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BY JOHN M'ELROY,

Author of "Andersonville," Etc.

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[The name given this story is made glorious by the valor and achievements of the First division of the Fourteenth Army corps, the cognizance of which was a crimson acorn, worn on the breasts of its gallant soldiers and borne upon their battle flags.]

CHAPTER XV.

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Rachel's appetite had seemed sufficient for almost any food, but she confined her breakfast to two or three crackers of hard bread and a few sups of coffee.

As they rose from the table the doctor informed her that he and the stewards were about to make their morning round of the wards, and that she had better accompany them. She went along without a word.

They walked slowly up and down the long aisles behind the doctor, who stopped before each cot, and closely examined its occupant's tongue, pulse and other indicators of his condition, and gave prescriptions, which the steward wrote down, as to medicine and food. What was better still were his words of sympathy for the very ill and of cheery encouragement for the convalescent, which he bestowed upon every one.

Rachel dreaded at each step lest the next bring her face to face with some horrible task which she would be expected to undertake. But the doctor, with his usual tact, was almost imperceptibly inducting her into her duties.

"Would Miss Bond kindly shake this powder into that cup of water and give it to that boy?"

She did so, and was rewarded by the recipient's grateful look, as he said:

"It don't seem at all nasty when *you* give it to me."

"Would she hand that one this bit of magnesia for his heartburn?"

It was a young Irishman who received the magnesia with a gallant speech:

"Faith, your white fingers have made it swater than loaf sugar."

Rachel colored deeply, and those within hearing laughed.

At the next cot a feverish boy tossed wearily. Rachel noticed the uncomfortable arrangement of the folded blanket which did duty as a pillow. She stepped quickly to the head of the cot, took the blanket out, refolded it with a few deft, womanly motions, and replaced it with a cool surface uppermost.

"O, that is *so* good," murmured the boy, half unclosing his eyes. "It's just as mother would've done it."

"O, that's so good," murmured the boy.

Dr. Denslow looked earnest approval.

Rachel began to feel an interest kindling in her work. It was not in a womanly nature to resist this cordial appreciation of all she did.

A few cots farther on a boy wanted a letter written home. She was provided with stationery, and, taking her place by the side of the cot, received his instructions, and wrote to his anxious parents the first news they had had from their only son since they had been informed, two weeks before, that he had been sent to the hospital. When she had finished she rejoined the doctor, who had by this time nearly completed his round of the ward. As soon as he was through he dismissed stewards and wardmasters to their duties, and returned with her to her room. It was so changed that she thought she had made a mistake when she opened the door. The time of her absence had been well employed by a detail of men, whom the doctor had previously instructed. The floor was as white and clean as strong arms with an abundance of soap and hot water could scrub it, the walls and ceiling were neatly papered with Harper's Weeklies and Frank Leslies; their papers concealed the roughness of the table, and deftly, white sheets and pillow cases had given the cot an air of inviting neatness, and before it lay a square of rag carpet. The window was shaded with calico curtains, the tin basin and dipper had been scoured to brightness, and beside them stood a cedar water pail with shining brass hoops.

"Ah," she said, with brightening face, "this is something like living!"

"Yes," answered Dr. Denslow, "I imagine it *is* some improvement upon the sandy desert in which you spent the night. I hope we will soon be able to make it still more comfortable."

CHAPTER XVI.

THE AMBUSCADE.

The day spent with Aunt Debby had been of the greatest benefit to Harry Glen. Since his parting with Rachel Bond there had been going on in his spirit a fermentation like that with which good wine discharges itself of its grossness and impurities, and becomes clear and fine. In this process had vanished the absorbing selfishness of a much indulged only son, and the supercilious egotism which came as an almost necessary result of his college curriculum. This spiritual ripening received its perfecting color and bloom from the serene exaltation of Aunt Debby's soul. So filled was she with lofty devotion to the cause, so complete her faith in its holiness, and so unquestioning her belief that it was every one's simple duty to brave all danger for it, and die if need be without a murmur, that contact with her would have inspired with pure patriotic ardor a nature much less ready for such leavening than Harry's.

As Dr. Denslow had surmised, his faults were mainly superficial, and underneath them was a firm gristle of manhood which would speedily harden into bone. With the experience he had been having, days would mature this as rapidly as ordinary years. He was himself hardly aware of the transformation, but only felt, as his physical exhaustion disappeared, a new eagerness to participate in the great work of the war. He was gratified to know a little later that this was no transient feeling. In the course of the evening Jim Fortner came in, with Kent Edwards and Abe Bolton. After they had all satisfied their hunger Fortner informed Harry and Aunt Debby that the enemy had fallen back to London, from which point he was sending out wagons into the surrounding country to gather up food, forage, arms, clothing, ammunition, etc., with the double object of depriving the Union men of them and adding the same to the Confederate resources. A long train had also been sent out to the Goose creek salt works—twenty-five miles northeast of London—to bring away a lot of salt stored there, of which the Confederates had even more need than of food.

Fortner proposed to go out in the morning and endeavor to capture some of these wagons. It seemed altogether probable that a few might be caught in such a position that their guards could be killed or driven off.

All readily agreed to this plan, Aunt Debby tending off by volunteering to ride ahead on her mare, as a scout.

Harry suddenly remembered that he was weaponless. "What shall I do for a gun?" he asked, anxiously.

"I jiggar, I done forgot all 'bout gittin' ye a gun," said Fortner with real concern. "My mind was disturbed by other things," he added with a suspicion of a grin at Edwards and Bolton; but they were leaning back in their chairs fast asleep. Applejack, fatigue and a hearty supper together made a narcotic too potent to resist.

Fortner rose, spread a few blankets on the floor, added a sack of bran for a pillow, and with some difficulty induced the two sleepers to lie down and take their slumbers in a more natural position.

"I'll find ye a gun," said Aunt Debby, as this operation was finished, and walking to a farther corner of the room, she came back bearing in her hand a rifle very similar to the one Fortner carried.

"There," she said, setting the delicately curved brazen heel down upon the hearth, and holding the muzzle at arm's length while she gazed at the gun with the admiration one cannot help feeling for a magnificent weapon, "is ez true a rifle ez ever a man put to his shoulder. Ef I didn't believe ye ter be ez true ez steel ye shouldn't tech hit, fur hit belonged ter the truest man in this livin' world."

"Hit war her husbands," explained Fortner, as her lips met firmly, as if choking down bitter memories.

"I'm givin' hit ter ye ter use ez he'd a-used hit ef the war a-lasted," she said, steadying her tones with a perceptible effort. "I'm glad thet my hands can put inter yours the machine ter avenge him."

Harry tried in vain to make an appropriate response.

"I'll clean hit up for ye," she said to Harry, as she saw Fortner beginning to furbish up his own rifle for the next day's duties.

That she was no stranger to the work was shown by the skill with which she addressed herself to it. Nothing that a Kentucky mountaineer does has more of the aspect of a labor of love, than his caring for a fine rifle, but any of them would have been put to shame by the deftness of Aunt Debby's supple hands. Removing the leathern hood which protected the lock, she carefully rubbed off the hammer and the nipple with a wisp of soft fine tow, and picked out the tube with a needle. Wrapping another bit of tow around the end of a wiping stick, she moistened it slightly in her mouth, and carefully swabbed out of the inside of the barrel every suspicion of dust and dirt. Each of the winding rifles was made clean and free along its whole course. Then the tow swab was lightly touched with sweet, unsalted goose fat, that it might spread a rust preventing film over the interior surface. She burnished the silver and brass ornaments, and rubbed the polished stock until it shone. When not a suspicion of soil or dirt remained anywhere, and set so that they would yield at the stroke of hair, a tuft of slightly oiled tow was placed over the nipple, and another closed the muzzle.

"There," said Aunt Debby, setting the gun back against the logs, "is a rifle that'll allers do hits duty, ef the man a-holt of hit does his. Let's see how the ammunition is."

The powder horn was found to be well filled with powder and the box with caps, but there were only a few bullets.

"I'll run ye some," she said, taking from a shelf a small iron ladle, a few bars of lead, and a pair of bullet molds. "Fur more'n a hundred years the women uv our family hev run all the bullets our men folks shot. They allerses hit made 'em lucky. Grandfather Fortner killed an Indian chief across the Maumee river at the battle of Fallen Timbers with a bullet that grandmother hed run fur him in a spoon with a little cross. Afore the battle began grandfather tuck the bullet outen his pouch an' put hit inter his mouth, until he could get a chance ter use hit on big game. He brought the chief's scalp hum ter grandmother."

"I believe the bullets you cast for me will do good service," said Harry, with sincerity in his tones.

"I'm sartin of hit," she returned, confidently. "I hev molded ye in my heart ez a son, an' I feel ter vary ye ez ef ye were rayliy uv my own kin. I know ye'll be a credit ter yerself an' me."

While the lead was melting upon the bed of coals she drew out on the hearth she sat in her low chair with her hands clasped about her knees and her great gray eyes fixed upon the depths of a mass of glowing embers in the fire place, as if she saw there vivid pictures of the past or revelations of the future.

"How wonderfully bright an' glowin' hit is thar," she said musingly; "hit's purer an' brighter than anything else on earth. 'Purified ez by fire,' the Book says. My God, HE has sent Thy fires upon me ez a sweepin' flood. Hev they purified me ez Thou wishest? How hit shines an' glows away in thet hit seems so deep sometimes thet I kin skeersely see the end. A million times purer an' brighter is the light that shines from the throne uv God. *They're* lookin' at me now, while I still tarry heah. Husband an' son, when will I go to ye? When will I finish the work the Lord hez fur me ter do? When will the day uv my freedom come? Maybe to-morr'—maybe to-morrer."

She began singing softly:

"An' when a shadder falls across the winder
Of my home,
Why I am sprightly my appointed task,
I listing to hear the door an' ask
If HE is come;
An' the angel answers sweetly
In my home:
'Only a few more shedders—
And He will come.'"

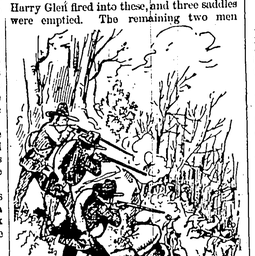
Aunt Debby, rousing herself from a nap in his chair, "thet kind's burnin'. Better run yer bullets."

She started as if waked from a trance, pressed her slender, thin hands to her eyes for an instant, and then taking the molds up in her left hand she raised the ladle with her right, filled them from it, knocked the molded balls out by a tap on the floor and repeated the process with such dexterous quickness that she had made fifty bullets before Harry realized that she was fairly at work.

