

WEST SCRANTON

WHEELMEN SCORE A HIT

THEIR MINISTRELS WERE RECEIVED WITH ENTHUSIASM.

The Performance Was Pronounced to Be the Best Amateur Production Ever Given in the City—All of the Boys Given a Hearty Reception. Woman Arrested for Stealing a Child's Bank—Bible Society Entertainment This Evening—Other Notes of Interest.

The most pretentious amateur minstrel performance ever attempted in this city was produced at Meigs' hall last evening by the members of the Electric City Wheelmen, and their effort was greeted by an audience that completely filled the hall. Standing room was at a premium when the curtain was rung up, and the decorative revelations were certainly far beyond expectation.

The flag and bunting draperies arranged by Will Jones were artistic.

Japanese lanterns hung from the stage ceiling and a miniature garb of small incandescent lights furnished a pretty background for the stage settings.

Behind them hung a large blue and white flag.

The eight end men were attired in white shirt waists, white duck trousers,

white shirt waists, black trousers and ties. In the center of the group sat Interlocutor Luce, gorgeously arrayed in white and red, with diamonds galore on his fingers.

Bauer's orchestra of seven pieces played the accompaniments, and Alfred Wooler directed the chorus and solo work.

The company was made up of twenty-six performers, and the chorus was undoubtedly the best ever presented at a minstrel performance of home talent in the city.

The opening overture was the Electric City Wheelmen's march, composed by Fred Robinson, and the chorus was sung for an opening.

This was followed by the rendition of "Creole Belle" by the orchestra, tambos, bones and chorus. The effort was well received. The opening solo number was given by David Owens, assisted by Luther Thomas, Arthur and Walter Davis, entitled "My Sweet Kimona," and was accorded a spontaneous encore.

The jesters then began their fun making, and interspersed a number of funny jokes throughout the performance.

Dolph Bryning followed with a capital rendition of "My Lady Hottenot," and for an encore he sang a verse in German. It made a hit. Fred Softley's rendition of the ballad "Friends" earned for him a number of vegetable bouquets, and a splendid encore, and he sang in a faultless manner.

The Electric City Wheelmen quartette followed with a good selection, and were compelled to respond to a double encore. The inimitable Benjamin Franklin Allen, a natural comedian, sang a negro song that captivated his friends, and they were very generous with their applause. He was encored.

Luther Thomas, the possessor of a sweet voice, sang "When the Wind Sighs in the West," and his effort was thoroughly appreciated and encored.

Tom Stevens, one of the old favorites, sang "Can You Blame Me for Loving That Man," and incidentally worked in a few side-steps that took with the crowd. He was encored.

Walsh and McDonough gave a clog dance, and an encore danced a waltz clog. Their specialty was one of the features of the evening.

Barry Davis was unable to sing on account of a severe cold, and Alfred Wooler rendered "Queen of the Earth" in his usual artistic style.

The audience did not seem to tire of Fred Robinson's harmonica selections and he was accorded a double encore.

His playing received marked attention. Emma Joseph followed with a very sweet rendition of "Mona Dear," and was given a deserved encore. The vocal gem of the evening was "Billy" Williams' singing of "I Got Mine," and he was given a double encore, and sang "Two Gawine to Live, Anyhow," "Till I Die."

The closing number was "Rosey Posey," by Walter Jones and company, and he demonstrated his vocal ability in a clever manner. The entire performance was carried out without a hitch, and the boys certainly deserved all the compliments they received.

The vaudeville sketch presented by the Sisson-Wallace company proved to be a very agreeable surprise to the audience, and they were accorded a very flattering ovation. The members of the company are certainly clever people, and their act is one of the best ever presented in vaudeville. The entire performance will be repeated this evening.

Concert This Evening. The Welsh Bible society will conduct a concert in the First Welsh Congregational church this evening, when some excellent talent will appear.

The affair is in charge of a committee composed of William G. Williams, chairman; David D. Lewis, secretary; Jacob Jenkins, treasurer; David B. Thomas, James Williams, Evan L. Evans, Ebenezer Griffiths, Thomas W. Jones, John Henry Jones, Evan Jones, Robert Williams, Richard E. Jones and James Lewis. The following programme will be rendered:

Address by the chairman, Colonel E. H. Upple; selection by a quartette composed of Mrs. Frank Brundage, Mrs. James Heckel, Miss Powell and Miss Via Jones; violin selection, Evan Lewis; soprano solo, Mrs. Frank Brundage; recitation, Miss Sadie Jones; duet, Thomas Abrams and David Jenkins.

