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CONDENSED NEWS.

Chestnut parties will be popular now. The leaves are commencing to fall from the trees.

Pottsville has two automobile factories both of which are working overtime on a rush of orders.

October 6, is the last day in which you can pay a State and County tax to give you a right to vote at the November election.

The annual crop of foot ball victims is already being harvested.

Miss Clara Smith is about again after a severe attack of grip.

Evans & Son are erecting a roof over the weigh scales at their Marble works on Ferry street.

Jacob H. Boyer and Bro., have secured a large plastering contract in Catawissa.

Benjamin P. Harris is having a neat veranda erected in front of his home on Mulberry street.

The uniformed employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad company have donned their winter caps. It will only be a short time until they will begin to wear their overcoats.

A Snyder county peach grower Tuesday disposed of 2500 bushels of the fruit at 60 cents a bushel.

All the plays portraying life in Dixie land during antebellum days, none have had half so true to nature and so successful from an artistic and financial standpoint as the famous Martell comedy drama, "South Before the War," which comes to the opera house on Saturday evening.

The body of the late William M. Bennett, whose death occurred at Adagar, Ala., last Friday and which was brought to this city Monday morning, was interred in the family plot at Hendrickson's church yesterday afternoon under K. T. honors.

A 4-year-old daughter of Thad Vincent had a close call for her life near Natalie on Monday, when she was run down by a male team and severely bruised. A deep gash on the head and badly scratched face and hands were the result.

In less than five weeks the voters of the United States will decide who shall be their President for the next four years. The time is short but considerable money will be spent by both sides and oratorical force will be expended in convincing the citizens of the country of the merits of the respective issues. Money, however, will be the most potent factor.

Experiments made by German physicians have shown that about 25 per cent of all school children have some defect in their hearing.

Employees of the Standard Gas company were at work yesterday at the corner of Mulberry and Ferry streets, in an attempt to locate a plug in the gas main. The plug is located somewhere under the ground at this point and several hours have been consumed in the search. The company, will, as soon as they locate the plug, turn on the gas in Ferry street, which thoroughfare has been without this illuminant for some time past.

Miss Jennie Martin wishes to inform the public and her patrons that she has removed her dressmaking establishment from 226 Mill street to 528 East Market street.

A silk printing establishment of New York will locate in Sunbury in the near future. The site selected is in Edgewood and one of the buildings to be used is the building once used as a fly net factory.

This is the third week of the greatest strike that was ever known in the anthracite coal region. The greatest because of the number of men out and because of its extension over the entire field where anthracite is mined.

Engine No. 953 on the D. L. & W. makes two round trips daily between Scranton and Northumberland, thus covering a distance of 320 miles. She is handled by two crews, each crew making one round trip.

Charles Wolf, a laborer at Howe & Polk's Structural Tubing works, had his left foot crushed by the dropping of a rail from the buggy about 1 o'clock this morning. He was taken to his home on Sidler's Hill.

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LESLIE WARD
COMMITTS SUICIDE

At His Wife's Home in Williamsport Tuesday Night.

Mrs. Damie Ward, the widowed mother of Leslie Ward was notified yesterday morning by telegraph of the death of her son. His body was brought to this city on the 11:25 train over the Philadelphia & Reading road, accompanied by Charles Ward, a brother. The funeral will be held from the home of his mother on Center street at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The interment will be made in the Old Fellows' cemetery.

Ward, it will be remembered, married Miss Amanda Rank about five years ago, but, it is said, their married life was not of the best and for the past two years both husband and wife had traversed separate paths.

Ward, who was a moulder, left this city about three years ago and went to Williamsport to work at his trade. Tiring of the work, he went into the lumber regions, spending fully a year there. From facts secured from Williamsport, Ward, who had been drinking quite heavily Tuesday, went to the house on Laurel street where his wife resided. At about 10:45 his wife ran to a boarding house on Pine street where his brother, Charles, was boarding and informed him that her husband had taken a dose of opium. Charles ran to the house and vainly attempted to rouse his brother out of the stupor and failing in this, he picked him up, bodily and carried him to the house of Dr. Logue and from there they took him to the Williamsport hospital where he expired at 12:50 yesterday morning.

Coroner William G. Goehrig was summoned and gave as the cause of death "opium poisoning."

Death of William Shepperson, Sr. After a protracted illness, William Shepperson, Sr., died at half past eleven o'clock Sunday morning at the family residence on East Front street.