"Yo'men hed better lay down an' git some sleep," she said, as she replaced the molds and ladle on the shelf. "Ye'll need all yer strength to-morrer. I'll neck these bullets an' git together some vittles fur the trip, an' then I'll lay down a while. We orter start airly—soon after daybreak."

They did start early the next morning, with Aunt Debby riding upon the roads that wound around the mountain sides, while Fortner led the men through the shorter bypaths.

Noon had passed some hours, and yet they had come across no signs of wagons. Aunt Debby was riding along a road cut out of the rocks about midway up the mountain. To her right the descent was almost perpendicular for 100 feet or more to where a creek ran at the bottom of a cliff. To her left the hill rose up steeply to a great height. Fortner and the others were threading their way through the brush some distance above her, and keeping her in view as well as the bushes and trees would permit. Suddenly there arose from the road the sound of galloping hoofs. Leaping forward to get a better view Fortner and the others saw Aunt Debby galloping back, waving the red handkerchief which was her signal of the approach of a wagon. After her galloped a Confederate sergeant, with revolver drawn, shouting to her to stop or he would fire. Abe Bolton stepped forward impulsively to shoot the Confederate, missed his footing and slid down the hill, landing in the road with such force as to jar into unintelligibility a bitter imprecation he had constructed for the emergency. He struck in front of the sergeant's horse, who instantly fired at Aunt Debby's mare, sending a bullet through the faithful animal, which sank to her knees and threw her rider to the ground. Without waiting to rise, and he was not certain that he could, Abe fired his musket, but missed both man and horse. He scrambled to his feet and ran furiously at the Confederate with raised gun. The sergeant fired wildly at him, when Bolton struck the animal a violent blow across the head. It recoiled, slipped and in another instant had fallen over the side of the road and crushed his rider on the rocks below. Five of the wagon guard, who were riding ahead of the wagon, galloped forward at the sound of the shots. Fortner, Edwards and Harry Glen fired into these, and three saddles were emptied. The remaining two men



Fortner, Edwards and Harry Glen fired.

whirled their horses around, fired wildly into the air and dashed back upon the plunging team, with which the driver was vainly struggling. The ground quivered as the frightened animals struck together; they were crushed back upon their haunches, and beat one another cruelly with their mighty hoofs. Wagon, horses and men reeled on the brink an agonizing instant; the white faced driver dropped the lines and sprang to the secure ground; the riders strained with the energy of deadly fear to tear themselves loose from their steeds, but in vain. Then the frantic mass crashed down the jagged rocks, tearing up the stunted cedars as if they were weeds, and fell with a sounding splash on the limestone bed of the shallow creek.

Fortner, Glen and Edwards came down as quickly as possible, the latter spraining his ankle badly by making a venturesome leap to reach the road first. They found the man that Fortner had shot at stone dead, with a bullet through his temple. The other two had been struck in the body. Their horses stood near, looking wonderingly at their prostrate masters.

Bolton was rubbing his bruises and abrasions and vituperating everything, from the conduct of the war to the steepness of Kentucky mountains. Aunt Debby had partially recovered from the stunning of her fall, and limped slowly up, with her long riding skirt raised by one hand. Her lips were compressed, and her great gray eyes blazed with excitement.

They all went to the side of the road and looked down at the crushed and bleeding mass in the creek.

"My God! that's awful," said Harry, with a rising sickness about his heart, as the excitement began subsiding.

"Plenty good enuf fur scoundrels who rob poor men of all they hev," said Fortner, fiercely, as he reloaded his rifle. "Hit's not bad enuf fur thieves an' robbers."

"Hit's God's judgment on the wicked an' the oppressor," said Aunt Debby, with solemn pitilessness.

"Hadn't we better try to get down there, and help those men out?" suggested Harry.

"Perhaps they are not dead yet."

"Aunt Debby, thet thar hoss thet's raisin' his head an' whinnyin'," said Fortner, with sudden interest, "is Joel Spriggs' roan geldin', sho's yo're bo'n, honey." He pointed to where a shapely head was raised, and almost human agony looked out of great liquid eyes. "Thet wuz the finest hess in Laurel county, an' they've stole 'im from Joel. Hit'll 'most break his heart, fur he set a powerful sight o' store on thet ere beast. Pore critter! hit makes me sick ter see 'im suffer thet a way. I've a mind ter put 'im outen his misery, but I'm afeered I can't shoot 'im so steadily ez he looks at me with them big pitiful eyes o' his'n. They go right ter my heart."

"You'd better sjoot him," urged Aunt Debby. "Hit's a sin ter let an innercent critter suffer thet a-way."

Fortner raised his rifle, and sent a bullet through the mangled brute's brain.

Aunt Debby's eyes became fixed on a point where, a mile away down the mountain, a bend in the road was visible through an opening in the trees.

"Look out," she said, as the echoes of the shot died away; "thar comes a hull lot on 'em."

They looked, and saw plainly a large squad of cavalry, with a wagon behind.

"We must get outen heah, an' thet quick," said Fortner, decisively. He caught one of the horses, and shortened a stirrup to make the saddle answer for a side saddle. "Heah, Aunt Debby, let me help ye up, honey. Now Bolton and Edwards, I'll help ye on these ere other critters. Now skeet out ez fast ez the hosses' legs will tote ye. Don't spar 'em a mite. Them fellers'll gin ye the devil's own chase ez soon ez they git heah an' see what's bin done. Glen and me'll go across the mounting, an' head 'em off on t'other side. Don't come back of ye heah shootin', but keep straight on, fur we kin take keer o' this crowd without enny help. Glen, you sassbay up the mounting thar ez fast ez the Lord'll let ye. I'll be arter ye right spry."

All sped away as directed. Fortner had been loading his gun while speaking. He now rammed the bullet home, and withdrawing his rammer walked over to the cliff beside which the teamster was cowering.

"O, Mister Fortner, don't kill me—please don't!" whined the luckless man, getting awkwardly upon his knees and raising his hands imploringly. "I swar to God I'll never raise a hand agin a Union man agin ef ye'll only spar my life."

"Kill ye, Pete Hoskins!" said Fortner, with unfathomable contempt. "What conscite ye hev ter think yer with the powder an' lead. I hain't no bullets ter waste on carr'on."

He struck the abject fellow a couple of stinging blows on the face with the ramrod, replaced it in the thimbles, and sprang up the rocks just as the head of the cavalry appeared around the bend of the road a few rods away.

Overtaking Harry shortly, he heard about the same time the Confederates on the road below strike into a trot.

"They know hit all now," he said, "an' hev started in chase. Let's jog on lively, an' get ter whar we kin head 'em off."

Night had fallen in the meantime, but the full moon had risen immediately, making it almost as light as day.

After half an hour's fast walking, the two Unionists had cut across the long horseshoe around which the Confederates were traveling, and had come down much ahead of them on the other side of the mountain, and just where the road led up the steep ascent of another mountain.

There was a loneliness about the spot that was terrible. Over it hung the "thought and deadly feel of solitude." The only break for miles in the primeval forest was that made for the narrow road. House or cabin there was none in all the gloomy reaches of rocks and gnarled trees. It was too inhospitable a region to tempt even the wildest squatter.

The flood of moonlight made the desolation more oppressive than ever by making palpable and suggestive the inky abysses under the trees and in the thickets.

Fortner looked up the road to his right and listened intently.

A waterfall mumbled somewhere in the neighborhood. The pines and hemlocks near the summit sighed drearily. A gray fox, which had probably just supped off a pheasant, sat on a log and barked out his gluttonous satisfaction. A wildcat, as yet [illegible], screamed its envy from a cliff half a mile away.

"I can't heah anything of Aunt Debby an' the others," said Fortner, at length; "so I reckon they're clean over the mounting, an' 'bout safe by this time. Them beasts are purty good travelers, I imagine, an' they hain't let no grass grow in under the'r hufs."

"But the Confederates are coming, hand over hand," said Harry, who had been watching to the left and listening. "I hear them now quite plainly. Yes, there they are," he continued, as two or three galloped around a turn in the road, followed at a little interval by others.

The metallic clang of the rapid hoof beats on the rocks rang through the somber aisles of the forest. Noisy fox and antiphonal wildcat stopped to listen to this invasion of sound.

"Quick! let's get in cover," said Fortner.

"Ye make fur thet rock up thar," said Fortner to Harry, pointing to a spot several hundred yards above them, "and stay there tell I come. Keep close in the shadder, so's they won't see ye."

"It seems to me that I ought to stay with you," said Harry, indecisively.

"No; go. Ye can't do no good heah. One's better nor two. I'll be up thar soon. Go, quick."

There was no time for debate, and Harry did as bidden.

Fortner stepped into the inky shadow of a large rock, against which he leaned. The great broad face of the rock, gray from its covering of minute ash-colored lichens, was toward the pursuers, and shone white as marble in the flood of moonlight. The darkness seemed banked up around him, but within his arm's length it was as light as day. The long rifle barrel reached from the darkness into the light, past the corner of the rock against which it rested. The bright rays made the little "bead" near the muzzle gleam like a diamond, and lighted up the slit as fine as a hair in the hindsight. Three little clicks, as if of twigs breaking under a rabbit's foot, told that the triggers had been set and the hammer raised.

The horsemen, much scattered by the pursuit, clattered onward. In ones and twos, with wide intervals between, they reached along a half mile of the road. Two—the best mounted—rode together at the head. Two hundred yards below the great white rock, which shone as innocent and kindly as a fleecy summer cloud, a broad rivulet wound its way toward the neighboring creek. The blown horses scented the grateful water, and checked down to drink of it. The right hand rider loosened his bridle that his steed might gratify himself. The other tightened his rein and struck with his spurs. His horse "gathered" and leaped across the stream. As the armed hoofs struck sparks from the smooth stones on the opposite side, the rider of the drinking horse saw burst out of the white rock above them a gray cloud with a central tongue of flame, and his comrade fall to the ground.

His immediate reply with both barrels of his shotgun showed that he did not mistake this for any natural phenomenon. The sound of the shots brought the rest up at a gallop, and a rapid fire was opened on the end of the rock.

But the instant Fortner fired he sprang back behind the rock, and then ran under its cover a little distance up the mountain, side to a dense laurel thicket, in which he lay down behind a log and reloaded his rifle. He listened. The firing had ceased, and a half dozen dismounted men were carefully approaching the spot whence he had sent the fatal shot. He heard the captain order a man to ride back and bring up the wagon, that the body of the dead man might be put in it. As the wagon was heard rumbling up the dismounted men reported to the captain that the bushwhacker had made good his escape and was no longer behind the rock.

