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Y. M. C. A. STAR LECTURE COURSE

The arrangements have been completed for the Y. M. C. A. Star Course for the coming season. The course next winter will be by far the finest ever presented in this city.

Last winter the Star Course was discontinued and the fact that the Y. M. C. A. purpose holding the Course again will be received with much pleasure by the people of Danville who have always appreciated the efforts of the Association to provide a series of high class entertainments.

The Course as arranged by the committee for the coming season consists of five numbers to be given in the Opera House, all high class talent, secured from the Central Lyceum Bureau of Harrisburg.

The first entertainment will be Carmen's Italian Boys, five in number, all talented musicians and Elbert Folland, humorist, November 20th.

On December 8th, Dr. M. W. Chase, of Chicago, will lecture on the subject: "Why or the Problem of Life." Dr. Chase is a most pleasing speaker, and his lecture abounds in humor, anecdote and illustration.

The third number, Koenig and his Royal Italian Concert Band, on February 9th, will be one of the finest attractions ever brought to Danville. Miss Nellie Furnwall, soprano, accompanies the band.

On February 23rd, Gay Carleton Lee, Ph. D., LL. D., will lecture. Dr. Lee is one of the foremost scholars of the country, formerly having been a member of the faculties of Johns Hopkins and Columbia Universities. He is a journalist, historian, author and orator.

The last number of the Course will be the George Crampton Concert Company, which will appear March 8th. This company consists of four talented artists, George Crampton, baritone, Florence Pettigrew, contralto, Blanche Sage-Holcomb, pianist and Nicolai Zedeler, cellist.

Aim of the Common Schools.

That the building of character is the real aim of the schools and the ultimate reason for the expenditure of millions for their maintenance. There is in the minds of the children and youth of today a tendency toward a disregard for constituted authority; a lack of respect for age and superior wisdom, a weak appreciation of the demands of duty, a disposition to follow pleasure and interest rather than obligation and order.

These resolutions are by the National Educational Association which concluded its sessions last week. The educators have gotten hold of the right end of the string.

The prime purpose of our common school system, that for which it was ordained, kept in mind from its very inception, is the making of good citizens.

The teaching of text books is but a means to an end. The object to be aimed at is the making of character.

It is necessary that the future citizen should be taught to read and write and spell and compute. But it is far more necessary that he should be taught to live soberly and righteously, loving justice and hating wrong, having respect for authority, regarding duty as above pleasure and purity above all things.

Whatever is necessary to be studied in order that such lessons may be inculcated must be employed.

And it is no sufficient answer to say that such studies are "fads."

It is the proper study of history and geography and music and drawing and the manual arts contribute to the teaching of truth and justice and beauty and purity then these studies are a necessary part of education.

The weaknesses of the rising generation as pointed out by these resolutions are also the weaknesses of our day and civilization. They are dangerous weaknesses. Disrespect for law and order, lack of inspiration to duty, selfishness—these must be counteracted by the teaching and influence of the schools.

Above all other things the public schools must teach ethics. The three R's are all right in their place, but it should never be forgotten that the one great purpose of the American schools is to put moral fibre into the coming citizen.

Southern Dealers Buying. Dealers from the South are passing through this section of the State buying up or endeavoring to purchase all the peaches in sight. As a business experience this is something entirely new to most peach growers in this section and is hard to account for especially in view of the fact that the prospect for peaches is considered good over the whole country.

Dr. S. Y. Thompson, who expects a yield of at least two thousand bushels, has sold his entire crop at "Pilgrim's Rest" to a Baltimore dealer. A meeting will be held tonight, at which it is thought the movement will assume definite form.

Snyder's Big Peach Crop. John M. Boyer, of Fremont, Snyder county, has 30,000 peach trees bearing, and in anticipation of enormous shipments this season, special railroad conveniences have been arranged at Kramer Station for his sole accommodation. Mr. Boyer has the distinction of being the largest peach grower in this State.

FARMERS PICNIC AT DEWITT'S PARK

A meeting of the General Committee of the Tri County Farmers' Picnic Association was held in the Grand Jury room Saturday morning at which the reports of the special committees were heard and many of the plans for the outing arranged.

