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City Notes.

FOURTH ANNUAL BALL.—The fourth annual ball of the Journeymen Horseshoers' Local Union, No. 78, will be conducted in Music Hall on Thursday night.

COMING EXAMINATIONS.—On May 6 the United States civil service commission will conduct an examination for municipal clerks, mainly in the hydrographic office and on May 6 and 7 of architectural design.

SMOKER ARRANGED FOR.—The members of Electric City Lodge, No. 296, International Association of Machinists, have arranged for a smoker to be conducted in Hulbert's hall, on Wyoming avenue, on Friday night.

D. L. & W. PAY-DAYS.—The employees of the thirteen Delaware, Lackawanna and Western colonies in Taylor, Keyser Valley, West and North Beranton, were paid on Saturday and the remainder down the valley will be paid today.

KATE SAMPSON AGAIN.—The well known Mrs. Kate Sampson, who was again arrested on Saturday on a charge of looting an innkeeper's house on Raymond court, preferred by Constable W. H. Thomas, of the Eighth ward, Magistrate Miller held her in lieu \$200 bail.

GEORGE PRICE FINED.—George Price, formerly proprietor of the American House on Penn avenue, was arrested on Saturday night for being intoxicated and throwing an apple through a street car window on Penn avenue. He was fined \$10 in police court yesterday morning.

TENDERED A RECEPTION. Retiring Yardmaster Nowell Entertained by Switchmen.

The members of Switchmen's union, No. 129, tendered a reception to E. E. Nowell, the retiring Lackawanna yardmaster, on Saturday night in Dillecher's hall. He was presented with a beautiful ivory-handled umbrella and a gold chain and chain.

Mr. Nowell goes to Sidney, Nova Scotia, to take a position on the Inter-colonial railroad.

RELIGIOUS NEWS NOTES.

Rev. George A. Cure, pastor of the Providence Methodist Episcopal church, preached a sermon last night in which he gave a number of very good and excellent reasons for attendance at church.

Rev. Thomas B. Payne, pastor of All Souls' Universalist church, preached the second of a series of sermons dealing with universalist doctrine last night. He explained the universalist conception of God.

The Christian Workers' league will have charge of the service at the Home Mission next Tuesday evening. A. J. Kellerman will speak and the Young Men's Christian association chorus will sing. Everybody welcome.

The danger of waiting until just before death to make one's peace with God was ably presented last night by Rev. Luther How Waring, pastor of Grace Evangelical Lutheran church.

The phrase which is the keynote of Rippling's masterful Recessional hymn, "Less We Forget," was chosen as a topic for a sermon preached yesterday morning by Rev. Dr. Robert F. V. Pierce, pastor of the Penn Avenue Baptist church.

The first of a series of four Sunday night sermons on the life of St. Francis of Assisi, one of the noblest men whom Christianity has produced, was delivered last night in the Second Presbyterian church by Rev. James H. O'Neil, the pastor.

The final monthly Sunday school missionary exercises for the conference year were conducted yesterday in the Elm Park church Sunday school room. The collection taken on yesterday amounted to \$229. The total amount raised by the school for missionary purposes during the year was \$665, which is a splendid record.

Rev. J. W. Messenger, pastor of the Zion United Evangelical church, has taken upon himself the task of proving to the members of his congregation the authenticity of the Bible by means of prophecies contained therein which have been fulfilled. He will preach seven sermons on this subject and delivered the first last night.

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DIVORCED COUPLE MARRIED.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGowan Joined in Wedlock a Second Time.

It is very seldom that a man and woman who have been married and then divorced, should be joined in wedlock again. Theater-goers saw a stage presentation of such an incident this season in "The Way of the World" and realized what a wonderfully impressive and touching thing it is.

Such an incident was witnessed in real life on Saturday afternoon in Magistrate Howe's office, when Margaret Barry and John McGowan were united in marriage for the second time. They were married in Carbonate six years ago, but were divorced in 1899, Mrs. McGowan securing the possession of the three children.

