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BUSINESS AND SALOONS.

LOCAL MERCHANTS DISCUSSED THE QUESTION IN CHURCH.

Seely Edsall, Alonzo Weseman, J. A. Fowleson and John Allen talked—All agreed on the Bad Features of the Traffic.

The members of the Congregational church have certainly not been left in ignorance of the importance of the election which will take place December 7th. On Sunday morning they listened to a strong appeal for good citizenship from their pastor, Rev. Charles Lyman Goodrich, and last night the regular midweek service of the church took the form of a temperance meeting. The topic was "The Saloon," which was to be considered from the personal standpoint of various business men of the city.

The first speaker was Seely Edsall, well known as a merchant of Plainfield. He said his business relations with drinking men had been slight, as a merchant will never knowingly employ a man who drinks. If it is known that a young man even takes a social glass at a party, it injures his business prospects, for business competition is now so intense that employers have to be very strict in the requirements they make of the men under them. If a young man wishes to succeed in business, he must keep clear of the saloon; this is one of the strongest arguments for the abolishing of the saloon. Mr. Edsall told the story of several men with whom he was well acquainted, who had been ruined by the saloon, and said, in closing, that if he had the power he would sink every rum-hole into the earth, where it could no longer wreck men, body and soul, and take the bread from their children's mouths.

Alonzo Weseman, superintendent at Scott's Press Works, gave a little of his experience with men who had been injured by the saloon. He said that he had seen many men go steadily down, because of that baleful influence; often it would be a young man following in the steps of an elder one.

Even the men who want the "social drink" for themselves, do they want it for their boys? A young man once down, it is an awfully hard job to get him up again. If the saloons were closed, the boys in the shops who drink might manage to get an occasional drink, but they wouldn't get half so much, and there would not be the opportunity for invitations to social drinking.

J. A. Fowleson, another Plainfield merchant, was now asked if it was his opinion that trade in Plainfield would decline if the saloons were closed. He said that he did not see how it would be possible for any trade to be lost. A very large amount of money is now spent in the saloons, in a way to do nobody any good, but to destroy our manhood, and if the saloons were closed, there would be all the more money to spend for other things.

The last speaker, John Allen, spoke from the point of view of the machinist, and his account agreed fully with that of Mr. Weseman. He spoke especially of the evil of social drinking, and of the many who, invited in early youth to take a glass with a friend, become regular drinkers before arriving at maturity.

BRIDGE PRACTICALLY FINISHED.

The Watchung Avenue Improvement Will Soon Be Ready for Use.

The new Watchung avenue bridge is completed with the exception of the hand rails that are to be placed on the side. For the reason that the rails are not yet in position the bridge has not been open to the public. Messrs. Tier and Hubbard, of the Board of Freeholders, are very anxious to have the bridge open, but they do not consider it wise to run the risk of having someone injured by being too hasty. Notwithstanding the barriers that have been placed in position to prevent travel over the bridge, people persist in knocking them down and using the bridge. Of course, if they sustain injury they would never be able to hold the county responsible. The Board of Freeholders met at Elizabeth today and paid the bills for the mason and paving work on both the Watchung and Byamcore avenue bridges.

Fine Interior Decorating. Edward Love, the interior decorator, North and Watchung avenues, has just finished Dr. Whitney's house on First place. Every one who has seen the house agrees that it is about the finest piece of work ever done in the city of Plainfield in that line. One would have to go far to see more artistic rooms than the parlor and dining room. The library is done with Persian Heraldic, the dining room in beautiful red and the parlor in white and gold.

The preparatory service at Warren chapel will be held tomorrow evening. Communion will be held on Sunday morning.

CAN'T GET TO HER PROPERTY

LEGAL FENCE IN MRS. LOOSEY'S PATH.

Her Land is Entirely Surrounded by Others, Who Forbid Her to Trespass.

Assemblyman W. R. Codrington was called to German Valley yesterday by one of his clients, who was in a peculiar predicament. Mrs. Hannah E. Loosey formerly resided in this city, but some time ago moved to German Valley, a small place in Morris county. She purchased some property there. Now there was no regular road running to the property, but a driveway through some of the adjoining property was the usual means of gaining access.

Of late there has been some building going on at German Valley and the property surrounding that belonging to Mrs. Loosey has been built up and fenced off. At last the driveway was closed and Mrs. Loosey found herself unable to reach her property without trespassing on her neighbors' land. A dispute among some of the property owners made matters much worse.

So Mr. Codrington was called to German Valley yesterday to look after the interests of Mrs. Loosey. He has decided to make application to the courts of Morris county to appoint commissioners to lay out a right of way by which Mrs. Loosey will be able to reach her property, and make it a permanent way to be used hereafter without objection.

GALA DAY AT LINCOLN.

The Town's New Schoolhouse Opened in an Auspicious Manner.

Yesterday the public school at Lincoln was opened up for the first time with twenty-four scholars, and Miss Maud Titworth as teacher. People came in on trains, wagons and bicycles to attend the public exercises. The scholars from New Market, South Plainfield and Harris Lane attended and took part in the exercises, consisting of recitations, singing, etc. At 3 o'clock the older people adjourned to the large hall over the schoolhouse and listened to speeches by Hon. Nelson Y. Dungan, of Somerville, Mayor S. D. Drake, John C. Morris, Rev. Fletcher and others. At 4 p. m. a large flag was raised. Over 100 children were served with refreshments in the schoolroom, and after the flag-raising, Mayor Drake invited all present to a lunch, served in the building opposite the depot. Sixty-two people sat down to the first table, and fifty-eight to the second table. After enjoying a substantial lunch, speeches were made, and it was voted that Lincoln had made a great hit with its public school. Twelve more scholars will be added to the school today, making thirty-six scholars.

Boys Against Convict Labor. At the meeting of the Boys' Club last evening another debate comprised the programme for the evening. The question for debate was "Should convicts be employed at public works." Charles Peterson and Charles Palmer argued the question in the affirmative, while Robert Goldsack and Olaf Saugstad represented the negative side. After a very spirited debate the question was decided in the negative by a vote of 8 to 7.

Next week the question to be debated will be "Should the United States recognize the belligerency of Cuba." Robert Goldsack and Clarence Pope will take the affirmative, and Charles Palmer and Joseph Galbraith will speak for the negative. The debating club will hereafter meet every two weeks.

A Tender Biblical Story.

The excellent discourse of Evangelist Saunders, at the gospel meeting in the Seventh-Day Baptist church last night, was founded upon the tender story of Martha, Mary and Lazarus. Increased attendance; the prayers and testimonies of an unusually large number of people and a manifest deepening of religious feeling made the meeting one of special interest. Meetings are held every night and all are invited to attend.

Soon to Be Five Years Old.

Iona Council, Degree of Pocahontas, met last evening and made arrangements to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the council on the evening of Dec. 15th. Mrs. Weigman, Mrs. Stephany, Miss Ella Sebring, Mrs. Holstein and Miss Lizzie Dunlap were appointed a committee to complete arrangements for the affair. The committee will meet next Monday evening in Red Men's Hall and several matters in detail will be arranged.

Kicked by a Horse.

Andrew Hoff, of Chatham street, was kicked by one of his horses yesterday afternoon while he was treating the animal for a disease. At first it was thought that Mr. Hoff was seriously injured, but an examination proved that such was not the case.

