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LACKAWANNA "THE" LAUNDRY.

WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Local data for March 10, 1901:

Highest temperature	36 degrees
Lowest temperature	29 degrees
Humidity	79 per cent.
W. wind	10 to 12 miles
Barometer	30.0

RAINFALL, 21 hours ending 8 p. m., trace.

MEN OF THE HOUR.

As the snow melts away from the city and budding buds on the tree branches begin to foretell the arrival of spring, the thoughts of the faithful base ball partisan turn wistfully to the great national game, and conjecture becomes vite as to whether the city will be represented this season by a new team. Both Scrantonians and Wilkes-Barreans are putting in a good deal of time arguing the matter these days, but the outlook is not bright. It is doubtful if there is a man in either city who will feel the absence of a nine more than Harry Merrill, the base ball editor of the Wilkes-Barre Record, who from time almost immemorial has been associated with the base ball lore of the Lackawanna-Luzerne region.

He was in the city Thursday night, accompanying the Wilkes-Barre local club of Elks, of which he is a member, on their fraternal visit to the local branch. "Pop" Merrill, as he is sometimes called, is thoroughly disheartened over the present situation, and practically despairs of seeing any real base ball in Wilkes-Barre this year.

In this city the status of affairs is similar to that in Wilkes-Barre, the men who have been yearly investing in base ball and coming out at the horn's small end, declaring that after last year's disastrous experience they are through with professional ball. However, both Mr. Merrill and local scribblers who have been watching matters see a faint glimmer of hope in the prospect of a semi-professional league. Clubs could be maintained in Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Pittston, Carbondale, Olyphant, Avoca and other surrounding places, and some pretty fast exhibitions seen.

M. F. Brown, who for several years has been engaged in the hat and gentleman's furnishings business on Wyoming avenue with Frank McCann, has dissolved partnership with that gentleman and will hereafter engage in the business himself in one of the Wyoming avenue stores of the Hotel Jermyn building. Mr. Brown is one of the best known and most progressive of the younger business men of the city. He was born in Carbondale and had his early business training there.

but has been here long enough to be considered a thorough Scrantonian in all that the word implies in the business world.

For several years Mr. Brown was manager of his father's general store on Capouse avenue, but abandoned that position to enter business for himself in the center of the city, where opportunities are larger. The success of the firm of Brown & McCann met with its well known in the business world, and this success, it is safe to say, will be continued by the senior partner, who now takes on his shoulders all of the responsibilities of the business. He is affable and courteous, makes friends readily and is today one of the best known and most popular business men in the valley.

PERSONAL.

Mr. George L. Post has returned to Philadelphia after spending a week visiting with friends in this city.

E. J. Toney, of Clark Ross, left last night for New York, where he will spend the coming week on business.

Miss McNamara, of New York, is visiting her brother, Patrick McNamara, at the bank here, Lackawanna avenue.

James Fitch and wife, who were at Washington attending the inauguration ceremonies, returned home Saturday evening.

Wm. W. Loomis and daughter, Ruth, who have been visiting Atlantic City and Washington, returned home Saturday evening.

George C. DeWilde, formerly of this city, and who held a stenographic position with Sargent & Company, of Philadelphia, recently accepted a more lucrative position as a stenographer for the Pennsylvania railroad in that city. Mr. DeWilde had been working for the Pennsylvania Railroad for more than a week when he was promoted to a higher position. His friends in this city will be pleased to learn of his success.

HOWARD IS REINSTATED.

Trouble on the Trolley Lines Is Happily Averted.

All danger of another street car employees' strike was Saturday averted by General Manager Silliman, of the Scranton Railway company, reinstating Conductor D. R. Howard, who was discharged Feb. 21, as a matter of discipline, for not obeying the company's rules and reporting within twenty-four hours from the time of occurrence an altercation he had with a passenger.

At a meeting of the union held Friday morning the grievance committee was instructed to confer with the general manager and inform him that unless Howard was reinstated another general strike would be ordered.

About 4:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon an answer from the general manager was received at headquarters by the committee, consisting of President Shea and Messrs. Evans, Kegler, Surine and Barrett. Mr. Silliman's message was a lengthy one, three pages of typewritten matter, in which were carefully reviewed the facts in the case and embodying the very welcome news that in view of the action of the union and general sentiment in favor of Howard's reinstatement, the discharged conductor should resume work Sunday morning.

On the committee receiving the communication they immediately called off the meeting which was to have been held early yesterday morning for the purpose of ordering a strike unless Howard was reinstated. The latter reported at company headquarters yesterday morning and was given a Pittston run.

CAPWELL IS UNDER ARREST.

