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ANTICIPATED BENEFITS.

Hoboken has every reason so far to be proud of her representative at Trenton, the Honorable James Curran, who has already made his presence felt in more ways than one, and has attempted more reformatory measures for the benefit of his district than any of his predecessors for years past. Among other measures introduced by the Assemblyman is the bill to give the power of regulating ferry rates to the Board of Chosen Freeholders. This is equivalent almost to securing a reduction, from the fact that it is bringing the troubles nearer home and placing authority to make changes in the hands of a body more directly brought in contact with the source of complaint, and who more thoroughly understand and appreciate the necessity for reform. It is to be hoped now that the responsibility which properly belongs to the Freeholders and which, notwithstanding their attempt to shirk, will, it is hoped, revert back to them, and compel such action as will prove they intend the benefit of their constituents and are not the tools of a few monied corporations.

The bill to abolish the practice of compelling school teachers to swear to their warrants is also a very sensible measure and one that will meet with universal favor. It is understood such law was intended for the protection of the employes of the public schools, as it was feared in some cases that teachers might be forced to contribute a percentage of their salaries to unprincipled Trustees in return for influence, etc., use in securing positions. This is certainly not the case in Hoboken, at least; and if it was, the said law, as framed, would serve more as a cloak for such action than otherwise; besides we know from very reliable sources, that when a certain one of our Trustees wants a favor from an employe of the schools he just comes out and borrows like a "little man," and don't pay back either, unless he is obliged to. Again, a teacher's salary is fixed by the Trustees, the pay-roll made up monthly by the Superintending Principal with the usual fines, etc., deducted, the Auditing Committee of the Board of Education examine and report on same, and yet the very ones who know nothing about the matter until the warrant is held under their very noses, are the only persons compelled to swear to their correctness. In many cases teachers may consider certain reductions from his or her salary for absence or being late as incorrect, yet there is no protection by offering objections to the amount which he or she believes unjust. The only benefit derived from such a course would be to go without your money until you can come to the same ideas on mathematics as the Superintendent and Board

this is the very reverse of protection, and the quicker is be abolished the better. Many employes at present swear to their warrants with an expression which plainly indicates that they are by no means satisfied; yet it is the first experience the majority have had in "swearing," and they honestly do not appreciate the position or consider the oath more than a matter of form; in fact, the practice is little more than a farce and would be better omitted. Let the Principal who prepares the statement, and knows it to be correct, attest it, and the committee who thoroughly examines the pay-roll and reports it correct, also attach their affidavits, and this will be certainly all the protection or guarantee any reasonable employe could expect.

The last and most important matter to Hoboken is a bill authorizing the erection of a City Hall by the issue of bonds. Notwithstanding that Mayor Besson opposed this resolution when brought to his notice by the action of the Council, and also that it was expected he might influence Mr. Curran, the result shows differently. Our Assemblyman is too clear-headed a politician and understands his position before the people too well to be influenced by a mere novice in such matters, yet a chronic failure in all things. Hoboken, with 30,000 inhabitants, needs a City Hall, and Mr. Curran, a life-long resident of this district, knows it as well as any man, and much better than Mr. Besson.

The bill has passed the House, and it remains for Mr. Rabe to advocate it though the Senate or otherwise and show whether he is influenced or not. He is also aware of the necessity for the city, at least, to have a building for its own purposes and not be dependent on the whims of a very exacting landlord, as was illustrated only a short time ago on a renewal of the lease. Some of the papers assert that Mr. Curran, who introduced the bill, did not "open his mouth." Well, that's all right; we all know "Jimmie," he says less and accomplishes more than any man of his size in Hudson County, and, as is usually the case, he knew what he was about.

A HINT TO RAILROAD MANAGERS.

