

WOULD REDUCE THE ALLOWANCE

CONTROLLER AND THE FEED OF PRISONERS.

Investigation Discloses the Fact That in Counties of the Same Size as Lackawanna the Allowance is as Low as Eleven Cents a Day and, as a Consequence, He Would Have the Matter of Lowering the Compensation Looked Into—Other Court Matters.

Ex-Judge J. W. Carpenter was yesterday retained to represent County Controller Jones in the hearing next Monday on Sheriff Schadt's petition to have the quarter sessions court fix his compensation for feeding prisoners.

The controller proposes to have the allowance cut down if possible. At present it is twenty-five cents a day. A number of persons have called the attention of the controller to this allowance alleging it to be largely in excess of what it should be.

As explained in yesterday's Tribune, the sheriff claims the county has been proceeding irregularly, ever since its inception. In the matter of fixing the allowance for feeding prisoners, we have been acting under the provisions of a law passed specially at the instance of Luzerne county, which law makes it the duty of the commissioners to fix the compensation.

ATLAS OF THE WORLD.—The Trades National bank is presenting to its patrons and friends a very little remembrance, consisting of a concise new atlas of the world, issued by the Hand-McNally company, of Chicago. There are 96 pages, with all the maps carefully revised and much statistical matter.

SMOKER HELD.—In St. John's hall Monday night the new officers of the Manville Reg Fumel were installed. The new president, Edward Barrett; vice president, Dominick Denny; financial secretary, Patrick Tolan; recording secretary, Thomas Reilly; treasurer, Timothy Burke. After the installation a smoker was held.

INDICTED INTO OFFICE.—The following officers of Epiphany lodge, No. 222, Ancient Order of United Workmen, have been indicted: Past master, William J. Ryan; master, William J. Ryan; warden, Charles Flack; recorder, P. F. Hines; treasurer, W. F. Loftus; receiver, Julius Weller; jr.; overseer, John McKinney; guide, James Long; inside watchman, John Kireher; outside watchman, John Mahler; representative to grand lodge, W. F. Loftus.

D. L. AND W. PAY DAYS.—The employees of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western stores department and machine shops were paid yesterday and the employees of car shops will be paid today. Commencing tomorrow, the nine workers will be paid as follows: Tuesday, Jan. 9—Aronold, A. J.; Biles, Halstead, Hunt, Posthorne and Woodard; Friday, Jan. 12—Diamond, Diamond, Wadsworth, Manville and Stors; Saturday, Jan. 11—Aronold, Bellevue, Bellevue, Wadsworth, Gaygas, Continental, Dodge, Hampton, Hampton, wadsworth, Hobson, Hyde, Park, Oxford, Pene, Sloan and Taylor.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining unclaimed for at the Scranton postoffice, Lackawanna county, January 5, 1902. Persons calling for these letters will please say advertised and give date of list. Ezra H. Ripple, postmaster.

More Court Decisions.

President Judge Edwards yesterday handed down decisions in eight cases, as follows: In re road in Carbondale township; Report of viewers annulled. The judge says: "The report should have been filed at the October sessions. The proceedings are dead and we can not inject life into them."

ITALIAN.

Schmidt Francesco, Angelo Maria Ottaviano, Giuseppe Rosa, Angelo Maria, Antonino Bui.

POLISH.

Michal Kotoniecki, Jozef Szalanski, Thum Dams, Karolier Miodki, Jozef Hanczowski (2), Jozef Lejwachowski, Jozef Bismacki, Adam Droboski, August Grabowski, Pelagija Dawa, Jozef, Jolana Nowicki, Kostantj Melowski, John Kamczinski, Jozef Karanski.

HUNGARIAN.

