the editor of The Tribune, embodies the substance of his opinion cencerning the "ripper" bill and deines his attitude toward it:

"To the proposition that the governor of Pennsylvania shall have power to appoint the mayors of Pittsburg, Allegheny and Scranton during the provisional government in those cities, which supersedes the plan now in operation, there is, I notice, much dissent, some of it well founded, and ome of it obviously based on misapprehension. A new charter always necessitates a new adjustment of the official machinery. The power of the legislature to enact charter legislation and to include in such legislation directions as to how it shall be enforced cannot be disputed. There is today no comprehensive charter for cities of the econd class, and when one is passed will naturally cancel all existing commissions, whether appointive or elective, unless the charter itself shall define a method for blending the old system into the new.

INTENT OF THE BILL

"Were the intent back of the Much!eronner bill simply to provide for the necessities of the three cities now belonging to the second class, one of which-Scranton-has to be fitted with a scheme of government of some kind without delay, there would probably be little difficulty in arriving at basis of procedure fatrly acceptable to the parties in interest. Upon the fundamental principles of a new charter, considered without relation to temporary factional politics, there is already substantial agreement. body opposes the idea of a centralized executive power vested in the mayor and of a centralized auditing power rested in the controller. Th tation of councils to legislative functions is also very generally approved. Practically the only stumbling block to a concurrence among the advocates of charter revision seems to be in the matter of arranging how the charter shall be carried into effect.

"The proposition of the Muchlbronter bill is to give the power of initiation to the governor through appointment of the mayors, not until the next ensuing municipal election, but until April, 1903. The declared purpose of this proposition is to enable the faction to which the governor belongs to 'put out of business' the faction in Allegheny county to which he is opposed.

QUESTION THAT ARISES. "No doubt the putting of the Flinn crowd out of business in Pittsburg would be an excellent thing for Pittsburg, but is it the governor's place, or the legislature's place to make it the governor's place, to do Pittsburg what the

Pittsburg have shown no inclination to do for themselves? Is it a safe exercise of state power to go into a municipality without invitation from avowed factional purpose, to rip its government cut of office and to substitute, arbitrarily, so far as its people are concerned, another government, however good, not for a month or year, as might perhaps be justified if the verdict of the people was to be sought at the first available opportunity, but for two years, beyond the date of a general municipal election? If such an exercise of state power shall be made by one faction at one time, without popular dissent, what is to prevent another faction from exercising the same power at another time, until the custom of ripping would come to be recognized as a na-

tural consequence of changes in fac-tional ascendancy at Harrisburg? "I do not doubt that if the factional circumstances of the moment were reversed-that is to say, if Flinn were governor. Stone mayor of Pittsburg. and the Quay faction in the minority at Harrisburg-the proposition to-afp. which Flinn now opposes, would be arged by him with equal vigor. My objection to the ripping process is not born of any newly-discovered affection for Senator Flinn, but rests upon what I believe to be the unwisdom of establishing such a precedent."

WHAT HE ADVISES.

"What would you advise the repsentatives of Scranton to do at this neture" Mr. Connell was asked. "My idea is that they should coninue to confer with delegations or committees from Pitisburg and Aliegheny until, if possible, all hands have substantially agreed on the main lines of a new charter and then take this charter before the legislature and isk for its adoption. It will be for the legislature to comply or refuse. I doubt very much that it would care to take the risks of an open refusal.

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Mr. Connell is in better health than

for some months past and his intention on Friday was to go to Harris-burg this week for the purpose of looking over the field.

The legislative committee of councits, which journeyed to Harrisburg last week to present the views of Scranton on second-class city legisla tion to the senate committee on municipalities, has received an invitation from Congressman Connell to confer on the situation tonight wire him in the capitol.

The committee will meet this morning to decide whether to go down in a body or to appoint a sub-committee,

### QUEER LEGISLATION THIS

INCREASES PENALTY FOR STAT-UTORY BURGLARY.

It Makes the Minimum Penalty the Same as the Maximum for Common Law Burglary.