Frankly admitted to the alderman that she had loved her first husband all the time and expressed the hope that her second union would bring her more real happiness than her first.

THE UNIVERSALIST CONCEPTION OF GOD

Sermon of Rev. Thomas B. Payne in All Souls' Universalist Church. Last Night.

Interest is increasing and the congregations are growing at All Souls' Universalist church, the only representative of the liberal faith in Scranton. Large congregations were present yesterday, both morning and evening, eager to listen to the helpful sermons of the pastor, Rev. Thomas B. Payne, who spoke in the morning on "Giving What We Have," and in the evening on "The Universalist Conception of God." For his evening text, Mr. Payne took the opening words of the "Lord's Prayer," "Our Father which art in Heaven." He said, in part:

We lay it down as a proposition that cannot be disputed successfully that the Fatherhood of God is at once the center and circumference of the teachings of our Lord and Master Jesus Christ. Anything presented by men as his truth that conflicts with an infinitely good, wise, loving and powerful Father must do, outside of what Jesus taught. If Universalists reject many things taught by other churches, it is because we believe so completely and profoundly what Jesus taught concerning the Father.

The earliest conception of God is found in the Indian's "Great Spirit." The latest conception of God is found in Jesus' "Our Father." Between these two conceptions of God have been developed many others, not erroneous, simply incomplete, marking the various stages of human development. Such are the Jewish conceptions of "Creator," "sovereign," "Judge," and which were incorporated into the Calvinistic theology in place of the Christ's "Our Father."

The Universalist church believes in "Our Father" as the "Creator of the world." He made it in love and wisdom. He is at the center of every part, and no man can be injured by any part of it unless they pervert it from its right use. We believe it is not "a sale of terms" to those who do not believe in the Father, but a place, yea, a school in which God is training us for the labors of an unending life.

We believe "Our Father" is "Sovereign" in His universe. No part of it is beyond His interest, thought, wisdom, control. Men contend with Him, obey Him, curse Him, only at last to find themselves absolutely powerless in His hands.

Universalists believe "Our Father" is "Judge" in His moral universe. No man can escape his judgments. No man can escape his punishments. But "Our Father" does not punish arbitrarily, nor vindictively, but in order to reclaim.

We believe "Our Father" is a pure spirit, without physical parts or passions, omniscient, omnipresent, both transcendent and immanent.

We believe that the infinity of "Our Father's" love impels him to destroy the creation of all souls. We believe the infinity of His wisdom is sufficient to plan their salvation. We believe the infinity of His power is equal to doing what His love desires and His wisdom plans, still leaving man a free moral agent.

PROGRAMME OF THE WYOMING CONFERENCE

Business Laid Out for Each Day of the Meeting, Which Opens at Waverly, April 15.

Following is the programme that will be observed at the sessions of the Wyoming conference, to be held in Waverly, N. Y., beginning April 15:

Tuesday, April 15—9 a. m., examinations. Wednesday, April 16—9 a. m., sacrament of the Lord's supper, conducted by the bishop, assisted by the presiding elders; 10 a. m., business session opens; 1:30 p. m., statistical session opens; 2:30 p. m., missionary sermon, H. H. Wilber; 3:30 p. m., memorial service.

Thursday, April 17—9 a. m., lecture, "Still We Accept the Universe," Dean Wright; 9 a. m., business; 2:30 p. m., Wyoming conference semi-centennial anniversary; 4 p. m., lecture, "Simon, son of Jambus, or the Evolution of the Book in Character," Dean Wright.

Friday, April 18—9 a. m., lecture, "A Trinitarian's View of the Divine Unit," Dean Wright; 9 a. m., business; 2:30 p. m., Woman's Home Missionary society, Miss Josephine Cook; 4 p. m., lecture, "Mount Calvary and the Face of God," Dean Wright.

Saturday, April 19—9 a. m., lecture, "The Supreme Being of the Bible," Dean Wright; 9 a. m., business; 2:30 p. m., Woman's Foreign Missionary society, Mrs. F. D. Gamewell; 4 p. m., lecture, "The Sunrise of Eternity," Dean Wright.

