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PERSONAL.

Mr. Joseph Smoyer, of Idaho, is the guest of relatives on North Ninth street.

David Williams, of Oak street, has returned from a visit in Cleveland.

Mr. Andrew B. Holmes, of South Main avenue, is critically ill at Battle Creek, Mich.

Thomas Ryan, of Hampton street, has returned from a trip to Cleveland, Ohio.

John A. Foster, of Archbald, a student at Lehigh university, is home to vote.

Mrs. Esther Cahoon, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her daughter, who resides on this side.

Hon. T. Jefferson Reynolds, of South Main avenue, has returned home from a business trip to Danville.

Mr. H. H. Hester, of Newport News, Va., who has been the guest of S. T. Jones, of Monroe avenue, left for home yesterday.

David M. Jones, of Sixth Elmwood avenue, has returned home from a six weeks' visit with friends in New York, N. Y.

Commissioner General of Immigration T. V. Posnerly came up from Washington, yesterday, to exercise his right of suffrage.

Inquiries have been issued for the coming wedding of Edward Fuller Nettleton, of the city, and Miss Josephine Stearns, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Frank Stearns, of Blauvelt, N. Y. The ceremony will be performed in the Presbyterian church, Blauvelt, on Tuesday night, Nov. 12.

Third National Bank Lends Money at Five Per Cent.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Third National Bank the following resolution was unanimously adopted, to wit:

Resolved, That the cashier is hereby authorized to make loans to all depositors of this bank at the rate of five per cent. discount per annum.

The year ending November 1 has been the most prosperous year in the history of the institution.

The usual semi-annual dividend of 10 per cent. has been declared payable November 15.

\$25,000 has been added to the surplus, making it now \$550,000, and over \$8,000 has been charged off of its building account, leaving the banking house standing on the books at a valuation of \$30,000.

The bank was organized in March, 1872, and in a prospectus issued at that time it was stated that the bank was "projected in the interest of our business community," and in all the years of its history, that aim has been well carried out, as is evidenced not only by its liberality to its customers in good times but also by the fact that in times of stringency and panic, it has always held itself in readiness to be of assistance to the business public, and now the new move indicated by its reduction in the rate of discount is taken because it desires its patrons to share more fully in its prosperity.

FIRE IN GRAND CENTRAL.

A slight fire occurred yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the kitchen of the Grand Central hotel, on Lackawanna avenue, but a still alarm brought out the firemen, who succeeded in extinguishing the flames before much damage was done.

The hot ashes from the fire-box in the stove were spilled on the floor, and ignited the woodwork, burning through to the rafters, but the flames were confined to a small area, and the damage resulting was trifling.

Coursen's Print Butter

And Jersey Eggs—best. Coursen's

The Geysers of Yellowstone Park

See and hear the most remarkable thing that a student who comes to the CONSERVATORY with his knowledge of the geology of the state, at the end of the first year should see and hear. All the geysers, from all kinds, from the "Old Faithful" to the "Mud Pot," are shown, and the student is given a full and complete course in the geology of the state.

BIG HAUL BY A PORCH CLIMBER

RESIDENCE OF REESE G. BROOKS IS RANSACKED.

Daring Thief Gets Away with \$2,500 Worth of Jewelry and \$140 in Cash While the Family Is at Dinner—Climbed the Porch to the Second Floor, Loads Himself Down with Valuables and Gets Away, All Inside of Half an Hour—Ignored Bulky Articles.

Some time between 6 and 6:30 o'clock last evening, while the family of Reese G. Brooks were at dinner, a second-story thief entered their home, at Mulberry street and Quincy avenue, and made off with \$2,500 worth of jewelry and \$140 in cash. Among the articles taken were the following:

- Solitaire diamond.
- Large emerald brooch of pearls and diamonds.
- Pin with opal set in pearls.
- Two gentlemen's solid diamond rings.
- Lady's solid diamond ring.
- Lady's ring, with a diamond set in pearls.
- Lady's ring, with two large diamonds.
- Lady's ring, with a diamond and emerald.
- Lady's ring, with emerald surrounded by diamonds.
- Lady's gold watch, set with diamonds.
- Lady's gold watch chain, with turquoise slide.
- Manicule set of silver, set with amethysts.
- Number of silver toilet and fancy articles.

