STRUCK BY A REFORM WAVE

THESE ARE LIVELY DAYS IN DICKSON CITY BOROUGH.

Serious Charges Are Preferred Against Councilmen and Burgess William Kennedy—John Weiland Accuses Councilmen of Being Extravagant and Corrupt, and Says the Burgess Has Not Turned Over Fines—The Burgess' Indignant Denial—Mass Meeting Saturday.

The borough officials and councilmen of Dickson City borough are having troubles of their own these days. Many citizens are arrayed against them and are determined that they shall either resign or become defendants in criminal actions.

For the past year or more there have been rumors of flagrant corruption, dishonesty and extravagance afloat but the citizens at large took no definite action. The rumors were passed from one to another, discussed a little and then forgotten for the time being. There still remained in the public mind, however, a lingering suspicion which was crystalized into definite and united action last week when councils passed a resolution providing for the effacing of the names of the old building committee from the corner stone of the new borough building and for the substitution therefor of the words "Dickson City Borough Building."

An indignation meeting of citizens was called for last Saturday night and was attended by several hundred citizens. A list of charges was prepared and was submitted to an investigating committee which is investigating this week and which will report back to a second mass meeting of citizens to be held on Saturday night.

John Weiland, who is one of the most prominent citizens of the borough and one of the leaders in the present crusade, made an extended statement last night to a Tribune man explaining at length the charges against the borough officials, a synopsis of which appeared in last Monday's Tribune.

CITIZENS ARE AROUSED.

"Existing conditions have become intolerable," said he, "and the citizens, regardless of party, have decided to probe deeply into this matter and bring the guilty officials to account.

"The action of the council in passing a resolution providing for a defacing of the corner stone of the borough building, while not important in itself, is a very good illustration of the manner in which our borough affairs are regulated. It was a spite action, pure and simple, originating with Councilman McGerrity, who apparently wants to get even with the men whose names are now on the stone because they refused to seat him some time ago. The councilmen didn't mind about that as long as the money for the gratification of Mr. McGerrity's spite came out of the borough treasury and not out of their own pockets.

"Then there is the furniture purchase. Council has just purchased a lot of furniture for the borough building at a total cost of $890. We have had expert furniture men look over the furniture purchased and their estimates of the cost average about $500 or $400 less than was paid. I met a former tea-man today who told me that when he was on the road a few years ago, he used to give away just as good chairs as the borough is asked to pay $1.50 for, with a pound of baking powder. That may sound a little exaggerated but it isn't a bit. They are just common ordinary folding camp chairs.

INDIGNATION MEETING.

"At the indignation meeting held last Saturday night former Councilman John Benton admitted having received a rake-off for some hose purchased by the borough last year and made the public statement that he had given Councilmen Harry McGerrity and John Lark $6.25 each as their share. Both these latter men are now members of our council. Six hundred feet of hose has just been purchased at the same price as last year.

"If the company could afford to and did pay a rake-off last year on 200 feet of hose it's pretty reasonable to suppose it can afford to pay and is paying a rake-off this year when the same price is being charged and when three times the amount is purchased.

"Then there's the burgess. William Kennedy. The citizens believe that he has not turned into the borough treasury all the money which should have been turned into it. He only turned over $63.50 last year, claiming that that amount was all he received in fines. Ask any man in this borough who is in his right senses and he will tell you that far, far more than that amount was collected in fines.

"The present burgess has made a specialty of arrests. He has posted his officers to catch every unwary cyclist coming along the road who may by chance happen to ride on the sidewalk. The fines collected from bicyclists who have been arrested in one day have amounted to a very considerable sum and yet he says that in 365 days he collected only $63.50. It is my opinion that the amount he collected in fines is nearer $1,000 than any other figure.

OTHER CHARGES MADE.

"There have been other charges made against the burgess. It is claimed and I believe it can be proved, that he has permitted his sister to act as magistrate during his absence and that she has taken it upon herself to exercise the functions of his office.

"There is one little incident which may throw a little light on the way things are conducted. It is said that a peddler was arrested recently and that he did not have any money wherewith to pay his fine. The burgess thought it over and finally changed the fine to three pairs of suspenders, two of which he gave to the borough policemen, keeping the other pair for himself.

"This year's tax levy is thirteen mills or three mills higher than it was last year. This is because of the extravagance of the council and it is time for the citizens to rise up and rip these men out of office."