Sunday, April 20—9 a. m., sermon, Bishop Merrill; 2:30 p. m., ordination of deacons and elders.

Monday, April 21—9 a. m., lecture, "Jesus said: 'I Am.' Who Am I? What Am I?" Dean Wright; 9 a. m., business.

In the evening of each day at 7:30 o'clock will occur the following anniversaryes, with the speakers named: Tuesday, Temperance, Charles A. Crane, D. D., of Boston; Wednesday, Missionary society, Stephen L. Baldwin, D. D., of New York; Thursday, Freedman's Aid, Wilber F. Thirkield, D. D., of Cincinnati; Friday, Church Extension society, M. S. Hard, D. D., of Chicago; Saturday, Preachers' Aid society, J. H. Bickford, D. D.; Sunday, Education and the Twentieth Century Movement, E. M. Mills, D. D., of New York.

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The boardwalk, the piers, the band concerts, the sailing and the thousand and one social enjoyments contribute to this wonderful and interesting beach resort. What is fast becoming the popular route to Atlantic City is the Jersey Central, with its double daily three-hour service from New York. The trains are models of convenience, equipped with vestibule coaches and parlor cars.

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TERM OF COURT OPENS TODAY

MICHAEL DAVIS WILL BE ARRAIGNED FOR MURDER.

Other Cases Set Down for Trial on the First Day of the Opening of the Term of Criminal Court—The Smythe-Williams Case Given to the Jury—Testimony in Four Divorce Cases Heard in Chambers. Proceedings in Orphans' Court. Other Court Matters.

A two weeks' term of criminal court will open this morning with President Judge H. M. Edwards on the bench in the main court room. Following is the list of cases set down for today:

- 1. Michael Davis, murder; W. A. Phillips, pros.
2. John Argents, murder; A. W. Palmer, pros.
3. Peter Manoy, embezzlement; Mike Madin, pros.
4. James Mack, Daniel Lenahan, robbery; Frank Robling, Jr., pros.
5. Michael Size, larceny and receiving; Frank Robling, Jr., pros.
6. Michael P. Kehoe, fornication and bastardy; Mrs. W. B. Duggan, pros.
7. John Miller, assault and battery; Ernest Daly, pros.
8. Nazario Pascolini, carrying concealed weapons; Lena B. Duggan, pros.
9. Henry Evans, false personation of detective; Thomas L. Williams, pros.
10. Harry Evans, carrying concealed weapons; Thomas L. Williams, pros.
11. Ira Bohner, larceny by bailer; Henry Bonn, Jr., pros.
12. William Snyder, carry concealed weapons; Carrie Buchner, pros.
13. Savino Cappallo, assault and battery; Carlo Belarish, pros.
14. Patrick Moran, larceny and receiving; James Corrigan, pros.
15. Patrick Moran, assault and battery; James Corrigan, pros.

It is very probable that the Davis murder case will go to trial. Both commonwealth and defense are said to be ready. The accused will be represented by Attorney John J. Murphy, Colonel F. J. Fitzsimmons and John McCourt.

Four Divorce Cases.

Judges Newcomb and Kelly, sitting in chambers, on Saturday, heard testimony in four divorce cases. Judge Kelly heard testimony in the case of Elizabeth Ransley against Sanford G. Ransley. The couple were married in Oxford Furnace in 1884, and came here in 1887.

Judge Newcomb heard testimony in the case of Phoebe Edwards against George Edwards. The couple were married in 1887, over thirty years ago, and he deserted her two years afterwards and went to live in Honolulu, Hawaii, where, it is alleged, he has a wife and children living.

John Reese seeks a divorce from his wife, Ellen. Evidence was adduced that the couple were married in Wales twenty years ago, and that the woman left her husband and married another man some ten years afterwards. Testimony was also heard in the case of Margaret Webster against Charles Webster. The couple were married in 1886, and it is alleged, that Webster left his wife just ten years later, in 1896.

