City Notes.

AUDITING CLERK.—On April 11, the United States civil service commission will conduct an examination for an auditing clerk and disbursing clerk for the Philippine service.

DONATIONS ACKNOWLEDGED.—The managers of the Home for the Friendless acknowledge with thanks the receipt of $12 from the Schnesel Verein and $10 from Miss Jessie Shumway's Elm Park Sunday school class.

ACCEPTED INVITATION.—The Ezra Griffin post, Grand Army of the Republic, has accepted the invitation of Rev. R. F. Y. Pierce, D. D., to attend divine services at the Penn Avenue Baptist church on the Sunday evening preceding Memorial day.

EQUIPPING THE "GYM."—Florey & Brooks have been awarded the contract for equipping the new gymnasium of the Young Men's Christian association and the work will be commenced shortly. Bids were received from a number of firms but the Scranton firm put in the lowest.

AN OPEN MEETING.—The Team Drivers of Scranton and vicinity held a very enthusiastic meeting in Raub's hall last Tuesday evening and they will hold another open meeting Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. All persons not affiliated with any of the locals in the city will have an opportunity to fill out applications.

WAS PROPERLY MANNED.

Decision of Judge Townsend in the Bourgogne Case.

Judge Townsend, in New York, recently rendered a decision in the "Bourgogne" case against the Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique, in which he says:

The petition of the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique for limitation of liability to the value of the life-boat and life-raft saved is granted, and the court also decides that no claims for loss of life can be made in a court of admiralty. It also decides that the prepaid freight, passage money and subvention for the voyage are not to be considered as part of the ship and pending freight. The court further decides that the Bourgogne was properly manned and equipped; that she had proper lifeboats, lifebuoys, life-saving appliances, that the company had given proper instructions to her captains; and that the company was in no way to blame in fitting her for the voyage. Incidentally, however, while finding the speed of the Bourgogne to have been ten knots, (which was the same as found in the Read case) the court holds that this speed under the American and English law was excessive, though under the French law it is not so. This latter point, however, is not material in view of the result."

REPAIR OF PAVEMENTS.

Barber Asphalt Company to Begin Work on Monday.

Director of Public Works Roche was yesterday notified by G. A. Brackett, local manager of the Barber Asphalt company, that the work of repairing the asphalt pavements, under the ten-year contract, will be begun next Monday.

Work will be commenced on lower Lackawanna avenue, which has been in bad condition all winter, having been torn up in the fall, during the commencement of the work on the Railroad alley sewer. It is believed that the amount of re-surfacing to be done this year will be greater than that done during any year except the first.

FOR THE CHARITY BALL.

Special Trains Will Be Run on the Delaware and Hudson.

Chairman R. J. Bourke, of the committee having in charge the arrangements for the Charity Ball on Monday night, announced yesterday that A. J. Casey had succeeded in making special arrangements with Superintendent C. R. Manville, of the Delaware and Hudson Railroad company, for the accommodation of persons from Carbondale to Wilkes-Barre, who may desire to attend.

A special train will leave Carbondale at 8:30 o'clock on Monday night, and the train which generally leaves this city for up the valley at 1:15 o'clock, will be held until 2 o'clock for those who may desire to tarry a little longer at the ball.

Arrangements have also been made for the running of a special train to Wilkes-Barre and all intermediate points at 2:45 a. m. A number of people down the valley have been fearful of attending the ball because they would have to remain in this city all night. This arrangement will obviate the difficulty. Superintendent Manville makes no extra charge for these trains, but will put them on as the company's contribution to the ball.

Another matter which the committee desires to have set at rest is the rumor that exorbitant and impossible prices will be charged for cabs. The liverymen will have to go out of town for extra cabs to supply the demand, but they will charge only 50 cents extra by mutual agreement.

The decorations in the armory have been all completed and it presents a picture of dazzling beauty. The general committee will meet there tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock to perfect the final details.

EIGHT-HOUR DAY FOR PAINTERS OF CITY

Cannot Agree with Master Painters as to When the New Order Shall Become Effective.

A committee of Painters' Local union, No. 218, of this city, consisting of P. F. Holton, chairman; William Bauer, Edward Pahlman, Edward Bircher and John McDonough, between March 8 and 17, sent letters to all of the master painters of the city, submitting the following scale of wages for consideration:

Section 1. That on and after April 1, 1902, eight hours shall constitute a full day's work.

Sec. 2. That 28 1-8 cents per hour shall be the minimum rate per hour.

Sec. 3. That each employer shall pay his employes every two weeks.

