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City Notes.

A BIG CONCERT.—The Lafayette College Glee, Banjo and Mandolin clubs will give a joint concert in the high school auditorium on March 21.

MALL AUXILIARY.—The annual meeting of the Mall Auxiliary will be held in the lecture room of the Second Presbyterian church this afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

HIS LEG FRACTURED.—John Roche, 22 years old, residing in Jersey, was caught by a fall of coal while working in the mines on Saturday and was taken to the Lackawanna hospital.

MEETING TOMORROW NIGHT.—The Christian Workers' league will hold their regular weekly meeting at Mitchell's dining room, 329 North Washington avenue, Tuesday evening, March 11, at 8 o'clock.

HIS CONDITION IMPROVED.—Frank H. Jernyn has received a telegram from Pasadena, Cal., announcing that the condition of his father, John Jernyn, is much improved. The elder Mr. Jernyn is suffering from heart trouble.

COMMITTEE TO MEET.—There will be a meeting of the Republican standing committee of the Third legislative district in the court house Saturday, March 22, at 2 p. m. to fix a time for building a primary election to select state delegates.

TO ERECT A HOTEL.—S. G. Gifford, proprietor of the Hotel Jernyn, has purchased a plot of ground 100x100 feet at Forty-ninth street and Seventh avenue, New York, where, it is said, he intends to erect a 12-story fireproof hotel which he will himself conduct.

PRISONERS TAKEN AWAY.—United States Deputy Marshall J. W. Snyder will leave this morning for Pittsburg, having in charge Fred J. Robinson and William Reeder, who were last week sentenced by Judge Archbold to the Western penitentiary, and Lindford Smith, the colored boy, who goes to the Huntington reformatory.

FUNERAL OF REV. WILLIAM EDGAR.—The funeral of the late Rev. William Edgar will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Dunmore Methodist Episcopal church. The service will be preached by Rev. Asa Griffin, D. D., residing elder of the Wyoming district, and interment will be made in the Dunmore cemetery.

CONSTABLES ORGANIZE.—The constables of the county have formed an association for the purpose of taking steps to prevent the competition of detectives, deputy constables, etc. Another meeting will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock when ways and means will be discussed. The officers elected by the association are as follows: President, Richard Barron, Dickson; sec-

retary, P. A. Cannon, Oliphant; treasurer, E. J. Nowy, Carbondale; executive board, Messrs. Richard Barron, James W. Clarke, W. H. Thomas, Lawrence Rooney, Timothy Jones and Michael Gaughan.

FELL AGAINST WINDOW.—A young lad named Stanton, employed by G. P. Mott, the Spitzer street shoemaker, was cleaning the big plate glass window in front of the shop on Saturday morning when he slipped from the ladder. He fell against the window with great force breaking it in pieces but escaped himself without injury.

THREE MORE CHOIRS.—The executive committee having in charge the arrangements for the national centennial to be held in this city in December Day has just completed arrangements with the Dr. Mason Male party, from Wilkes-Barre, the Gents, of Edwarddale, and a mixed choir from Wilkes-Barre, all of which will compete at the affair.

WHO IS RALPH STEVENS?—The police received a telegram last night from Niagara Falls, N. Y., announcing the death of a man named Ralph Stevens with a paper in his pocket bearing the address "614 Adams avenue, Scranton, Pa." had been killed there. The police made investigation at this address last night but could not find one who knew such a man.

HE HAD A WILD TIME.

Fred Stevens Cleaned Out the "Hub" and Knocked Down Proprietor Morris and His Bartender.

Theodore Morris, proprietor of the "Hub," the saloon on Spruce street for which a license has just been refused, was knocked down twice, Saturday afternoon, by Fred Stevens, a country chap from Sterling, Wayne county, who floated into town to spend his mother's wages. Incidentally, Stevens knocked out a plate glass window in the saloon, and laid the big, tall bartender low with a blow from his fist.

Stevens went into the saloon early in the afternoon and spent some time in the back room. He discovered after he had been drinking for an hour or more, that his pay, amounting to \$10, had been taken from his clothes. He came out into the barroom and began to make things lively. He knocked over chairs and tables, and wound up by throwing himself against one of the windows, which went down with a crash.

Morris started after Stevens, but the latter turned and knocked him down. Morris got up again and went at the man from Wayne county again and was knocked sprawling a second time. Then the bartender took a hand, but as soon as he got within the range of Stevens' arm, he, too, went down. By this time Patrolman Hart and Goerlitz arrived on the scene and placed Stevens under arrest.

When arraigned in police court yesterday morning some of his friends, who had seen the fight, interceded for him and stated that, in their opinion, he had been drugged. Magistrate Howe didn't think so, and fined him \$10, which was paid.

Atlantic City the Imperial City.