Complaint Was Made by Miss Fannie Phillips.

Lieutenant Walter Capwell, of Company K, Thirtieth regiment, denied the statement published in The Tribune on Saturday to the effect that he was united in marriage on Thursday last by Alderman Miller to a young woman named Mame Compton, of 466 Cedar avenue. He admits knowing the girl.

City Engineer Joseph P. Phillips went before Alderman Davis Saturday and had a warrant issued for Capwell's arrest, at the instance of his daughter Fannie. The young man was arrested on the warrant, and spent last night in the West Scranton police station. He will have a hearing today.

THE LITTLE NIGHT HAWKS.

Mrs. Duggan Will Take Steps to Keep Them Off Streets.

The presence of little girls on the streets after 12 o'clock at night is no unusual spectacle in Scranton. There is something in the slight figure wrapped in a tattered shawl, with a big bundle of newspapers under her arm, that appeals to the night hawk's fond longing in the restaurants and all-night saloons, and the business is a profitable one.

Mrs. W. B. Duggan, agent for the Board of Associated Charities, is about to take steps to keep these little girls off the street late at night.

Mrs. Duggan claims that the girls in their eagerness to sell the papers make the rounds of the disorderly houses. The girls found on the streets late at night average between eight and nine years.

A FIRST-AID BOOK.

A Valuable Little Volume Written by Dr. M. J. Shields, of Jermyn.

Dr. M. J. Shields, of Jermyn, formerly attending surgeon at the Emergency hospital, Carbondale, has lately completed a most handy and attractive little hand book entitled "First Aid," which has just been published by Thomas Boudry, of Jermyn.

The book gives complete, thorough and easily understood instructions regarding the proper method of giving first aid in accidents and in sudden illness, with special attention to mining accidents. The volume is illustrated throughout with wood cuts, showing methods of applying bandages, tourniquets, etc., and is a most handy and valuable volume for every family, and more especially for those employed at any occupation where there is any risk.

NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

There have been no new developments in the silk mill strike situation during the past few days. Energetic efforts are being made by the girls' leaders to secure a settlement by arbitration. No acts of violence occurred Friday, although a number of girls are known to be still working.

INCORRIGIBLE BOY ARRESTED.

William Kilm, of 623 Hickory street, was arrested Saturday evening by Constable Hyatt on the charge of being incorrigible.

Ask for Kelly's union crackers.

MITCHELL ON THE NOTICES

President of the United Mine Workers Says They Are Not Satisfactory.

TELLS WHAT WOULD BE SATISFACTORY

National Head of the Miners' Organization Points Out How the Operators Would Be Gainers by Recognizing the Union and Effecting an Explicit Agreement as to Wages and Other Terms of Work. Nothing Now to Obligate the Men to Continue Work—The Notice Posted at Collieries Saturday.

President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, arrived here yesterday afternoon from Indianapolis on the 3:23 Delaware, Lackawanna and Western train, and stopped off for a day before proceeding to the Hazleton convention. He was accompanied by his secretary, Miss Elizabeth Morris, who was with him during the big strike last fall, and who will act as stenographer of the secret sessions of the convention.

Mr. Mitchell spent the afternoon and last night in conference with the local labor leaders at St. Charles, District President T. J. Nicholls, Secretary John T. Dempsey, National Organizer Fred Dilcher, Organizer Robert N. Conright, "Mother" Jones and Martin D. Flaherty, president of the Central Labor union, were among those who conferred with him.

He had expected to pass upon some allegations that were being made against certain of the local officials, but the men did not feel the confidence yesterday declared its unwillingness to prove its charges. Mr. Mitchell is disposed to ignore the matter. His intention last night was to leave for Hazleton this afternoon at 4:25 o'clock.

To a Tribune reporter who called upon him last evening Mr. Mitchell said the bare statement attributed to him by a despatch from Indianapolis, to the effect that the posting of notices was not satisfactory, did not convey the full truth.

MEAN MUCH OR LITTLE.

"That may mean much or it may mean little," Mr. Mitchell went on to say. "In my judgment the proper way to adjust wages and insure uninterrupted work is by annual conferences. There is no good reason why the operators should not confer with us and there are many good reasons why they should. Last fall they put forth the excuse that they could not do so because of the coal famine. But the coal famine is now over, and they are in a position to do so. They should realize their strength and it may be that they are prone to assert it. If they were restrained by some specific agreement, such as was made with the operators in the Hazleton colliery, I think they would not turn out to enforce a redress of that grievance, but realizing that their officers were authorized to deal with them with their employers, they would refrain themselves and leave the adjustment of the dispute to their officers. If there was an agreement between the organization and the operators the organization would see to it that that agreement was not violated by the men. At present the United Mine Workers are under no obligation to keep the men at work, and, without breaking faith, could order a strike every month. The operators ought to realize this and see that they are not taking advantage to deal with the union."