Sec. 4. Overtime to be paid for at the rate of time and half time, and Sunday work and all legal holidays shall be paid for at the rate of double time, and no work whatever shall be done on Labor Day, Fourth of July or Christmas Day.

Sec. 5. That board and car fare shall be paid by employers on all out of town work.

The committee would request an early and earnest consideration of the above scale, and would be pleased to meet you Monday evening, March 17, at Durr's hall, 313 Lackawanna avenue.

The master painters sent a reply agreeing to the wage scale and hours, but asked that it go into effect on June 15 instead of April 1, to permit them to close up work on contracts taken under existing prices of labor.

This was not satisfactory to the painters, and last night a committee of the master painters, consisting of C. S. Jacobs, A. I. Fowler, Charles Rehrig, Alexander S. Negley and G. A. Briegel met the committee of the painters named above in the rooms of the Builders' Exchange.

After some discussion the master painters agreed to have the new scale of hours and prices go into effect on May 1, but that also was rejected by the painters. The master painters refused to consent to an earlier date, stating that it would be impossible even in a month to clean up the work now on hand. Monday night the painters will have a meeting, when the committee that met the master painters last night will submit its report for consideration and action.

NEW PHASE OF CAR STRIKE.

Contest Is Now Between the Two Executive Committees.

There was no change of moment yesterday in the street car strike situation. The executive committee of the strikers is as determined as ever in its stand against the acceptance of the new proposition, as it stands, and the executive committee of the Central Labor union is still a unit in recommending that the terms it has secured be made the basis of settlement.

The strikers admit that they can not well refuse to acquiesce in whatever action the Central Labor union will take on the new proposition Sunday afternoon, but they do not say positively that they will.

They propose to go into the meeting Sunday afternoon and fight against the Central Labor union endorsing the new terms.

The immediate settlement of the strike depends on whether the Central Labor union will vote with its own executive committee or the executive committee of the strikers.

ARLINGTONS DEFEATED.

The champion Arlingtons, of the City league, are getting it from all sides these days. They lost three straight to the Liederkranz team the other night, and they were forced to drop two last night to a pick-up team in West Scranton on the Becker alleys, the score being as follows:

ARLINGTONS.

Meister	157	163	144—464
H. Kiefer	125	124	139—388
C. Kiefer	139	123	114—376
Hawck	147	145	147—439
J. Kiefer	139	183	148—470
	707	738	692—2147

WEST SIDE.

Rollins	139	129	168—437
Lewis	168	133	168—469
Yoos	137	135	161—433
Rothermel	199	154	207—521
Coons	198	172	172—542
	802	714	876—2392

High score—Rothermel, 207.
High average—Coons, 180 2-3.

LAST OF THE SMALL POX

FINAL CASE WILL BE DISMISSED MONDAY.

Since the Disease Made Its Appearance in This City There Have Been but Three Deaths—Owing to the Prompt Precautions Taken by the Department of Public Safety and the Bureau of Health the Disease Was Kept from Spreading to Any Great Extent.

Smallpox, which appeared in Scranton three months ago, has been entirely stamped out. The final case of the disease will be dismissed Monday. The efforts of the department of public safety, through the bureau of health, to keep the disease from spreading, were very effective. Only three deaths resulted.

DR. W. A. PAINE.

The mortality rate is really marvellous, when comparisons are made with other places where the disease gained a foothold. In the town of York, for instance, 50 per cent of the victims have succumbed to the disease up to date, and it continues to spread. High commendation is due Dr. W. A. Paine for the manner in which he handled the cases in this city.

His intimate knowledge of the disease, and the most approved methods of treating it enabled him to successfully combat its spread.

All of the cases of smallpox in this city, with one exception, are directly traceable to the original case. The history of the siege dates back to December 10, 1901, when Captain and Mrs. George J. Lewis, of the Salvation army, left Lockland, Ohio, for the purpose of paying a visit to and spending the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in this city.

BROUGHT IT HERE.

At Youngstown, Ohio, on the morning of December 11, Mr. and Mrs. James, of Plymouth, Pa., boarded the train. They had gone from their home to attend the funeral of a relative in Youngstown. Later developments proved that they carried the disease to Youngstown, where cases were subsequently reported. This couple sat opposite Mr. and Mrs. Lewis in the train.

As they began to talk Mr. Lewis remarked to his wife that they were Welsh people. Shortly afterwards he engaged them in conversation, occupying a vacant seat in front of them. He noticed that Mrs. James was heavily veiled, and her husband volunteered the information that the woman was not well, having been subject to attacks of erysipelas.

The James' and Lewis' traveled together as far as Scranton, and spent three hours together in the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western waiting room at Binghamton. It is said, incidentally, that the cases of smallpox that developed at Hallstead and Montrose, were among people who were on the same train, and contracted the disease from Mr. James.

