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## CITY NOTES.

**CONCERT TONIGHT.**—The Lawrence band will give a concert this evening at the Scranton Bicycle Club house, from 7 until 9 o'clock.

**TO MEET TONIGHT.**—An important meeting of the Sax Aug Engine company and Life and Young corps will be held in the club rooms of the Firemen's Relief association tonight.

**REGULAR MEETING.**—The managers of the Home for the Friendless will hold a regular meeting today at the usual time and place. It is urged that every manager who is in town will be present.

**THAT WIMMERS HYDRANGEA.**—Mrs. Lucy Brown, of Wimmers, writes us that the dimensions of her hydrangea, as recently given, were incorrect. The blossom alone measures 27 1/2 in. in circumference.

**SMALL BOY RUN DOWN.**—A small scowder James West was struck by a horse while crossing Wyoming avenue late last night, and it was thought he would be seriously injured. He was, however, with only a few slight bruises and was coming out "Evening Journal," 8 1/2, five minutes after the accident.

**D. L. & W. P. DAVIS.**—The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company will pay for the Delaware, Manville and Scranton mines tomorrow at the Bellevue mines and washery, Dodge, Taylor, Holden, Pyre, Canina, British, Alshald, Continental, Hampton, mines and washery, Sloan, Hyde and Oxford. Monday at the Avondale, Ansonville, Blue, Hunt, Portborne and Woodland mines.

### THE NEW CLOTHING STORE.

John J. Collins' Temporary Store,  
508 Lackawanna Avenue.

Mr. John J. Collins will open his temporary store Saturday morning at 508 Lackawanna avenue. Mr. Collins is forced to go into temporary quarters, as the building in which his new store will be located, in the 200 block Lackawanna avenue, will not be ready for occupancy for some time, and as Mr. Collins has made large purchases of finest fall goods, he feels that to do himself justice he will have to start business immediately at the beginning of the season.

The stock is an entirely new one and represents the very best values in clothing and furnishings. Don't forget the opening in the temporary quarters Saturday morning, 508 Lackawanna avenue.

### OF LOCAL INTEREST.

**Appointments Made Yesterday by Governor W. A. Stone.**

Governor W. A. Stone at Harrisburg yesterday announced the following appointments: Trustees of the Lackawanna state hospital, Scranton—James P. Dickson, W. P. Halliwell, Colonel E. H. Ripple, Thomas Sprague, O. S. Johnson, E. L. Fuller, Rev. J. A. O'Reilly, Scranton; Auditor General Hardenbergh, Honesdale; C. Fred Wright, Susquehanna; State Dental Examining Board—J. T. Jappinott, Philadelphia; H. N. Young, Wilkes-Barre.

Trustees of Oral School for the Deaf, Scranton—Judge Charles E. Rice, Wilkes-Barre; E. L. Fuller, Scranton.

### MONEY NOT YET PAID OVER.

City Treasurer Serves Request on County Treasurer for \$60,000.

City Treasurer Robinson served a request on County Treasurer J. A. Scranton a short time ago for the \$60,000 which the latter still owes the city as its share of the money received from liquor licenses, and has received no response.

Treasurer Scranton said some months ago that he was not compelled under the law to pay over the city funds in his possession before Sept. 1.

**Maitland Fair.**

Exhibits must be entered on Monday next, though articles may be brought on the grounds at any time before Tuesday noon. Foot ball is booming up. The soft race will be something new and interesting. The grounds have been put in excellent condition. The management has done everything to make the fair a success. It remains with the people to attend and make everybody happy.



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## CLEMONS MADE STRONG SPEECH

SPOKE IN FAVOR OF TAXING BIG CORPORATIONS.

Declared That Councils Were Not Bound to Sit Down and Do What the Water Company Wants Done. Corporations Enjoying a Monopoly and Public Franchises Should Be Taxed, He Said—License Tax Ordinance Passed on Second Reading, as Originally Amended.

The license tax ordinance imposing a tax on the gross receipts of the local public service corporations was passed on second reading by select council last night, as amended some five weeks ago.