NO DEFINITE REPLIES.

While not admitting it in so many words, Mr. Nicholls' statement demonstrated that he does not expect any operators at the conference.

He sent them each a telegram asking them if they would confer, and followed this up with a letter inviting them to confer. He received some responses, but they contained nothing definite as to whether or not the invitation would be accepted.

Following is a copy of the notices posted at all the collieries hereabouts on Saturday: "The 30 per cent. advance and other concessions made by this company on Oct. 6, 1900, as per notice posted, will be continued to April 1, 1901, and thereafter, until further notice. Local differences with the men, with our own men at the respective collieries."

The notice was prepared at the meeting of the operators held in New York last week.

SCHOOL TEACHER OF LONG AGO.

Wants Information About Merchant S. W. Thompson.

The following letter has been received by Postmaster E. H. Hipple:

National Military Home, Kansas, March 2, 1901.

Postmaster, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir: The writer is an old soldier in the 3rd National Military Home. In the year 1857 and 1858 I was a resident of Scranton, a city of about three or four thousand people. I was also a school teacher then, and taught in the National Military Home. I remember the name of S. W. Thompson, who was a teacher in the National Military Home, in the year 1857 and 1858. I do not know his present address, but I think it is in the East. If you can give me any information, it will be very appreciated. Yours truly,

Charles E. Hill.

National Military Home, Kansas, Late Co. 5, Second Regiment, Minnesota Volunteer Cavalry, June 1861.

Who Can Write the Best Short Story?

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\$25.00 for the Best Story.
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A LITERARY COMPETITION WHERE EXPERIENCE IS NOT NECESSARY IN ORDER TO WIN.

In view of the fact that considerable time has elapsed since there has been any public competition through the local press for the purpose of stimulating the literary ability among the writers of the valley, the Scranton Tribune has decided to offer a series of prizes as a stimulus in this direction. It is desirous of securing for its columns a number of short stories, treating of local history, local legends, local incidents, or local characters, and it proposes to pay \$25.00 for the best story, \$10.00 for the second best, and \$5.00 for the third best.

Manuscripts not accepted in securing one of these prizes will be published and suitably credited if the author so desires.

Stories tending to bring out the commerce and legendary lore of the anthracite mining industry will have preference. In connection with every story sent the author should send a short biographical sketch of the author, and a list of addresses, and should specify the material for some exceedingly interesting incident.

The trial of posing upon the merits of the manuscripts submitted will be assigned to a distinguished judge, whose name will not be given until the contest is over.

Should this literary competition prove encouraging, it may be followed by other prize offerings of similar tenor.

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

All manuscripts must be submitted on separate sheets, and must be well written. All manuscripts must be signed by a fictitious name and also the writer's real name and postal address.

The name of each story must be told in the margin of the manuscript. The names of real persons must not be used.

One further condition must be understood. Contributions intended for this contest will be held only from present subscribers to the Tribune or from those who may, during the contest, become subscribers by payment of at least one month's subscription in advance.

Address: ST. CHARLES HOTEL, Scranton, Pa.

CHANGES IN REVENUE LAW

MANY ARTICLES HAVE BEEN RELIEVED FROM TAX.

Internal Revenue Collector's Office In Receipt of Copy of New Law, Going Into Effect July 1.—It Shows That Tax on Almost All Documentary Articles Has Been Removed, Only Deeds of High Denomination Requiring Stamps—Telegrams Are Exempt.

Robert H. Penman, cashier in the office of United States Internal Revenue collector T. F. Penman, has received a copy of the new revenue law, which goes into effect July 1, and a comparison of this with the present law shows a number of changes.

From numerous articles the entire tax has been lifted, while in other instances it has been considerably lightened. One of the most material changes is in the taxing of tobacco, cigars and cigarettes. Tobacco formerly taxed at 12 cents a pound is now subject to a 20 per cent. discount, which brings the revenue down to a tax of 9.6 cents. Cigars formerly taxed at \$3.60 a thousand are now subject to but \$3.00 a thousand, in all cases where the weight is over three pounds.

On the small cigars and cigarettes weighting less there is a tax of 18 cents per pound, as compared to a former revenue of \$1.50 a thousand on paper cigarettes and \$1 a thousand on the small cigars. The beer tax is cut down from \$2 to \$1 per barrel. The former was, however, subject to a 75 per cent. discount, whereas the present is subject to none.