The deceased was aged 78 years and 4 months. About eight months ago he was taken with a severe attack of kidney and liver trouble from which he could never gain any relief and which kept him confined to his bed the greater part of the time. Mr. Shepperson was a native of England, having moved to this country from Nottingham over 40 years ago. On reaching America he located in the slate regions (Northampton county, Pa.) for a short time. In 1856 he moved to Danville where he has continually resided ever since, having been one of the solid and influential citizens of the Second ward for many years. He is survived by a wife and five children, namely: Mrs. Clara Bowman, of Pittsburg; Sister Fides (Isabelle) of the Convent of Mercy, of Pittsburg, and William A. Jr., Arthur and Catherine, of this city.

Special Meeting of School Board. A special meeting of the School Board was held Monday night for the purpose of opening bids for the printing of 1000 copies of the course in Literature. There were but two bids handed in which are here given: Charles Chalfant \$40.00, Edward Rose 90-cents per page. Rose's bid was thought too indefinite to consider and the contract was awarded to Chalfant. During the progress of the meeting one of the directors informed a reporter of this paper that Contractor O. B. Switzer would have charge of the repairs on the room in the Third ward building in which the night school will be held and that work would be commenced about Wednesday. It is expected that the repairs will be entirely completed and that the school will be opened by Oct. 15th.

Company F, Returns Home. Company F, returned from Shenandoah on the 2:21 P. M. train Monday afternoon. The orders for the Twelfth Regiment to break camp did not come until late Sunday evening. The boys seemed to regret leaving Shenandoah as they were having a very good time and had just gotten their can, in to shape. They speak highly of their treatment while there and of the ration issued. Good health characterized their ten days' stay on Turkey Run Hill.

The company mascot, a young goat named "Turkey Run" accompanied the boys home. Captain Gearhart will have it in charge until the next war breaks out. Company F, kindly solicits miscellaneous rags, papers and hand bills for its maintenance.

Mrs. Sechler Badly Injured. Mrs. Frank Sechler was painfully injured Monday morning in an accident which was caused by a broken board in the cellar steps at her home, corner of Church street and D. L. & W. Avenue.

Several of the boards were split and loose and in making the descent to the cellar she stepped upon one of these and was pitched headlong to the bottom of the flight.

No bones were broken but she sustained a painful contusion of the left elbow and of the left knee and was shaken up generally.

The Washington Hose company's new horses, a strapping big team of bays, arrived in town Tuesday from Montoursville, being driven from that place by James Freeze, William Davis and William Reed. The animals are perfect specimens and make a fine appearance in harness.

Shenandoah saloon keepers were never so busy as last Sunday when visitors to that town found every front door wide open.

DR. DIMMICK'S
ELOQUENT SERMON

On Capital and Labor at St. Paul's Church Last Sunday Evening.

St. Paul's M. E. church was crowded Sunday night when the pastor, the Rev. Dr. B. F. Dimmick, preached his sermon on Capital and Labor, taking for his theme "The Present Crisis—Causes and Cure." His scripture texts were from II Timothy 3:1. "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come," and Ecclesiastes 7:10: "Say not thou what is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not inquire wisely concerning this." Space does not permit of more than a few extracts of this eloquent discourse: "It is a terrible battle. Great money trusts against gigantic labor organizations are constantly assuming proportions more menacing and more colossal, so that the hearts of all serious thinking men are stirred with alarm."

"There never was a time when there was so little comparative poverty as now, though altogether too much; never a time when the unfortunate man cared for and aided as now, and these works of mercy and help are constantly increasing. The common necessities of today enjoy luxuries that the wealthy were denied in the past centuries."

"But the greatest cause of the disturbed condition of our time and the grim poverty of so many is the drink habit. While this nation continues to spend more for intoxicating drinks than for bread, meat, clothing and education combined, she may expect to reap a harvest of paupers and outcasts, and no increase of the volume of money will give permanent relief while we thus ruthlessly squander one-third of our resources annually."

"But wealth, the nation and the church may do their full duty for the redemption of humanity and yet it cannot be done unless the poor can be aroused to help themselves. There is very much left undone that would vastly better the condition of the common people than that no one can do for them but themselves. God helps those who help themselves."

Milton Fair Big Success. News from Milton brings the conviction that the big fair which is in progress there, is in every feature a success. The exhibitors are many which more than insures a success to every department.

