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SMALL-POX SITUATION. Health Authorities Consider Danger to Be Lessened.

Superintendent Allen, of the bureau of health, has decided that the danger of the smallpox spreading in West Scranton has been lessened sufficiently to warrant the revocation of the order closing all public halls in that part of the city, and he so notified Director of Public Safety Wormser yesterday. The director accordingly issued an order raising the quarantine placed on such halls, with the exception of Mearns' hall, which is still guarded because of the recent presence of smallpox in the building in which it is located. As mentioned before, free vaccination will be continued today in the schools which were opened last week in the central city, North Scranton and South Scranton. Dr. W. A. Paine, the smallpox physician, stated yesterday to a Tribune man that the danger of a spread of the disease has been greatly lessened. Unless the disease crops out among some of the persons with whom Vinot, the central city patient, came in contact, the chances are that the danger will be over, he said.

SLIGHTLY SCRANTONESQUE. Will Be This Dutch Elstedford on St. Patrick's Day.

President Judge A. A. Vosburg, of the Orphans' court, has accepted an invitation to preside at the afternoon session of the St. Patrick's day elstedford to be held in Allentown. President Judge H. M. Edwards, of the common pleas court, is to be the conductor. Scranton is also to furnish a large number of competitors.

The members of Schiller lodge, No. 215, F. and A. M., are requested to attend the funeral of our brother, Joseph Ober, from his late residence, 911 Mulberry street, on Saturday, February 22, 1902, at 2 o'clock p. m. Members of sister lodges are cordially invited to attend. By order of Peter Stipp, W. M. Attest: Charles S. Gilbert, secretary. It is also requested that the members of Masonic Veteran association, Coeur de Lion commandery, and Lackawanna chapter, of which Mr. Ober was a member, attend the services.

Mr. Wheeler Got Rid of His Rheumatism. "During the winter of 1888 I was so lame in my joints, in fact all over my body, that I could hardly hobble around, when I bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. From the first application I began to get well, and was cured and have worked steadily all the year."—R. Wheeler, Northwood, N. Y. For sale by all druggists.

PATRICK P. GOLDEN DEAD. School Controller from Sixth Ward. Passed Away Yesterday. School Controller Patrick P. Golden, of the Sixth ward, a man widely known throughout the city, died yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at his home, 502 Luzerne street, after a lingering illness from which he had been suffering for many years. The deceased was 67 years old and was born in Ireland. He came to this country when quite a young man and lived up to the time of his death. He worked in the mines and at various other callings until 1878 when he was appointed on the police force by Former Mayor Powerly. He served as patrolman until 1888 and made a splendid record for himself as a bold and fearless man. He was athletic and was a boxer of no mean account in his early days, so that though small in stature, he could handle the most quarrelsome men. He started in the hotel business after he left the police force and prospered remarkably. His wealth at the time of his death being variously estimated at between \$50,000 and \$100,000. He was a Democrat in politics and served as select councilman from the Sixth ward for two terms. He wasn't much of an ornamental councillor but when occasion demanded he would say his say in a few few words which went straight to the meat of the question under consideration. He was elected school controller from the Sixth ward two years ago but his health has been failing for recent years and when he attended any of the meetings he was obliged to come in a cab. Mr. Golden is survived by a wife and the following children: Michael, John, Patrick, Martin, Mamie and Annie. The funeral will be conducted on Monday morning at 9 o'clock from Holy Cross church with interment in the Cathedral cemetery. A special meeting of the school board has been called by President Gibbons for tonight at 7:30 o'clock to take action on Mr. Golden's death.