There was no opposition to the passage of the ordinance on second reading, but this was largely due to the fact that a number of the members labored under the impression that a certain amendment, offered by Mr. Merriman, had been carried, when in reality it had been defeated.

The ordinance, when called up by Mr. Melvin, was in the form in which it was left after council got through with it a few weeks ago. It provided for a tax of five per cent. upon the gross receipts of street railway, water and gas companies, and for a tax of two per cent. upon the gross receipts of telephone, steam heat and electric light companies.

Mr. Melvin offered an amendment to reduce the tax on water companies from five to two per cent., but looked for no success, as he found that no one moved to second the amendment.

Mr. Merriman was to the front next with an amendment providing that the tax on all water companies be placed at three per cent. Before he got an opportunity to talk on his amendment, Mr. Clemons was on his feet, beginning a lengthy speech in favor of the ordinance in the form in which it was then before council.

### WHAT CLEMONS SAID.

"There seems to be a disposition on the part of these companies to avoid this taxation," said he, "but we've got to face the issue. We all know that no matter what the tax we impose upon these corporations, they will plead poverty and try to avoid paying it. There may be some of the corporations listed here that cannot afford to pay the tax, but every intelligent member of this council knows that the water company and the gas company can afford it.

"The Scranton Gas and Water company, which for years furnished this city with water for public purposes for \$2,000 a year, announced through its president some months ago that \$12,000 per annum would be the price in the future. An ordinance was drafted providing for the execution of a contract at this figure, but its passage was unnecessarily delayed, and it died when council reorganized.

"A new ordinance was introduced, but because it did not pass with sufficient promptness to please the president of this august corporation, he withdrew his offer of \$12,000, if you please, and calmly informs the water company that if we want water in the future we must pay \$15,000 a year. With this proposition before us, shall we sit here as the representatives of the taxpayers of this city and vote to reduce the tax on this company, shall we sit here and do this on the basis that we must do everything the president of this corporation says we shall do?"

"To the individual on the fence it looks very much as if this withdrawal of the company's former offer of \$12,000 was made with a view to opening up negotiations in the future. It will be observed that the offer was not withdrawn until after this tax ordinance was introduced. It is reasonable to presume that the president of the water company imagined that he could get another committee appointed and that he could say to the members, 'Exempt us from this awful tax and we'll let you have water for \$12,000 a year.'

**ELECTRIC LIGHT TRUST.**

"There may be some of these companies that are really poverty-stricken. The electric light company, which now consists of a combination of all the former electric light companies, and which is a sort of a trust in a small sort of a way, and which is a real monopoly, may be hard up and unable to pay any taxes. Its officials say it is, but I don't know much about it.

"There is no question but that the only way to tax corporations is to tax their gross receipts. It is an extremely hard matter to get anything like a fair idea of their net receipts, unless we tax them absurdly high, as they did in New York state, and thus make them show their hands. That's not a good way, however, and I repeat that this is the only right way to impose a tax on corporations.

"The time has come, gentlemen, for us to do one thing or the other. I am willing to stand up for fair play every time for individual tax-payers or for corporations, but I say to you that we will make serious mistakes if we fail to pass this ordinance. We are now a city of the second class and the increased expenditures which have been necessitated by the change must be met in some way. We have looming up before us over \$100,000 worth of judgments which the ripper bill says must be paid next year.

"How are we going to pay them? How are we going to meet this increased expenditure? Are we going to increase the taxes of the individual tax-payers or are we going to make these corporations contribute a just share to the expenses of our municipal government? What do you suppose the people of this city will think if we sit here and calmly increase their taxes and exempt the corporations? Do you suppose for a minute that they will be satisfied?"

Mr. Oliver spoke in favor of the adoption of Mr. Merriman's amendment. He was just as much in favor of taxing the corporations as was Mr. Clemons, he said, but he thought it unwise to go in too heavy at the outset. He thought that the ordinance should be merely an entering wedge. Some of the companies should be taxed 10 per cent., he said, but this could be done later on.

