

OVER SIXTY IN ATTENDANCE

ANNUAL SESSION OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Delegates from All Parts of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference Are Present—Sessions Being Held in First Christian Church, North Scranton—Addresses Made by Rev. A. R. Miller, Rev. C. A. Brady and Rev. R. G. Frank—Programme for Today's Sessions.

The annual convention of the Christian Missionary Society of the Eastern Pennsylvania Christian conference opened yesterday afternoon in the First Christian church, on North Main avenue, and will continue until tomorrow night.

Upwards of sixty delegates, one-half of whom are clergymen, representing some twenty-five churches in Eastern Pennsylvania, are in attendance. The conference comprises all the Christian churches in the eastern part of the state, including those in Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Reading, and other large cities.

The first session of the convention was held in the afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock, when a devotional service was conducted by Rev. C. A. Brady, of Westmore. An address was made by Rev. A. R. Miller, of Lock Haven, who spoke on "What Is the Value to a Preacher of Ministerial Institutes?" He argued that they were necessary, if for no other purpose than to keep the clergyman out of the world for a brief period each week. A general discussion of the subject followed.

ADDRESS ON REVIVALS.

Rev. C. A. Brady, of Williamsport, delivered a brief address on "Revivals." He made the statement that a great many of the so-called revivals which are conducted in various parts of the country are a detriment, rather than a benefit, to the church. Revivals are profitable only when the church members work and pray and consecrate themselves and their substance to the cause of Christ, he said. The discussion on this subject was very general and was led by Rev. H. L. Maltman, of Sayre.

The devotional service at night was held by Rev. C. H. Frick, of Mill Hill, who prayed that the life of President McKinley might be spared to the people of this country. The address of the night was made by Rev. R. G. Frank, of Philadelphia, who is pastor of the First Christian church of that city and a young man of great eloquence.

He spoke on "God's Power and Its Limitation." He contended that God's plan in dealing with man takes into consideration the man's cooperation. When man refuses to co-operate with God, he said, he thus limits God's power.

"The great question that every man should ask, said he, 'is, What does God want me to do? What does He want me to do? should be every man's cry. Any man who wants to know what God desires him to do can find out by reading his Bible. It's set down there as plain as the sunlight."

"I believe I am right in saying that there can be nothing better for the world than the hearty co-operation of every Christian man and woman with God. There can be nothing better for humanity than for every Christian to make himself a part of the power of Almighty God to transfer the power and dominion of earth—into the hands that know Him not."

NIGHT SESSION.

The night session was brought to a close by the singing of the Doxology and the pronouncing of the benediction by Rev. Dr. George E. Guild, pastor of the Providence Presbyterian church.

The sessions today will be held beginning at the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 and 7:30 p. m. The morning session will be devoted to the hearing of reports from the officers of the conference and the evangelists. Rev. L. Maxwell, of Williamsport, the president of the conference, will also deliver his annual address. The afternoon will be devoted to the women's missionary work, and at night an address will be delivered by Rev. R. A. Smith, of Philadelphia.

TRAINMEN ARE HERE.

Members Consulting Prior to Conference with Supt. Clarke.

Members of the general committee of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen of the Lackawanna system assembled here yesterday and entered upon a two days' consultation as a preliminary to the conference which they will have with General Superintendent T. E. Clarke tomorrow.

PRESBYTERIAN CONFERENCE.

Will Be Held at Tunkhannock the First Week in October.

At the spring meeting of the Presbytery of Lackawanna a committee was appointed to make arrangements for another season of special prayer and Bible study similar to that held last fall at Lake Winola.

The committee has decided to somewhat alter the character of the meet-

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DYNAMITE IN THE TRAIN.

Was Not Exploded by a Rear End Collision.

A rear end collision occurred yesterday morning on the Delaware and Hudson railroad, just north of the Moosic station, which, fortunately, resulted in nothing but the derailing of several cars and the overturning of an engine. There was a carload of dynamite in one of the trains and why it was not exploded by the force of the collision is beyond comprehension.