The recent bridge disaster in Scotland suggests a very important matter, that of registering the names of travelers who make long or perilous journeys by rail. In steamboats, steamships, and other vessels that carry passengers, the practice of registering is common, if not universal. Yet, in many instances of accident on the water, the books of registry are apt to be destroyed. When a heavy railroad accident happens, a long time usually elapses before the friends of the dead, and the public generally, are made acquainted with the names of all the lost ones, though books of registry for passengers would be generally safe at depots and ticket offices. Some instances have occurred wherein the dead have never been identified. There should be a rule at every railroad station to register passengers who embark for trips like that from New York to Buffalo, for example, or from New York to Albany, or to Washington. This would not only save time and anxiety in cases of accident, but

would be something of a help to our detective system, in spite of the fact that fugitives from justice assume aliases. Many short journeys, like that over a portion of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, are exceedingly dangerous, inasmuch as the slightest tilt of the train would send everybody on board into eternity very speedily. The necessity of registry here is as apparent as in long but less hazardous journeys. Insurance companies might also be sometimes benefitted by a complete system of railroad registering.

She Couldn't Stay Away.

All the harrassing details surrounding the case of the late unfortunate Dr. Geisler were brought painfully to mind on Thursday by the arrest in New York of Mrs. Martha Roseneck, his alleged paramour. The woman had been indicted and was under \$500 bail to appear for trial, but failed to be on hand when the time arrived. She was found by Sergeant Ringe and John C. Johnson, her bondsman, working in a factory on Fulton street under an assumed name. She very decidedly declined to accompany the officer, and was supported in her position by her employer, Gen. Hatfield, of this city. He questioned the rights of the Jersey officer in New York. The Sergeant was armed with a capias warrant and of course was acting in accordance with his duty. At Broadway and Fulton streets she again objected to proceed, and succeeded in attracting a large crowd. She appealed to an officer for protection, who, after learning the circumstances, advised her kindly to go to Jersey, which she did, and was shortly afterward handed over to Jailor Allen by Mr. Ringe, who was glad to be relieved.

Mrs. Roseneck says she would not leave town only through the advice of Justice Rusch, who has been more or less mixed up with her affairs since the death of Geisler. She further claims that Rusch has a bill of sale of everything which she possesses, even to her clothing. She also denies having become reconciled to her husband, and says she was trying to make an honest living for herself by working hard and with hopes of redeeming the past.

LACONICS.

"Gray Hairs" will be the subject of the Rev. D. B. F. Randolph's sermon at the M. E. Free Tabernacle to-morrow evening.

The Rev. S. Sargant will preach at the First M. E. Church to-morrow morning, and the pastor, Rev. D. R. Lowrie, at 7:30 P. M.

James Bruen, the popular young hatter, will open a store in one of the new buildings on Washington street, between 1st and 2d, as soon as it is completed.

The Young Men's masquerade ball, which will take place at Old Fellows' Hall on next Thursday evening, promises to surpass all former affairs of the kind.

Some thief or thieves entered the office of Mr. Charles Shultz, the lumber dealer on the River Road, Wednesday night and carried off articles valued at about \$30.

The operetta of "Little Red Riding Hood" will be presented at the Franklin Lyceum on Monday night. The entertainment is for the benefit of St. Paul's church.

John Wock, a fish dealer, residing at the corner of Grove and Ferry streets, was thrown from his wagon on Tuesday last and so seriously injured that his life is despaired of. The accident was caused by the axle breaking. He was attended by Dr. Helfer.

The Hoboken Mutual Life Insurance Association met on Tuesday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing

year: President, J. J. Chase; Vice President, P. McGinness; Treasurer, J. Hausman; Secretary, A. P. Naie. The association numbers 952 members.

A little boy named Willie Spencer, living at the corner of First and Jefferson streets, was run over by Langorf's undertaker wagon on last Monday and seriously injured. Mr Langdorf, who was driving at the time, was arrested, but later discharged on his own recognizance.

A young man named John McElligot, employed on the coal trestle near the ferry house, in descending a ladder on Wednesday slipped and fell to the ground. Both wrists were broken and he received other serious injuries. The unfortunate man was removed to his home on Willow street.