"Well, he hasn't gone very far," said the captain, with a savage oath. "He can't have got any distance away, and I'll have him, dead or alive, before I leave this spot. The whole gang of Lincolnite hellhounds are treed right up there, and not one of them shall get away alive." He put a bone whistle to his lips and sounded a shrill signal. A horseman trotted up from the rear in response to the call, leading a hound with a leash. "Take the dog up to that rock there, Bill," said the

National Democrat.

RAHWAY, N. J., DECEMBER 24, 1886.

The Newark *Daily Journal* is patriotically raising a fund for a monument to McClellan, and all true Jersey people should generously and promptly contribute to it.

It is stated that gossip in Washington has it that Governor Green will appoint Attorney General Stockton to be Chancellor, and Hon. Robert Gilchrist to take the Attorney Generalship.

George Patterson, who was defeated for Assembly in Monmouth last month, has had the editor of the Asbury Park *Journal* arrested on a charge of having libeled him during the campaign.

There are to be ten contested seats in the next Assembly, and we don't know that all the returns are in yet. "Uneasy is the head that wears a crown," and uneasy is the seat that fails to get seated.

A dispatch to the Newark *News* from Washington states that Mrs. Senator McPherson and Mrs. Green, wife of the Governor elect, will assist Mrs. Cleveland at the coming New Year's reception at the White House.

We see it stated that our old office mate "Bob" Miller is to have charge of a new paper to be started by a syndicate at Ocean Beach. This will make the twenty-third newspaper in Monmouth county. It seems only a few years ago that there were but the two political papers, both published at the county seat.

The contributions to the fund for the relief of the Charleston sufferers reached the handsome sum of $800,000, New York City gave $149,673.19; Philadelphia, $52,221.34; Boston, $76,900.35; Baltimore, $37,900.04; New Orleans, $7,753.95; New Jersey, $14,514.43; and $1,773.34 came from abroad.

The Paterson *Guardian* gives the following as the "slate" for the organization of the next House of Assembly:

Speaker, Robert S. Hudspeth, of Hudson; Clerk, Joseph Atkinson, of Essex; Assistant Clerk, James E. Connolly, of Hudson; Engrossing Clerk, Samuel C. Thomson, of Warren; Sergeant-at-Arms, William J. Thompson, of Camden. the minor officers to go to the other counties.

Gov. Green is rather young looking yet, but as a matter of fact he will be fifty-six years of age when he begins his official duties—older than any other New Jersey Governor, except Olden, who was sixty-one in 1860; the time of his inauguration. Gov. Parker, who is now a Supreme Court Judge and three score and ten, was forty-seven at the beginning of his first term in 1863; Ward was fifty-four; McClellan, fifty-two; Ludlow, fifty-one; Abbott, forty-eight; Bedle, forty-four; Randolph, forty-three; Newell, forty-two; Price, thirty-eight; Fort, forty-two, and Haines, forty-one. Gov. Green will be the twenty-fifth Governor since our present State Government began in 1775, and the thirtieth since the adoption of our constitution in 1844.

It Moves.—The recent synod of the Diocese of Trenton, has taken strong ground upon the temperance question. Not only is the growth and development of temperance societies to be encouraged in every possible way, but the church is to become more aggressive upon the question. Henceforth in the Diocese of Trenton, all liquor dealers who sell on Sunday, and to be refused the sacraments, and the consequence will be that liquor selling on Sunday by members of the Catholic communion will soon be reduced to the minimum. The sale of intoxicants at picnics, fairs and other entertainments, gotten up for church or charitable purposes, is already a thing of the past. This does the true system of temperance progress. Let it go so far as to make selling and intoxication not only a bar to all church privileges or recognition, but a disgrace in every way.

The journals of this State begin to contain notices of matters which may come before the Legislature at its next session. One of those "who know" writes as follows: "Governor Abbett in his final message will briefly review his administration, reiterate his convictions on the taxation of railroads and the necessity of uniform tax laws, and Governor Green is expected in his inaugural to repeat some of these views concerning the question in dispute with the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company a convenant will be made to proceed this winter under a clause in the charter which gives the State the right to take the Morris and Essex Division at cost at the expiration of fifty years. This will happen in 1887, and Governor Abbett, it is understood, will give a portion of his message to this case. Among the matters to be considered by the Legislature will be these: A Constitutional Convention, to remodel the Judciary system, etc., but not to change the Senatorial representation; to create the office of State Printer and Superintendent of Stationery; the question of the riparian rights; the loans from the State Sinking Fund; the Capitol rebuilding; to make public the proceedings of the Court of Pardons; the Local Option bill; a High License bill; additional laws in reference to Sunday violation; modification of the old "blue" Sunday laws; to repeal the Newark Police Commission."

CONCERNING DISTRICT COURTS.

An agitation has been started in Elizabeth concerning the District Court which is likely to extend to every county in the State, and to be made the subject of much discussion in the Legislature. District courts were first established in 1877 by an act of the Legislature in order to reform the alleged abuses that had crept into justices' courts and which resulted in the appeal of numerous cases from them to the Court of Common Pleas, where in many instances the decision of the Justice of the Peace was reversed. To get rid of the annoyance the District Court was established. At first the limit at which suits could be brought in the court was placed at $100. It has since by an amendment to the act been raised to $300. By the act of 1877 District Courts were to be established in all cities containing 15,000 inhabitants, and the cost of maintaining them was to be borne by the taxpayers of the cities in which they were located. By an amendment to the act passed by the Legislature of 1884 the law was changed so as to provide for courts in all cities of 20,000 population, and the jurisdiction of the District Court was extended over the whole county, but the city was still required to bear the burden. This is the present commotion.

The people of Elizabeth say that they are heavily burdened by taxation and strongly object to maintaining a court at $3,500 a year, which they assert transacts business free for Rahway, Plainfield and other places throughout the county. A bill is being prepared by Assemblyman Lewis, which it is intended to introduce at the coming session of the Legislature, repealing the county at large to pay the support of the District Court.—*News.*

DEATH OF EX-SENATOR JOHN R. AYERS.

Our citizens were somewhat surprised on Tuesday morning to hear the news that ex-Senator John R. Ayers had died, at his residence on Seminary street, during the night previous, although an increasing feebleness and decline had been noticed in him for some time. The cause of his death was physical exhaustion and softening of the brain. He was in the 78th year of his age

The deceased was of Scotch descent. His grandfather, David Ayers, and two brothers came to this country about the middle of the eighteenth century and settles at Scotch Plains, in this county. All of them served in the Revolutionary war, after which one of them, David, settled at Liberty Corners, and afterwards became a Judge of the Common Pleas, of Somerset county. He was killed at the age of eighty-five, in 1815, by the upsetting of his carriage. His son William became a farmer at Basking Ridge, and died in 1864, at the age of 87. John R. was his son, and went to Newark at the age of seventeen as an apprentice under Moses Dodd, to learn the carpenter's trade. After becoming master of his trade he came to this city to superintend the building of the First Presbyterian church, which he completed in 1832. In 1833 he formed a partnership with Samuel Williams as contractors and builders, which continued thirteen years, when they bought out the interest of Jos. O. Lufbery in the saw mill and lumber business, and formed a partnership with John H. Lufberry, who still survives, Mr. Williams dying about twenty years ago, the firm since his death being Ayers & Lufbery. Mr. Ayers always took an interest in politics, being a staunch Democrat, his first active participation being in the election of Andrew Jackson. In the Fall of 1857 he was honored by being elected as the first State Senator from Union county, which had then just been formed, serving the term of three years with much credit and satisfaction to his constituents. He married Eveline, daughter of Isaac Stansbury. She died in 1879, Four sons, William, Isaac, Albert and Ira still survive. We remember him from the first day we came to Rahway, he being the first Democrat we were introduced to, and next to Dr. Craig, as staunch representatives of the party in this section.

The funeral takes place Thursday afternoon of this week from his late residence, at 2 o'clock.

Our sanctum was honored on Monday by the presence of Hon. Geo. W. Savage, Consul to Belfast, whose anticipated arrival we announced last week. Mrs. Savage accompanies him, and they will remain in the United States visiting friends until February. The Consul also has some official business to attend to, and will spend a portion of the time in Washington. Both look well and are enjoying excellent health.

Mr. and Mrs. Savage were passengers on the steamer "State of Nebraska," which arrived in New York on Sunday afternoon, after a rough passage; the severity of the weather will appear by the following copy of the "log" which is furnished us by Judge Savage:

The Nebraska left Larne Harbor (Belfast) on Sunday morning, the 4th inst. The last two days of the passage was comparatively fair; when the ship arrived off Sandy Hook early on Sunday morning they were obliged to anchor on account of a dense fog, which detained them for several hours. This is the log:

Dec. 6th. Fore part—fresh gale clear weather, high westerly sea. After part light wind, high sea.

Dec. 7th. Strong gale, with furious hail squalls, sea very high.

Dec. 8th. Fore part variable, unsteady wind and rain; 8:30 P. M. wind suddenly increased to hurricane force with terrific hail squalls and very high sea.

Dec. 9th. Fore part strong gale with very high sea; After part southerly wind and rain, high sea.

Dec. 10th. Fore part strong gale with very high sea; ship rolling tremendously. After part blowing a perfect hurricane with furious sea; ship rolling very heavily.

Dec. 11th. Strong gale, with mountainous sea; ship rolling *very heavily* throughout the day.

Dec. 12th. Strong gale, with blinding snow squalls; high northerly sea; ship rolling very heavily.

Dec. 13th. Furious gale, with *very high*, confused sea; engine slowed; ship kept lying with shoulder to the sea.

Dec. 14th. Gale moderate; light, variable wind; high, northerly swell; ship rolling heavily.

Dec. 15th. Fore part light southerly wind with rain. After part strong northwest gale and high sea; fog at night.

Dec. 16th. Moderate to light winds and general fine weather.

Dec. 17th. Fore part moderate breeze and fine. After part fresh northwest gale; snow and hail squalls.

LINDEN LINES.

The Young Bachelors' Club will give a Masquerade Reception on the 12th of January, and it is anxiously looked for by most of the young people of Linden and surrounding towns.

On the 15th, 16th and 17th a fair was held at Linden Hall in aid of the Episcopal church. It was largely attended and in every respect a success, and the ladies were very well pleased at the result of their hard work.

