

HERE AND THERE.

—Reader did you get a valentine? —The Damrosch tickets are on sale at the Central Pharmacy. —Ragan describes the "Emerald Isle" at Music Hall tomorrow night. —Do you want a situation? A "Coffer" "want ad" will secure it for you. —The baseball season opens May 21 with Westfield playing in Plainfield. —Have you a house to let? Many readers of the Courier are in search of it. —The Common Council will consider the liquor licenses one week from tomorrow night. —"Jackson," the story of a seahorse, by W. Clark Russell, will be printed in next Saturday's Courier. —The Reading took formal possession of the New Jersey Central and the Lehigh Valley at midnight Friday. —The police arrested one disorderly person on Saturday night. Yesterday the prisoner was let out to appear for a hearing to-day. —The beautiful Aurora Borealis which appeared in the Northern sky on Saturday evening was witnessed by many people in Plainfield. —Henry H. Ragan, will deliver the fourth lecture in his series at Music Hall tomorrow evening. His subject will be "Picturesque Ireland." —Some miscreant stole a number of shoes from a cobbler's shop on West Second street Saturday evening, and escaped with them. The police were notified of the theft. —Charles Shang, a clerk in a West Front street store, received some lively calls yesterday, through the mails, this morning. He says he cannot imagine what it is that has such a grudge against him. —Special Officer William Dagnell arrested four boys from North Plainfield on Saturday afternoon for pilfering from a store on East Front street. The boys will probably be given a hearing this afternoon. —The remains of John Shay, the brakeman who died at the Muhlenberg Hospital on Saturday, were taken to his late home at Hampton Junction, N. J., Sunday evening, where the funeral will take place tomorrow. —Train No. 517, due here at 8:29, and train 501, due at 9:45, will stop in this city tomorrow morning to take on the delegates appointed to go to Trenton to oppose the race-track bills. The fare for the round trip will be \$1.50. —A gasoline stove, to light which requires no vaporizing, is now on sale at Peterson's hardware store. It has three burners, any one of which can be lighted at one time. No possible danger of an explosion. Call and see it work. —The new "Charities Review," published for the New York Charity Organization Society, has been added, through the kindness of one who is interested in that subject, to the regular number of periodicals now to be seen at the Public Library. —A Treat for Tomorrow Night. The lecture in Music Hall tomorrow evening by H. H. Ragan, the traveler and lecturer on "Picturesque Ireland" will be one of the treats of the season. The lecture will be illustrated with nearly one hundred of the finest stereoscopic views ever shown in this city. The slides are colored and, to nature, the pictures themselves on the screen being 25 by 30 feet in size. The hall has been comfortably filled on each lecture thus far, but from present indications the audience tomorrow evening will be the largest on the course.

Both Acquired. Robert Beilly and Louis W. Leonard, conductor and engineer of the construction train, which caused the wreck at Pennington on December 3, last, and who have been on trial at Trenton for the past three days, were on Saturday acquitted of manslaughter in the wreck. It will be remembered, resulted in the loss of three lives, and the prosecution of the trial have been closely watched by many.

Block Signers on the B. & O. The entire Philadelphia Division of the B. & O., between Philadelphia and Baltimore, beginning to-day, will be operated according to the Block Sign System. Portions of the road hereunder used this system in the movement of trains, but to-day it becomes general, all trains having been completed along the line, and manned with operators ready to begin work. As soon as possible, the lines West of Baltimore will use this system.

A White Cap of Berlin Hanged in Jail. Some of the villagers at Sterling Heights, the effect of a man hanging from a tree the day after a depot early Saturday morning. James Jenkins, a laborer, cut it down. It was an affray of one of Parson Dill's White Cap enemies. The crowd gave a grave and buried it amid considerable uproar. At the head of the grave they put up a board with a scurrilous inscription upon it.

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AGAINST THE RACE TRACK.