Harry Coppers was arrested on Tuesday evening charged with stealing a valuable scarf pin from a man named Farley, and was released in \$200 bail. He denies the charge, and says that at the time of the alleged robbery he was in a saloon in the company of four men, whom he says will testify to the fact.

Annie Heyson, who has been missing for several months, returned last Tuesday to her home on Grand street. It will be remembered that she left the house of Surrogate McCague, where she was employed, suddenly, fearing a promised chastisement by her father for attending a circus without permission. Annie is a very propossessing girl of about 16 years of age. She says since her departure she has been working for a family at Bogoda.

As another instance of the danger which may result from the thoughtless—perhaps we might say culpable—practice of parents in going out to attend to their business and leaving behind, locked up, small children, we may mention that the fire which occurred on Willow street last Monday forenoon was occasioned by the children so locked up, the parents having gone to church. The little ones amused themselves by playing with kerosene; smearing some of the articles of furniture with that explosive article, which caught fire, damaged more or less several household articles, burned two of the children quite severely, and, were it not for the prompt attendance of the firemen, no knowing what extent of damage the conflagration might not have produced.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE Commissioners, appointed to assess the costs and expense incurred in the construction of the continuation of the Ravine Road sewer, upon the lands and real estate specially benefitted by the construction of said sewer, will meet at the office of the Ravine Road Sewer Commissioners, on Monday, February 9, 1880, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock P. M., to reconsider the matter of said assessment and to amend their report and assessment pursuant thereof to the order of Hon. Manning M. Knapp, Justice of the Supreme Court, bearing date on the twenty-fourth day of January, A. D. 1880, at which time and place all persons interested in the said matter may appear and be heard in relation thereto.

And notice is further given, that it is alleged that the following described lands and real estate, to wit:

All those certain lots, plots and parcels of land on that portion of Jersey City Heights, formerly known as Hudson City, which are situated and contained within the following general boundaries, namely:

Bounded on the east by the brow of the Hill; on the south by the Paterson Plank road; on the west by Summit avenue, northerly to Hutton street; thence Milton avenue, northerly to Charles street; thence along Nelson and Durham avenues, and including 100 feet west thereof, to Paterson avenue; on the south by Jefferson avenue, from Palisade avenue westerly to the centre of the block, and from thence by the centre line of block 709 to Oakland avenue; from thence running northwesterly to the centre of Beach street, about 200 feet east of Central avenue, and from thence westerly to the centre of Summit avenue, at its intersection with Bergenwood avenue.

All, as is more particularly shown on the maps on file at the office of the County Clerk, Hudson County Court House, Jersey City Heights, or at the office of the Ravine Road Sewer Commissioners, Room No. 7, First National Bank building, in the City of Hoboken, are benefitted by said improvement and ought to be assessed for the cost and expense of building and constructing the same.

By order of the Board,
 ROBERT HUTTON, Clerk
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COUNCILMANIC NOTES.

A very slim audience greeted the Common Councilmen on Tuesday evening, and this fact was accepted as evidence that there was no very special business before the board, or, as it is more commonly expressed, no circus on hand.

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would be something of a help to our detective system, in spite of the fact that fugitives from justice assume aliases. Many short journeys, like that over a portion of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, are exceedingly dangerous, inasmuch as the slightest tilt of the train would send everybody on board into eternity very speedily. The necessity of registry here is as apparent as in long but less hazardous journeys. Insurance companies might also be sometimes benefited by a complete system of railroad registering.

She Couldn't Stay Away.

All the harrassing details surrounding the case of the late unfortunate Dr. Geisler were brought painfully to mind on Thursday by the arrest in New York of Mrs. Martha Roseneck, his alleged paramour. The woman had been indicted and was under \$500 bail to appear for trial, but failed to be on hand when the time arrived. She was found by Sergeant Ringe and John C. Johnson, her bondsman, working in a factory on Fulton street under an assumed name. She very decidedly declined to accompany the officer, and was supported in her position by her employer, Gen. Hatfield, of this city. He questioned the rights of the Jersey officer in New York. The Sergeant was armed with a capias warrant and of course was acting in accordance with his duty. At Broadway and Fulton streets she again objected to proceed, and succeeded in attracting a large crowd. She appealed to an officer for protection, who, after learning the circumstances, advised her kindly to go to Jersey, which she did, and was shortly afterward handed over to Jailor Allen by Mr. Ringe, who was glad to be relieved.

