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City Notes.

CANDIDATES REGISTER.—Judge A. A. Young and County Commissioner John Pennino, who are seeking re-election are the first of the Republican candidates to register with Secretary H. L. Taylor. EXAMINATIONS.—On June 3 the United States civil service commission will conduct examinations for the following positions: Assistant engineer, United States penitentiary service; seamstress, Indian service; physician, Indian service; matron, Indian service. VISITORS FROM PORTLAND.—Mr. Hazleton and D. E. Smith, of Portland, were in this city yesterday looking over the fire apparatus. The citizens of Portland have agreed to purchase some fire apparatus because of the recent disastrous conflagration which wiped out a large portion of the town. SMALL-POX SITUATION.—There were no new cases of small-pox reported in this city yesterday and the patients at the hospital are all reported to be doing well. The statement that Matthew Conolly, of Meade avenue, is suffering from the disease is incorrect. It is his wife who has been suffering from the disease for several days past.

ALDERMANIC NOTES.

James Donnelly, of Madison avenue, yesterday caused the arrest of Mrs. Ellen Kelly, next door neighbor, whom he charges with removing part of a line fence between the two properties. She entered bail before Alderman Hooley. William Lark, of North Washington avenue, was arrested yesterday at the instance of Herman Weichel, who charged him with assault and battery. The two got into a quarrel a few nights ago over Weichel's dog, and it is claimed that Lark slapped Weichel's face. Aaron and Shapiro, gent's furnisiers, of Oliphant, yesterday caused the arrest of W. E. Biddle, whom they charged with the larceny of an iron lamp from the ruins of their store, which was burned out some months ago. He entered bail before Spidle Cummings for his appearance at court.

An Interesting Venture.

Modern railroading has indeed made marvelous progress in the past few years, but the latest and most noteworthy achievement is the new arrangement which goes into effect on May 18, whereby the New Jersey Central and Philadelphia and Reading railway will have a train running between New York and Philadelphia every hour in the day from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m. inclusive, daily except Sunday. Trains will leave either city on the even hour and run direct to Reading Terminal and this service will be in addition to the Royal Blue service. New equipment, both coaches and locomotives, will be used and with new parlor cars attached to every train no better service will be in operation on any railroad. The roadbed for the whole distance between New York and Philadelphia has been greatly improved. New and heavier rails have been put in place and quantities of trap-rock ballast is also being used. Every train is a quick one, and several will make two hours running time between the two cities. An important feature easily remembered is a train every hour on the even hour between New York and Philadelphia.

Delicious Tea.

It is worth a great deal to the consumer of any given article to know that in getting the very best article for the price they are willing to pay. In tea there is no such value, no such flavor, nor no such deliciousness, as is obtained in the sealed lead packets of the "MALADA" Ceylon Tea company.

DIED.

PHARCE.—In New York, Pa., April 25, Frank W. Phorce, aged 43 years. Funeral services (private) Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of J. G. Bone, Dunmore. Interment in Dunmore cemetery.

WANTED IN OWEGO, N. Y.

H. H. Penny Arrested Here Yesterday by Detective Deiter. Detective Robert Deiter yesterday arrested H. H. Penny, alias Fred Ellingwood, of Owego, N. Y., who is wanted in that city on the charge of grand larceny. The detective received a telephone message on Thursday night, informing him of Penny's departure for this city. His baggage was shipped by the Wells-Fargo Express company, and when Penny went to call for it yesterday morning he found Detective Deiter waiting for him. He was placed under arrest and will be taken back to Owego as soon as extradition papers are secured. His wife and two children arrived in this city yesterday afternoon.

CONDITION OF JOHN JERMYN.

Fearful That His Chances of Recovery Are Very Slight. Some slight improvement was reported in John Jermy's condition yesterday, but it was not such as to warrant much hope for recovery. It is feared that unless a decided change for the better comes soon his chances of recovery are one in a thousand.

TO REVISE SYSTEM.

Committee to Formulate Plan for Insuring Prompt Payment to City Contractors.

A matter which has long been the subject of much discussion among those taking an interest in the conduct of the municipal affairs of this city has at last been taken up by council, namely—the necessity of devising a plan which will insure contractors for city work more prompt payment than they receive under the system now in vogue. A resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to consider this whole question and to formulate some plan of improving the present system was introduced in the common council of every month the city engineer prepares an estimate of the amount which he thinks the contractors are entitled to for the work done during the past month. This is passed by council, approved by the recorder and goes to the city controller. Where the major portion of the total cost of the improvement is to be paid by the property owners the contractor is paid as much in ready cash as is available and receives a five year improvement bond for the remainder.

