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UNION LABEL THEATRICAL ATTRACTIONS.

The Linden Theater. N. H. Brooks will throw open the doors of his theater, "The Linden," to the public Monday night. The opening bill will be "Ticket of Leave."

A Baggage Check. The name of James T. Kelly associated with the title of "A Baggage Check," the farce comedy which is announced for the first full night of next week at the Academy is sufficient guarantee that the performance will be worthy of patronage.

A Bunch of Keys. Hoyt's "A Bunch of Keys," polished up to date will be presented at the Academy of Music Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17, 18 and 19. This rattling farce comedy is a satire on hotel life, but could be called a parody on all kinds of life.

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James Murray Dewey. Mrs. Appleton's Scientific Library, 61 E. 1/2, half morocco, together with four traits ready for framing, for \$90. Published at \$215.50. Publishers "In-Ton," price \$144.

BOTH BOXERS READY.

Dobbs and Kane Prepared for Wednesday Night's Bout.

Bob Kane, the lightweight champion of the Pacific coast, will reach here today with his trainer to await his 30-round boxing contest with Bobby Dobbs in Music hall next Wednesday night. Kane will not be obliged to undergo any further hard training. For two months, or since he left the Long Island City hospital he has been faithfully fitting himself for any match that might be made for him. Kane is said to show no effects of his broken ankle and is in perfect condition. The same is true of Dobbs, who was carefully prepared for his meeting with Jack Fox in Trenton three weeks ago, and with Charles Peaker in Baltimore Thursday night. He polished off Fox in six rounds and Peaker in three. Dobbs and Jim Judge returned from Baltimore to Carbondale yesterday and they will remain there until Wednesday night. Dobbs will meanwhile exercise lightly, an occasional country run and work with pulley weights and dumb bells being sufficient to keep him in trim.

Much local interest centers in the 6- and preliminary scheduled to be fought on Wednesday night between Reddy Connolly and "Jack Livingston." Both work in the mines and are as hard as nails. Connolly is 27 years old and weighs over 150 pounds, while "Livingston" is only 18 years of age, and weighs less than 135 pounds. The two will work with his brother, Jim Judge, in Carbondale, and is learning a trick or two for the benefit of his firebreathed opponent.

QUITE A TROLLEY MIX-UP.

Caused a Broken Head, a Runaway and Other Things. There was a bad mix-up as a result of a collision between a trolley car and an old delivery wagon on the Taylor line Thursday evening.

Near Rendham the car crashed into the wagon which is owned by the Maloney Oil company and was in charge of Edward McIntyre, of 1336 North Washington avenue. McIntyre was spilled along with a few barrels of oil into the roadway, the horse became detached and ran away toward Taylor and the front of the car presented the appearance of having hit something.

McIntyre sustained a severely lacerated scalp which was dressed by Dr. Parsons, of Taylor. The horses were caught in that borough. The headlights on the car was demolished, the fender badly twisted and the dash-board stove. The collision happened on a heavy grade and was due, the crew says, to McIntyre's failure to heed the warnings of the bell. The car was in charge of Motorman John Dolan and Conductor P. J. Clark.

FUNERAL OF EDWARD M'COURT.

Solemn High Mass was Celebrated in St. Peter's Cathedral. The funeral of the late Edward M'Court, of 702 Monroe avenue, was held yesterday morning. The remains were viewed at the house, and then taken to St. Peter's cathedral, where a solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated.

The mass was sung by Rev. J. J. O'Reilly, who was assisted by Rev. J. B. Feeley, deacon, and Rev. D. J. MacGoldrick, sub-deacon. There was no address, owing to the rule recently established for funeral services in the cathedral. Burial was in Hyde Park Catholic cemetery. The flower-bearers were: Frank Wynn and Dr. John McGraw, and the pall-bearers, Frank McGraw, Frank McCawley, Matthew Snow, William Walsh, Harry Kelly and Patrick O'Malley, the latter being from Olyphant.

SCRANTON CLUB MEETING.

Dinner Tonight to Precede the Annual Business Meeting. The annual meeting of the Scranton club will be held this evening at its rooms in the board of trade building.

A subscription dinner arranged by the house committee, will precede the meeting. The dinner will begin at 7 o'clock.

A proposed amendment to the by-laws is to be considered. The amendment suggested is to article 23, section 1, and reads "and twenty-five dollars for non-resident members, which shall cover the dues for the current year." An initiation fee of fifty dollars for a non-resident membership. Five directors are to be elected to serve during the next three years.

