ACCIDENT UNAVOIDABLE.

Inquest in the Case of John Costello

REASON FOR THE MERGER

COULD NOT AFFORD TO PAY THE BIG BONUS.

Secretary-Treasurer John H. Brooks of the Central Rapid Transit Company Makes a Statement-Strikers Responsible for the Reagan Resolution Repealing the Valley Passenger Franchises - New Companies Will Make Their Attack on the Charters at Harrisburg.

Concerning the merging of the interests of the Central Rapid Transit company with the new street rallway companies, of which Congressman Connell is president. John H. Brooks, secretary-treasurer of the first named company yesterday said:

"We are very glad and anxious that the public should know our reasons for associating ourselves and joining forces with the proposed North, South and West End Railway companies, who wish to secure a franchise for the use of certain city streets. You no doubt can recall our having made an honest effort and several attempts covering a period of almost one year, to secure from our councils the right to use from four to five miles of our city streets We failed to secure such a franchise It was then suggested that a bonus b offered the city and, without detailed consideration, this was done.

After careful deliberation, however and much careful figuring, we felt the proposition would not warrant the payment of said bonus. The cost of construction and equipping the road, owing to advance in materials, would have been far greater than anticipated. Competition from an established parallel line, paying nothing to the city as against our company with its heavy charges, was also considered. Then too, we had no connecting or transfer lines, and judging from our previous experience, it would have been almost impossible to have secured further extension of our line.

DOUBTS ABOUT LEGALITY Right here. I desire to say that, though councils had favorably considered our ordinance, in the opinion of many competent lawyers of our city there was grave doubt as to the legality of our position.

Therefore, merging our interests with the proposed new company's will. we fell, undoubtedly prove more advantageous to our city and its people and in the event of councils granting this franchise we may feel sure that a thoroughly modern equipped road will be built and operated, employing hundreds of men, and paying the city a vast amount in taxes, and establish within our city another large, substantial and permanent enterprise."

Everybody in city hall seems a little puzzled about the resolution passed by select council on Thursday night, declaring the franchise of the Valley Passenger Railway company forfeited to the city because of the failure of the company to construct its lines within the period of two years in which it agreed to construct them.

Fred Surine, a member of the striking street railway employe's executive board, went into City Solicitor Watoffice late Thursday afternoon and handed him the typewritten resolution asking him if it was drown up properly. The city solicitor looked is over and told him that it was not. He ger Railway company to use certain streets on which it failed to lay tracks within a period of two years after th granting of its franchise, but that it would not be possible on such grounds to revoke its right to use those streets on which the tracks were laid within the required two years.

DIDN'T TAKE ADVICE.

Mr. Surine listened to the city solicifor but evidently didn't think much of his advice for the resolution was introduced in select council and a large delegation of strikers were present in the city hall, several of whom were lobbying for its passage. It is generally understood that this

resolution has no connection whatever with the attempt which it is said will be made by the new street railway interests to secure an annullment of the charter of the Valley Passenger Rail-WHY COMBARY. The act of 1874, governing the incor-

poration of street railway companies. provides that such companies shall build and operate a continuous line. It is claimed that the charter of the Valley Passenger Railway company, which was merged into the Scranton Railway company, can be successfully attacked on the ground that none of its lines are continuous. As an instance of this the line on Rev. Mr. Odell, of Fulton, N. Y.,

North Washington avenue is pointed out. This line was constructed under franchise of the Valley Passenger Railway company but it is not continnous in that it connects with the tracks on Lackawanna avenue, which were laid under a franchise granted to the People's Street Railway company. Cars from Lackawanna avenue are run into the tracks on Washington avenue, forming what appears to be but which is in reality not, a continnous line.

Another instance pointed out in the line of track on North Main avenue from Providence road to Jackson street. This was constructed under the Passenger franchise, it is said. but it is not a continuous line because it connects at each end with lines operated under a charter and franchise granted to the People's Street Railway company.

DIED FROM INJURIES.

William McCormick a Victim of Mine Accident.