**MR. MERRIMAN'S FEARS.**

Mr. Merriman spoke along similar lines. He seemed to be fearful that if the tax was placed too light the ordinance would be done to death in common council when it got over to that branch of concurrences. He said that none of the members should let

their personal feelings carry them into extremes.

Mr. Clemons took occasion to remark that he had no personal feelings in the matter, but was guided entirely by what he thought to be the best interests of the city.

"I'm not opposed to corporations," said he, "and I don't want the gentlemen to imagine I am. I have been respectful of the interests of private corporations who start up in business in this city and who meet with sharp competition. We should do everything in our power to conserve the interests of this sort of corporations. The corporations that we are talking of now are the corporations which have no competition, and which not only enjoy a monopoly, but also public franchises for which they have paid absolutely nothing.

Mr. Merriman's amendment was declared defeated by a viva-voce vote, but several of the members who were not paying much attention to the course of events imagined that it had been carried.

Mr. Melvin next offered an amendment providing for a tax on steam-heating companies from two to one per cent. of the gross receipts, but was again unable to find a second to the motion.

President Chittenden came down from the chair and made an amendment which met with a similar fate.

"I move," said he, "that we throw away all these amendments and pass the ordinance on second reading just as it came to us from the common council. We'll never in the world be able to get common council to approve of any of these amendments and we're simply wasting time."

**ON SECOND READING.**

President Chittenden looked around for a second to his motion, but everybody was still and he gave it up. The ordinance was then passed on second reading, without a bit of opposition. Some of the members felt like kicking themselves real good when a few minutes afterwards when they found that Mr. Merriman's amendment had been defeated and not passed.

"The established precedent in councils for years past has been to wait until all amendments have been printed before passing an ordinance on third reading. The amendments adopted five weeks ago had not been printed, and the ordinance could therefore not be called up on third reading. Mr. Clemons was very anxious, however, to get the measure to a final vote last night, believing it to be a case of "now or never," and despite this precedent, he called it up on third reading, and moved that it be passed.

President Chittenden intimated that he wouldn't consider the ordinance, and Mr. Clemons then moved that council go into committee of the whole for the purpose of amendment. There was no objection, and Mr. Wagner was called to the front.

"I now move," said Mr. Clemons, "that we do what Mr. Chittenden wanted us to do some time ago, namely, strike off all amendments and leave the ordinance as it came to us from common council, and as it is printed here. I only make this motion because I feel that if we don't do something definite tonight, we'll never do it."

His motion was not put, however, as the speaker was interrupted by a member of the council, leaving the room. Among those who left were councilmen openly opposed to the ordinance and those who were supporters of Mr. Merriman's amendment, so that it could not be put to a vote in particular blocks of the quorum. The remaining members decided to adjourn until next Monday night, when the ordinance will be finally considered.

**MAGISTRATES' SALARIES.**

Some little discussion was caused when the ordinance fixing the salaries of police magistrates was called up on second reading. The ordinance as amended in common council provided for a salary of \$400 for each magistrate. Mr. Melvin offered an amendment fixing the salaries as follows: First, Second and Third districts, \$500; Fourth district, \$300; Fifth district, \$200. He figures on figures showing that the fines received in the central part of the city and in North Scranton far exceed the amount received in West and South Scranton.

Mr. Cosgrove opposed this on the ground that all the magistrates are of equal rank and should therefore receive equal salaries. Mr. Vaughan also opposed the amendment.

"There are a dozen in this city," said he, "who would take the position of police magistrates and work without receiving any salary, just for the advertising." The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—Ragan, Melvin, Schneider, Clemons, Chittenden—5.

Nays—Rice, Castle, Morgan, Maloney, Wagner, Schneider, Shea, Merriman, Cosgrove, Oliver, O'Brien, Vaughan, McAndrew—10.

