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TO SUPPLY ITS OWN WATER.

Pennsylvania Coal Company Chartered Number of Water Companies.

Parties acting in the interest of the Pennsylvania Coal company have secured charters in Harrisburg for the following corporations:

- Central Colliery Water company, of Moosic.
- Avoca Water company, of Avoca.
- Yatesville Water company, of Yatesville.
- Jenkins Township Water company, of Jenkins township.
- Moray Township Water company, of Moray township.
- Pittston Township Water company, of Pittston township.
- Plains Township Water company, of Plains.
- Pittston City Water company, of Pittston.
- Hughes Township Water company, of Hughes township.
- Old Forge Water company, of Old Forge borough.

The main purpose of these companies is to supply water to the Pennsylvania company's collieries, but they will also extend their service to the general public wherever such can be made profitable.

The capitalization of each company is \$2,500, but this will likely be increased as conditions demand it.

MERCURY TOOK A DROP.

Within Fifteen Hours the Mercury Underwent a Variation of Thirty-one Degrees in This City.

Scranton is having some typical Scranton weather. Within fifteen hours the mercury underwent a variation of thirty-one degrees, reckoning from 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon to 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning.

Thursday's highest temperature was 91 and the lowest 70. Yesterday's highest temperature was 66 or four degrees lower than the lowest point recorded during the previous twenty-four hours.

Weatherman Clarke attributes the change to a disturbance in the Hudson bay region. There is a vast territory there without weather stations to regulate the elements and when something happens there it happens good.

Conditions all throughout the habited regions, which contribute in any way to the concoction of our weather, may give the most reliable indications of this, that or the other kind on the morning, but just about the time the weather man looks up his office and goes home secure in the belief that for one he has forecast aright, something happens up in the unobserved Hudson bay region, the effect of the something sweeps down the St. Lawrence valley, and it is all up with the forecaster's calculations. Until the British government gets somebody that knows something about how to manage and report weather, these sudden and unexpected changes will be our lot.

The rain of yesterday morning, which played such an important part in bringing down the mercury, was no "local shower." It began at 2 a.m. and lasted nine hours. It was a very respectable fall at times and when it was all over the meter on the roof of the Connell building recorded a precipitation of three-fourths of an inch.

The prediction for tomorrow is slightly warmer. The spring overcoats that were so generally worn last evening by parties out for a drive on the boulevard, can be put back in their summer quarters. As a matter of precaution, it might, however, be well to have handy a line suit or ulster.

LEAVE FOR DETROIT TONIGHT

Many Ladies Going to the L. C. B. A. Convention.

Tonight a large party of ladies will leave this city for Detroit, Mich., to attend the national convention of the Ladies' Catholic Benefit association, which is held in that city. In the party will be the following: Central City Branch, Miss Mary Lynn and Miss Mary Shields; Green Ridge, Mrs. Ellen Morton and Miss Ella Gibbons; West Scranton, Miss Sarah McDonald and Miss Gahagan; Dunmore, Miss Lynn; South Scranton, Miss Fannie McGee and Miss Ellen Olyphant; Mrs. McCormick; Hawley, Miss Irene Haggerty; Taylor, Miss Sarah McDonald; Old Forge, Miss Mary Kelly; Avoca, Miss Mary Quinn; Archbald, Mrs. P. Wells; Carbondale, Miss Conway; Moosic, Miss Nellie Scanton.

The delegates will go to Buffalo on the Lackawanna, and will spend Sunday in that city and at Niagara Falls. They will then go by rail to Detroit. On their return trip they will travel by water from Detroit to Buffalo. The convention's sessions occupy a week. One of the officers to be elected is a grand medical examiner. Dr. Kelly, of Archbald, is a candidate for the office.

VERDICT IN GORMAN CASE.

Death Was Due to a Dislocation of Spinal Column.

Coroner Roberts at Olyphant last night held an inquest in the case of Cornelius Gorman, who was killed Thursday night by falling from a bridge which spans the Eddy Creek.

The coroner found that death was due to a dislocation of the spinal column, and the jury returned a verdict to the effect that death was accidental.

PIANO FOR SALE.

A fine upright grand piano, of an old and reliable make, finished in the finest mahogany wood, and in perfect condition. Just received and is now on sale. The case is beautiful; the tone is delightful, and the piano is absolutely perfect, just as good as new, and has been used only a few weeks. The piano must be sold. It is a rare bargain for the one who is fortunate enough to get it. It will be sold for cash only. A rare chance; come quick, and the prize will be yours.