William McCormick, a resident of Dickson boulevard, employed at the Storrs' shaft, was injured while at work yesterday and died soon afterwards as a result. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and one son, Mrs. John Reed, Mrs. William Donovan, Margaret and Thomas McCor

The funeral services will be conducted on Monday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Thomas' church Dickson. Interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery,

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CIGARMAKERS' UNION. Entertained Visiting Delegates at Ball in Music Hall.

Probably the largest crowd that has ver assembled in Music hall at a dance was there last night as patrons of the local cigarmakers' union, No 295, when a reception and ball was held in honor of the visiting delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor.

The floor was so crowded that dancng was interfered with. Lawrence's orchestra played, and merriment supreme until early reigned morning, the delegates being leaders n the fun. The officers in charge of the dance were as follows: Master of ceremonies, Bowmen

Christman: committee of arrange nents, Bowmen Christman, Butterman, G. A. Kotzwinkle, Daniel Harris, George Gothier: floor director G. A. Kotzwinkle; aids, Louis Dankwertz, Jeremiah Samuels, Henry Miller, ir., William Bluege, E. G. Kotz winkle, Wm. T. Held, Boltz Gothler; reception committee, Arthur Jenkins, Otto Graft, Peter C. Miller, Louis Bei felt, W. L. Carrey, Wm. Hartman, J. J. Clark, Thomas Gleason, P. F. Grube; honorary committee, H. C. Scheuer Joe Price, Wm. Engle, J. P. Emrick. Peter Burschel, Daniel Rhue, John W. Miller.

SCHOOL FOR OFFICERS OF THE REGIMENT

Opens on Jan. 17 and the Succeeding Sessions Will Be at Intervals of a Month.

The following regimental order, conerning a school of instruction for the ommissioned officers of the Thirteenth regiment, has been issued in the form of a little book, neat and handy to carry around. The order follows:

Headquarters Thirteenth Regiment, Infantsy, Third Brigade, N. G. P. Scianton, Pa., Dec. 2, 1991.

tegimental Orders No. 42. A school or instruction for the commission dicers of this regiment to be held in the gram, evenings designated is hereby orders. nd the following course of lessons prescribed Roll call at 8 p. ns. LESSON NO. 2—FRIDAY EVENING, JAN. 17 Signals, General Principles,

Definitions, Signals, General Principles, Colonel L. A. Wattes 20 Min. School of Soldier, par 10 to 136, Capitain J. W. Kambeck 20 Min. Settings Up. Lieutenant F. Henshaw 11 10 Min. 20 Min

to 197, Colonel L. A. Wetres. 2
Manual of Arms, par 77 to 95, Capitain
George C. Merriman. 2
School of Soldier, par 21 to 48, Lieutenart Thomas Russell, Jr. 2
School of Company, par 200 to 219, Captain Join L. Hoff. 2 ...20 Man 20 Min school of Buttation, par (88 to 500, Major .20 Min Frank Robling Books and Papers, Adjutant D. B. Ather

LESSON NO. 3 FRIDAY, MARCH 21 Roll Call Min Regimental Parade, par 705 to 708, Colonel I. A. Wat b.
Battalion Inspection, par 739, Major Frank 15 Min Robling Manual of Arms, par 69 to 75 Licentenant

Guy Ralph School of Company, par 220 to 248, Cap-tain William A. Raub 25 Min-School of Battalion, par 301 to 333, Lieutenant Colonel F. W. Stillwell 20 Min. LESSON NO. 4 FRIDAY, APRIL 18

School of Soldier, par 127 to 130, Lieuten-

LUSSON NO. 5-FRIDAY, WAY 16.

Sepool of Battalion, par 519 to 507, Lieu-tenant Colonel F. W. Stillwell . . . 20 Min. Battalion Parado, par 532 to 754, Adjunant

Roll Call ... Evolutions of Regiment, per 368 to 410,

Guard Duty, Captain E. H. F. Comad. . . 25 Min.

D. B. Atherton, Captain and Mintage, ---

TO SELECT NEW PASTOR

Will Probably Be Called to Second Presbyterian Church.

A special meeting of the congregation of the Second Presbyterian church will be held tomorrow after the regular morning service for the purpose of selecting a pastor to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. Dr. Tharles E. Robinson.

matter of selecting a pastor in charge will recommend that the Rev. Mr. o'clock and at night at 8 o'clock. The Odell, of Fulton, N. Y., be chosen pastor. As Mr. Odell is now the only andidate there is no question but that the committee's action will be approved.