On December 23 Captain Lewis was taken sick in this city, and died from smallpox on January 15, 1902. The undertaker who had charge of the Lewis funeral complained to Dr. Allen, superintendent of the bureau of health, that he thought Mr. Lewis died of smallpox, and it was then that Dr. Paine was requested by Dr. Allen to visit the house at 512 North Bromley avenue, and ascertain, if possible, the disease which caused Lewis' death.

IT WAS SMALLPOX.

Dr. Paine pronounced it smallpox, and immediately ordered the premises quarantined. The names of all the people who visited the house during Lewis' illness were obtained; and as far as possible all were vaccinated. Then followed a period of general vaccination, fumigation, quarantine, etc.

The other victims who died, Mrs. William Brace and daughter Blanche, were exposed to the disease, having been living in the same house with Lewis. Two Brace children were removed to the Parry home in the Mears' building, where Lizzie Parry was taken ill. All of the cases can be directly traced to this source, with the exception of the Vinol case in the central city.

Councilman Evans, whose case has just been dismissed, visited Mears' hall, where Miss Parry and the Brace children were; W. J. Morgan walked from Mears' hall to the corner of Swetland street and Bromley avenue with W. J. Brace, father of the children referred to, and husband of the woman who died.

Mrs. James Brace, of 531 North Garfield avenue, whose case will be dismissed Monday, visited the Brace children at Mears' hall on January 15, and was taken sick January 27. This case is pronounced by Dr. Paine to be the severest one that has come to his attention, where the patient recovered. Mrs. Lentz, who was also a victim, visited Mears' hall on January 15, and was taken ill on February 1.

The only clue offered in the Vinol case was to the effect that the wife of a theatrical manager, who visited the Star theatre, was ill, and was supposed to have been suffering from the disease.

The precautions taken to prevent the spread of the disease in this city, and the ultimate results, indicate that Scranton was extremely fortunate in having earnest, energetic men at the head of the department of public safety and health bureau, as well as such an efficient expert in the disease as Dr. Paine, to take charge of the cases.

GIRL AND WOMAN

WHO CANNOT FIND A LESSON IN THIS STORY FROM LIFE.

Healthy and Happy as a Girl, This Woman Was Still to Know the Depths of Misery--A Leaf from a Reporter's Note Book.

It is a true saying that a wise providence sends to human beings all the trouble that they need. None are so rich in purse, so sound in body and mind that they escape it entirely. Mrs. J. W. Mundy, of No. 43 Summit avenue, Plainfield, N. J., is a woman who takes pleasure in telling others how to lighten their burden of trouble. "I should like to have a heart-to-heart talk with every girl in this country," she said to a reporter. "I could help them to be happy, for I have found the way at last."

"As a girl I always enjoyed the best of health, but about seven years ago, soon after my marriage, my health began to fail. There had been several deaths in my family and sorrow had the effect of increasing my illness. I was most miserable, and so nervous. There would be times when I could not sleep at all and at other times it seemed as if I could do nothing but sleep. I obtained no permanent relief and, finally, about four years ago I was attacked with nervous prostration which left me in a miserable condition.

"But you seem perfectly well now," suggested the reporter.

"Yes, I am well and happy," she returned quickly. "Last spring my husband saw an advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People in one of the local papers and advised me to try them. I did so, and by the time the second box had been used up I felt decided relief, and so continued on till I had taken four boxes when I felt I was on the road to regained health. There is no doubt that the remedy has done wonders for me."

The pills which cured Mrs. Mundy have accomplished similar results in thousands of cases. They have proven themselves to be an absolutely certain remedy for all diseases arising from disorders of the blood and nerves. Among the many diseases they have cured are locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, after-effects of the grip, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexions and all forms of weakness either in male or female. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold by all dealers or will be sent postpaid on receipt of price, fifty cents a box; six boxes for two dollars and a half, by addressing Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

TO SEND A LOBBY.

Business Men's Committee Proposes to Go After State Democratic Convention with a Vim.

A meeting of the business men interested in the movement to bring the State Democratic convention to Scranton will be held in the parlors of the Coyne house next Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

At this meeting will be discussed the proposition of sending a committee to Harrisburg when the State Central Democratic committee meets next month to boom Scranton for the convention.

Colonel F. J. Fitzsimmons, at the solicitation of the committee, has been corresponding with Democratic leaders and committeemen, seeking their support for Scranton. The following letter was received from Colonel James M. Guffey, the national committeeman from Pennsylvania:

Pittsburg, March 25, 1902.