Mrs. Roseneck says she would not leave town only through the advice of Justice Rusch, who has been more or less mixed up with her affairs since the death of Geisler. She further claims that Rusch has a bill of sale of everything which she possesses, even to her clothing. She also denies having become reconciled to her husband, and says she was trying to make an honest living for herself by working hard and with hopes of redeeming the past.

LACONICS.

—"Gray Hairs" will be the subject of the Rev. D. B. F. Randolph's sermon at the M. E. Free Tabernacle to-morrow evening.

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—James Bruen, the popular young hatter, will open a store in one of the new buildings on Washington street, between 1st and 2d, as soon as it completed.

—The Young Men's masquerade ball, which will take place at Old Fellows' Hall on next Thursday evening, promises to surpass all former affairs of the kind.

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—John Wock, a fish dealer, residing at the corner of Grove and Ferry streets, was thrown from his wagon on Tuesday last and so seriously injured that his life is despaired of. The accident was caused by the axle breaking. He was attended by Dr. Helfer.

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The bill has passed the House, and it remains for Mr. Rabe to advocate it though the Senate or otherwise and show whether he is influenced or not. He is also aware of the necessity for the city, at least, to have a building for its own purposes and not be dependent on the whims of a very exacting landlord, as was illustrated only a short time ago on a renewal of the lease. Some of the papers assert that Mr. Curran, who introduced the bill, did not "open his mouth." Well, that's all right; we all know "Jimmie," he says less and accomplishes more than any man of his size in Hudson County, and, as is usually the case, he knew what he was about.

A HINT TO RAILROAD MANAGERS.

The recent bridge disaster in Scotland suggests a very important matter, that of registering the names of travelers who make long or perilous journeys by rail. In steamboats, steamships, and other vessels that carry passengers, the practice of registering is common, if not universal. Yet, in many instances of accident on the water, the books of registry are apt to be destroyed. When a heavy railroad accident happens, a long time usually elapses before the friends of the dead, and the public generally, are made acquainted with the names of all the lost ones, though books of registry for passengers would be generally safe at depots and ticket offices. Some instances have occurred wherein the dead have never been identified. There should be a rule at every railroad station to register passengers who embark for trips like that from New York to Buffalo, for example, or from New York to Albany, or to Washington. This would not only save time and anxiety in cases of accident, but

would be something of a help to our detective system, in spite of the fact that fugitives from justice assume aliases. Many short journeys, like that over a portion of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, are exceedingly dangerous, inasmuch as the slightest tilt of the train would send everybody on board into eternity very speedily. The necessity of registry here is as apparent as in long but less hazardous journeys. Insurance companies might also be sometimes benefitted by a complete system of railroad registering.

She Couldn't Stay Away.

All the harrassing details surrounding the case of the late unfortunate Dr. Geisler were brought painfully to mind on Thursday by the arrest in New York of Mrs. Martha Roseneck, his alleged paramour. The woman had been indicted and was under \$500 bail to appear for trial, but failed to be on hand when the time arrived. She was found by Sergeant Ringe and John C. Johnson, her bondsman, working in a factory on Fulton street under an assumed name. She very decidedly declined to accompany the officer, and was supported in her position by her employer, Gen. Hatfield, of this city. He questioned the rights of the Jersey officer in New York. The Sergeant was armed with a *capias* warrant and of course was acting in accordance with his duty. At Broadway and Fulton streets she again objected to proceed, and succeeded in attracting a large crowd. She appealed to an officer for protection, who, after learning the circumstances, advised her kindly to go to Jersey, which she did, and was shortly afterward handed over to Jailor Allen by Mr. Ringe, who was glad to be relieved.

