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PERSONAL. The Misses Julia and Christie Zenke are visiting "Carbuncle" friends. Mrs. D. L. Tate has returned from a visit to Fort Meyer, Va., and Washington, D. C.

THEY HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED. Secretary Fellows Written to Authorities About School Attendance. Major E. D. Fellows, secretary of the board of control, sent a letter yesterday to the state authorities at Harrisburg informing them of the discrepancy noticed by Attendance Officer Joyce in the statistics sent by the county commissioners regarding the number of children in the city between the ages of 6 and 16 and asking them that a change be made so that the school district may get the benefit of the extra appropriation.

Hardware Dealers Attention! We are quite anxious to have the dealers of this city and the valley call and make their purchases of any goods they may want from our stock of Hardware, cost price and in many cases less than manufacturers price will be given to those buying a fair quantity. We have a large line of Corbin Hardware. Heavy Hardware in full cases and barrels. Bright and Brass Screws, Strap Hinges, Carpenters Tools, etc., etc. A fine large team, two double Wagons, Single Wagon, Harness, Blankets, Etc.

TWO GOOD GOLFERS. J. H. Brooks and T. H. Watkins Doing Good Work on Florida Links. John H. Brooks and T. H. Watkins, of this city, are achieving reputations for themselves among the golfers of the country by their splendid work on the Florida links in the East Coast club's tournament. Mr. Brooks in particular doing splendid work. The latter left the city about a week ago and, although considerably out of practice, qualified in the tournament by his magnificent work at Miami, Fla., where Mr. Watkins also qualified. Some of the finest golfers in the country are taking part in this series, but at Miami Mr. Brooks won out, taking the championship, and also coming out victorious in a handicap match, so taking two cups in one day. The circuit comprising the tournament includes three days at Miami, three at Palm Beach, where they are now playing, three at Ormond, and three at St. Augustine. When these last three have been played the two Scranton men will probably come home. In Tuesday's games at Palm Beach Clayton Dixon defeated T. H. Watkins in the first sixteen, in which Mr. Brooks proved victorious over his opponent. Mr. Watkins also played in the semifinals, when he beat out J. L. Taylor. His fine work is being watched with pride by his local friends and he is considered to be more than well representing this section of the country's prowess on the links.

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING. Important Matters to Come Up on Monday Evening. The next regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on Monday evening and a number of interesting features are promised. William Griffiths will read a twenty-minute paper on the subject of washing culm into the mines. This lecture will be illustrated with stereoscopic views. As the 1900 census is expected to place Scranton among cities of the second class, it is expected that the committee on legislation and taxes will recommend certain amendments to the present law, that the radical changes necessary in stepping from a third class city to that of a second class will not be attended with too much cost, or increased expense to the taxpayers. The plan to change the meeting night from the third Monday to the third Tuesday of every month will also be considered and some action taken. The board has just issued its "blue book" for the year 1899, containing a list of officers, members and committees of the organization, together with the complete text of Secretary Atherton's report for the year. This book shows that the board now has 172 active members on its list.

BOWLING TOURNAMENT. Will Be Conducted by Scranton Bicycle Club Members. Beginning with Monday night a bowling handicap tournament will be conducted at Scranton Bicycle Club's alleys, in which about thirty of the club's members will participate. Several prizes will be given and it is expected that the tournament will arouse great interest. It will continue for two weeks, every night three games being played by ten men. In this manner before the tournament is over every member will have bowled twelve games. Worden, Wardell and Moore will be the "scratch" men, while the other players will be given handicaps as follows: Five pins—Northrup, Ritz, Roper, Van Wormer, Frank Wettling, Corser, Foley, Leonard and Morris. Ten pins—Kays, Pryor, Pierce, Bone, Edwards, Broadway, Berry and Beavers. Fifteen pins—E. Connolly, Wallace, J. Connolly, Fuller, Hittenbender and Stair. Twenty pins—Fellows. Twenty-five pins—Bailey.