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COSTLY ARRAY OF STAMPS

E. R. ACKERMAN'S COLLECTION IS ONE OF THE BEST IN THE WORLD.

The Plainfielder Has Nearly Every Kind That Can Be Found in the World, Arranged Uniquely in His Home.

In a recent issue of Mekeel's Weekly Stamp News, there is the following account of the stamp collection of Ernest R. Ackerman, of West Seventh street, as one of the finest in the vicinity of New York: Mr. Ackerman's collection of about 15,000 varieties is particularly strong in United States revenues, of which he has about as fine an array as can be gotten together. He has the 6c. proprietary, orange, unused, fine; the 2c. U. S. I. R. green paper, beautiful shades of the second and third issues; two magnificent copies of the \$5 proprietary, inverts in multitude. He has the finest copy of the \$20 Probate of Will over perforate that your correspondent has ever seen or hopes to see, unused, with appalling wide margins.

His revenue collection is arranged alphabetically, according to title—a very happy deviation from the beaten track.

He also has a very fine collection of Bureau plates—all four sides of everything, with a very few exceptions up to plate 375.

In private proprietary stamps he has the 6c. James Swain, the Etina match and the Gorman match, the latter in beautiful unused condition; he also has the H. Bendel 12c., a very good stamp.

He has almost everything in United States regular issues, many blocks and pairs.

In Canada he has a very fine showing; for example, twenty-five copies of the 71 pence; three of them unused and full original gum.

He is also very fond of the stamps of Ceylon. He has three "double Genevas;" one of them on the letter. He is very strong in British North America and the West Indies, and has some of the Nevis in the sheet.

But he has one stamp aggregation which perhaps transcends all these. He has at his home in Plainfield, a room which he styles his den, the wall of which is artistically decorated with 34,000 unused Honduras stamps.

He is a member of the Collectors Club, National Society, and the Philatelic Society, New York, besides the London, Dresden, and other societies.

A PARLOR ENTERTAINMENT.

Trinity Reformed Church Sunday-School Scholars Met Socially.

A pleasant parlor entertainment was given at the home of Miss Olive Wikoff, 417 East Sixth street, last Tuesday evening by two classes from the primary department of the Trinity Reformed Sunday-school. The programme, which was as follows, was announced by F. E. Smith: Recitation, "Piccola," Bessie Randall; song, "Go to Sleep my Baby," Anna, Bessie and Hattie Randall and Lucy Coriell; recitation, "Compassion," Mrs. Randall; dialogue, "A Contrast," Emma and Laura Wikoff; recitation, "The Lighthouse Keeper," Bessie Randall; recitation, "November," Ida Tier; song, "A Paper of Pins," Lucy Coriell and Anna Randall; recitation, "The Last Hymn," Miss Olive Wikoff; dialogue, "Sweet Sixteen," Hattie and Anna Randall; recitation, "Little Orphans," Bessie Randall; tableau, "Forgiveness," Emma and Laura Wikoff; recitation, "Asleep at the Switch," Mrs. Randall; song, Anna, Bessie and Hattie Randall and Lucy Coriell; recitation, "Little Miss Muslin," Bessie Randall; tableau, "Whom Shall We Invite," Emma and Laura Wikoff and Lizzie Cutler; recitation, Mrs. Randall.

The programme was exceedingly well rendered and won much commendation from the very large audience present. The rooms were tastefully decorated for the occasion in an appropriate manner. The entertainment will net about \$7 for the church building fund, and the efforts of the young people are appreciated very much.

The Camp Reorganized.

Washington Camp, No. 30, Patriotic Order Sons of America, met Wednesday evening in Red Men's Hall for the purpose of reorganizing the Camp. Addresses were made by State Vice-President Decker, of Newark, and Mr. Book, of Trenton. The members decided to reorganize the Camp and N. H. Saxton, Dr. Bedford, I. N. Wyckoff, D. VanWinkle and J. D. Anderson were appointed a committee to make all arrangements.

Aaron F. Powell to Talk.

Arthur Heath will conduct the Christian Endeavor service at the Park Avenue Baptist church tomorrow evening, and the subject will be "How can we consecrate ourselves to the temperance and similar reforms." Aaron M. Powell will be present and make a short address.

WORKING FOR THE VOTES

REPUBLICANS AND CITIZENS ARE NOW HUSTLING HARD.

It is Claimed That vanHerwerden Will Give Frost a Hard Fight at the Colored Vote Still Perplexes G. O. P.

The campaign is on and both Republicans and Citizens are hard at work. There is not much to be seen on the surface, but both sides are actively engaged in trying to win votes for the coming charter election.

At the headquarters of the Citizens' movement everybody is hard at work now that the ticket has been definitely selected. There is no prospect of the vacancy on the slate in the Third ward being filled and the workers in that ward will devote their efforts toward the election of the city ticket alone. It was given out by the leaders in the Second ward that John vanHerwerden was making decided gains in his ward and that he was going to give Councilman Frost a hard push for the election. The remaining time before the election will be utilized in trying to still further his chances. Mr. vanHerwerden is taking an active interest in the campaign and is proving quite popular with all who have met him.

The wheels of the G. O. P. machine are beginning to move and the workers of that party throughout the city are out hustling every day. The problem of the colored vote is still before them. The leaders of the colored voters claim that they will all fall in line when the election is here and that the promised aid to the Citizens movement comes from a few sore-heads who do not represent the majority of the colored men. However it is, there is much work going on among them. Great pressure is being brought to bear on every Republican to do his share of the work at the coming election and back up the slate as selected by the machine. The Republican leaders are very confident of defeat and prophesy that the Citizens' movement will not poll the vote that it did last year. They say that everything is going their way.

The campaign is probably being most actively pushed by both sides down in the Fourth ward. The candidates on both sides are popular men and have numerous friends who are turning out to work for them. It was in this ward that the Citizens' movement began and there are a large number of voters discontented with the present administration. The lack of improvements in that district and the present condition of the roads are being largely used as arguments against the present administration.

A NEW INSTRUCTOR.

An Addition Made in the Staff at the New Jersey Military Academy.

Owing to the increased number of students at the New Jersey Military Academy, Dr. Warde has found it necessary to add another professor to his present corps of instructors. The new instructor will be Prof. Percy Robert Colwell, of Warwick, N. Y. Prof. Colwell prepared for college at the Warwick Collegiate Institute and graduated from there in 1893, leading a class of sixteen. In June, 1893, he took his Princeton examinations at New York, together with 124 other young men, and was awarded the New York alumni prize for passing the best examination in New York for entering Princeton. He became a member of the class of '97 in that educational institution and took the full classical course, doing special work in Greek and English. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts on graduating, besides several society prizes in debate and essay work. He was associate editor of the Nassau Literary Magazine. On graduation he received the class prize in English.

A Dispute Over Rent.

The little settlement of Dog Corners is agitated over the lawsuit in which Frank Johnson, one of its citizens, has become involved. Anthony G. Bicker, who is the plaintiff in the case, alleges that he purchased a number of the goods and chattels of Johnson, and also the lease of the premises in which the goods were stored, paying Johnson \$90 for the entire lot. The defendant, Bicker alleges, assured him that the rent of the premises was paid up to the date of the sale, but shortly after taking possession, he was presented with a bill for back rent by the landlord. He was under the necessity of either paying up in full, or giving up the premises, and he accordingly brought suit in Justice Mosher's court, through his counsel, C. J. Judge DeMeza. The claim is for \$200, and the case will be tried on Saturday.

Charged With Non-Support.