Mrs. Roseneck says she would not leave town only through the advice of Justice Rusch, who has been more or less mixed up with her affairs since the death of Geisler. She further claims that Rusch has a bill of sale of everything which she possesses, even to her clothing. She also denies having become reconciled to her husband, and says she was trying to make an honest living for herself by working hard and with hopes of redeeming the past.

LACONICS.

"Gray Hairs" will be the subject of the Rev. D. B. F. Randolph's sermon at the M. E. Free Tabernacle to-morrow evening.

The Rev. S. Sargant will preach at the First M. E. Church to-morrow morning, and the pastor, Rev. D. R. Lowrie, at 7:30 P. M.

James Bruen, the popular young hatter, will open a store in one of the new buildings on Washington street, between 1st and 2d, as soon as it completed.

The Young Men's masquerade ball, which will take place at Old Fellows' Hall on next Thursday evening, promises to surpass all former affairs of the kind.

Some thief or thieves entered the office of Mr. Charles Shultz, the lumber dealer on the River Road, Wednesday night and carried off articles valued at about \$30.

The operetta of "Little Red Riding Hood" will be presented at the Franklin Lyceum on Monday night. The entertainment is for the benefit of St. Paul's church.

John Wock, a fish dealer, residing at the corner of Grove and Ferry streets, was thrown from his wagon on Tuesday last and so seriously injured that his life is despaired of. The accident was caused by the axle breaking. He was attended by Dr. Helder.

The Hoboken Mutual Life Insurance Association met on Tuesday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing

year: President, J. J. Chase; Vice President, P. McGinness; Treasurer, J. Hausman; Secretary, A. P. Nafie. The association numbers 952 members.

A little boy named Willie Spencer, living at the corner of First and Jefferson streets, was run over by Langdorf's undertaker wagon on last Monday and seriously injured. Mr Langdorf, who was driving at the time, was arrested, but later discharged on his own recognizance.

A young man named John McElligot, employed on the coal trestle near the ferry house, in descending a ladder on Wednesday slipped and fell to the ground. Both wrists were broken and he received other serious injuries. The unfortunate man was removed to his home on Willow street.

Harry Coppers was arrested on Tuesday evening charged with stealing a valuable scarf pin from a man named Farley, and was released in \$200 bail. He denies the charge, and says that at the time of the alleged robbery he was in a saloon in the company of four men, whom he says will testify to the fact.

Annie Heyson, who has been missing for several months, returned last Tuesday to her home on Grand street. It will be remembered that she left the house of Surrogate McCague, where she was employed, suddenly, fearing a promised chastisement by her father for attending a circus without permission. Annie is a very propoessing girl of about 16 years of age. She says since her departure she has been working for a family at Bogoda.

As another instance of the danger which may result from the thoughtless—perhaps we might say culpable—practice of parents in going out to attend to their business and leaving behind, locked up, small children, we may mention that the fire which occurred on Willow street last Monday forenoon was occasioned by the children so locked up, the parents having gone to church. The little ones amused themselves by playing with kerosene, smearing some of the articles of furniture with that explosive article, which caught fire, damaged more or less several household articles, burned two of the children quite severely, and, were it not for the prompt attendance of the firemen, no knowing what extent of damage the conflagration might not have produced.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, THAT THE Commissioners appointed to assess the costs and expense incurred in the construction of the continuation of the Ravine Road sewer, upon the lands and real estate specially benefitted by the construction of said sewer, will meet at the office of the Ravine Road Sewer Commissioners, on Monday, February 9, 1880, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock P. M., to reconsider the matter of said assessment and to amend their report and assessment pursuant thereof to the order of Hon. Manning M. Knapp, Justice of the Supreme Court, bearing date on the twenty-fourth day of January, A. D. 1880, at which time and place all persons interested in the said matter may appear and be heard in relation thereto.