AN ENTERTAINING MASS MEETING AT A MUSIC HALL YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

Speeches by Prominent Citizens in Reference to the Proposed Law. —A Large Company of Citizens Applied to Visit Trenton Tomorrow and Protest Against the Proposed Measure. —Other Details of the Meeting.

In response to a call signed by Rev. E. M. Bodman, Rev. A. B. Dille and Craig A. Marsh, a large number of persons met in mass meeting at Music Hall, yesterday, to express their views and protests against the proposed race-track measures now pending before the Legislature, authorizing and legalizing pool-selling and book-making on the race tracks throughout the State of New Jersey. In the audience were noted many ladies and representative citizens of the city. Mayor Gilbert called the meeting to order, and was made chairman. Representatives of the press were named as Secretaries.

The following were in the audience: Dr. E. M. Bodman, Rev. Dr. J. L. Hurlbut, Rev. W. R. Richards, Rev. C. B. Mitchell, Rev. E. H. Honeymann, Rev. Robert Clarke, President S. A. Gilman of the City Council, Corporation Counsel Craig A. Marsh, Henry R. Bowen, Ex-Mayor L. V. F. Randolph, Editor A. M. Powell, Francis E. N. Erickson, Charles E. Williams, Dr. John W. Murray and W. D. Miller. Rev. Dr. Yerkes led in prayer.

Mayor Gilbert was the first speaker. He said among other things that a year ago a similar meeting was held to protest against race-track gambling, but at that time the effort was only partly successful. Now he considers it the time for the people to make a more vigorous effort to secure the repeal of the law.

He said that the Legislature of the time is to perform higher duties of citizenship. The Mayor alluded to the indignities done on the race tracks to the colored people, and stated that they were largely patronized by what may be termed members of the "Four Hundred." The Elizabeth track, he said, is the worst of the lot, which New York empties on our shores. The spirit of gambling is a new thing, and at the present time and under present conditions it is taking in its grasp all classes of people even to women, boys and girls; what will be the effect upon the young of the large and small cities and allow this state of affairs to exist in concluding his address, Mayor Gilbert said, the Legislature may pay little or no heed to the protest, but petitioning that body may create a public sentiment and inaugurate a great reform.

Corporation Counsel Craig A. Marsh next explained the provisions of the proposed new law, a vigorous address which was frequently interrupted by applause. He rapidly sketched the scheme of two bills now pending and pointed out with clearness that the law in its face, they had the legal effect of giving a class bill of the race-track gamblers, if only the gambling is done within the grounds of the racing association. It was apparent to all that legal gambling is the right order had been employed in making the real object of these measures. Passing to the question of the right to conduct mass meetings, he maintained that the Legislature might with equal propriety declare that hereafter no law should be created in this State for a man to have a plurality of wives, or to steal less than \$1,000, or to commit any other act that all our free laws have been regarded as a crime.

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Rev. G. B. Mitchell, pastor of the Methodist Church, had charge of the exercises, which were very interesting. At 10.30 a. m. the services of the day commenced. The Rev. Dr. Nix, D. D., presided at the organ, and was assisted by a choir of twelve voices which rendered some excellent music. The programme at this service consisted of congregational singing, a prayer by Rev. Dr. Nix, D. D., an anthem by the choir and responsive reading, after which Bishop W. X. Nix, D. D., preached a very impressive sermon, taking his text from 1st Samuel 4-13. His words were exhortations of the church to which were particularly with reference to the duty of Christians and their part in the church of today. He dwelt at length upon what the church was to be and the great influence it can exert.

At the conclusion of the sermon Mr. Mitchell spoke of the financial part of the enterprise, and said he was desirous of raising \$2,000 before the audience dispersed. A blackboard was placed on the platform, upon which was marked in squares, representing the above amount, ten dollars being allotted to a square. He called for subscribers with which to raise the needed sum, and in less than a half hour \$1,200 was subscribed toward paying off the indebtedness of the church. Bishop Nix pronounced the dedication, which concluded the morning services.