One of the most interesting features of the fair will of course be the harness racing and from the long list of entries warm breaths will be in order which assure the sports of a run for their money.

It is predicted that the consolidation race Friday will be replete with hard driving. This event will be for a purse of \$300 and will bring together all horses that failed to secure a piece of money in the other races.

Other races that will take place during the balance of the week, are the 2:24, 2:27, 2:21, 2:32 and free-for-all classes. Many Danville residents are in attendance at the meet.

Resumption Court Business. Business with the local justices has been dull for some time past but yesterday the law market appreciated a few points and Squire Hunter heard an assault and battery case in which Harvey Lamberson and Alvin Lonsberry each held a share.

From the evidence, as developed at the hearing, it seems that these two had an argument over some straw which one or the other had stacked on the other one's property, both owning adjoining pieces of land along the canal near Red Point. Lonsberry evidently thought that he was wronged, for the information charged that he had laid his hands violently on Lamberson's person and for that alleged offence he had to put up bail in the sum of \$200 for his appearance at court.

Rolling Mill Closed Down. The Danville Rolling mill is idle. The men employed at that institution struck yesterday afternoon and will not return until their demands had been complied with.

The difficulty between the men and their employers arose over the posting of a notice at the mill yesterday morning, informing them of a reduction of 25 per cent in the wages.

Rumors of disapproval were heard all day yesterday but definite action was not taken by the men until in the afternoon had been worked when the men quit. They went to a nearby orchard just above the mill and after considering the matter dispersed.

Danville Woman Dies From Scare. Word was received in this city yesterday of the death of Mrs. Wifflington Roth, aged 35 years.

PERSONAL
PARAGRAPHS.

Brief Mention of the Movement of Your Friends and Acquaintances.

Hon. W. K. Holloway, W. J. Baldy Esq. and W. G. Pursell composed a party of fishermen who left yesterday afternoon for Lake Winola where they will spend several days. This morning Harry Ellenbogen and Samuel Bloch will leave to join the party.

Rev. George E. Limbert left for Wilkes-Barre yesterday to attend a session of the Church World convention which is held in the interest of the Wyoming Classis of the Reformed church. Rev. Limbert was slated to make the opening address at the meeting last evening.

Miss Mary LeDuc left yesterday for Philadelphia.

B. P. Green and young son, of Toledo, Ohio, are visitors at the home of Mrs. Mary Green, North Mill street.

Mrs. F. Perry, of Shamokin, is the guest of Mrs. Oscar Leniger.

A. M. Peters was a business visitor in Berwick last evening.

Miss Annie Blecher, of this city, is visiting friends in Williamsport. She will also spend a few days at Milton fair before returning home.

Mrs. Lewis Shoemaker, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Margaret Ulrich, of Selingsgrove, are being entertained by Mrs. L. D. Ulrich at the Trinity Lutheran parsonage.

Mrs. Arthur Foulk returned to Bloomsburg Saturday after a visit at the home of Benjamin Foulk, Mulberry street.

Harry Rebbman, Esq., of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parents on East Front street.

George B. Wright, of Philadelphia, has been appointed superintendent of the Montour & Columbia Telephone company.

Dr. and Mrs. George Shannon, of Baltimore, Md., are visiting at the home of Joseph L. Shannon, Riverside.

Edward Purpur left Saturday evening for New Castle, where he will represent the Friendship Fire company at the Firemen's convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Beyer spent Sunday with friends in Catawissa.

Miss Margaret Huihien returned on Saturday from a several weeks' visit in Buffalo.

Dr. and Mrs. William Angle returned last evening from a visit with relatives in Syracuse, N. Y.

Miss Lucinda Leigh returned from a visit in Bloomsburg last evening.

Miss Mame Lee returned last evening from a business trip to New York.

Miss Sarah Ware is taking in the Milton fair today.

Miss Mary Beaver returned last evening from a visit among friends in Philadelphia.

Misses Minnie Miller, Ella Mottern and Ella Marshall left yesterday for Milton to attend the fair.

W. G. Williams returned yesterday from a trip to Philadelphia.

Miss Hattie Brown left last evening for a visit among friends in Milton.

Miss Harriette Fry left yesterday for a visit with friends in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. A. C. Roat is visiting relatives in Milton.

Miss Amelia Hartman left for Scranton yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Greenman, of McGrawville, N. Y., returned home yesterday after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. William Suter, Riverside.

Dr. Lewis Cleaver returned Wednesday afternoon from a business trip to Harrisburg.