Judge R. W. Archbald has received copy of a bill which has passed the senate at Harrisburg, which he deems a most outrageous piece of legislation. The bill is as follows:

AN ACT. rend second section of an act

April 22, 1863, Section 1. He is enacted by the senare and some of representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania in general seembly met and it is necessy enacted by the authority of the same. That the second section of the act of one thous and eight hundred and sixty-tipes, entitled "An act to consolidate, revise and amend the pensi laws of this commonwealth, approved the thirty day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty" be amercial so as to read "if any person shall in the day time break and enter any dwelling house, shop, warehouse, store, mill, barn, stable, outhouse or other building or wil-fully or maliciously either by day or by night with or without breaking enter the same with intent to commit any felour whatever therein the erson so offending shall be guilty of felony and on conviction be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars and to undergo an imprisonment by separate or solitary confinement at labor of not less than ten years and not ceeding twenty wars.

At present the maximum penalty for this offense is four years, and it is proposed to raise it so as to make the maximum twenty-five years and the minimum ten years, while for burglary, which is justly regarded as a graver offense than statutory burgtary, the maximum penalty remains at ten years, the present penalty.

The distinction is just this. professional burgiar should break into dwelling house at the dead of night, terrify the occupants and loot the house, the most he could get would be ten years. If he should break into that house during the day or into a store by night, he could not, if convicted, get less than ten years, the maximum for the graver offense. Boys are frequently convicted of statutory burgiary, as witness the cases of the boys who broke into Florey & Brooks' and other stores hereabouts last summer, and stole a small quantity of goods. If this amendment becomes a taw the trial judge will be compelled to send such boys to the penitentiary for at least ten years. The members from this county will

take a stand against the bill in th

SENTENCE DAY IN COURT.

JUDGE EDWARDS REFERS TO LLOYD STREET.

Says It Is a Bad Place That Ough to Be Reformed in Some Manner.

The residents of Lloyd street, North Scranton, which has been the scene of assault after assault and of an incalculable number of drunken brawls. came in for scathing rebuke from Judge Edwards on Saturday morning. The judge was imposing sentence ipon a number of persons convicted during the past week, and Andrew Glenski, of Lloyd street, who was convicted of feloniously wounding Joseph Meglinski, was called before him.

"It seems to me," said the judge, that many residents of Lloyd street ought to be in the penitentiary. The court has been busy with these people ever since I was district attorney ton years ago, and it is only at the last term of court that a murder case was tried which originated on that street. Lloyd street should be wiped out of existence, the people ought to be reformed, either by incarceration or by some milder influences." He sentenced Glenski to one year and a half in the penitentiary.

Mrs. Presina Capina, who was conof shoplifting from Jonas Long's Sons' store, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1 and to spend nine months in the county jail. The jury made a recommendation for mercy, but it was ignored by Judge Edwards, who explained that to his mind it would be unjust and improper for him to extend any mercy to the prisoner. She was, in his judgment, a professional shoplifter, and he expressed the belief that her two daugaters were in the business, also.

Charles Metschler, aiias Custard, who pleaded guilty to stealing a brass wheel from the Lackawanna fron and Steel company, was sentenced to pay fine of \$1 and to spend one and a half years in the penitentiary. This was his second offense, he having served time on a previous occasion.

Andrew McGurrin, who plead guilty to burglary, was let off by Judge Ed. wards with a four months' sentence. The judge stated that he would be lenient with McGurrin, it being his first offense and for the reason that he is respectably connected.

Frank Bobak, who was convicted a assaulting Laus Reiter, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and costs. Matzo 35c per dozen; \$4.00 Scranko and John Margo were directed to pay a fine of \$10 and costs for the same offense.

Lillie Jones, who was convicted of hitting Mary Shaw on the head with a stone, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1 and costs.

The jury in the care of Alexander Grass, charged with receiving stolen goods, failed to agree upon a verdict, and was discharged.
The juries in the case of Bridget Gaffney and Winifred Moon, charged with assault and battery and malicious

mischief, respectively, brought in ver-dicts of not guilty. The second week of criminal court will open this morning with Judge Archbald presiding in the main court room. The Bevalacque murder case, which heads the list for today, has been continued. The other cases on the list which will attract general attention are those against the justices of the peace and aldermen, who are charged with drawing fees filegally

from the county treasurer

## **DEBRIS WILL BE REMOVED**

TRACES OF THURSDAY'S FIRE TO BE EFFACED.

When Insurance Matters Have Been Adjusted Property Owners Will Begin Work of Reconstruction. Matthews Brothers, Crane, Norton and E. Morris Will Erect New Buildings, Henwood Estate May Sell Out and S. Morris and Golden & Walsh Will Make Repairs.