Burgess Kennedy was seen a little later by The Tribune man and after being told of the charges which had been made against him, was asked to make reply. He went over to his desk and took out a big book marked "Borough Docket" which he laid on a table and opened up.

"There's my reply, sir," said he. "This book shows the fines which have been collected by my predecessors in office and by myself. You can see for yourself that I have collected in one year more fines than any of my predecessors collected in three years and yet these reformers have the audacity to say that I'm not doing business on the square. It's outrageous, sir, positively outrageous."

WHAT DOCKET SHOWS.

The docket showed that Burgess Snyder collected fines in 1894, 1895 and 1896, amounting to but $26.50 and that Burgess Morris Weiss collected fines in 1897, 1898 and 1899 amounting to but $54.50. The docket further showed that Burgess Kennedy collected and paid into the borough treasury for the one year of 1900, the sum of $63.50.

The Tribune man noticed that no fines at all were collected in the majority of cases, the defendants being discharged on payment of the costs, the latter going to the burgess and police officers.

"There it is in black and white," said the burgess. "There's no getting away from figures. The idea of them claiming that I collected nearly $1,000. Why, its absurd, sir, absurd," and he leaned back in his chair and laughed loud and long.

"This thing is all spite work," said he. "This talk of corruption and dishonesty was all started by J. G. Huffnagle, who's mad because the borough wouldn't build an embankment to keep the water from the river from flowing on his property. Council decided that they had no right to authorize the expenditure of money for such a purpose. Huffnagle then got his friends about him and started this cry of corruption. It won't work."

BURGESS MAKES DENIAL.

The burgess denied most emphatically that his sister had ever acted as a magistrate in his place and was much incensed when told that it was claimed that he took some suspenders from a peddler as a fine.

"That's a lie," said he, "a downright lie. I never took any suspenders for a fine. It's false, absolutely false."

The members of the investigating committee met Wednesday night and had several of the councilmen up before them. They will meet again Saturday night, when the burgess will be called upon to explain.

One of them said last night that Saturday night's meeting promises to develop some pretty startling things. He said that certain officials will be confronted with certain charges and asked to resign or suffer the results of a criminal prosecution.

"We mean business," said he. "This is no half-hearted movement."

WON THREE GAMES.

Bicycle Club Pool Players Are Still Winning—They Have Now Won 15 out of 20 Games Played.

The Scranton Bicycle club's pool players are keeping up their winning streak. Last night they won three out of the four games played with the players representing the Green Ridge Wheelmen.

J. R. Duffield, of the Bicycle club, who is not only a remarkably good pool player but one of the best bowlers in the city as well, scored 100 points in Green Ridge to William Wedeman's 71. John Reese of the Wheelmen evened things up there by defeating J. W. Dusenberry of the Bicycle club with a score of 100 to 69.

F. L. Bennett and Dr. E. M. Green, the two wheelmen who came down to the Bicycle club to play, were both defeated. E. E. Pryor won from Bennett with a score of 100 to 80 and Harry Keyes defeated Dr. Green with a score of 100 to 37.

Of the twenty games so far played, the Bicycle club players have won fifteen. There are but thirty games to be played so that in order to stand any show of winning out, the Green Ridge players must win all of the ten games yet to be played. This would only tie them and a deciding game would then remain to be played.

CITY NOTES.

TEACHERS' PAY DAY.—The teachers in the public schools will be paid tomorrow. The janitors are to be paid this afternoon.

TAKEN TO ALBANY.—The remains of the late P. B. Wemple, who died at the Hotel Nash, were taken to Albany yesterday morning for interment.

HEADQUARTERS CHANGED.—The United Mine Workers headquarters for this district have been changed from the Grand Central annex to the Pugh building, on Spruce street.

AT WOMAN'S EXCHANGE.—The Woman's exchange will have an opening of toil and worsted goods at their rooms on Tuesday, Oct. 1, at which time a fine assortment of pickles, jams, preserved fruit and spiced fruit, together with other attractions will be on exhibition. All are cordially invited to call and inspect these goods.

ORGANIZING AN ALLIANCE.—The county organizer of Prohibition Alliances has been asked to come to the central part of the city and organize an alliance. With this object in view a meeting has been called for Tuesday evening, Oct. 1, for effecting such an organization. All men, women and children are invited to attend.