Smythe-Williams Case.

The case of W. F. Smythe against J. E. Williams and others, an action to recover damages for libel, was given to the jury Saturday afternoon, and at 6 o'clock a verdict was agreed upon and sealed. It will be reported this morning.

A verdict in favor of the plaintiff was rendered in the case of Louis Tedesco against the Guardia Romae Beneficial society, of Old Forge. The plaintiff sued for sick benefits of \$300 per week from February 21 to June 7, 1901. Payment was refused on the ground that Tedesco was feigning sickness.

The jury in the case of Frank Pierce against George Copperthwaite for wages gave a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$75.38. The case was tried before Judge Kelly in the main court room.

Orphans' Court.

On Saturday, Judge A. A. Vosburg heard arguments in the estate of Charles Stuart, deceased. The daughter of the decedent, Mrs. Collins, presented a claim for funeral expenses, which the executor refused to pay for the reason that it was a voluntary payment on her part, and that she had previously received money enough to pay the same. This the claimant denied. Arguments were made by Attorneys C. W. Dawson and W. S. Huslander. Judge Vosburg reserved his decision.

Exceptions to the inventory and widow's appraisal in the estate of Joseph L. Ribble, deceased, were also made by Attorneys P. F. Loughran and A. A. Chase. Judge Vosburg also reserved his decision in this case. Various orders were made in different estates.

There was an adjourned hearing before Judge Freas in the audit of the account of George R. Clark, guardian of John H. Ranck, a minor. This case could not be heard by Judge Vosburg, because he was interested in it as a counsel before his appointment.

TIME IS EXTENDED.

License Ordinance Will Not Go Into Effect Until April 12.

Director of Public Safety F. L. Wormser has decided to give the hucksters and peddlers of the city until next Saturday to live up to the requirements of the ordinance just signed by Recorder Connell, providing for a license tax on all such transient merchants. The ordinance was to have gone into effect today.

The ordinance provides that all hucksters selling goods not of their own raising, from a wagon, shall pay annually the sum of \$15. Keepers of fruit and peanut stands must pay \$15 a year, and peddlers who sell goods on the street, but not from a wagon, are to pay \$10.

BUILDING TRADES SECTION.

Plan to Organize One Approved by Central Labor Union.

A special committee was appointed at yesterday's meeting of the Central Labor union to decide upon ways and means for the formation of a Building Trades Section, to embrace all trades connected with building, and to be similar to the Building Trades council, which at one time flourished in this city, but which has since died out.

The switchmen's local union was received into the central body, and an ap-

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plication on the part of the Telegraphers' union for affiliation was favorably acted upon.

BAPTIZED IN THE ROARING BROOK

Disagreeable Weather Prevented All of the Candidates but One from Putting in an Appearance.

The baptismal services arranged by the Shiloh (colored) Baptist church took place according to schedule, yesterday afternoon, despite the rather unpropitious weather.

The immersing occurred in a pool in the Roaring Brook opposite Irving avenue, just above the old rolling mill. One candidate only appeared, John Left-right. There were others, but at a late hour they concluded to put off their immersion until the next service, which is to take place the first Sunday in May.

Fully 300 persons stood about the two banks of the brook for more than an hour, shivering in the cold, pelting rain. Nearly half of them were members of the little church under whose auspices the service was conducted.

The crowd on the opposite bank set up a guffaw. The pastor rebuked them, but with true Christian spirit immediately followed the rebuke with his benediction.

The pastor, Rev. Jacob Boddie, a tall, stalwart, young man, with the trustees of the church arranged a dressing room in one of the half-demolished buildings of the old steel plant, and here the pastor and the candidate changed their street clothes for long black gowns, tied around the middle with a belt.

The pastor appeared first, and, taking a stand at the water's edge, announced that there was only one candidate for baptism, but at the next service there would be more. He then went on to say that there was, to his mind, nothing theatrical about an open-air baptism and he didn't want it to appear so. To him it was all as solemn as death.