WORK OF S. P. C. A. Report of Agent Knapp for Nine Months, Ending February 1. Some people may think that the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has gone out of existence in this city, but a report just furnished Secretary Atherton by Agent Knapp shows that the good work is going on, even though the society does not meet very often. The report shows the work done from June 1, 1899, to February 1, 1900, and is as follows: Cases prosecuted in court, 2; horses temporarily suspended from labor, 2; horses humanely killed, 2; cases investigated, 209; offenders warned, 890; horses taken to be shod, 55; horses taken to veterinary surgeon, 15; horses taken to harness shop, 2; cases of reckless driving, 10; whipping horses, 2; horses blanketed, 17; new drinkings places secured, 2; money collected from March 8, 1899, to February 1, 1900, \$431.

SELECT COUNCIL TONIGHT. A Deal of Minor Business to Be Transacted. Select council meets this evening in regular session, and while there is a large amount of minor business to be transacted, nothing of very great importance will come up for consideration. The license tax ordinance will come over and will undoubtedly be referred to committee for consideration. This virtually means that it will go by default, as select has only one more regular meeting before reorganization. It is likely that the "spurious" ordinance will also go by default, unless a special meeting of common council is called, as that body has only one more regular meeting to hold. This measure has passed only two readings in that branch and none at all in select.

SAFE STILL LOCKED. Employees of Scranton Railway Company Received Pay Nevertheless. The safe of the Scranton Railway company, which was accidentally locked Monday morning, and has since remained closed, defying all efforts at opening it, on account of the mechanism being entirely upset, could not be opened yesterday. The employees of the company were paid yesterday afternoon, however. About 5 o'clock this morning another effort to open the safe was begun, electricity being used. Our dissolution sale compels us to sacrifice our footwear. Morris Brothers, 322 Lackawanna Avenue. The best of all Pills are Beecham's.

LAVALLE GUILTY, GANSEL ACQUITTED

VERDICT RETURNED IN THE COUNTERFEITING CASE. Lavalle Was Sentenced to Eighteen Months Imprisonment in the Eastern Penitentiary—Mrs. Mary Adams and Mrs. Lizzie Hoffman Plead Guilty to Sending an Obscene Letter Through the Mail and Sentence Was Suspended—Charles Moran Remanded to Jail.

Wellington Lavalle, of Honesdale, was yesterday convicted in the United States district court of making counterfeit money and of being concerned in the act of making spurious coin. When court opened yesterday morning Lavalle went on the stand and was subjected to cross-examination at the hands of United States District Attorney Heiner, who maintained he did in his examination in chief, that he was innocent of wrong-doing and that it was Gansel who first suggested the plan to manufacture counterfeit money and who actually did make a few coins one night up on North Mountain. This story was somewhat shaken by the cross-examination. Brady Biggar, James Payne, Benjamin Taylor and Fred Fitzpatrick, all of Williamsport, were sworn for the defense and testified that they had conversations with Gansel while he was in the Lycoming county jail. The jury evidently did not believe the stories of Lavalle and his Williamsport witnesses, for they returned him guilty on both indictments, but recommended him to the mercy of the court. Gansel was returned not guilty in both cases. There is another indictment against Lavalle, charging him with passing counterfeit coin. It will be not pressed. Before court adjourned Lavalle was brought down from the county jail and sentenced by Judge Buffington to eighteen months imprisonment in the Western penitentiary. The sentence was smaller than he intended to make it, the judge said, but he was induced to be lenient out of consideration for Lavalle's wife and eight children and from the fact that the convicted man has been in jail five months awaiting trial. Even when sentence was being passed Lavalle maintained that he was innocent of the crime of which he had been convicted.

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THE JUDGE'S REMARKS. "With your statement we have now nothing to do," the judge said. "A jury has said you are guilty and it devolves upon me to impose sentence. It is a serious crime and deserves a serious punishment, but I will be more lenient with you than I had intended to do." James Scanlon was at that moment standing before the court awaiting sentence for passing counterfeit money and, in connection with his case, the judge said, "You have before you an example of the result of the work such men as you engage in. You put it into the power of others to break the law by passing the stuff you make with a view to defrauding the government." Scanlon's case was then considered. He said he had been an officer connected with Alderman Donohue's court at Wilkes-Barre, and one night was arrested for being drunk and when he was searched at police headquarters in Wilkes-Barre a counterfeit dollar, which he was carrying around in his pocket for some time, was found on his person and he was the next day arrested on the charge of having counterfeit money in his possession. The officers of the court explained the judge that Scanlon had made three or four attempts to pass the coin on the night of his arrest, but that he was intoxicated at the time. Judge Buffington suspended sentence for one year. Scanlon in the meantime to forewear whiskey and counterfeit money or he be called in and sentenced.