Kostantj Szalanski, Salamon Kaszatonas, Dal Haj, Dimes Balogh, Kelenon Janonak (2), Pal Szalanski, Felio Markan, Ado Dunsak, Jozef Mars, Vilmos Andriacki, Gyavri, Jozef Wasz Kalka, Waszly Babercz, Michal Szekercz, Anrin Haszlovicz, Gerbor Antal, Ado Stok, Wilam Stravinski, Mike Maracz, Frank Jahan, Simon Mazerko, Kuzacz Marcin, Mrs. Mary Chaz, Fab, Adalbert Motziska, John Balogzas, Jno Gouglan, Michael Gouglan, Vazsly Zagonos, John Gouglan, Michael Kuzacz.

West Scranton Station.

H. Cross, Miss Anna Fardowicz, Mrs. Hannah D., S. Mayberry, Stuart Parsons, Mrs. Elizabeth D. Williams.

MOOSIC.

The primary election of the borough of Moosic will be held at the regular polling place on the 18th of January between the hours of 4 and 7 p. m. In place in nomination candidates for the following offices: Borough tax collector and high constable, Ward offices, Second ward, two constables; Third ward, two constables, two school directors; Fourth ward, one school director; Constables, E. Broadhead, president; C. S. Snyder, secretary.

Thomas Thomas met with an accident while on his way to the Old Forge shaft with a load of powder yesterday. The road being so icy the wagon was upset and powder was thrown out but no serious damage resulted.

Miss Laura Shires, of Scranton, is spending a few days with Mrs. Jeanie Greer.

Miss Lucy Hollenback is slowly improving after an operation for appendicitis.

WITCH DOCTOR HAS TROUBLE

INCANTATIONS FAIL TO PRODUCE DESIRED RESULTS.

His Patients Refuse to Be Affected. Deaths and Funerals—The Man with a Literary Life—An Unappreciated Serenade—Light Restores the Speech of Albert Van Warren. Mixed Matters.

COURT HOUSE NEWS NOTES.

John Reilly was yesterday appointed poor director of the Vanding district. County yesterday allowed the claim of John Murray for \$20 for capturing a horse thief.

PASSED BAD MONEY.

Joe Strate Arrested Near Pittston for Disposing of Counterfeit Silver Dollars.

Deputy United States Marshal J. W. Snyder, of this city, made an important arrest in Pittston on Monday night, when he took Joe Strate, a Russian Pole, in custody on the charge of circulating counterfeit silver dollars. Strate was arraigned before United States Commissioner Taylor yesterday afternoon and was committed to the county jail for a further hearing on Saturday.

Chief of Police Loftus, of Pittston, for the past few weeks has been receiving complaints from saloon-keepers and small merchants of counterfeit silver dollars which had been passed on them, and after making a little investigation of his own, he notified Deputy Marshal Snyder last week.

The marshal went down to Pittston and managed, after some little difficulty, to trace the coins to Strate, who lived in a house on the main road, just a little this side of Pittston. He waited for Strate to return on Monday night and arrested him shortly after he entered the house, about midnight.

None of the counterfeit coin was found in his possession and he strenuously denied having passed any of it. Marshal Snyder and Chief Loftus managed yesterday to gather up fourteen of the bad dollars from persons upon whom they had been passed and these were brought up to this city yesterday and produced before Commissioner Taylor, with the request that Strate be held for a further hearing on Saturday.

Marshal Snyder says that the dollars are the best counterfeit he has ever seen. He thinks that they are made of babbitt metal and black tin, a combination which produces a ring almost equal to the silver. The engraving is almost faultless and the only apparent outward defect is the milling on the edges, which is done rather badly. The marshal says that the dollars could be passed on nine out of ten men.

Strate had been living near Pittston for only two weeks, and the source of his supply has not been discovered. It is believed that he has nothing to do with the making of the money, merely acting as the agent of the counterfeiters.

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE.

Contractors' Tool House Wrecked. Watchman Blown to Atoms.

Philadelphia, Jan. 7.—An explosion of dynamite occurred today in a contractors' tool house beside the Pennsylvania railroad tracks in West Philadelphia. "Doc" Mullen, a watchman employed by P. M. Mullen, the contractor, was literally blown to atoms, and a dozen persons living in the vicinity were out by flying glass from the shattered windows of their houses.

