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and About The City

More Examinations.

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ified to speak the Scandinavian language, in the immigration bureau. On January 27 an examination will be conducted for a place as a domestic science teacher in the Indian department.

**Christmas Tree Exercises.**  
The annual Christmas tree exercises of the Scranton Liederkreis will be held in their hall on Lackawanna avenue Sunday night.

**Funeral of John Martz.**  
The funeral of the late John Martz will take place at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon from his residence, 710 McKenna court. Interment in Dunmore cemetery.

**Married in Court House.**  
John Thomas Daniels, of Taylor, and Miss Mary Jenkins, of Lincoln Heights, were married yesterday afternoon in the court house by Magistrate Howe.

**His Skull Fractured.**  
Lorenzo Harrison, of Lackawanna, sustained a fractured skull by a fall of roof at the cannery yesterday. He was removed to the Lackawanna hospital.

**At the Army Barracks.**  
A special entertainment is to be given tonight in the Salvation Army barracks on Price street under the auspices of Captain and Mrs. Mars, of White Plains, New York.

**Civil Service Exam.**  
A Civil Service examination will be conducted in the government building on January 27 for the position of assistant biologist in the department of agriculture at a salary of \$1,200 per annum.

**Injured at Johnson's Mine.**  
Patrick Brady, aged 17 years, of 113 Stone avenue, sustained a fractured pelvis yesterday by a fall of rock while working at Johnson's mine. He was taken to the Lackawanna hospital.

**Lackawanna's Heavy Traffic.**  
Every passenger train in and out of Scranton on the Lackawanna railroad yesterday had extra coaches attached. The crush at the station all day was tremendous. Similar conditions existed at the Delaware and Hudson station throughout the day.

**Special Excursion Train.**  
A special train from Buffalo, over the Lackawanna railroad, arrived yesterday morning early, bringing 200 people here to spend Christmas with their relatives and friends. Nearly all of them are employees of the Lackawanna Steel company and former residents of Scranton.

**Mail Wagon Struck by Car.**  
One of the mail wagons was struck by a Green Ridge People's car at Wyoming avenue and Spruce street on Tuesday night and Charles Greig, the driver, was thrown to the ground. He was badly bruised and was rendered unconscious by the fall.

**Altar Carved from Coal.**  
Just before his departure for home, Rt. Rev. Bishop John L. Spalding was presented with a miniature altar carved from a piece of anthracite coal by Peter Conway, of Hollow street. In front of the altar a priest attended by two acolytes are shown, also carved from coal.

**Was Robbed of \$31.**  
Pearl Johnson, of Wilkes-Barre, was arrested yesterday at the instance of Wesley Richardson, of this city, who charges her with robbing him of \$31 in a disorderly resort in this city on Tuesday night. She was held under \$500 bail by Magistrate Miller for her appearance in court.

**Both Held in Jail.**  
Angelo Fitz, aged 12 years, and Tony Gerald, aged 17 years, were yesterday held under \$500 bail each, by Magistrate Howe on a charge of discharging firearms in Little England, Tuesday afternoon. One of the bullets fired from one of the revolvers slightly wounded Arthur Rozelle, of Mark street.

**Address of Robert Bittner.**  
William W. Poole, late of Company B, Eleventh Pennsylvania Infantry, but now an inmate of the National Military Home of Kansas, is desirous of obtaining the address of Robert Bittner, also a member of that company and of any other members who may live in this part of the state. Mr. Poole's address is box 22, National Military Home, of Kansas.

**Two Bankruptcy Petitions.**  
George W. Yetter, of Catwax, borough, a baker and confectioner, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court. His debts are \$1,675 and his assets are \$200. Another voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed by D. Frank Wagner, a mill foreman, living at Watsonstown, Northumberland county, who has liabilities amounting to \$18,500 and assets of only \$187 to meet them.