On Wednesday, the 15th inst., the residence of Mr. Max Keller was destroyed by fire. The fire broke out about 4 o'clock P. M. and in an hour one of the finest dwellings in Linden was in ruins. A large amount of money had lately been expended in order to make this one of the most comfortable and attractive houses in the place. The fire originated between the main building and extension walls, caused by a defective flue, and when discovered had made too much headway to be checked, as at first no water could be obtained, and Linden is without any means of defense in case of fire. The house was owned by the North American Insurance Co., of Newark, and was fully insured. Loss on building about $7,000. Mr. and Mrs. Keller's clothes, excepting that which they wore, were wholly destroyed, as they were all stored in the upper part of the house. These might have been saved, but through a misunderstanding it was supposed that the top floor was vacant until it was too late, and the loss on clothing alone is very heavy.

GOLDEN WEDDING.—On Wednesday last Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hetfield, of this city, celebrated the 50th anniversary of their wedding day, by a dinner party at their residence on Essex street. A large number of relatives were present, to congratulate the "bride" and "groom," who, after having proved each others worth by fifty years of trial, were again joined in marriage, the ceremony being performed by Squire Hetfield, of Scotch Plains, a brother of our townsman. A pleasant feature of the afternoon was the presentation to the happy pair of a purse well filled with golden coin. In the evening, when the invited guests had departed, the Rahway friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hetfield, not relishing the exclusiveness which had limited the party to relatives, invaded the house in troops, taking complete possession and holding it till midnight. About ten o'clock a small salver, bearing gold and silver coin, was resented to the "surprised" pair as a token of regard and appreciation from the assembled friends, which all sat down to a bountiful supper which had been provided by the ladies of the party. The occasion was one of unalloyed gratification both to the recipients of the congratulations and to the friends who tendered them.

A man named Williams, residing at Matawan, this state, started on Tuesday morning for this city. When attempting to board the train at the former place he caught his foot in a looped piece of wire which was frozen to the platform and fell cutting his face severely. On arriving in Rahway he sought the office of Dr. Wilmer Hodgson who rendered the proper surgical attention.

Mr. E. Urban, wife and children returned home last Thursday evening from their visit to Germany. They had a pretty rough voyage.

THE REFORM CLUB.

The annual election of officers was held last week in accordance with the constitution. All the members present seemed perfectly willing that some other person than themselves should accept the offices. The regular business was gone through with, the fair committee making a final report and were discharged. Then the election took place. For President, Messrs. Jackson, Moore, Carpenter, Branson and Barber were named, but all positively declined the position, each having a reason satisfactory to themselves if not to the club. Mr. Ira LaForge was nominated and elected and a committee was appointed (Messrs. Carpenter and Campbell) to wait on him and ascertain if he would accept. On their return they reported that he most respectfully declined and another ballot was taken resulting in the election of Wm. S. Young. After this question had been settled the election was proceded with and the following is a full list:

President, William S. Young; First Vice President, N. H. Carpenter; Second, C. H. Jackson; Third, John T. Moore; Recording Secretary, H. O. Houston; Assistant Secretary, A. E. Jewell; Corresponding Secretary, A. D. Bogert; Financial Secretary and Treasurer, Ira Osborn; Steward, William Keyes; 1st Marshall, C. A. Grove; 2d, Isaac F. Marsh; Sergt-at-Arms, G. R. Rockafellow; Inspectors of Election, Geo. Hetfield, Luke Haviland, William Heath.

After some other business had been transacted the club adjourned. With this efficient board of officers the prospects of the club for the ensuing year are bright for prosperity. Several persons who have been holding off are signifying their intention of joining and aiding the cause. At the meeting on Sunday afternoon the rooms were crowded as well as the hallways to hear Mr. John Monteith of Newark. He is a favorite with Rahway audiences and was more interesting on Sunday than on either of his other visits to the club. His remarks were clear, logical, and his arguments not to be controverted. On Sunday next readings and recitations by ladies and others will give the public one of those rare treats enjoyed a few weeks ago. We bespeak a crowded house again and those who want seats would do well to go early. X

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT. The pupils of Franklin school will give an entertainment to the patrons and friends of the school on Friday 24th inst. The Primary Department in the morning beginning at 10:30, sharp and the Grammar Department in the afternoon, beginning at 1:30, sharp.

GRAMMAR DEPARTMENT.—Song "The Christmas Welcome" School Recitations, "The Greeting" Joe Urmston; "King Christmas," Kate Woodruff; "Farmer's Christmas Eve," Lizzie Grove; Song "Whispering Hope" Glee Club; Recitations, "Uncle Skinflint's Christmas Gifts," Edward Carman; "The Christmas Tree," Mamie Urmston; "The Two Little Stockings," Lizzie Gage; "Help, help, Somebody!" Chas. Carpenter; Piano solo, "The Guard on the Rhine," Grace Blore; Recitations, "Santa Claus and the Mouse," Eugene Hurley; "Christmas Bells," Bertie Bernhard; "Little Bennie," Nellie Clarkson; Song, "Christ is Born," Glee Club; Dialogue, "The Children's Choice," Geo. Scisco; Caddie Muldell, Frank Dobbins, Lizzie Garthwaite; Recitations, "Christmas Words," Geo. Simpson; "Marriage of Santa Claus," Annie Littell; Piano Duet, "Military Galop," Grace Blore and Lena Hermes, Emily Hurley; Dialogue, "Christmas Gifts," Lorette Hermes, Emily Hurley, Mamie Horton and Minnie Trussler; Carol, "Christmas Time is Come Again," School.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT. Singing, "There'll be Something to Do," School; Speaking, "Poor Rosie Bell," E. Carpenter; Speaking, "My Doll," May Garthwaite; Speaking, "Little Midget," Iva Urmston; "Welcome to Christmas," Geo. VanSickle; "Christmas is Coming," L. McDonald; Singing, "The Old Time Bells," School; Recitation, "The Best Day of the Year," Nellie Marshall; Recitation, "Learning to Read," Mary Frank; Recitation, "The Little Girl," Edna Tooker; Solo, "Papa's Letter," Georgia Hermes; Exercise Song, School; Recitation, "Little Hands," Joe Hoffman; Recitation, "A Lesson on Politeness," Richard Fox; Recitation, "The Christmas Doll," Lizzie Garthwaite; Recitation, "Santa Claus," Nettie Ryno; Recitation, "A Hole in the Stocking," Jesse Lawrence; Solo, Katie Williams; Singing, "In the Starlight," School; Recitation, "The Child's Prayer," Gertrude Russ; Recitation, "Boundary of Christmas," Irving Kinsey; Recitation, "What Papa Said," Willie Lawrence; Recitation, W. Belle Woodruff; Gems of Literature, School; Acrostic by fourteen little girls; Recitation, "The Pack of Kriss Kringle," S. Parcell; Singing, "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," School.

THE GROTESQUE IN ART.—This was the subject of a most entertaining and instructive lecture by our artist fellow townsman John R. Chapin, at the Baptist church, in this city, on Thursday evening of last week. The audience, though small, was appreciative and for an hour Mr. Chapin held his audience as attentive and interested listeners to one of the most intertaining and instructive lectures ever delivered in this city. The lecturer was introduced by the Rev. William Rollinson, the pastor of the church, who himself is no second rate artist. Mr. Chapin opened his lecture by giving the definition of the word grotesque as distinguished from caricature, as laid down in Webster, and from those two definitions branched out in the full scope of the subject. The lecture was copiously illustrated by chalk and charcoal sketches, all of which were explained in full as they were exhibited. The lecturer gave a most scholarly etymology of the word grotesque, as derived from pictures of curious forms and distortions found in ancient crypts or grots, and that all works of art in any degree imitative of these ancient specimens of art, found in crypts or grots, were called "grotesque." We regret that the audience was not larger. Mr. Chapin is an authority in art, and a leader among modern illustrators. In the old time of twenty years ago he was the leading spirit in the old Athenaeum Association of amateur theatricals that gave this city a wide reputation for its delightful social advantages. Those were the times when this city was a favorite residence for artists, among whom we call to mind the genial and witty Harry Stephens, Samuel Walden, George Boland and Frank Jones, and among the solid standbys, George P. Gordon, Harry Spear, Thos. J. Rayner and Fred. G. Cozzens, the author of the "Sparrow Grass Papers." Since those halcyon days of Rahway Mr. Chapin has grown somewhat older, but as he is again with us, we feel that there is a partial return to those pleasant old times, in the sunshine of his face and his old familiar greeting.

WHO IS HUNTER?

About seven o'clock on Monday evening a tall good looking man called at the rectory of St. Paul's church and asked if Dr. Norton was at home. When informed in the affirmative he pushed in and followed Mr. Norton's son, who had opened the door, into the study. When he met Dr. Norton he was very gentlemanly, excused himself for the intrusion, and said that he was looking for a friend by the name of Hunter, a bachelor, who was living in Rahway with his mother and sisters. He said that Hunter was sick, and that he had received a letter from him so stating, and instead of answering by mail he concluded to give him a surprise call. The stranger told Dr. Norton that Hunter was a Romanist, but that his sisters were Episcopalians and attended St. Paul's church. Dr. Norton said he might be able to assist in finding his friend by going over to Dr. Hough's. As they left the rectory stoop Dr. Norton noticed another man standing at the corner, who moved on as they approached. The stranger said it was the man who was showing him around. Dr. Norton was not positive, but he thought at the time that he recognized the second man. They called on Dr. Hough but could learn nothing further about Hunter, and the stranger departed. We hear the latter went to other places in the city with a similar statement, including Isaac Osborn's and Harry Hall's. On Tuesday evening a man of similar appearance called at the post office and inquired for letters for ——— Hunter; the clerk informed him that a party had been looking for him the evening before, and he answered that he did not reside in town but just outside of the city. Some think these actions a little suspicious, and are anticipating further developments.