James Shultz, chairman of the committee of arrangements, reported that DeWitt's Park had been secured for Saturday, August 19th, and that the Association would have sole use of the Park on that day. The committee on entertainment reported that Matherell's five piece orchestra had been engaged to furnish music during the afternoon. There will also be vocal music, graphophones, and many other amusements of the usual picnic kind such as quoit pitching, base ball, etc.

It was also decided at the meeting to extend an invitation to Hon. W. T. Croasay, of Catawissa, to be present at the affair and to deliver an address. Mr. Croasay accepted the invitation yesterday. Other prominent farmers will also speak. The addresses will be delivered at the meeting of the Association to be held in the afternoon.

The picnic will be a basket affair. A number of small family reunions have been arranged. The Association extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend the picnic.

Mrs. Rantz's Great Record.

Mrs. Lydia Rantz, who resides at 105 Cooper street, has probably more direct descendants than any person in this section of the State.

Mrs. Rantz is 85 years of age. She is a great great grandmother; her son John Rantz, of Milton, is a great grandfather at the age of 60 years; and his daughter, Mrs. Mary Lloyd, of Milton, is a grandmother at the age of 40 years. Mrs. Lloyd has two daughters who are married and have children.

Mrs. Lydia Rantz has 6 children, 35 grandchildren, 64 great grandchildren, and 7 great great grandchildren; she is the great grandmother of three sets of twins and one set of triplets, the grandmother of one set of twins and the great aunt of two sets of twins and the great great aunt of two sets of twins.

Her grandson, James Wortman, Railroad street, is the father of 18 children among them being three sets of twins and one set of triplets.

Mrs. Rantz is in full possession of all her faculties, and is a most interesting conversationalist. Her memory is wonderful. She was able to give the names and ages of her descendants without any effort. She employs her time with needle work and displayed to a News reporter last evening many beautiful specimens of her handiwork.

Survivor of Rebel Prisons. Charles Augustus Laumaster, brother of our townsmen General Secretary W. D. Laumaster, who died Sunday, was consigned to the grave at York yesterday. Mr. Laumaster, our general secretary, was called to York by his brother's death, but owing to the pressure of affairs relating to his position in this city he was unable to remain for the funeral and returned home Tuesday evening.

Charles Augustus Laumaster, the deceased, was sixty-six years of age. He was a veteran of the Civil War and a survivor of Libby and Andersonville prisons. He went to the front in 1861 with Company A, Eighty-seventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers and participated in all the engagements of that command up to July, 1864, when he was taken prisoner at Monocacy.

B. & L. Benefits. Wage-earners are learning to save. They realize that it is the dollar saved that counts against a rainy day. The total assets of the building associations of the country now exceed six hundred millions, and Pennsylvania leads in the annual growth.

This State's associations gained over five and a half million dollars in assets and over six thousand in membership in a year.

Nearly two million small wage earners of America are learning to save out of their little incomes and through these associations are able to administer these savings in large collective amounts as well as any trust company could do the same work.

The Soldiers' Monument. Some twenty young men, members of the grand chorus which scored such a fine success on Fourth of July, have a scheme on hand to assist the Soldiers' Monument Committee. They propose to give a minstrel performance in the Opera House some time during next month.

The young men who volunteer, with few exceptions, are choir singers, while in the number are several who won applause as members of the High School minstrels.

It is believed that an aggregation can be gotten together that will be of real merit, while the object will be a popular one and a large audience will be the result. A meeting will be held tonight, at which it is thought the movement will assume definite form.

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MARTIN'S STORE IS BURGLARIZED

For the second time within a year John Martin's tobacco and confectionery store, East Market street, was burglarized Sunday night, in all some thirty dollars worth of goods being stolen.

Mr. Martin since in business has been several times selected as a victim by the burglars during the last few years so that while by dint of hard work and close application he has succeeded in building up a nice little business not a small percentage of his profits have been carried off in these occasional raids.

When the store was opened Monday morning a glance revealed that burglars had been on the premises. The outside door leading into a hall communicating with the store had been forced open, while two show cases, which Saturday evening had been stocked with cigars were in a manner empty. An investigation showed that a large quantity of chewing tobacco mostly in packages that had not yet been opened were also missing.

Mr. Martin yesterday stated that a conservative estimate places the value of the goods stolen at not less than thirty dollars.

The door was forced open by the use of a jimmy or something of the sort and bears marks where it was inserted first at the bottom and then gradually worked upward until the lock gave way.

