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### PERSONAL

Louis Blomquist, of Wheeler avenue, is home from State College for the holidays.

A slight improvement in the condition of Deputy Sheriff Frank E. Ryan was reported last evening.

Miss Louise Keeler, of Honesdale, spent yesterday with her sister, Mrs. C. J. Gillespie, of Oak street.

Miss Belle Shimborg, of Syracuse, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Silverstein, at 323 Lackawanna avenue.

Miss Katharine Jones, a student at Mansfield Normal school, is spending the holidays at her home on Wayne avenue.

Harry Jackson is spending the holidays with his parents on Hollister avenue. Mr. Jackson is a student of Lehigh university.

Miss Ruth Jackson, of Miss Dana's school at Morristown, N. J., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jackson, of Hollister avenue.

## NEWSIES HAD A BULLY TIME

700 OF THEM WERE GIVEN A CHRISTMAS DINNER.

It was Given in the New Armory and Proved to Be a Tremendous Success—Every Boy Got All He Wanted to Eat and More Too—An Excellent Vaudeville Bill Was Provided for the Diners at the Conclusion of the Feast.

Seven hundred bright-faced, keener-eyed and very hungry newsboys were given a Christmas dinner yesterday at the Thirteenth regiment armory, through the charity of a number of local citizens and were afterwards entertained by several theatrical people now appearing at the local theatres.

The dinner was served beginning at 12 o'clock, but a number of the more expectant youngsters were on hand as early as 9 o'clock. By 1:30 nearly every boy who had a ticket had put in an appearance and an eager throng hovered about the temporary kitchen which had been fitted up and which gave forth various savory smells which served to whet the already strong appetite of the youngsters present.

There were only enough tables to accommodate about 400, and the members of the committee present had quite a difficult time in providing a little royal for first places at these. The first relay was served beginning promptly at the noon hour, while the other three hundred waited expectantly for them to finish and exchanged anxious inquiries between themselves as to whether there would be enough to go around.

There was enough and more, too. It was such a Christmas dinner as could hardly have been surpassed at any of the large hotels. There was terrapin soup, roast turkey with cranberry sauce and appetizing brown gravy, mashed potatoes, bread and butter, crackers, coffee and, finally, old-fashioned New England plum pudding with "lashings" of sauce.

The boys were given all they could eat. Second helpings were not barred, and many availed themselves of the opportunity to stuff themselves almost to the bursting point. The table manners displayed by the majority were exceptionally good, and while it wasn't the quietest sort of a feast imaginable there was no disorder or anything approaching it.

When the first detachment had been served, it was announced that all those who wanted to have another try with the second relay were welcome to do so, but not a single boy volunteered for this task.

After all the boys had been fed, a benefit show was given for their benefit on a stage which had been erected for the purpose. This show was given under the direction of Samuel Grant, press agent for the Lyceum and Academy of Music, who secured voluntary aid among the performers appearing at several of the theatres. Hugh J. Keenan acted as chairman of the entertainment and introduced the various performers.

Chester DeVonck, whose repertoire company is appearing at the Academy of Music, delivered a brief address to the boys, telling them to work hard to attain success and pointing out that some of the greatest men this country has produced began life selling papers on the street.

Other Features.

John Barker and John P. Brown, of the "Our New Minister" company, entertained the boys with songs and dances, and Charles Breckinridge, of the DeVonck company, sang several songs, including the "Good Old Summer Time." In the chorus of which the boys joined right lustily. Ottilie DeLano, of the Keenan and Fred Webster, of the DeVonck company, also entertained.

The thing that pleased the boys most, however, was the ventriloquism and imitations of Yerman and the second-sight performance given by his wife, who read unidentified numbers and names written on a slate by any one who wished to test her powers.

The arrangements for the dinner were in charge of a special committee, the chairman of which was Andrew P. Bedford, who has well earned the title of the "newsboys' friend." Mr. Bedford had devoted all his spare time for weeks past to perfecting the plans for the dinner, and he was the happiest man in the city yesterday as he viewed their successful maturity.

The other members of the committee of arrangements were as follows: Frank M. Vandling, Dr. G. E. Hill, Hugh J. Keenan, B. B. Moorgerge, Thomas J. Fleming, L. H. Hatfield, C. E. Keys, F. A. Barrett, John McCarthy, J. S. Schutzer and Thomas Price.

The dinner cost about \$400, which amount was raised by private subscription and by a benefit performance given a few weeks ago at the Academy of Music.

### CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

Charles Siskert, of Everett avenue and Lafayette street, was injured by a fall of roof in the Briggs shaft on Wednesday. His leg, shoulder, head and back were cut and bruised quite badly. Dr. W. J. L. Davis is attending him.

Adolph Chase, of North Main avenue, a Lackawanna railroad engineer, is confined to his home with a sprained ankle, caused by jumping out of the way of an engine recently.

Joseph Embury, of Price and Chestnut streets, caught his finger on a mill, look some time ago, and blood poisoning set in, causing him much annoyance.

William Coyle, of Seventh street, had a tumor removed from his eyelid recently. The operation was very successful, and he is recovering nicely.