The amount which the contractor receives every month during the progress of the work is generally very small and unless he is possessed of some little capital he is obliged to transfer his bonds to some bank and have it discounted. It has long been contended that this system has forced contractors into making extremely high bids for city work and that because of the slowness of payment the city has been out thousands of dollars every year. Director of Public Works Roche holds this view and so does nearly every person who has given the question any consideration. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that the remedy for this condition of affairs lies in the passage of some legislation by the next legislature which will necessitate the payment within the period of at least one year or even less and which would enable the city to bring suit on a lien within a much shorter period of time than five years as at present. This, it is believed, would insure prompt payment on the part of the property owners and thus insure prompt payment to the contractors.

END OF THE RIFLE TOURNAMENT

Gold Medal Won by H. M. Spencer. It Was the First Prize in the Contest.

H. M. Spencer won the first prize in the rifle tournament, which has been in progress for the last eight months, under the auspices of the Electric City Rifle club, at Blatter's shooting galleries, and which was brought to a close last night. The scores were as follows: Scores. Total. Average. H. M. Spencer..... 40 2521 252.10 Andrew Keith..... 39 2409 240.90 John C. Blatter..... 39 2342 234.20 John A. Gering..... 36 2538 253.80 W. Z. Dean..... 32 2229 222.90 Capt. John Blatter..... 30 2325 232.50 John Anderson..... 28 6109 236.57 Chas. W. Moore..... 30 2377 237.70 H. N. Dean..... 32 2716 234.67 Alex. Glaner..... 11 2314 231.41 A. B. Hazlett..... 57 12538 231.37 John Watson..... 35 2531 194.12 Frank Field..... 3 720 240.00 Mr. McVitie..... 658 232.23 The first prize was a gold medal, and there were five silver medals awarded, together with a number of merchandise prizes. President Alex. Glaner won the Davis trophy for the best first shot made by any shooter after firing one hundred shots. John C. Blatter won a special prize, donated by his father, to the shooter making the best shot on a clean target after firing one hundred shots. A similar prize was won by John A. Gering, while A. B. Hazlett won the silver medal donated to the marksmen, making the highest number of points.

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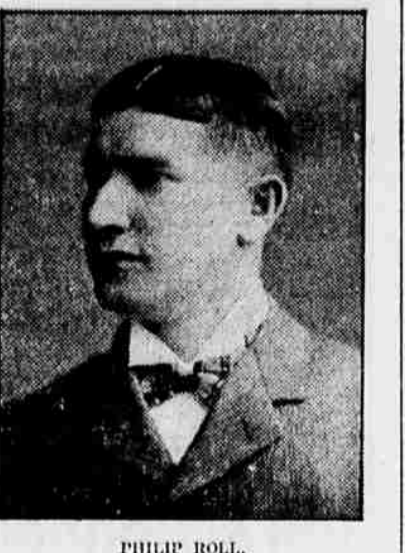
NAME..... ADDRESS..... (Cut this out and mail to "Contest Editor, Scranton Tribune, Scranton, Pa." at once in order that you may be among the first to receive the printed matter and canvasser's outfit. See advertisement on fourth page of this issue.)

BACKUS TEAM WON CONTEST

TOOK TWO GAMES FROM THE BLACK DIAMONDS.

First of Series of Six for the Championship of the Northeastern Pennsylvania League—Meister Made an Average of 205 for Three Games. Two Teams in Scranton League May Be Dropped—Wonderful Bowling by the Fidelia Team, Leaders of Metropolitan Series.

The Backus team by superior bowling, last night, won two out of three games from the Black Diamonds in the contest for the disputed championship of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Bowling league. The latter team won the trophy for the first series, while



PHILIP ROLL, Captain of the Backus Team.

The Backus team won first place in the second series. The contest for the championship will consist of six games, the last three of which will be rolled next week on the Bicycle club alleys. A large crowd was attracted last night to the Backus alleys, and every good play was cheered by the supporters of each of the teams' followers. Meister, captain of the Arlington Scranton league team, and an old Backus player, rolled with his former associates and played the star game of the night, making an average of 205 1-3 for the three games. The rolling throughout, on both sides, was of an A1 character, and the misses were few and far between. The score:

Table with columns: Player, Games, Total, Average. Backus team: Beckins 135, 210, 155-221; Meister 179, 214, 223-610; Fahrendolt 133, 179, 132-418; Roll 167, 183, 138-508; Hopkins 222, 255, 182-541. High score—Meister, 225. High average—Meister, 205 1-3.