A belated report from the police committee was then received, in the form of an amendment fixing the salaries as follows: First and second districts, \$450; Third and Fourth districts, \$400; Fifth district, \$300. This amendment was adopted without discussion and without opposition. Another amendment was adopted, taking the Twenty-first ward from the North Scranton district and placing it in the West Scranton district.

A common council resolution exonerating taxes on real estate in the Eleventh ward, was ruled out of order by President Chittenden, who called the attention of the members to the fact that Recorder Connell had vetoed a similar resolution, because it was contrary to law. The resolution directing the city solicitor to appeal the case of the city against E. B. Sturges was referred to that official for an opinion as to whether there is any possibility of an appeal being successfully taken.

An ordinance was introduced by Mr. Vaughan appropriating certain balances for the payment of additional deficiencies. A resolution introduced by Mr. Chittenden, was adopted, permitting the property owners on the northern side of Lackawanna avenue, between Washington and Adams avenues, to enter into a private contract for the paving of the street in front of their properties with asphalt.

The following ordinances passed third and final reading: Providing for the grading of Moose street; providing for the construction of sidewalks on certain blocks on Providence road and North Main avenue.

### FEDERAL COURT NOTES.

A petition for discharge was filed yesterday in the office of Clerk E. R. W. Seale, of the district federal court, in the case of John S. Dougherty, of Carlisle, who was adjudicated a bankrupt July 8.

Decrees of discharge were yesterday granted the following petitioners in bankruptcy by Judge R. W. Archibald: Samuel A. Donohoe, of this city; Anthony Vanderlin, of W. Vermont; and E. J. W. Wickoff, of Southfield, and John M. Wickoff, of East Stroudsburg, who did business under the name of N. B. Wickoff & Sons.

## JUDGE VOSBURG IS SWORN IN

ORPHANS' COURT WILL ORGANIZE NEXT MONDAY.

Calendar for the Remainder of the Year—Fee Bill and Rules to Be Revised—J. W. Tiffany Selected for Tipstaff—Stenographer and Additional Clerk Not Yet Selected. John W. Benjamin Will Lose His Job by Reason of the Transfer of the Orphans' Court Record.

The commission of Hon. A. A. Vosburg, judge of the orphans' court, arrived yesterday morning from Harrisburg. It was signed Tuesday in Philadelphia by Governor Stone. The commission was addressed to Recorder of Deeds Bonn. A letter from Secretary of the Commonwealth Grist notified Judge Vosburg of its transmission.

The new judge was the recipient of no end of congratulations yesterday. During the afternoon his office in the Liberty building, on Washington avenue, was the scene of continual handshaking. Members of the bar predominated among the callers, and numbered among these were all the prominent lawyers who are in town.

The commission is dated Sept. 2. The appointment, under the law, was to take date from the first Monday in September, and continuing until the first Monday in January, 1902. An election of orphans' court judge is directed to take place in the fall of 1902.

### ORGANIZED MONDAY.

There will be a session of the new court next Monday morning at 10 o'clock for the purpose of organizing. At that time announcement will be made of the names of the court attaches. The judge appoints a stenographer and tipstaff. The latter will be J. Wallace Tiffany, of Fleetville, a veteran Republican and prominent figure in county conventions. The stenographer has not as yet been selected.

Two clerks are to be appointed by the register of wills, with the approval of the judge. One will be the present deputy register, Henry T. Koehler. The other is yet to be agreed upon.

The new court will be, eventually, provided with quarters in what is now court room No. 2. An office for the judge will be arranged at the northern end of the room. For the present, Judge Vosburg will be located in the extra chamber, on the second floor, opposite President Judge Edwards' room.

With the organization of the new court will come an important change in the keeping of records. All the orphans' court and marriage license business will be transferred from the office of the clerk of the courts to that of the register of wills, who, under the law, becomes also clerk of the orphans' court. This will mean that Clerk of the Courts Daniels will be called upon to release one of his three clerks, J. W. Benjamin, the newest comer to the office, will be dropped.

### NEW QUARTERS FOR REGISTER.

It is likely also that new quarters will have to be secured for the register of wills, as his present quarters are

too small to accommodate the increased business. There is some talk of having the clerks of the courts and the register of wills exchange quarters.