Rev. Dr. James McLeod, paster of the First Presbyterian church, will act as moderator of the congregational meeting and will also preach at the morning service.

Rev. Mr. Odell is about 34 years old

and has been pastor of the Presbyteran church in Fulton for the last eight years. He is recommended for pastorate by a number of leading clergymen, including Rev. Dr. Theodore Cuyler, of Brooklyn. A committee from the Second church recently visited Pulton and heard him preach.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

In Honor of Arrival in This Country of Louis Kossuth.

A religious and patriotic observance of the fiftieth analyersary of the arrival of the Magyar apostle of liberty. Louis Kossuth, in this country will be held in the First Presbyterian church omorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. service will be in charge of Rev. Julius Ham Corszky.

Magyars generally are expected to he present and American friends are cordially invited as services will be conducted in both tongues.

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MR. WEDEMAN HADN'T TIME

OR HE WOULD HAVE HANDED ONE TO MR. SHURTLEFF.

The Handing Would Have Been with the Said Mr. Shurtleff Who Assured Him That He Had the Time Right Then and There-The Spectators Closed in and the Smashing Was Not Allowed to Take Place. Cause of the Trouble.

"If I had time, I'd smash you in the hops," said Attorney L. P. Wedeman esterday, as he glared at Attorney E. H. Shurteff, a glare that was full of meaning and threat.

"Gramercy! and also Gadzooks! moth Shurtleff, as he unlimbered his six feet odd of man and got upon his feet, "but I believe you have the time

Then the spectators closed in upon them, and the smashing of chops did

Zeal for their clients is what induced the outbreak between the attorneys. Shurtleff was attorney for M. T Keller, who has sued Peter Haan to ollect a bill of \$33.90. Mr. Hann disputes the bill, saying he has receipts for various items of it, with the excep tion of \$13. He therefore refused to pay the other \$20, and the matter was being threshed out yesterday before a board of arbitrators, consisting of Thomas Beck, J. Elliot Ross and Layton Schoch. Mr. Wedeman is the attorney for Mr. Haan, and during the course of the examination of witnesses there was a succession of tilts between him and

violence to his opponent. When things quieted down, after the pugnacious threat and the equally pugnacious rejoinder, the hearing was resumed. The evidence closed yesterday, and this morning the arbitrators will meet to make up their award.

Mr. Shurtleff, which finally culminated

in the threat of Mr. Wedeman to do

WOMAN ATTEMPTED SUICIDE. Prisoner in Police Headquarters Became Despondent.

Clara Stevens, aged 25 years, who gave her occupation as a sporting woman, was arrested at 4.20 o'clock yesterday morning on Penn avenue by Patrolman Karius for being intoxi-

Later in the morning she became despondent and attempted to end her life by tieing a handkerchief and pieces of her dress to the iron grating of the cell, and slipped her head through the

Owing to her heavy weight, the rags gave away and she fell in a heap on floor. Sergeant Reese Jones and Mounted Officer W. H. Burke were in the adjoining room, and heard her fall, and quickly relieved the woman.

At the hearing before Police Magis trate Howe, she was fined \$5, which she paid. This is the second time she has attempted suicide,

FIVE BELOW ZERO.

Thermometer Recorded the Colder Weather of Season Yesterday Morning at 7 O'clock.

The coldest weather of the season was experienced early yesterday morning, when the mercury in this city kept going down the tube until it reached 5 degrees below zero at 7 o'clock. Even colder weather than this was reported from some of the surrounding places.

The lowest figure recorded by the thermometer at the weather bureau was 5 below zero or "minus 5," as the weather man calls it. This was recorded at 7 a. m., after the temperature had gradually dropped from a figure of thirty degrees above on Thursday night.

The sun came out for awhile vesterday morning, but it was not until 10 o'clock that the temperature was up to zero again. At noon it was 13 above zero and at 2 o'clock, 21 above. At 8 o'clock last night it had fallen back to 10 degrees above, but remained stationary at that figure.