OFFICERS ELECTED.—The members of Green Ridge lodge of Odd Fellows last night elected the following officers to serve during the coming year: Noble grand, S. E. Addyman; vice-grand, M. D. Farnum; trustee, I. H. Seward; representative to grand lodge, W. H. Treverton; degree master, Ezra Gray; members of excursion committee, L. B. Bedad and J. M. Atherton.

FUNERAL OF JAMES DURKIN.—The funeral of the late James Durkin was held yesterday morning from St. Peter's cathedral, where a requiem mass was solemnized by Rev. J. J. Grimes. The pallbearers were Michael Noone, James Durkin, John Roane, Michael Conlee and Martin Ferguson. Interment was made in the Cathedral cemetery.

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ONE OLD TIME COUNTY FAIR

STANDS OUT AGAINST MIDWAY INNOVATIONS.

Harford the Place and, Yesterday, the Time of a Good Old-Fashioned Fair Like Our Forefathers Held—Five Thousand Persons Come in More Than a Thousand Vehicles From All the Country for a Score of Miles Around—Some Interesting Events.

Special from a Staff Correspondent.

Harford, Pa., Sept. 26.—Here and now is the only genuine, ninty-nine and forty-four one-hundredth's per cent. pure and unadulterated country fair. Wallsville, Dallas, West Pittston, Honesdale and other places have fairs, but they are not country fairs. They may have been country fairs at one time in their history, but when contrasted with the Harford fair they are just fairs. To Hartford alone remains the distinction of conducting a country fair.

Forty-four years ago the Harford annual fair had its origin. It is the same fair today that it was Wednesday, September 19, 1857, and each succeeding year in the interim. No horse racing or that sort of thing—just pumpkins and cows and crazy quilts, and preserves. True, there was a bit of innovation today in the shape of a football game, but the "society" seemed somewhat sheepish about it all the day and, very likely, will not let it occur again. Hereafter the patrons of the fair who demand excitement mixed with their amusement will be called upon to be content with the annual ploughing match.

Everybody—or at least what is comprehended by that term from this view point—attends the Harford fair. And everybody comes in carriages. Today there were five thousand persons on the grounds and it is fair to estimate that the number of vehicles required to bring them was not less than twelve hundred.

Harford is four miles from the nearest other place, Kingsleys; seven miles from Hopbottom; fourteen miles from Montrose, and twenty-four miles from the York state line. It is in a deep, crater-like depression, atop one of the highest of the thousand-and-one high mountain knobs of central Susquehanna county. To reach it, one must drive up and down so many hills that seasickness is an ever impending danger.

THEY START EARLY.

But the hills have no deterring effect on the population hereabouts. If the journey is long and slow they take an early start. One party, which drove from Windsor, N. Y., started at 4 a. m. With the first rays of the sun every road within a radius of twenty or more miles was lined with vehicles, headed Hartford-way and as they began to closely converge, it looked as if a score of funerals were coming into town all at the same time. From 9 o'clock until noon the steep incline by which the fair grounds are reached, was blocked with carriages. At 5 o'clock, when they turned their horses homewards, the spectacle was repeated. What to many, no doubt, was the most interesting sight on the grounds was the ten acres of carriages and their fifteen hundred or two thousand horses, tiethered to adjacent trees. There were vehicles of all kinds there, of course, but the most of them were of a variety indicating that the owners were well-to-do. The horses were, for the most part, fine looking animals.

There are twelve permanent buildings on the grounds, besides a large number of pens for live stock. The buildings are neat and substantial-looking, painted a dark red, trimmed in white, and three of them, the agricultural hall, women's building and dining hall, are of goodly dimensions. The buildings are in the center of the grounds, with the pens at the extreme end. To the left is a thin grove of giant trees, where the horses and carriages are massed. To the right is the only level spot in the whole region round. It is large enough to accomodate a foot ball gridiron and covered with grass.

A merry-go-round, two tintype galleries, a large number of peanut stands and refreshment booths, and a fortune teller's tent, where you can secure a picture of your future husband or wife for ten cents, comprise the temporary paraphernalia of the grounds.