All of the trainmen jumped from their places and escaped without injury, except Fireman William Banks, who sustained a sprained ankle in jumping. A fast freight train in charge of Conductor Nicholson was coming north and was being followed by a coal train in charge of Conductor Case. The former was stopped for a few minutes and before the flag could signal the coal train to stop it came around a curve and crashed into the rear end of the freight.

A number of cars in both trains were derailed, and damaged to some extent, and the engine of the coal train was overturned and rolled down an embankment. The north and south bound main tracks were blocked for some distance and the regular trains were delayed in consequence.

CITY NOTES.

AID SOCIETY MEETS.—The Ladies Aid society of the All Souls' Universalist church will meet with Mrs. W. Esterbrook, 47 Pine street, Wednesday afternoon.

C. R. B. OF S. J. PAYS.—The employees of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, between Scranton and New Chicago will receive their August pay on Sept. 10 and 20.

D. & H. PAY DAYS.—The Delaware and Hudson employees at the Delaware, Baltimore, and New York, No. 2, Baltimore Tunnel and Conyngham collieries.

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIETY MEETING.—There will be a meeting of St. Joseph's society at the Knights of Columbus club house, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

WILL SERVE LEPHER.—The Ladies Aid society of Grace Lutheran church will serve a dinner cent supper Thursday evening, Sept. 12, from 6 to 8 o'clock, corner of Mulberry street and Madison avenue.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETS.—The transportation committee of the general committee in charge of the convention of the State League of Railroad Clerks will be held here next week, will meet tonight at the State League rooms in the Price building. R. B. Williams is chairman of the committee.

HELD AN ALIBI.—Dr. W. Rowland Boyer, of South Main avenue, who is acting as coroner in the absence of Dr. Roberts, who is at the Pan-American, held an autopsy yesterday on the body of Mrs. Josephine Cavie, the woman who was killed on the railroad near the Store breaker on Monday. An inquest may be held in the case later.

MEETING OF MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.—The Lackawanna County Medical Association met last night in the common council chamber and conducted an interesting session, a number of matters of importance coming up for discussion. J. L. R. read a paper on "Palmaris Cystoscopy," in which he treated the subject in a very able manner.

SALE OF CONVEYANCED PROPERTY.—Internal Revenue Collector T. E. Pomon will hold a public sale, Saturday, Sept. 21, at 10 o'clock in the morning at the Federal building, one corner with Second and Adams, which will be sold to the highest bidder. These articles were seized some time ago in a raid upon a still, and the liquor contained was emptied into a sewer.

HOSPITAL TRUSTEES' MEETING.—It is expected that the new board of trustees for the state hospital at Scranton, which is being organized for the purpose of organization Saturday morning at the hospital. The board consists of the state auditor general, Hon. E. R. Hedden, Congressman Wright, of Scranton; James P. Dickson, Colonel E. H. Bingle, E. L. Fuller, O. S. Johnson, W. F. Halladay, Rev. J. A. O'Reilly and T. E. Sprague.

ELMHURST.

Mr. Will Greiss, of Alburtis, is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. W. Kneider. Mr. T. N. Thompson is on a business trip to New York city and other places.

Miss Mildred Shoemaker spent Sunday with friends at Factoryville.

Mr. L. Clyde Bixler, of Easton, Pa., left on Monday, after spending a few days here as the guest of Miss Helen Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Buckingham and Mr. A. B. Clay are attending the Baptist Sunday school convention and the members of the Abington Baptist association, which is being held this week.

Miss Ruth Hanley, of Scranton, was the guest of Miss Williams over Sunday.

Miss Williams entertained Mr. E. L. Picketts at tea on Sunday evening.

The number of pupils in the borough school increases daily. Miss Schenck's school has fifty-six in her room and thirty-nine are enrolled in the principal's room.

Miss Nettie Evans spent Sunday last Monday at Abington.

