

WEST SCRANTON

TALK OF A BIG EISTEDDFOD

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE NEW ARMY FUND.

Musical Festival That Would Eclipse Anything Heretofore Attempted in Scranton—All-Collegiate Team Challenges the West Side Browns—Surface Waters Are a Menace to Public Health—Funeral of Eugene Evans—Other News Notes and Personals.

Now that the city has a building large enough in the new armory to accommodate several thousand people at one time, there is talk of holding a monster eisteddfod therein some time during the fall or holidays. The project is still in its infancy, but will in all probability be developed in due time.

Whether the eisteddfod will be held for the benefit of the armory building fund or under the auspices of some organization has not been decided, but if such an event transpires it will undoubtedly attract one of the largest assemblies in the history of the city. The project was first hinted at by members of the William Connell Athletic Club, which is the only permanent society of local singers now in existence. One of the suggestions that has been made is the organization of a permanent mixed choir for the purpose of entering the Pan-American competitions in September.

This same choir is to be recruited from among the best singers in the city. When the proposed armory eisteddfod is held this united Scranton choir will then be in a position to enter competition against all comers throughout the United States, who will be invited to participate in the armory festival.

The project will not only be the means of raising a substantial sum to help liquidate the armory indebtedness, but will also serve in extending Scranton's fame as a musical center. Such a festival on Christmas day or Thanksgiving day would prove an attraction worthy of patronage.

There is sufficient talent in Scranton alone to insure the success of such an undertaking, without inviting outside competitors, but a Scranton eisteddfod without competing choruses from Taylor, Olyphant, Pittston, Plymouth and even Wilkes-Barre would seem to be a one-sided affair.

HUYLER'S SCOTCH KISSES
FOR SALE AT
G. W. JENKINS.

Tell-Tale Bargains in Summer Wash Goods

The tale that's to tell is simple. We've enjoyed the most remarkable success in our Wash Goods Department during the season. Sales far out-distanced our expectation, and now that

The Clearance Period

Has come, we are prepared and willing to be generous to our patrons. The selection is still large and there is not a popular weave wanting to make the line complete.

8 Splendid Bargain Lots

- LOT I—Dimities and Batistes—A boundless range of patterns and colorings. A full 15c grade in either, for..... 10c
- LOT II—Satin Stripe Dimities—Best 18c goods in a beautiful assortment of dark or light coloring. The sale price..... 12½c
- LOT III—Silk Stripe Challies—The very latest novelties are included in this lot. A fine 35c quality for only..... 16c
- LOT IV—Applique and Lace Stripe Grenadines—Assorted colors in stripes and fancies. A marvelous value at the sale price..... 19c
- LOT V—Mercerized Pongees (equal to silk) in appearance, and will wear better. Full range of colorings. Were 37½c. Sale price..... 25c
- LOT VI—The Genuine Mouseline De Soie—This is the original cloth in the very newest designs and colorings. A bargain at..... 39c
- LOT VII—Imported Scotch Zephyrs—32 inches wide, and none but this season's designs to offer you. The sale price..... 17c
- LOT VIII—24-Inch Foulard Silks—All the fashionable effects and prettiest designs. Our popular 65c quality for only..... 39c

The Sale Is Now in Full Swing.

Globe Warehouse

This Will Be a Ball Game.

The success of the West Side Browns during the present season has shown them to be well-nigh invincible, yet there is nine young men in the city who are brave enough to challenge them, and if the contest is arranged it ought to prove interesting.

These same nine young men will play the Browns at Athletic park any Saturday afternoon that is convenient for both clubs, and the losers will pay for the bats and balls used, or if there is any gate receipts, they will contribute the same to the relief of the maimed and injured in the game.

The line-up of the Braves will be as follows:

Player	College	Position
Williams	Princeton	Catcher
Williams	Bloomington	First base
Brooks	Princeton	Second base
Gunter	Princeton	Shortstop
Blondin	Commercial	Third base
Rise	Vale	Right field
Blair	Princeton	Center field
Colbert	University of Pennsylvania	Left field
Grinnell	Wyoming	Utility man

Coming Home from War.

Lieutenant Thomas Murphy, of Jackson street, who has been with the First-seventh regiment in the Philippines for nearly two years, is expected home this week. He was mustered out in San Francisco recently and is now on his way East.

A letter was received from Lieutenant Murphy by his father on Monday, in which he stated that he would soon be home. Corporal William J. Boyce, of the Nineteenth regiment, who has written some interesting letters for The Tribune, will not be mustered out until next year.