Frank McGinty, a one-legged man, slipped and fell on Jackson street yesterday and had his head lacerated. He was taken to the West Side hospital.

### THE RACE AT SEA.

Trial of Speed Between the Alabama and Massachusetts Bots a Tie.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 25.—A race which had been quietly arranged between the boats of the United States battleships Alabama and Massachusetts, over a distance of three miles, for a stake of \$10,000, was decided today and resulted in a tie. The time over the course was 23 minutes, 23 seconds.

The British cruiser Charlydis and the British torpedo boat destroyer Quail and Rocket arrived here this afternoon.

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### NEW STUDENTS ADMITTED AT ANY TIME.

## FURTHER SESSIONS OF THE COMMISSION

They Will Be Held in the United States Circuit Court Room in Philadelphia.

It has been decided to use the Philadelphia federal building for the rest of the sessions of the mine strike commission. This was decided upon by Judge Gray, to whom the commission delegated authority to make all arrangements.

The room is on the third floor of the building and quite large and well appointed. The present bench, which is intended to accommodate only three judges, will be entirely removed and a new one erected, which will give room for the seven commissioners, except of course. Additional chairs will be put in and a press box is to be constructed for the newspaper men.

The commission will reconvene Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1903, at 11 o'clock in the morning. It is thought that the hearings will last a month. The non-union men's case, which was nearly finished before the Scranton sessions were ended, will be concluded inside of three days, the attorneys say, and the independent and big operators figure on settling through with their testimony in three weeks.

The independents will likely be heard first. The operators will devote most of their attention to the introduction and verification of an explanation of the statistics, on which they rely for corroboration of their claim that the miners are not underpaid or overworked. There will not be much testimony from the operators, except of course, and the miners will be the witnesses of what took place in the way of disorder while the strike was on.

Scranton will be represented at the hearings by a large number of operators, superintendents, auditors, lawyers and others who have been participating in the hearings here.

### LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied by publication, by the writer's name. The Tribune does not assume responsibility for opinions here expressed.]

### Joseph H. Duggan Answers the Last Word.

Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: On the eve of the great festival which brings peace and good will to all men, I refrained from answering the "Last Word" of the officers of the Father Whitty society relative to my testimony before the coal strike commission. I will now without malice give my last newspaper attention to the matter. Permit me to say that I am not conscious of ever having received any "leniency" at the hands of the society in question, and will refuse absolutely to accept any of it in the issue to come. They can find sufficient material for any exuberance of their quality of "leniency" within their own ranks.

I am conscious though of doing my full duty, and more than that, in season and out of season, in the military and every other department of the Father Whitty society's work for a period of fifteen years, not six weeks, as the officers of this society would have the public believe. All of which is a matter of fact, not argument. The Father Whitty officers go much into the way of suggesting that I had some "contemptible motive" in "attacking" the Father Whitty society. I want to say that there was no other motive behind my testimony than that the commission should know the whole truth on our side of the case so far as I know. But there seems to have been a positively sinister to the matter, namely, to cloud the issue and discredit my testimony with a matter about which I had no knowledge, and therefore could give no evidence concerning it. To this deception of that character is, to say the least, unacceptably low and contemptible.

The pitiable, puny manner in which those gentlemen try to hedge about the question, when the real case at issue is the fact that the Father Whitty society actually did demand my resignation for working during the late strike, and the fact is that that was just the essence of my testimony before the coal strike commission. If they had any other charge against me, why did not the recording secretary appear before the commission with his record, if said record would not show positive proof to support the testimony I actually did give.

Truth will not justify statement that the officers of the Father Whitty society when they say that their organization has no ill will against me for working during the strike, for I have in my possession indisputable evidence in the handwriting and over the signature of President Mulhearn concerning a certain non-union member of his society, who did not resign at the society's demand, which will make that statement a mere worthless piece of speech.

When the proper time comes, the searchlight of truth will be turned on the

### DEATH OF W. G. JONES.

Well-Known Real Estate Man Passed Away Yesterday.

W. Gibson Jones, one of the most widely known residents of this city, died rather unexpectedly yesterday at the private sanitarium at 1012 Vine street, aged 63 years.

Mr. Jones had been ill for several weeks with diabetes, and contracted pneumonia some days ago. His condition was much improved Wednesday and there was at that time every hope of his ultimate recovery. He became suddenly worse yesterday morning, however, and passed away, despite every effort made to save his life.

Mr. Jones was born in Carbondale in 1837, and was the son of Judge Lewis Jones, one of the earliest settlers in this part of the state. He attended the Polytechnic Institute at Troy, N. Y., while a young man and afterwards studied law at the Fowler Law school, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He also read law in the office of Hon. Peter McCall, of Philadelphia, and in his father's office. He was admitted to practice at the Luzerne county bar and was located in this city until 1875, when he moved to New York city, where he engaged in the practice of law until he came to this city in 1890 to take up his father's real estate business. He continued in the real estate business in this city up to the time of his death and was eminently successful.

He is survived by a wife, an infant son and one brother, Colonel Meredith Jones, all of New York city. He was a member of the Penn Avenue Baptist church. The funeral arrangements will not be made until the arrival here of Colonel Jones from New York.