And notice is further given, that it is alleged that the following described lands and real estate, to wit:

All those certain lots, plots and parcels of land on that portion of Jersey City Heights, formerly known as Hudson City, which are situated and contained within the following general boundaries, namely:

Bounded on the east by the brow of the Hill; on the south by the Paterson Plank road; on the west by Summit avenue, northerly to Hutton street; thence Milton avenue, northerly to Charles street; thence along Nelson and Durham avenues, and including 100 feet west thereof, to Paterson avenue; on the south by Jefferson avenue, from Palisade avenue westerly to the centre of the block, and from thence by the centre line of block 709 to Oakland avenue; from thence running northerly to the centre of Beach street, about 200 feet east of Central avenue, and from thence westerly to the centre of Summit avenue, at its intersection with Bergenwood avenue.

All, as is more particularly shown on the maps on file at the office of the County Clerk, Hudson County Court House, Jersey City Heights, or at the office of the Ravine Road Sewer Commissioners, Room No. 7, First National Bank building, in the City of Hoboken, are benefitted by said improvement and ought to be assessed for the cost and expense of building and constructing the same.

By order of the Board,
 ROBERT HUTTON, Clerk
 January 27, 1880.

COUNCILMANIC NOTES.

A very slim audience greeted the Common Councilmen on Tuesday evening, and this fact was accepted as evidence that there was no very special business before the board, or, as it is more commonly expressed, no circus on hand.

James Killduff, who is engaged in constructing several receiving basins in the meadow district, authorized the Council to pay \$120 of the amount due him to Dickinson & Co.

The Committee on Alms reported favorably on the payment of the Leonard and Lewis claims, for services at the relief stores in 1878, notwithstanding the Mayor's objections. The report was referred to the Corporation Attorney for his opinion.

Specifications for the erection of a box sewer in Clinton street were received and adopted.

The Mayor claims that Market Square was donated to the city for special purposes, and, consequently, he objected to the resolution asking our county and city representatives to the Legislature to secure permission to erect a city hall on said site. The veto was received.

His Honor also communicated to the Council the advisability of bringing the apparent negligence of the Riparian Commissioners before the Legislature, and requesting a decision on Hoboken's riparian rights. Received and referred.

The reports of the Board of Education, City Physician and Recorder were all received and referred to the proper committees.

The claim of Bowes Bros. and Samuel Overton, for work done on the public parks, and William Curtis, for books furnished the Collector, were ordered paid, notwithstanding Mr. Bessou's objections.

The opinions of Superintending Architect Himpler on the No 4 School heating troubles were received, through the Clerk of the Board of Education, and referred to the Committee on Schools.

George Clark's bid to prepare the annual financial statement for the sum of \$300 was accepted, much to the surprise of City Accountant Adolphi, who was anxious for the work, but would not accept less than \$400 compensation.

A supplement to the City Physician ordinance, which grants that official power to forward patients to any hospital or other retreat for the sick when he deems such a course necessary, passed its second reading.

The ordinance providing for the appointment of City Weighmasters, over which there was considerable debate, passed its third and last reading. It was then resolved to meet next Wednesday as a Committee of the Whole to regulate the salaries of coming officials, and the meeting adjourned.

Terpsichorean Notes.

The third annual *soiree dansante* of the Union Social Club attracted the elite of this city, to Old Fellows' Hall on Tuesday evening, so celebrated has this popular organization become for its very pleasant parties in the past. The decorations have seldom been equalled, and Cranmer's orchestra discoursed the most popular selections, including three pieces specially composed for the occasion. The costumes of the ladies were in every case grand and costly, and many of them would take an expert *modiste* to describe. During intermission a very sumptuous supper was served by Major Woerner in his best style, after which dancing was continued until the "wee sma' hours." The floor committee consisted of Messrs. Fred. Leonhard, Jr., Fred. Schultze and Ernst Rubsamen, who acquitted themselves creditably. Messrs. B. Freystedt, E. Wortmann and A. W. Gilmore attended to the reception of guests, etc., and better selections could not be made. The arrangement committee, Messrs. W. Geisler, George F. Budenbender, and Charles

Schultze, were also very efficient and courteous. The *toute ensemble* being under the able direction of the affable President of the club, Mr. W. Rubsamen.

