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CITY NOTES. BODY TO LIVE TODAY.—The body of Raymond Lark, the soldier who died in the Philippines, will be received in this city this morning.

DR. GIFFIN ON FIRES.—In view of the attention about the fire department of the city, Rev. Dr. Giffin, of Elm Park church, has been asked to speak to the volunteer firemen of our city, and has consented to do so on Sunday night. His topic will be "Fires and Firemen."

NEW MATTHEWS BUILDING.—Plans are being prepared for Matthews Brothers for a new building to replace the one on Lackawanna avenue recently destroyed by fire. Work will be begun soon and it is expected that the building will be completed by the middle of the summer.

FRANK SMITH ARRESTED.—Frank M. Smith was arrested by Detective M. J. Linden yesterday afternoon on a warrant issued by Recorder Donahoe, of Elmira, N. Y., charging him with grand larceny. Smith was formerly an agent for the American Red cross in Elmira, and it is claimed that on January 29, 1900, he embezzled \$18.80 of the company's money.

WARM BABIES CAKE WALK.—The Warm Babies, a colored organization, will hold a cake walk in Music hall April 9. The feature of the evening will be the contest between Williams and his wife, of Binghamton, champion cake walkers of New York state, and William Fisher, of this city, and Miss Porter, of Philadelphia, for a prize of \$50.

MRS. STELLER'S FUNERAL.—The remains of Mrs. S. J. Steller, of East Scranton, who died at her home in Scranton on Wednesday afternoon, beside her husband, Charles, who preceded her ten days, are being interred in the Elmira cemetery this morning.

JOINT SESSION WAS NOT HELD. Sufficient Number of Members Did Not Appear. An attempt was made last night to hold a joint session of councils to elect three members on the board of revision and appeal, but the quorum was broken.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. Due to Love Waves. Editor of The Tribune: Sir: It is somewhat of a surprise to the great number of admirers of the Rev. Dr. McLeod to learn that he is so intensely indignant on the subject of Christian Science.

BOND OFFERINGS. Spring Brook Water, 1st Mtg. 5c. Lacka Valley Elec. Light, 1st Mtg. 5c. North Jersey and Pecono Mountain Ice Co., 1st Mtg. 5c.

First Church Dinner. At its annual dinner today, from 12 to 2 o'clock, the Ladies' Aid society of the First Presbyterian church will serve the following menu: Bisque of Clams, Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce.

THE TRADERS NATIONAL BANK. Learn the children lessons of economy—the practical kind. At every turn teach them to avoid waste.

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OPPOSITION WITHDRAWN. CLEAR SAILING FOR FEDERAL COURT BILL.

Arguments Made Before the Senate Committee at Washington Yesterday by James H. Torrey, Major Everett Warren, Major T. F. Penman and Congressman William Connell—Facts They Presented Showing Necessity for New District—Both Senators Favor It.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—A hearing on Congressman Connell's bill creating an additional judicial district to be called the Middle district of Pennsylvania, and which passed the house recently without opposition, was held before a sub-committee in the senate judiciary committee room this morning.

It had been expected that there would be some opposition to the bill. Judge Hartington of Pittsburg, and Attorney Rawley, of Philadelphia, had both written Senator Hoar, chairman of the committee, saying that they expected to be present to make argument in opposition to the bill, but they did not materialize, and there was no opposition to the bill.

In anticipation of the above named gentlemen being present to speak against the bill, Mr. Connell had wired several Scranton attorneys to be on hand and be prepared to make arguments in favor of the bill, and in response to his request Major Everett Warren, James H. Torrey and Major T. F. Penman came here last evening and appeared before the committee this morning well equipped with strong arguments in favor of the bill.

MR. TORREY'S ADDRESS. This bill is the demand of nearly two millions of people in Central and Northeastern Pennsylvania who feel that they are entitled as a matter of right to better federal court facilities. By it does not stop at that, but is also designed to materially benefit the government by a saving in the mileage of jurors, prisoners and witnesses which will fully meet the additional expense of the court which will be time necessarily result also in the better enforcement of the law.

Comparison with other sections of the third circuit, of which we are a part, emphatically prove this. Delaware has a district judge, Judge Bradford, and now recently a circuit judge, Judge Taylor. In the same way, the district court, neither of whom go one step outside of that city. That leaves Judge Acheson, of Pittsburg, to take care of the present circuit of the western district, as well as at Trenton, in the state of New Jersey; at the same time that, as a circuit judge, he is called upon to do duty in the courts of appeal for the whole circuit, sitting twice a year at Philadelphia.

THE PROPOSED DISTRICT. The proposed district is made up of the central and northern parts of Pennsylvania, the main portion of it coming from the western district, the western counties being also taken from the eastern.

WHAT IT WOULD MEAN. Really the bill would mean that, for that large region, the district where it is now a circuit court, it would be a single judge, and that it has frequently happened that a man arrested at Scranton after the session at that place has to travel to the place of his arrest at large extra expense to himself as well as to the government, to some distant point in the district where the court is held, and from there, again carried on a long distance to the next place of sitting. This is a matter well known and commented upon by the marshals and district attorneys' offices, and of course, as far as possible is avoided. But it is unavoidable in many cases, and when that is so it is not only an expense to the government, but it is an expense to the defendant who suffers all the more if done in the end. As a matter of justice, as well as economy, it could be remedied, and that is what this bill will do.

RECORDS OF COURT. March term, 1900. Court in session ten days. All of which were cases continued. March term, 1901. Court in session ten days. One case tried, and two other cases continued. March term, 1902. Court in session ten days. Four cases tried by Judge Bullington, J. in absence of Judge Acheson. Fourteen cases continued. March term, 1903. Court in session ten days. Two cases tried by Judge Bullington, J. Eight cases continued, one retried and two non-prosecuted.

LIST WAS ARGUMENT COURT CAME TO AN END YESTERDAY.

Argument with Reference to the Abington Turnpike Condemnation Proceedings Completed—The Matter of the Annexation of Part of Lackawanna Township to Taylor Was Also Discussed—Woolkers Case Postponed Until the Next Term—Names Ordered Stricken from Petition.

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Mr. Vosburg in reply argued that objections to the appointment of a jury could not be heard at this time, as the act of assembly distinctly requires their appointment when a petition has been presented in proper form. The principle of res judicata did not apply, he said, for the reason that the proceeding was brought under the authority of the state and was not an action between private parties. There was nothing in the boulevard act, he said, which precluded the application of the condemnation laws to such a company.

Arguments were heard on the exceptions and remonstrances to the annexation of a large part of Lackawanna township to the borough of Taylor, W. J. Hand, representing the Taylor Coal company, protested against the annexation on the ground that the burden of taxation which would have to be borne by the remainder of the township would be too heavy. Attorney John J. Donahoe also argued against the annexation.

Names Stricken Off. There was a hearing yesterday in the matter of the signatures of M. Schwartz, Joseph Swartz, Henry Schmalz and August Schmalz, Schmalz, whose names appear on the petition asking for a contest in the Eighth ward to determine the legally elected constable of the Eighth ward.

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COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES. The suit of the Scranton Gas and Water company against the Northern Coal and Iron company was yesterday amicably settled and the judgment in the case was entered.

Some People. Don't know bargains when they see them, but will buy "trashy" goods at higher prices, and think they have secured bargains.

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Jockey Killed. An application was made yesterday by Attorney W. E. Watt for a charter for the Cathedral Training School for Nurses and the Cathedral Anatomical Society. The incorporation of the latter was made absolute.