John Burns was arrested by Chief Grant this morning on the charge of non-support of his wife and family. He was held for trial.

JUSTICE MOFFETT UPHELD.

DECISION CONFIRMED BY THE COURT.

It Was the Case of Miantonomoh Tribe Against Old Glory Council for Rent.

The case of Miantonomoh Tribe, No. 118, Improved Order of Red Men, against Old Glory Council, No. 63, Daughters of Liberty, which was decided in favor of the defendants by Justice of the Peace Moffett, of this city, came up on appeal before Judge McCormick at Elizabeth yesterday, and the decision of the Plainfield Justice was confirmed.

The dispute between the two organizations arose over the question of rent due to the Red Men for the use of the rooms in the Stillman building on West Front street by the Old Glory council. The Red Men are the lessees of the rooms and besides using them for their own meetings, rents it to other organizations. In March, 1896, Old Glory Council engaged the hall for the first and third Monday nights in each month. In June of this year the Council announced its intention of giving up the rooms. The Red Men claimed that the premises were rented by the year, and that rent was due until March, 1898, and they accordingly brought suit for that amount. After hearing the evidence Justice Moffett decided that no lease existed, and awarded the plaintiff's judgment for \$2, the amount of one month's rent.

W. S. Angelman was attorney for the defense, and Justice William Newcorn appeared for the plaintiffs.

TALENTED MUSICIANS.

Excellent Solists Secured for the Philharmonic Concerts.

H. O. Newman has secured several excellent solists to appear in the various Philharmonic concerts. They are:

Mdlle. Antoinette Trebelli, who recently sang with the Symphony Society, conducted by Walter Damrosch at Carnegie Hall.

Miss Charlotte Maconda, "whose voice," the critic of the Musical Courier says, "has a striking resemblance to that of the great diva Patti." She has been enthusiastically received wherever she has appeared.

Miss Letti Kennedy, a young and charming singer who never fails to capture her audience.

Miss Beesie Silberton, the wonderful child pianist, twelve years of age, who plays the most difficult pieces of the old and more modern composers from memory, including in her repertoire, Bach, Mozart, Hadel, Haydin, Beethoven and Liszt.

H. Evan Williams, the leading concert tenor in America, having "a voice supremely beautiful and full of power."

Hermann Brandt, violinist, for ten years, concert master of Thomas' Orchestra and afterwards of the New York Philharmonic Society.

Louis Heine, a superior performer on the violoncello. Tickets for this series of concerts may be procured from the drug store of T. S. Armstrong, North avenue; price, three dollars.

THE IMPRESSION OF CHRISTIANITY.

Grace M. E. Revival Services Still Doing Much Good.

Never in the series of evangelistic services held for weeks past in Grace M. E. church has any meeting failed to impress some person or persons. If such have not fully decided to live the Christian life, they have been at least deeply convicted and made conscious of their need. The meeting last night caused many to think of opportunities past and lost, of privileges neglected, of responsibilities shirked. There will be service tonight for the last time this week.

The Foolish Rich Man.

Rev. Mr. Sagebeer, pastor of the Flemington Baptist church, made a very able address at the prayer meeting of the Park Avenue Baptist church, last evening. He spoke of the parable of the foolish rich man and drew some important lessons from it. The meeting was a particularly impressive one and was well attended.

Another Lawyer.

George Ball, of Scotch Plains, who has been studying law in the offices of W. S. Angelman, and who recently passed his entrance examinations to the bar, has opened up law offices in the First National Bank building and will practice law in this city. He is an energetic and reliable young man who deserves success.

At the Hospital.

There are now eighteen patients at the hospital and two medical cases were admitted today. No accident case has been received at the above place for several weeks.

—Jerusalem Chapter, No. 24, R. A. M., will hold a special communication this evening on account of the fact that there was no meeting last week.

MR. BERGEN'S ANSWER.

THE ELIZABETHIAN TREATS THE PLAINFIELDER SARCASTICALLY.

Mr. Bergen Says Councilman Dumont Did Not Inspect the Matter as He Should—Says He is Satisfied With Public Sentiment.

To the Editor of The Daily Press:—I notice in your issue of yesterday that Mr. John B. Dumont (who, as heretofore, speaks both for himself and Mr. Ivins) seems to think that they were not courteously treated at the meeting held at the Courthouse Tuesday evening, and that I was to blame. He also says that I probably caused the report of the committee to be published in advance of its submission to the meeting.

I am not willing to help obscure the very important matter of constructing a county trolley line from Elizabeth to Plainfield by a personal controversy; but as Mr. Dumont was a member of the committee appointed to consider the matter, his strictures give him some title to consideration which they might not otherwise deserve.

A printed copy of the report of the committee was sent to several newspapers Monday with a letter in each case stating that it should not be used until after Tuesday. This you know is often done with such documents. One paper disregarded this request and published the substance of the report. You reprinted the version so published, as you had a right to do. This is the basis of Mr. Dumont's accusation. I will not ask him to retract his statement, because if he did not know any better he could not help it.

There are one or two trifling errors in your account of the matter that I would like to correct. Mr. Dumont did not take offense because his name was not thrown on the screen. In fact I think he didn't like the screen at all. During the evening the operator at the stereopticon threw on the screen the names of the nine gentlemen who had signed the majority report under the caption, "The following gentlemen inspected this matter." Mr. Dumont probably argued that the statement implied that the other two members of the committee had not done so and started off in a hurry and out of humor. The operator did not use the language I had dictated for the caption; but I cheerfully assume full responsibility for it all, because the statement was literally true. I do not mean to say that Mr. Dumont did nothing as a member of the committee, but if he did anything except attend two meetings in the evening, after much urging, I never heard of it.

I was glad to hear that Mr. Dumont had been appointed a member of the committee because I understood that he was interested in a large street railroad deal in Buffalo and had been engaged in business for many years in Wall street and vicinity. I suppose that if he favored the plan he would give the county the benefit of his expert knowledge of railroad construction and financing; and if he opposed the plan he would state reasons for his opinion worthy of the attention of thoughtful men. Besides if there is anything wrong about the matter, as Mr. Dumont pretends to fear, no one could find it out and tell the people so easily as a veteran Wall street habitué. But if Mr. Dumont had any special or inside information on the subject he carefully kept it to himself.

The friends of this movement have every reason to feel gratified with its progress. Six months ago one could count on the fingers of his hand all who favored it. Today it would be hard to find a thoughtful and intelligent man in the county who has studied the matter carefully and does not approve it. Indeed the opposition to the plan has become so feeble that a mere shadow flickering on the wall puts their leader to flight.

For the reason I have stated I forbear, for the present, to press this controversy any further.

Frank Bergen.

Elizabeth, N. J., Dec. 2d, 1897.

A SERMON FOR FIREMEN.

Rev. J. W. Richardson Asks Gazelle Company to Attend Divine Service.

The members of Gazelle Engine Co. met last evening in regular session and received an invitation from Rev. J. W. Richardson, pastor of the Park Avenue Baptist church, to attend divine service at his church at some date yet to be fixed. The invitation was unanimously accepted and the members decided to attend. The other fire companies will receive similar invitations at their meetings. It is the idea of Pastor Richardson to preach an appropriate sermon to the firemen of Plainfield. Treasurer L. J. Spicer presented his quarterly report at the meeting and it showed that the company is in a good financial condition. No other business of importance was transacted.

NACK WOMAN'S FATE

Her Lawyer Thinks She Will Escape the Death Penalty.