MISS WILLARD'S VISIT TO SCRANTON

Attended W. C. T. U. State Convention Here in 1882. Miss Frances E. Willard, who died Thursday night in Scranton, once on the occasion of a state convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance union in 1882, when she was paid many attentions by the delegates, as well as the town folk. Later, about four years ago, she was in Pittston, where she delivered a lecture and was given a reception by Mrs. Cool, now president of the Luzerne county union, which was attended by a number of Scrantonians.

Many incidents of that visit will be held in loving remembrance by those who were privileged to be present.

CAREY NOT ON THE MAINE.

He Shipped the Raleigh Instead of His Fated Battleship. Patrick Carey, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Carey, of Minooka, is alive and well, a fact that will be pleasant news to his friends and relatives. It was reported that he was one of the crew of the ill-fated battleship Maine, but it appears that he shipped on the Raleigh instead of the Maine, which was consequently on waters other than those of the harbor of Havana at the time of the explosion.

Charles Bullock, the gunner's mate who was saved, claims Newbury, N. Y., as his home. His name is identical with that of the Scranton Bullock.

Seventeenth Anniversary.

The Sunday school of Grace Reformed Episcopal church will be seventeen years old tomorrow. In the evening at 7 o'clock the members and ex-members of the school and their friends will celebrate the event at the church in a manner befitting the occasion. The following order of exercises will be carried out: Hymn No. 47, prayer, hymn No. 1, psalm, paper on the "Birth of our Sunday School," by one of our original teachers, Miss Mary A. Drinkers; hymn No. 66; "History of Our School"—from 1881 to 1898, W. W. Lathrop; from 1898 to 1898, W. T. Hackett; hymn No. 27; "Our Missionary Offerings," R. R. Weisenlauf; "Our Infant Class," Mrs. E. H. Ripley; hymn No. 72; address, by the pastor, Rev. George L. Aldrich; hymn No. 74; prayer; benediction. Gospel Hymns Nos. 5 and 6 will be used.

NO NEWS OF OLCHEFSKI.

Authorities, However, Feel Confident He Will Be Retaken. No definite tidings have as yet come to the authorities of the whereabouts of the missing Olchefski, but there is a strong possibility that he will yet be captured, as his probable destination is known and a sharp lookout is being kept for him.

SOMEONE'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Trolley Pole Fell Into the Street at a Crowded Corner. A trolley pole became detached from the overhead wire at the corner of Lackawanna and Washington avenues yesterday afternoon at an hour when that locality was thronged with vehicles and pedestrians and broke near its base after coming in contact with a guy wire. The pole shot into the street with much force, but caused no injury.

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ATTORNEY C. S. WOODRUFF HAS INSTITU-

ted a suit for the United Security Life Insurance and Trust company to recover \$5,500, which Mrs. Olchefski borrowed on her property. The land will be attached and most likely sold.

GOGOLIN'S DEATH IN THE Y. M. C. A. RUINS

Coroner Conducts a Final Hearing in the Case. VICTIM'S NEGLIGENCE THE CAUSE

That was the Substance of the Verdict Which was Quickly Reached. Street Commissioner Dunning and Other City Officials Gave the Workmen Ample Warning—Building Inspector Nelson and Patrolman Neuls Testified at Last Night's Hearing.

Street Commissioner A. B. Dunning and other city officials have been absolved from all blame or responsibility for the death of Michael Gogolin, the street department employe, who was crushed to death by a falling wall in the ruins of the Young Men's Christian association building. Coroner Longstreet last night conducted a continued hearing in the case before a jury in the arbitration room at the court house. The concluding testimony was heard from two important witnesses, Building Inspector John Nelson, who carefully examined the tottering walls of the association building and the structures adjoining on the day following the fire, and Patrolman Neuls, of the police department, who frequently visited the scene and conversed with the workmen at the ruins Friday night when Gogolin was at work.

THE VERDICT.

Following was the verdict of the jury: "After taking into consideration all the testimony produced at this inquest, we, the undersigned jurors, find that all precautions had been exercised by the officials in charge in the discharge of their duties. The walls had been inspected; the workmen had been notified of their dangerous condition and had been ordered not to go inside of the ruins. We therefore find that Michael Gogolin came to his death from being crushed by a falling wall at the site of the Young Men's Christian association fire, and that his death was caused by his own negligence."

Building Inspector Nelson was the second witness sworn. In response to Coroner Longstreet's question he declined his official duties generally, when asked particularly concerning his duty in relation to unsafe walls and partially demolished buildings read Section 24, P. 318, Laws and Digest of Ordinances (Scranton, 1894), as follows: "It shall be the duty of the inspector to examine all buildings reported dangerous, or damaged by fire or accident, and to make a record of such examinations, including the nature and amount of such damage, with the name of the street and the number of the building, the name of the owner and the lessee, and for what purpose occupied, and, in case of fire, the probable origin thereof. * * * Said record shall always be open to the inspection of the public."

