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CITY NOTES.

There will be no drill for Company B tonight.

The Dickson Manufacturing company yesterday began working double turn.

The diagram for the Home for the Friendless concert opens this morning at the Lyceum.

The Delaware and Hudson company yesterday paid at the Nos. 1 and 3 and Powderly mines, Carbonate.

Thomas W. Dow, bookkeeper at the Jermyn, won the prize at the raffle in the Spruce street lard store last night.

The musicale announced to be given at the Young Women's Christian association today by Haydn Evans, has been postponed until next Wednesday noon.

John R. Griffiths was hit on the eye by a piece of coal in the Taylor mine Thursday and taken to the Hoose Taylor hospital. It is possible the sight of the eye may be saved.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Suffrage club will be held at the home of Mrs. Ione Walter, 908 Washington avenue, this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The first course of study will be commenced.

The case brought by Agent Bass, of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, against H. W. Montgomery, was continued yesterday by Alderman Howe until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Dr. John Parker, of New York, who is conducting the special meeting at the 12th Park church, will speak Thursday at 12:15 at the Young Women's Christian association. Women and girls are invited.

The funeral of William Kelly, who died suddenly in the Dickson shop Monday, will be held from his residence this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, from 304 Canavan avenue. Interment will be made in Hyda Park Catholic cemetery.

The members of the Ash Street Methodist Episcopal church, hold a phonographic and musical entertainment this evening. There will be an exhibition of the wonderful and mysterious crankphone, the invention of a Scranton genius.

O. S. Herdick, of Clark's Summit, yesterday brought to town the two largest stags ever seen here in many a day. They were three years old, weighed 2,900 pounds and from tip to tip of their horns was three feet and four inches. They were sold to John Armbrust.

The managers of the Home for the Friendless wish to say that the time has now come for furnishing their new building, and they will be very glad to receive any and all contributions towards this object. They trust this appeal will meet with many a quick and generous response.

The Crescent Social club, of Pine Brook, will give a complimentary social at Music hall this evening. The following out-of-town clubs will be present: The Young Men's Social club, of Archbald; the Keystone and Entis, of Pittston; Starlight club, of Nesqueh; Club of Nemesy, of Olyphant; Welcome Social club, of Minoaka; Scranton Athletic club, of the South Side; the Harmony, of Bellevue; Young America club, of Dunmore; Excelsior Dramatic club, of Providence; Wallie Wah's, of Providence, and Welcome dancing class. Music will be furnished by the Star orchestra.

BLACK FEVER DEATH.

Another Case Terminated Fatally on Sunday Night.

Another death from black fever was learned yesterday. This case was that of Edward, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibbons, of Fourth street.

The child died Sunday night. It had been ill two days. On Monday the funeral was held. As in all the Bellevue and West Side cases the body became rigid and discolored.

FRESH EGGS 12c.

THE SCRANTON CASH STORE.

LEGALITY OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Arguments Pro and Con Were Heard by the Court Yesterday.

ATTORNEY BURNS' CONTENTION

He Maintains That the Act Is Unconstitutional for Three Reasons, the Principal One of Which Is That It Is Special Legislation—Reply Made by Ex-Judge Knapp—He Contends That the Courts Have Recognized the Legality of the Act.

In argument court yesterday the greater part of the morning session was consumed in listening to arguments in the case in which the legality of the Scranton Board of School Control is questioned. The arguments against the legality of the board were made by Attorney I. H. Burns. The arguments in favor of the existing board were made by ex-Judge H. A. Knapp. Mr. Burns' argument in part was as follows:

"The formation of our common school system is the Act of May 8, 1854, P. L. 617. Every township, borough and city shall be a school district, each district to have a board of six directors.

"The city of Scranton when incorporated consisted of four school districts and these were continued by the act of incorporation. This portion of the act was, however, repealed by Act of May 9, 1855, P. L. 152, which left the school district of the city under the general law (supra) constituting it a single district. It follows therefore that the Scranton school district is only entitled to elect a board of six directors under the Act of 1854, unless this act has been changed by some subsequent legislation.