THORN'S DOUBLE GUARD

His Attempts at Suicide to Be Filled—Confessed the Murder to the Jail Officials—Will Be Sentenced To-Morrow Morning.

New York, Dec. 2.—Martin Thorn, on whom the sentence of death will be pronounced to-morrow morning, made such an ostentatious declaration yesterday of his intention not to commit suicide that he aroused the suspicions of the Sheriff of Queens County, who at once redoubled the safeguards thrown around the prisoner to prevent him from cheating the law.

Thorn will be guarded day and night until he is taken from the Long Island City Jail, and no persons other than his counsel will be permitted to have access to him. A guard has been placed in his cell and another guard outside the door, so that it will be impossible for him to make any movement or to receive anything from the outside without being detected.

The prisoner now denies that he admitted, after his conviction, that the story told by Mrs. Nack on the first trial was the truth, and that his own desperate hope that he might convince the jury that he was an accessory after the fact, and not a principal.

Capt. William Methven, however, who had charge of Thorn during the trial, stated that Thorn had made such a confession, part to himself and part to Sheriff Doht. "From what the Sheriff told me," said he, "I can truthfully say that Thorn confessed to the killing of Guldenstuppe."

Thorn will be sentenced at 9.30 o'clock to-morrow morning and will be taken to Sing Sing on Saturday.

Lawyer Howe took seventy-five exceptions in the trial, and he says that he will appeal. The appeal, however, if it is made, will be perfunctory. Nothing can save Martin Thorn, and he knows it as well as his lawyer does.

Mrs. Nack's lawyer thinks that she should not be tried for murder in the first degree. He said: "The law does not permit a death sentence without a trial, but does allow the District Attorney to accept a confession for a crime of lesser degree. The District Attorney, were he so disposed, could accept Mrs. Nack's confession as a plea for murder in the second degree, or for manslaughter. That would save the State great expense and insure sufficient punishment, I think, for the woman. If the trial must go on it will probably begin next Tuesday. But I do not think that after all that Mrs. Nack has done in the way of a confession the People can consistently put her on trial for murder in the first degree."

District Attorney Youngs says that the total cost of the trial to the prosecutor's office alone was \$10,000. The cost of the trial to the counties of New York and Queens has been much greater.

SWINDLERS' PLAN FAILS.

Large Bail Offered to Philadelphia Man, Who Was Too Sly.

Philadelphia, Dec. 2.—William D. Phillips, of the insurance firm of Charles Platt, Jr., & Co., of this city, was marked by some clever European swindlers for a victim, but he was wise. Last July Mr. Phillips received a letter signed "Victor Mace Berneau." This was followed by other communications. The writer said he was formerly a banker in Paris, and had failed for 20,000,000 francs. He said he had defrauded his creditors and had secreted in the vicinity of Philadelphia a bank receipt of the Bank of Mexico for \$40,000 and a note payable to bearer for 2,000,000 francs.

In the course of his flight, after failure, he had been arrested in Madrid and convicted of homicide for having killed, in a duel, his commanding officer when he was commanding of artillery in the Spanish army of 1880. He was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, to pay the trial costs and to pay an indemnity to his opponent's widow. The secret plan of the swindler's widow, his receipts, he wrote, was concealed in one of his trunks, and on Aug. 23, these trunks were to be sold to pay the costs of his trial.

It would take 10,200 francs to secure the trunks, and Berneau offered Phillips one-quarter of the entire 3,000,000 francs which he had sequestered. Phillips would come to Spain with the money. Berneau's letter was accompanied by official documents, news paper extracts, and apparently every thing to substantiate his story.

Legal advice was sought by Phillips and it led to investigation in Paris and elsewhere. Berneau's offer proves now to be one of a series of a hundred or more such swindles attempted by a gang of European crooks on prominent residents of nearly all the larger cities of the United States.

Mother-in-Law Among the Indians.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Maj. A. E. Woodson, agent on the Cheyenne and Arapahoe reservation in Oklahoma, is his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior, says: "The mother-in-law is much in evidence among these people. She makes herself a holy terror unless the family affairs are conducted according to her ideas. Much of the agent's time is occupied in the settlement of family quarrels and in bringing together husband and wife whose troubles have been of sufficient gravity to cause a separation. His powers of persuasion are frequently exerted in vain, however. In most instances the wife, backed up by the mother-in-law is most obdurate, and proof against all argument and entreaty to return to the family abode."

New York's State Library.

Albany, Dec. 2.—The proposition to ask the Legislature to provide for the construction of a separate State building for the exclusive use of the State Library, the Regents of the University of the State of New York and allied departments, such as the State Museum and Department of Public Instruction is to be revived. It is proposed to erect such a building at a cost of \$2,000,000 on the block adjoining and west of the Capitol Building, extending to Swarthout street, and the plan is favored by the Regents. Secretary Melvil Dewey, of the Board of Regents, will discuss the question in his next annual report.

THE SITUATION IN SPAIN.

Sagasta Urged to Take Action Against Filibustering.

Madrid, Dec. 2.—The Imparcial, commenting upon the reports of the latest filibustering expedition of the American steamer "Dauntless," calls upon the Premier, Senor Sagasta, to take energetic action on the subject at Washington, adding that the authorities there "must be informed of the bad impression created in Spain by the frequent filibustering expeditions."

The Imparcial adds: "The circumstances show a lack of regard for Spain, especially as the filibustering expeditions coincide with the new regime decreed for Cuba."

A Spanish Lie Told.

Madrid, Dec. 2.—It is announced in an official dispatch from Manila, capital of the Philippine Islands, that the Spanish troops there have routed a band of insurgents, inflicting upon the latter the loss of fifty-seven men killed, including the insurgent leader. The Spaniards, the dispatch also says, lost six men killed and had seventy-one men wounded.

According to dispatches from Madrid on Nov. 18, all the important insurgent chiefs of the Philippine Islands had surrendered to the Spanish authorities and the Captain-General of that colony, Gen. Primo de Rivera, had announced the complete pacification of the islands.

Spain Fears Rebellion.

Madrid, Dec. 2.—It is understood that the Carlists will not take any action until Don Carlos, the pretender to the throne, has replied to a message sent to him at Vienna relative to the political situation.

At the Cabinet meeting the Minister of Marine presented the request of the Governor of the island of Fernando Po, the Spanish penal settlement on the west coast of Africa, for more war ships to guard that place.

REVOLUTION IMPENDING.

Large Shipment of War Munitions and Specie to Colombia.

New York, Dec. 2.—That the Government of the Republic of Colombia is expecting a revolution, much more serious than the usual outbreaks in Central and South American countries, is shown by its quiet importation from this city of a large quantity of arms and no inconsiderable sum of specie.

The Atlas line steamship Alene alone has recently taken hundreds of cases of arms from here, and board her on her last two trips were ninety-seven cases of specie consigned to the Bank of Barranguilla.

The other Atlas liners have been loaded similarly with necessities of war. It is plain that the Government of Colombia is making every preparation to suppress a revolution in case one is attempted.

Passengers arriving from the Republic of Colombia say that a revolution within the next month is more than likely. The presidential election takes place on Dec. 5. The contest has been between Caro, the Government candidate, and Reyes, the nominee of the opposition party.

The Colombian Government, alarmed at the prospect, is taking care that its 14,000 soldiers shall be armed and equipped and that it shall have abundant war material and money to meet the emergency.