GIBBONS ENDORSED. "The Old War Horse" Chosen as Democratic Candidate for President of the School Board. Nine of the Democratic members of the school board met last night in the municipal building and unanimously endorsed John Gibbons, Eugene D. Fellows and David J. Reedy for president, secretary and solicitor, respectively. Positive assurances have been received from the other Democratic members of the board that they will abide by the result of last night's caucus. No opposition whatever developed to Mr. Gibbons at the caucus. Controller Dennis J. Roche, who had announced himself as a candidate for president of the board, withdrew in favor of Mr. Gibbons. Not even the whisper of an opposition to either Mr. Fellows or Mr. Reedy developed. It was stated that while no Republicans attended last night's meeting, there were several who voted for Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Reedy and Mr. Tuesday night. These are understood to be Messrs. Schriever and Barker, who voted for Mr. Gibbons last year. It was a noticeable fact among those who attended the caucus and who pledged themselves to vote for Mr. Gibbons were Dr. John O'Malley and A. L. Francois, both of whom voted for Jayne last year. Those present at the meeting last night were as follows: A. L. Francois, John Gibbons, Dr. John O'Malley, Peter J. Reif, Otto Robinson, F. J. Jennings, Anthony Walsh, E. J. Leonard and Dennis J. Roche. The two members not present but who sent written pledges of support to Messrs. Gibbons, Fellows and Reedy, were H. J. O'Malley, of the Third ward, and P. J. Langan, of the Eighteenth ward. The members in attendance seemed confident that the Republicans had put up no candidate for either the chairmanship or solicitorship, realizing that Messrs. Gibbons and Reedy have already pledged support of a majority of the members and the probable support of several others. The board will meet for reorganization next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

FUNERAL OF W. H. CLARK. Solemn High Mass of Requiem at St. Peter's Cathedral. The funeral of the late William H. Clark took place yesterday morning from his home on Quincy avenue. At 9:30 o'clock the remains were taken to St. Peter's Cathedral where a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. J. A. O'Reilly. Rev. Daniel McCarthy, of Plymouth, was deacon and Rev. J. J. Griffin of the Cathedral sub-deacon. The music of the mass was sung entirely by male voices and as the body was being taken from the church, "Nearer, My God to Thee" was sung by William B. Bradbury and William J. Lynott. Interment was in the Cathedral cemetery. The pall-bearers were Thomas H. Walsh, Charles E. Bradbury, Fred E. Rose, John J. O'Boyle, Dr. C. C. Laubach and Charles J. Quinn. Mr. Clark was the manager of the Clark & Shover company and as a mark of respect the entire plant was shut down yesterday. The beautiful floral tributes spoke eloquently of the deep sympathy felt for the family of the deceased. Present at the funeral were relatives and friends from Buffalo, New York, Rochester, Brooklyn, Carbondale and Pittston.

Stands Supreme. That noted foreign resort, Brighton, is not one whit more beautiful than Lakewood, New Jersey's famous winter resort. Lakewood's clientele is the most fashionable and select, and its attractiveness is unsurpassed. For diversion there is driving, golfing, walking, polo, cycling and the like, while the more social pastimes have many devotees. Lakewood's hotels are marvels of comfort, convenience and hospitality, and one interested in unique resorts should have the New Jersey Central's Lakewood Booklet, just out and replete with authentic information. Send for it to C. M. Burt, G. P. A., 143 Liberty street, New York city. It is free for the asking.

To Hear Paderewski. Account of the Paderewski piano recital at the new armory, Scranton, Pa., Monday evening, February 24, arrangements have been made with the Delaware and Hudson company for special rates from the following points, to Scranton and return: Carbondale, 50c; Mayfield, 40c; Jermy, 35c; Archbald, 30c; Peckville, 25c; Olyphant, 20c; Moosic, 20c; Avoca, 25c; Pittston, 30c; Wilkes-Barre, 50c. Train service will be announced in the papers later.

OLD FORGERS SORRY PLIGHT

WHOLE MALE POPULACE LIABLE TO ARREST. Every One of All the Nine Voters of Old Forge Township Make Themselves Amenable to the Law by Their Conduct of Last Tuesday's Municipal Election—The Affair, However, Is to Be Kept Quiet and Possibly Nothing Serious Will Come of It.

If there ever was a case deserving of real sympathy, that case is this one. May 2, 1899, the Lackawanna court, all thoughtless or regardless of consequences, carved Old Forge borough out of Old Forge township. When the carving process was completed, Old Forge township consisted of all acres of farm land and forty-four acres of culm dumps, and the population remaining accredited to the municipality was not such as kept the census enumerators up nights. All told, the noses numbered thirty-six, and out of these thirty-six nine only were eligible to vote and hold office.