"It is claimed that this was so done by the municipal Act of 1874 (P. L. 230). It is under this act that respondents claim their offices and the legality of their tenure is based upon the validity of that legislation.

"The act so far as it concerns school districts or school affairs is invalid for three reasons:

"First—The subject of schools is not merged in the title.

"Second—The act contains two subjects—cities and school districts.

"Third—The portion relating to school affairs is local legislation forbidden by the constitution.

A FORMER DECISION.

"That the act is unconstitutional was really decided in Scranton school district's appeal, 113 Pa., 176, but as that case only involved directly a supplementary act, the provisions of the act itself have stood without direct question down to the present time. But in Chalpan's appeal, 173 Pa., 246, the doctrine that school districts may be legislated for in a particular class of cities is struck up by the roots, and in the language of the court, it is beyond the power of the legislature to enact, and absolutely void."

Ex-Judge Knapp, in his answer, said:

"The respondent sets up that in 1877 the city by ordinance had accepted the provisions of the act of 1874 relating to the government of cities of the third class. Thereupon the four school districts within the limits of the city were merged into one. Since 1877 down to the present time the city of Scranton and the Scranton school district have been governed under the act of 1874. Under this act schools have been opened, directors elected, contracts for erection of buildings entered into and carried out and bonds issued. The validity of the organization of the Scranton school district depends on this act; without it there is no such thing, and we return to the four district plan.

RECOGNIZED THE BOARD.

"The commonwealth, in whose name this writ of quo warranto is issued, has constantly recognized the validity of the act as enacted by paying state funds over to it. The Supreme court has on a number of occasions recognized and approved of the board. In the case of Evans reported in 102 Pa., State reports, page 394, which was a question involving a vacancy on the board, Chief Justice Paxson wrote: 'The city of Scranton is a city of twenty-one wards, and each ward is entitled to one controller.' An examination of the opinion of the Supreme court shows that the provisions of the act of 1874 were sustained by the highest court in the commonwealth. In the case of Simpson vs. the Scranton school district, in which the fees of the treasurer were involved the act was again sustained.

"The approval of this school district with reference to the act of 1874 is supplemented by the fact that no mention was made by the court that the act was not valid. Furthermore it was declared constitutional in the case of the school district of Reading vs. SAVAGE, which was decided by the Supreme court of the government has recognized the school district of Scranton as properly maintained and governed under the act of 1874.

EACH CITY A DISTRICT.

"So far as the legislature is concerned it passed the act providing that each city should be a district and each ward should have one controller. Similar acts were passed in 1859 and in 1891, showing three acts of the legislature in direct harmony with the act of 1874. It is claimed by the relators that it is unconstitutional because it legislates for school districts of cities of the third class, which violates that provision of the constitution which provides that only one subject shall be contained in an act. It might as well be said that every act should apply to every city as to every district, and that every act should be an act to sustain the classification of school districts.

"Chalpan's appeal of Pittsburg, relied upon by the relator is not a parallel case. In that case the act passed for the government of cities of the third class was questioned. Nothing had been done under the act. A test case was made and the Supreme court declared the act unconstitutional.

"Had this suit been brought twenty-one years ago the courts might with more excuse have declared this act unconstitutional than they can now, for the state in all its departments has recognized it and valuable property rights have accrued under it.

A GREAT HARDSHIP.

"To now declare it void and set it aside would be a great hardship to those who have relied upon the action of the courts and state in recognizing it as a proper board of control. To change the Scranton school district and put it back under the act of 1854 would be a long step backward. The city controller would have no control

TROPHIES OF A HUNTING TRIP

They Have Been Received by Mr. A. B. Blair, of This City.

HANDSOME ANTLERS OF CARIBOU

The Animals They Were Taken from Were Shot in Newfoundland by Mr. Blair and Are the Finest Ones Ever Brought into the United States—Something About the Hunting Expedition of Which the Antlers Are Reminders.

There came to this city yesterday, via express, three mounted heads, with handsome antlers, of Caribou, a species of deer native to Newfoundland, the British possession, over 500 miles away. And, what is more interesting, the specimens were received by the person who had killed the Caribou in their island home—Mr. Austin B. Blair, of the Scranton Savings bank.

