

WEST SCRANTON

TWO MEN HAVE DISAPPEARED

BOTH CASES ARE VERY MYSTERIOUS.

So Far as Is Known There Is Nothing to Account for the Sudden Manner in Which They Have Dropped Out of Sight—Condition of Miss Mattie Watkins, Who Was Run Down on West Lackawanna Avenue—Blockading the Street Car Tracks.

A week ago last night Thomas W. Watkins, aged 60 years, disappeared from his boarding place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry N. Davis, 1365 Luzerne street, and absolutely nothing has been heard of him since. Inquiries have been made among his relatives and friends, but none of them know anything of his whereabouts.

He had partaken of a light lunch before retiring, and when Mrs. Davis went to call him on Monday morning she was surprised to discover that he had left the house and disappeared, as if the earth had swallowed him up.

Watkins dressed himself in a new suit of clothes before leaving, but left his trunk and other clothes behind, together with two gold and silver watches and some small change. He is known to have had some money with him when he left, but just how much is not known.

Watkins came to Scranton about a year ago from South America, where he had resided for many years. He was employed as a minter in the Oxford, and left without drawing his pay. No cause can be given for his disappearance.

Another Man Missing.

Thomas Smith, of his Bellevue place, is also missing from home, and his relatives are at a loss to know what has become of him. He left the house a week ago yesterday to get a pair of water and has not been seen since.

Smith is a veteran of the Civil war, and is 5 feet 4 inches tall, has blue eyes, light hair and scar on the left side of his forehead. His head is bent to one side, and he is a victim of rheumatism. Any information concerning his whereabouts will be gladly received by his wife.

Condition of Miss Watkins.

Miss Mattie Watkins, of South Main avenue, who was run down by a horse

on West Lackawanna avenue last Friday evening, is now out of danger and Dr. Winebrake, the attending physician, says she will recover.

She remained unconscious for some time after the accident, and it was feared that she was internally injured, but aside from a slight concussion of the brain, her injuries were trivial.

Blockading the Street Cars.

An unsuccessful attempt was made by the Scranton Trolley company officials yesterday to run their cars to West Scranton, but after a few trips were made they gave up in disgust.

Boys greased the rails on West Lackawanna avenue and West Linden street, and placed all kinds of obstructions on the tracks.

The latest scheme for blocking the cars was to tie the large obstacles together and throw them on the trolley wire. A number of wagons were run during the day between the central city and West Scranton.

Wedding Yesterday Afternoon.

Joseph Caputo, of Robinson street, and Mrs. Angelina Faniglelli, of 134 Edwards court, were united in marriage yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Italian Catholic church on Chestnut street.

They were attended by Salvatore DiPizio and Lizzie White. After the ceremony wedding festivities were indulged in at the home of the bride's parents, where a large number of friends were entertained. Music was furnished by the Italian Mandolin and Guitar club.

Electric City Wheelmen.

The members of the Electric City Wheelmen are making arrangements for a social soiree at the club house on Halloween night. The programme will be announced later.

Work has been commenced on the new boating alleys, which are expected to be completed in a few weeks.

Washburn Street Church.

Dr. Moffat in his Sabbath morning sermon from this text, "The Master is come and calleth for them" set forth very plainly the need of more of our people being engaged in religious instruction of our youth.

The orchestra rendered three delightful numbers at the bible school service.

Tuesday afternoon the Berlin La Monte Missionary society will hold an important meeting at the church.

Wednesday evening after prayer meeting the ladies of the church are engaged in need for the purpose of deciding on the rummage sale.

Thursday evening all who desire to join the chorus choir are urged to be present. Vocal instructor will be given free to our people.

Tonight the Board of Trustees and the Cam-a-Nu society will each hold important regular meetings.

The Ladies' Missionary society will meet at the home of Mrs. E. D. Fellowes on Thursday afternoon.

Events of This Evening.

Regular monthly meeting of the

Swedish Citizens' club in French Roof hall at 7:30 p.m.

Special meeting of the West Side driving club at C. C. Beckenbach's drug store.

MINOR NEWS NOTES.

The regular meeting of the West Side Board of Trade will be held tomorrow evening, owing to board's having to vacate their quarters over the West Side bank, the meeting will be held in the room on the second floor of the Cooperative hall building. President Daniels is desirous of having a large attendance, as several matters of importance are to be taken up for consideration.

Street Commissioner Thomas has had force of men at work for a number of days improving Jackson street, between Broadway and Garfield avenues, and the street is now in good shape.

Teenagers are in holes along the street between Elmwood avenue and the Keyser Valley railroad crossing will also be put in better shape. Washburn street, from Summer to Grant avenue is in a deplorable condition and needs attention.

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Mrs. Conrad Pelt and daughter, of 609 Pittston avenue, are visiting friends in Honesdale.

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