At what time of night the robbery was committed is not known, but a similar and unsuccessful attempt was made to burglarize the establishment of Paul Knooh, East Market and Church streets, about midnight Sunday night. The robbers here had employed the very same means inserting a jimmy at the bottom of the door and working it upward. Mr. Knooh had been robbed last winter and profiting by the lesson had taken extra precaution by securing the door with an iron crossbar fastened on the inside, so that while two of the locks on the door gave way under the strain the crossbar held intact. The robbers next attacked the back door, but their movements here were heard by the occupants of the dwelling adjoining who called across to the Coonsart residence. The robbers escaped without being seen or leaving any clue as to their identity.

Birthday Surprise Party. On Tuesday evening a large party of Valley township residents assembled at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Levi V. Beyer, near Mansdale, to congratulate Mrs. Beyer on the fifty-second anniversary of her birth. The party was a surprise. Refreshments were served during the evening on the lawn. Those present were: Rev. C. D. Lerch, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hendricks, Mrs. and Mrs. F. P. Appleman, Jacob Flick, Mr. and Mrs. James McCracken, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Yorks, Lizzie Palmer, Peter Yorks, and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farnsworth, son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Philie and children, Mr. and Mrs. N. O. Kindt and son Clifton, Mrs. William Lawrence, Mrs. G. C. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. William Cope and daughter Clara, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lockhoff and children, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bogert, Mrs. Simon Moser, Olive Beyer, Emma and Mary Kluge, Regina English, Mrs. William Adams and son Harry, Mr. W. D. Wise, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cornelson and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Snyder and sons, Mr. and Mrs. E. Renn, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Shultz and daughter, Hiram Beyer, Francis Dufelle, Edward Dufelle, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Beyer, Reed, Udellhoff, Mr. and Mrs. George Ricketts and son Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Boyer and son Eugene, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Horst and son, Mrs. Maggie Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. William Flick, Mr. and Mrs. James Fenstermacher, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cornelson and son, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenza Deliste and sons, Mr. and Mrs. William Hollibaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Fenstermacher, Mr. and Mrs. O. Diehl and children, Mrs. Annie Roup, Mrs. T. Bennett and son Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fenstermacher, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Diehl, Jacob Rupp, Misses Lettie Merrill, Rachel, Emma and Alice Fenstermacher, Mary Merrill, Sarah Hendricks, Nora Cooper, Maggie Thomas, Jennie Kindt, Ada Ande, Ruth and Anna Foinwald, Inoa Hendricks, Edna Lewis, Winnie Flick, Eva Beyer, Hannah Fry, Bertha Bell, Nora Foinwald, Annie and Jennie Murray and Messrs. Herbert Hendricks, Clyde Shultz, Ralph and Oliver Cope, Roy and Frank Cope, Calvin Deon, John Heller, William Kindt, Horace Appleman, Eugene Fry, Earl Renn, Harvey Beyer, Harry Lawrence, Luther Foinwald, Reuben Kelly, Reese Merrill, William Parker, Oliver Johnson, and others whose names could not be recalled.

Week of Delightful Weather. We do not believe the weather at any lake, mountain or seashore resort could surpass the conditions in this section the past week, and the tonic in the air has been all the more pleasing coming after the torrid heat of ten days or more. There is no trouble to sleep nights on account of heat, and the splendid spell of cool weather comes as an oasis in the Summer. Taken all in all, Danville is favored the year around, as regards storms and weather. We very seldom, if ever, get the great extremes noted in many sections. The weather is changeable, of course, it is everywhere in the Northern belt of the United States, but there are splendid surprises with their charms. Glorious May, when Spring magic is everywhere and the dawns of awakening life and color is full upon us; matured Summers, with many days of lasting delight; Octobers, when the air is as intoxicating as good rich wine and wonderful russets and garnets run riot; and Winters, when the blue sky overhead has an added purity and depth and clearness, and barren limbs are etched sharply against the cold azure, or else, when snow is about us, glorious pinks where the sunlight falls and magic lights where the shadows rest. "Tis a glorious world, after all, and while we long in Winter for southern California and Florida, take it the year around, considering the monotony of months of rain, or months of drought, the sand, and other unpleasant features, the changeableness of this section of Pennsylvania, its seasons, interspersed with sunshine and shadows, showers and snows, warm and cold, balm and tonic, on the whole, it is just the best and pleasantest spot on old Mother Earth.

