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WEATHER YESTERDAY. Local data for January 8, 1901. Highest temperature 47 degrees. Lowest temperature 25 degrees. Humidity 96 per cent.

BEFORE BREAKFAST.

It is probable that more people have grown familiar with the needs and aims of the children's ward in the Lackawanna hospital through the true testimony of the little wooden cradles which are seen in every business place, that they could possibly have done otherwise.

GOD'S BOOK.

Clergy and Presidents' Meeting. A meeting of the clergy, all denominations, and the presidents of the board of trade, all hospitals and charitable institutions in the city of Scranton will be asked to meet in the immediate future in the interest of charity.

A committee under the direction of Miss Jennie Reynolds, will serve a luncheon and a tea on Thursday of this week in rooms on the old Young Men's Christian association site for the benefit of the grounds improvements at the Home for the Friendless.

A "First Aid to the Injured" class is to be formed at the Hahnemann hospital and medicine fair are hastening to enroll. "Why," exclaimed a pretty girl yesterday, "you get one of those ladges and it lets you in anywhere, fire, mine cave, everything."

PERSONAL.

Robert Wilson, agent for the Municipal League, is ill with the grip at his home in Green Ridge. Miss Eva Danner, of Webster avenue, has returned after a sojourn of six months in Richmond, Va. E. E. Robinson, of the county commissioner's office, was at his desk again yesterday, after a severe illness.

PERJURY IS THE CHARGE NOW MADE

Warrants Issued for T. J. Coyne, Simon Thomas and Morris V. Morris, ex-Councilmen.

T. J. Coyne and Simon Thomas, former select councilmen, and Morris V. Morris, former common councilman, had information lodged against them yesterday before Alderman Fuller by the Municipal League, charging them with perjury. The warrants have been issued and Mr. Coyne was arrested yesterday by Officer Huffling, of the League. Messrs. Thomas and Morris are out of the city and the warrants have not yet been served upon them.

THE VITAL CLAUSE.

In the opinion of several well known lawyers seen yesterday by a Tribune man, this is the clause which the company will probably make its fight on. There are two contentions which can be made. One is that this clause does not apply to all the lines of street railway operated at that time by the company.

FOR THE NEW YEAR

We offer a GENUINE KEY WEST CIGAR from the factory of M. Barranco & Co. at 5c, 6 for 25c, \$4.00 per hundred. Try Them. E. G. Coursen

COUNCILS TO ACT AT ONCE

MAYOR MOIR HAS CALLED A SPECIAL MEETING.

A Resolution Will Be Introduced Tomorrow Night, Directing the Scranton Railway Company to Furnish Transfers, and If It Refuses to Do So the City Solicitor Will Be Directed to Take Steps to Forfeit Its Franchises—Matter Will Be Fought in Court.

Mayor James Moir, realizing the necessity of taking immediate action to compel the Scranton Railway company to issue transfers, that corporation having announced that it will not do so on and after January 15, has called a special meeting of the select council for tomorrow night to take action on the matter.

THREE FRANCHISES.

There are three of these. The first is the franchise which was granted the Valley Passenger Railway company in 1892. This franchise provided that transfers should be issued and gave over the use of a number of miles of the city's streets to the company.

COUNCILS WILL ACT.

It is also very apparent that prompt steps will be taken by councils to secure the passage of an ordinance providing for a heavy tax upon the company's gross receipts. Already several councilmen are looking up the law, and it would not be surprising if some such ordinance were introduced on Thursday night.

ORIGINAL FRANCHISE.

The original franchise of the People's Street Railway company, of Luzerne county, and the Scranton and Wyoming street railway company were granted by special act of the legislature in 1867 and contained no provision for transfers, which were practically unheard of in those days.

DATES FOR RACES AND FAIR.

Annual Meeting of the Maitland Fair and Driving Park Association. At the annual meeting, yesterday, of the Maitland Fair and Driving Park association, J. U. Hopewell was elected president; J. W. Carpenter, vice-president; A. C. Smith, secretary; W. S. Huslander, treasurer; D. L. Potter, superintendent and Van C. Decker, M. D. F. Potter and W. S. Huslander, directors.

THE STATEMENT OF THE TRADERS NATIONAL BANK, JANUARY 8th, 1901.

Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES, listing various bank items and their values.

OFFICERS.

JOHN T. PORTER, President. W. W. WATSON, Vice President. FRANK J. PHILLIPS, Cashier.

REMOVAL SALE.

My stock of Shoes will be sold at one-fourth price before removal to my new store, A. C. Nettleton, Washington avenue.

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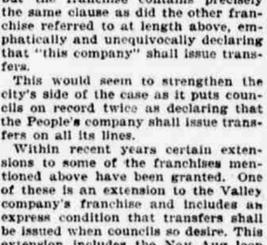
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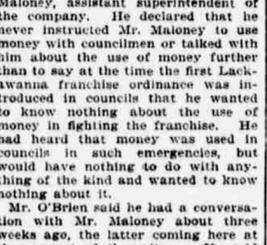
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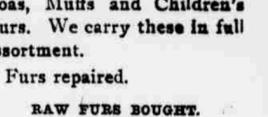
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