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CONNELL PARK IMPROVEMENTS.

PRISONERS HAVE DONE GREAT WORK THERE.

Over a Mile of Roadways and Walks Have Been Laid Out at Almost No Expense to the City—What the Plans for the Park Provide For. The Final Work Cannot Be Done Until the City Appropriates a Sufficient Sum of Money—The Park's Natural Advantages.

It is time that the general public of this city realized the splendid advantages of Connell park and awoke to a realization of the magnitude of the work which in the way of improvement, is being accomplished there this summer on an insignificant little appropriation of a little over a thousand dollars.

The work of improving Connell park has been slowly dragging on ever since it was donated to the city and promised, when Director of Public Works Roche took charge of his department, to continue ad infinitum unless some bold and decisive step was taken. Director Roche recently has considered natural advantages of the park and decided to push the work of improvement to a speedy completion.

He found himself handicapped at the start by the meagre, if not altogether, of the appropriation which was exhausted in a few days. Deciding that to attempt to secure any more money from councils this year would be a waste of time he consulted with the prison board and after several conferences succeeded in getting the services of a gang of prisoners from the county jail to do the work which councils should have provided for.

GREAT AMOUNT OF WORK.

The gang of men secured averaged about twenty in number at the work which they have done in the past two months and a half is nothing short of marvelous when certain facts are taken into consideration. The personnel of the gang is constantly changing but the work has been done with a regularity and industry which is new to the work here. They have "broken in" every day. Then, overshadowing all else, is the one great fact that they receive nothing for their labor and can, therefore, not be expected to work with their heart in their toil. Kindness and good treatment, however, have won the day, as the results show plainly.

The plans for the improvement of the park were prepared a number of years ago, but have recently been considerably altered and improved by City Engineer Phillips, who is supervising the work and who spends several hours at the park three days in every week. He has a subordinate employe of his bureau at the park constantly, directing the operations.

The plans provide for an extensive series of driveways and wide walks threading in and out throughout the eighteen acres of ground comprising the park. A main road, starting at the principal entrance gate, is to skirt the entire park, while the main walk, about ten feet wide, runs from the entrance gate half way through the park across and then back again, and for a number of large flower beds and a fountain surrounded by a court and approached by a wide walk just west of this. This walk is already laid out and is lined on both sides by beautiful catalpa trees.

It is proposed to soil and terrace the entire western end of the park just as soon as it can possibly be done. That portion lying just within the main entrance is already finished and presents a most beautiful appearance, covered with a mix of grass and gravel lawn and dotted with handsome flower beds.

The larger part of the park will be left, it is understood, in all its natural beauty, and no attempt will be made to make it too snug and cozy and span. The immense boulders, partly hidden from view by clumps of laurel bushes, makes as beautiful an effect as the finest landscape gardener could produce.

MAKING WALKS.

The walks throughout the park are to be made of finely broken stone, mixed with soft clay and rolled in hard. Next to gravel, this is said to be the best for park purposes.

While the rough part of the work can be done by the prisoners at no expense to the city, the finishing touches next year will have to be provided for by councils. Shrubs and flowers will need to be bought, and a pavilion and toilet rooms erected. A new fence surrounding the entire park must be constructed, and there are numerous other works to which \$10,000 could be used to great advantage in finishing a park which has every advantage over any park in the city.

It is no idle boast that Connell park has the advantage over any park in the city in its natural location. Situated as it is on one of the highest points in the city, it commands a view for miles

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both north, south and west, and the air there is as bracing almost as a sea breeze.

INSPECTION NOT SUPERFLUOUS

Dr. Jacob Helmer believes that it is a good thing.

Dr. Jacob Helmer, member of the board of examiners of the state board of veterinary surgery of this city, when asked yesterday for an opinion concerning Dr. Koch's statement at the London Tuberculosis congress that bovine tuberculosis is not communicable to man, said that, in the absence of proofs of this startling assertion, he was not prepared to express a definite opinion at present.

But he thought that the system of milk inspection was by no means superfluous, even if the tubercle bacillus of the cow could not produce disease in man, because there were many other diseases of cattle due to various causes, such as insufficient cleanliness about the stable and milk houses, bad water, etc., which still might be communicated.

VAN WORMER REVERSED

Judge Buffington Took a Different View of the Keystone Coal Company Case.

Word was received here yesterday by Bankruptcy Referee C. A. Van Wormer of a reversal at the hands of Judge Buffington of his opinion in the Keystone coal company's case.