At a meeting of the directors of the Scranton Bowling league, to be held tomorrow in South Scranton, the question of dropping two of the eight teams will be considered and acted upon. It seems to be the opinion of the majority of the players that only one team from each alley should be in the league and the indications point to the dropping of the Central, or former Hamme team, and the South Side team. Should these two teams be dropped, the season could be finished in a much shorter time by a rearrangement of the schedule. It is possible that the proposed plan of dropping these two clubs may be fought, however.

The bowling balls which will be among the prizes offered for the open tournament, soon to start on the Hamme alleys, are on exhibition in one of the windows and are pronounced by experts to be about the finest ever seen in this city. There are no finger-holes in them, so that the winners may have holes cut at just what places they may desire. The tournament opens next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and will continue throughout the month of May. It has been decided to insist that all bowlers desiring to compete for the gold medal for the highest individual average for thirty games, must bowl alone, that is—not in a game.

Litt, the new player on the Central team, started out to beat Billy Hopkins' high score of 258 on the Hamme alleys the other night, and if his last ball had not been a reverse, he would have succeeded. As it was, he made 252. A still higher score is reported from the Becker alleys, in West Scranton, where Roy Rothermel rolled up 282 recently.

The Franklin team, by winning six straight games at the outset of the series, has done something never before done in a league contest in this city. The members confidently expect to win three more on Wednesday night next, when they have the Becker team as opponents.

The most remarkable bowling of the season now ending was done in New York city on Thursday night, when the crack Fidelia team made a total of 9,223 pins for three games. The game scores were as follows: 1,000, 1,005 and 1,923. This is an average of 202 2-15 for each player for the three games. The Fidelia are now ahead in the metropolitan championship series.

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Sun individual championship contest, and the average list published in that paper this past week shows that he has the wonderful average of 201 to his credit in the contest for the title of champion of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Bowling League. This is about high-water mark in the line of individual bowling.

AN IMPORTANT OPINION.

It Deals with the Relations Between a Breaker Boy and His Employer—Matter at Issue.

An opinion of general interest was handed down by Judge W. D. Porter, of the superior court, in Pittsburg, Monday. It deals mainly with the relations between a breaker boy and his employer. The story of the cause of action is told in the introduction of the opinion, which is printed below in full: Dennis Brinlan, guardian of James Noonan, vs. the Kingston Coal Company. The plaintiff, a boy 14 years of age, had been employed about the defendant coal company for almost two years prior to receiving the injuries out of which this case arose. He had first worked at picking slate, which employment did not bring him in contact with the machinery by which he was subsequently injured. About two months prior to the accident, the plaintiff was put to work at cleaning the dust chutes, but at that occasion there was nothing to familiarize him with the operation of the machinery. About a month before the accident, the plaintiff was directed to keep the duty of keeping the coal moving in a certain device called a telegraph, which consisted of two chutes leading from a point below the revolving screen in a hopper, one to each side of the lower part of the upper part of the chute, had his feet caught between the coal and the revolving screen, which drew him through the narrow opening, inflicting serious injuries. There was evidence which would justify a finding that there was a danger of doing the work in the manner in which the plaintiff was discharging the duty. The plaintiff, prior to being put at this particular work, had never experienced the danger in which it ought to be done, and had no notice of the danger involved, save that which was apparent from the character of the work.

If the defendant had been notified of the danger in which it ought to be done, and had no notice of the danger involved, save that which was apparent from the character of the work. The defendant called witnesses who testified that the proper and safe way in which to do the work was to use a scraper or to get down from a platform, which was about seven feet above the point where the coal lodged, and that to go down under the screen to start the coal was dangerous. A number of witnesses were called who testified that the plaintiff had been instructed as to the manner in which to do the work, and that he had been warned of the danger of going down below the screen to start the coal moving. These witnesses further testified that the coal which lodged at the knuckle and in the extreme upper part of the chutes could not be reached from the platform, and that the proper way to get out that part of the device was to wait until the machinery stopped and remove the coal when the screen was still. The youth and inexperience of the plaintiff was not held against him as the duty of instructing him as to the danger involved in his employment and the proper manner in which to avoid such dangers.

If, while the machinery was in motion, it was safe to clean only a part of the chutes, the inexperience of the plaintiff entitled him to a warning as to how far he was to carry his operations. That defendant was called who testified that a general direction to keep the chutes clear of coal, without enlightening his ignorance by telling him the part of the chutes which it was to be kept clear and the manner in which it was to be accomplished.