No other all the year round resort can boast of being the people's recreation ground in the same sense as can Atlantic City, and there is but one reason why this far-famed watering place is a success, and that is because everybody in Atlantic City is for Atlantic City.

Its hotel men are royal entertainers, not alone in the sumptuously furnished hotels and the well-laden table, but for actual entertainment of their guests there are always novel pastimes. Golf and boating and bathing are but a few of the ways of amusement, but some of the things unique in now being arranged for Easter week in the form of a Bench Show. Not only have many of the entries at the late New York Dog Show arranged for the Atlantic City Show, but many kennels which have never heretofore been exhibited will compete here. One of the big prizes on the board walk will be the exhibition hall, and this, together with Atlantic City's far-known attractions, will interest multitudes on Easter week. The New Jersey Central has the finest three hour service to Atlantic City from New York imaginable, and if you are going to the famous resort, send to General Passenger Agent C. M. Burt, 142 Liberty street, New York City, for leaflet No. 84, which shows trains and other information.

SYMPATHIZE WITH HIM.

"We sympathize with the prodigal and pity him, but we should sometimes study the things that made him what he is. We should study the causes as well as pity the effect. Why did the boy go away from his father's house? How was it in the home before he went away? There are a number of things that are productive of prodigals, and one of them is prodigal homes. "What about the social environment of the home? Would it not be wise to look over the family record before deciding upon what caused the prodigal's downfall? We need to learn the lesson that the prodigal teaches, that we are responsible in many instances for the characters which our children inherit. * * * Perhaps the prodigal son was never taught the lesson which every boy should be taught—the lesson of true and loving respect for parental authority.

"Perhaps he saw about him the results of too loose ideas regarding the marriage relation—a thing that may be seen in too many of our modern day homes. Every week I am forced to turn away couples who seek to become united in marriage by me, because either one has been divorced. I never marry divorced people unless they can bring me certificates from court showing me that they were divorced for Scriptural reasons. I have married but two divorced people in all my life, and these were the young man and woman who had been married before and courted again like a pair of young lovers after they had been separated by the law. If preachers would more boldly proclaim the sacredness of the marriage relation there would be less divorce applications and more happy marriages.

MAKE PRIDGAL SONS.

"Prodigal friends generally make prodigal sons. God gives us friends to strengthen our lives and to conduce to our happiness and joy, but there are friends who are not God-given and who insidiously seek to lead us down the way that leads to destruction. Beware of these and shun them as you would the beasts of the forest.

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New Goods

For Monday Buyers.

Wash Goods

Silk Warp Pongees, a light weight suiting, suitable for waists and dresses..... 20c
Printed Embroidered Swisses..... 12 1/2c
Silk and Mercerized Gingham..... 25c to 50c
Egyptian Tissue Gingham..... 25c
Sea Island Percales, yard wide..... 12 1/2c
New Dimities, beautiful printing..... 12 1/2c
Printed India Linen Batistes..... 15c

Silk and Dress Goods

Foulard Silks, beauties at the price, greens, greys, blues, browns and rose..... 59c
Prince's Twills, Beige Mixed Suitings, 45 inches wide, in shades of gold, olive brown, greens and blues, a dollar fabric, for..... 75c
Granite and Whipcords, all wool, 40 inches wide, new shades..... 50c
Pedestrian Skirtings, new selections of desirable shades and weights..... 75c up to \$3.00
Black Wool Grenadines, Voyles, Batistes, London Twines and Open Mesh Goods for Suits and Skirts..... 50c to \$3.00
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NEW THOUGHTS ON OLD THEMES

DR. PIERCE SPOKE ON THE PRIDGAL SON.

He Pointed Out That Prodigal Society, Prodigal Homes, Prodigal Friends, Prodigal Business and Some Prodigal Churches Are Largely Responsible for the Making of Modern Day Prodigal Sons. Said That He Never Marries Divorced People.

Rev. Dr. Robert F. Y. Pierce, pastor of the Penn Avenue Baptist church, preached a sermon last night based on the ever fruitful parable of the prodigal son.



REV. DR. R. F. Y. PIERCE, D. D.

son taking for his particular text, Luke, 15:13: "And there wasteth his substance with riotous living."

In beginning his sermon Dr. Pierce referred at length to the vast amount of waste there is in every department of life, waste of food, waste of time, waste in business and in countless other matters.

"But," said he, "the most terrible of all is a wasted life, a life that is lost utterly for good. This prodigal son whom the parable speaks of wasting his substance, wasted his opportunities and wasted his fortune. Did you ever stop to consider what he might have done with his money and his intellect had he not foolishly left his father's house? "Prodigality always makes prodigals. What amazes me as I look out upon life is that men after the object lessons of the evil results of badness, wickedness and drunkenness which are constantly before them should go right into the evil ways of sin with a remarkable facility and ease.