All are invited to attend the Christmas Entertainment of the Grand Street Sunday School, to be held in the Chapel, on Friday evening December 31. An admittance fee of 10 cents will be charged all persons not members of the school, which will entitle them to a plate of cream and cake.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

From a candy maker that has been in the business for the past seventeen years:

When you buy your Christmas candies for the little ones, get the best, the cost is but little more, and get them of a reliable manufacturer and dealer in nothing but Pure Wholesome Candies. The largest variety of Christmas candies, fancy cornucopias, boxes, pails and tree ornaments in the city of Rahway, can be found at JOHN H. METCALF'S wholesale and retail manufacturing confectionery. His candies are known all over the state for their purity. He is also the originator and manufacturer of the celebrated cough drops which are known throughout the United States, as "Metcalf's Original Horehound and Wild Cherry Cough Drops." Church fairs and festivals furnished on short notice with Pure Candies, at New York Prices, by

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THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Now approaching promises to be one of unusual interest and importance. The close vote between parties; the pending election of a United States Senator; the inauguration of the new Governor, and the outlining of his policy; the settlement of the railroad tax question, and the host of minor matters arising every year, will bring around this session an attention not usually bestowed. The Trenton *True American* has always been conceded to be one of the best and most reliable sources from which to derive information as to Legislative matters. All subjects are fairly and fully reported, and the principal topics intelligently and independtly discussed. The publishers will send the daily paper, postage prepaid, during the entire session for $1.50. Address "*True American*, Trenton, N. J." dec 24-3w

A NEW WAY, UNDER THE OLD PLAN, TO MAKE EVERYBODY TEMPERATE.—The present way of working the temperance question seems to be a slow one to "bust up" the rum business. Why not try something that will act more direct on the tarnal critter. Let's form a society, call it for instance, "The Spiritual Absorption Temperance Society." Let everybody join it, put the good drinkers on the free list. Have a picnic every night, and then let all hands go in and *drink the stuff all up*. This will do more toward temperance than many think for. If we go to work now and drink all the rum there will be none left for the young boys that are growing up to learn on; this of course will make the next generation strictly temperate. We can find lots in the town that will make good and faithful members and do all they can toward drinking the stuff up and getting it out of the way. There is one they certain, they will be willing to give it a fair trial.

The Christmas music at the Second Presbyterian church, on Sunday next will be as follows:

MORNING.

Prelude—March from "Athalie,"...Mendelssohn
Opening Anthem—"Glory to God in the Highest"...Danks
Doxology.
Hymn 255—"Brightest and Best"...Abt
Offertory—Christmas Anthem—"Oh! let Your Mingling Voices Rise,"...Holder
Hymn 292—"Hark! the Herald angels Sing,"...Mendelssohn
Hymn 279—"While Shepherds Watched"
Postlude—Triumphal March...Avant

EVENING.

Prelude—Andante No. 2...Wiske
Opening Anthem—"Let us Now go Even Unto Bethlehem,"...Danks
Hymn 61—"Joy to the World,"
Offertory—(Soprano Solo) "The Watchful Shepherds,"...Williams
Hymn 288—"Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices,"...Hanne
Hymn 276—"Angels Rejoiced and Sweetly Sing,"
Postlude—Offertore in G...Wely

There is a young man in this vicinity who will have a bill of $10 to pay if this item meets the eyes of some of his friends for he says, every time he takes his best girl to New York some of the boys is sure to find it out and then he has to stand treat.

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The reduction of internal revenue and the taking off of revenue stamps from Proprietary Medicines, no doubt has largely benefitted the consumers, as well as relieving the burden of home manufacturers. Especially is this the case with *Green's August Flower* and *Boschee's German Syrup*, as the reduction of thirty-six cents per dozen, has been added to increase the size of the bottles containing these remedies, thereby giving one-fifty more medicine in the 75 cent size.

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DEATHS.

AYERS.—In this city, Dec. 20th, John R. Ayers, aged 77 years, 7 months and 15 days.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following letters remain uncalled for at the Rahway Post Office, December 3rd, 1886: Miss Minnie Fenner, J. L. Healey, A. Ernest, J. Hannes Wessel, H. C. Brown, John N. John, J. A. Wilson.

Persons calling for the above will please say "advertised." S. M. OLIVER, P. M.

EXECUTOR'S SETTLEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the account of the subscriber, Executor of Joel Wilson, deceased will be audited and stated by the Surrogate, and reported for settlement to the Orphans' Court of the county of Union, on Wednesday, the Twenty-third day of February next. WILSON TOWNSEND.
Dated December 13th, 1886. dec. 17-5w

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UNION COUNTY SURROGATE'S OFFICE, November 11th, 1886.—Robert A. Shotwell, the Executor of Isaac P. Shotwell, deceased, Surrogate's Order to Limit Creditors.

On application of the above named Executor, it is ordered that said Executor give public notice to the Creditors of the estate of said decedent to bring in their debts, demands or claims against the same, under oath, within nine months from this date, by setting up a copy of this Order, within twenty days hereafter, in five of the most public places in the county of Union, for two months, and also within the said twenty days, by advertising the same in the NATIONAL DEMOCRAT for the same space of time; and if any Creditor shall neglect to exhibit his or her debt, demand or claim, within the said period of nine months, public notice being given as aforesaid, such Creditor shall be forever barred of his or her action therefor against the said Executor. By JAS. J. GERBER, Surrogate.
nov. 26-9w

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BY THOMAS F. McCORMICK, Esquire, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Union:

Notice is hereby given, that on application to me by Delphine Tice and Samuel W. Tice her husband, the said Delphine Tice, finding an undivided one-fifth part of all that certain tract or parcel of land, hereinafter particularly described, situate, lying and being in the City of Rahway, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, being lots numbers ninety-three (93) and ninety-four (94) of the property known as the "Shotwell Tract," as laid out on a map thereof made by Francis W. Brinley, Surveyor, and filed in the Clerk's Office of the County of Essex, which lots taken together are described as follows: Beginning on the westerly line of Lawrence street, at the distance of one hundred feet southerly from the southerly line of Monroe street, and thence running along Lawrence street, southerly sixty-six feet, thence westerly parallel with Monroe street two hundred and seven feet nine inches, thence northerly parallel with Lawrence street sixty-six feet, thence easterly parallel with Monroe street two hundred and seven feet nine inches to the beginning.

I have nominated William Chamberlain, Samuel Leonard and James L. Bodwell, Commissioners to divide the said tract or parcel of land into five equal shares or parts, and unless proper objections are stated to me at the Court House, in the City of Elizabeth, on the

NINETEENTH DAY OF JANUARY A. D. 1887, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, the said William Chamberlain, Samuel Leonard and James L. Bodwell, will then be appointed Commissioners to make partition of the said lands pursuant to an act entitled "An act for the more easy partition of lands held by co-owners, joint tenants and tenants in common."

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T. F. McCORMICK,
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RAHWAY, N. J., DECEMBER 25, 1886.

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NOTICE—WANTED for a boy eleven years old, a situation on farm, or other work. Address at this office. dec 24-1w

NEW assortment of Fancy Groceries in store, at WM. HOWARD'S.

NEW Cranberries, New York Cranberries, the finest in the market, to be found at WM. HOWARD'S. dec 24-1w

OYSTER PARTY—Mr. Stanton will give a party on the evening of Christmas day, at his residence, on the corner of Main street and Fulton street, to which all Rahway fire hydrants are invited to participate. Temperance Work.

PRAYER MEETINGS—There will be no prayer meetings next week, at 3 p. m., in the Chapel, and all interested are invited to attend.

PARKER HOUSE LOTS FOR SALE—Corner of Cherry street and New Brunswick avenue, at a sacrifice, in Rahway. Assessed and title perfect. Season for sale. Inquire of Mr. Parker, or W. H. LEDYARD, Plainfield, N. J. dec 14-tf

PIPE—All sizes and prices, at 121 Main dec 3

LOCAL NOTICES.

Congressional and local ornamentation of the Press Editorial Association, we have cut from the outset all unwarranted puffing of local matters to entertain our readers, and which have been the object of the ridicule of the honest Hereditor who should make a charge for the local notices and *fix rates per* line or portion thereof for puffing or portable chapters of persons, places or things.

NATIONAL DEMOCRAT,
RAHWAY REPUBLICAN.

N. J., Sept. 6th, 1886.

Merry Christmas!

Mr. Brown, the baker, has a fine new wagon.

It is time to commence practising for 1887.

Mr. Clive Gorisse has gone into the agency business.

The fire department responded to a false alarm Tuesday evening.

Mr. Frazee has had a new stoop in front of his shoe store on Main street.

The boys rendered a very fine solo at the band room, on Tuesday evening.

Rahway will turn over a new leaf on New Year's day, and adopted electric lights.

Mr. Stone has been painting and fitting up his photographic parlors, for the holidays.

Charles Jaquish has decorated the store window of Mr. Hetfield, at 117 Main street, with a new sign.

The price of the Board of Freeholders, crowded out on last issue, will be found on fourth page.

The Post Office will remain open on Christmas day from 9 to 10 o'clock, A. M., and then be closed for the day.

The Rev. Hiram L. Plant & Co. will remain open, Christmas morning, until 10 o'clock.

General E. Burnside has consented to accept the position of Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The Glee Club are making big preparations for their entertainment New Year's night, and it will be no doubt be an excellent one.

The annual election for officers of Carteret Council No. 34 Royal Arcanum, takes place Thursday evening of this week.

The *Advocate*, of this city, issued a double Christmas number last week—a mark of enterprise on the part of the new management.

Adams Express Co. has been compelled to put on an extra delivery wagon in this city this week to accomodate the increased holiday business.

Louis Frank has "got settled" in his new store in Fetter's block on Cherry street and makes a fine display of his tempting fruits, etc.

In Stacy's show case there are four, (8x10) views taken on the premises of L. Murray Perkins near this city, which are very fine and well executed.

G. W. Warren's cantata, "Christians Awake," will be rendered entire by the choir of St. Paul's church, on Christmas day and Sunday morning.

Several of the young men of Rahway, who have been employed at Butler's store in New York, have been "laid off," the busy season being now over.

We call attention to the advertisement, in another place of the *Freeman's Magazine*, a New Jersey publication. The Christmas number is now ready.

A private entertainment will take place at the spacious residence of School Commissioner W. V. McKenzie on Christmas eve, to consist of music tableaux, etc.

Mrs. Ryno, of this city, conducted the prayer meeting at the late convention of the W. C. T. U., at Woodbridge, and Mrs. Fuller spoke in relation to the Flower Mission.

Mr. Ed. Wilkins received by mail, on Thursday, a very handsome and costly scarf pin. On which was set a large and brilliant white diamond. A Christmas present.

Rev. H. D. Opdyke, the state temperance agent, made an official visit to the 2d M E. church in this city and preached an interesting sermon morning and evening on Sunday.

Richard T. Crane, a lineal descendant of Sir Richard Townley and a nephew of the famous Commodord William Crane, of the war of 1812, died on Saturday in Camden, aged 75 years.

The scholars of the Franklin school will give their teachers and friends a pleasant entertainment at the school this (Friday) afternoon. The parents of the children are kindly invited to attend.

A couple of opossums captured in the vicinity of this city, and on exhibition at Larrabee's market, on Main street, have attracted the eyes and made the mouths of of the "coons" water this week.

On Sunday, Quarterly Meeting at Bethel church, at 10.30. Love feast at 3 p. m., sermon by Dr Sturgiss at 7.30, Rev. Mr. Jones: all are invited.