The "Amicitia" G. F. V., a social and literary association of this city, gave a social surprise in honor of Mr. J. Staub, ex-president of the association, on Tuesday evening, at Old Fellows' Hall. The affair was a very pleasant one, and gave satisfaction to all concerned; amusement and social enjoyment suited to the task of the parties participating, which consisted of about 300 young persons, having reigned supreme from beginning to end, terminating as pleasantly to the young people as satisfactorily to the worthy gentleman in whose honor the affair was promulgated. All the officers and members gave entire satisfaction in the discharge of their respective duties, and none behaved more gallantly than the estimable President, Mr. Chris. Sack. The floor management was under the care of Mr. Chas. C. Oeder, and the floor committee consisted of Messrs. H. Schuette, W. Heinsohn, E. C. Linde, L. J. Thomas, Jr., and the reception committee of Messrs. C. E. Thies, C. Kleiber, W. Deitering, J. Stille, H. Allman, J. Steljes, J. Breckwoldt and C. Steinberg.

The members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, No. 10, entertained their friends to the number of about 150 couples at Odd Fellows' on Wednesday evening, on the occasion of their fourth annual ball. The room was profusely decorated. Stone's orchestra played the latest popular airs and Major Woerner amply provided for the inner man. James McMahon managed the floor, assisted by Andrew Curtin, and the different committees who also gave undivided attention to their guests, were composed of John Dillon, Thos. Sloyan, T. S. Haughey, John Ratigan, D. Noon, Anthony Mullen and J. C. Lahlan. The officers of the association are Charles Coyne, President; James Mullaney, Vice President; John Dillon, Financial Secretary; J. Powers, Recording Secretary; J. Leary, Treasurer.

The promenade concert and hop of the Valencia Orchestra at Kapp's Harmonia Hall on Monday evening was a decided success. Miss Romena Chabert sang "Let Me Dream Again," and was obliged to reappear. Mrs. Ahrens and Misses Gilbert and Post also assisted. The selections by the orchestra were very difficult and well rendered, and would prove severe tests for many boasted professional associations.

The masquerade ball of the Schuetzen Lyra Society at Old Fellows' Hall on Monday evening proved a very pleasant affair. About 150 couples were present, and so thoroughly enjoyed Professor Dynk's music and Major Woerner's supper that the majority lingered until daylight.

The "Horrors"

"If 'sweet words butter no parsnips,' 'hard names don't kill,' are expressions in common use, and they are trite as they are true. And we are sure that the audiences who have witnessed "Horrors," as depicted by Rice's Surprise Party at the Standard Theatre, New York, will bear witness to the truth of the old sayings we have quoted above. Instead of the audience being killed by "horrors," they were convulsed by "paroxysmal" laughter, occasioned by antics the most comical and sayings the most mirth-producing during the entire entertainment, which consisted, besides the "Horrors," of imitations of an English comic singer, excellently delineated by Miss Atherton, and caricatures of celebrated actors, singing, etc., by Mr. Louis Harrison. The present representation of "Horrors" differs very sensibly to last season's bill of fare, and we cordially recommend all who have not as yet enjoyed the representation of "Horrors" to avail themselves of the opportunity afforded by the Standard Theatre, where they will very quickly find out, in a ticklish way, that on "horrors" head "horrors" do not accumulate.

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He Went out for a Ball.

He lay upon his dying bed,
His eye was growing dim,
When with a feeble voice he called
His weeping son to him.
"Weep not, my son," the veteran said,
"You ignominious brat,
But quickly from the cellar bring
My little base ball bat.

"You see, my son, my crooked nose,
That scar beneath my eye—
They both were caused one day as I
Was scooping in a fly.
My ear, too, is knocked out of shape—
It caused my heart to flutter—
I caught it while endeavoring
To catch a daisy-cutter.