What the contention between the parties is cannot be learned accurately. It seems to be that those out of power want a chance at the offices and their perquisites.

WERE THE GERMANS ATTACKED?

A Report That the Chinese Massacred 200 Sailors in Kia Chou Bay.

Berlin, Dec. 2.—Great anxiety has been caused here by the report received that the Chinese have massacred 200 German sailors belonging to the German squadron in Kia Chou Bay. No confirmation of the report has yet reached here, but all of the sailors and officers, even including the crew of the imperial yacht Hohenzollern, now on furlough, have been recalled to duty, and 600 bluejackets will be dispatched to Kia Chou Bay at once.

The North German Gazette calls attention to the fact that the last dispatches received from Admiral Dietrich, commanding the German war ships in Kia Chou Bay, under date of Nov. 28, made no mention of an attack upon the Germans by the Chinese.

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Charter Election.

NOTICE is hereby given that an election will be held in the several Wards and Districts of the City of Plainfield, on **TUESDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF DECEMBER** next, at the following named places, for the purpose of voting for the following City Officers at large: City Treasurer, two Members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, three Members of the Board of Education, and from each of the Wards a Member of the Common Council, and in addition in the Fourth Ward a Member of the Common Council to serve the unexpired term of Isaac S. Randolph who was elected last year but resigned, and also a Justice of the Peace and a Constable from each of the Wards. Also for the purpose of voting for or against the following proposition, to-wit:

THE PROPOSITION.
Let the Common Council continue to license the sale of spirituous and fermented liquors.

The polling places selected are as follows:

FIRST WARD.
First election district, at 130 East Front street; second election district, at 521 East Second street.

SECOND WARD.
First election district, at 347 Watchung avenue; second election district, at 699 South avenue.

THIRD WARD.
At 114 West Sixth street.

FOURTH WARD.
First election district, at 114 West Second street; second election district, at 648 South Second street.

Polls open at six a. m. and close at seven p. m., with an adjournment from one to two p. m.

The Boards of Registry and Election will meet at the places above named on Tuesday, November 30, from 1 to 2 p. m., for the purpose of correcting and revising the registry of voters.

Done in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of New Jersey entitled "An Act to Regulate Elections," approved April 18, 1876, with amendments and supplements, including the Ballot Reform Law and other general election Acts in force July 4, 1897.

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The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by L. W. Randolph.

—A business meeting of the Epworth League of the First M. E. church will be held in Vincent chapel, tomorrow evening. It will be followed by a sociable.

Free Pills.
Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of constipation and sick headache. For malaria and liver troubles they have proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c. per box. Sold by L. W. Randolph, Druggist.

—The Christian Endeavor Society of the Crescent Avenue church will hold an entertainment and sociable in the chapel, this evening. Admission, twenty-five cents.

The Surprise of All.
Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with LaGrippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at L. W. Randolph's drug store.

—The executive committee of the city union of the King's Daughters holds a meeting in the Y. M. C. A. building at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. C. M. Dixon, a well known merchant, of Pleasant Ridge, Fulton Co., Pa., has a little girl who is frequently threatened with croup, but when the first symptoms appear, his wife gives her Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which always affords prompt relief. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by T. S. Armstrong, apothecary, corner Park and North avenues.

—Miss Giles, of East Sixth street, has accepted a position at Randolph's pharmacy, where she will exhibit the American Brand Beef Extract.

Don't be persuaded into buying liniments without reputation or merit—Chamberlain's Pain Balm costs no more, and its merits have been proven by a test of many years. Such letters as the following, from L. G. Bagley, Hueneme, Cal., are constantly being received: "The best remedy for pain I have ever used is Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and I say so after having used it in my family for several years." It cures rheumatism, lame back, sprains and swellings. For sale by T. S. Armstrong, apothecary, corner Park and North avenues.

—If you want a good time go to the dance to be given this evening in Washington Hall by the drivers of the Plainfield fire department.

After hearing some friends continually praising Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, Curtis Fleck, of Anaheim, California, purchased a bottle of it for his own use and is now as enthusiastic over its wonderful work as anyone can be. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by T. S. Armstrong, apothecary, corner Park and North avenues.

Mrs. S. K. Swenck, of Park avenue, is ill at her home.

How to Prevent Pneumonia.
At this time of the year a cold is very easily contracted, and if left to run its course without the aid of some reliable cough medicine is liable to result in that dread disease, pneumonia. We know of no better remedy to cure a cough or cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. We have used it quite extensively and it has always given entire satisfaction.—Olajah, Ind. Ter. Chief. This is the only remedy that is known to be a certain preventive of pneumonia. Among the many thousands who have used it for colds and la grippe, we have never yet learned of a single case having resulted in pneumonia. Persons who have weak lungs or have reason to fear an attack of pneumonia, should keep the remedy at hand. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by T. S. Armstrong, apothecary, corner Park and North avenues.

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JUSTICE FIELD'S SUCCESSOR.

Will Not Be Named Until Congress Convenes.
Washington, Dec. 2.—There was a rumor in Washington yesterday that the portfolio of the Department of Justice had been offered to Judge Nathan Goff, of West Virginia. Judge Goff was in the city the other day, and it is likely his presence in the city gave rise to the rumor. Friends of the Judge say that he will not accept the appointment, and they discredit the rumor that the President made him the tender.

The retirement of Justice Field takes place to-day, but the appointment of his successor will not be made until Congress convenes. It is thought likely that the delay in finding a suitable candidate for Attorney-General may delay the nomination of Justice Field's successor. It is likely that the two nominations will go to the Senate together.

There does not seem to be any reason for doubting Judge McKenna's elevation to the Supreme Court bench, nor of his prompt confirmation by the Senate.

STABBED LIKE CUBANS.

An Insane Man Slashes His Wife and Three Children.
Milford, Del., Dec. 2.—Crazed by brooding over the atrocities of the Spanish troops in Cuba, Salvage Bilderback ordered his wife and three children to stand up in line.

Tying their hands to four nails, he said: "I will now use the machete." He slashed his wife nine times with a corn knife, and then cut each of the children several times.

The return home of his eldest boy frightened him, and he ran into a swamp, carrying an old musket. A shot was heard later, and it is supposed he committed suicide.

None of the family can survive. A posse is hunting him. If he has not killed himself it is believed he will be strung up to the nearest tree if found.

Harvard and Yale to Row.

New Haven, Dec. 2.—The Yale navy has given out the following statement: "It has been finally decided that Yale will row her annual race with Harvard over the New London course next Summer. Poughkeepsie was chosen this year because Yale had to row there in order to meet Harvard, who had a previous agreement with Cornell. This year, however, by the five-year athletic agreement between Yale and Harvard, Yale had the choice of the course, and has definitely agreed with the rowing authorities at Cambridge upon New London. Matters are as yet undecided with reference to Cornell."

Zimmerman and Bald to Ride.

New York, Dec. 2.—As an appetizer for the big six-day cycle feast next week there will be a short-distance race meet in Madison Square Garden Saturday night, in which the foreign and American crackjacks now in this vicinity—and that means all of the famous ones—will compete. Eddie "Cannon" Bald, the champion of '95, '96 and '97, and Arthur A. Zimmerman, champion of the early '90s, will both ride.

No Engineer Over 50 Years Old.

Plainfield, Dec. 2.—According to an order just announced by the Central Railroad of New Jersey all engineers on the road who are over 50 years of age will be relieved of their jobs after Jan. 1. The reason advanced by the railroad officials is that the risk is too great to continue men who have passed that age at the important post of engineer. Such engineers will be employed in other capacities by the road.