Chicken Thieving Going On. There is good deal of petty thieving going on about town which has just been brought to the surface through the robbery at John Martin's store, East Market street, Sunday night.

During Saturday night, especially when the electric lights were out the thieves were very active and a large number of rugs, carpets, &c., were stolen from the verandas. The heaviest loss was Mrs. D. C. Jones, E. Market street, who had 12 fine spring chickens stolen from the back yard. An attempt was made to break into Grant Fenstermacher's hen roost, but the thieves were discovered and frightened away. Among other articles who missed rugs and other articles from their verandas are Emerson Adams, Julius Helm and Harry Ellenbogen. At Mr. Ellenbogen's a handsome tidy was stolen. The latter was fastened to the back of a rocking chair and in order to secure it the sneak thieves used a knife to cut it loose.

John H. Hartman Dead. At a late hour Tuesday night Chief of Police J. C. Minceyover was called up by telephone, the message, which proved to be a long distance one, came from Philadelphia and apprised him of the death of his uncle, John H. Hartman, who was found dead in bed.

The deceased, nearly seventy years of age, was a former resident of this county. When a boy with his parents he resided at Mansdale and was employed in hauling iron ore into this city. When the Rebellion broke out the deceased enlisted and after the war did not return to Danville. He became an expert hand at covering steam pipe and filled many important contracts at this work in different parts of the country. Among other places he was employed at the Hospital for the Insane at this place, where the extensive system of pipe covered to this day attests to his skill.

The deceased was an unmarried man. His home was in Philadelphia where for nearly thirty years he boarded at the same hotel.

Married Tuesday Morning. At St. Matthew's Episcopal church, Sunbury, Tuesday morning, Miss Helen Yarnall of Sunbury, and Mr. Edgar M. Savidge of Klinsgrove, were quietly married by the Rev. Charles Morrison, in the presence of relatives and a few near friends.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yarnall, and an attractive young lady with a host of friends. Mr. Savidge is a son of the late Harmon Savidge and a nephew of Hon. C. R. Savidge of Sunbury. He is equally as popular as his bride, and both have the best wishes of their acquaintances for prosperity and long life.

Missing from Home. Orval, the sixteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Holter, of Berwick, is missing from home. He went to Bloomsburg on Thursday of last week, to attend the circus and failed to return home. It is thought he may have joined the show.

AT TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. L. D. Ulrich has returned from a month's vacation spent in Philadelphia and services at Trinity Lutheran church were resumed Sunday.

Rev. Ulrich preached at both the morning and evening services and was greeted with good sized congregations. In the morning he took as his text: James 5:16: "And Pray for one Another." His theme was the universal power of prayer to overcome evil, and he urged his people to pray unceasingly for the nation, the church, for one another and for themselves.

In the evening Rev. Ulrich took his text from Numbers 23-26: "Behold I Have Received Commandment to Bless, and He Hath Blessed and I Cannot Reverse It." He gave a historical sketch of Balak, King of Boab, Balaam the prophet and the Children of Israel and how Balaam would have caused Balaam to curse the Children of Israel, whereas God had blessed them and His workings could not be undone. He applied the lesson to the people of the present day by showing his congregation that God will bless and keep us if we but give him the opportunity; no matter how others may try to do us wrong.

Finest Barn in this Section. The new barn at the Hospital for the Insane is now fully completed. S. W. Armes, who had the contract for the painting, yesterday putting on the finishing touches.

The barn is regarded as one of the finest in this section of the country, both in point of workmanship and the choice and costly timber employed in its construction. It is of large dimensions, consisting of main barn 104x52 and a cattle shed 100x47 feet, both divisions being 30 feet high to the square. The roof is of slate and is surmounted by six ventilators, the central one of which contains a weather vane.

The timbers are of the finest quality of Southern yellow pine; the sides are boarded up with the best quality of white pine beaded flooring. The timber is all surfaced or planed. The barn contains three threshing floors and two hay mows.

The old barn was destroyed by fire last October. On November 10th the contract for the new barn was awarded to Trumbower & Werkheiser, of this city, who in turn subcontracted the carpenter work to John A. Mowery. The contract price was \$12,645.

