PERSONAL.

Ira Broadhead, of Binghamton, N. Y., was visiting his family in Moosic over Sunday.

The engagement of William S. Brain, of Quay avenue, to Miss Etta E. Lewis, daughter of A. T. Lewis, of Fleetville, has been announced.

Postmaster Ezra H. Ripple left yesterday for Charleston, S. C., where he will attend the exposition as a member of Governor Stone's staff.

Miss Elsie Close, a teacher in the Alinda Preparatory school at Pittsburg, has been forced to leave her duties temporarily, because of a slight attack of typhoid fever. She is at her home in Dunmore.

J. S. Swisher, district passenger agent of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, and John E. Welsh, traveling passenger and freight agent of the Ontario and Western railroad, spent yesterday in New York.

Ex-Sheriff Charles Robinson, ex-Senator Stadler, of New York; Emil Schimpff, Victor Koch, Frank Robling and A. R. Gould left yesterday for Maplewood and Pocono, where they will spend today fishing for trout.

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriage of Major Montrose Barnard, of Wilkes-Barre, and Miss Estelle Woodward, daughter of Mrs. Barclay Woodward, of Philadelphia, on April 25. Major Barnard was at one time a mining engineer for the Hillside Coal and Iron company, but is now superintendent of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western mines around Wilkes-Barre.

WYOMING CONFERENCE.

Annual Session Will Begin Today at Waverly, N. Y.

The annual session of the Wyoming conference of the Methodist Episcopal church opens this morning in Waverly, N. Y., and will continue for one wook. Today's session will be largely devoted to routine business.

Bishop Merrill will preside at the sessions, and Rev. J. B. Sweet, formerly of this city but now of Oneonta, N. Y., is the secretary. Tomorrow night, the anniversary of the Missionary society will be observed, and Stephen L. Baldwin, of New York, will preside.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday will be largely devoted to lectures by Dean Wright, though on Tuesday afternoon the semi-centennial of the society will be observed. The anniversaries of the Extension and Preachers' Aid societies will be observed on Friday and Saturday nights respectively.

Bishop Merrill will preach the sermon on Sunday morning, and at 2.30 on that afternoon, the ordination of deacons and elders will take place. A special Twentieth Century Movement service will be conducted on Sunday night.

The question of redistricting the conference will come up for discussion on Monday, and on Tuesday next the ministerial appointments will be announced.

NOW IN NORTH SCRANTON

Case of Small-pox Discovered in That Part of the City—Mrs. Thomas Griffiths the Victim.

Small-pox has now invaded North Scranton for the first time since the present outbreak began.

The latest sufferer from the disease is Mrs. Thomas Griffiths, of 427 Meade avenue, whose case was diagnosed last evening. Lieutenant Palmer, in charge of the police in the North Scranton precinct, was notified by telephone at 9 o'clock last night to place the house under strict quarantine and he did so. With Mrs. Griffith in the house is her young husband. The couple were but recently married.

The cases of small-pox in the emergency hospital give promise of ultimate recovery, though the case of Mrs. Twiss is of an especially serious nature.

JENKINS VS. M'LEOD.

Strong Possibility of Wrestling Match Between Them Here.

There is a very strong possibility that a wrestling match between "Big" Tom Jenkins and Dan S. McLeod, for the championship of the United States, may be pulled off before the Scranton Bicycle club within the next thirty days.

President Connolly has taken an active interest in arranging for the prospective event, and has a committee of club members out securing subscribers to a paper which contains an agreement to take at least one ticket. It is proposed to offer a purse of $1,000, providing the men each agree to put up a side bet of at least $500. An offer of the purse, under these conditions, has been mailed to McLeod, and if he accepts the terms and formally challenges Jenkins, there is little doubt of the latter's accepting them.

The price of tickets for the match, which would undoubtedly prove to be one of the best ever pulled off in this country, would have to be a little bit high, and it is proposed to fix a uniform price of $5 each. It is believed that there are at least 200, and probably twice that many, men in this city who would not hesitate to pay that sum to see such an exhibition of wrestling as a match between McLeod and Jenkins would present.

HE BROKE HIS NECK.

Casimir Levitski Fell Down Stairs of Hotel in Jessup.

Coroner Saltry was notified yesterday morning that a man named Casimir Levitski, of Jessup, had died from a broken neck, about 2.30 o'clock. He took the first train going up the valley, and made a thorough investigation.