H. P. THOMAS, Pastor.

G. W. Gilby has two large cocoa palm leaves, one sixteen and the other over twelve feet long, at his market, in Cherry street. They were sent to him from a town 150 miles from Aspinwall, Panama.

The Somerset *Unionist-Gazette* issued a handsome Christmas number last week. The first page contained a large picture of Mrs. President Cleveland, printed in blue, as were also a number of other illustrations.

The holiday entertainment of the Sunday School of the 2d M. E. church will take place next Tuesday evening it will consist of singing by the school, recitations, instrumental music, etc. Admission free.

Sunday was a damp day—and an excellent occasion for excuse by the "good people" to stay at home from church. We'll wager that the saloon Sunday, rounders didn't stay home on account of the weather!

At a regular meeting of the Mutual Pleasure Club, held Friday evening, Dec. 17th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months: President, James D. Fyffe; Secretary, George Fritz; Treasurer, Randolph Suner.

GRAND EXHIBITION.—Professor Lee will exhibit his Grand Art Colossal Sun Pictures, at the Bethel church, Elm avenue, on Friday evening, Dec. 31st. Those who have witnessed his before were highly delighted. Admission 25 cents.

Supervisor Jas. R. Smith of this section of the P. R. R., who recently received the $100 prize for having the best kept section on the line, has distributed the whole amount among the track workmen, under him, retaining no part of it for himself.

The election of officers of Rahway Lodge No. 25 A. O. U. W., for the ensuing term will take place on Tuesday evening the 28th. A full attendance is requested as business of great importance to every member will come before the meeting.

The E. D. Social Club gave a very pleasant sociable at the residence of Miss Lillian Ryno, on Union street, on Tuesday evening. There were about twenty couples present who danced until about half-past two in the morning to music furnished by Prof. Eisler, of Newark.

Depositors are anxiously inquiring when there will be another dividend declared on the old account of the Rahway Savings Institution. As we understand it there is but little prospect of a dividend unless the securities and remaining real estate is turned into cash. Why not do it?

"Willie," the justly popular drug clerk of the new firm of Silvers & Westfall, is quite "set up" over the newly painting of the store and the purchase of a quarter of a hundred feet of new oval show cases; he plays with much *esprit* some new tunes on his violin, we suppose the out-cropping of his joy.

If any one offers you a glass of intoxicating drink of any sort, saying, "Take it, it is but a little drop," think thus: Every drop in that glass is a little fire; it will burn away my health. It has power to burn away my character, my happiness, and hope of Heaven. God helping me, I will not touch it.

F. & A. M.—The annual election for officers of LaFayette Lodge No. 27, F. & A. M., of this city, took place on Monday evening with the following result:

W. M., Chas. H. Jackson; S. W., Jas. H. Sym; J. W., John Toms; Treas., Geo. Miller; Secy, A. P. Goodall; Trustee for 5 years, F. L. Graves; Proxy to Grand Lodge, Geo. Miller.

It would be amusing, if not so aggravating to our local storekeepers, to see residents go to New York and come home laden with probably a hundred dollars' worth of purchased goods, and then stop at a home store to buy a few cents worth of some article they could not find in New York! And then this same class of purchasers will complain of dull times in Rahway.

Rev. John Y. Dobbins, pastor of the Tabernacle Methodist Episcopal church, heads the list of the Camden clergymen for marriages last month, he having tied ninety conjugal knots. During the month ending Wednesday there were 400 couples wedded in that city. If the marriage laws of Pennsylvania and New Jersey remain unchanged the minister will offer a premium for appointments to this modern "Gretna Green."

An innocent lady of Rahway while visiting the city of New York wishing to mail a postal card was busy trying to find an opening in a corner fire alarm box for her deposit, when an observing gentleman notified her what the box was and kindly piloted her to the postal box and showed her how it worked. How is this for Rahway? And what a fix if she had sprung the fire alarm!

"ALL THAT GLITTERS IS NOT GOLD."—A kind hearted "cuss" from New York the other day put up a job on the hackmen, by offering a beautiful gold watch to be raffled for at 50 cents a chance, at the Brokaw house. The hackmen all pitched in and took chances. The raffle came off. One hackman *redeoll* triumphant and on the strength of the winning "set up the boys" to the amount of about $2.00, then the watch is passed over, and he discovers the watch to be something very similar to those beautiful articles which were sold here on Watson's corner last summer, and worth about as near $50 as he calculated by our expert jeweler from 50 cents down to "nary red," and the hackman is less on his Christmas funds to the amount of about $2.50, but has a nice little toy for the holidays.

The following is the programme of Christmas music at St. Paul's church, at 10:30 A. M. Christmas Day, and following Sunday:

Processional Carol—"Hark! a Burst of Heavenly Music."

Anthem—"Thy seat, O God, Endureth forever"..... Dr. Boyce
Gloria Patri. in F..... Dudley Buck
Te Deum, in C..... Dudley Buck
Benedictus, in E♭..... J. Barnby
9th Hymn—"Adeste Fidelles."..... J. Reading
Kyrie-Kielson & Gloria-Tibi..... C. Gounod
26th Hymn—"Lambeth."..... Lambeth
Ascription—"Come let us adore Him."... Hymnal
Offertory—"Christians awake" (Cantata)..... G. W. Warren
Sanctus—"Therefore with Angels."... J. S. B. Hodges
26th Hymn—"Christmas"..... Handel
"Gloria-in-Excelsis," (old chant)..... Thalis
Nunc-Dimittis
Jno. M. Tufts, Jr. Director; Miss May Tufts, Organist; Miss Nettie Smith, soprano, Mrs. Jas. G. Commoss, alto, Mr. Thos. Stoddard, tenor, Mr. Jos. C. Moore, bass.

Among the live stock reports in the New York paper we notice that John Fetter, of this city purchased six sheep on December 10th to be held for him until this week. The average weight was 240 pounds at 8 cents per pound. They arrived in Rahway on Tuesday afternoon, and were driven through the streets decorated with ribbons. They have all been made "mutton" of ere this.

A horse belonging to a man named Pierre, who resides on the Shunpike in Linden township, created some excitement on Wednesday afternoon by falling down in front of Schneider's bakery. The accident was due to smooth shoes. It may not be generally known that owners of horses are liable to be arrested and fined, under the cruelty to animals act, for not keeping their horses properly shod during slippery seasons.

A brakeman on a Pennsylvania Railroad freight train, while going through Elizabeth, on Thursday night, saw a lady standing in her parlor, her dress afire from a match which she had inadvertently handled. He jumped from his train, dashed into the house, and, with his heavily gloved hands, beat out the flames, saved the woman's life, dashed out again caught his train and rumbled off into the darkness, unknowing and unknown.

At the adjourned meeting of the Board of Education, held on Monday evening, Dec. 20th, all members were present excepting Mr. McKenzie. Warrants were ordered drawn for the payment of the teachers', superintendent's, clerk's and janitors' salaries for the month of Noyember, together with two other warrants for the payment of the Board, $22.23, to the Advocate Publishing Co., and for repairs to the school organ, $2.75, to H. N. Oliyer.

The fair for the benefit of St. Mark's church, last week, was a success in every way, the receipts amounting to $982.06. The contest for the gold watch was quite exciting, resulting in 1812 votes for Mrs. L. Niffer, and 1338 for Miss M. Andelfinger, realizing $185. For the gold-headed cane O. D. Sherwood had 1391 and Chas. Wright 42—$134.60. For the Horophone, Miss K. Ritter 459, Mrs. H. L. Pickering 332—$79.10.

"Our Society Waltzes," is the name of a new piece of music for the piano, composed by Mrs. Fanny Sperry, of this city, and published by Wm. A. Pond & Co., of New York. It is a very elaborate piece, of eleven pages, and will no doubt become popular, as did Mrs. Sperry's former composition, the "Archery Club Waltz." The new piece is named in honor of the Philharmonic Society, of this city. It can be obtained in this city of Mrs. Sperry, or at the Music and Stationery Store, 121 Main street—price 75 cents.

Saturday being Christmas Day there will be divine services in the Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches, in this city. The services at St. Paul's will begin at half-past ten o'clock, with Morning Prayer, followed with the celebration of the Holy Communion. The offerings at that time will be for the aid of the needy widows and orphans in the Diocese. At the Church of the Holy Comforter there will an early celebration of the Holy Communion at eight o'clock; Morning Prayer at half-past ten, followed by a second celebration of the Holy Communion.

The music at St. Mark's R. C. Church on Christmas Day will be as follows: for High Mass at 5:30 A. M., Schmidt's Mass in E flat; offertory "Adeste Fideles." For High Mass at 10:30 A. M., Peters' Mass in C; offertory "Ave Maria." At 8 P. M. "Solemn Vespers" by Peters, and for the benediction "Tantum Ergo," by Goeb. The choir consists of Mrs. H. L. Pickering, leading soprano, Miss Rosa Andelfinger, Mrs. Francis Fetter and Mrs. Lena Niffer; Messrs. Jacob Dressler, John Fetter, George Andelfinger, Jacob Kraus and Fred Miller. Organist, Miss Louise Hofschneider.

On Tuesday Mr. J. T. Oakley was in New York on business, and in crossing Nassau street, at Pine, a man in some way tripped him up and he fell heavily, striking on his knees and also the side of his head. He was unable to arise, and parties in the vicinity ran to his assistance, helping him into a store near at hand, where he had to remain for some time before he overcame the shock. Some one who saw the move of the man who tripped Mr. Oakley said it appeared to be done intentionally and it was thought the object was to rob him.

On Sunday afternoon as Mr. Fred. C. Squire was driving down through Irving street with a team, one of the horses began to break from a trot, and while being brought down to its correct gate, got over the pole of the carriage. In this position it began to kick, striking the other horse in the thigh breaking its leg at that point. Mr. Squire knowing that the animal would be of no further use, and that it was suffering, gave his consent to have it shot. Chief of Police Tooker was called and placed his pistol at the animal's head and discharged it three time when the horse fell over dead. The horse was valuable, and as fine a one as could be found in Rahway.

The annual election of officers of the Rahway Firemen's Relief Association was held in the Council Chamber on Monday evening, Dec. 20th, and resulted as follows:

President, E. C. Fox; Vice President, Michael Mallon; Secretary, A. C. Holder; Treasurer, J. H. Duffbery, Sr.; Collector, Wm. H. Langton; Credentials, A. J. Geyer, Jr., F. L. Schuppmann, Wm. H. Langton. The Finance Committee was appointed as follows: Robert H. Kinsey, Henry C. Wilson and Daniel G. Hetfield. The Trustees elected are Josiah H. Stagg and Adam Schwindinger for three years; and Peter H. Fox for one year to fill vacancy. The Association has between $7,000 and $8,000 in its treasury.