Mrs. T. J. Rogers is visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. V. Border, in Williamsport.

Mrs. Wesley Gardner, of Scranton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Deen, on East Market street.

Miss Frances Green, of Milton, is the guest of Miss Isabelle Baldy, West Mahoning street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Shultz are visiting relatives in Milton.

MRS. VASTINE'S
NARROW ESCAPE

From Death—Horses Became Frightened And Rush Across River Bridge.

Oscar Vastine, a farmer residing a short distance above Boyd's Station, and his wife, who were returning homeward from this city last evening, went through an experience about 5:45 o'clock that will long be remembered by them.

According to the facts given to our reporter, Mr. and Mrs. Vastine, who were riding in a two horse spring wagon, were just entering upon the Danville river bridge when the right front wheel of the vehicle caught in a pile of plank, causing a jerk that threw Mr. Vastine out of the wagon head foremost on the bridge. As he struck the horses became frightened and leaped forward in a mad rush across the bridge. The reins which had been jerked from the hands of Mr. Vastine were now free and the horses had full sway in their flight, while sitting in the wagon unable to do anything to save herself, Mrs. Vastine clung to the seat to keep herself from being thrown from the vehicle. With thoughts of her husband lying at the end of the bridge probably fatally injured and expecting to be dashed to death by the maddened horses, Mrs. Vastine passed through an ordeal that will create a lasting impression upon her mind.

As South Danville was approached Milton Ammerman, son of W. H. Ammerman, the local insurance man, drove on the bridge in a buggy and before he could get out of the way the fast approaching horses were upon him and had plunged into the side of the buggy, entirely demolishing the rig and injuring the horse. Mr. Ammerman escaped injury but only by a miracle.

The collision, however, had the effect of stopping the runaways and Mrs. Vastine escaped uninjured but nearly prostrated from the shock on her nerves. One of the horses in the Vastine team was thrown to the ground and dragged some distance by his mate which resulted in lacerating his knee in a horrible manner.

It was found that Mr. Vastine had a severe cut on the side of his head, the result of his fall to the bridge. Both Mr. and Mrs. Vastine, after pulling themselves together continued their journey homeward.

South Before The War. A picture of darkey life in the good old times will be presented at the opera house Saturday evening, Oct. 6, in the production of Harry Martell's scenic play "South Before the War." It is a play full of suggestiveness of those plantation scenes familiar to those who knew the south in slavery times. The typical southern darkey with all his eccentricities predominates in the company, though the realistic portrayal of the white actors fairly hides their identity. The play introduces cleverly a number of scenes that are positively lifelike, beginning with under a southern sky, which pictures the return of an escaped slave, including many incidents of ante-bellum days, dancing in every description, and genuine old darkey melodies. Other realistic scenes follow one upon another, until the audience is fairly refreshed with its glimpse of old time darkey life, and is finally treated to a new fangled cake walk. The company is a very large one, containing some fifty people, who travel in their own palace car.

Miss Woolley Entertains. Miss Cordelia Woolley entertained a party of friends Friday afternoon at progressive euchre. Those present were: Mrs. John G. Brown, the Misses Agnes Wright, Augusta Swiesoff, Emeline Gearhart, Abigail Patterson, Kate and Hettie Eckman, Mary Brown, Jennie Hancock, Helen Magill, Helen Ramsey, Grace Irland, Nan Branton and Mary Holloway, of this city, and Miss Ruth P. Ring, of Amber.

The prizes were won as follows: Miss Wright, first, Miss Hancock, second, and Miss Patterson, consolation.

To Meet at Sheep's Church. At a meeting of the Montour County Sabbath School Association, held Monday afternoon, it was decided to hold the next annual convention at Sheep's Church, Friday, November 9th. Pastors and Superintendents are counted as ex-officio members of the Association. Each Sunday school is therefore requested to send two delegates.

Rev. L. D. Ulrich Installed. At the morning service Sunday Rev. L. D. Ulrich was formally installed as pastor of the congregation of Trinity Lutheran church, East Market street. There was a large attendance at the service and the installation sermon which was delivered by Rev. F. A. Weickel, of Numidia, was eloquent and impressive.

Gravel—Klecker. Joseph A. Gravel, of Williamsport, formerly of this city, was united in marriage to Miss Beulah Klecker, of Williamsport, in Christ church, this city, last evening. Rev. Erskine Wright officiating, Harry and Rebecca Tittle acting as best man and lady.