Work on the new barn was begun shortly after the holidays, but was much delayed owing to the difficulty in securing the choice and valuable timber needed, the product of Southern saw mills, which due to the general prosperity are kept constantly crowded with orders.

The barn, tastefully painted in a shade of drab, presents a fine appearance and those who examine the building are led in their complacency not only to Trumbower & Werkheiser, who held the contract, but also for Mr. Mowery, who has left the stamp of expert workmanship upon part of the building.

New Pavement at Court House. T. L. Evans' Sons yesterday began work on the new concrete pavement and steps in front of the Court House.

The big flag stones, which were put down when the Court House was built in 1828, were found much the worse for the long wear and exposure, many of them breaking under their own weight as they were pried loose with the crowbar.

The present contract covers only the front of the Court House and there was some thought of utilizing the best of the stone removed in laying a new side walk along the Court House grounds on West Market street. As is shown by the sequence, however, it is doubtful whether the stone from the front of the building would prove of much value and repay for the trouble of relaying. In view of all the facts a good many people think that the proper thing for the County Commissioners to do would be to lay a concrete pavement along West Market street and correspond with the sidewalk to steps in front of the building. It is not known how the proposition is regarded by the County Commissioners, but it will no doubt be given some consideration at their next meeting on Saturday.

Many Applications for Farms. The four fine farms belonging to the John R. Bennett estate advertised for rent will not be going for tenants. Up to yesterday eight farmers had applied, all good practical men who know how to make farming pay.

The farms advertised are all in a high state of cultivation and will naturally be much in demand. It is likely that care will be exercised in the selection of a tenant so that the farms may fall into the hands of none but farmers highly recommended.

Visiting Old Home. Mr. and Mrs. David W. Morgan and sons Stephen and William, of Philadelphia, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Morgan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Johnson, Church street. Mr. Morgan was born in Danville, but left here when he was six years of age. He visits this city occasionally to see his old friends. Upon his arrival this time he noticed with much pleasure the vast improvements that have taken place since his last visit. Mr. Morgan is now foreman in the U. S. Mint.

CONTRACTORS ARE AT WORK

Operations on the extension of the State Highway to Mansdale began last week by the contractors, Fees and Hartman, of Shamokin Dam, who have taken the job for \$3901.82. An excellent start has been made on the road and the preliminary work has been undertaken in a manner that speaks for the contractors, and indicates an early completion of the road.

Fees and Hartman have purchased from the Rachel Bennett estate, near Mansdale, a piece of limestone, and have been blasting the stone loose for nearly a week past. They have a crusher on the ground, which they will start to operate during the early part of this week. It is the intention of the contractors to use limestone exclusively in the construction of the road. This will make a more solid and durable road bed than where cinder is used for the lower courses.

There has also been some work done in filling in at the arch bridge. This is the biggest fill that will be necessary on the road. The grade, as established by the survey, does not require much cutting or filling. A steam roller is at Mansdale ready for use when it is needed; so that nothing remains that will retard the construction work.

This Pauper is Wealthy. Because William Yeager, an inmate of the insane asylum at Danville, has by false pretense been a charge upon Snyder county for nine years, Sheriff Samspell on Tuesday served notice on the Sunbury Trust and Deposit Company to recover \$1234, that being the amount due the State for board.

Yeager, who was a resident of the township of Beaver, in Snyder county, and a veteran of the Civil War, a pensioner at the rate of \$30 per month, suffered much ridicule from neighbors and according to Sheriff Samspell, once threatened to kill a person. Because of this and other irrational actions, he was, in 1897, declared by the courts of Snyder county to be a lunatic. Proceedings were thereupon instituted to place him in the insane asylum at Danville. He was admitted as a pauper, costing Snyder county \$1 75 a week, board.

It has been discovered that the Sunbury Trust and Safe Deposit Company, as its trustee, hold for Yeager more than \$4,000, the secret accumulation of pensions.

R. S. Ammerman, member of the Legislature from Montour county, attorney, also, for the trustees of the Danville asylum, has served notice on the commissioners of Snyder county to show cause why Snyder county authorities should continue their support to the maintenance of said Yeager in the asylum, in the face of the fact that he has ample means, not only to pay his future support, but also to reimburse the county and State for what money have already been paid in his behalf.