The weather forecast issued yesterday promises warmer weather for today. At 7,30 o'clock vesterday morning a certain thermometer in the borough of Daton, which is said to be a well-regulated instrument, registered 1 degrees below zero. A registration of 10 degrees below is reported from Carbondale for about the same hour.

OPEN WHIST GAMES.

Partners May Play Today at the Scranton Bicycle Club.

The Scrantor Bleycle club will conduct its annual open whist games for partners this afternoon and tonight in the club house, at the corner of North Washington avenue and Olive street.

The games will be open to any pairs who may desire to play, the only condition required being the payment of a nominal table fee of twenty-five cents for each player. Souvenirs will be The committee which has had the given to those who take first honors. Play will begin in the afternoon at 2 committee having charge of the games consists of the following leading whist players: H. C. Wallace, Eugene Healey and C. R. Fuller,

THERE WERE SIX DEATHS. Largest Monthly Number Reported

from Hillside Home. The report of Superintendent George Beemer, of the Hillside Home, presented at yesterday's meeting of the poor board, showed that there had been six deaths in that institution during the month of November, which, he said. was the largest number recorded for a month in several years.

The rest of the report showed that there are now 456 inmates in the home, s compared with 463 at the end of October. These 456 are classified as follows: Insane males, 119: insane females, 135; sane males, 137; sane females, 65. A number of minor applications for relief were heard and acted upon, assistance being granted in the majority of instances.

How About Those Christmas Photo-

graphs? Have you considered that two weeks are usually required to complete photo orders? Schriever's increased force of artisans will permit of more rapid deliveries, but do not put off the sitting until the final rush is on.

Held Last Night.

In the office of Coroner J. J. Roberts n South Main avenue, last night, a nonest was held to ascertain the caus of the accident which resulted in the death of the late John Costello, at the Pine Brook mine, on October 28.

following witnesses were examined: P. F. Murray, Edward Eyans, Charles a View to Smashing the Chops of Michwood, John Costello, Patrick Coleman, Edward Mewson, W. Tigue and James Barrett. The testimony of these men clearly

showed that it was impossible to detect any cracking or settling in the nine roof at the point where the young man met his death, and that old and experienced miners, who passed the spot before the accident, saw nothing that would lead them to believe that there was any danger at that point. After the testimony had all been taken, the jury rendered the following verdiet:

the undersigned jurors, fine that John Costello, jr., met his death at the Pine Brook mine of the Ontario and Western company through a fall of rock on the 28th day of October, 1901 and that according to the evidence deduced, we, after careful deliberation, find that his death was due to an unavoidable accident."

The jurors were R. Roberts, D. G Reese, W. B. Davies, W. Hopkins, D Williams, J. L. Lewis.

MAHON TO THE STRIKERS

National President, in an Address to the Strikers, Declares It Is a National Fight.

At yesterday's meeting of the street ar strikers, an address was delivered by W. D. Mahon, of Detroit, national president of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employes, in which he declared that the strike in Seranton has been made a national fight of the corporations against unionsm, and that the union men of the whole country should make it their fight.

Others who made addresses were Ben Fillett, fraternal delegate from Great Britain; State Senator Robert E. Lee of the New Orleans Trades council; National Organizer Echelberger, of the butchers, and J. F. Hammes, of the ocal union of stonecutters,

Two of the strikers, William Clark and A. A. Keene, both conductors, returned to work vesterday, making fourteen in all who have been reinstated. The company claims that five others will go back on the cars Monday. One of them, it is alleged, is a prominent member of the union. All of the city lines have been re-

opened and the Carbondale line is open as far as Priceburg. It will be opened to Carbondale today, if another snowfall does not interfere.

SHOCK ACCILERATED DEATH.

Decision of Coroner's Jury in James Carden Case.

After four sittings, and a visit to the Cliff works the coroner's jury in the case of James Carden last night rendered a verdict to the effect that he ame to his death by failure of the heart, accelerated by an electric shock. Carden had been employed as a laborer in the Cliff works, and while floor suddenly and expired.

No one saw him fall, and just how he met death is a mystery. The coroner's autopsy revealed that Carden's heart was affected and that one of his ribs was fractured, and the supposition is that the iron he was carrying came in contact with an unprotected are light hanging above his head and he received a shock which accelerated his death.