Part II—Address on the Bible society, by Hon. H. M. Edwards; contralto solo, Miss Via Jones; tenor solo, Thomas Abrams; recitation, Benjamin Griffiths; baritone solo, David Jenkins; duet, Mrs. Heckel and Miss Powell.

Police Cases. Steve Rosinko, of Luzerne street, and John Hoodick, of Kelly's patch, were arrested Monday night by Patrolmen William Morgan and H. T. Bradshaw, on South Main avenue, for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. They resisted vigorously. In police court yesterday they were each fined \$5.

At a late hour Monday night Patrolman John Thomas, near the Mt. Pleasant culm dump, found a young man and woman. When the man spied the blues he fled, leaving the young woman to her fate. She was taken to the station house, where she spent the night, and her mother yesterday paid a fine of \$5 for her.

Fell and Injured His Nose. David Lewis, of West Locust street, one of the jump-runners at the Central air-shaft, met with a most peculiar accident yesterday, while at work, and as a result had his nose fractured.

He was walking along at the foot of the shaft, when he stumbled and fell, and in being unable to save himself, struck heavily against an iron pipe, breaking the bone in his nose. He recovered sufficiently to reach his home, where Dr. M. J. Williams dressed the injury.

Events of Last Evening. The Baptist Young People's union of the Jackson Street Baptist church held an enjoyable meeting in the lecture room last evening, which was well attended.

The members of the Bryn Mawr mission of the First Welsh Baptist church held a spring social at their building last evening, where ice cream, cake, coffee and temperance drinks were served to a large number. The proceeds will go towards paying for the furniture recently purchased for the school.

The tenors and basses of the Oxford Glee club held a rehearsal last evening in Co-operative hall, and Mrs. D. B. Thomas' ladies' choir met for rehearsal in Ivorite hall.

The Colonial dancing class held a semi-weekly social in Washington hall last evening, which was well attended. This class is one of the best conducted in the city.

The Missionary Study class of the Simpson chapter, Epworth league, held a meeting in the lecture room last evening and took up special work provided for them.

The Thimble club, composed of a number of young married couples from the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church, were entertained last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lou H. Jones, corner of North Bromley avenue and Lafayette street.

Evans, of North Bromley avenue, will be solemnized this evening at the home of the bride's parents, by the Rev. Thomas DeGruchy, D. D., pastor of the Jackson Street Baptist church.

The state missionary board will meet in the Penn Avenue Baptist church on May 8, and not at the Jackson Street Baptist church, as previously stated.

The Broad auxiliary of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church will meet tomorrow evening at the home of Mrs. John B. Knight, on South Summer avenue.

Mrs. Edward J. Morris, of Hampton street, is recovering from an illness.

August Foster, John Wagner, Jr., and Walter Delmar, of Hampton street, have returned home from a fishing trip to Maplewood.

Clem Marsh, Will Johns and Will Marsh were fishing at Mt. Pocono yesterday.

A daughter has brightened the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pfeiffer, of 615 North Hyde Park avenue.

Miss Alice Jones, of Hampton street, is confined to her home with an attack of rheumatism.

E. K. Kingsbury, of South Bromley avenue, has returned home from a visit with relatives at Harrisburg.

Mrs. Joseph Bowen and children, of West Elm street, will leave this week for a visit with relatives in Germany.

Dr. Arthur A. Reynolds is attending a class week in the Baltimore Medical college, from which he graduated.

An eight-week-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Ecklund, of 345 North Bromley avenue, died Monday, and was buried in the Washburn street cemetery at 11 o'clock this morning.

The West Scranton Prohibition Alliance will meet tomorrow evening at the home of Miss Jennie Hamilton, on Thirtieth street.

A six-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens, of 811 South Main avenue, fell from a wall at the corner of South Main avenue and West Locust street yesterday, while reaching for a hat, which blew off her head during the storm, and was quite badly injured. Dr. Reynolds was called to attend her.

Mrs. Frank Reynolds, of Hughes' court, is reported to be ill at her home.

Lot Ludwig, of North Bromley avenue, is suffering from injuries received recently, while working in the stone yard at their home.