Disease Lurks in Surface Water.

If there is an epidemic compelling property owners to keep the gutters in front of their houses clear of weeds and surface waters, it ought to be vigorously enforced.

Within the past few weeks the gutters on many West Scranton streets have become choked up with weeds, thus causing the surface waters to stagnate, and in consequence there is a stench arising from many quarters.

Disease lurks in surface waters, and if we cannot get sewer facilities at least the gutters ought to be kept clean.

St. John's Annual Picnic.

The United societies of St. John's German Catholic church held their annual picnic yesterday afternoon and evening at Weber's grove in Taylor. Music was furnished by the Silver Cornet band, and the day was spent in an enjoyable manner.

A large number of special cars were chartered to carry the picnickers to and from the grove.

Funeral of Eugene Evans.

The funeral of the late mail-carrier, Eugene Evans, was largely attended yesterday afternoon. The services were held at the house on Elyon street, commencing at 4 o'clock, and were conducted by Rev. Hugh Davis, pastor of

the South Main Avenue Welsh Calvinistic Methodist church.

Nearly the entire force of mail-carriers were in attendance, as a mark of deep respect for their deceased comrade. A large representation of Camp 572, Catholic Order Sons of America, of which Mr. Evans was a member, were also present.

Three of the pall-bearers were selected from among the mail-carriers and three from the lodge. Interment was made in the Washburn street cemetery.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

A well-attended rehearsal of the William Connell Glee club was held last evening in Twitler hall. The club has received an invitation to sing at Nay Aug and Connell parks.

Misses Sadie and Kate Johnson, of South Main avenue, left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Spring Brook.

The Sunday school of St. Mark's Lutheran church will picnic at Nay Aug park tomorrow. Special cars will leave the church at 8:30 a. m. All of the societies of the church will attend the excursion to Lake Ladore on Thursday, August 15.

David Lewis, of Edwards court, is able to be around again, having recovered from the effects of an injury sustained in the Taylor mine a few weeks ago.

Mrs. William Griffiths, of South Fillmore avenue, fell down a flight of steps leading into the cellar recently and sustained severe bruises about the head and body.

Dewi Sant Lodge of Twitler elected the following officers at their meeting Monday evening: President, Thomas H. Jones; secretary, William J. Davies; recording and corresponding secretary, David D. Lewis; conductor, Jeremiah Samuels.

New officers of the First Welsh Baptist Sunday school have been elected as follows: Superintendent, Evan J. Davis; assistant superintendent, Miss Jennie Jenkins; secretary, Miss May Davis; treasurer, Daniel Williams; chorister, John Evans; assistant chorister, Thomas G. Thoburn; organist, Miss Edith Lewis; assistant organist, Miss Barbara Lewis; doorkeeper, Reese W. Hopkins.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Peter Gallagher took place yesterday morning from her home, near the Archbold mine. Interment was made in the Taylor street cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Davis, of Washburn street, will leave tomorrow for a sojourn at the seashore.

Miss Florence Hess, of Albany, N. Y., has returned home from a visit with Miss Alice Oldford, of South Main avenue.

J. A. Saville, the North Main avenue marketman, has purchased the Seaton lot on the corner next to his place and will erect a substantial market building thereon.

Division No. 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, initiated several candidates at their meeting last evening.

The Kaw-go Camping club are arranging for their annual outing at Lake Winola. The members are Harry Edwards, Edward Walker, Ray Stevens, Roy Madden, Harry Stevens and Allen Thayer.

The North and West Scranton Barbers' unions have adopted a new scale of prices, which was recently arranged.

Misses Esther Hoovers, of Marshfield, and Clara Jones, of South Garfield avenue, will spend their vacation at West Colgate, N. Y., and the Pan-American exposition.

Mrs. William Sant is seriously ill at her home on Price street.

Mr. and Mrs. Struppeler, of South Main avenue, left yesterday for Ligonier, Pa., where the State Dental association will meet today.

Misses Gwenille and Anna Phillips, of West Elm street, are visiting their father in West Virginia.

Miss Minnie Oliver, who has been here for the past three years pursuing a course of studies, left yesterday for her home in Colfax, Wash.

Misses Euphemia Gibbs and Bertha Carson, of South Main avenue, will visit friends in Johnston, N. Y.

Dr. W. A. Paton's family will move to Lake Winola today for the summer.