A BEAUTIFUL WORK OF ART.—The Christmas number of the Cincinnati *Illustrated News* is an elegant one. Besides the usual number there are three supplements—one an Egyptian chromo; another a fine birds-eye view of New York city, from a wood engraving, and another of Cincinnati, on sheets 33x45. The former is the work of our resident artist, John R. Chapin, and the latter of his son-in-law, Philip Barnard, who is superintendent of the art department of that paper. Both engravings are beautifully executed, and the number is having a large sale—the American News Co. in New York taking 18,000 copies. Copies will be for sale at the news stand at the depot in this city, price fifty cents.

MABEE AND ENGLISH.—We learn from the Plainfield *News* that these great temperance workers have dissolved partnership, and that the cause was the unprofitable trip South at the invitation of the W. C. T. U., where they were not favorable received. It is said when they started South they had $300 between them, and were assured by those who had invited them that the communities to which they were invited were in hearty sympathy with the movement, in which they were disappointed. Mr. Mabee, with barely enough money to get back, secured an engagement as a traveling agent for a New York Insurance company, and Mr. English continues in the lecture field waiting for something to turn up.

IMPORTANT TO TEACHERS.—The City Superintendent is in receipt of the programme for the 29th annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association, to be held in Model School Hall, Trenton, on Dec. 28th, 29th, and 30th. The committee appears to have been at great pains to provide for the occasion an unusually interesting programme. Many of the speakers come from a considerable distance, and are men of national reputation as educators. Those of the teachers who may desire to attend this meeting can, by the courtesy of the State Board of Education, be accommodated with board at "The Normal Boarding Hall" for 75 cents per day. The educational exhibits will repay the time and trouble of going to Trenton,

The dwelling that was burned in Linden, as noticed last week, on Wednesday evening, about which there were so many reports as to ownership, we afterwards learned with some degree of positiveness, belonged to a Newark insurance company, and was occupy by Mr. Maximillian Keller; it was one of the finest in that township, and the loss is estimated at $15,000, on the property partly covered by insurance. The fire was discovered by Charles Schwartz about 3:30 in the afternoon, by the smoke issuing from a window, there being none of the family at home at the time. An alarm was given and neighbors succeeded in saving some of the furniture, but the building was totally consumed. Mr. Keller's loss is covered by insurance. The fire originated, it is presumed from a defective flue.

AT THE CORNER STORE,

USEFUL

HOLIDAY GIFTS!

PRICES MARKED DOWN!

One lot Silk Handkerchiefs, large size, 25 cents each.
Brocade Silk Handkerchiefs, 40, 50, 60c. to $1.25.
Brocade Silk Mufflers, $1.00 to $3.00.
Cashmere Mufflers, 50c. to $1.00.
Children's Printed Bordered Handkerchiefs, 5 to 12c.
Ladies' Printed Bordered Handkerchiefs, all linen, 12 to 30c.
Ladies' White Hemstitch Handkerchiefs, all linen, 15 to 40c.
Ladies' White Hemstitch Handkerchiefs, colored embroidery, 25 to 50c.
Ladies' Hemstitch Initial Handerchiefs, $1.75 per box of ½ doz.
Gents' Hemstitch Initial Handerchiefs, $2.00 per box of ½ doz.
Children's, Ladies' and Gents' Handkerchiefs, ½ doz. boxes, 75c. to $2 each.

GLOVES AND MITTS.

Misses' Cashmere Gloves, 25 and 30c.
Ladies' Cashmere Gloves, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 50c
Children's Wool Mitts, 10, 14, 16, 20, 25c. and up.
Misses' Wool Mitts, 17, 20, 25, 30, 40 and 50c.
Ladies' Wool Mitts, 18, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 50c
Ladies' Silk Mitts, $1.50 and $1.75.
Gents' Cloth Gloves, 40, 50 and 75c.
Gents' Genuine Scotch Gloves, all wool, 50c.
Gents' Heavy Wool Gloves, 25, 30, 40 and 50c.
Boys' Heavy Wool and Ringwood Gloves, 25 and 30c.
Gents' Dog Skin Gloves, fur tops, spring fasteners, $1.50.
Gents' Driving Gloves in great variety.

HOSIERY.

Boys' Heavy Ribbed Hose, 10 to 25c.
Boys' Ribbed Imported Hose, 20 to 60c. per pair.
Gents' All-Wool Bicycle Hose, 9½ to 11, 70c.
Children's Wool Hose, 12½ to 40c.
Children's Fine Cashmere Hose, 25 to 75c.
Ladies Heavy Cotton Hose, 12½ to 20c.
Ladies' Black Hose, full regular, 20 to 50c.
Ladies' Balbriggan Hose, fleece lined, 25, 30, 40 and 45c.
Ladies' Black and Colored, fleece lined Hose, 40c.
Ladies' Wool Hose, 25, 30, 40 and 50c.
Ladies' Fine Cashmere Hose, 40, 50, 60 and 70c.

UNDERWEAR.

Children's Merino Vests and Pants, 16c. to $1.00 each.
Ladies' Merino Vests and Pants, 38, 50, 75c., $1.00 and $1.25.
Children's Scarlet Medicated Vests and Pants, 25c. to $1.20.
Ladies' Scarlet Medicated Vests and Pants, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50.
Gents' Merino Shirts and Drawers, 40, 50, 75c., $1.00 and $1.25.
Gent's Scarlet Medicated Shirts and Drawers, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50.
Gents' Scarlet Medicated Shirts and Drawers, full regular, $1.75 worth $2.50.
Gents' Grey Mixed Shirts and Drawers, 50c. worth 60c.
Gents' Unlaundered Shirts, good muslin, linen bosoms, reinforced, 50c.
Gents' " " best " fine linen " " 75c.

BLANKETS AND COMFORTABLES.

10-4 White Blankets, $1.00, $1.30, $1.50 to $2.00.
10-4 White Wool Blankets, $4.00 to $5.00.
11-4 White Wool Blankets, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00 to $8.00.
11-4 White Wool Blankets, very fine, $5.00 worth $6.00.
11-4 White Wool Blankets, finer, $6.00 and $7.00, worth $7.00 and $8.00.
12-4 White Wool Blankets, $7.00 and $8.50, worth $8.00 and $10.00.
Grey Blankets, $2.25, $2 50 to $3 75.
Comfortables, large size, fair quality, 75c; $1.00 and $1.25.
Comfortables, large size, best calico and cotton, $1.50 to $2.50.

Table Linen, Napkins and Towels.

Half Bleached Table Linen, 20, 25 and 30c.
54 inch Cream Table Linen, 40c., worth 50c.
56 inch Cream Table Linen, 50c; worth 60c.
58 inch Bleached Table Linen, 50 to 60c.
5-8 Napkins, per dozen, 80c., $1.00, 1 25, 1.50 to $2.00.
3-4 Napkins, per dozen, $1.75, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75 to $4.00.
Full Size Towels, knotted fringe. 20c. each, $2.25 per dozen.
Full Size Towels, knotted fringe, with open work border, 25c., $2.75 dozen.
Towels in great variety, 10 to 25c. each.

WOOL & CANTON FLANNELS.

27-inch All Wool Scarlet Flannel, 25 to 45c.
27 inch All Wool Blue Flannel, 25 to 45c.
27-inch All Wool Grey Flannel, 30 to 45c.
Grey Skirting Flannel, 16, 20, 23 and 25c.
All Wool White Flannel, 25, 30, 35, 40 to 60c.
Shaker Flannel, yard wide, 28 to 40c.
Unbleached Canton Flannel, 5, 8 and 10c.
Heavy Unbleached Canton Flannel, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20c.
Bleached Canton Flannel, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14 to 20c.
Colored Canton Flannel, 10 to 16c.
Striped Jersey Flannels, 44c. and up.

Great Bargains in Dress Goods for the Holidays.

36-inch All Wool Tricots, marked down to 17c.
36-inch All Wool Ladies Cloth, 40c., worth 50c.
40-inch All Wool Ladies' Cloth, 47c., worth 60c.
45-inch All Wool Striped Cloth, 48c., reduced from 75c.
A large assortment of Dress Goods, ranging in price from 6 to 25c. per yd.
☞ We would call special attention to our line of Colored and Black Cashmeres.
Black at 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90c. per yard. In Blue Black and Jet Black we guarantee these Goods to be worth 10c. per yard more than we ask for them.
54-inch Heavy Cloth for Jackets, etc., $1.50 to $2.
Astrachan Cloth, in Black, Brown, Blue, Green and Chinchilla, at low prices.
Trimming Velvets, $1 and $1.25, all colors.
Striped Trimming Velvets, in Black, Brown, Blue, Green and Garnet, $1.00 per yard.
One Case Best Merrimac Calicos, 5c. per yard.
Dress and Apron Ginghams in large variety.
Children's and Ladies' Wool Hoods, Leggins, Jerseys, Toboggan Caps, Scarfs, Plush Balls, Crescents, Chenille Ornaments, Ribbon, Laces, Buttons, Clasps, Trimming Braids, Ladies' and Gents' Cardigan Jackets, etc., at Lowest Possible Prices.
Ladies' Muffs, 70c., $1 and $1.25 and up.
Ladies' Fur Collars, 50 and 90c.
Plush, in all colors, $1 to $2.
Leather and Plush Hand Bags, Plush Dressing Cases, and other Fancy Goods in great variety.

BIRKETT & PATERSON, Rahway, N. J.

HAMILTON STREET.—John Mundrane has been putting on a new roof with extensions which has made quite an improvement on his house; he proposes to put on the finishing touch in the Spring, with a good coat of paint.

D. K. Ryno's new house is nearly finished up, and is already engaged for the coming year!

P. L. Graves is getting his new stables pretty near to the finish and when well stocked they will be quite a convenience for Upper Rahway people.

The German parsonage is about finished up and will soon be ready for its occupants.

Several houses have been painted and in other ways improved on this street during the season.

A GHASTLY SIGHT.—When train No. 44, east bound, stopped at the depot in this city on Wednesday night of last week, the mangled remains of a man were found on the cowcatcher. It appears that as the train moved away from the depot in New Brunswick the remains were noticed by some one, but too late to notify any of the train men; hence a despatch was sent to Jersey City, and then back to Rahway to inform the attendants at the depot. The remains were taken to the morgue, and after much inquiry and investigation it was learned that the deceased was a man named Wm. Murphy, and that he had been struck by the train at Wheatsheef, near Bristol, Pa., and the remains had thus been carried about forty miles. He was about thirty years of age, and we understand was formerly from the vicinity of Jamesburg, in Middlesex county.