Mrs. James Harris and children, of Evans' court, will soon move to Buffalo, where Mr. Harris is employed.

George Jacoby, of North Lincoln avenue, has returned home from a visit with his parents at Stroudsburg.

Mrs. John Wardell, of North Garfield avenue, is ill at her home.

Miss May Bartholomew, of Oram boulevard, is home from a visit at Clark's Summit.

Thomas Jenkins, of Thirtieth street, and David Thomas, of North Lincoln street, are known young men, left yesterday for Johnstown, where they have secured good positions.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hughes, of South Summer avenue, have a new daughter at their home.

Michael McGurigan, of this side, was thrown from a carriage at the corner of Ninth street and West Lachawanna avenue yesterday morning, and is seriously injured. He was taken to the Lachawanna hospital.

South Scranton Notes. Twentieth Ward Property Owners Have Another Meeting Concerning the Sewer.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather there was a large attendance last night in Nowicki's hall of Twentieth ward property owners who have gone on record as being opposed to the high assessment. Messrs. Walsh and Barry, in the absence of C. T. Boland and the regular secretary, filled the chairs respectively. Director of Public Works Roche and City Engineer H. J. Walsh were present and went into details, while the engineer, by the aid of blue prints, explained the length, depth and cost. He admitted the estimate was high, and stated that it could not be less, owing to the increased cost of pipe and material and the increased cost in wages.

The officials were tendered a vote of thanks for their courtesy, and they departed.

Brief remarks were afterwards made by Councilmen Coyne and Barrett, who stated that they stood ready to carry out the wishes of the citizens. They were instructed to have the construction of the sewer delayed.

Celebration Tonight. The members of Camp 430, Patriotic Order Sons of America, will gather in large numbers at the new city hall to celebrate the thirteenth anniversary of the camp's institution. This programme will be observed:

PART I. Address of welcome.....William Wirth

Invocation.....Assemblies

Invocation.....Chaplain August F. Kraft

PART II. Introductory remarks.....William Wirth

Duet—Soprano.....Misses Martha Sorbt and Mary Wirth

Remarks.....National President A. J. Colburn

"The Ladies".....Fred Jones

Selection by.....Lawrence's orchestra

"Our Order".....Emil Bonn

"A Bachelor".....William Wirth

"Nothing to Say".....Alfred Gutheinz

A Successful Concert. Athletic hall was packed to the doors last evening, when a high class programme of German songs were rendered by the Scranton Saengerunde.

The society showed the value of the careful and thorough training which it has undergone for several months, with Professor Theodore Hemberger as instructor, and every piece was rendered in a finished manner.

"Prince's" Sudden End. Prince, the big black horse of the Century Horse company, who has done many a good turn for his owners, died yesterday, made his last run yesterday.

Shortly before 11 a. m. a still alarm was sent in because of a rather threatening blaze among the old lumber, that encumbers the ground where formerly stood the L. I. & S saw mill.

The Neptunes and Centurys responded and stream was at once turned on the fire, which soon subsided. Just as the firemen were getting ready to reel up the hose, "Prince's" reared, then fell to the ground and expired. The animal was nearly 15 years of age and was considered one of the best in the department.

NUBS OF NEWS. The black team owned by Philip Robinson, ran away on Spruce street yesterday and was captured by Constable Peter Marder near the street car barn. The damage was trifling.

Dr. Schley's Lung Healing Balm is guaranteed to cure all coughs. "No cure, no pay." For sale by all dealers.

The following persons left for Germany yesterday: Robert Glanz, Paul Dietrich, Mrs. Charles Wapowski, Mrs. Helming and Miss Muenzinger.

John Byrbee performed a delicate and highly successful operation recently on a horse owned

by Charles Rose. It was afflicted with a cancerous growth near the eye, which he removed with two weeks' treatment.

A game of basket ball between the North End Stars and the High Works team was played last night, and the Stars were victorious by a score of 18 to 8.

The funeral of Patrick Durkin took place from his late residence on Durkin street, yesterday morning. Long lines of the time set for the funeral hundreds of people viewed the remains for the last time. This was one of the largest funerals held in this city for some time, and many out-of-town people were in attendance. At 9:30 o'clock the cortege moved to the Holy Rosary church, where a high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. J. J. Holmes. The remains were borne to the Cathedral cemetery, where interment was made.