MR. NELSON ON THE STAND.

Inspector Nelson testified that on the morning after the fire, Friday, Feb. 4, he went on the roof of the Powell building to determine the condition of the Young Men's Christian association wall. He found it "bulging" at the center and "partly sprung" in front near Wyoming avenue, and notified Street Commissioner Dunning and the fire officials that the wall was unsafe and should be removed. He and Mr. Dunning saw that a guard was placed at the Wyoming avenue front to keep any one from entering the ruins.

During the afternoon until 5 o'clock he and Mr. Dunning were in the alley at the rear of the work there. It was considered safe to work there, but not in the ruins. When Mr. Nelson left at 5 o'clock in the afternoon he and Mr. Dunning told the men not to go into the ruins, to leave the alley if a wind arose and to watch the wall at all times and to be ready to leave.

Mr. Nelson's evidence corroborated that given by Mr. Dunning at a previous hearing to the effect that the workmen had been fully warned and knew the walls were unsafe.

Patrolman Neuls was first sworn. His boat was on Wyoming avenue on the nights following the fire. On Friday night he frequently stopped at the ruins for two or three minutes at a time. He nearly always talked with some of the men at work there. They were directing streams of water into the ruins.

DID NOT SPEAK OF DANGER. Once while patrolling the alley at the rear he entered the ruins, and went to where two of the men were holding a hose. The spot was back of the wall which divided the association structure in two parts and was remote from the point farther toward the front, where Gogolin was killed. None of the men told Neuls of any danger. He had received no orders to keep them from going inside.

After hearing the evidence the jury immediately prepared the verdict. There was no division of opinion on the matter.

BRAKEMAN RINSLAND INJURED.

Necessary to Amputate Two Fingers at the Lackawanna Hospital. John Rinsland, a Delaware and Hudson brakeman, has been severely injured while coupling cars yesterday afternoon. He was taken to the Lackawanna hospital, where his middle and third fingers were amputated.

Rinsland is a brother of Philip Rinsland, the Linden street barber. His father, John Rinsland, was killed fifteen years ago in the coal pockets at Carbondale.

ALASKA—COPPER RIVER—KTONDIKE.

For complete map of Alaska and the Gold Fields, also information relative to shortest routes and lowest fares to Seattle call upon R. E. White, ticket agent Delaware and Hudson depot, or address the undersigned: H. W. Cross, D. P. A., Scranton, Pa.

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BOYS NEGLECTED BY THEIR PARENTS

Director Murphy So Reported to the Poor Board Yesterday. SOME ACTION IS TO BE TAKEN

If the Parents Do Not Give the Boy's Proper Attention Mr. Murphy is Directed to Have Them Placed in Some Suitable Institution—Barns, etc., at the Hillside Home to Be Moved—Collectors Directed to Settle Duplicates.

Director Murphy, of Dunmore, at yesterday's meeting of the poor board, called attention to the neglected condition of the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Klotzer, who reside near the Gypsy Grove breaker, in Dunmore borough. Thursday night the boys, who are 6 and 8 years of age respectively, called on Director Murphy at his home. They were cold and ragged and hungry, and gave every evidence of being greatly neglected.

Mr. Murphy fed and washed them and secured warm, comfortable clothing for them. The stories of the boys were to the effect that their father and mother do not live happily together. There is a boarder in the house and Klotzer insists that he receives although too much attention from Mrs. Klotzer. To this attention he attributes the neglect of the Klotzer household affairs and the boys.

After listening to Director Murphy's statement the board directed him to see that Mr. and Mrs. Klotzer take proper care of their offspring, or else have them placed in some of the institutions for children hereabouts.

Director Fuller, of the home committee, reported that the contract for removing the barns, etc., which now stand in front of the insane hospital and almshouse, at the poor farm, had been awarded to L. T. Barber, Mr. Barber gives a bond in the sum of \$2,000 to indemnify the poor district for any damage that may be done by reason of the removal of the buildings. The barns, etc., are being removed about 300 feet farther away from the main building for the purpose of improving their sanitary surroundings, and extending the lawn in front of the buildings.

TO CHANGE THE ROADS.

When the buildings are removed the present road which runs between the buildings and the barns will be abandoned and a new road opened 250 feet east of the present one. The grounds will then be graded down to the new road and converted into a lawn.