Just outside the grounds, however, in the barnyard of the adjoining hotel, could be found some of the accompaniments of the more modern fair. These included nickel-in-the-slot machines, a hot-frankfurt lay-out, a shooting gallery and a hit-the-head-and-get-one-cigar game. The "society" wouldn't allow these nefarious midway things on the grounds.

BAD YEAR FOR GROWING.

The fair was not quite as successful as that of last year in the matter of exhibits and attendance. This is explained by the fact that it was a bad year for fruits and vegetables, and that last year there was no Pan-American exposition to buck against. Last year the agricultural hall was not big enough to hold the exhibits. This year it looked positively bare. There were only four pumpkins to be seen, and the biggest of them would not be given space in any other year. There were no pumpkins at all in the Harford region this year, the bugs having eaten the vines early in the season. There wasn't a bushel of apples in the whole building. The apple crop was a dead failure. The same might be said of potatoes, except that one exhibitor had a fairly good showing of rare varieties. In the live-stock, poultry and women's departments, however, there were large and excellent exhibits.

The special attractions of the day opened up with a ploughing contest, in which there were five entries, W. H. Richardson, G. C. Forsythe, C. H. Chamberlain, A. H. Rynearson and Charles Darrell, all of Harford. It was won by Mr. Richardson, with Mr. Forsythe second, and Mr. Chamberlain third.

A hitching contest for ladies came next. The test was to unhitch and unharness and then hitch and harness a single horse. Mrs. A. W. Ellsworth, of Bridgewater, won the prize, $3. The other contestants were Miss Cory Williams, of Harford; Mrs. Horton Reynolds, of Montrose; Mrs. H. W. Booth, of Harford; Miss Belle Green, of Brooklyn.

A similar match, for girls under 12 years of age, had only one entry, Miss Letha French, of Jackson, who received $1.50.

A pulling match for draught horses was an event that attracted much attention. Teams were entered by J. P. McMahon, of Susquehanna; G. S. Darrow, of New Milford; E. J. Rhinevault, of Brooklyn; A. C. Salisbury, of Harford, and F. W. Sheldon, of Jackson. The first and second prizes of $5 and $3, respectively, were divided between Messrs. Darrow and Rhinevault, their teams showing equal strength. The horses were in turn hitched to a stone-boat loaded with big rocks. More rocks were piled on after all five teams had succeeded in drawing the load with a steady start. Three of the teams were "stuck" by the third load, and, on the fourth load, the other two horses were both stuck, necessitating a division of the two prizes.

FOOT BALL GAME.

The foot ball game was between the Scranton High School and School of the Lackawanna elevens. The former won easily in two twenty-minute halves by a score of 22 to 0. The Lackawanna lads had been practicing only three days, while their opponents had the benefit of several weeks' practice. The High school boys played a quick, snappy, heady game and gave every evidence of having a team that will do things this season. They attempted, and each time with success, many of the more daring tricks, such as long, fake and double passes. Tropp, as usual, played a star game. Thayer, a freshman, who was given his first trial, made a good showing.

The Lackawanna eleven could do absolutely nothing with the ball, and distinguished themselves only by individual tackles. Grimes and Canfield excelled their fellows in this regard. Grimes was rendered unconscious and sent under a physician's care for an hour, by flying head-first against a tree in diving after a runner who had just crossed the line. Thayer was put out of the game by a bump in the face.

Eleven points were made in each half. Tropp missed one easy and one very difficult kick, and made two difficult ones. The line-up was as follows:

High School.		Lackawanna.
Gallagher	center	Bowen
McKinney	right guard	Kennedy
Elwood	left guard	Scott
Phillips	right tackle	Kelly
Maness	left tackle	Boland
Thayer, Burns	right end	Casey
McGowan	left end	Von Krog
Powell	right half back	Grimes
Tropp (Capt.)	left half back	Canfield (Capt.)
Weisenfish	full back	Harrell
O'Reilly	quarter back	MacAshie

Touchdowns—Tropp, 2; McKinney, Weisenfish. Goals—Tropp, 2.

Referee—John Vaughan, of Scranton. Umpire—Ralph Shields, of Keystone academy.

It was the first football game ever played in these parts and where very few of the 5000 spectators understood what it was all about. They watched it with exceeding interest. There was little or no applause. A funny tumble would provoke uproarious laughter, but brilliant runs went by unrecognized. Some of the women spectators went away when they saw players laid out a couple of times. More than once was heard "The police ought to stop it."