"See how my fingers are bunged up;
I got them, so I heard,
By being knocked across the field
While stealing home from third.
You note those scars upon my head?
I'm of one leg bereft—
I lost that leg while going for
A hot one out at left.

"And now, my son, go get a ball,
And I will show you how
We used to take them from the bat—
They—cannot—do—so—now!"
The old man died. To "get a ball"
The youth went out instant,
And in five minutes had unload-
Ed his old man's decanter.

Philosophy by Josh Billings.

There seems to be two kinds of wisdom—
one a man gets from studying only the bad
side of human nature, the other from study-
ing both the good and bad side, and then
striking a healthy average.

Musik is not only a plezant power, but it
iz one of the cheapest ones, too; enny per-
son who haz genius enuff to turn a grind-
stun kan understand a fiddle.

There iz a good deal in a name; vinegar
sounds sour to me, so duz honey sound
sweet.

Too mutch learning and too little wisdom
iz making the whole world mad; the mis-
take iz az old az the farce enacted in the
garden of Eden.

There may be people who never make
enny blunders or mistakes (or who think
they don't), the best we kan say for them iz
punftully korrekt.

It seems rather tuff, and quite ridikilus,
that a man who haz honestly earned fame
kant git it until after he iz ded, and then
haz to take it in sekond rate poetry on his
tume stun.

Science iz a good thing az far az it goes,
but there iz no amount of it kan beat the
spots on the kards.

The man who laffs and nods hiz hed, and
sez, "Yes, jes so," to everything yu say, iz
one of the hardest men in the world to git
onto the bak of sixty-day paper.

Yung man, satisfy yurself, and the world
in due time are sure to give yu all the praze
yu deserve.

A bizzzy man is a harder man for the devil
to kapture than even a pious one.

Opinyuns rule mankind, and yet two-
thirds of all the opinyuns afloat are like
foot-balls; the man who kan kik them the
highest iz the best fello.

Philosophy iz a self sakraficing virtew;
most of it iz spent our n. bors, but little of
ourselves.

There iz a great deal more virtew and
happiness in the world than we are aware
of, menny of us hav it in our possesshun
without knowing it.

February.

The present month will be an odd one in
several respects. It will have in the first
place an odd number of days, owing to its
leap year distinction. It will have an odd

number of Sundays—five—which is very
odd for the shortest month of the year—
and one of the Sundays will be Washing-
ton's birthday. It will begin on Sunday
and end on Sunday, which is also odd. The
five Sundays correspond in date with the
five Sundays in the following August, which
is odd again. It is said that no one now
living will ever see another February so
odd; nor will their children, nor their chil-
dren's children—sufficient in itself to make
the month interesting. Many old super-
stitions are associated with the month,
which originally had 29 days among the
Romans in an ordinary year. When the
Roman Senate, however, decreed that the
eighth month should be named after the
Emperor Augustus one day was taken from
February and bestowed on August, giving
31 days in order that it might not be in-
ferior to July, called after Julius Cæsar.
February was the month of purification,
from *februum*, during which the Lupercalia,
or Februalia, were celebrated, the festival
beginning the 15th and celebrated annually.
Luperculus, or Februus, was the god of fer-
tility, whose appropriate sacrifices were
dogs and goats. After the offering two pa-
trician youths were conducted to the altar,
when one of the priests touched their fore-
heads with a sword dipped in the blood of
the victims and another priest washed off
the stains with wool soaked in milk. Then
the priests sat down to a feast at which wine
was bountifully furnished. After rising
from the board they cut the skins of the
sacrificed goats in pieces and covered with
some of these parts of their bodies in imita-
tion of the deity, represented as half clad in
goat skins. With other pieces converted
into thongs they ran through the streets
striking everybody they met, particularly
women, who courted the blow from the be-
lief that it averted sterility and the pains of
travail. The ceremonies of the festival were
supposed to symbolize the purification of
the people. If it had any such power the
revival of the Lupercalia would be advisable
here, where political sins are grievous and
innumerable.

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