No evidence was adduced at the inquest to show how he met death. The verdict rendered last night was as follows:

"We, the undersigned jury, find that lames Carden came to his death at the Cliff works on Oct. 24, 1901, by failure of the heart accelerated by an electric shock." The jurors were: owen Charles, E. R. Coniey, Will O'Malley, Will Reedy, P. A. Cavanaugh and James Mahon.

A STUDIO MUSICALE.

A Delightful Musical Event Given Last Night.

A delightful musicale was given last night in the studio of Miss Freeman, in the Connell building, when Charles Russell, a Canadian 'cellist, now located in New York city, made his first appearance in this city. He wan assisted by Miss Freeman, soprano; Miss Blackman, pianist; Miss Julia Clapp Allen, violinist, and Tom Gippel, tenor. The following programme was rendered:

Trio (Op. 16), Allegro, Tranquillo, Andante, Mr. Bussell, Miss Allen, Miss Blackman,

ngs for Tenor -ougs for Soprano-"Carlo Mile Dank" | Back |
"Ait" | Schulert |
"Moments Musical" | Schulert |
"Le Cygne" | Saint Sachs |
"Vito" | Pomer |
"Vito" | Nicolal |
"Carlo Mile Dank" | Nicolal |
"Carlo Mile Dank dadass am

Mr. Russell, Miss Allen, Miss Blackman, Mr. Russell will play at another informal musicale to be given in the studio this morning at 10 o'clock. Mr. Russell is rapidly winning a place as one of the best of 'cello players.

SCRANTON BUSINESS COLLEGE.

New Students Continue to Enroll. The following have enrolled this W. C. Bristol, of Rochester, N. week: Miss Grace Sullivan, of Hallstead Mark J. Kelly, of Moscow: D. Arthu: Cosner, Bald Mount: Wm. Murdoch. Roscoe Gunn. Pleasant Olyphant: Mount: J. M. Crossin, Montrose; John R. Williams, city.

H. L. Barker, of Binghamton, is doing bookkeeping work for the 1960 Washer Co., that place: A. M. Thornton is keeping books for the Hawley Knitting mills: A. C. Kenyon is sent to a position with the Temple Iron and Coal Co.; request for a lady stenographer; Ernest Battenberg secures a position with the Luckawanna Trust Co.: sent Miss Mamle Roberts to a position with the Greenwood Coal Co Messrs, Geo. N. Smith, Samuel Builock, Clayton Fegley and Walter S. James are all in the D., L. & W. car accountants' office. About 40 S. B. C. students are employed in the various D., L. & W. R. offices.

BIG FIRE IN WILKES-BARRE

DAMAGE AMOUNTING TO NEAR-LY 8250,000 WAS DONE.

Blaze Started in Langfield Brothers' Dry Goods Store, Which Was Completely Destroyed-Building Was Owned by Samuel Kramer, of This City-Weitzenkom Brothers' \$80,of Simon Long's Sons' Stock.

A disastrons fire, which caused damage to the amount of nearly \$250,000, broke out last night at 6.15 o'clock in the Globe store on South Main street, Wilkes-Barre, and put three large firms temporarily out of business before it was extinguished. The blaze originated in one of the

show windows of the Globe store, a large dry goods store establishment. owned by Langfield brothers, who occupied a three story building owned by Samuel Kramer, of this city. fire was caused by a live electric wire in the window, which ignited a number of handkerchiefs. In an instant the entire window was ablaze and though in alarm of fire was sounded immediately, the front of the store was a mass of flames before the fire companies arrived on the scene.

The store was trimmed up for the holidays and large quantities of inflammable goods were displayed over ly and assisted in spreading the flames to all parts of the store, the interior of which was soon a raging, roaring

mass of flery tongues of flame. The entire fire department was called out when it was seen that the Globe store was doomed, but despite the best work of the firemen, the fire soon broke through into the buildings adjoining on the south, which are occupied by Weitzenkom brothers, the clothiers. The building next the Globe store is owned by the Weitzenkom brothers while the other building which