Colonel F. J. Fitzsimmonms, Scranton, Pa.

My Dear Colonel: Your letter of the 22d inst. has just been received.

Should Scranton be chosen as the place for holding the coming Democratic state convention, it would be entirely satisfactory and pleasing to me, I assure you.

As you well know, however, the selection of a place for holding the convention is a matter for the state central committee to decide; and you will, I am sure readily appreciate that in my position I cannot show any favoritism or partiality for any one of the various cities seeking the honor.

Of my high esteem for Scranton and her people and her merits as a convention city, I feel it is quite unnecessary to assure you.

Very sincerely yours,
J. M. Guffey.

State Chairman W. T. Creasy has also replied to the effect that the selection of Scranton would meet with his heartiest endorsement.

State Committeemen D. J. Reedy and T. B. Hoban will be at Monday's meeting to confer with the business men's committee on the matter of sending a lobby to the state committee today.

Notification.

To all team owners, general teamsters and team drivers, members affiliated with the local unions affiliated with the Team Drivers' International Union of North America, are hereby notified that on and after April 1, 1902, the price for team work will be $4.00 per day, in accordance with action adopted by joint council.

W. J. Brokenshire, Pres.
Peter N. Haan, Sec.

SHOT HIMSELF IN THE HEAD

STERLING B. TRIPP TOOK HIS LIFE YESTERDAY.

He Was Despondent Because His Wife, from Whom He Had Been Separated for Some Time, Refused to Live with Him Unless He Reformed—Ended His Life in the Barn in the Rear of His House on Providence Road—Was Nephew of Late Col. Ira Tripp.

Despondent because his wife refused to live with him unless he reformed his habits, and rendered incapable of exercising his will power because of excessive drinking, Sterling B. Tripp, one of North Scranton's best known citizens, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by shooting himself in the head.

Mr. Tripp was a member of the well-known Tripp family, one of the oldest in the city, and was a son of Holden Tripp, of Wyoming, Luzerne county, a brother of the late Colonel Ira Tripp, of this city. He is best known because of his connection with the Tripp Coal company, of which he was general manager for nearly twenty years.

About two years ago his wife became alarmed at his mental condition. It was alleged that excessive drinking had brought on a sort of mild insanity, which she was constantly afraid would develop into homicidal mania. She had him committed to the Hillside Home, and after six or seven months' confinement in that institution he was discharged as cured.

His wife had established herself in the central city, while he was at the Hillside Home, and when he came out she refused to live with him again at their home, 1133 Providence road. This caused him to grow despondent, and for the last few months he had been drinking excessively. He kept imploring his wife to return to him.

GREW MORE MELANCHOLY.

During the last two weeks he seemed to grow more melancholy each day. On Thursday night he announced his intention of making a last final appeal to his wife, and he went to see her yesterday morning. According to the story he told upon his return from the interview, she told him that she would not come back and live with him until he promised to give up drinking and to secure steady employment at some kind of work. He seemed to be especially moody upon his return, because she would not come to him at once, and according to several persons, he drank rather heavily during the early afternoon.

The last seen of him alive was at 3 o'clock, when one of the members of the family of George Pegg, with whom he was living at his own home on Providence road, left the house to go out on some business. She returned about an hour afterwards, but Mr. Tripp was not to be seen. Mr. Pegg came home later, and went out to the barn just before 6 o'clock to feed the horse.

He was startled to find Mr. Tripp's body lying on the floor, just inside the barn door. A few feet away on the floor lay a revolver, and just over the dead man's right ear was a jagged hole, showing where the bullet entered. From the position in which the body was found it is believed that the unfortunate man shot himself while standing up.

CORONER NOTIFIED.

Coroner Saltry was notified by telephone, and hurried to the scene. He made an examination of the body, but is holding the question of an inquest under advisement. The remains were removed into the house, by his permission.

The dead man was 53 years old, and is survived by a wife; a sister, Mrs. Gregory, of California, and a half-brother, Charles Tripp, of this city. He was the owner of considerable property, and has had no regular employment of late. The funeral will be held from the house on Monday, at an hour to be fixed later.

CHARGED WITH LARCENY.

Mrs. Yenson Held Under Bail but Later Discharged.

Mrs. Bridget Yenson, alias Mary Bond, was arrested yesterday at the instance of William Rafter, of 235 Meridian street, who charged her with the larceny of a gold watch, valued at $23. The two parties occupy portions of the same house, and Rafter claimed that the woman had entered his rooms and stolen the watch.

Magistrate Howe held Mrs. Yenson under $300 bail, after a hearing. The case was afterwards amicably adjusted, and upon request of Rafter the woman was discharged.