

Tales of the Town

The unfortunate collision of street cars on the interurban track, loaded with people returning from the races at the Meadows, whereby several persons were injured, seems as an illustration of the high efficiency of street car traffic, in that such accidents do not occur oftener. That they do occur at all is usually from lack of system or effort on the part of the company to prevent them, but usually from pure carelessness, as was the case in this accident. If the inspector, acting as motorman, had stopped for his clearance card, as he should have done, all would have been well; or if he had not usurped the motorman's place the chances are no accident would have occurred. It seems to be a case of too much officiousness.

The Chamber of Commerce are again moving in the matter of a greater Seattle, by an effort to annex the suburban towns, lying round about. From indications, however, it appears they will not have smooth sailing. Ballard, the principal, and most to be desired community, enters a most emphatic protest, claiming it would lose far more than it would gain. West Seattle, which has so recently taken on the dignity of a town corporation, likes the toga too well to care to be assimilated, and simply became an outside ward. The same feeling prevails in Georgetown, though unincorporated, but its citizens seem willing to take up the burden of a corporate existence, if such step is necessary to prevent being dragged into Seattle's troubles.

The week has witnessed the closing exercises of the public school for another year, the greater interest naturally attaches to the graduating of the high school. The class of '03 consists of over one hundred persons.

It is a very satisfactory condition of affairs that the state is able to step in and supply money needed by various cities and school districts in the state. The offer of the state authorities to take the entire issue of bonds, desired to be sold by this city, \$500,000, for the purpose of establishing a municipal lighting plant, makes that long discussed improvement practically a certainty.

Everyone who knows Sam Piles will be pleased to learn that his trip East in search of health, was entirely successful, and he returns to his home in this city, as good as new.

A labor carnival of two weeks' duration, beginning July 27, will be held in this city, under auspices of the Western Central Labor Union and State Federation of Labor. The grounds occupied will be the same as were used by the Elks' carnival last fall. Full plans are not given out as yet, but promise is made that it will be quite elaborate. Through co-operation with the Chamber of Commerce, two days will be set apart for Seattle's fiftieth anniversary celebration, and appropriate exercises will be held in commemoration of that event.

Methodism of the city of Seattle and locality have secured the use of Ravenna park for July Fourth and will celebrate the nation's natal day in a quiet way in that nature resort. There will be music, addresses and a variety of entertainment, but nothing unbecoming to the Christian ideal will be permitted. They have exclusive control of the park for the day and all members and friends will be provided with badges showing their right to the privileges of the grounds.

It was a piece of great good fortune to the city that the fire, originating in the Rolfs & Schroder moulding works in the southern part of the city, was so quickly subdued. Conditions were favorable for another great conflagration, and the surroundings of the property destroyed are such as to invite the spread of fire when once under headway. The efficiency of our fire department was evidenced in that they were able to successfully combat the flames with no more loss than there was.

The public generally will approve of the decision of Justice George that the lottery game run by "Scotty" Ferguson, under the cloak of charity, is gambling, and the persons arrested in connection

with it are amenable under the new law, declaring gambling a felony. The men were held under bonds for trial in the superior court.

Senator M. A. Hanna and Col. M. C. Herrick, who have been spoken of in connection with the vice-presidential nomination, each declare they are not candidates. Herrick desires to be governor of Ohio, and Hanna is content as he is.

Navigation is now fully open on the Yukon river, and the next few weeks will see great activity in that direction.

There will be no more Sunday excursions to Victoria. The customs house officials have received word from headquarters to allow no more boats to clear from that port on Sunday.

REALM OF RELIGION.

The man who does all his praying on his knees doesn't pray much.

The trouble and worry and wear and tear that comes from hating people makes hating unprofitable.

The forces that make for righteousness in Manila under the efficient leadership of Rev. Dr. H. C. Stuntz are in the midst of a law fight to prevent the licensing of the opium traffic in the Philippines. It will be a shame if our government in any way approves the use of this dreadful drug by our native wards. To farm out the business to the highest bidder, as is proposed, is to create a monopoly that will in every way seek to stimulate consumption.—Ex.

Our duty is to do what God would have us do, and to do it cheerfully because it should be done. God loves a cheerful doer as well as a cheerful giver. A child in the home, a man or a woman in his or her place, gives added value to a right word or deed by being hearty and loving in its speech or performance. We must say and do lovingly what we should, whether we feel like it or not. Dinah Muloch Craik shows a world of wisdom when she says: 'The secret of life is not to do what one likes, but to try to like what one has to do; and one does come to like it—in time.' Is that our method of service?—S. S. Times.

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PERSONAL.

Mr. H. R. Graves, of Franklin, is in the city attending the Superior Court this week.

Mrs. Wm. Wilson has removed to the city again and is residing at 1910 Eighth avenue, near Stewart.

The Charity Club will give their first picnic July 4th, across Lake Washington. Miss Alma Clark president.

Rev. F. T. Walker, pastor-elect of the Mt. Zion Baptist church, paid a flying visit to Franklin Wednesday.

Rev. E. T. Asberry, pastor of Shiloh Baptist church, Sacramento, Cal., is visiting our city, taking in the many sights.

Mrs. Fannie Anderson, of Tacoma, accompanied by her niece, Georgia Wilson, spent Sunday in this city visiting friends.

Mrs. Mary Anderson, of Tacoma, is spending a few days in the city as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jackson, South Seattle.

Tuesday, June 30th, the A. M. E. Sunday School give their annual picnic at Woodlawn park, Green lake. A good time is expected.

The regular monthly meeting of the Twentieth Century Club takes place Tuesday evening in the A. M. E. church, Fourteenth avenue. All are cordially invited to attend.

The Hay Makers' Cantat Club will give their first entertainment July 15. This club has been instructed by one of Seattle's leading professors for some time, so the public may expect a rare musical treat.

The trustees of the A. M. E. church, Fourteenth avenue, will give the public a chance to show their love for church work. The trustees set apart the first Sunday in July to give a grand silver dollar rally for their new church. A fine program has been arranged. The public are invited to take part with us.

Rev. J. Gordon McPherson will preach his farewell sermon as pastor of the Mt. Zion Baptist church on Sunday evening. A large attendance is expected. Rev. McPherson will give a comprehensive report of labors in this city which will no doubt be of great interest to the many friends who have assisted him in the work.