It was while on a hunting trip in Newfoundland, in the latter part of 1897, that Mr. Blair, with two companions, succeeded in bringing to earth enough of the big game to supply specimens to as many as six—but the laws of Newfoundland say that not more than five must be killed by one person, so Mr. Blair to a Tribune reporter last evening gave the number of four, which he had secured in the party.

Mr. Blair has during all his life been an enthusiastic votary of rod and gun, and the Newfoundland trip, which began August 28 and ended October 25, was filled with interesting incidents. Mr. Blair's companions were E. G. Osmus, of West Hoboken, and Benjamin Dorrence, of Dorrence town, Luzerne county.

WENT TO ST. JOHNS.

Leaving New York the party reached St. Johns, Newfoundland, September 3. Four days later they started for the prospective hunting grounds, made the trip to Notre Dame bay, 250 miles from St. Johns, on the northern side of the island, taking up ten days. The same distance could have been made by rail-road, but the arrangements were made, over a year before, the road across the island was only in project and the long voyage around the coast was the only way of reaching the bay.

It also retarded this part of the trip to a great extent. Reaching the bay, a small scallion in the edge of the big Notre Dame, the three gentlemen were joined by three guides and three "carriers," one of the "carriers" acting also as cook. After a tramp of twenty-seven miles inland, camp was founded in a small grove of spruce wood, which dot the otherwise barren and stubble-covered country. The rest was comparatively easy. The region abounded with Caribou, herds of two hundred or more frequently appearing. The Caribou is easily stalked. Like the reindeer, of which family it is a member, the Newfoundland deer is gentle and inquisitive and readily submits to taming.

THEY ARE INQUISITIVE.

It was this inquisitiveness which makes the hunting of the Caribou a frequently would approach to within easy shooting distance, moving straight for the hunter. This tameness is apparent from a photograph of a magnificent stag taken while the animal was eating the white grass on which they almost entirely subsist. Mr. Blair also secured other photographs, numbering perhaps a half hundred, of scenes in which he and his friends participated.

After hunting and trout fishing, for which the region is also famous, for nearly one month, the party, loaded down with deer skin, prepared in camp, and antlers, bared of flesh, and ready for the taxidermist, began the laborious trip back to the coast, reaching St. Johns by way of ship and by another vessel arriving at New York October 23.

The specimens were mounted under a special contract by S. L. Crosby, of Bangor, Me. One of the antlers, the property of Mr. Osmus, had forty-four horns, the largest number ever secured so far as known. Mr. Blair has a letter from Taxidermist Crosby in which the latter makes the statement that the specimens sent to him for mounting was the finest lot ever brought to the United States. Mr. Blair in his shooting used a 45-90 Winchester rifle, and Mr. Osmus a 30-30 Haenel, a German make.

The three specimens received by Mr. Blair can be seen at his residence, on Jefferson avenue.

Twining, optician 125 Penn avenue, in Harris' drug store. Hours 9 a. m. 5 p. m.

SCRANTON CLUB MEETING.

Annual Business Session to Be Held Saturday Night.

The annual meeting of the Scranton club will be held Saturday evening. A subscription dinner will precede the meeting which is to include some important business.

Five directors are to be elected to serve for the ensuing three years. Action will be taken on a proposed amendment to a by-law which now requires a fifty-dollar initiation fee for non-resident members. The amendment suggested is to article X, section 1, and reads: "and twenty-five dollars for non-resident members, which shall cover the dues for the current year."

The subscription dinner has been planned by the house committee for members and will begin at 7 o'clock.

ARGUING THE FELLOWS CASE.

Judge McPherson Listened to the Pleas in Superior Court Room.

Before Judge Purdy, of Honesdale, in the superior court room yesterday arguments were heard in the equity case of Joseph Fellows against C. Smith and J. Stanley Smith.

C. Smith and Stanley Smith, for their part, began at 2 o'clock and talked for over two hours. The first argument, he made the argument on the part of Mr. Fellows. He had not concluded when court adjourned. He will resume this morning and will be followed by C. Smith, who will make the closing arguments.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[Under this heading short letters of interest will be printed, if accompanied, for publication, by the name. The Tribune will not be held responsible for opinions here expressed.]