they occupy is owned by Jacob Folk. These two buildings were nearly destroyed and the stock was either burned up or destroyed by water. The Globe store, building and stock, was completely descroyed, while the splendld store adjoining on the north and occupied by Simon Long's sons was flooded with water and a large part of the stock ruined. The fire was finally placed under control about 8.15 o'clock. A tabulated list of the losses sustained

and the insurance is give	en oc	HOW:
Langfield Brothers, stocks	Loss. 80,000	Insurance, 8 20,600
Simon Kramer, building	20,000	20,000
Weitzenkern Brothers, stock	80,000	(0,000
Weitzenkorn Brothers and Ja- cob Falk, buildings Sinton Longs' Sons, sock and	36,000	15,600
building	25,000	25,000
, s	241.000	\$120,000
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CLOSING SERMON-LECTURE.

Last of Series on "Life of Christ" Illustrated with Paintings. At the Penn Avenue Baptist church

give the seventh and last of the illustrated sermon-lectures on "Jesus of azareth," using the great paintings of J. James Tissot. Great crowds have been in attendance every Sunday evening at the Penn avenue church and hundreds have not been able to gain admission.

The services have been most impressive and solemn. As Dr. Pierce uses the illustrated services, they must do great good in building up character Hary Knellier and creating a desire for a better life. The service tomorrow evening will be very impressive, and the views will be of the crucifixion, resurrection and ascension of Christ

VIVASKI ASKS HIS RELEASE. Says He Is Unjustly Detained in the County Jail.

John Vivoski was committed to the county jail Wednesday by Justice of the Peace R. J. Delevan on complaint of James Thompson in default of bail on charges of larceny by bailee and malicious mischief.

Yesterday through the complaint form and both Lechen J. Neibling James Kelly.

Yesterday through Attorney R. L. George Bock Walter Broadland Levy he made application for his resease on a writ of habeas corpus. He Herman Eissing Levy he made application for his release on a writ of habeas corpus. He alleges that he owes Thompson \$4 for rent which was the inspiring cause of the charges against him. There is no foundation whatever to the charge of larceny by bailee and the malicious Peter Dippre mischief charge, he says, grows out of the fact that while Vinoski was moving out of Thompson's house a window was broken.

There will be a hearing in the case Monday noon.

The case William Lossie William Lossie

OFFICERS OF C. M. B. A.

Chosen at a Meeting Held in Guern-

sey Hall Last Night. Branch No. 35 of the Catholic Mutual Benevolent association elected the following officers last night at a meeting in its rooms in Guernsey hall: President, Thomas F. Leonard; first vicepresident, Bernard Potter; second vicepresident, James O'Connor; recording secretary, J. C. McAndrews; assistant secretary, John T. Phillips; treasurer. John J. O'Boyle; financial secretary, M. F. Brown: marshal, Charles Cawley: guard, Thomas Kearney: trustees, Thomas P. Hoban, Edward P. Mitchell D. J. Campbell, Dr. P. J. O'Hara, William Murphy. These officers will be installed the

first Friday night in January. DEATH OF SISTER ALOYSIUS. It Occurred Yesterday at St. Paul's

The funeral will be held from St. Paul's church on Mondey morning at 19 o'clock, and interment will be made in the Cathedral cemetery.

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WEST SCRANTON MAIL. Bids for Carrying It Will Be Re

ceived. Scaled proposals for carrying the 'nited States mails, on messenger at Scranton, Pa., and West Scranton station, each way as often as required will be received by the postmaster

until December 17, 1901. This service will not be let for a stated period, and no contract is required to be executed; but persons bidding must be honest and capable, no less than 16 years old, and the accepted bidder will be expected to serve at the compensation proposed until otherwise 000 Stock of Clothing Completely ordered by the postmaster general, or Destroyed, as Well as a Large Part | the may do at any time by giving the until he relinquishes the service, which department thirty days' notice; he will also be required to take the oath prescribed by law. Proposals must be made at a per an-

num rate for all service required, and persons wishing to bid should inform themselves of the amount and character of the service; and the accepted bidder under this advertisement will be required to perform, without additional compensation, all trips now required and any that may bereafter become necessary between the points named above. Mail messengers are required to receive mail from and deliver it into the postoffice and mail car. They are required to keep the mail

