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REPUBLICAN MEETINGS. October 20—At Lyceum, speakers, Secretary of the Navy Moody and others.

PERSONALS. Miss Julia White, of the postoffice has returned from a vacation trip to Philadelphia and Washington.

NEW MEASURES. Ordinances providing for the erection of a gas street light on the corner of Blair avenue and Court street, and for continuing the watchman at Nay aug park during the winter were introduced by Messrs. Van Bergen and Coleman respectively.

BODMAN-SCHIEBEL NUPTIALS. Ceremony Performed at the Home of the Bride's Parents.

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CAN'T FULFILL HIS CONTRACT. THOMAS GANNON ASKS COUNCIL FOR RELIEF.

Says He Is Unable to Finish Work of Constructing the Relief Sewer in the Eighth ward Unless More Money Is Appropriated—Thomas McLaughlin Wants City to Pay for His House, Which Was Burned.

Thomas Gannon, who is constructing the sewer which is intended to relieve the main sewer on Lackawanna avenue, sent a communication to select council last night, in which he stated that he finds it impossible to carry out the contract unless an additional appropriation is made, because of unforeseen obstacles which have arisen.

He enclosed a statement showing the amount he has already expended in constructing one-half of the sewer. This was as follows:

Wages \$4,002 89 Bricks 1,235 00 Cement 256 00 Lumber and incidentals 62 00 Pipe 159 00 Asphalt and repairs 255 00

Mr. Gannon points out that it will be impossible for him to finish the sewer for the \$2,400 remaining. The communication was referred to the director of public works, city solicitor and chief engineer of the bureau of engineering for consideration, a report to be made at the next meeting of council.

Mr. Nagell presented a novel communication from John McLoughlin, of the Tenth ward, who owned a building at the corner of Joseph and Ash streets, which was burned down last spring.

The Relief Fire company could not get to the place, he claims, because the bridges crossing the Hoarung brook had been washed away by the big February freshet. Had one of the bridges been in place it would have been possible to have saved his building, he says. He claims damages in the sum of \$100, insisting that he is entitled to the fire protection for the maintenance of which he is taxed.

"THE LIMIT" SAID VAUGHAN. "That's the limit," said Mr. Vaughan. "If this man failed to take fire insurance to cover his loss it's none of our fault. The city had no time to put up bridges before this place was burned down. We're not much liable for the payment of his loss as we are for the payment of the funeral expenses of one of his relatives."

An effort was made to have the communication referred to the city solicitor for consideration, but it was voted down and the whole matter tabled. Recorder W. L. Connell sent in a communication vetoing the ordinance providing for the laying of sidewalks on Gibson street between Quincy and Harrison avenues, for reasons mentioned in yesterday's Tribune. The veto was unanimously sustained.

The old question as to whether councils have the right to exonerate a property tax came up when a resolution exonerating such a tax came over from the common council for concurrence. Chairman O'Neil called it in order as being illegal, but when Messrs. Reagan and Van Bergen moved to appeal from the decision, the whole question was referred to the city solicitor for an opinion by unanimous consent.

The sanitary committee presented a resolution directing the director of public works to notify the officials of the Scranton Illuminating, Heat and Power company to discontinue at once the dumping of ashes in the Lackawanna river between the Linden street and Lackawanna avenue bridges, and directing that legal action be taken to enforce the resolution should such a step become necessary. The resolution was adopted.

A resolution providing for the exoneration of a sewer assessment charged against St. Paul's church in the Ninth ward was introduced by Mr. Vaughan and passed.

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LIVED BY HIS WITS. But His Wits Did Not Always Prompt Him to Avoid Infracture of the Law.

A very slick gentleman named Frederick W. Morgan, who has been living by his wits for several weeks, was arrested yesterday, at the instance of Attorneys C. E. Daniels and W. M. Bunnell, on charges of forgery, and was committed to the county jail by Aldermen Kasser in default of bail.

Morgan came to this city some weeks ago, according to Attorney Daniels, with considerable money and represented himself as a horse-owner and bookmaker from Chicago. He had an interview with Mr. Daniels, whom he retained to assist him in apprehending a colored man, whom he claimed had robbed him of \$700 in Nazareth and whom he had followed to this city.