A party party of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Cooper on Thursday evening in response to invitations to a party given in honor of Mrs. Cooper's niece, Miss Edna Dunning, May Schenck, Bessie Buckingham, Grace Stanton, Bertha Humiston, Bessie Humiston, Mary Dunning, Edna Dunning, Carrie Schiebel, Elsie Cooper, Jennie Tribble, Blanch Wheeler, Ida Strauss, Ida Edwards, Cora New, Beulah Cooper, Mrs. Cora Edis, Mrs. Byron Buckingham, Mrs. C. H. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Cooper and Messrs. P. L. Davis, Walter Page, Bert Aten, Henry Aten, Elmer Tooley, Will Jenkins, Ed. Schiebel, Garfield Edwards, Arthur Seeley, Irvin Seeley, Alfred Jenkins, Wallace Page, Thomas Page, Ray Buckingham, Lewis Humiston, Mae Knickerbocker, Jack Jenny, Hal Schiebel, Arthur Knickerbocker, Elmer Williams, George Knickerbocker, Fuller Evans.

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Judge Carpenter, in equity court, is engaged in hearing testimony in the injunction case brought by Burgess Rees, of Old Forge, to restrain the Lackawanna Electric Light, Heat and Power company from proceeding with the installation of an electric light plant in the borough of Mayfield.

On January 8, 1901, the company made a proposal to light the borough at the rate of \$72.50 per year for arc lights of 425 volts, and \$20 per year for incandescent lights of 22 candle power.

On the same day the council accepted the proposal. A preliminary injunction was returned, and the company returned it, with his reasons for the veto, so he alleges, at the next regular meeting.

The council passed the ordinance over the burgess' veto at the meeting of February 4, 1901, and directed the president of council to execute a contract with the light company, which was done. The company proceeded to install an electric light plant and the burgess went into court for an injunction. A preliminary injunction was granted with a rule to make it permanent, and on this rule evidence is now being taken. E. C. Newcomb represents the plaintiff and L. H. Burns the defense.

The application for the injunction is based on the allegations that the veto and accompanying reasons were not entered in writing on the minutes as the law requires; that the ordinance was not regularly advertised; that the ordinance and certificate of the secretary were not entered in writing in the ordinance book as the law requires, but entered by pasting in a printed copy; that the contract was not signed by the burgess, who, it is claimed, has the exclusive right to execute such an instrument; that no attempt was made to secure competitive bids, and that the passage of the ordinance was tainted with bribery.

The defense makes answer that the burgess failed to return the vetoed ordinance in time to make its veto operative, thus allowing the measure to become a law. The ordinance was even though it had not been passed over his veto; that the power to execute a contract of this kind is vested in the council and can be delegated to any officer, the president of select council being selected in this regard.

It is denied that the ordinance was not duly advertised and recorded; that no competitive bids were secured, and that there was any bribery in connection with the passage of the ordinance.

Secretary J. J. Judge was the only witness examined yesterday. He was examined in detail regarding the proceedings relative to the passage of the ordinance.

He claimed the entries in the ordinance books were regularly made, according to law, and presented the book as corroboration. The plaintiff will try to show by Burgess Rees, William Repp and others that the ordinance was pasted in originally and that the entry in writing was made after the signing of the contract. Secretary Judge also claimed that there were three bids secured for the lighting contract, one from the Avoca company, one from the Moosic company and the other from the Lackawanna company. Mr. Newcomb tried to bring out that the first two bids were secured several months before the ordinance was passed and not considered as being in competition with the latter. Secretary Judge did not have the first two bids with him and could not remember when they were received.

The case will be proceeded with this morning and is likely to take up the whole day.

The cases of J. P. Gilroy against Freeman Larned et al., and Benjamin S. Robinson against the Scranton and Pittston Railway company were continued on account of the death of the brother of Attorney L. M. Hannah, who was engaged in both cases.

DRADOSKY GOT AN APPEAL.

On petition of Attorney C. Balentine, Judge Carpenter yesterday made an order allowing an appeal from the judgment of Alderman Ruddy, in the case of the Commonwealth against Adolph Dradosky, and directing the alderman to remit the fine of \$90, which he imposed, providing Dradosky gives bail in the sum of \$300 for his appearance at the next term of the quarter sessions. Dradosky furnished bail before Clerk of the Courts Daniels and got his money back from the alderman.