Mary Carey, of Eighth and Elyon streets, was arrested yesterday at the instance of Chief of Police Robbing, charged with selling liquor on Sunday. She waived a hearing and entered bail for her appearance at court.

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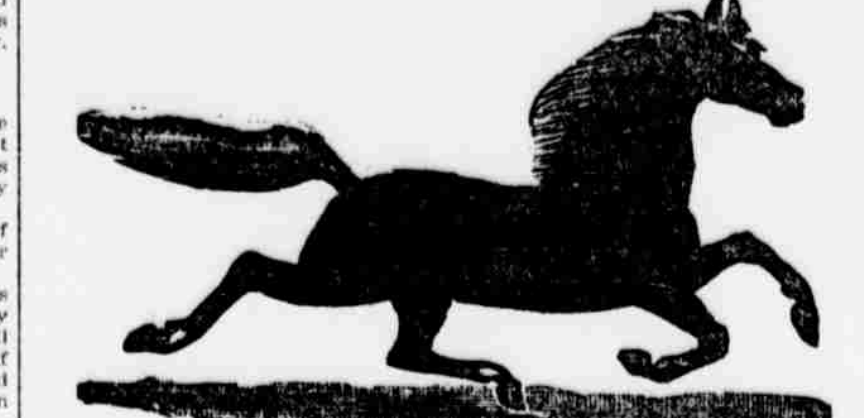
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WALDRON'S Auction Sale of Horses



Thursday, July 11th

At Cusick's Old Stables, Washington Ave., Scranton, Pa.

NORTH SCRANTON NOTES.

Stars' Basket Ball Team Meets and Organizes for Ensuing Year. Accident in Clark's Tunnel.

The North End Stars' basket ball team held a meeting last evening in Thomas Jones' hotel and reorganized for the ensuing year, with Robert Connolly, the well known basket ball player, its business manager. It will be remembered that the Stars gave very clever exhibitions in the line of basket ball at the Auditorium last winter, furnishing great enjoyment for the people of this section. The team will be composed of the same players as last year, with few exceptions.

James Haswell will be manager of the team and Thomas McCusky captain. Both are well known basket ball players.

The team will line up as follows: James McCusky, right forward; John Skewettion, left forward; Frank Evans, Daniel Jones and Lando Jones, centers; Thomas McCusky, left guard; Thomas Rittelman, right guard. The first game of the season will be played with the Crocker-Jacks at Lake Ladore for a prize of \$25 on August 15.

Men's Narrow Escape. Thomas Homer and Patrick McGuire, two employees at the Clark Tunnel mine, had a narrow escape from death yesterday by falling down the shaft when eighteen feet below the surface.

The men were inspecting a new slope which the owners of the mine are sinking, and were being hoisted on a car when the rope suddenly broke, letting them down with terrible force, the car landing at the foot of the shaft. Each sustained a deep gash in the head and severe bruises.

TOLD IN A FEW LINES.

Peter Brink of North Main avenue will leave tomorrow for New York. The drawing for gold a watch, and a social, for the benefit of John Tranter, will be held in St. Mary's hall on Thursday evening as previously announced. The committee of arrangements is Martin Cavanaugh and Charles R. Davis.

The Clerk's union will hold a special meeting tomorrow evening in Leonard's hall on West Market street. All members and earnestly requested to be present as business of importance will be transacted.

Miss Nellie Maloney, of Carbondale, who was the guest of friends on Mary street, returned home yesterday.

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The Seaside club, in connection with the Bellevue-Calvinistic Methodist church held a cream and cake social at the church last evening. There was a stall of fancy and useful articles for sale, and also an exhibition of work done by the club.

Pea Coal \$1.50 a Ton Delivered. To South Side, central city and central Hyde Park. Address orders to J. T. Shanley, 1914 Cedar avenue. Phone 6885.

SOUTH SCRANTON NOTES.

The members of the Royal Arcanum will meet in regular session this evening in Pharmacy hall.

Patrick P. Flaherty, who graduated at the State Normal school, has again taken charge of his barber shop at Pittston avenue and Cherry street. He will be glad to meet all his old friends.

The traffic for a Florence cemetery, which was to be held on June 23 at the home of Mrs. Frank Deitzer, was postponed until July 28.

Messrs. Henry and Herman Schwenker are spending their vacation at Honesdale.

Henry Matchman will leave for Honesdale today, where he will spend his vacation.

Freilichtrath lodge, No. 228, Order of East Gaid, will meet in Hartman's hall tonight at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Frederick Albrecht and son, Frederick, Jr., have returned from a week's visit at Lake Winola.