THE PRIZE MONEY.

A prize of $25 went to the winning team. The society also paid all expenses of both teams. The boys made things lively before and after the game.

The Gibson band, reinforced by several players from Binghamton, furnished excellent music throughout the day. An orchestra played dance music in the hall over the adjoining hotel. Dancing was indulged in all day and long into the night, it being after 8 o'clock before the last of the young people left.

Some of the principal prize winners among the exhibitors were:

B. F. Jones, of South Montrose—Devon cattle.

Tarrell & Tarrell, of Birchardville—Special premium for the largest and best herd of cattle, without regard to herd, and first prize for Jerseys.

D. L. Stevens, of Uhdale—Guernseys.

J. F. Butterfield, of South Montrose, Ayrshires.

L. S. Ely—Poultry.

C. A. Main—Potatoes.

George B. Smith, of Montrose—Largest and best collection of vegetables.

O. W. Gelatt, of Gibson, and W. C. Warner, of New Milford—Pumpkins.

Mrs. Anne Cox, of Montrose—Baked apples.

Mrs. W. S. Gavitt, of Gibson—Jellies and canned fruits.

E. B. Benson, of Montrose—Photos.

Miss Linda M. Rittenhouse, of Scranton (Drayon drawings.

Marion Stearns, of Harford—Best patchwork by girl under 12 years of age.

Diamond Rose, of Brooklyn, and Bessie L. Lindsay, of Harford—Best dressed doll by girls under 12 years of age.

Florence Wheelock, of Chenango Bridge—Fancy work, outline work and darning by girl under 12 years of age.

Appended is a list of the officers of the Harford Agricultural society under whose auspices the fair is conducted:

President, G. A. Stearns; vice-president, E. J. Whitney; secretary, E. E. Jones; treasurer, E. M. Watson.

Executive committee—B. F. Hine, W. W. Wilmarth, A. C. Salisbury.

Officers of the day—General superintendent, A. H. Harding; assistant superintendent, P. M. Wilmarth; chief of police, R. I. Wescott; superintendent of horses, T. M. Tingley; assistant superintendent of horses, E. O. Howell; superintendent of cattle, W. E. Osmun; assistant superintendent of swine and Morgan; superintendent of swine and sheep, G. W. Osmun; superintendent of poultry, C. H. Stearns; superintendent of Vegetable Hall, W. A. Brown; assistant superintendent of Vegetable Hall, Leland Williams; superintendent of Floral Hall, W. B. Hammond; assistant superintendent of Floral Hall, H. W. Booth; superintendent of School exhibit, O. J. Maynard.

T. J. Duffy.

OUR GREATEST MEN

seized opportunities to push upward. Here is one for you, boy or girl—Get in to our word contest quick, and win a scholarship in the CONSERVATORY for a year; costs a little study only. Rules.

J. Alfred Pennington, Director.

MASS MEETING OF THE German Beneficial Union

Will be held Sunday, September 29, at 2 o'clock at the Haragari hall, No. 115-117 North Main street. Will organize a branch of this union, which is a Mutual Benefit association. The youngest and most improved association in existence that pays benefits in case of sickness, accidents or death. The Union has a capital of over $200,000 for security of her members. The home office is located at Pittsburg, Pa. I wish to meet a large attendance. A. F. Wedemeyer, Supreme Manager of German Beneficial Union.

There Is Still Time.

Students are registering daily for the Conservatory's courses in piano. Office, 604 Linden street. Open all day.

MULLEN CASE GOES TO JURY

JUDGE EDWARDS REFUSED MAJOR WARREN'S REQUEST.

Latter Wanted the Judge to Say to the Jury That There Was Nothing for It to Consider—Non-Suit Was Granted in the Case of Mrs. M. J. Lesh Against F. H. Clemons and Others—Sheriff's Deeds Acknowledged—Marriage Licenses Granted.

John F. Mullen's suit for damages against the Scranton Railway company occupied the attention of Judge H. M. Edwards and a jury all day. After the testimony was in, law points were presented and Major Warren made a strong effort to have the case taken from the jury. He said the plaintiff in his declaration states that a willful and unprovoked assault was made upon him by the conductor and motorman of the car on which he was riding, and does not charge any negligence on the part of the street railway company. He contended that the company was incapable of making an assault upon any person, and it was certain that none of its servants were employed to treat passengers in that way.