**Officers for Dental Society.**  
At a meeting of the Lackawanna and Luzerne County Dental society held on Tuesday night in Wilkes-Barre the following officers were elected: President, Dr. N. H. Myers, of Plymouth; vice president, Dr. C. C. Laubach, of Scranton; secretary, Dr. E. E. Eisenberger, of Scranton; corresponding secretary, Dr. McKell, of Wilkes-Barre; treasurer, Dr. George C. Knox, of Scranton. The next meeting of the society will be held in Wilkes-Barre in January and will be followed by the annual banquet.

**STRUCK BY A TRAIN.**  
Eugene Washer's Horse Was Killed, His Wagon Demolished and His Own Arm Cut Off.

Eugene Washer, who lives at 110 Grove street, Dunmore, was driving a horse attached to a single wagon last night and attempted to cross the Lackawanna tracks near Nay Aug in front of a fast freight train.

The horse became frightened at the approaching train and stood still on the tracks. The train struck the outfit squarely in the center, instantly killing the horse, demolishing the wagon and throwing Washer to the ground in such a position that his right arm fell underneath the wheels and was ground into a pulp.

He was brought to this city and taken to the Lackawanna hospital where the arm was amputated. His left leg was also badly lacerated and it is possible that this member also may have to be amputated.

**To the Republican Voters of the City of Scranton.**  
A Republican primary to elect a Republican candidate for the office of city recorder and ward vigilance committee will be held on Thursday, January 15, 1903, at the regular polling places between the hours of 4 and 8 p. m. Candidates for the nomination for city recorder must register their names with C. E. Chittenden, 519 Lackawanna avenue, on or before Dec. 29, 1902, and pay the assessment levied on or before December 27, 1902, if their names are to be placed on the ticket. The city committee earnestly requests that all nominations for ward and election officers be held at the same time and place, the vigilance committee running a separate box.

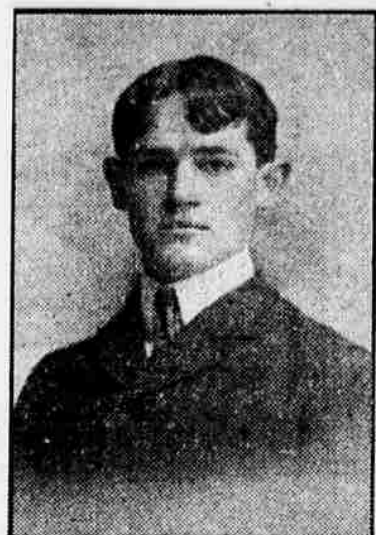
C. E. Chittenden, Chairman Republican City Committee

## EXERCISES AT HIGH SCHOOL

THEY WERE PRESIDED OVER BY PRINCIPAL JOSLIN.

After the Rendering of an Interesting Programme by the Pupils, Addresses Were Made by Superintendent Phillips, T. J. Jennings and the Principal—Prof. Eugene H. Fellows, Who Coached the Foot Ball Team, Was Presented with a Silk Umbrella and a Seal Ring.

The pupils at the Scranton High school were let off yesterday with two recreation periods, at the conclusion of which they gathered in the auditorium, which had been decorated with greens for the occasion, and participated in



PROF. EUGENE H. FELLOWS.

special Christmas exercises which had been arranged.

Dr. J. C. Joslin, the principal, presided, and after the singing of a song by the school an interesting essay on "Christmas Celebrations" was read by Miss Margaret Stone, and was followed by a violin duet exquisitely played by the Misses Cure and Hill. An essay on "Christmas Customs," by Miss Louise Connolly; a piano solo, by Miss Jennie Eymann; a spirited oration on "William McKinley," by Charles Tobey; a banjo solo, by Gilbert Edgar; a mandolin duet by the Misses Russell and Strohecker; a recitation by Miss Clara Brewster, together with a selection by the Mandolin club and orchestra, completed the programme.