In his petition, Dradosky states that John Wehner, who is prosecuting, for using obscene language, for using obscene language, was arrested at his (Dradosky's) residence, Sunday, August 25, for pointing firearms. Wehner called him an obscene name because he had worked on Saturday afternoon, which is customarily a holiday, at the Erie shops. He went to Wehner's home to have an understanding, and Wehner attempted to shoot him.

The case was to come before the grand jury yesterday. At 10 o'clock last Monday morning, Dradosky was arrested while at work on a warrant sworn out by Wehner, charging him with using vulgar and obscene language on the Sunday the revolver incident occurred. He was fined \$90, and in default was sent to the county jail. After being imprisoned two hours, friends furnished him the amount of the fine and jail fees, and he secured his liberty in time to be present to appear before the grand jury in the case he was prosecuting against Wehner.

Three Released on Bail.

Michael Walsh, defendant in an assault and battery case, in which Anna

A Man and His Wife

widely decided to send a son and daughter to the home of their father. They started well, progressed rapidly, and now are at the home of their father, J. Alfred Fenington, Director.

MURPHY'S SKULL IS FRACTURED

OLYPHANT POLE ATTACKED BY FEMALE NEIGHBOR.

Mrs. Mary Evanitsky Remonstrated with Him for Abusing His Wife. When He Struck Her She in Turn Felled Him with Billet of Wood. Injuries to Muihy May Be Fatal. Both Persons Were Under the Influence of Liqueur—Mrs. Evanitsky Is in the County Jail.

Wojcek Muihy, of River street, Olyphant, lies at his home with a badly fractured skull as the result of an altercation Sunday morning with Mrs. Mary Evanitsky, wife of Michael Evanitsky, his neighbor, who brought the dispute to a sudden end by striking him forcefully with a billet of wood.

Mrs. Evanitsky is now in the county jail and must await the result of Muihy's injuries to find whether she will be given trial on the charge of murder or felonious wounding. Dr. Crans, of Olyphant, is in attendance on the injured man, and says that while he seems at present to be making favorable progress, that it is still very early to make any predictions.

Complications may arise which will bring the affair to a fatal termination. The fracture sustained was a grave one, the front of the skull being shattered by the blow. Both Muihy and Mrs. Evanitsky are married and are tenants of B. Rosenfeld, the Olyphant merchant.

Several of his houses are situated in the same large yard, in the rear of his place of business, and Mrs. Evanitsky and Muihy's dwellings are almost side by side. Sunday's quarrel and assault were witnessed by a large number of the neighbors, practically all of whom tell the same story, to the effect that Muihy first slapped Mrs. Evanitsky and that she then struck him with the club.

Muihy, it seems, had been drinking heartily. It is also said that Mrs. Evanitsky had also drunk from the cheering bowl. Muihy, according to the story told by the neighbors, quarreled with his wife throughout the morning and shortly before his fracas with the other woman beat her severely. Mrs. Evanitsky hearing Muihy abusing his wife, finally came out of her house about 10:30 o'clock, and taking the part of Mrs. Muihy, informed the husband in exceedingly blunt language of her opinion of his conduct.

It was far from a flattering opinion and Muihy resented it by telling his neighbor to attend to matters which concerned her and to let other people's affairs alone. He followed this by calling her a choice assortment of opprobrious names, and the Evanitsky woman came back at him with like Billingsgate. Their voices rose higher and higher in anger, and finally, the neighbors say, Muihy gave Mrs. Evanitsky a powerful blow in the face.

Frantic with momentary pain and rage, the woman looked around for a weapon, and close to her hand lay a very piece of wood with which Muihy had chastised his wife but a short while before. She seized it and swinging it above her head with both arms, brought it down with terrific force on Muihy's skull.

He fell like a log and was removed into his home. Mrs. Evanitsky was taken before Justice of the Peace Mason, of Blakely, for a hearing and committed to the county jail by him. Muihy rested easily at his home yesterday.