On the part of the plaintiff it was argued that the acts of the representatives of the company were the acts of the company, and that if an employe committed an assault while carrying out what he believed were the instructions of the company, the company was liable.

Judge Edwards said there was enough in the case to submit to the jury, as he viewed it, and this morning the arguments of counsel will be heard.

In the case of Mrs. M. J. Lesh against F. H. Clemons and others a non-suit was granted yesterday by Judge Carpenter.

The suit of Joseph E. Brennan, of Carbondale, against the Fell Township School District, to recover $525 salary for his services as a teacher in the schools of Fell township, was settled yesterday, and a verdict in favor of Mr. Brennan was taken.

Sheriff's Deeds.

The following deeds were acknowledged by Sheriff Schadt yesterday in open court:

Property of William H. Hazlett, in Scranton, to Sarah H. Hazlett, for $51.69.

Property of Frank Mellen, in Dickson City, to Caroline Mellen, for $51.60.

Property of John and Martha Thomas, in Dickson City, to Colonial Savings and Investment association, for $1,000.

Property of Richard Foster, in Dunmore, to P. D. Manley, trustee, for $147.84.

Property of Thomas McGinnis, in Mayfield, to James McGinnis, for $44.86.

Property of George Down, in Olyphant, to C. S. Woodruff, for $98.81.

Property of Henry L. Hattrandt, in Scranton, to A. H. Bartree, for $82.06.

Property of Henry L. Hattrandt, in Scranton, to George D. Brown, for $71.81.

Property of Josiah Seiple, in South Abington, to Co-operative Building bank, for $50.05.

Property of Henry L. Hattrandt, in Scranton, to Economy Building and Loan association, for $63.68.

Property of Peter and Mary Marcinkewich, in Scranton, to Economy Building association, for $74.94.

Property of Vincento Zarlenga, in Scranton, to Equitable Building and Loan association, for $48.50.

Property of William Winship, in Scranton, to D. L. Pickus and H. S. Keller, for $1,100.

Property of Sarah J. Holmes and Mary Smith, in Scranton, to Sarah J. Holmes, for $71.87.

Property of Charles J. Hatchett, in Scranton, to Washington National Building and Loan association, for $99.23.

Property of Darius G. Purdy, in Carbondale, to Carbondale Miners' and Mechanics' Savings bank, for $125.

Property of Charles Cushine, in Carbondale, to J. Temple Hopple, receiver, for $500.

Property of George and Margaret Sneddon, in Carbondale, to William B. Lane, for $80.55.

Property of Edward James, in Carbondale, to L. N. Lewis, for $61.70.

Property Lingleiter, administratrix, in Carbondale, to Samuel B. Mills, for $71.05.

Property of Caleb and Margaret Jones, in Olyphant, to Co-operative Building bank, for $161.13.

Property of James Duggan, in Scranton, to F. J. Brady, J. B. Fox, B. A. Kelly, M. J. Clark and P. J. Powers, trustees, for $71.86.

Property of David Francis, administrator, in Scranton, to Kate Hightman, for $53.25.

Property of William Steinberg, in Scranton, to J. Temple Hopper, receiver, for $85.08.

Property of Walter J. O'Malley, administrator, in Scranton, to William M. Moran, for $99.86.

Property of Horace E. Hand, in Scranton, to J. O'Brien and B. Moses, for $96.50.

Property of Charles S. Silvius, in South Abington, to David G. McConnell, for $61.40.

Property of Barbara Walker, administratrix, in Throop, to International Building and Loan association, for $62.28.

Property of William McDonald, in Moosic, to Edward Stewart, for $100.

Property of George Matsikitis, administrator, in Archbald, to George F. Kellow, for $64.50.

Property of Fred Gomaer, in Benton, to Silas Hartley, for $58.50.

Property of James E. and Emma Cobby, in Carbondale, to Co-operative Building bank, for $99.67.

Property of Fred W. Wheatcroft, in Dunmore, to State Capital Savings and Loan association, for $60.08.

Property of Henry Reynolds, in Lackawanna, to Farmers' and Mechanics' Savings Fund and Loan association, for $72.09.

Property of Henry Reynolds, in Lackawanna, to Keystone Land company, for $77.03.