At 3 o'clock a platform meeting was held at which the Rev. Dr. Nix, D. D., presided. He made by Dr. H. C. Carroll, Rev. W. R. Richards, Rev. Dr. J. L. Hurlbut, and Rev. Dr. J. B. Van Meter. A letter was read from the Rev. Dr. Nix, D. D., expressing regret at not being able to attend the service. Rev. Charles Hutchinson of the Park Place Methodist Church of Elizabeth, dismissed the meeting with the benediction.

In the evening another large and interesting service was held at the dedication of the chapel. Special music was rendered at this service and Bishop Nix delivered another forcible sermon which was listened to with a great deal of interest. At the close of the sermon Isaac W. Pangborn, President of the Board of Trustees, also contractor of the new chapel, in a few words presented the building to Bishop Nix for dedication, which was done according to the ritual of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The chapel is of Gothic style, built of brick, and the architect, O. A. Toole, has done excellent judgment in its design. There are two entrances from the Park place side, and one entrance to the gallery inside. It is so arranged that it can accommodate 1,000 persons. The Sunday-school as well as for regular services, there being sliding doors to divide the rooms. The building is somewhat similar to Vincent chapel, in detail, and one thing particularly noticeable is the neatness and good taste displayed. It is peculiarly adapted to the needs of this people. From the enthusiasm shown at yesterday's services the success of the new church is already assured.

At the evening service there was more money raised to help pay off the debt which is comparatively small now. The amount was announced yesterday that the church had been enriched to the amount of \$20,000 during the past year.

Where Do You Get Your Coat? What do you know? Where you ever in a coat mine? Can you imagine what the looks like? Or what kind of folks the miners are? Or how their families live? After you have read that splendid paper in the March number of Demorest's Family Magazine, "Through the Coal Country with a Camera," and studied the twenty odd fine pictures which illustrate it, every piece of coal you see will be invested with a new interest; and when you read about "strikes" among the miners, you will better appreciate their true significance. Photographs were taken specially for this issue, and have been reproduced in superb style.

"German Without a Master" by Professor A. de Bonington of Chautauque University, will be of inestimable value to those who wish to study that useful language; "The Home of a Millionaire" furnishes excellent ideas about economy and achieving riches; and the reminiscences of a great explorer of the world and "How to Invest in Real Estate" are full of practical suggestions.

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The tried to put on a knowing look; but I was not to be taken in. I said, "I am not at all interested in the subject as about managing him. I should like to know how you have been able to have him so well impressed. As it was, I wouldn't have been able to do it."

"I don't know, I don't know where in the world I could get the money to buy a larger and better house, any house at all like this," he said.

"You could sell this," she replied, not understanding.

"But if real estate is a drug on the market, I don't want to sell," I retorted, thinking cunningly to turn her own weapon upon herself.

"Then, I don't know where to get the money," she said, "I don't know where to get the money."

"That stock is going up daily; if it goes up six months it can get double what it is now; it would bring more, or hold it and draw dividends."

"Well, what else are you going to do?" I asked.

"You said yourself that we must have a larger and better house."

"I don't know how to get it," he said, with a regretful expression.

I had expected to make by holding it.
My wife occupied her leisure time for the

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"W-y, em' Jane, of course." "I'm sure I don't know," I returned, dubiously; but she should remember, my dear, that I was a doctor, and not a lawyer. "Oh, I know she's dead. She wouldn't give her things away under any other circumstances. I'll give you the key and that dear old silver to my second cousin, John Scott. He'll sell it, and spend every cent on liquor and cigars and such. Then the bliss in her eyes was quenched by a flood of tears. I did my best to soothe her, but she would not be reassured but that if her cousin sold the silver we would buy it. "I don't want it," she declared; "I don't want it," she vehemently," and I won't get a single new thing in the house, or a new dress, or that sea-skin, or anything. I'll just die." "I'll give you the key," said John Scott, can't keep his silver and you can keep your building association money and stock, too. So there,

After that I did not try to assuage her grief. I was afraid that consolation might be costly.—Good Housekeeping.