In the early part of the week there was a report that there would be several changes made among our manufacturers about the first of Jan uary. It was stated that the rubber works of W. S. Taylor & Bloodgood, Jr., would move up to the Delmills in Clark township, and that F. L. Sheldon would take that building, and that a firm from New York would occupy Mr. Sheldon's present factory. Our reporter, by personal interview, learns that there are no definite arrangements yet made in the move on the part of Taylor & Bloodgood, Jr. In speaking with Mr. Sheldon he learned that there was no foundation for the rumor of his change, and that he was now very busy and in need of more hands to get out the orders for the Globe flannel shirts, of which he is the sole manufacturer, and for which Messrs. Dale, Reed & Cooley, of 61 and 63 Worth street, N. Y., are the selling agents. The carpenters are busy putting up several new long cutting tables in the extension which has been made by taking down a partition. At present there are 115 hands employed, and Mr. Sheldon says he does not anticipate any changes.

LOCAL POTPOURRI.

SOUND PYTCK.—We conscientiously recommend our readers to try Salvation Oil in all cases of rheumatism. Sold by druggists for 25 cents a bottle.

The untidy, dirty appearance of a grizzly beard should never be allowed. Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers will readily change their color to a brown or black, at discretion, and thus keep up your reputation for neatness and good looks.

An errand boy, in a Philadelphia fancy store has just been left $500,000, but it is thought he will die early of consumption. There is nothing better for your children that are daily exposed than a spoonful or two of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup.

"Words fail to express my gratitude," says Mr. Selby Carter, of Nashville, Tenn., "for the benefits derived from Ayer's Sarsaparilla. My system was filled with scrofula: blotches, ulcers and mattery sores, all over my body." Mr. Carter was entirely cured by Ayer's Sarsaparilla eight months ago, and has had no return of the scrofulous symptoms.

POMEROY'S PETROLINE PLASTER.
If you once give it a trial you will never be without the above valuable article. It is unquestionably superior to any other plaster. Sold by druggists and G. O. Zeller, Rahway.

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(Deferred from last week.)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF UNION.

[OFFICIAL.]

ELIZABETH, N. J., Dec. 2, 1886.

Regular meeting of the board, held on Thursday, December 2, 1886, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Prisent—Director Martine and Freeholders Doty, Debbie, Dardis, Hubbard, Howard, Haliday, Isenmann, Oliver, Pierson, Pitcairn, Roll, Vanderbeek, Wright—14.

Absent—Freeholders Astfalk, Chapman, West.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read (omitting list of bills ordered paid) and, on motion, approved as read.

Freeholder Oliver stated that a committee representing the election officers of the city of Elizabeth were present, and asked that they be given a hearing, which was granted.

The committee, through their chairman, Mr. Trahon, made a statement, in reference to the payment of the Elizabeth election bills, claiming that the present law does not apply to officers elected before the passage of the act.

On motion of Freeholder Doty, the matter was referred to the county attorney.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Freeholder Oliver:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to take charge of the interests of Union county in such matters as may be brought before the legislature during the coming session.

On motion of Freeholder Hubbard, adopted, and the following committee appointed: Freeholders Oliver, Hubbard, Isenmann.

By Freeholder Hubbard:

Resolved, That the county collector be authorized to pay the following amounts, upon receiving the proper vouchers, which amounts are balances due on contracts for jail:

To E. T. Winans	$693 00
" M. Berrm	600 00
" Essex Iron Works	1106 00
" G. F. Brophy	457 00

On motion of Freeholder Howard, adopted by a unanimous vote.

By the director:

Resolved, That the county collector be authorized to pay the Penn Bridge company $123 (which amount is the balance due on bridge at Edwards' mills, over the Passaic river), upon the receipt of a proper voucher.

On motion of Freeholder Doty, adopted by a unanimous vote.

By Freeholder Debbie:

Resolved, That the county collector be authorized to pay bills of P. Murphy ($59.-50) and P. Kelly ($229.63), for bridges in Summit, when properly audited and sworn to.

On motion of Freeholder Isenmann, adopted by a unanimous vote.

By Freeholder Debbie:

Resolved, That the county collector be authorized to pay Israel O. Maxwell the sum of $18 for bridge on Springfield avenue in New Providence, when bill is properly audited and sworn to.

On motion of Freeholder Isenmann, adopted by a unanimous vote.

By Director Martine:

Resolved, That $1,900 be transferred from bridge to building account.

On motion of Freeholder Oliver, adopted by a unanimous vote.

By Freeholder Pierson:

Resolved, That the county collector be authorized to pay the bill of A. B. Chase, for $137, when properly audited.

On motion of Freeholder Howard, adopted by a unanimous vote.

PAYMENT OF BILLS.

The following bills, audited and approved, were read and ordered paid by a unanimous vote:

Dederick Krise, bridge,		Cranford,	$22 97
James G Moore	do	do	24 80
James G Moore	do	do	69 70
A Winans	do	do	118 05
A Winans	do	do	93 45
B B Howe	do	Elizabeth	5 00
Bernard Scott	do	do	103 50
J W Van Pelt	do	do	58 33
J E Pender	do	do	58 00
H Haud	do	Fanwood	3 75
Samuel Clark	do	New Provid	12 00
G W Angleman	do	Plainfield	40 00
W W Hughes	do	Rahway	17 25
James Ross	do	do	7 75
Peter Van Pelt	do	do	62 50
W E Clark	do	do	113 80
J C O'Rourke	do	do	25 00
John T Moore	do	do	90 00
Hughes & Melbourn bridge		Rahway	195 60
John T Moore	do	do	175 36
W Chamberlin	do	do	48 00
Wrought Iron Br Co	do	do	1,500 00
Penn Bridge Co	do	do	302 58
Geo W Howell	do	Summit	23 75
David Morrisey	do	do	7 50
Wm Delaney	do	do	14 00
Wm Delany	do	do	45 00
Wm Buchanan	do	Union	46 25
Dennis Long	do	do	260 00
A H Roff	do	Westfield	18 00
J A Staats	court account,		20 25
G F Smith	do		1 60
do	do		80
J B Runyon	do		20 00
John Marsh	do		20 00
Amos Moffett	do		81 00
H J Schoppe	do		22 00
M B Sayre	do		20 00
G F Smith	do		33 00
Charles Wright	do		25 00
J H Hughes	do		25 00
H Haud	do		30 00
John Dixon	do		22 50
W E Sumson	do		78 00
B M Rogers	do		24 00
R G Harris	do		5 51
H W Knight	do		70 00
Geo M Stiles	do		1,495 10
do	do		1,388 00
do	do		514 03
H M Burnett	do		1 60
S H Ball	do		2 29
John Dixson	do		2 25
H Haud	do		80
do	do		1 60
W R Wilson	do		250 00
Hon T F McCormick	do		238 00
J Martin Roll, com'tee ex. account			14 00
John Isenmann	do		16 50
C W L Martine	do		9 05
George Wright	do		2 30
S H Debbie	do		8 68
Robert Dardis	do		16 00
J H Hubbard	do		17 00
A Vanderbeek	do		6 05
City of Elizabeth, election account			60 00
W B Mead, elec ac		Linden	6 00
W Behan	do	Eliz, 2d w, 1st dis	1 50
B M Ogden	do	do 6th w	15 00
A Shultzman	do	Plainfield 3d w	6 00
Jos T Vail	do	do 1st w	15 00
V W Nash	do	do 2d w	15 00
City of Rahway	do	Rahway	100 00
A B Crane	do	do	45 00
J Clifford	do	Eliz, 3d w	7 50
Jas Denman	do	Springfield	3 50
J Peter Eller	do	Eliz, 3d w, 2d dis	4 40
C F Peters	do	do 3d w, 1st dis	4 50
John Leonard	do	Union	15 00
H Zimmerman	do	Eliz, 3d w, 2d dis	4 50
C P Ryno	do	Rahway, 3d w, 2d dis	4 50
D G Cumston	do	do do	6 00
W C Hill	do	do do	6 00
S R Ryno	do	do do	7 50
J D Trussler	do	do 3d w, 1st d	6 00
G L Reed	do	do do	6 00
Dennis Long	do	Union	6 00
William Burnett	do	do	6 00
A M Woodruff	do	do	6 00
Alex Cummings	do	do	7 50
I L Hunt	do	do	9 40
Jas S Vosseller	incidental account		7 50
I L Manning	do		122 60
J L Crowell	do		180 00
Bender Brothers	jail account		14 42
Ward & LaMotte	do		25 41
Elias R Whaley	do		14 00
John McGrath	do		52 00
Thomas Ryan	do		59 85
Martin Cooney	do		36 18
J B Dennis	do		11 25
			4 26
W B Tucker	do		16 94
T B Smith	do		2 55
N Trimble	do		16 41
Henry Dardis,	members' pay acc't		30 20
W Doty	do		93 15
Astfalk	do		42 00
John Isenmann	do		115 14
Pierson	do		46 00
Roll	do		41 44
Wright	do		48 60
Martine	do		41 44
Howard	do		134 00
Hubbard	do		133 75
Vanderbeck	do		66 00
Brucklacher pub. build'g acc't			7 18
Gold	do		63 93
Rahway Gas Co	do		41 75
Brophy	do		31 50
Williams	do		101 67
Rath	do		46 44
N W Pease	school acc't		145 96
" do			125 00

Freeholder Hubbard moved that the bill of L. L. Manning, for furnishing soldiers' headstones, be paid, less $20, deducted on account of errors in the names of two soldiers.

Which was carried.

Freeholder Hubbard moved that hereafter the names to be placed on soldiers' headstones be sent to the director.

Which was carried.

Freeholder Wright presented a certificate from the city clerk of Rahway, setting forth the time at which the different ballot-boxes were delivered to him at the last election, held Nov. 2, 1886.

Freeholder Wright then offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the election bills of the First, Second, and Fourth wards of the city of Rahway, together with the facts in the case, be referred to the county attorney, and upon his opinion as to what they are entitled to in the case, the county collector be ordered and directed to draw checks for the same.

Which was lost by the following vote:

Affirmative—Freeholders Howard, Pierson, Wright—3.

Negative—Director Martine and Freeholders Doty, Debbie, Dardis, Hubbard, Isenmann, Oliver, Pitcairn, Roll, Vanderbeek—10.

Not voting—Freeholder Haliday.

Absent—Freeholders Astfalk, Chapman, West.

Freeholder Oliver moved to adjourn.

Which was carried.

The director declared the board adjourned to Thursday, January 6, 1887, at 2 P. M.

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