The happy couple remained over night at the Baldy House and will leave for home today.

Seidel-Holdren. Mr. George Seidel, of Shamokin, and Miss Carrie Holdren, of Kaseville, were united in marriage Monday morning at ten o'clock by Justice-of-the-Peace J. P. Bare, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Seidel left on the 12:38 train P. M. for Shamokin where they will take up their residence.

SUCCESSFUL
ENDEAVOR RALLY

Held In Mahoning Presbyterian Church Tuesday Evening.

The Christian Endeavor Rally, preparations for which have been going on for the past two weeks, was held Tuesday evening at the Mahoning Presbyterian church.

An address upon the Inter-National C. E. convention which was held in London, was given by Rev. Dr. Hemingway, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Bloomsburg, and President of our Bi-Centennial C. E. Union and was listened to by fully 400 people.

Dr. Hemingway proved to be a very fluent and interesting talker. His graphic description of the proceedings of the convention, its magnitude and enthusiasm was a revelation to his many hearers. The lecture as a whole was not only entertaining but instructive.

He told of the hearty welcome accorded the Endeavors upon their arrival in London and dwelt at great length upon the growth of the organization and the wonderful work being accomplished through its agency.

Well Deserved Appointment. Notices have been posted about the works of the Danville Bessemer company, this city, to the effect that J. D. Howerly has been appointed Superintendent of the plant.

Since Mr. Howerly became identified with the Bessemer company his advancement has been remarkably rapid. A year ago last July he was appointed purchasing agent and during last December he was advanced to the office of assistant superintendent.

Such rapid strides to the front, speak highly for the business ability of our fellow citizen and his advancement is announced and will be learned of with considerable pleasure.

Just what the appointment of Mr. Howerly to the position of Superintendent indicates, could not be learned but present a force of some twenty men is engaged in cleaning up, both the rolling mill and the plate mill and the indications now are that should the market warrant it, the plate mill would be put in operation within four weeks.

The Revolver was Loaded. Fifteen years-old Harvey Beyers, of Maudsall, brother of Photographer Malcolm Beyers, of this city, is nursing his left hand which he perforated early last Saturday morning while engaged in cleaning up a rusty revolver. He didn't know it was loaded and placed his first finger over the muzzle while he attempted to force out the chamber. The result was as usual.

The bullet did not pass through the hand but struck a bone and remained imbedded in the flesh and had to be removed. Dr. Kimerer performing the operation.

Knitting Mill Prize Contest. The leaders of the 8th pay in the prize contest at the Danville Knitting mill are as follows:

Full Automatic Stripes, Lizzie Henkie, \$13.60.
Brinton machines, Bertha VanGilder, \$12.34.
Scott and Williams machines, Gussie VonBohn, \$12.28.
Loopers, Cecelia Treas, \$12.81.
Winders, Katie Mullen, \$6.75.

Toppers, first prize, Henry Schram, \$7.26; Fred Andrews, \$7.26 Second prize, Arthur Mellon, \$6.30. Third prize, Elsie Moyer, \$6.12. Alice Trainor, \$6.12. Fourth prize, John Reiser, \$6.00; Lydia Gething, \$6.00. Fifth prize, Frank Stetler, \$5.80.

Taffy Pull Last Evening. The Misses Gertrude and Emma Linker entertained a number of friends at a taffy party last evening at their home on West Mahoning street. Those present were: The Misses Lizzie, Blanche, Maize and Millie Harder, Relia Adams, Annie Rowe and Margaret Tittle, Messrs. Harry Tittle, William Fenstermacher, Percy Angle, Will Ellenbogen, Albert Dreifuss, Isadore Rosenthal, John Thompson and Lewis Evans.

A Hack Party to Kaseville. The following young people from this city enjoyed a hack ride to Kaseville Friday night where they were entertained at the home of William Holdren: Misses Gertrude Kelly, Margaret Weibold, Kate and Jessie Schott, Rose Wright, Ivy and Mazie Holdren; Messrs. George Rishel, George Probst and Ben Schott.

Entertained at the DeLoong Home. The following party enjoyed a hack ride to Washingtonville on Saturday, where they were entertained at the DeLoong mansion: Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wright, Dr. and Mrs. I. H. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Woolley, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Yorks, Mrs. J. M. Baldy and W. B. Rhodes.