pouches or sacks, while in their custody, guarded from theft, or injury of any kind; and must not drag them so as to injure the pouches or sacks or their contents, and to observe all regulations and orders affecting the service. The mail messenger designated will

he paid as soon as practicable after the Richt, Elks ... the counters. These burned up fierce- end March 31, June 30, September 30, Phillips, Ellis 12 and December 31. No more will be allowed for this service than a fair and reasonable compensation. Postal clerks when in charge of mail are entitled to Fahrenholt, Backus 15 ride with the mail messenger. Postmasters or their assistants can

not receive pay as mail carriers. Blank Holl, Backus 15 olds may be secured from the post Weigand, Wed End 15 blds may be secured from the postmaster upon application therefor. Proposals should be inclosed in a scaled envelope marked "Proposal for Mail Messenger Service on route No. 210. 686," and the name of the bidder should be written on the outside of the en-

FOR THE M'KINLEY FUND

Contributions by Employes of the Scranton Stove Works-Amounts to Over Fifty Dollars.

The employes of the Scranton Stove

works have contributed the following Corser, Scranton Bicycle ... amounts to the McKinley fund: George Frank SI 00 Calvin Setzer W. H. Huber L00 Harry Herkser James Beaftie L00 Joseph Stengline John Mullen L00 Ralph Green Fred Reitenaur L00 Fred Weichel John Fred Reitenaur L00 John Steinecke Henry Speak L00 Harry Seymour Edward Robbins L00 Jacob Ziegler William Smith L00 George Fiehter Jaseph Weiss L00 Edward Schultz William Bahr L00 Edward Schultz William Bahr L00 William Harrock

Samuel Smith Joseph Weiss William Bahr harles L. Jeffrey .. 1.00 Joseph Eiden George Monninger... Mrs. G. Monninger. Clarence ust Shields 50 George Fitzpatrick. 25 Peter Molitor

50 Thomas Hunsicker 25 John Leber Charles Koelle 25 Peter Cobb .50 Charles Decke 50 Fred Paulu Arthur Swe Charles Lather

George Ives Joseph Wade Frank Dawso ill George Grahan .50 Thomas Baggot .50 A. R. Roberts .25 Miss Minnie T. Wae Dawson 50 Arthur Warnaka L. Hardenstein John Coyne ... 25 John Ericant Stephen Lang in 5 Corist Clifford

Fred Beaver

Charles H. Jenkins

5 William Robinson 5 James Gilmartin 5 Benjamin Paeson % Total amount . 850.76 Contributions of \$! each have been received from Miss M. Yewens, Ger-

trude Coughlin and W. P. Coughlin. Newest card engraving. Reynolds Bros

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THE NEVADA CONCERT. Programme That Will Be Rendered

Monday Night. Following is the programme that vill be rendered at the Mme, Emma Nevada concert, Monday night:

FIRST PARC. Heathe Gregory. Moonatie. (a) Air go Ballet ... Saint Sachs
(b) Valce ... Chopin
Publo Casals,
(a) Elegie ... Fauro
(b) Allegro Apassionatio ... Saint Sachs Mine, Nevada,
(a) Chanson do Mysoli Felicien David
(From La Perle du Bresil) Finte Accompanies, Maquarre, (b) Bell Song trem Lakins Lee Delibe

SECOND PART. Heatie Gregory,tream Moream (b) Bhapsonie Hengroise, No. 12 ... Lie Pablo Casals.

(a) Romanza Campagniolo. (b) Tarentelle Conper. Madame Nevada, Newest Calendars, Reynolds Bros. *

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BOWLERS AND THEIR DOINGS

oute No. 210,886, between the postoffice AVERAGES OF THE CLUBS AND THE PLAYERS.

> Backus Leads Other Teams with an Average of 163-This Week Has Been One of Great Interest-The Changes Made in the Elk Team Have Made It One of the Strongest in the League-Frank Gould Is Now Enrolled with the Black Diamond Bowlers.