**Addresses Made.**  
At the conclusion of the formal programme appropriate addresses were made by Dr. Joslin, Superintendent G. W. Phillips, and T. J. Jennings, chairman of the high and training committee.

A pleasurable incident then followed. It was an expression of thanks to the foot ball coach, Prof. Eugene H. Fellows, by the team and the athletic council and the school. Manager Dawson, on behalf of the team, in a brief but graceful speech, presented Mr. Fellows with a handsome silk umbrella, and Dr. Joslin, on behalf of the athletic council and school, with a beautiful seal ring. Mr. Fellows, although greatly surprised by the suddenness of the act, rallied in true foot ball style and thanked the donors for the gifts and for the kindly sentiments expressed in the presentation.

Mr. Fellows was graduated from Cornell university last June, and was appointed one of the instructors at the High school in September. During his brief experience at the High school, he has been able to mould the raw material which he found there into a successful foot ball team, because the players were willing to take his directions and improve by his coaching, and because throughout the season the most pleasant and friendly relations existed between the coach and his team.

**Finances Improved.**  
The finances of the Athletic association have also been greatly improved. A deficit left over from last year has been paid, current expenses, which were unusually heavy, met, and a very considerable balance remains in the treasury with which to commence the next season.

This is due to the excellent management of the principal and athletic council and of Manager Dawson, and also because the team has played foot ball in a manner to make it popular, the attendance on Thanksgiving day being the largest ever seen at a foot ball game in this city.

**LITTLE TOTS MADE HAPPY.**  
President Mitchell's Office Force Remember Silk Mill Girls.

Four of the happiest little ones in Dunmore borough, today, are Theresa McDermott, Annie Derenko, Helen Sisach and Rosie Husen, the children who were on the stand before the mine strike commission, giving testimony in corroboration of the miners' claim that because of their low wages their children were forced into the mills in early age.

Each was the recipient of a big, bounteous Christmas box from Miss Elizabeth Morris, private secretary to John Mitchell and Misses Lettner and Reed, of the U. M. W. headquarters' force, who, with Miss Morris, are remaining over the holidays in Scranton to straighten out the headquarters' correspondence.

Sweetmeats, hoods, mittens, fleece-lined rubber boots and games were among the things the boxes contained. The four little silk mill girls will be the envy of all their mates when they come to display their treasures.

**POSTOFFICE HOURS TO-DAY.**  
Order No. 19:  
Thursday, December 25th, 1902 (Christmas Day), will be observed at the Scranton, Pa., postoffice, as follows:  
Carriers will make one delivery in the morning.  
General delivery and stamp windows will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon.  
Registry and money order windows will be closed all day.

Collections will be made at 10:45 a. m. from boxes on Main avenue between Lackawanna avenue and Washburn street, also West Lackawanna avenue and Lackawanna avenue to Adams avenue, Adams avenue to Mulberry street, Mulberry street to Franklin avenue and from all boxes between these points.

Carrier No. 23 will make the 2 p. m. collection, and the usual evening collections will also be made by Carriers Nos. 23, 43 and 45.

Ezra H. Rippe, Postmaster.

## GRAIN-O

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At grocers everywhere; 15c. and 25c. per package.

## CHRISTMAS EVE.

**Didn't Dream of Santa Claus.**

Little 9-year-old Fred Howells, of Honesdale street, was forced to spend his Christmas eve in the Centre street station house last night, instead of in his bed at home, dreaming of Santa Claus like nearly every other little child in the city.

The little boy's mother took him to the central city last night to do some Christmas shopping, but instead of doing what she originally intended she strayed into several saloons. The little boy and herself were picked up by a policeman and brought to the station house.

The woman sprawled on the floor of the cell into which she was thrust and as she lay in a heavy stupor her little, big-eyed boy sat in a chair outside the iron barred door and finally fell asleep wondering, no doubt, what more unhappiness, instead of pleasure, was in store for him on Christmas day.