Creditors of the coal company in May, 1900, sought to have it declared bankrupt. The company demurred, alleging that a coal company was excluded by congress from the list of parties who might be affected by involuntary bankruptcy proceedings. Contending for the creditors admitted that the decisions were unanimous in freeing a mining company from the operations of the act, but contended that the case of the Keystone Coal company was distinguished from those in which decisions had been rendered, by the fact that it was a coal-selling, rather than a coal-mining company; that the character of its principal business brought it directly within the class of traders in merchandises.

Referring Mr. Van Wormer took this view, and rendered an opinion, of which the following is a syllabus:

"Where a corporation leased certain lands for the purpose of mining and disposing of all merchantable coal thereunder, the consideration to be paid and sold from said land, such corporation may be considered to have purchased the land by the ton, converted it into a merchantable article, and sold it with a view of profit, which constitutes trading and engaging in a mercantile pursuit, rendering the corporation liable to be adjudicated a bankrupt."

An individual engaged in the same business as the Keystone Coal company could be adjudicated a bankrupt without any question. Congress did not intend that a corporation should be differently treated in this regard, from an individual.

On what ground Judge Buffington reverses the referee is not known here as yet.

In the legal publication containing the decisions in bankruptcy matters, the editor says in a footnote to Referee Van Wormer's opinion that while it was likely the opinion would not be sustained by authority, but if it was not the law it ought to be.

The case will be appealed to Supreme court by Judge Willard, attorney for the creditors.

EDGINTON IN THE CITY.

Talk with Director of Public Works Roche About Improvements.

Landscape Gardner Edginton was in the city yesterday in consultation with Director of Public Works Roche about the improvements at Nay Aug park.

The idea of locating the "zoo" on the east side of the Roaring Brook has been abandoned, and it will be located near the old quarry, north of the Mulberry street bridge. A den for the bears is now being blasted out of rock there. On the plateau above this will be the paddock for the deer.

Within a month it is expected that things will so shape themselves that work on the aquatic gardens can begin and also on the observatories to be erected at intervals along the ravine. It is expected that all that part of the park improvements will be completed this year.

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TWO ARE TIED NEAR THE TOP

HENRY SCHWENKER AND MISS WILHELMINA GRIFFIN.

Are Both Entitled to Second Place in The Tribune's Educational Contest. Miss Pedrick Only Eight Points Behind Miss Meredith—But Twelve Points Separate Ninth and Seventh Positions—Those Who Wish to Enter the Contest Must Do So Before August 15.

Standing of Contestants.

TABLE NO. 1.

If this was the last day, these would win:

1. Meyer Lewis, Scranton	553
2. Henry Schwenger, South Scranton	363
3. Miss Wilhelmina Griffin, Providence	363
4. William Miles, Hyde Park	280
5. Garfield Anderson, Carbondale	205
6. Ray Buckingham, Elmhurst	136
7. Miss Norma Meredith, Hyde Park	107
8. Miss Vida Pedrick, Clark's Summit	99

TABLE NO. 2.

How many of these will be in Table No. 1 on the closing day?

9. August Brunner, Jr., Carbondale	95
10. Frank Kemmerer, Factoryville	63
11. David O. Emery, Wimmers, Pa.	45
12. Arthur C. Griffin, Montrose	39
13. W. H. Harris, Hyde Park	23
14. Miss Minnie Wallis, Carbondale	20
15. E. J. Sheridan, Hawley	6
16. Miss Jennie Ward, Olyphant	6
17. Robert Campbell, Green Ridge	3

Miss Wilhelmina Griffin very nearly succeeded in carrying out The Tribune's prediction that she would be in second place this morning in the Educational Contest. She brought in thirty points, which would have entitled her to that position had not Henry Schwenger brought in just the one point that prevented her from passing him, and consequently they are tied very near the head of the list. It is a foregone conclusion, considering the relative number of points that these two contestants have been bringing in recently, that Miss Griffin will soon be drawing away from Mr. Schwenger, but she has a difficult task ahead if she hopes to overtake Meyer Lewis, as that young man now leads her by 190 points.

Miss Pedrick came very near passing her first century mark yesterday. However, she succeeded in breaking her tie with August Brunner for eighth place and in getting within eight points of the next position above. The contestants in this section of the list are very close together, but twelve points separating ninth and seventh positions.

There were no new entries yesterday, but there is an excellent opportunity for beginners even yet. Last year some of the winners commenced in the closing month, and perhaps it will

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