

TO WIDEN THE RIVER CHANNEL

COUNCIL WANTS A BILL IN EQUITY FILED.

Common Branch Passed a Resolution Last Night Directing the Solicitor to Proceed Against the Scranton Steel Company Without Delay to Have All Obstructions Placed by It Removed from the Lackawanna River—Alleged That Channel Has Been Narrowed by Company.

The common council last night unanimously adopted a resolution introduced by Councilman Fred Phillips, of the Eleventh ward, directing the city solicitor to proceed without delay by bill in equity against the Scranton Steel company to remove all obstructions placed by it in the Lackawanna river.

The resolution, which had been drawn up by Attorney A. A. Chase, who represents the residents of South Scranton, whose properties were damaged by the serious floods of last spring, reads as follows:

Whereas, The Lackawanna river is a public highway extending through the city and having well defined banks and a channel which, previous to the action of the Scranton Steel company, was sufficient to conduct the water naturally flowing in such channel without occasioning damage to the public streets of the city or the private property of its inhabitants or endangering their safety; and

Whereas, On or about 1881 the said company erected large steel works within the limits of the city on the easterly bank of the Lackawanna river and a short distance below its junction with Stafford Meadow Brook, and since that time the said company by its agents and employees has deposited cinders, ashes and other refuse matter from said steel works within the channel of said river, in consequence of which the said channel has been partially filled and greatly narrowed, causing the water to overflow the banks and flood the streets of the city and greatly damage and injure both public and private property and endanger the safety of the people residing near the said river for a considerable distance above said works; and

Whereas, The city of Scranton at No. 2, June Term, 1888, in common pleas of Lackawanna county, sitting in equity, filed a bill against the Scranton Steel company praying that, among other things, the said company be ordered to remove such matter deposited in such channel so as to permit the water to flow to the full width of the banks existing at the time said company commenced filling said channel; and

Whereas, Upon a determination of said case in the Supreme court of Pennsylvania the prayer of the bill was only refused because plaintiff had neglected to properly locate the channel of said river so obstructed; therefore,

Resolved, That the city solicitor be instructed to proceed without delay by bill in equity against the Scranton Steel company to compel the said company to remove any and all obstructions placed by said company in said channel of the Lackawanna river within the city limits.

A delegation of the flood sufferers were present together with Attorney Chase, to be ready to address the council should any opposition to the resolution, but it went through without even a word of discussion.

The Scranton Steel company was the corporation which built the South Steel mill which was later acquired by the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION. Will Be Conducted by the Wyoming Camera Club.

The annual photographic exhibition of the Wyoming Camera club, which opens on January 20, 1903, in the Y. M. C. A. building, at Wilkes-Barre, will be governed by the following rules:

All photographers in this section of the state are eligible and are invited to exhibit. Only such pictures as are of some artistic merit will be hung.

The best picture in each class will receive a blue ribbon. The best picture shown will receive a certificate from the club.

All pictures of exceptional merit not receiving a ribbon will receive honorable mention.

The pictures will be classified as follows: 1, landscape; 2, marine; 3, portrait; 4, genre; 5, animals; 6, architecture; 7, botanical; 8, still life.

Pictures that have received prizes or honorable mention in previous exhibitions will be shown in a separate section and will be out of competition.

N. M. EICKE'S UNUSUAL OFFER.

Sells Dr. Howard's Specific at Half-Price, and Guarantees a Cure. "It isn't often that we have faith enough in the medicine put up by other people to be willing to offer to refund the money if it does not cure," said N. M. Eicke to a Tribune man who dropped into his store, "but I am glad to sell Dr. Howard's specific for the cure of constipation and dyspepsia on that basis."

"The Dr. Howard company, in order to get a quick introductory sale, authorize me to sell their regular fifty-cent bottles at half-price, 25 cents, and, although I have sold a lot of it, and have guaranteed every package, not one has been brought back as unsatisfactory."

"One great advantage of this specific," he continued, "is its small dose and convenient form. There are sixty doses in a vial that can be carried in the vest pocket or purse, and every one has more medicinal power than a big pill or tablet or a tumbler of mineral water."