The Persistence of the Welsh Tongue.

Although English is without doubt dominant in Wales, the English language is not so much the native tongue of the anxious foreigner may justly regret at this moment that we had better begin to learn Welsh than to learn English. It is to say among the residents of the United Kingdom.

From the Welsh language, the Euxine Association was a witness before the Mining and Engineering Commission, which was held in London, knew no English. His statements would, therefore, have been of little use to the Commission, which was held in London for industrial difficulties, had it not been for the indefatigable Mr. Abraham, M. P., who, in the presence of the Commission, a Welsh song, or the interpretation of Welsh questions.

The medium of that gentleman Mr. Rose gave his evidence, and in-

THE LATE WM. J. FLORENCE.

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A Dangerous Diary.

The Empress of Germany is in the habit of writing a diary which she keeps very secret. A woman who for years has had the honor of her majesty's friendship says that the empress's diary is one of the most interesting diaries, not even the emperor. At the close of the year a new diary is opened, and the old one is locked up in a safe. The empress is said to have signed to the iron safe containing her majesty's domestic jewelry, as she calls it, meaning the general store of jewels, saying "I am going to leave you alone; do not require me to seek dearest with the public jewels of her exalted estate."

She keeps a key for all the diaries, and the empress usually carries it attached to a chain at her waist. As he never loses it, it is probable that the diaries are

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FACTS AND FIGURES

The Teatonic steamship company of coal per day.

Five Virginia choose factors 15,000 pounds a week.

Twenty million acres of the United States are held by En.

There are over 1,100,000 rail 32,000 locomotives in the United States.

The negroes in the United States pay taxes on \$254,000,000 worth of property.

From 1899 to 1890 Colorado \$300,000,000 worth of gold, silver and copper.

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William W. Wilhelm, the bridge-master of the Pennsylvania, has traveled nearly 3,000,000 miles since he was involved in the last accident, during his long career.

At last Thomas Laws, the bridge-master of the Pennsylvania, bore the message from Mr. Wright to Gen. Sheridan who then ordered the Pennsylvania to attack the Confederates at Winchester, which has been found to be a decisive battle.

Joshua B. Wickham, the bridge-master of the Pennsylvania, died last week. He was a very old man and had been in the service of the Pennsylvania for many years.

Adams in 1797.

A man who claimed to have been a friend of Simon Kenton, died Cole, who died at Springfield, Mo., 18 years ago. He was alleged to have been 115 years old.

John Lagalls Handley, the oldest man in the state, died from Maine, and the tallest man in the Army of the Potomac, died at East Wilton, N. H. His height was seven and a half inches, and his weight 160 pounds. He was a color sergeant in the Eighth

SIFTINGS.

Anthony Comstock will upon it that only dressed in appear in the market.

Three scruples make a drachm of the boys take the dram the scruples come in at the se

Dialogue between two blind you know that gentleman wh quarter just now?" "Only b

A man has just died in who smoked 2,000 herring a than the tobacco habit. N

It does not change the way I feel about it, but there is satisfaction in a good vigorous avhille.

Medical students are among the snobbish people in the world. It is common practice with them to kill people dead.

Many men imagine that they couldn't get along without women when they die the town in which they lived experiences a boom.

Every healthy girl is a town in itself. It is not until she is

RHINESTONES.

Success is inherited as frequently as it is achieved.

The world never forgives disappointments.

Poverty is no crime; it is the result of the sin of failure.

There is a painful lack of the work of many self-made men.

"Talking about" people admitted to be saying disagree about them.

There is nothing a man can more complacency than a by of hard luck.

The foundation of many laid in the difference between moral honesty.

Hospitality consists of something than making people believe to see them when you are not.

A "long time ago" is a period with the age of the reminiscence.

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