Old Soldier's Horrible Death.

Leavenworth, Kan., Dec. 2.—A veteran named Patrick Carr was found dead in a bathtub at the Soldiers' Home, the flesh so badly cooked that it dropped from the bones.

The surroundings tended to show that he had committed suicide by jumping into the tub of scalding water. He was married to a young woman, and is said to have had domestic troubles.

A Jersey Law Unconstitutional.

Trenton, Dec. 2.—Supreme Court Justice Garrison has filed an opinion declaring unconstitutional the act of April 9, 1895, which authorized cities of the second class to issue bonds amounting to \$200,000 to defray the expenses of repaving streets. The law was passed for the benefit of Hoboken, but Camden and Trenton have taken advantage of it.

Lawmakers to Study Football.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 2.—The city union of King's Daughters will meet to-day to prepare a petition to the Legislature asking it to prohibit the game of football in this State. Two college teams will play a special game, to be witnessed by members of the Legislature, on Saturday, so they can judge of the merits of the game.

Diaz's Present from the Pope.

City of Mexico, Dec. 2.—President Diaz has received from Mons. Avar-dari, Papal delegate in Mexico, a handsome album of the Borgia department of the Vatican, and an autograph letter from the Pope.

Penny Papers in Rochester.

Rochester, Dec. 2.—The Union and Advertiser and Post-Express have become penny sheets. The cut was made by the morning papers a month ago, and now all the Rochester dailies have fallen in line.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Gov. Pingree, of Michigan, it is officially announced, has bought asphalt grants ceded by Venezuela years ago. The Treasury Department has held that watches imported into this country with one or more jewels missing should pay the same duty as if all the

GERMANY AND HAYTI

Former Reduces Its Claim Against Latter to \$20,000.

FRIENDLY WITH AMERICA

The German Ambassador at Washington Says the Whole Matter Has Been Given More Prominence than It Deserves.

Berlin, Germany, Dec. 2.—Ambassador White, in his interview with the German Minister of Foreign Affairs, received emphatic assurance, couched in friendly terms, of Germany's moderate intentions in regard to demanding of Hayti an indemnity for the alleged illegal imprisonment of Herr Emil Lueders, and testifying to Germany's good will and respect for America, in consequence of which the German Government has reduced its claim for indemnity to \$20,000.

Mr. White explained that the United States cruiser Marblehead was going to Port-au-Prince, Hayti, solely to protect American interests.

The North German Gazette announces semi-officially that the dispatch of the United States cruiser Marblehead to Hayti has no demonstrative significance.

Ambassador Von Hellebrand Talks.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Dr. Von Hellebrand, the new German Ambassador, said concerning the Haytian controversy: "I have received no official instructions from my Government on the subject, yet speaking officially the case has assumed in the press proportions far greater than it deserves. It is simply a question of collecting an indemnity for an offense against a German citizen residing in Hayti. Beyond this all is conjecture, and there is no basis of fact whatsoever for the reports as to what might ultimately occur. The case is similar, I am told, to many in which the United States has demanded indemnity from South American republics. As this right of demanding and enforcing the payment of an indemnity is universally recognized, I do not doubt the case will be settled in the usual way between the immediate parties in interest, Germany and Hayti. But in any event, it is of too little importance to attract serious consideration, and it is needless to conjecture on future probabilities or possibilities."

The Ambassador declined to discuss the tariff, but of the general feeling in Germany he said:

"There is, I am glad to say, the most kindly sentiment throughout Germany toward the American people and their Government."

As to Germany's action in increasing her navy, Dr. Von Hellebrand said: "A navy is one of the surest means of securing peace, as it commands respect and a recognition of just rights. Moreover, German colonial interests are becoming very great, and require attention."

MACKAY'S GRAND TOMB.

Largest Slab Ever Quarried Rests on Top of the Mausoleum.
New York, Dec. 2.—The largest slab of granite ever quarried in this country has been placed as the roof stone on John W. Mackay's immense mausoleum in Greenwood Cemetery.

The great piece of stone arrived from Hallowell, Me. It took the quarrymen four weeks to get the stone in position for the workmen. The original block was twenty-two feet square and sixteen inches thick and weighed over fifty tons. The stone was taken to the wharf on a huge cart used for transporting locomotives, drawn by thirty-six horses. It took several days to go the five or six miles.

The Mackay mausoleum will cost about three hundred thousand dollars. The interior resembles a miniature church auditorium, with all the evidences of the tomb concealed. It is heated and lighted by electricity, and there is room for a priest to say mass before fifty persons. There are crypts for twenty-two bodies.

The interior is lined with marble, with wainscoting of black Belgian, capped with Connemara green. The walls are of seina, and window casings, columns and altar are of Italian marble. Both the ceiling and floor are laid in mosaic.

BIG RIVER COAL COMBINE.

Proposed Consolidation of All Interests Into One Company.
Pittsburg, Dec. 2.—The biggest combination or river coal interests ever attempted promises to be effected before the new year. It has been talked of for years, but has at last come to a focus. A committee is hard at work considering the schedules of property values as presented by the separate coal companies operating on the river.

There is a slight dissension in the ranks, but it is not considered to be sufficient to block the way of a speedy consolidation. The scheme proposed the organization of one company, with a capitalization of \$11,000,000. It is to be a huge trust, controlling the coal interests from lock No. 5 on the Monongahela River to New Orleans.

American Actress Married in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 2.—Antonio Terry and Sibyl Sanderson, the American actress, were married in this city yesterday. The wedding was a quiet affair. The bride was converted to Catholicism two days ago. The civil ceremony was performed at the mairie of Passy, and the religious ceremony at the Convent of the Chapel in the Avenue Malakoff. The couple have gone to the south of France and Italy for their honeymoon.

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(Furnished by Weather Observer Neagle.)
Light Rain Tonight and Friday; Stationary Temperature.
At 2 o'clock the Thermometer at Leggett's Pharmacy Registered 55 Degrees.

REP. NOMINATIONS. CTS. NOMINATIONS.

FOR COUNCILMEN. FOR COUNCILMEN.

First Ward. RALPH I. TOLLES.	First Ward. W. L. HETFIELD.
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Third Ward. E. T. BARROWS.	Third Ward. HENRY LIEFKE.
Fourth Ward. WM. A. WESTPHAL.	Fourth Ward. HENRY LIEFKE.
One Year. J. E. MCCLINTOCK.	One Year. E. D. MOFFETT.
Councilmen-at-Large. JAMES F. BUCKLE.	Councilmen-at-Large. J. C. MANNING.
FRED H. ANDREWS.	J. P. HOMAN.
A. H. LIEVERS.	J. C. BLIMM.
For Treasurer. WM. F. ARNOLD.	For Treasurer. EUGENE LAING.
For School Trustees. L. N. LOVELL.	For School Trustees. EUGENE LAING.
Chosen Freeholders. J. F. HUBBARD.	Chosen Freeholders. J. MANNING.
JOHN H. TIER, Sr.	HERMAN WEBER.

A writer in the New Brunswick Freeman laments the absence of a truly fraternal spirit among the secret society folks of that old Dutch town. If that man really wants to enjoy the spirit of fraternal friendship we commend him to Plainfield. Here he will find it in satisfactory quantity. As a matter of fact, it is doubtful if there is another town in the country that is more saturated with the good-fellowship feeling coming from affiliation with the secret societies than Plainfield.