Levitski boarded over a saloon kept by Martin Lobeleskey, and the investigation made by the coroner satisfied him that the former had been intoxicated and had fallen downstairs, breaking his neck. He said last night that the statements made that Levitski had been pushed downstairs were absolutely without foundation in fact.

So confident was the coroner that there was no foul play connected with the case that he decided not to conduct an inquest. Levitski was 28 years old and unmarried.

PAST COMMANDERS MEET.

Grand Officers of Knights of Malta May Come Here on May 3.

At a meeting of a number of the past commanders of the Knights of Malta, held last night in the parlors of Anthracite commandery, in the Guernsey building, it was decided to petition the grand commandery officers to visit this city on May 3 to confer the past commanders' degree.

A number of the past commanders have not received this degree as yet, and it is proposed to make the visit of the grand commandery officers the big event of the year, if the invitation is accepted.

I herewith announce to my friends and acquaintances and the Republican voters of Lackawanna county that I will be a candidate for the office of county commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries.

Respectfully,
Charles F. Wagner.

April 15, 1902. **

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

THREE NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS ARE ASKED FOR.

Board of Control Can't See Its Way Clear to Erect That Number of Buildings This Year and Has Referred the Matter to the Building Committee for Solution—Entire Board to Visit No. 39 Building Which Is in Course of Construction in First Ward.

There was a lengthy discussion at last night's meeting of the board of school control over the proposition to erect three new school buildings during the coming year. The matter was brought up by President John Gibbons, who had relinquished the chair to P. J. Langan. Mr. Gibbons called the attention of the board to the dilapidated condition of No. 11 in the Twentieth ward, which was erected nearly thirty years ago. He said it was erected at the same time that No. 8 in the Eleventh ward was. They were exactly the same kind of buildings, erected from the same plans and by the same contractor. Mr. Gibbons was a member of the board at the time.

The building is antiquated and not suited to modern school purposes. He moved that a new eight room building, the cost not to exceed $3,000 a room, be erected. Mr. Jayne said that in his rounds with the building committee last week he had been surprised at the condition of Nos. 11 and 8, and he moved as an amendment to Mr. Gibbons' motion that No. 8 in the Eleventh ward be replaced by a new eight-room building. This amendment Mr. Gibbons accepted as part of his own motion, and W. J. Welsh, of the Ninth ward, then made another amendment to the effect that a new eight-room building be erected in the Ninth ward, on the property recently purchased from the Home for the Friendless. He said there is no ward in the city where the necessity for additional facilities are so imperative as in the Ninth.

GIBBONS OBJECTED.

Mr. Gibbons opposed the Welsh proposition because he thought he saw an attempt to kill his proposition for a new school in his own ward. He said that the resources of the board during the coming year would not enable it to pay for No. 40 and erect three new schools. He thought that the Ninth ward could afford to wait until next year for a building. Mr. Barker pleaded the necessity for a new building in the Ninth, and E. E. Evans said to take such a step now would be to place a burden on the district it will be unable to carry. It was suggested that buildings be erected in the Twentieth and Ninth wards this year and that the Eleventh wait until next year, and finally the whole matter was referred to the building committee for consideration.

A dispute having arisen between Architect E. H. Davis and the Dunmore Lumber company as to the manner in which certain work on No. 39 shall be done, Chairman Roche, of the building committee, laid the matter before the board for settlement, saying the old building committee had wrestled with the matter all winter. It was finally decided to have the entire board proceed to the school at a time to be fixed by the chairman of the building committee and there examine the work and hear the statements of the architect and contractor, all work to be suspended meanwhile.

The secretary announced that the district had received $480 from the Lackawanna township school district for the tuition of certain pupils who are attending the city schools, and $160 as the district's share of certain school fund properties recently sold.

OFFER TO SETTLE.

P. G. Walsh, delinquent tax collector in the Fourteenth ward for the years 1889-90, having failed to settle his duplicates and being no longer a resident of the city, his bondsman made a proposition to Solicitor D. J. Reedy to settle the duplicate for $75. The proposition was referred to the finance committee, in connection with the solicitor.

The central examining board of New York, which conducts examinations for entrance into the various colleges, asked permission to conduct examinations in the High school after the close of the school term and the request was granted.

E. E. Evans asked for a report from the high and training committee, with reference to the pupils from outside the district who are attending the High school. He said there is about $1,800 due the district from these pupils, and as it is drawing close to the end of the term, the matter ought to be settled. Chairman Jennings said that a great deal of work has been done on the report and that the committee will endeavor to have it ready for presentation at the next meeting.