"I am still selling the specific at half-price, although I cannot tell how long I shall be able to do so, and anyone who is subject to constipation, sick headache, dizziness, liver trouble, indigestion or a general played-out condition ought to take advantage of this chance. You can tell your readers that if they are not satisfied with the specific they can come right back to my store and I will cheerfully refund their money."

N. M. Eicke has the sole agency for this remedy in Scranton, and has sold a great many bottles since he advertised to let customers have a 50-cent package for 25 cents. Many people are buying several bottles at a time, so as to always have the specific in the house and at the same time profit by the special price.

man, and the question now raised is as to whether a successor to fill out Mr. Calpin's unexpired term of a year and over three months should be elected at the coming spring election.

Mr. Calpin contends that the apportionment was not a correct one, but entirely apart from this he holds that the Sixth ward is, at any rate, entitled to two councilmen until April 1, 1904.

The matter rests largely with the recorder, who issues the election proclamation and who is authorized by law to set forth in that proclamation just what offices are to be filled.

A CHRISTMAS DINNER.

Will Be Served at Y. W. C. A. on Wednesday, Dec. 24.

The Young Women's Christian Association will serve a Christmas dinner on Wednesday, Dec. 24. The menu follows:

Oyster Soup, Bread Sticks, Roast Turkey, Parsley Garnish, Mashed Potatoes, Browned Sweet Potatoes, Creamed Parsnips, Celery Salad, Tomato Jelly on Lettuce, Mince Pie with Cheese, Cranberry Pudding, Assorted Cakes, Nuts and Raisins, Tea and Coffee.

The above menu shows what the Young Women's Christian Association will do for the business women of the city who patronize the luncheon. The expense of such a meal is not covered by asking, as we do, twenty-five cents, so we shall be very glad to help anyone who would like to do so, help us out by contributing anything named in the menu and sending it to the Y. W. C. A. rooms, 205 Washington avenue, on or before Tuesday, December 23d.

The turkeys have already been promised and it seems as if this is an opportunity for others to test the blessedness of giving.

D. L. & W. BOARD FOR TODAY.

The following is the make-up of the D. L. & W. board for today:

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18. Extras East—6 p. m. Thomas; 7:30 p. m. Charney; 8:30 p. m. Fitzgerald; 9:30 p. m. E. Duffy with Wall's crew; 10:15 p. m. McCarty; 11 p. m. Larkin; 12 midnight, Staples.

THAT ASH STREET BRIDGE.

Director Roche Doesn't Believe in Erecting a Temporary One.

Director of Public Works Roche has been served with a copy of the second resolution to be passed by councils directing him to erect a temporary bridge over the Roaring Brook at Ash street at a cost of \$500. The bridge will not be built in pursuance with this resolution because the \$494.26 remaining in the appropriation for the repairs of bridges and culverts will be exhausted when bills outstanding against it are paid.

The director says that even though funds were available it would be a needless expense to erect a temporary bridge. There are almost sufficient unexpended balances left over from 1901, he says, to erect a permanent bridge and any amount which could not be obtained from that source could be taken from the surplus for this year.

AN INTERESTING QUESTION.

Will a Successor to Senator Calpin Be Elected?

An interesting question arises in connection with the resignation of Senator-elect P. F. Calpin as common councilman from the Sixth ward, which was accepted by that body at last night's meeting.

Holiday Gifts



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Holiday Gifts

If you want to make your boy happy, take home one of our stylish Suits or Overcoats. Such a gift is sensible as well as substantial. Our line was never more complete than now.

Boys' Double Breasted and Norfolk Suits in all the latest colorings, all wool and well made, worth \$5.00, at 3.49

Boys' Peter Thompson Russian or Sailor Blouse Suits, handsomely made and trimmed, worth \$6.00, at 3.49

Boys' Overcoats, Russian style or long loose backs. Little Gents' Coats, in all colors, worth \$6.00, at 3.49

Men's Holiday Clothing.