Judge Vosburg has prepared a calendar of the orphans' court for the remainder of the year, as follows:

The orphans' court of Lackawanna county will meet as follows during the year 1901:

The week of Sept. 16, 1901.

The week of Oct. 11, 1901.

The court will open at 10 a. m. each day of said weeks.

Also, each Saturday during each week in which the court of common pleas is in session, on Monday, the ninth day of September, 1901; and on the last Saturday in each month, all of which shall be regular days of court for all purposes.

The court will open at 10 a. m. on each of said days.

Additional days will be fixed if necessary.

The fee bill will be revised as directed by the act of assembly. One important change which will probably be made is to charge estates for the preparing of wills and of taking out of letters of administration, according to a graduated scale, instead of a fixed figure, as at present. By the new rate, a small estate will pay only a small fee, while a large one will pay more, though the fee will not be made excessive.

The session next Monday morning will take place in court room No. 2. Any citations or arguments made returnable at that time by previous order of court will be heard. It is possible, also, that Judge Vosburg will at that time appoint a committee of the bar to revise the Orphans' court rules to conform to the new law.

### L. I. and S. Company's Appeal.

The hearing before Judge Carpenter in the matter of the appeal of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company from the tax assessments on its mill property that is now being dismantled, was conducted yesterday morning.

The defense put on only two witnesses, City Assessor Phil Rinsland testified that in his opinion the value of the eleven acre tract along the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western tracks was \$80,000. On cross-examination it was disclosed that he based his opinion on a sale of a similar piece of land alongside the Delaware and Hudson tracks in the sixteenth ward.

Assistant Building Inspector T. B. Jackson was called to testify to real estate values, but could not qualify.

A number of real estate men had been summoned by the city to testify in support of the assessment, but failed to put in an appearance.

Joseph O'Brien argued for the appeal and City Solicitor Watson against it.

### Two Released from Jail.

Warren Hovey, of Dickson City, charged by Levi Brown with perjury, was released from jail yesterday on \$500 bail, furnished before Judge Kelly by Michael Light.

Michael McNulty, charged by Charles Pilger with larceny, was released on \$100 bail, furnished by W. N. Cole.

### In Less Than Six Months.

Margaret A. Morris, of Old Forge, sued for divorce yesterday, alleging that her husband, Benjamin Morris, deserted her after they had been married less than six months.

The marriage took place Jan. 24, 1898, and the desertion on June 7, following.

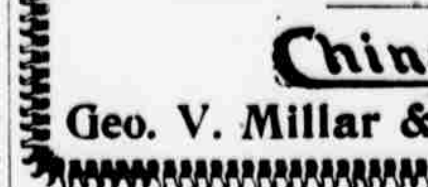
### Want to Secure Partition.

Thomas Leyshton, his wife, Lizzie Thomas Leyshton, and her brother, W. P. Thomas, brought suit in equity yesterday against Thomas H. Phillips and his wife, Mary Thomas Phillips, to secure partition of a property on Lincoln avenue, which was bequeathed

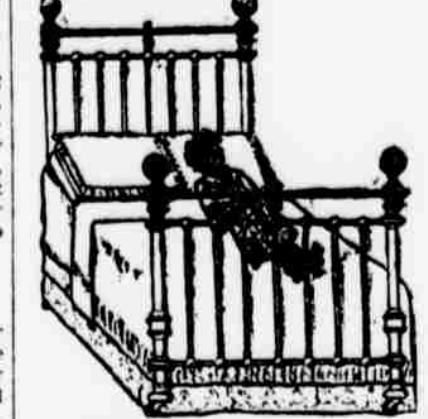
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Margaret A. McLaughlin	201 Ash street
Miles Abdolbank	121 Hennessy court
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Harriet Pettit	Paterson
Fernina Scarra	Paterson
Victor Kemper	641 Maple street
Bertrine P. Albrecht	38 Hickory street

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