Miners Burned by Gas.

Wilkes-Barre, Jan. 7.—While at work in No. 1 shaft of the Susquehanna coal company at Nanticoke this evening, William Obenski, a miner, fired a blast which caused a sudden heating of gas, Obenski and Fire Boss Richard Price were badly burned, and in attempting to extinguish the fire caused by the explosion, Fire Boss Richard Price and Foreman James Jones were seriously burned on the face and hands.

Thomas P. Duffy Elected.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Tananqua, Pa., Jan. 7.—Thomas P. Duffy, of Adams, was today re-elected president of District No. 7, Third Ward, Erie county, by the delegates in convention here, Henry Hill, of Millersville, was re-elected treasurer. The result of the election for the other offices will not be announced until tomorrow.

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AN UNAPPRECIATED SERENADE.

Near Cascade Valley the other night a party of young men visited the home of a newly-wedded couple to give them a Catalumpian serenade. Immediately following the opening overture, an attic window opened, a shotgun protruded and the persons of the serenaders were filled with rock salt. The unappreciated serenaders.

SPLENDID SHOWING MADE AT ANNUAL MEETING OF PENN AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Everybody was bright and smiling at last night's annual meeting of the congregation of the Penn Avenue Baptist church because for the first time in its history the church is entirely out of debt, all bills being paid and a small balance remaining in the treasury.

The report of Treasurer J. W. Brownling for the year just ended showed that the receipts from general sources had been \$11,809.72 and the disbursements \$11,790.77, leaving a balance of cash on hand amounting to \$18.95. In addition to the amount above mentioned, as having been raised there was \$1,972 raised by the Ladies' Social Union and sufficient sums from other sources to bring the total revenues up to nearly \$14,000.

JUST AS WELL.

It will be just as well if you understand persons' motives before criticizing their actions. Understand politics before you attempt to explain them. Understand that it is not admirable to sneer at goodness or religion, or to boast of your own wickedness.

FRIGHT RESTORED SPEECH.

Albert Van Warren, of Doraville, twenty years ago underwent a severe attack of scarlet fever. He became practically speechless.

MIXED MATTERS.

The largest and longest stone bridge in the world is over an arm of the China sea, 300 arches, each 70 feet high. This is considerably longer than the Sturgesford viaduct at Laneshoro, but the latter is twenty feet higher.

THE NEWS GRIST.

The funeral of the late Miss Mary V. Hatton, a former popular public school teacher, took place from St. John's Catholic church on Sunday afternoon and was largely attended. Interment was in Laurel Hill cemetery.

PARAGRAPHETTES.

The board of health will not insist upon people being vaccinated until it becomes absolutely necessary. District Deputy M. J. Duffy, of Hallstead, on Monday evening installed the officers of St. John's branch, No. 11, C. M. B. A.

WILKES-BARRE'S REPUBLICAN TICKET.

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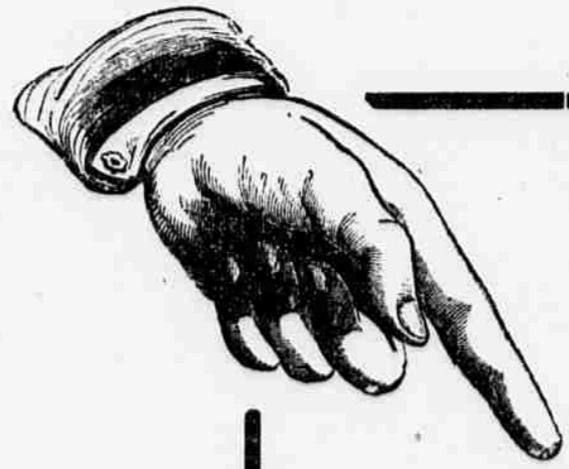
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10.00 Jackets will be - 5.00
15.00 Jackets will be - 7.50
20.00 Jackets will be - 10.00
25.00 Jackets will be - 12.50

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