The committee who had charge of the eighty-third anniversary of the Old Folks' met last evening in the North Scranton Republican rooms on West Market street.

The Cambrians and the South Side team will play a match game on the North Scranton Bowling alleys this evening.

William Hughes, of Peckville, was among callers in town last evening.

Frank Evans, of Olyphant, was visiting friends in town last evening.

GREEN RIDGE. The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Green Ridge Presbyterian church will be held at the home of Mrs. F. L. Hiteschek, corner of Washington avenue and Delaware street, Friday afternoon.

The congregation of the Green Ridge Baptist church has extended a call to Rev. Henry Biedler, pastor of the Hope Baptist church, of Albany, N. Y. Mr. Biedler occupied the pulpit of the Green Ridge Baptist church two weeks ago last Sunday, preaching both morning and evening, and the impression made by him was so favorable that an unanimous call has been extended to him. He has been pastor of Hope church about seven years, having been called there soon after leaving college.

Mrs. Brooks, city missionary, of Albany, N. Y., has returned to her home, after a week's visit with Mrs. Will Jackson, of Wyoming avenue.

The marriage of Miss Eva Bowers, formerly of Green Ridge, and Clarence Schuch, of Waukesha, Wis., at that place on the 28th inst., has been announced to friends here.

The King's Daughters of the Green Ridge

The Trail of Disease

Fashion has afflicted humanity with two great evils—deformity and disease. Fashion is responsible for such deformities as the pinched waists of Europe and America, the tattooed skins of Africa and the mutilated feet of China. In the spread of disease fashion has used numerous agents, but none more powerful nor more disastrous than the trailing skirt. In the street this skirt gathers up millions of microbes and re-distributes them in the chambers of the home until the carpets are infested with them, and every occasion of sweeping and dusting sets them circling through the atmosphere, ready to be inhaled and breed disease. If, when some victim lies stricken in the home, we could trace the cause of sickness to its source we should often find that the trail of disease was the trail of a woman's gown.

Germs are everywhere. We inhale them constantly, we drink them and we eat them, and they are powerless to harm us while we are in good health. But when the vitality of the body is lowered, a condition commonly described as "run-down," then the germ has a chance to breed disease in the body. This condition of lowered vitality may occur at any season, but it is most common in the spring, when, universally, men and women feel weak, run-down and debilitated. The method of protection against the germs of disease suggests itself. If they are powerless against a healthy body then make the body healthy. If impure blood gives them an opportunity to attack the body, then purify the blood.

There is perhaps no other medicine which will so quickly and thoroughly purify the blood and restore lost physical strength as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Its work can be measured by the growing appetite, the sound sleep, the restored capacity for labor; and it can be weighed in the increase of sound, healthy flesh. David Duggins, Esq., of Jones, Ohio Co., Ky., writes: "When I began taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery I had nervous or general debility of three years' duration. I took three bottles of the 'Discovery.' During the time I was taking it my sleep became more refreshing and I gained fifteen pounds in weight, and also gained strength every day."

It is an axiom that the greater includes the less. The medicine that will cure debility and weakness of years' standing, will cure the debilitated condition which is so commonly experienced in the spring of the year. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures chronic debility. It cures when all other medicines have failed. It gives the appetite for food and the power to digest and assimilate it. It builds up the body with sound flesh and solid muscle instead of bloating it up with flabby fat.

"I can truly recommend your medicine as being the best I ever used," writes Mrs. Carrie Wolverton, of Monday, West Va. "I felt all run-down, pains in back, shoulders and chest; was nervous, felt always tired, was hardly able to do my housework when I commenced taking your medicines. After using three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and one of his 'Favorite Prescription' I felt quite well and strong. I can highly recommend your medicines."

As a blood purifying medicine Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has no equal. It entirely eradicates from the blood the waste matter which corrupts it. It cures scurfy, sores, eczema, erysipelas, salt-rheum, boils, pimples and other eruptive diseases which are the consequences of an impure condition of the blood.