The tax is taken off articles in "Schedule B," which includes medicines of all kinds. The revenue on wines which are included in this category is, however, continued, 1 cent and 2 cents on pint and quart bottles. It is also removed from all documentary articles, except deeds of high denomination, which has been the law to tax deeds fifty cents for every \$500. Under the new schedule, however, the tax becomes \$25.00 for every \$500 from \$25.00 to \$3,000. A 25 cent additional tax is required for every \$500 over this.

The stamps are also removed from all insurance papers and telegrams and express packages. The tax is continued on freight, billiard and pool tables, rubbers, theatres, and other taxable subjects. Every bank must continue paying on its capitalized stock and surplus.

BORROWED THE HORSE.

Two Boys Had a Very Lively Afternoon.

After enjoying a nine-hour ride up and down the valley at a break-neck pace, Leo Jordan, an 18-year-old youth, went to the livery stable to return the horse and buggy and fell into the hands of a constable. Thompson, who was three weeks waiting for him.

Jordan went to Alderman Kelly yesterday morning and told him he wanted to get the alderman's horse to have him clipped by his uncle, a man named "Coar." As this man has been in the habit of clipping the alderman's horse for the past five or six years, he readily granted the lad permission to take the animal.

Jordan went to Decker's stables, where the horse is kept, and had the animal hitched up and drove away. At the postoffice he picked up another lad by the name of Pat Messitt, and together they spent the afternoon driving up and down the valley.

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SLOT MACHINE GONE.

Municipal League Detectives Had a Trip for Nothing.

The municipal league detectives who went to Olyphant on Friday afternoon to secure the slot machine in the hotel of M. W. Grogan, which the latter had prevented them from seizing that morning, returned empty-handed. The machine in their absence had been spirited away and no trace of it could be found.

Special Agent Wilson stated yesterday to a Tribune man that several of the officials of Olyphant had incited Grogan in his presence to resist his (Wilson's) authority and that warrants for their arrest would be issued this week.

DID HE SELL MULE FLESH?

A Green Grove Farmer Arrested by a Peckville Man.

A continuation of the hearing of a Green Grove farmer named Simeell, who was arrested at the instance of a gentleman named Williams, residing in West Peckville, who charges him with selling the flesh of a mule as prime beef, was had on Saturday.

The case attracted much attention and a large crowd gathered in the office of Justice of the Peace Smith at Peckville, but the hearing had to be postponed for a week because the food inspector, to whom the meat had been submitted had failed to make a report upon it.

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WHOLESALE AGENCY

OBITUARY.

M. J. Burke.

M. J. Burke, 47 years of age, died last Sunday night at his residence on Diamond avenue. For twelve months Mr. Burke had been suffering with the disease, and three months had been confined to his bed.

A wife and nine children survive him. They are: Mary, Edward, Thomas, Frank, Helen, Mary, James, Margaret, and Joseph. The funeral will be held on Wednesday at 2 o'clock from the residence of Mrs. Burke, 528 E. 4th street.

The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Burial will be made in Danmore cemetery.

John Hayden.

John Hayden died Saturday at his home at 812 1/2 Sycamore street, after a brief illness. He was 67 years of age. He was a well known resident of this city, and he was thought that his rugged constitution would hold him through.

Four sons and five daughters survive him. They are: John, George, William, Robert, and Charles. The funeral will be held on Monday at 10 o'clock from St. Peter's cathedral with interment in the Cathedral cemetery.

Richard Harrington.

Richard Harrington, aged 71 years, an old and respected resident of 1514 Jackson street, died yesterday at his home. Deceased was born in England, and had been a resident of this city many years. He was a widower and lived in a comfortable manner.

The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Burial will be made in Danmore cemetery.

T. W. Griffin.

T. W. Griffin, aged 62, died at his home in Glenburn yesterday morning at 9 o'clock. About three weeks ago Mr. Griffin fell and broke his leg and at the same time received internal injuries which resulted in his death.

Mr. Griffin is survived by his wife and the following children: Walter, of Scranton; George, of New York; Robert, of Scranton; Thomas, of Scranton; Frank, of Scranton; Charles, of Scranton. Also two daughters, George and Thomas.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at his residence. Interment will be made in Danmore.

Miss Kate Smith.

Miss Kate Smith died yesterday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Malzer, 277 Adams avenue. She is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Peter and George Smith, Mrs. George Malzer and Miss Kate Smith, all of this city.

The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery.

James, the infant son of Mrs. James Brown, of Clendon street, Danmore, died on Saturday morning after a short illness. The funeral will be held on Wednesday afternoon. Interment being made in St. Mary's cemetery.