If you have deferred getting ready for rough weather it is time to get in line. It will be of advantage to you to see our very large assortment of stylish Overcoats. We show all the popular gray mixtures, blacks and browns, and the long loose fitting cut. Your choice of these fashionable garments at 10.00 to 20.00

Our Suits are all the new and correct styles for the winter. In finishing and tailoring no tailor could improve upon them. Prices range from 7.50 to 20.00

Our Shoe Department

Contains an exclusive line for Men and Boys, embracing style, fit, finish and good wearing qualities. Rubber Boots, Over-shoes and Slippers in every style. We are making this the most popular department in our store.

Satisfactory Gifts

Rain Coats in all grades and colors, Hats in all the leading and latest styles, Caps in all shapes, Boys' and Girls' Camel's-Hair Tams, Toboggan and Toques. Call and see them.

A House Coat or Bath Robe will surely be appreciated as a Christmas gift by your father, husband or brother. You will find a large and handsome line to select from.

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COMPLETE OUTFITTERS TO MEN AND BOYS.

Summits—6:30 p. m. J. J. Murray (east); 7 p. m. M. Ghaley (east). Extras West—8 p. m. Lattimer. FRIDAY, DEC. 19. Extras East—1 a. m. M. J. Hennigan; 2 a. m. Labar; 3 a. m. Mosier; 4 a. m. J. Gerrity; 5 a. m. Miller; 7 a. m. M. Finerty; 9 a. m. McAllister; 11 a. m. Rogers; 12 noon, Rice; 1 p. m. Cavanaugh; 2 p. m. Fitzpatrick; 3 p. m. Potogrove; 4 p. m. Costner; 5 p. m. Harriek. Summits—6 a. m. Prounfelker (west); 6 a. m. Carrigg (east); 8 a. m. Nichols (west); 11 a. m. Golden (west); 1:30 p. m. Thompson (east); 3:30 p. m. J. Hennigan (east). Pushers—2:30 a. m. C. Bartholomew (west); 7 a. m. Wilner (west); 7 a. m. Finerty (west); 8 a. m. Houser (east); 11:45 a. m. Moran (east); 1 p. m. McDonnell (west); 7:30 p. m. Murphy (east); 9 p. m. W. H. Bartholomew (east). Helpers—1 a. m. Magovera; 7 a. m. Gaffney; 10 a. m. Secor; 1:15 p. m. Stanton. Extras West—Second St. Kingsley; 4:30 a. m. Coslar; 8 a. m. Warfel (Hall-stand); 11 a. m. Randolph; 12 noon, John Gallagher (Hall-stand); 3 p. m. Masters. NOTICE. The crews that have been running on second No. 51 will hereafter run third No. 51 instead, except when there are two sections.

FURS AS CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

That Furs Make Most Acceptable Holiday Gifts No One Will Deny

All furs sold here are guaranteed for two years, and stored free of charge during summer.

In Neckwear Bargains

We offer extra inducements. Nice Scarfs from 79c each. Others at 98c, \$1.39, \$1.79, \$2.25, \$2.98 and up to \$55.00 each. Many novelties made expressly for the holiday trade go on sale this week at surprisingly low prices.

In Fur Set Bargains

The choice is without limit. We start them at \$1.45 and stop at an even Hundred Dollars for a set that would cost at least One Hundred and Fifty Dollars anywhere else. Lovely Sets in top notch fashions at from \$4.98 to \$24.50.

Children's Fur Sets are a strong point in our stock, and the values offered are unmatched.

In Fine Fur Garments

We show the very latest mid-winter fashions, and they are all made in our factory; buyers can have alterations made in proper styles, when desired, a garment specially made to this measure without one cent additional cost.

A Few Sample Bargains:

Persian Lamb Jackets, with Chin-chilla Reverses, Collar and Cuffs, made in the highest class manner possible and value for \$29.95—150.00

Persian Lamb Jackets, with three stripe Mink Reverses, Collar and Cuffs. The dressiest and most stylish fur garment of the season. Usually sold for \$29.95. Our sale price 125.00

Near Seal Jackets, in various styles, fur trimming and very rich in effect. It takes an expert to tell the difference between them and the most expensive real Seal jackets made. Worth \$50.00. Now 29.98

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