Ex-Judge W. J. Lewis was released from the bond of Arja Williams, who was collector of poor taxes during the years 1894 and 1895 and Mr. Barber gives a bond in the sum of \$2,000 to indemnify the poor district for any damage that may be done by reason of the removal of the buildings. The barns, etc., are being removed about 300 feet farther away from the main building for the purpose of improving their sanitary surroundings, and extending the lawn in front of the buildings.

THE RULE IS MADE ABSOLUTE. The rule is made absolute the surety—the Handley estate will have to settle with the Walther heirs and then the Handley executors and Mr. Bauman will be called upon to settle between themselves. The case was submitted without argument, and is in some respects an unusual action.

Disposition of other cases of minor importance was made as follows: Rule made absolute—Commonwealth against John T. Casey, John Gilgallon and others, Mary A. Griffiths, M. E. Potter, George Freeman, Michael Zerdick, rule to remit costs; estate of John G. Noakes, rule to discharge executors.

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Argued—Commonwealth against Joseph A. Lipinski (two cases), rule to strike off forfeiture. Court will continue in session this morning.

COLLEGE OF COMMERCE.

We still lead in the securing of positions for our students. Our pupils are being sought by business men as soon as competent to do the work required. Mr. W. F. Myers, in the night school, wrote 100 words per minute after taking Shorthand three months.

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COMMISSIONERS AND STENOGRAPHER FILE THEIR BILLS.

Two of the items that go into the expense account of the recent Dunmore contest, \$2,820 for fees of the commissioners, D. J. Reedy and R. H. Holgate, and \$2,140.91, the bill of Stenographer M. J. McAndrew, were yesterday filed and conditionally approved by Judge Archbald.

Each of the commissioners charges for one hundred and thirty-one days at \$10 a day.

The stenographer's bill is made up as follows: Taking notes of testimony sixty-one days at \$10 a day, \$610; transcribing 743,833 words of evidence at fifteen cents per hundred words, \$1,115.75; manifold copies at five cents per hundred words, \$371.91; binding evidence, etc., \$15.50; note-books, \$6; paper, \$12.

Judge Archbald made an order directing that, if no exceptions are filed to these bills within twenty days, they be taxed as part of the costs of the case, which, as previously decided, are to be borne by the borough. The other costs, fees of witnesses and for serving subpoenas, are being figured upon in the clerk of the courts' office. They will amount to over \$2,000, it is estimated.

SUIT AGAINST GUARDIAN.

It was Discussed Yesterday in Argument Court—Handley Executors Drawn Into the Matter.

Among the cases submitted, yesterday, in argument court, was one that affected the estates of two deceased Scrantonians of prominence, Hon. John Handley and Edward C. Walther.

When the latter died, Attorney Bauman was appointed guardian of the three minor children and Judge Handley became Mr. Bauman's bondsman in the sum of \$2,000. Mr. Bauman invested the then infant children's share of their father's estate, which was something like a thousand dollars. He had received such matters in hand and it appears that in the long lapse of time and Mr. Bauman's long continued illness track was lost of the account.

The Walther heirs waited a reasonable length of time for a settlement from their guardian and when it was found that this could not be amicably arrived at a proceeding was arranged whereby the matter could be settled in court. This proceeding was in the shape of a rule for the discharge of the guardian.

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NO FEED OR RIBBONS.

President Langstaff called the attention of the directors to the necessity of closely watching the orders for relief given. He said that in some cases these orders had been used to purchase

FEED FOR COWS, RIBBONS, ETC.

The directors decided that only the actual necessities of life should be obtained on the orders and when shoes or clothing were thought advisable the order should specify such articles.

Three young tramps who had been helped to this city by the poor authorities of Binghamton, wanted transportation to Jersey City. It was furnished, Thomas May, a man well advanced in years, wanted transportation to Wisconsin. He formerly resided here and returned in December to attend the funeral of his sister's husband. The board could not see its way clear to make an appropriation for Mr. May and the case was dismissed.

A number of other applications for relief were received and acted upon.

PROGRAMME OF CONCERT GIVEN BY BAUER'S ORCHESTRA AT CLARKE BROS SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

1. March, "On a Venture." Hurtt. 2. Overture, "King Mydas." Ellenburg. 3. Selection, "The Wizard of the Nile." Herbert. 4. Melody, "A Gay Old Time." Beyer. 5. Waltz, "X Ray." Tyler. 6. Selection, "The Wedding Ring." Edwards. 7. March, "The Idol's Eye." Herbert. 8. Selection, "Jacinta." Robyn. 9. Melody, "Overture Fassetania." Beyer. 10. March, "The Old Club." Schremser.

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