An effort will be made to learn who it was that had Yeager admitted as a pauper. The holding of the supposed pauper's wealth by the Trust Company, has caused much heated talk, because Yeager should have paid \$5 a week board, that being the rate for a self supporting inmate.—Sunbury Daily.

Local Institute of Sunday Schools. The local institute of Sunday Schools of Cooper and Mahoning townships convened at St. James' church, Ridgeville, on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. An interesting and profitable program was rendered, consisting of music by the choirs of the church.

Revs. C. Kuntz and C. D. Leach and Mr. P. E. Mathias presided in a terse and a forcible manner various phases contributory to the best success of Sunday School work.

An organization of Sunday School workers in these townships, the fourth district, was effected by electing E. G. Wertman, President; Charles Uttermiller, Vice President; J. P. Weaver, Secretary; Charles W. West, Treasurer.

Business Men Held Clam Bake. A clam bake participated in by six dozen business men of town was held at Colonel Eckman's, Boaring Creek, yesterday. By a coincidence the event fell on the forty-first birthday of W. A. Seidler, General Manager of the Danville Stone and Manufacturing Company, a circumstance which threw additional zest into the festivities. A. L. Gault of New York, who has charge of the New England and export trade of the Stone Works, was present at the clam bake as the guest of honor.

All Hope Abandoned. John O'Connor still continues very critically ill at his home on Vine street. His decline has been very rapid during the last few days and all hope for his recovery has been abandoned. Yesterday he lapsed into unconsciousness.

Engagement Announced. Mrs. Perry Deen, East Market street, announces the engagement of her daughter Miss Sara, to Mr. Edward Rosser, of Kingston, Pa.

LADIES MAY BE ASKED TO SOLICIT

Nothing had been heard from the Soldiers' Monument Committee for some time past and the general supposition was that the Committee had become discouraged at the slow progress made by solicitors and had abandoned hope of being able at the present time to pull together a sufficient sum of money to erect a suitable memorial to the fallen brave of Montour county.

Hon. James Foster, President of the Soldiers' Monument Committee, assures us, however, that such is not the case, that although the solicitors in some of the districts did not show encouraging results and that although the work during the last few months along all lines has been lagging, yet the intention is to make another grand effort putting the matter at least to a final test before entertaining such a thought as abandoning the proposition.

Mr. Foster has called a meeting of the Soldiers' Monument Committee to be held in Council Chamber on Thursday evening next at 7:30 o'clock. The results achieved by the solicitors in some of the districts has been so successful that Mr. Foster is encouraged to believe that by adopting proper methods money enough can be raised throughout the county to enable the Committee to erect a suitable monument.

A suggestion has been made that the ladies, who have never yet been known to fail in any similar work, be interested in the project and induced to assume the work of soliciting. This matter will be brought before the Soldiers' Monument Committee on Thursday evening and will be discussed along with other measures that may be proposed. Mr. Foster is quite sanguine and believes that tangible results will follow. From now on the work will not be permitted to lag.

Arrest of Wilkesbarre Criminal. WILKESBARRE, Aug. 2.—A gigantic bomb was thrown into councilmanic circles this morning when a story made its appearance to the effect that warrants are about to be issued for the arrest of city fathers who receive free street car books.

Dr. A. Gordon Finney is back of the crusade and according to the best information obtainable he is being supported by several prominent citizens and acting under legal advice. Detectives, it is said, are now securing the necessary evidence, preparatory to the issuing of the warrants.

A reporter interviewed Dr. Finney this morning, and the latter spoke freely on the matter, not stating how, just where arrest would take place. "My attorneys are now arranging the necessary details," said Councilman Finney, "and as soon as they complete this work and ascertain if the evidence is strong enough for cases, arrests will be made.

"It is as much a crime for councilmen of the city of Wilkesbarre to accept free street car books as it is for members of the legislature to take transportation on steam railroads. The statutes are directly against this giving and taking of passes and why this law is openly violated is something remarkable.

"Yes," continued Dr. Finney, "a free pass was sent to me after my election as councilman, but I returned it with my compliments and a request to give the book to some cripple, who may need transportation more than I do."

The maximum penalty for accepting a bribe in the shape of a street car pass is a fine of \$500 or imprisonment for a term of ten years. According to Dr. Finney only a few of this city's thirty-two councilmen refused trolley transportation. Developments are awaited with much interest and meanwhile it is a good guess that local legislators will be somewhat wary in using their blue-striped tickets for some time to come.