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ANOTHER WATER COMPANY.

Proposes to Take Water from the Susquehanna River.

S. M. Nash, D. M. Rolly, N. M. Eicke, J. P. Boyer, of this city, and J. T. Eichholzer, of Pittston, have been granted a charter for the Susquehanna Water company, which proposes to supply water to this city and points between the Susquehanna river and this city.

It is the intention to have a reservoir on the top of Campbell's ledge and to pump water from the Susquehanna river into the reservoir, from which it will be distributed.

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much blame on anybody or on anything as on himself, and he himself must be saved first."

RELIGIOUS NEWS NOTES.

Special evangelistic services will be held nightly in the Penn Avenue Baptist church during the last two weeks in March.

"Practical Living" was the topic of a sermon preached last night by Rev. George A. Cure, pastor of the Providence Methodist Episcopal church.

Superintendent George G. Sanborn, of the Rescue mission, had charge of last night's services in Grace Reformed Episcopal church and delivered a helpful little talk.

"Personal Life an Invaluable Treasure" was the topic of a brilliant sermon preached last night by Rev. Dr. I. J. Lansing, pastor of the Green Ridge Presbyterian church.

Rev. J. J. Wright, of Washington, D. C., filled the pulpit of the First Christian church yesterday morning. Last night the pastor, Rev. R. W. Clynner, spoke on "God or Mammon."

Rev. Elliot A. Boyd delivered the second of a series of special addresses yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Railroad Young Men's Christian association. There was inspiring singing by the chorus and quartette.

Rev. Thomas de Gruchy, D. D., pastor of the Jackson Street Baptist church, will read a paper this morning before the Baptist Ministerial conference at the regular meeting to be held in the Penn Avenue Baptist church.

IN THE LOCAL COURTS.

Grand Jury Will Meet and Equity Court Open This Morning—Executors Alleged to Be Insolvent.

The grand jury will convene and a session of equity court open this morning. Judge E. C. Newcomb will charge the jury and preside in equity court. The cases set down on the equity list are as follows:

A. D. Dean, et al. against B. M. Winton, executor, and others.

Mary Lyden against Anthony Lyden.

William L. Purcell against T. J. Dougherty.

Jennie Deane against Franklin Howell.

A. J. & E. H. Speerer against the Nay Aug Coal company.

Following are the members of the grand jury:

Eugene Allen, pipe layer, Scranton.
Charles Hezel, merchant, Scranton.
Oscar O'Malley, merchant, Scranton.
James E. Hamilton, grocer, Scranton.
Thomas Fiske, farmer, North Abington.
John Wright, miner, Scranton.
Patrick Flynn, butcher, Scranton.
William Davis, miner, Scranton.
S. J. Matthews, postmaster, Oliphant.
Edward Varrington, clerk, Carbondale.
Michael Spellman, letter carrier, Scranton.
George C. Collier, collector, Scranton.
Wm. Wheeler Wolfe, agent, Scranton.
Adam Whedder, blacksmith, Scranton.
S. B. Davis, merchant, Scranton.
Frank Lavelle, mill hand, Scranton.
George Gibson, carpenter, Scranton.
James D. Evans, insurance agent, Scranton.
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KOFCHINSKI IN MORE TROUBLE

CHARGED WITH BLEEDING SALOON KEEPERS.

One of the Trio Charged with the Killing of Daniel McAuliffe Is Held to Bail, Together with Edward Sharrak, an Ex-Special Officer, for Extorting Money from Old Forge Saloon Keepers—Kofchinski, It Is Alleged, Impersonated the County Detective.

Frank Kofchinski, a deputy constable of this city, and Edward Sharrak, a former special officer of Old Forge, were held in \$500 bail each, by Alderman Ruddy Saturday, to answer at court for extorting money from Old Forge saloon keepers.

Kofchinski is also held to answer for falsely representing himself to be the county detective.

The story of a raft of witnesses was to the effect that two defendants went among the saloon-keepers of Old Forge with warrants charging them with selling liquor illegally and, after pleading them under arrest, extorted the cases for whatever they could extort from them.

Kofchinski is a former agent of the Municipal league. He is also one of the three men indicted for killing Daniel McAuliffe, on Luzerne street, during the fracas growing out of an attempt to make arrests for strolling trolley care and assaulting Scranton Railway company employes. Sharrak was a special officer of Old Forge until last Monday, when the council took his commission away from him because of his alleged extortions from saloon-keepers.

Sharrak was represented at the hearing by Attorney M. J. Donahoe, Kofchinski's attorney is F. E. Beers, of counsel for the Municipal league. County Detective Phillips, who is prosecuting the case, was represented by County Solicitor H. L. Taylor.

SWORE OUT WARRANTS.