TAYLOR.

On Friday evening the benefit concert and drawing for John Evans will take place at Weber's rink, and it is hoped that the public will respond generously to the worthy cause. Mr. Evans is a cripple, having lost his leg some time ago at the Taylor colliery, and the proceeds derived from the undertaking will go towards procuring him an artificial limb. The very best talent available has been secured to take part, including the Anthracite Glee club and the Mozart quartette, two of the foremost musical organizations of this valley. The very best articles have been secured for a drawing. Tickets, 25 cents. This will include the entertainment as well.

Nearly \$20 was realized from the ice cream social of the American Protestant Ladies' association, recently conducted in Davis' hall.

The quiet match between Richard Williams, of this town, and James White, of Lackawanna, pitched at Rideway's hotel grounds on Monday afternoon for \$100 a side, resulted in a victory for the Taylor man, he having secured 31 points to his opponent's 12. A large amount of money changed hands over the contest. This victory places Williams champion of Lackawanna county.

Gomer D. Reese, county organizer of the Prohibition league, is working hard for the success of the temperance reunion to be held at Nay Aug park on Friday next, September 13. A fine programme has been arranged for the occasion. A temperance choir, numbering 150 voices, will render selections. Several prominent temperance speakers of note will be present on the occasion to address the assemblage.

The congregation of the Presbyterian church will conduct an ice cream and peach social on the church lawn on Friday evening next.

The William Tell Rifle club will meet this evening at their quarters. All members are requested to be present.

The committee on picnic of Local unions, Nos. 501 and 1013, are requested, together with cashiers, to meet at Jones' hall this evening.

Mrs. Mary Evans, of Main street, is slowly recovering from her recent illness.

District Superintendent E. J. Evans, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company, made an official visit on Foreman W. B. Owens and J. J. Curt here yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Griffiths have returned to their home in Nanticoke, after visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. George Taylor, of Scranton, visited her sister, Mrs. R. J. Davis, of Main street, yesterday.

The Taylor section of the temperance choir will meet at the M. E. church after prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock. Owing to rain the first night there was not a full rehearsal of this section. Mr. Reese will be present and would like to see all persons interested in singing and temperance present. The selections are not difficult. Let every singer come out to this rehearsal.

SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.

Of Luzerne County Fair Association, West Pittston Grounds, Sept. 17, 18, 19, 20.

Large entries for races each day. "Cats" 2:05, the "Queen of Goldenless Wonders" will go exhibition mile each day, without rider or driver. The management is making a united effort to make this meeting the most attractive ever held in the history of the association. Admission, 25 cents.

Corporations Chartered.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, Sept. 10.—Charters were issued by the state department today to the following corporations: S. S. R. V. Co., Harrisburg, capital, \$5,000; Isabelle Lumber Co., Philadelphia, capital, \$1,000; White Rock Oil and Gas Co., Conowingo, capital, \$5,000.

Artistic Decorations FOR Table and Mantel. This season's novelties displays an unusual artistic advance in Decorative Art Ware, and our store is filled with perfectly new ideas in beautiful attractive novelties, which appeal to lovers of this line of work. China Mall. Geo. V. Millar & Co. 124 Wyoming Avenue. Walk in and Look Around.

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Lewis, Ruddy, Davies & Murphy, 330 Lackawanna Avenue. Jacob Colon yesterday caused the arrest of M. Goldman, whom he charged with collecting \$1 from a woman and signing his (Colon's) name to the receipt. As a hearing before Alderman Ruddy he failed to establish his case against Goldman and the latter was discharged. Mrs. Mary Jane Willis, of Vanhook, was last night committed to the county jail by Magistrate Millar, on a charge of assault and battery, preferred by Constable Richard Lowley, also of Vanhook, who claims that she struck him on the face, on Lackawanna avenue, on Monday. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Pekin, Sept. 10.—Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang have sent Minister Cooper a warm letter of regard at the attempted assassination of President McKinley, and Prince Ching is requesting that to issue an edict to the same purpose.

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