The Tribune prints below the averages of each of the bowlers in the Northeastern Pennsylvania league and the team averages as well, in order that all arguments as to the respective merits of each man may be settled. Bartl, of the Elks, heads the list, his average being 180, but he rolled only three games. Hopkins, of the Backus team, comes next with the splendid average of 174 for fifteen games. Taylor and Wardell, the two men who have so far made the highest scores, follow next. The Backus team leads the others with a team average of 163. The individual and team averages are as fol-

Player and Umb. Gaynes. Taylor, Green Ridge Wardell, Scranton Bievele . 15 Meister, Buckus ... Allen, West End. Gorman, Black Diamonds. . . 15 Moore, Scranton Bicycle 15 Foley, Black Diamonds..... 15 Gast, West End Weigand, West End 15 Beavers, Black Diamonds 15 Peckham, Backus 15 Mitchell, Scranton Bicycle. 15 Pryor, Black Diamonds 12 Moore, Green Ridge 15 Dimler, Scranton Bicycle... 12 Gselwindt, Elks 9 Golden, Black Diamonds Seamans, Green Ridge..... 15 Green, West End 15 Mason, Green Ridge...... 15 Davis, West End...... 15 Madenspacher, Ellis..... Weichel, Green Ridge...... Reynolds, Black Diamonds... Innes, West End..... Warden, Black Diamonds... Jones, Elks Dimler, Eiks Waldner, Elks Birehard, Elks Bayne, Black Diamonds TEAM. Hardens Scranton Bicycle Club..... 75 West End 75 filks

This week has been one of unusual interest in bowling circles hereabouts. The bowling of the various clubs in both leagues is getting better with each succeeding game. This is especially true as regards the Northeastern Pennsylvania League. Twelve of the eighteen games rolled in that league this week were above eight hundred pins and the other six were near the eight hundred mark. The Backus team came to the front with a rush by winning all three games from Green Ridge last Monday, while the Elks and West End wheelmen improved their standing by winning two out of three from the Scranton Bicycle club and Black Diamonds, respectively.

The changes made by Captain Reibl on the Elks team have undoubtedly made the Elks one of the most formidable in the league. This fact was thoroughly demonstrated last Monday evening, when they took two of the three games rolled with the Scranton Bieyele club's last season's champion team. The new members on the Elks team are Bartl and Madenspachar, both old reliable bowlers.

The Black Diamonds have secured a new man in the person of Frank Gould to fill permanently the place on the team which has been vacant since the organization of the team this season, having been filled by substitutes. Mr. Gould is a good consistent bowler and will no doubt strengthen the Diamonds.

Henry Dimler of the Scranton Bievele club team seems to have gotten into form. Dimler was out of the game all last season which fact accounts for his low scores previous to last Monday night, when he came to the front with the excellent average of 150 1-2 pins, a total of 571 pins for the three games. By far the most consistent team

bowling of the season was done by the

Backus team Monday evening, the

team average for the three games be-

ing 174 3-5, with individual high aver-

age 203, and low average 158. A continnation of this excellent work will surely land the trophy. The Green Ridge wheelmen bowled good ten pins against Backus team Monday evening, but nevertheless lost all three games. Two of their games were over eight hundred but the Back-

us boys were out to win and wouldn't

be stopped. In all probability, the Electric City wheelmen will be able to place a fairly good team in the field immediately upon the completion of their alleys. their being several good bowlers among the club's members.

The personnel of the new Green Ridge No. 3 team at present is Wedeman. Knapp, Smith, Bliss and Dolph, This team contains good material and with a little team practice should give a good account of itself. The best bowling done so far in the

Green Ridge winning two out of three with a total of 2442 pins against 2399 rolled by West End. Charles Steffen, of the firm of Stephen & Son, the well known bowling atley builders of New York, is in the city

superintending the finishing work on the Electric City wheelmen's alleys on Jackson street. The Scrunton Bicycle club league cam has dropped out of the Bicycle club's league. Its place has been taken by another team from the Green

The Green Ridge wheelmen No.2 team is now tied with West End No. 2 for

Ridge wheelmen known as

Ridge No. 2.

Convent. Sister Aloysius, who was known in the world as Miss Mary O'Neil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O'Neil, of Pleasant Mount, died last night in St. Paul's convent, after several years' illness with consumption. The deceased nun entered the order of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in 1891, and had been teacher of music in St. Paul's convent for the last seven years. She had gentle nature and was deeply loved and respected by the hundreds of pupils whom she has taught.

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