February 20, it appears, Kofchinski presented himself at Alderman Ruddy's office and swore out warrants charging illegal liquor selling against George Hush, William Sussavich and Paul Prannock, of Old Forge. The alderman said he would have the warrants served forthwith, but Kofchinski told him it would be unnecessary, as he had engaged an Old Forge officer to serve them.

That was the last the alderman heard of the warrants until one day last week, when Hush appeared at the alderman's office for a hearing. The alderman knew nothing of the hearing and questioned Hush as to what he was driving at. Hush went on to tell that the county detective and Special Officer Sharrak had arrested him for selling liquor on Sunday, and further that they had tried to get him to settle by paying money.

County Detective Phillips was informed, and he set about an investigation. Word had come to him that he had been impersonated by "bleeders" in various parts of the county, and he was waiting for an opportunity to bring some one of them up with a quick, sharp turn.

Saturday, when Kofchinski and Sharrak were arraigned to answer the county detective's charges, they were confronted by a dozen witnesses to corroborate the story of Hush.

All three of the saloonkeepers for whom Kofchinski had sworn out warrants, together with members of their families and others, swore to the false impersonation and extortions.

Prannock said he settled for \$4.50, Sussavich testified that he paid \$17.50, Agnes Strulinsky, another saloonkeeper, told that they threatened to arrest her, but she bought them off with \$17.50. Charles Sussavich testified that they lied him for \$30.

SHARRAK MADE DENIAL.

Sharrak and Kofchinski were allowed to testify. Sharrak denied that he told the victim that Kofchinski was the county detective, but admitted he accompanied him when he was serving some warrants and that he was paid \$2.

Kofchinski declined to answer any questions, after being sworn, basing his refusal on the ground that his answers might tend to incriminate himself.

Attorney Donahoe argued that as it was not shown that Sharrak had impersonated an officer or taken any money from the saloonkeepers, he ought to be discharged. In Kofchinski's behalf, Attorney Beers argued that the charge of extortion was irregular, because Kofchinski had no authority as an officer outside the city limits. The mayor charge, he argued, would be blackmailing.

Alderman Ruddy did not agree with the attorneys for the defense in either contention, and required the defendants to give bail for court.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied, for publication, by the writer's name. The Tribune does not assume responsibility for opinions here expressed.]

The Debate Not Void.

Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Your Dursey correspondent was either misinformed or is abusing his privilege as correspondent. He reported the debate which occurred in the Brick Methodist Episcopal church March 1 as being void. Will you kindly correct this statement to do justice to all concerned, as it was not void, the debate being held by four competent judges. Very respectfully,
H. Gerald Horn.
Dursey, Pa., March 8, 1902.

Wyoming Conference.

Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Nearly one-half of the \$250 has been received for the "Rev. Joseph Hartwell Memorial Church." This matter was commenced by conference action last year. A fine beginning has been made.

The plans and work were left to the officers of the Conference Historical society. They feel that they have placed the case before all the members of the conference and that they know how. We must report at the coming session of the conference. That is near at hand. If the brethren who have not yet contributed will send what they wish to give, we shall have to reach the amount asked before conference.

The semi-annual ordered for the coming session will be held Thursday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock. It is thought that a rare program will be given and that it will be full of Wyoming conference history.

The officers of the society urge all members who shall attend the conference to bring contributions for the archives of the Historical society. Any and everything that has a history or will aid in making it, is asked for.

On this occasion the report for the "Hartwell Memorial Fund" can be used.

Manley S. Hard,
President Historical Society,
Evanston, Ill., Feb. 28, 1902.

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THE STATIONARY FIREMEN.

Will Hold Convention at Archbold Tomorrow to Present Grievances.

President Nichols, of District No. 1, United Mine Workers, has called a convention of the stationary firemen and engineers who belong to the Mine Workers union.

The convention will take place in Swift's hall, Archbold, Tuesday afternoon. In the notices sent out by President Nichols the firemen are requested to send a delegate from each colliery to the convention who will be able to present what grievances there may be among the men he represents.

These grievances will not be disposed of by the convention but will be formulated and presented at the mine workers convention of the three districts to be held at Shamokin, Tuesday, March 18.

The reason that the convention is being called is that there are some grievances among the firemen at a number of the collieries over the new system of shifts. The new arrangement is particularly unsatisfactory so far as it concerns the firemen.

It is the purpose, therefore, to ascertain the situation at all the collieries and then lay it before the Shamokin convention.

A conference will be held tomorrow between R. A. Phillips, the new superintendent of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company's coal department and a committee of the colliery company's employes from the Avondale, Woodward and Pettebone collieries which are now closed as the result of the refusal of the firemen to agree to the new "swinging shift" recently introduced.

The whole question of the introduction of this shift will be discussed and there is a possibility that the difficulty may be adjusted. An effort was made by the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America to arrange for a conference but the officials refused to confer with any except their own men.

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