DUNMORE.

Miss Lotta M. McHose, of Chicago, delivered a very interesting address last night at the meeting of the Epworth League in the Methodist church. She urged her hearers to do their utmost for the building up of the society and told of the great good that societies have done in advancing regular church work. Her remarks evidently made a deep impression on those present, and without doubt will be productive of much good to the society's members.

John Fox, a miner employed at Gypsy Grove colliery, was caught by a fall of roof yesterday and badly injured. Fortunately no bones were broken and his injuries are not considered dangerous by the attending physician.

Miss Bruce, of Kingsley, and Miss Lee, of Sterling, are visiting their schoolmate, Miss Lucy Houl.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Yetter, of Mauch Chunk, have returned home after a visit at G. W. Frost's, West Drinker street.

E. D. Ames visited friends in Hawkey yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buckalew, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Chamberlin during the past week, have gone to Eaglesmere, where Mr. Buckalew will attend a convention of Young Men's Christian association workers, representing the Philadelphia branch, with which he is officially connected.

Miss Edith Learn has returned to her home at Lopez, after a visit with friends in town.

Messrs. A. P. McDonough and C. C. Stevens are enjoying Pike county breezes this week.

Master Harry Stevens, of Marion street, is visiting his uncle at Salem.

Rev. F. C. H. Dreyer, who has been spending some time in town, has gone to Eaglesmere, where he will address a convention of Christian workers upon missionary conditions in China. During his absence his wife will visit friends in the western part of the state.

OBITUARY.

AGNES M'GRAIL, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael McGraill, died Monday night at 8:30 o'clock, at her parents' residence, 208 South Webster avenue, of heart contraction. The deceased girl, who was well liked by all who knew her, is survived by her parents, four brothers, Thomas, Michael, John and James, and three sisters, Mary, Anna and Sara. The funeral will take place Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock with services at St. Peter's cathedral. Interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery.

JOSEPH RICHARDS, aged 35 years, died yesterday at his home, 24 Corbett avenue, as a result of tuberculosis. Deceased is survived by his wife and several children. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. D. D. Hopkins will officiate. Interment will be made in Washburn street cemetery.

Joseph, the 16-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Moran, died yesterday morning, after a brief illness, at his parents' home at Price street and Adams avenue. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon with services at the home, and interment in the Cathedral cemetery.

Joseph, the 16-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Langgan, of South Main street, died yesterday morning at 11 o'clock of convulsions, at his parents' residence, 419 Birch street. The funeral announcement will be published later.

WILHELMINA KURTZ, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Kurtz, of 1612 Delaware street, died yesterday. The funeral will take place Thursday morning at 10 o'clock, with services at the home, and interment in the Minooka cemetery.

Funerals.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Francis Callery will take place this morning from the family residence. Services will be held at St. Joseph's church, Minooka, and interment will be made in the Minooka cemetery.

LIST OF ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining unclaimed for at the Scranton post-office, July 10, 1901. Persons calling for these letters will please say advertised and give date of list.

John H. Kippel, postmaster.
Mrs. M. C. Carr, of E. B. Archibald, Jas. Adairson.
J. Burns, Geo. Breen, A. L. Barnes, Bookings Bess, S. L. Breen, Mrs. L. Breen.
Geo. B. Cook, John Carney, M. Cullen, Miss Marcella Cooney, M. H. Carpenter, William E. Clark, S. A. Cobb, Miss Catherine Caden, Thomas Callaghan, M. V. B. Cargy.
Mrs. Davis, J. B. Goldstein, E. J. Hughes, Daniel F. Hughes, C. M. Hanson, M. K. Henden, Freeman Hughes, Frank Holworth, Mrs. H. Hendy.
Clayton B. Jones, 2; Frank Jikins, Mrs. Rob-

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Furniture—Reduced Prices.

The deep cut in the prices of Furniture will cause many lines, the prices of which are herewith given, to change hands. Much of it is Summer Furniture; a good deal more of it will be just as good six months from now as at present. But you know our policy: Clean everything out, open the seasons with complete assortments of new goods. You always profit by this method. The following prices will tell why:

Rockers	Formerly.	Now.
\$3.50	\$2.80
3.25	2.60
2.65	2.00
2.35	1.80
2.25	1.70
1.85	1.44
1.60	1.30
1.1590

The above rockers are made of selected stock, have double reed seats and backs, and are finished in green, red and natural.