Heavy Sale of Brick. Brick manufacturer John Keim has closed with Contractor Rathbun of Sunbury for the sale of 200,000 brick to be delivered in September. Mr. Keim is disposing of a large portion of the product of his yards in Sunbury and has already shipped to that place over 300,000 bricks this season. Whatever surplus remains will be in demand for the new work at the Hospital for the Insane, which will no doubt get under way yet during the present season.

Thumb Badly Cut. Harry Swank, book-keeper at A. C. Amosbury's, met with a painful accident yesterday. During the forenoon for the sake of a little exercise he stepped out in the yard and began to chop wood. While engaged in the work the axe slipped, cutting a very bad gash in his left thumb near the middle joint. Dr. Winterson was called who found it necessary to insert several stitches.

Will Undergo Treatment. Dr. W. R. Paules last evening returned from Philadelphia, where he accompanied Henry Weidman to the Hospital. Mr. Weidman will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

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MR. LAUMASTER'S RESIGNATION

The news of General Secretary Laumaster's resignation and the acceptance of it printed in these columns yesterday morning struck most people as a great surprise and caused profound regret. The facts set forth in connection with the affair, however, fully explained the situation, showing that there was no other alternate left and that the General Secretary as well as the Board of Directors is wholly removed from any suspicion of faithlessness or inclination to shirk.

The only thing that is involved in any obscurity is the future of the Association in Danville. The Board of Directors themselves seem wholly at sea and no one seems to know along what lines the work might be practically conducted in Danville. The finely equipped building, a gift to the Y. M. C. A., still remains and will always be a big advantage to the work here. That Y. M. C. A. effort will not be wholly abandoned in Danville it seems safe to predict. A little later no doubt the work will be arranged on some basis that will require less money when it is hoped ways and means may be adopted that will raise the funds needed without the worry and embarrassment, which have proven such a detriment in the past.

Mr. Laumaster has no fixed plans for the future. He is an evangelist of experience and of great power and will not long be idle in a country where there is such a demand for religious workers. He is widely known and will no doubt soon receive a call.

Mr. Laumaster's resignation does not go into effect until September 1st. The period intervening is comprised in his annual vacation so that most of the time he may be out of town. The building during the present month will be in charge of Physical Director C. C. Carpenter.

Arrest of Wilkesbarre Criminal. WILKESBARRE, Aug. 2.—A gigantic bomb was thrown into councilmanic circles this morning when a story made its appearance to the effect that warrants are about to be issued for the arrest of city fathers who receive free street car books.

Dr. A. Gordon Finney is back of the crusade and according to the best information obtainable he is being supported by several prominent citizens and acting under legal advice. Detectives, it is said, are now securing the necessary evidence, preparatory to the issuing of the warrants.

A reporter interviewed Dr. Finney this morning, and the latter spoke freely on the matter, not stating how, just where arrest would take place. "My attorneys are now arranging the necessary details," said Councilman Finney, "and as soon as they complete this work and ascertain if the evidence is strong enough for cases, arrests will be made.

"It is as much a crime for councilmen of the city of Wilkesbarre to accept free street car books as it is for members of the legislature to take transportation on steam railroads. The statutes are directly against this giving and taking of passes and why this law is openly violated is something remarkable.

"Yes," continued Dr. Finney, "a free pass was sent to me after my election as councilman, but I returned it with my compliments and a request to give the book to some cripple, who may need transportation more than I do."

The maximum penalty for accepting a bribe in the shape of a street car pass is a fine of \$500 or imprisonment for a term of ten years. According to Dr. Finney only a few of this city's thirty-two councilmen refused trolley transportation. Developments are awaited with much interest and meanwhile it is a good guess that local legislators will be somewhat wary in using their blue-striped tickets for some time to come.

Heavy Sale of Brick. Brick manufacturer John Keim has closed with Contractor Rathbun of Sunbury for the sale of 200,000 brick to be delivered in September. Mr. Keim is disposing of a large portion of the product of his yards in Sunbury and has already shipped to that place over 300,000 bricks this season. Whatever surplus remains will be in demand for the new work at the Hospital for the Insane, which will no doubt get under way yet during the present season.