WOMEN GIVEN THEIR LIBERTY. Mrs. Mary Adams and Mrs. Lizzie Hoffman, of Dornside, Northumberland county, were indicted yesterday by the grand jury and afterwards entered a plea of guilty. They were charged with sending an unseparably obscene letter to Jacob Adams, who lives at Rebeck, the same county. Adams is Mrs. Adams' brother-in-law. She alleges that she had Mrs. Hoffman write the letter in reply to an obscene document she received from Adams. When called before Judge Buffington for sentence he turned anything but

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HOLMES BURGLAR ALARM.

Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank to Be Connected with It. Arrangements will be started this week to put one of the patent Holmes burglar alarms in the Merchants' and Mechanics' bank on Lackawanna Avenue, to form part of the burglar alarm system now used in this city by several of the banks, the wires all communicating directly with the Central police station, where, as soon as an alarm is tampered with, a bell sounds and the watchman at the station immediately becomes aware that something is wrong. The banks now using this system are the Third National, the First National, the Scranton Savings bank, the Lackawanna Trust and Safe Deposit and the Dime bank.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Conducted Last Night by Coeur de Lion Commandery, K. T. Coeur de Lion commandery, No. 17, Knights Templar, met last evening in Masonic hall, on Spruce street, and elected officers for the ensuing year. There was a large attendance and great interest was taken in the election. J. James Taylor was chosen eminent commander; generalissimo, Walter L. Henwood; captain general, Ed. Evans; treasurer, E. P. Kingsbury; recorder, Edward L. Buck; trustees, Colonel Ezra Ripple, Charles Derman and Fred J. Amsden. DEADLOCK IS STILL ON. If Not Broken Tonight Council Will Be Dissolved. The Oliphant borough council met last night and took thirteen ballots, but was unable to break the deadlock. It will hold another meeting tonight and if the deadlock is not broken at this meeting the law declares that the council be dissolved and the court appoint successors to the councilmen. THORNTON REINSTATED. The Pittsburg Police Captain Again on Duty. Pittsburg, March 14.—Police Captain James Thornton, of Allegheny, who was suspended on account of his encounter yesterday afternoon with Mayor Wyman, has been reinstated and will take up his duties at once. This action was taken this afternoon by Director Murphy, after a hearing of the case. The director completely exonerated Captain Thornton and ordered him to go home and get his uniform and report for duty. Director Murphy said that he had invited Mayor Wyman to be present and give his statement, but that the mayor refused, sending a letter in reply. In his letter Mayor Wyman said that he did not think it proper for the mayor of the city, who is in authority over the different departments, to be present at a hearing held by one of them. In his statement of his encounter with Captain Thornton he said the attack on him was without provocation. Examine the Stieff piano before you buy. It is decidedly to your interest. The Stieff piano is sold on sound business principles. It pays to buy that way. 20c. Per Dozen. Buys our Jersey eggs. Coursen's. 98c dissolution sale price of men's miners' shoes. Morris Brothers, 330 Lackawanna Avenue.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE. (Under this heading short letters of interest will be published when accompanied for publication by the writer's name. The Tribune does not assume responsibility for opinions here expressed.) His Source of Information. Editor of The Tribune—Sir: Our sources of information regarding our statement to the board of health as to the number of children between 6 and 16 years of age in Scranton school district were the certified copies of registration for 1899, furnished to the board of health by the county commissioners, and also from the enrollments in schools of such children as were not registered. These certified copies were made in conformity with the compulsory education law, while the copies from which the county commissioners have made their statement were the work of the county assessors, and the discrepancy, and especially the error, is not to blame for the discrepancy, and as both registrations should agree as to ages of children between 6 and 16 years, in number. Certainly the assessors were in error. Such was my view of the matter when I stated my communication to the board of health, and I am disappointed to see where these errors should be corrected, so that the school district would not suffer. —Martin Joyce. Scranton, March 14, 1900.

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