Settees	Formerly.	Now.
\$5.50, now	\$4.60
4.50, now	3.80
3.50, now	2.95
1.40, now	1.10
.60c, now40c

The above Settees are the best to be had even at the old price. What must they be at the reduced prices?

Go-Carettos
The best kinds at reduced prices.

\$ 4.25, now	.....	\$ 3.39
5.50, now	.....	4.59
7.00, now	.....	5.79
8.00, now	.....	6.69
10.25, now	.....	8.98
12.00, now	.....	10.50
13.75, now	.....	12.49
14.50, now	.....	12.75
16.50, now	.....	14.49
22.00, now	.....	19.50

Baby Coaches
The kind you ordinarily pay more for.

\$ 7.00, now	.....	\$ 5.89
11.00, now	9.00
13.50, now	11.98
14.50, now	12.49
18.00, now	15.95
21.00, now	18.95
28.00, now	25.25

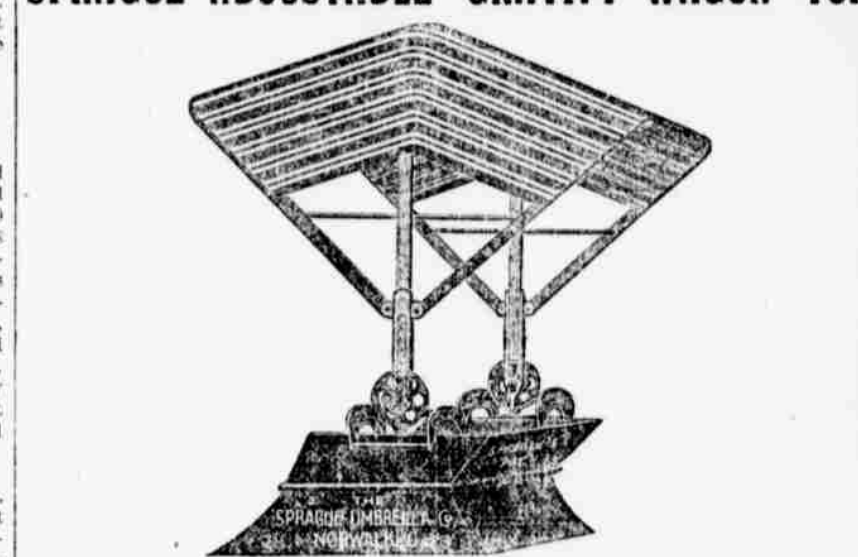
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Reduced Prices
Matting at 25 per cent reduction; in all the newest patterns and best qualities.

Matting formerly \$14.00 a roll, now... 10.50
Matting formerly \$12.00 a roll, now... 9.00
Matting formerly \$10.00 a roll, now... 7.50
Matting formerly \$8.00 a roll, now... 6.00
Matting formerly \$7.20 a roll, now... 5.40

Western Grass Matting, firmly woven and guaranteed for hard service. Regular price 40c, now... 32½c
Matting Rugs, an idea that met with popular favor. \$1.75 grade now... 1.25
\$1.40 grade now... \$1.05
A Beautiful Rex Rug, splendidly adapted for porches or summer cottages, size 27x54... 1.19

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ENGLAND'S BIRTH RATE.

Its Decline Is Beginning to Excite Scientific Alarm.

From the Fortnightly Review.

Since the year of 1880 the fertility of an English marriage has appreciably declined. The marriages in England and Wales that occurred during 1874 to 1880 subsequently produced 4.17 children per marriage, or 417 children per 100 marriages; whereas, the marriages that occurred during 1891 to 1895 subsequently produced only 3.74 children per marriage, or 374 children per 100 marriages. A decline in the fertility of marriages equal to nearly fifty children per 100 marriages, and that decline in fertility has occurred during the short period of fifteen years, 1874 to 1890, for the year 1878 is the mean of the period, 1875-1880, and 1893 is the mean of the period 1891-1895.

When one observes that marriages in England and Wales are now taking place to the extent to over a quarter of a million yearly, it is easy to see that such a decline in the fertility of a marriage means an immense decline in the actual number of children that are born of these modern marriages as compared with the marriages of only fifteen years ago.

The average number of children produced by a modern English marriage is under three; with the number in our population is greatly added by a low birth rate, not by a high birth rate. During recent years the English birth rate has declined in a marked degree, which is relatively greater than the fall in the birth rate of any other European country. This decline of the English birth rate has been greater even than the decline of France's birth rate.