Dissolution Notice. Notice is hereby given that the insurance firm of W. H. Ammerman & Co., composed of W. H. Ammerman and D. R. Williams, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to said firm are requested to make settlement. Settlement can be made with either W. H. AMMERMAN, or D. R. WILLIAMS.

Notice. The Ladies Auxiliary invite every body to the Y. M. C. A. building Tuesday evening, October 9th, to view the improvements just completed by the Auxiliary.

Supper will be served from 5 to 8 o'clock. Tickets 25 cents. The ladies hope to be as well patronized as on former occasions.

JOHN H. BRUGLER
PAINFULLY INJURED

While Engaged In Making Measurements At The Water Works.

As the result of a fall which he sustained Thursday morning while engaged in taking dimensions about the water works, Architect John H. Brugler now lies at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Czechowicz, West Mahoning street, in a critical condition.

When the Borough Council approved of the Water Commissioners' project to build an annex to the Water Works, Architect Brugler was employed to draw the plans and specifications for the new structure. About 10 o'clock Thursday he started to make an examination of the buildings as they now stand in order to secure data to prepare his plans and after he had made all the measurements necessary on the ground floor, he attempted to reach the roof, ascending to the trap door in the ceiling of the boiler room by means of a ladder. Once through it he drew the ladder after him and raised it to the trap door in the roof, the base resting on the ceiling boards of the room below, the garet joist not having been covered with floor boards.

He had successfully ascended almost to the top round when the ceiling boards gave way and allowed the ladder with its human freight to shoot downward until it crashed with terrific force on the iron floor of the boiler room, over twenty five feet below. The ladder striking first somewhat broke the force of the unfortunate man's fall and to that one cause may be attributed the fact that he survived at all.

As it was Mr. Brugler sustained severe injuries. The large bone in his left forearm was fractured, his right wrist, left ankle and left elbow were badly contused and a large contusion marked the back near the base of the spinal column.

It was feared at first that he had sustained dangerous internal injuries but an examination, made by Drs. Curry, Newbaker and Barber, did not reveal such a condition. All during the day he suffered intense pain in the region of his chest and back but at a late hour Thursday night he showed signs of considerable improvement and there is scarcely any doubt as to his ultimate recovery.

The accident occurred about 10 a. m. and by noon it was generally known about the town and on all sides could be heard expressions of regret over this most painful mishap sustained by such a well and favorably known citizen.

Great Conference of Methodists.

The most important conference ever held by the Methodists of Pennsylvania in the past decade will be held in Harrisburg from October 23d to 25th in Grace Methodist Episcopal church, when prominent Methodist clergymen and laymen from every section of the state will gather to discuss the state of the church. All arrangements for the great gathering are in the hands of an executive committee consisting of Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, chairman, the Rev. Dr. Smith, of Pittsburg; the Rev. Dr. S. W. Thomas, the Rev. Dr. Wallace MacMillan and J. E. James, M. D., of Philadelphia, and the Rev. M. L. Snayser, as secretary.

One of the most important of the many duties of this committee was the selection of the several topics to be considered by the conference and the assignment of the men who shall introduce them. That duty has been accomplished and as a result of their deliberations those who attend the great gathering are assured of hearing many of the most eloquent Methodist ministers and energetic of its laymen on questions which possess a vital interest to all who have at heart the welfare of the Methodist church.

Triennial Assessment.

The plans for the proposed improvements in the Water Works, which have been delayed owing to the painful accident that befell architect John H. Brugler last week, will be started just as soon as Mr. Brugler is able to get around.

As soon as the Ward Assessors complete the work of the triennial assessment, which has been called by the County Commissioners, the financial conditions of the city will be in excellent shape and money will be available for the carrying on of the above mentioned addition to the Water Works. At the present time, according to the assessment roll, the total assessed valuation of the city is but \$825,037; consequently, allowing the city only seven per cent of this for its borrowing power, does not give much money in which to carry out the ideas of many of our progressive citizens.

Under the triennial assessment the valuation of our city should be increased at least three times, which will make our borrowing power nearly three times greater and give us money that can be expended in the advancement of our "commercial interests." It is stated upon excellent authority that the great advance in our assessed valuation will in no way increase our taxation, and if it should the increase would not exceed a mill at the most.

Sanitary Sewerage.

The agitation of a sewer system, although rather aged, is not as yet dead and there is still strong talk among many of the most progressive citizens for the culmination of any kind of plans that may be drawn to give to our city sanitary requirements in the matter of proper drainage.

Those who are found behind the