The commission appointed by Governor Griggs to prepare a codification of the laws relating to district courts is beginning its work. The members of the commission are Judge Edgar S. Atwater, of Elizabeth; Judge William J. Lewis, of Paterson, and Judge James S. Erwin, of Jersey City. The commission will hold sessions in many cities and towns of the State to get the views of the district court judges.

The merchant who does not advertise liberally at this time of the year has no eye to business.

The second day of winter and yet we have had only one little flurry of snow.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE OFFICERS NAMED.

Addresses on Work in New York and Elsewhere Show Progress.

The New Jersey Woman Suffrage Association, at its annual meeting in Newark Tuesday, elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Florence Howe Hall, Plainfield; vice-president, Mrs. Harriet Lincoln Coolidge, East Orange; recording secretary, Mrs. Alice C. Angell, Passaic; corresponding secretary, Dr. Mary D. Hussey, East Orange; treasurer, Mrs. S. K. Krom, Plainfield; auditor, Mrs. J. M. Pullen, Camden; delegates to the National convention at Washington, Mrs. J. L. DeWitt, Belleville; Mrs. M. G. Sexton, Orange; Mrs. H. L. Coolidge, East Orange.

Mrs. Mariana W. Chapman, of Brooklyn, president of the New York State Woman Suffrage Association, told how, when the women of that State were threatened with losing school suffrage, they turned out at the last school election and showed that they wanted it.

Mrs. C. N. Enslin read a report on the progress of the cause throughout the world, which showed gains everywhere.

The treasurer, Mrs. Krom, reported that \$160 had been raised for the school suffrage amendment campaign, which had been of great educational value and would yet bear fruit. She said 10,000 copies of an appeal to voters were sent out.

Couldn't Meet His Obligations.

Peter Markey's bakery in the Codrington building on Park avenue is closed today and the curtains are all drawn. There is no sign to explain the reason thereof. It is understood that he has closed down for financial reasons. Times have been hard and he found that he could not meet his obligations. He was arrears in rent and was notified that he must give up possession of his store.

No Cure—No Pay.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic for Malaria, Chills and Fever. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating Tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by R. J. Shaw. 11 30 eod 1y

ITEMS BRIEF AND BRIGHT

GATHERED ALL ABOUT THE TOWN BY ALERT PRESS REPORTERS.

News in Short Paragraphs That are Interesting to Read During the Spare Moments of Many Busy Plainfielders.

—Advertise in The Daily Press.

—A meeting of Noah Dove Encampment, I. O. O. F., will be held this evening.

—Columbia Lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting tomorrow evening.

—The regular December meeting of the borough Council will be held tomorrow evening.

—An important meeting of Franklin Council, No. 41, Jr. O. U. A. M., will be held this evening.

—A movement is on foot among the boys at the Plainfield High School to organize a chess club.

—The Board of Lady Managers of the Children's Home met in the Y. M. C. A. building this afternoon.

—Lawyer S. S. Swackhamer, of the firm of Codrington & Swackhamer, has had a safe placed in his office.

—The Plainfield Street Railway Company is preparing its snow ploughs in anticipation of a snow storm.

—Miss Giles is in charge of the exhibition of the American brand of beef extract at Randolph's pharmacy.

—A meeting of the Plainfield High School Athletic Association will be held tomorrow afternoon at the High School building.

—Grant avenue, from Front street to Fourth street, is now well paved with stone walks. The work was completed yesterday.

—There are several candidates to be initiated at the meeting of Perseverance Lodge, Knights of Pythias, tomorrow evening.

—The general secretaries and physical directors of the Y. M. C. A. will hold their annual conference next Monday at Newark.

—A returned missionary will address the meeting of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Crescent Avenue church, tomorrow evening.

—A large audience was entertained at the South Plainfield Baptist church, Tuesday evening, by a phonograph and a veriscope.

—Rapid progress is being made on the new Washingtonville school house and it will be completed in time for occupancy the first of the year.

—Opening tomorrow! Everybody welcome! Come and bring your friends. Grand Union Tea Company, 138 West Front street, Plainfield, N. J.

—Tomorrow afternoon the Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the First Baptist church will meet in the church parlors and consider important business.

—The goal posts on Martine Common that were used for football have been removed. The posts that surround the gridiron have also been removed.

—Tomorrow evening a business meeting of the Epworth League of the Grace M. E. church will be held at the home of E. E. Winckler, of Westervelt avenue.

—The Christian and Missionary Alliance will be addressed this evening in the W. C. T. U. rooms by Rev. A. E. Funk, of the Missionary Training College at Nyack, N. Y.

—There will be violin and piano duets at the sociable in the Crescent Avenue church this evening by the Misses Burnett and not the Misses VanEps as previously announced.

—The December meeting of the Board of Education will be held next Monday evening, and the Board will meet for the first time in the new office at the High School building.

—The lumber for the new ice houses of the Plainfield Ice and Cold Storage Company at Washingtonville has arrived and work will begin tomorrow. The building is to be 160 feet square.

—George Thatcher is making extensive changes at the road house on the corner of South avenue and Terrill road. He has removed the old high fence and has had the house remodeled.

—The scholars in the North Plainfield public school are working very hard in preparation for an entertainment to be given about the holidays for the purpose of securing money to buy books for a library.

—Chief Grant received a message by telephone yesterday noon that a man and a woman, both intoxicated, were causing trouble in the vicinity of the Bryant school. The Chief and Roundsman Frederickson made a thorough search of the neighboring streets, but could find no offenders.

—Mothers Praise Hood's Sarsaparilla, because, by its great blood enriching qualities, it gives rosy cheeks and vigorous appetites to pale and puny children.

—Hood's Pills are the favorite family cathartic and liver medicine. Price 25c.

"I prefer Cleveland's baking powder," writes Miss Bedford, the well-known lecturer on cookery, "because it is pure and wholesome, it takes less for the same baking, it never fails, and bread and cake keep their freshness and flavor."

Guarantee.

Grocers are authorized to give back your money if you do not find Cleveland's the best baking powder you have ever used.

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PARTICULAR MENTION.

Mrs. W. C. Ayers, of West Second street, is visiting relatives in Orange. Miss Spurgeon, of Hopewell, is the guest of Miss Dora Grant, of West Fifth street.

Miss Spurgeon, of Hopewell, is visiting her cousin, Miss Eudora Grant, of West Fifth street.

William E. Boice, of West Front street, is able to return to his duties at Woodhull & Martin's after a short illness.

The friends from New York who have been guests of Miss Gertrude Sharp, of West Sixth street, have returned home.

Walter G. Williams and Harry Williams, of West Fourth street, are planning to start in a short time for Maine to examine a mica mine there.

Rev. Lemuel Moss, D. D., LL.D., of Philadelphia, will deliver an address on missions in the chapel of the Park Avenue Baptist church this evening at 8 o'clock.

It May Be

that the "cheap" worthless boxes that are offered by many dealers make you skeptical as to the real worth of those HONEST PIANOS we are offering at \$178 cash or \$198 on easy time payments. If you are, we ask you to look at these. They are thoroughly good Pianos that we know will give satisfaction. All colors of wood. All improvements. Exchanged if not satisfactory. Made by one of the best known manufacturers in the country.

The proof of their popularity is shown by the imitators they have called forth. Contrast them with the Pianos(?) you are offered at other stores at around the same price. An equally good Piano would cost \$275 anywhere else. Fifty dollars mark-down on all regular lines, good till end of year.