The theft was one of the most daring imaginable. On the street corner at the Brooks house there are eight, and in the rear of the lot occupied jointly by the houses of Mr. Brooks and his son-in-law, Willard Matthews, is another eight, which has been maintained there at private expense since the Matthews house was razed and razed during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Matthews in Mexico.

MUCH TRAVELED STREET.

In those days when pedestrianism is so popular, it is safe to say that, between 6 and 7 o'clock in the evening, a thousand persons pass the Brooks residence. The steps at the front entrance of the house are boarded up, because of repairs to the porch that have been going on for a week.

Despite the brightness of the surroundings, the stream of pedestrians, the lights in the house, the large household, and the fact that no one now enters the house at the front, the thief made his way to the second floor, by the outside, by climbing to the top of the porch, spent probably a quarter of an hour ransacking the sleeping apartments, and got out again by the way he came without attracting attention.

The point selected for the ascent to the second floor was in a recess formed by the end of the porch and a projection of the house, with which the end of the porch forms a right angle. This is at the southeast corner of the house. It is the only bit of the premises not searched by the rays of one or the other of the are lights.

How the top of the porch was reached is not known. A long, slender piece of moulding, picked up, supposedly, from the porch when the repairs are going on, was found leaning against a banister in the nook at which the ascent was made. The belief is that this piece of moulding was used to lift and fasten on the top of the porch a rope ladder, or possibly a rope with a hook attached.

The top of the porch being gained, a window opening on the hallway was raised and access given to all the second-story rooms.

ONLY ONE ESCAPED.

Every room excepting one was ransacked. This excepted room was the one occupied by John H. Brooks. That it was not entered is explained either by the fact that the thief feared to walk in because of its being directly over the dining room, or else because he left it for the last and was frightened away before finishing his work. In this room are displayed several hundred dollars' worth of silver cups and other trophies won by John H. Brooks at golf and other contests. Not one of them are bulky and the smallest of them are the most valuable. They would undoubtedly have been seized upon had they come within the thief's reach of the thief.

Most of the booty was secured from the drawer of a small table standing in a corner of Mrs. Brooks' bedroom. The thin, soft-wood bottom of the drawer was pried out and the contents, probably allowed to drop to the floor. The plush cases containing the different articles of jewelry were left behind after their contents had been extracted. One pin had become caught in the lining of the case and defied ready extraction. The thief could not waste any time on it, and accordingly contented himself with the diamond setting, which was released by prying away the prongs holding it in place.

The thief religiously eschewed everything bulky. The manicule set found on Mrs. Brooks' dressing case comprised the largest articles he would dare to carry. A mother-of-pearl paper cutter, with a small silver ornament at the end of its handle, was lying on an escritoire. Mr. Thief broke off and pocketed the silver ornament, and considerably left the useful and incidentally bulky—portion of the article behind.

ALL SMALL ARTICLES.

A guest chamber, Mr. Brooks, room, and a servant's room in the rear were not searched.

Special.

The Prendergast Store

You can buy Chocolate Creams at 16c per pound. Coursen's old-fashioned Chocolate Creams, 20c per lb. Fancy Mixed Chocolates, 30c (equal to Alligretti). Chandler & Rudd Sunshine Kisses, 25c per pound. Salt Water Taffy, 15c per pound—only Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at these prices.

E. G. Coursen

ON THE EVE OF THE ELECTION

ALL CANDIDATES APPEAR TO BE CONFIDENT.

Chairman H. L. Taylor, of the Republican County Committee, Says the Republican County and State Tickets Will Sweep the County. Chairman Hoban, of the Democratic Committee, is Also Confident That the Candidates He Represents Will Be Chosen—Even Hitchcock Says Victory.

The ticket to vote today:

State Supreme Court—William P. Potter.

State Treasurer—Frank G. Harris.

Additional Law Judge—J. W. Carpenter.