Property of Calvin B. Wheatcroft, in Scranton, to Charles B. Sears, for $155.50.

Property of John Warren Sargent, in Scranton, to J. W. Sargent, jr., for $46.24.

Property of Anthony Dodge, in Throop, to German Building and Loan association, for $48.55.

Property of John Parke, in Taylor, to Mary Hoose, for $71.85.

Property of Henry Barton, in Dunmore, to the Reading Trust company, for $50.85.

Property of S. S. Yeager, in Moosic, to New Schiller Building and Loan association, for $80.10.

Property of John W. Sweeney, in Olyphant, to German Building association, for $100.89.

Property of Dennis Gannon, in Scranton, to Co-operative Building bank, for $50.01.

Property of Philip Kieb, in Scranton, to Diner Deposit and Discount bank, for $64.50.

Property of Henry L. and Annie E. Hattrandt, in Scranton, to Edgar C. Linn, for $110.40.

Property of Lester L. Thomas, in Scranton, to Mutual Guarantee Building and Loan association, for $70.90.

Property of George E. Cramer, in Scranton, to Myron Kasson, for $50.

Marriage Licenses.

Joseph Williams	Scranton
Annie Holden	Scranton
Magdalena Closs	Mayfield
Stella Scalfo	Mayfield
John A. Nagell	Taylor
Kate Slotti	Taylor
Calogero Perrone	Pittston
Pierino Anna	Pittston
John Benneck	Taylor
Anna Grady	Taylor
Eugene L. Chapman	Carbondale
Frank Peck	Olyphant
Yolka Gerus	Olyphant
Alex A. Checklits	Scranton
Annie Pettenker	Scranton

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.

The grand jury has disposed of all the cases to come before it and today will visit the county buildings and make its report to court.

Attorney Thomas P. Duffy yesterday applied for a charter for the South Webster Avenue Young Men's club. The subscribers to the articles of incorporation are Hubert Gordon, John McGuire, Michael Hurley, Anthony Gordon, David Riley.

Steel file cases for Controller Jones' office arrived at the court house yesterday. They were furnished by the Pennsylvania Contract company, of Marietta, this state.

Before Judge Carpenter in chambers yesterday testimony was heard in the divorce case of Nathan Grossman against Lillie Grossman. They were married Dec. 15, 1898. It was the second venture for both, and both had children by their first marriage. Grossman alleges that wife No. 2 abused the children of wife No. 1, and also made his own life so intolerable by her cruelty that he was compelled to leave her on May 20, 1901. Attorney George Rice represented Grossman at the hearing yesterday. Mrs. Grossman is not opposing the divorce.

CONDUCTORS DISMISSED

Street Railway Men Want to Know Why and Are Determined That the Manager Shall Tell Them.

The members of the Street Railway Employees' Union are investigating the whys and wherefores of the recent discharge of two conductors on the Carbondale line. They are determined that General Manager Silliman shall give the reason for the discharge of the men and that he show that it was sufficient to warrant their removal.

The two conductors, P. J. Corden and Martin Gordon, were peremptorily discharged last Monday, no specific reason being given. The men called the attention of the grievance committee to the matter and the members of that body waited on General Manager Silliman and demanded an explanation.

One of the members of the committee said last night that Mr. Silliman had as yet given no specific reason for the men's discharge. It had been intimated, however, he said, that they were accused of exchanging transfers and turning them in in place of fares collected.

The discharged men appeared before the members of the union at a meeting held early this morning and stated emphatically that they had been guilty of no offense and there was no reason for their discharge.

The meeting was still in session when the Tribune went to press, but a reporter was informed by the president that nothing of great moment would be done further than to direct the grievance committee to further investigate the matter.

LOUIS JAMES' SUGGESTION.

To Raise Money for the National McKinley Monument.

John B. Reynolds, the business manager of the James-Modjeska company, which will be here next week, is in the city arranging for the appearance of the stars in this city.

"Louis James was a great admirer of the late President McKinley," said Mr. Reynolds last night, "and has made a suggestion to the actors of the country, which, if adopted, will net a large sum of money for the national monument for McKinley, to be erected in Washington. Mr. James' idea is to have every person connected with the stage in this country contribute a certain percentage of his salary for a given week to the monument. The actors who have heard the suggestion have given it their hearty approval, and it is probable that it will be adopted."

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