After being here for a week or more, he became what is known as "broke," and began to run up board bills, livery bills and various other kinds of accounts. That he had his scheme in mind for some time before he attempted to carry it into effect is proven by the fact that he wrote a note to Attorney Daniels one night, making an appointment and asking for an answer to be sent back by the messenger who delivered it. This gave him a signature of Mr. Daniels' work from Morgan.

On Sunday last Mr. Daniels was called to New York, and on Monday morning Morgan appeared at his office, expressed surprise at his absence from the city, and asked for a sheet of paper and envelope, saying he wished to write him a letter. The stenographer gave him some of the office stationery, which he used in preparing the following letter, which he presented a half hour later to Cashier C. W. Gunster, of the Merchants' and Mechanics' bank:

Dear Sir: It affords me great pleasure in introducing to you Mr. F. Morgan, of Chicago, Ill. He is desirous of opening an account with your bank. He holds a clean bill of exchange for \$200 drawn by his son, Mr. Harry Morgan, payable to Mr. F. Morgan at your bank. The full amount of \$200 is deposited with the check cashier at the Merchants' and Mechanics' bank, X. J., National bank, and with whom I have been in communication. Mr. F. Morgan is responsible, and I am fully satisfied that he is responsible for the honoring of said check presented for payment by Mr. F. Morgan. Mr. Morgan has arranged for a dwelling on the corner of Broadway and 27th Street, N. Y. City.

Any future false statements by you will be personally appreciated. Thanking you in advance, I am, Yours truly, Charles E. Daniels, Attorney at Law.

P. S.—I am retained by Mr. Morgan, Cashier, to have your check cashed Monday morning, which is the day he had hired a team of horses from Belles, the liveryman. He was followed to Dunmore by Constable Mitchell and arrested. At the hearing before Alderman Kasser, he denied having either written the letter signed "Charles E. Daniels" or having endorsed the check with Attorney Daniels' name. He was committed to jail in default of \$200 bail on each charge. He was also held on charges of false pretense, preferred by H. S. Gorman and C. L. Smith, with whom he ran up livery bills.

Morgan is a well-dressed man, about 35 years old, with good address and all the outside appearance of a gentleman. The forgery of Attorney Daniels' name was very skillfully done.

Morgan is also wanted for obtaining whiskey and money under false pretenses. It is alleged he forged the name of prominent physicians in an order for whiskey, which he sent with a messenger boy to a well-known druggist.

The note asked for a gallon of whiskey and change for \$10, deducting the cost of the whiskey. The druggist complied with the request, but when he met the doctor learned he had been duped. The messenger boy was sent for, and when he met Morgan at the police station, identified him as the man who gave the forged note.

THE NEW SWITCHBOARD. Reports Now Received from Patrolmen Every Seven Minutes.

The new switchboard which has been installed at police headquarters by the Kellogg company, of Chicago, has been connected with the new patrol boxes put up by the Lackawanna Telephone company and is now in working order. Several additional boxes have been put up and many of the old ones changed to more advantageous locations, so that a more complete system of reports from officers on beats can be had. A report is now received every seven minutes, so that the sergeants on duty are kept exceedingly busy.

REACHING AN ACUTE STAGE. CLOSING DAYS OF THE CONTEST ALMOST HERE.

Nearly Every One of the Leaders Working Night and Day—The Outlook for the Last Day Is Very Promising—Those Well Down in the List Improving Their Chances.

Standing of Contestants. A. J. Kellerman, Scranton, 945. Charles Burns, Vandling, 616. William T. S. Rodriguez, Scranton, 565.

Leaders for the Special Honor Prize Five Dollars in Gold to the contestant scoring the largest number of points for week ending Saturday, October 18.

One of the great meetings of the present campaign will be held in the Lyceum, Monday night, when an address will be delivered by Secretary of the Navy Moody, who is fresh from the great conferences at Washington.

City and School Taxes 1902. The above tax duplicates are now in my hands for collection. F. S. BARKER, City Treasurer.

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Ten Dollars for Guesses. Who can name the winner in The Tribune's Educational Contest and tell the number of points he or she will have?

Mr. Eber Coleman, whose portrait appears this morning, entered her name as a contestant on April 5, one month before the contest began, and made her first return on May 7. She was the sixteenth to enroll and the first young lady to enter actively into the work of the contest.

There are eight more days of the Educational Contest.

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