"Over one year ago I wrote to Dr. R. V. Pierce for advice," says Mrs. R. M. Clites, of 1205 Williams Street, Omaha, Neb. "Had been doctoring with two of my home physicians for blood poison. They did not do me much good—only for a short time. Dr. Pierce recommended his medicines and I took three bottles of his 'Golden Medical Discovery' and two of 'Favorite Prescription' and now I feel better than for more than ten years. I am so very thankful that I heard of Dr. Pierce's medicines; I cannot thank him too much for his kind advice to me. Two of my brothers' wives have taken his 'Favorite Prescription' for female weakness and have been greatly benefited. I recommend it to all my lady friends as the best medicine on earth for ailing womankind."

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is especially commended as a tonic because of its entire freedom from alcohol and narcotics. Many tonics owe the good feelings they produce for a time to the alcohol they contain. They only stimulate. Golden Medical Discovery really strengthens. It gives new blood and new life, and so renews the health and strength of run-down men and women. Sick people, especially those suffering from chronic diseases, are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, free, and so obtain, without charge, the opinion of a specialist on their ailments. All correspondence strictly confidential. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Sometimes a dealer tempted by the little more profit paid on the sale of less meritorious medicines will offer the customer a substitute as being "just as good" as the "Discovery." It is better for him because it pays better, but it is not as good for you, if you want the medicine that has cured others, and which you believe will cure you.

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The Rush for White and Fancy Wash Fabrics

Is now in full swing, and we are prepared to meet it as never before. Novelty after novelty is piled up on our show tables and, with but very few exceptions, the designs and styles shown by us are not to be had elsewhere in town. The foreign weaves are entirely our own importations, while fabrics of American weave (except in the standard patterns and designs which cannot be copyrighted,) are confined exclusively to us in this territory.

It Is Utterly Useless to Attempt

A description of the scores of new designs and color schemes that await your attention. You could not go through them all in half a day's looking, and we could not do them justice in a whole day's writing; sufficient, therefore, to say that the most popular weaves among the many shown are

In White Goods

Mercerized weaves, plain or with stripes, figures or dots. Dotted Swisses, with charming new cord effects. Sheet Lawns, with cobweb-like lace insertions and dots. Leona Brocades, light weight, but rich and handsome. Persian Lawns and exquisite new Dimities. Madras Novelties that please the artistic fancy. New Stripe Waist Linens, India Linens, etc. Mercerized Lawns, dainty French Damask Weaves, etc.

In Fancy Wash Goods

The famous "Thistle" and genuine imported Dimities, Silks, Mercerized, Linen, French and Scotch Gingham, Swiss Silks that wash as safely as white muslin. Printed Dimities of home and foreign manufacture. Exquisite French and Domestic Swisses. New Manila Corda and Mercerized Serges. Crepe Yeddos, Organdias, Tilletts, Batistes. Plain and Fancy Chambrays in lovely new designs. Foulard de Loraine and Fineapple Zephyr weaves. Lovely new Grenadines that are novelties, etc.

Special Display of White Goods and Fancy Wash Goods All of This Week.

Parasols Coaching Umbrellas, Etc

Our complete line is now open for your inspection. It includes everything that is good, beautiful and fashionable. We offer more quality and correct style for your money than ever before, and no previous assortment shown by us can be compared with this season's display.

Children's Parasols from 18c to \$1.75

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As well as the handmest, and others are invited to call on any druggist and get free a trial bottle of Kemp's Balm for the Throat and Lung, a remedy that is guaranteed to cure and relieve all Croup and Acute Coughs, Asthma, Bronchitis and Consumption. Price 25c, and 50c.

GENERAL NEWS NOTES.

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AMUSEMENTS.

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ALF. G. HERRINGTON, Manager. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, MAY 1, 2 and 3.

"The Blue Bloods"

MATINEE EVERY DAY. Presbyterian church were most delightfully entertained by Mrs. A. E. Brantley at the home of Colonel Bates Monday evening.

DUNMORE.

An alarm of fire from box 35, yesterday afternoon about 2 o'clock, was caused by a slight blaze in the barn of J. J. Moran, on Chestnut street. Only slight damage was done. About \$100 would cover the damage. The John B. Smith company were the only ones present. Their tools adroitly the structure. The fire alarm system did not work properly and as a result the indications in the various hose houses did not properly register. This was the only fire in the borough during the past four months.

The members of St. Mary's council, Young Men's Institute, will conduct a dinner in Washington hall on Wednesday evening, May 7. Walters' orchestra will furnish music.

The choir of the Presbyterian church will give a concert in the church on Thursday evening, May 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Dolph, Mr. and Mrs.

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