### D. L. & W. BOARD FOR TODAY.

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

THURSDAY, DEC. 25.

Extras East—6 p. m., Potsgrove; 8 p. m., M. Smith; 10 p. m., McLane.

Summits—5 p. m., M. Glinley.

Extras West—4 p. m., Case; 11 p. m., Cowler.

### FRIDAY, DEC. 26.

Extras East—2 a. m., H. Gilligan; 3:30 a. m., Dunn; 5 a. m., McAnn; 9 p. m., Baxter; 10 a. m., Abrams; 11 a. m., Bush; 12:30 p. m., Stevens; 1 p. m., Wallace; 2:30 p. m., Cavansh; 4 p. m., Doherty; 5 p. m., Staples; 8 p. m., Singer.

Summits—8 a. m., Frounfelker (west); 9:30 a. m., Nichols (west); 11 a. m., Golden (west); 6 a. m., Carving (east); 1:30 p. m., Thompson (east); 5 p. m., J. Hennigan (east); 8 p. m., M. Glinley (east); 10 p. m., J. J. Murray (east).

Pushers—2:30 a. m., C. Bartholomew (west); 7 a. m., Wilder (west); 7 a. m., Finnerty (west); 8 a. m., Houser (east); 11:45 a. m., Moran (east); 1 p. m., McDonnell (west); 7:30 p. m., Murphy (east); 9:30 p. m., W. H. Bartholomew (east).

Helpers—1 a. m., Mngovern; 7 a. m., Guffney; 10 a. m., Socor; 1:15 p. m., Stanton.

Extras West—3 a. m., McAllister; 4:30 a. m., Latimer; 8 a. m., Kirby; 11 a. m., J. H. Masters; 2:30 p. m., Ratchford; 4 p. m., Lord; 8 p. m., Peel; 11 p. m., Scanlon.

### NOTICE.

7 p. m., Binghamton freight annulled Dec. 25.

Third St. Friday, Dec. 26, annulled.

### At Penn Avenue Church.

The annual Christmas tree exercises of the primary department of the Sunday school of the Penn Avenue Baptist church will be conducted this afternoon. The exercises for the older children will be held tonight.

## THE OLD, OLD STORY AGAIN

ARTHUR DAVIS DYING AS RESULT OF CARELESSNESS.

Michael Tolan Says He Didn't Know the Revolver He Pointed at Him in Flaherty's Saloon Was Loaded—It Was and Davis Got a Bullet in His Lung Which Will Probably Cause His Death—Police Believe That the Shooting Was Accidental.

It would seem as if the "didn't know it was loaded" fool will never become extinct. The latest victim of his criminal carelessness is Arthur Davis, of Wyoming avenue, who lies dying at the Lackawanna hospital with a bullet through one of his lungs. Michael Tolan, of North Main avenue, the young man who shot him, is being held at the central police station awaiting the result of his injuries.

The two young men have been companions for a number of years, and went into Flaherty's saloon, on Penn avenue, late Wednesday night with the intention of spending several hours there. They drank together at a table in the rear room until the small hours of the morning.

A young Polish boy in the place had fallen asleep, and a bottle of whiskey protruding from his pocket looked pretty tempting. Tolan went over to slyly abstract it, and in taking it out of the fellow's pocket he came across a 32-caliber revolver, which he took possession of.

Flourished the Weapon.

He examined it curiously and apparently became convinced that it was not loaded, for he flourished it around in a reckless fashion, much to the discomfort of those in the room. He walked over to where young Davis was sitting and pointed it at him, remarking in a joking fashion:

"Look out there, Arthur!"

The next instant there was a report and Davis fell forward on the floor with a bullet in his left lung. Tolan himself was so startled at the report that he, too, fell to the floor. When he realized who he had done he was prostrated, and going out into the street gave himself up to Patrolman Collins.

Davis was taken to the Lackawanna hospital, where several efforts were made to locate the bullet. It was very weak last night and the surgeons admitted that his chances of recovering were exceedingly slight. In a statement made to several of those around his bedside he exonerated Tolan from any criminal intent.

Tolan Arraigned.

Tolan was arraigned before Magistrate Howe and was remanded to await the result of his victim's injuries. He was overcome with grief and worked himself into a pitiable state of nervousness during the day. He declares that he had no idea the revolver was loaded. The weapon was recovered by the police and was found to contain five full and one empty shells.

The testimony of all the witnesses of the affair agrees with Tolan's story, and the police have no hesitancy in saying that the only thing he should be punished for is his wanton carelessness.

### HIS WIFE MISSING.

The police were yesterday notified by William Harrison, of 1246 Harrison avenue, that his wife has been missing since Monday night last. She left home on that night between 7 and 8 o'clock to go for a short time only and has not been seen since. She took no money with her and there was no quarrel or any other reason, as far as he can explain, which could have prompted her to run away.

The description of the woman given to the police is as follows: 33 years old, 5 feet 4 inches tall; weight 120 pounds, light complexion and light brown hair; wore a blue plaid waist, dark cloak or cape, dark skirt and a child's Tam-o-Shanter cap.

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