The authority for baptism in the "liquid stream" was shown by many quotations from the Bible, and then came an exhortation on righteous living, in which the big fire at Atlantic City was pointed out to be a visitation of God's vengeance for the Easter Sunday excursions from Philadelphia.

Patrolmen Saltry and Quinnan, at the show that the trustee went about to lift a collection, and the congregation sang "Glory to His Name" and "I Hear Thy Welcome Voice."

With a long, red curtain pole the pastor picked his way into the brook until he was up to his middle, and then the candidate, his head bound around with a white handkerchief, came from the improvised dressing room, descended to the water's edge and was led into the stream, while the assemblage sang "Carry Me to the Waters."

Clasping the candidate by the right hand and placing his left to the back of the candidate's head, the pastor spoke at some length on the significance and efficacy of baptism and then immersed him backwards, uttering at the same time the usual words.

Pastor Boddie was plainly ill-pleased at the guffaws provoked by the candidate having his head bound with his mouth open, and after leading the candidate to the shore, turned on the crowd to tell his displeasure. In a moment, however, he followed with his blessing, imparted while he stood in the water, with his hands lifted high above his head and the cold rain beating down on his face.

THE FATHERS OF THE CHURCH

THEME OF A SERMON BY REV. DR. JAMES McLEOD.

He Told of the Great Men Who Dominated the Thought of the Early Christian Church, and Declared That They Belong Not Alone to the Catholic Church but to All Christian Denominations—Origen, the Teacher, and Athanasius, the Theologian, Commented Upon.

Rev. Dr. James McLeod, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, last night gave the first of a series of brief sermons dealing with some phases of the early history of the Christian church.

He chose for his particular topic, "The Fathers," and briefly sketched the life history of a few of the men who dominated the thought of the Christian church during its first four centuries. Nearly all of the men who are commonly called "Fathers of the Church," he said, have been canonized as saints by the Roman Catholic church and are claimed as belonging to that church alone. The Fathers, Dr. McLeod said, belong to no particular church, but to every denomination which believes in Christ as the Son of God.

The doctor took up the lives of some of the fathers who lived and flourished in Alexandria, when that ancient city was in the heyday of its commercial and intellectual supremacy and told briefly of Clement and of Origen, his pupil, and of the Christian schools they founded. Clement was famous as a preacher, the doctor said, but while sincere was not an ideal expounder of God's word, being too allegorical in his style.

FOUNDER OF EDUCATION. Origen, on the other hand, was famous as being one of the founders of Christian education, as a disputant and as a learned theologian. He died in Tyre in 254, aged 70 years, having, as the doctor said, "kept the faith and earned a crown of glory."

He briefly sketched the history of the Arian heresy which was founded by Arius, an Alexandrian presbyter who with "specious reasoning" admitted the Godship but denied the divinity of Christ. The doctor told of the great council at Nicea, held in 325, at which Arius was ex-communicated and his doctrines condemned. This was attended by 318 bishops from all parts of the Roman empire, and was presided over by Constantine, the Roman emperor.

One of the men who attended this council, the doctor said, was the great Athanasius, then only a deacon twenty-five years old, but a man of superb intelligence and possessed of a real and living faith. It was his creed, now known as the Nicene creed, which was adopted by the great council as the best expression of the doctrine of the Christian church.

Athanasius, the doctor said, was a model bishop and a model theologian. He told of the persecutions he was obliged to suffer after he became bishop of Antioch, and of how he put all his enemies to flight in the end. The lives of Jerome, Ambrose, Basil and Augustin would, with the other great fathers, furnish topics for dozens of sermons, the doctor declared.

ARE OUR FATHERS. "The Christian Fathers," said he in conclusion, "are our fathers and goodly is our heritage. They were not perfect in all things, and for this we can love them more. These saints of God were saved by human passions, like ourselves and this fact brings them closer to us. They were not inspired, nor were they infallible, but they were men of pure lives with high and lofty ideals. Judged by the age in which they lived they were heroes and they have left behind them that which the Christian world would not willingly let die.

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