Chairman Barker, of the teachers' committee, reported recommending the payment of the teachers next Saturday. He also reported the teachers who had been absent from the recent institute without permission, some of whom were sick. There was a sentiment among some of the controllers not to dock the teachers for the days they were sick, but the matter was finally referred to the committee for further consideration.

NOT A SHAKESPEARE.

During the discussion, Henry J. O'Malley caused much merriment by a characteristic speech, in which he referred to himself as "not a Shakespeare," and to Chairman Barker as "a Messiah."

The question as to the proper date for closing the schools was again brought up, Mr. Jayne saying that if the schools are kept open until June 13 the teachers will be compelled to give five days' services for nothing. Mr. Jennings said Mr. Jayne's basis for figuring was wrong. The teachers were allowed half a day for ten monthly institutes, which leaves the five days for them to teach which Mr. Jayne referred to in his remarks. Mr. Jayne was under the impression that the teachers received a full day for teaching.

Chairman Roche, of the building committee, said that John Harris, the engineer of the board, who receives a salary of $100 per month, had been offered a salary of $150 a month by a company that is anxious to secure his services, but that he would stay with the board for $125 per month. His salary was increased that amount.

John H. Phillips presented a petition for a kindergarten in the Fifth ward, which was referred to the kindergarten committee. A communication from Dr. W. E. Allen, superintendent of the bureau of health, advised the board that he had directed that pupils on both sides of the 400 block on Franklin avenue be kept out of school for a time, on account of the presence of small-pox in that block.

President Gibbons called attention to the meagre facilities for holding commencement exercises in the High school auditorium, and moved that the high and training committee secure the armory or some other suitable place for the exercises. The motion was adopted.

PRISONERS GOT AWAY.

Patrick Burke and Charles McHugh, Two Short-Term Men, Escape from Guards at the Park.

Patrick Burke, of 424 Railroad avenue, and Charles McHugh, of Dunmore, two short-term prisoners from the county jail, escaped from their guards yesterday morning, while at work at Nay Aug park, and have not yet been captured.

Burke was serving a sixty day sentence for being drunk and disorederly, while McHugh was up for six months on a charge of vagrancy. A gang of about fifty prisoners is at work cleaning up the southerly end of the park, and Thomas Jones had charge of eight of these. While Jones had his back turned, Burke and McHugh took to their heels and made for the bridge which crosses the Roaring brook near the old rolling mill. They were fairly across this before their escape was noticed, and were soon lost to sight in South Scranton.

Descriptions of the two men have been given to the police, and every effort is being made to locate them.

LIVERY AND BOARDING STABLE

Modern Establishment Opened by Peter N. Haan.

Peter N. Haan has opened one of the largest and most modern livery and boarding stables in the city at 1413-15 Mulberry street, and proposes to do a general business of that character, as well as all kinds of teaming and dray work.

Mr. Haan has been engaged in teaming and draying for some time, and his business has grown so rapidly that he has been forced to increase his facilities, and in connection with this has made provisions for the boarding and rental of horses and carriages. The location he has selected for establishing his business is one that has heretofore had no such accommodations.

The carriage house and office occupies a large two story building, 28x75 feet, and adjoining this is a one-story annex, 32x75 feet, used as a stable, where thirty horses can be cared for at once. The floor of the roadway through the stable is of concrete, and the stalls have been so constructed that the building can be kept in a thoroughly sanitary condition at all times. The building is well lighted and ventilated.

In the carriage house are the office, wash and harness rooms. Here are displayed the fine carriages that Mr. Haan has put into his livery services. The coaches are the finest ever brought to this city, are luxuriously upholstered and contain all of the modern improvements, such as a bell connecting with the driver's seat, etc. There are comfortable surries, runabouts and in fact almost any kind of a vehicle desired in Mr. Haan's stock, and others have been ordered. He has had his place opened but a few days, but is already doing a thriving business.

Benefit for Nurses' Home.

The great event of the week will be the entertainment and sale for the benefit of the Nurses' Home in connection with the Hahnemann hospital. The sale will be held at the Bicycle club next Friday afternoon, to be followed by a delightful evening entertainment, when Miss Frederici, the celebrated impersonator, of New York, will give a programme, assisted by Master Fanelli, the well-known harpist, of the Metropolitan Opera company. Miss Frederici is an exception among entertainers, as she recites in costume, and among her impersonations are "Madame Butterfly" and "Mistress Nell."