When the work which an employe is set to do may be done in different ways, one of which is dangerous but which experience has shown to be the only safe manner, then the inexperienced employe is entitled to instruction as to the way in which it ought to be done. Shetrump vs. Trexler Stone and Lumber company, 12 Pa. Super. Ct., 229; Leoberting vs. Strubler, Wells & Company, 157 Pa., 312; Kilkenny vs. Thackeray, 182 Pa., 581; Smith vs. Oil City Tule company, 182 Pa., 483; Camp vs. The Philadelphia Trench and Lumber company, 185 Pa., 290; Whitaker vs. Campbell, 187 Pa., 113.

The defendant contended that the character of the work was such as to require the instruction of an inexperienced employe, and called a number of witnesses to prove that such instruction had been given. This raised a question of fact upon which the evidence was directly contradictory. The learned judge of the court below submitted this disputed question of fact to the jury, with instructions of which the defendant has no just ground for complaint. The jury found that the plaintiff had not been instructed as to the manner in which to do his work or the danger which it involved.

A careful review of the testimony has failed to convince us that the danger involved in the employment was so visible and immediate, in the absence of instruction, the plaintiff must be presumed to have been guilty of contributory negligence in the manner in which he did the work. While it must be conceded that it was somewhat dangerous to remove the coal from directly under the screen while the latter was in motion, it can hardly be said, as a matter of law, to have been so imminently dangerous that no prudent person would do so, because the plaintiff testified that he had been instructed to do so.

The contributory negligence of the plaintiff was, in view of his inexperience, a question of fact for the jury; Bennett vs. Standard Plate Glass company, 128 Pa., 120; McKee vs. Reading House Electric and Manufacturing company, 134 Pa., 149. The judgment is affirmed.

The Town Clerk Cured of Bilious Colic. Mr. James McMahon, town clerk of Columbia, N. Y., was the victim of a severe attack of bilious colic recently. They were of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy effected a cure. He was so much pleased with the quick relief which that remedy afforded that he now recommends it to his friends. For sale by all druggists.

HE ENDED HIS LIFE WITH GAS

JOHN LYNCH PLANNED HIS DEATH CAREFULLY.

Sat in a Chair Underneath the Jet and Putting a Rubber Tube Connecting with It into His Mouth He Turned on the Gas—Body Found by Chambermaid at the Bank Hotel—Dead Man Was Despondent After Drinking and Was Last Seen Alive Thursday Night.

The chambermaid who looks after the rooms in the Bank hotel at 428 Lackawanna avenue, smelled gas on the second floor yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock and traced it to room No. 6. She pushed open the door and was horrified to see the body of John Lynch in a sitting position on a chair just underneath the gas jet. A rubber tube had been fastened to the jet and hung within a few inches of the dead man's mouth. The gas was turned on full and filled the room. It was apparent that Lynch had deliberately planned his death and that he had placed the end of the tube in his mouth until he became unconscious. A close examination of the body showed that rigor mortis had set in so that death must have occurred several hours before the chambermaid's discovery.

Lynch was about 42 year old and was the son of Thomas Lynch, who formerly kept a tailoring establishment on Spruce street but who is now engaged in the same business in New York city. He had been employed as an agent by his father up to a short time ago but was never very close in his attention to business because of his fondness for drink. He had been in a half-intoxicated condition for several weeks past and early in the week announced that he was without a cent and didn't know how he was going to get on. He seemed to be exceedingly despondent and this was especially noticeable on Thursday night after he had been told by the woman who has charge of the renting of the rooms that he would have to seek new quarters if he didn't pay his room rent. He was not seen alive yesterday at all.

The remains were viewed by Coroner Saltry and were removed to Cusick's undertaking establishment. The coroner felt convinced that Lynch had committed suicide and it is probable that no inquest will be held. The only near relative of the dead man residing in this city is Eugene Lynch, who keeps a tailor shop on North Main avenue.

SALOONMEN ORGANIZE.

The retail liquor dealers of the county are the latest to succumb to the organizing fever. Over one hundred of them met yesterday afternoon in Raub's hall and formed what is to be known as "The Lackawanna County Retail Liquor Dealers' association." Fred Dlicher, who was most prominent in organizing the association, was elected president. The other officers chosen were as follows: First vice-president, James J. Padden; second vice-president, Robert Allen; financial secretary, M. P. Riley;

recording secretary, T. J. Langan; executive committee, J. J. McNulty, of Scranton; M. J. O'Boyle, of Dunmore, and Charles Reedy, of Archbald. Just what the organization proposes to do remains yet to be seen. President Dlicher stated to a Tribune man last night that the organization has been formed for "the mutual protection of its members" and for "the furtherance of good government." He refused to divulge just in what manner the association proposes to further the ends of good government.

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