At first the paucity of population caused no concern. The good people of the little hamlet didn't bother their heads much about things other than farming, but, in an evil moment, the fell desire to hold office came upon some of the male inhabitants and there their troubles began. They didn't need any government, as had been proven by more than a year's experience, but those for whom the glamor of office held an irresistible charm argued that it was a sacred duty to form and conduct a municipal government, and a government was formed and conducted.

WHAT THEY DID. None of the nine citizens knew much about the laws governing townships, and not having the time to look into the matter they just went ahead in an informal way and filled up such of the offices as they could remember belonged to them, until each of the nine voters had about all the duties of state he felt he could comfortably bear up under. Winter came, there was nothing to do except chores and, as usual, mischief was begot of the idleness. Supervisor-School Controller-Collector-Justice-of-the-Peace-Inspector-of-Election John Weissenfluh got a law-book dealing with townships and proceeded to map out a schedule of duties for the municipality which was regularly entitled to.

President of the Board of Health-School Controller-Township Treasurer Henry Schultheis called a town meeting at his house, and the various offices were parcelled out. The election day—last Tuesday—the apportionments would be duly ratified by ballot in such offices as were elective. Andrew Naegeli, Jr., was selected for school controller, member of the board of health, township clerk and superintendent of schools. Andrew Weissenfluh was named for school controller, constable and chairman of the board of health. Henry Naegeli and Michael Weissenfluh were named as auditors and school board members. Naegeli was picked out for a member of the board of health, and Henry Harlos was to be left off with the one office of judge of election, but his townsmen insisted that he was bound to take as many offices as he could, and so he went on the list for the board of health and school board.

Being extremely honest, conscientious Switzers, the ticket they had agreed upon was unanimously elected and the returns duly forwarded to Clerk of the Courts Daniels. It was when the messenger bearing the returns reached the clerk's office that it was begun to come to the citizens of Old Forge township. Some inquiries as to how they could conduct an election for a big raft of offices with only nine voters to make up the candidates and the election board, disclosed to the man from the alimutative township that he and five of his fellow citizens had been guilty of the severely punishable offense of serving on an election board while a candidate for office. The messenger protested that he did not know it was a crime, and that at all events they could not do otherwise than commit crime for if they excluded the five members of the election board from the list of municipal office holders the other four would have to commit the almost equally if not more heinous offense of taking the oath in

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A RESIDENCE BARGAIN. A Beautiful Home at Green Ridge for \$4,500. This property could not be duplicated today for less than \$5,500. It is located delightfully, one of the best designed houses in the city. The lot is 60x151, with fine shade trees, etc. For terms, etc., see W. T. Hackett, the real estate dealer. Swarthmore College Offers to young men and women complete courses in Arts, Science, Letters and Engineering, each one of which is intended to insure broad and liberal culture, at the same time providing an opportunity for extended study in one chosen field. The college is under the management of Friends, but distinctly non-sectarian. Its policy is sound and conservatively progressive. The equipment is complete. An able and experienced faculty not only guides the instruction of the student body but keeps in close relationship with the individual. This intimate fellowship between professor and student is possible only in the small college. Intelligent Physical Culture is an important feature of the college. The handsome new Gymnasium for young men completes the equipment for the best possible work in this department. For catalogue address William W. Birdsall, president, Swarthmore, Pa. Special Meeting of Board of Control. There will be a special meeting of the Scranton Board of Control this (Saturday) evening at 7:30 o'clock in the board room, city hall, for the purpose of taking suitable action on the death of the late Patrick Golden, member of the board from the Sixth ward and to make such arrangements for attending the funeral as may be considered proper. John Gibbons, President. E. D. Fellows, Secretary.

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two or three or possibly eight incompatible offices. The messenger went back with word of the muss they had all gotten into and the town in consequence is not sleeping the sweet, sound sleep of the just, that it was worth to sleep. Now they are sorry they ever succumbed to the blandishment of holding office.