County Controller—E. A. Jones.

County Coroner—Dr. J. J. Roberts.

County Surveyor—George E. Stevenson.

The indications are that the entire Republican ticket will get pluralities ranging from 1,200 to 2,500, said County Chairman H. L. Taylor last evening. "I base that estimate," he continued, "on reports I have received from every district in the county. These reports were made in a confidential manner and I believe they are correct. There is no dissatisfaction anywhere throughout the county, and the party is united for the success of the whole ticket. I am satisfied that we are assured of a complete victory here tomorrow."

ELECTION RETURNS.

Election officers and Republican committeemen of the county are requested to telephone the result of the count to The Tribune tonight as soon as it is completed. Old phone number, 104-3; new phone, 1617.

SIX MILLION MORTGAGE.

Filed Yesterday by New Telephone Combine in the Office of Recorder of Deeds Bonn.

A \$6,000,000 mortgage was filed yesterday with Recorder of Deeds Emil Bonn, by J. Marshall Wright, of Allentown, representing the Consolidated Telephone Company of Pennsylvania.

It is given by this company to the Equitable Trust company, of Philadelphia, to protect the bonds issued for the purchase of the seven telephone companies recently brought into combination.

These companies are the Lackawanna, of Scranton; Peoples, of Wilkes-Barre; Anthracite, of Hazleton; Danielsville, of Danielsville; State Bell, of Slatington; Lehigh, of Allentown, and the Interstate, or long distance company, which connects these various new independent companies.

The mortgage will be recorded in every county in which any of the combined companies operate.

The mortgage covers all the property of all the companies. The bonds which it protects bear \$2,000 worth of revenue stamps.

FOR M'KINLEY MEMORIAL.

Members of City Police Force Subscribe One Dollar Each.

The following members of the police force of the city of Scranton, Pa., herewith subscribe \$1.00 each to the McKinley Memorial fund:

Superintendent—Frank Bading, Jr.

Captains—Thomas L. Miller, John J. City Detective—Lora E. De.

Sergeants—Robert Deier, Charles Bolegney, Reese G. Jones, Richard Edwards.

Lieutenants—James Freney, Peter Zang, Anson Palmer, John Davis.

Patrolmen—Charles A. Peay, John Malott, S. E. Stear, M. J. Ward, William Gieselle, Geo. W. Jones, Adam Pandt, Christian Rose, Joe F. Olinnaro, Charles G. Neils, James Hart, J. D. Thomas, K. Peters, John McCalligan, Conrad Macker, William H. Burck, William Matthews, Thomas R. Thomas, James E. Thomas, John Shty, Finley Ross, Jr., Wells Hackenberg, John Jones, John McCall, John McCall, Peter Hegarty, Thomas Conner, Thomas Lowry, Charles Weller, Jr., Harry Elias, Edw. Kaine, Thomas Collins, Louis Gierlich, John A. Joller, Thomas Connolly, Patrick May, John Adamson, David Parry, Thomas Potter.

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Guess on the Result.

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"Why don't you convict them?" cries the organ. "The League has never convicted anybody."

Yes it has. Over a hundred convictions have made this community vastly better, for the time, at least. It has only "seven absolute failures" on its score, two of them fairly chargeable to Judge Carpenter.

But bribery is the most difficult crime in the list to bring before an average jury. As a rule, the only parties having knowledge are equally guilty; and when to this fact is added the influence of political manipulators on either side, the effort becomes almost hopeless.

In the first case brought against a Scranton Councilman (a test case, that cost a week's time, and thousands of dollars of private money to try), the defence that was chiefly relied on to meet a fully proven case, was the sworn certificates of unblemished character, from office-holders of both political parties.

You must get rid of present methods, and bosses, before you can effectively and finally reach the existing conditions and corruption. Yet, notwithstanding all these difficulties, the "hoodle" business has been practically suspended for the past 18 months. But everybody knows that if the League should go out of existence for a year, this community would be just as "wide open" and lawless as ever, no matter which party was in power. Are you going to vote to bring this about, by the election of either of the old party candidates?

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