The work of clearing away the debris and other ruins from the scene of Thursday's big fire, on Lackswanna evenue, will be begun during the earlier part of this week, as soon as insurance matters have been adjusted, and the blaze's wreck viewed by the representatives of the different com-

In all but two instances, it will be necessary to replace the buildings visited by the fire with entirely new structures, and work upon these, it makes a man sign away his rights," is promised, will be started in the very near future. Matthews Bros., Norton, Crane, and E. Morris will all bald, erect new buildings, Golden & Ganne Walsh's place, which was the least damaged by the flames, will merely need some general repairs, and S. Morris' building will stand five or six thousand dollars' worth of remodeling.

Just what will be done by the Henwood estate is a matter of conjecture. If a purchaser for the lots can be found it is an open accret that the site will be sold. Otherwise, a handsome new edifice will replace the big building destroyed. Unless a chaser is found within a comparativey short time, building operations will be inaugurated,

RUINS STILL SMOULDERING. Large numbers of spectators atched the firemen at work Saturday and yesterday at the ruins and throughout both days saw the smoke slowly rising from the burning em bers in the Matthews building. The timbers littering the place are still monidering and yesterday a constant stream from the Wyoming aveme hydrant was directed on them.

Chief Zizelmann and a number of firemen from the central city companies were on the scene all yester day and endeavored to stamp out the vestiges of a blaze. The brick wall of the Crane building is considered to be in a dangerous condition, and the working firemen kept the rowds away from it, out of the range of the bricks, which, loosened as they ere by the heat, are thought far from

Matthews Bros. will probably begin work of removing the ruins today, and after all insurance claims have been adjusted and details arranged, work will be started on the foundations of another large fourstory building. The exact style of the be sold for cash only. Guernsey Hall, upon, but it is probable that the new building will be of a similar appearance to the old one, but will, however, be built with more of an eye to fireresisting powers.

M. Norton will also weit until his property has been inspected by the insurance people. The rubbish will be carted away from the place, probably on Tuesday or Wednesday, and shortly afterwards work will be started on a building

F. L. Crane also, will have the debris cleared away from his place, in the beginning of the week, and a fourstory building will then shoot up on the spot. Golden & Walsh's building. which the flames mysteriously skipped in the fire, was merely damaged by fire and smoke, and it will be only necessary for the Parsons firm to do some plastering and painting to have

heir place in fair condition again. WILL HAVE TO REBUILD

E. Morris vesterday stated that h would have to entirely reconstruct his building, and work will be started upon this probably within a week or two. The structure will have to go up in quick time, as the bottom floor, which was occupied by Ruddy & Kane, has now been rented to Miss Mahon and the latter's shoe store will open in h April 1. Mr. Morris, yesterday speaking with a Tribune man about

the conflagration, said: "I left the fire about 4.30 o'clock, and all was well then. There wasn't the sign of a blaze or the least smell of smoke in my building, and I never anticipated the least trouble. It must have been an electric wire that caught on fre in the rear and spread the blas. I consider all talk of incendi-

ary origin thoroughly ridiculous." S. Morris' building was greatly damaged by both water and smoke, and great pieces of fallen plaster all over the upper stories, holes torn in roofing and floors, torn wallpaper and other damages all render a thorough enovation of his property necessary.

WON'T AMOUNT TO MUCH.

James Gannon's Opinion of Scheme to Get Him Out of Jail. "It will never amount to much."

that is the view which James Gannon, who has been confined to the county jait since July 16, 1894, for contempt of court, takes of the efforts to legislate him out of the coun-



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The First Arrivals

ty lait. Gannon is very reticent on this matter and answers all questions in monosyliables or node of the head, and in many instances flatly refuses to answer.

Gannon takes tittle or no interes in the efforts to release him, and entirely ignores all newspaper articles on the subject. "I don't think much of a law that

said Gannon, when asked his opinion on the bill prepared by Judge Arch-In speaking about his case, Gannon said that his side had never been allowed to be given, and accounted for his present confinement for that reason, Clausion is a very peculiar follow and with one or two exceptions absolutely refuses to assoclate with the other prisoners.

One Fare to Washington D. C., and Return via the Lehigh Valley Rail-

On account of the inauguration ceremonies at Washington, the Lehigh Valley railroad will sell tickets to that point and return, March 1, 2 and 3, at the low rate of one fare for the round trip. These tickets will be good to re turn to March 8, inclusive, and will be honored on any train except the Black Diamond Express. Stoplowed at Philadelphia and Baltimore, by deposit of ticket, provided ticket is used within original limit. For fur ther information consult Lehigh Valley ticket agents.

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