MID-WINTER CIRCUS. Fair-sized Attendance Despite the Awful Weather. Those who trudged out to the armory last night will agree that the circus was very much mid-winter. If it came up to expectations in every feature as much as it did in its novel feature it was surely no disappointment. Despite the awful weather there were about 1,000 in attendance, and notwithstanding the paucity of patrons the entire performance was given. The Japanese troupe of acrobats, as on the previous night, came in for the greatest share of applause. They are a whole show in themselves and well worth anybody's time and money. Others who were especially commendable in their work are the Todd-Judge family, the St. Belmas, Miss Blanche Sloan, Asaote & Eddy, Ellis & Nowlan, Delto & Devello and Billy Devoe in varied acrobatic feats. The trained animal feature of the show is also of a high order of merit. There are, in all, twenty-two different acts, each one of the best of its kind obtainable. It is quite up to the standard of the best of circuses. This afternoon at 2:15 there will be a matinee. The concluding performance will be given tonight.

DESERTED WIFE'S STORY Mrs. Nealon's Husband Wanted Her to Run House on \$10 a Month. Aid Given by Poor Board. A wife, whose husband expected her to keep house and support two children on \$10 a month and who left her when she told him she couldn't do it, appeared before the poor board last night for aid. Mrs. Nealon, of 1338 South Washington avenue. Her husband, she said, worked for Gorman, the liveryman, and earned \$40 or more a month. He gave her sometimes \$8 and sometimes \$10 of this. Winter came, there was nothing to do except chores and, as usual, mischief was begot of the idleness. Supervisor-School Controller-Collector-Justice-of-the-Peace-Inspector-of-Election John Weissenfluh got a law-book dealing with townships and proceeded to map out a schedule of duties for the municipality which was regularly entitled to.

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TO PENSION ITS EMPLOYES

PLAN ADOPTED BY THE D. L. & W. COMPANY. It Goes Into Effect March 1 and Provides That Any Man Who Has Worked for the Company for Twenty-five Years in Any Capacity and Secures an Honorable Retirement Is Entitled to an Annuity. Officers Who Are in Charge of the Pension Fund.

Further evidence of the progressive policy which has made the Lackawanna railroad so conspicuous among our leading railroads is found in the announcement made yesterday by its management that a pension system for the benefit of employees who have faithfully served the company would be placed in effect March 1. The adoption of a pension department has almost been favored by President Truesdale almost from his identification with that company in 1890, and the plan which has just been adopted by the board of managers of the Lackawanna has been the result of a careful and prolonged examination and study on his part, with a view to incorporating therein the best features of those methods which have been in effect with other large corporations, together with such provisions as were necessary to meet the conditions applying particularly to the Lackawanna railroad.

Under this system any employee engaged for twenty-five years in any capacity in the operation of the railroad proper, who has faithfully performed his duties, is to be retired at 65 years of age, and receive, after his honorable retirement, a monthly allowance dependent in amount upon his pay and length of service.

AMOUNT FOR THIS YEAR. The fund from which such payments will be made will be regularly appropriated each year by the company, employees not being required at any time to pay anything either for the support of the pension system or to add to the fund from which benefits will be made. To average monthly claims during the remainder of the year 1902, an appropriation of \$50,000 has been made, an amount as large in proportion to the number of employees as has been set aside by any other large corporation which has established the pension system.

Any employee actively engaged for twenty-five years in the railroad department of the Lackawanna railroad comes within the operation of the pension system, and his time of service will be computed from the time he began work upon the Lackawanna railroad proper or upon any of its branches. The amount of pension will depend upon two conditions, the number of years the person has served the company, and the amount of his average regular monthly pay for the ten years next preceding his retirement.

For instance, the average monthly pay for the ten years preceding retirement has been \$60 per month, and the employee has been in the company's service thirty years, his pension will be \$18 per month, an amount equal to one per cent per year, for thirty years, or an average monthly salary of \$54. The pension board also has power to make a faithful employee has received injuries which totally incapacitate him from his regular or other avocations, to consider his case, award a pension, if it is considered merited, and fix the time during which such pension shall be paid.