Are Not Brothers.

Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Kindly permit me to correct an error made in your issue of this morning, referring to the suit which I have instituted against J. W. Guernsey for breach of contract. You state that we are brothers. This is not the case. There is no kinship whatever between us.

M. W. Guernsey, Scranton, Pa., Feb. 15, 1898.

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For Infants and Children.

The fact is that Castoria is an every-day remedy.

THEATRICAL ATTRACTIONS.

Sowing the Wind.

A fair house greeted "Sowing the Wind" last night at the Lyceum. It was presented with a finish and beauty which characterized this play on its former appearance in this city. The cast with few exceptions was that previously seen. The story of the play is too well known to need repetition at this time. It is a society drama embodying the idea of the world's injustice to women. The power of each climax in the strongly constructed plot was well sustained by Mr. Sears and Mr. Preston in their leading roles. Miss Elizabeth Holloway was a charming Rosemond and invented that rather strained character with much brilliancy and dignity. In the closing of the third act was a fine piece of work which brought repeated curtain calls.

Mr. Turner and Mr. Keane made a good impression, and Mr. W. H. Greene gave an ungracious part much force and virility to secure considerable applause.

The stage setting was most effective and the costumes were striking in their accuracy and beauty. One of the features of the evening was the work of Bauer's orchestra, particularly after the new play is said to afford opportunity for the introduction of a number of songs, dances and humorous incidents, all of which are being received with much applause. "Mr. Beane from Boston" is as full of fun as a large-sized bakin' jar is of the legitimate when used put into an oven. The Gorman have surrounded themselves with a clever company of well known specialists and are sure to find favor with the patrons of the Academy when they appear on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

Mr. Beane from Boston

According to what is reported, the Gorman Brothers seem to have captivated public opinion in their new departure and have added to the fame accorded them when in the minstrel line. The new play is said to afford opportunity for the introduction of a number of songs, dances and humorous incidents, all of which are being received with much applause. "Mr. Beane from Boston" is as full of fun as a large-sized bakin' jar is of the legitimate when used put into an oven. The Gorman have surrounded themselves with a clever company of well known specialists and are sure to find favor with the patrons of the Academy when they appear on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

The Sporting Duchess.

The much-heralded "Sporting Duchess," with its great cast, multitude of magnificent scenes, its thoroughbred race horses, and all the costumes and paraphernalia used in the original production at the Academy of Music in New York, comes to the Lyceum Thursday, Feb. 17. Over fifty people are employed in the production. Fourteen mammoth scenes, said to be the most magnificent that have ever been presented in this country, including the great Derby race, illustrating the famous race course at Epsom Downs and giving a life-like representation of the greatest of all races, in which a score or more of thoroughbred race horses are seen competing in the most realistic racing scene that has ever been given on the stage.

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Public School Attendance.

Increase During January a Sign of Better Times.

A sign of good times is indicated in the increased attendance at the public schools, it being a fact that when a period of business depression occurs many children are put at work by their parents. Superintendent Howell's attendance record for January includes the following: Males, 6,389; females, 6,741; total, 13,130; average, 11,125; percentage, 87; perfect attendance, 3,708; visits, 124 by citizens, 83 by controllers; 123 by the superintendent. In December the total enrollment was 479 less, the average attendance 283 less, the perfect attendance 57 less.

Temper Tells

Just as much in a Lamp Chimney as in a man. An evenly tempered chimney will not betray poor construction by suddenly flying to pieces.

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CHINA SPOON HOLDER—Good size and neatly decorated; value 19c; now ..10c

BERRY DISHES—9 inch size, newest designs, with ground bottoms, worth more, but they're .....10c

SYRUP DRIPS—4 styles, all have spring top, nickel plated; was 19c, now .....10c

CUSTARD BOWL—Strawberry design, pressed glass, with heavy gold decoration, value \$2.00; now .....\$1.24

TOILET SET—6 pieces print decoration, in 3 colors, worth \$1.75, now .....\$1.39

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