The Hahnemann hospital has secured the adjoining residence as a Nurses' Home and this entails great additional expense. The sale of fancy and useful articles and the entertainment, it is hoped, will result in a nucleus for the fund necesary to this much needed project.

Tickets now on sale at Sanderson's drug store and J. D. Williams' Lackawanna avenue store. **

MISS LE VAY,

At Hotel Jermyn Today.

Miss LeVay, the noted milliner, will be at Hotel Jermyn today. Her stock is radiant with spring's snappiest styles and creations, as well as the more staid styles for the demure. The ladies are cordially invited. **

An Elmira business man says:

What vile things people do drink because they so much want a substitute for coffee! If they will do as I did, get your "COFo"—they could not be induced to use anything else. **

Removed.

Dr. L. M. Gates has removed his office to his residence, at Madison avenue and Mulberry street. **

OPENING OF NEW ADDITION

SPLENDID STORE OF CONNOLLY & WALLACE.

They Have Taken Possession of the Storeroom in the Addition to the Connell Building and Also Part of the Second Floor, Giving Them Now a Total Floor Space of 28,000 Feet—All Parts of the Big, Roomy Store Are Well Lighted—Arrangement of Departments.

With the opening of the large new addition to their already large and splendid store in the Connell building, on North Washington avenue, Connolly & Wallace now have one of the finest stores devoted exclusively to dry goods and ladies' wear to be found in this state.

The new addition referred to was opened on Saturday last and comprises the basement, ground floor and a part of the second floor of the new portion of the Connell building, which has recently been completed. It more than doubles the size of the original store, there being now a total width of 90 feet and a total depth of 150 feet on the ground or main floor. Counting the basement, the firm now has 28,000 square feet of surface area at its disposal.

No new departments have been added on the main floor, but, instead, all the old ones have been enlarged. Regular patrons of the store, who know the complete assortment of various lines formerly kept on sale in this store, will appreciate fully what this means.

The dress goods and silks have been placed in the new addition and there are now 100 feet of counter room devoted to the sale of these goods. Another department installed in the new store is the ladies' muslin underwear, waists and skirts which will have, under the new arrangement, three times the counter room formerly devoted to it.

CLOAK AND SUIT ROOM.

In the rear of the new store is the new cloak and suit room, 45x70 feet in size, where a corps of able saleswomen have ample opportunity to properly display this class of goods. A new and elaborate suite of offices is being fitted up in the rear of the old store, and here will be installed the cashiers and clerical employes. The pneumatic cash system, with its thirty stations, will centre here.

This firm has for some years been doing a wholesale business of no mean proportions, and this department has now been installed in the basement of the new store. The basement of the original store will be used for the storing of reserve or surplus stock.

On the second floor, and approached by a flight of stairs leading from the rear of the new part of the store, is a room 45x75 feet in size, in which it is proposed to establish, within a few months, a ladies' tailoring and dressmaking business on an extensive scale. This department will be in charge of a skilled modiste and the trade of all ladies desiring fashionable gowns made by skilled operators, will be solicited.

The especial feature of the Connolly & Wallace store is its individuality. It is unlike all other stores in the city. Dry goods and only dry goods are dealt in, and there is an air of quiet distinction and exclusiveness about it that is found in only a very few stores.

LIGHT IS SPLENDID.

The light in the new part, as well as in the old, is splendid. Light is an almost absolute essential in a dry goods store. In many New York stores little girls have to be employed to run out into the daylight with samples and match them with goods in stock. Such methods are not needed in the Connolly & Wallace store. A flood of daylight pours in upon the silk and dress goods counters, rendering the purchasing of goods a pleasure and not a bugbear, as it is in so many instances.

Throughout the store the touches of the artistic hand of Mr. Hurlbut, the decorator, are visible. It has been said that the most artistic effects are better produced by allowing simplicity, rather than elaboration, to hold sway, and Mr. Hurlbut's work amply demonstrates the truth of this assertion. The splendid artistic results produced by an adherance to this rule can be seen in the four magnificent windows which the firm now has at its disposal.

The enlargement of the store has necessitated the engagement of a number of additional salespeople and the total number now employed is nearly 125.

Garden Seeds

At Clark's, florist. **

ORGAN CONCERT.

Elm Park Church This Evening.

An organ concert will be given this evening in Elm Park church by Mr. J. Alfred Pennington, assisted by Mrs. Lenore Thompson, solo contralto of the Elm Park church. Admission, silver offering. **

Dr. Ferdinand J. Heider, Chiropodist, Office Hotel Jermyn Barber shop. **