THE RETIREMENTS. Retirements under the pension fund will be voluntary and involuntary; that is, all employees 65 years of age and over will be considered as having attained the maximum age limit for active service, and will be retired and placed upon the pension fund roll, provided they have been twenty-five years or more in the company's service, while those whose ages range from sixty to sixty-four years inclusive, and who in the opinion of the pension board have become physically disqualified or otherwise permanently incapacitated after twenty-five or more years of service will be either voluntarily or by decision of the board retired and pensioned. In computing service, it will be reckoned from the date since which the employee has been continuously in service, except leave of absence, suspension, or dismissal, followed by reinstatement within one year, or temporary lay-off on account of reduction of force when unattended by other employment, will

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not be considered as a break in continuity of service. Persons who leave the service thereby relinquish all claim to the benefit of the pension allowed. "This pension system has been adopted by the Lackawanna railroad," said one of the officials who was active in arranging the details of the plan, "in the interests both of the men and the service. The company's benefits consist for most part in the added efficiency of service naturally consequent upon the employment of younger and certain employees who when they are not so well adapted for the performance of their work, they shall have provision for their future support. Nothing is so satisfactory to the average employee as to feel, especially now, that the demands of a permanent quality of service are constantly increasing, that after spending his active life in the railroad service, and by reason of age or other disability he is unable to measure up as fully as formerly to the requirements of his work, he has the assurance that his employer has made a generous and assured provision for his future. "Employees eligible to retirement will not receive the pension allowance as a favor, nor as a charitable act on the part of the company. They will be in a position to consider themselves the recipients of a permanent annuity earned by years of faithful, efficient, and loyal service." The board of officers selected to administer the affairs of the pension department, under the direction of the president of the company, are General Superintendent T. E. Clark, General Auditor O. C. Post, Chief Engineer K. McFarlin, Superintendent of Motive Power and Machinery T. S. Lloyd and Traffic Manager B. D. Caldwell. At the organization of the board, Traffic Manager Caldwell was elected chairman, and General Auditor Post, secretary. The membership of this generous and containing, as it does, representative men of ability and long experience in practical railroad service, promises an administration of the pension fund not only to the best interests of the stockholders, but to every employee of the company, no matter how humble his position, who comes within the jurisdiction of the system.

PURPOSE OF IT. "From the standpoint of the men, it is primarily intended as giving assurance to faithful employees that, after a certain period of service, when they are attaining an age where they are not so well adapted for the performance of their work, they shall have provision for their future support. Nothing is so satisfactory to the average employee as to feel, especially now, that the demands of a permanent quality of service are constantly increasing, that after spending his active life in the railroad service, and by reason of age or other disability he is unable to measure up as fully as formerly to the requirements of his work, he has the assurance that his employer has made a generous and assured provision for his future. "Employees eligible to retirement will not receive the pension allowance as a favor, nor as a charitable act on the part of the company. They will be in a position to consider themselves the recipients of a permanent annuity earned by years of faithful, efficient, and loyal service." The board of officers selected to administer the affairs of the pension department, under the direction of the president of the company, are General Superintendent T. E. Clark, General Auditor O. C. Post, Chief Engineer K. McFarlin, Superintendent of Motive Power and Machinery T. S. Lloyd and Traffic Manager B. D. Caldwell. At the organization of the board, Traffic Manager Caldwell was elected chairman, and General Auditor Post, secretary. The membership of this generous and containing, as it does, representative men of ability and long experience in practical railroad service, promises an administration of the pension fund not only to the best interests of the stockholders, but to every employee of the company, no matter how humble his position, who comes within the jurisdiction of the system.

The Lackawanna Business College. The following calls came for stenographers this week: To fill a position with an insurance company; to fill two positions with a correspondence company; to fill a position with a wholesale firm; to fill a position with a machinery company; to fill a position with a doctor; to fill a position in an advertising office. We could only furnish competent help for three of these places. Prepare yourself for business by taking a course at the Lackawanna College and your success is assured.

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