**Leo Russell Wanted Candy.**

An indescribably dirty and altogether forlorn looking little lad about 8 or 9 years old, was seen rolling what appeared to be a ball of candy along Wyoming avenue by Patrolman William Morgan, who brought him to the Center street police station.

"My name is Leo Russell," he said in response to inquiries, "and I live with me madder on Prospect avenue. An udder kid told me that youse could get all de candy youse wanted down at Connell's on Franklin avenue and so I just got a pail. It ain't no good. Honest it ain't and I wants to go home."

Investigation of the contents of the pail revealed the fact that there was nothing inside but a sticky valueless mass of candy, which had been subjected to intense heat. The dirty-faced youngster presented such a pitiable appearance that Lieutenant Feeney's sympathies were aroused and he sent him home.

**City and School Taxes 1902.**

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

**30 STAMPS 30**  
With a Dollar Purchase Friday, Saturday, Monday, Dec. 26, 27, 29

## Great Left-Over Sale

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## Dress Goods

\$1.00 Heavy Double Fur Skirting.....60c  
Tweed Skirtings, all wool, grey mixtures.....35c

\$1.00 Venetians, 50-inch, good line of colors.....75c

50c Albatross, 40-inch, all colors.....75c  
50c Drilling, 35-inch, small figures.....10c

50c Henriettas, 40-inch, evening shades.....50c  
50c Waistings, in many styles.....50c

50c Elderdown, yard wide.....35c  
50c Corduroys, extra wide, all shades.....60c

50c Corduroys, all colors.....50c  
Lot of \$1.00 Taffeta Silks.....50c

Tricott Waistings, new shades.....25c  
15c Fast Black Near Silk Dress Lining.....12 1/2c

12 1/2c Fast Black Percale.....10c  
15c Fast Black Percale.....12c  
30c Fast Black Percale.....15c

## HAVE NOT DONE THEIR DUTY

CHARGE MADE AGAINST OLD FORGE AUDITORS.

Court Asked to Compel Henry Naegli and Michael Weissenfluh to Perform the Work the Law Exacts from Them—James Lake Is Released on Bail—Shot and Fatally Wounded Thomas Allen Dec. 3. Application for a Writ of Habeas Corpus.

Attorney John H. Bonner yesterday asked for a writ of alternative mandamus directed against Henry Naegli and Michael Weissenfluh, auditors of Old Forge township.

In the petition for the writ it is alleged that on May 21, 1899, when the borough of Old Forge was erected out of the township of Old Forge, William Koehler was treasurer of the township. It was mutually agreed by the two municipalities that their assets and liabilities should be divided in the following proportion: the borough to take eighty-five and the township fifteen per cent.

Though it was the duty of Naegli and Weissenfluh, as auditors, to compel the treasurer to submit his accounts to them for inspection and approval, they have failed to do so though often requested to perform this duty. A writ was granted to show cause why a writ of alternative mandamus should not be issued against them and was made returnable January 5, at 9 o'clock.

**Lake Released on Bail.**

James Lake, who on December 3, shot and fatally injured Thomas Allen at Marshwood, was yesterday released on \$500 bail, which was entered before Judge E. C. Newcomb. The sureties on the bail bond are John O'Connor and Ralph L. Lake.

District Attorney W. R. Lewis went to Marshwood Tuesday and examined all of the eye witnesses to the murder. He concluded that it was not a first degree crime and consented to allow Lake to be released on bail.

**Writ of Habeas Corpus.**

Dr. A. B. Stevens yesterday obtained a writ of habeas corpus directed against Mrs. Eva M. Histed, of Carbondale.

Dr. Stevens lives in Wayne county and has a daughter who was 10 years old on February 16 last. This girl has made her home with Mrs. Histed for some time and the latter now refuses the father's request for the custody of the child.

A writ of habeas corpus was granted and made returnable December 30, at 10 o'clock, before Judge Edwards.

## O! PSHAW!

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