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Other Stores Morristown, Ocean Grove, Asbury Park. 10 26 32-t th s

1897 Taxes

NOTICE is hereby given to the tax-payers of the City of Plainfield that the taxes assessed in said City for the year eighteen hundred and ninety-seven are now due and payable, and that if said taxes be not paid before the

20th Day of December

next, the names of the defaulters with their respective taxes will be returned to the City Judge for prosecution. The Commissioners of Appeal in cases of taxation in and for the said City will meet at the Council Chamber, No. 100 Park avenue, Plainfield, N. J., on the

4th Tuesday of November

next (November 23rd, 1897.) at two o'clock p. m. to hear complaints relating to assessments.

E. H. BIRD,

Collector.
Dated, Plainfield, N. J., October 1st, 1897.

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Elastic Surgical Hosiery. Abdominal Belts. Supporters, Suspensories, Shoulder Braces. Artificial Limbs. Rubber Goods. Orthopedical Apparatus, etc., etc.
Of many references I refer by permission to Dr. Geo. W. Endicott and Dr. T. S. Davis.

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Blanchard Miss Hilda
Clark Mr W B
Coppa Mr A
Conne ly John
Dolget & Son Alfred
Dally Mr John
Drake Mrs A A
Elliot Miss
Eckhardt Mr Geo 3
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Hipp Mrs M M
Harris Miss Alice R
Jennings Mr Chas A
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Lordec F Mrs Geo
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Priet Mr J D
Risk Marie
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S. D. DRAKE, President and Manager.

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We have just received our new

Fall Suitings and Trouserings.

Trousers to order, \$5, \$6 and \$7.
Business Suits to order, \$15 and \$20.

SEBRING'S, 202 West Front Street.

-:BOEHM'S:-

A Few Items

picked at random in

OUR CLOAK AND

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Ladies' Kersey Jackets, a fine grade in black only, at.....\$3.75
Plain black Beaver Coats, box front, half silk lined at.....5.00
Tan Coats, box front, collar velvet trimmed, strapped seams, at 7.50
Black Cloth Capes, full sweep, the \$3.50 grade, at.....2.98
Misses' Coats in two toned boucle, 14, 16, 18, only at.....5.50
Children's Eiderdown Coats, from \$2.50 upwards.

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Blackening Cases 49c, 95c, \$1.48, \$1.75. Solid oak Blackening Case with brush, dauber and blackening, 75c.

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NEWS OF THE SUBURBS.

THINGS THAT INTEREST SCOTCH PLAINS AND DUNELLEN.

Brief and terse observations gathered by alert Press Reporters to be Perused at the Supper Table at Your Leisure DUNELLEN AND NEW MARKET.

Mrs. A. L. Egbert was the guest of Elizabeth friends yesterday.

Miss Helen Egbert is now attending boarding school at Elizabeth.

John Darling, of Plainfield, was in the borough on business yesterday.

Mrs. John W. Griggs and son are visiting relatives at New Brunswick.

George Schroepe, of North Plainfield, was the guest of friends in town yesterday.

Miss Lizzie Hunt and Miss Mary Logan are spending the day with friends in New York.

Miss Virgie Tuisson will leave next week for her home at Glen Gardner, where she will visit until after the holidays.

Conductor Charles Dodwell, of the Central Railroad, went to work this morning, after being confined to his house for a week with a severe illness.

Last evening a very successful union prayer meeting was held in the M. E. church. Rev. Mr. Mead conducted the meeting. Tomorrow evening the service will be held in the Seventh-Day Baptist church and Rev. F. E. Peterson will have charge.

Last Tuesday evening a complete surprise party was tendered to Miss Minnie VanMiddleworth, when a number of her friends called at her home and spent an enjoyable time dancing and playing games. Miss VanMiddleworth was not aware of the intended invasion, and when the party arrived she was overcome for a few minutes. Among the guests were Mrs. H. J. Swackhamer, Theodore Apper, George Apper, Willard Apper, Edward Herlick and Gilbert Herlick, Fred and Albert Giddis, of Dunellen; Mr. and Mrs. Henry VanMiddleworth, Mrs. Elizabeth Zeiss, Mrs. Risley, Mr. and Mrs. Lindsey Woolley and daughter, Helen Woolley, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Miss Mabel VanMiddleworth, Miss Ella Fenner, Miss Anna Fenner, Miss Lillie Zeiss, Miss French, Miss Risley, Mr. French, Miss Beale Martin and Mr. Risley, of Plainfield. The affair was arranged by the Misses Ella and Annie Fenner, of Plainfield, and they were very successful in keeping any knowledge of it from the surprised.

The burning of the freighthouse yesterday afternoon proved conclusively that before long the borough will have to make some move to secure a water supply that can be depended upon. It was necessary for the firemen to carry the small pump to the east side of the railroad tracks and then depend on a small stream of water. The hose was placed under the railroad tracks, and this had to be done before much water could be placed on the fire. In the meantime water was carried in pails from Mr. Cole's coal office. The firemen worked hard, as did also the citizens of the borough. Nearly everything was taken from the freighthouse and very little was destroyed. The firemen did good work in saving the ice-house and oilhouse also the coal shed owned by Mr. Gray and Mr. Cole. Several times these buildings were threatened with destruction, but persistent effort accomplished much. Owing to the fact that there was no steam on at the roundhouse, it was impossible to blow the steam fire gong. If the fire had been discovered a little sooner the firemen could possibly have extinguished it with the chemical extinguishers. The loss to the railroad company will amount to several hundred dollars, but an adequate insurance was carried on the building. At present the freight is being cared for at the passenger station until other arrangements can be made. This fire was one of the most disastrous that has occurred in the borough in years, and it has set the citizens to thinking about a better water supply.

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and Miss Ada Sergeant. This afternoon will be devoted to a dolls' reception, at which the best dressed doll will receive a prize. DeWitt C. Peck acted as treasurer and received the admission fees at the door. The fair will continue through this evening.

PARTICULAR MENTION.

PERSONAL GOSSIP OF INTEREST TO CITY AND BOROUGH.

In Brief are Told the Daily Doings of Many Residents and Visitors Who Go and Come in a Social and Business Way.

Mr. Beekman, of West Eighth street, is in Philadelphia today on business.

William Townley, driver of the Alert horse carriage, took Tuesday as a day off.

Comrade William Grattan, of the Soldiers' Home, Kearney, is visiting Plainfield friends.

Miss Maude VanDyke, of East Front street, is entertaining company from Liberty Corner.

Charles Barkalew, of West Fifth street, left this morning for Wilmington, Del., on business.

Mr. Jenkins, of Patchogue, L. I., is a guest at the home of C. B. Clifton, of West Seventh street.

Miss Demler, of Washingtonville, seems to be a little improved from her long and tedious illness.

Miss Harned, of Washington avenue, has taken a position at Woodhull & Martin's dry goods store for the holidays.

Miss Grace Lefferts, of New Brunswick, who has been visiting Miss Etta Raybert, of North avenue, returned home today.

Mr. and Mrs. Dominick Fitzpatrick, of Elizabeth, were the guests, Wednesday evening of John J. Goff and family, of West Third street.

It is reported that Horace J. Martin and family, of West Front street, are considering the advisability of taking up their residence in California.

THEATRICAL.

Maze Edwards announces another great attraction for next week Saturday night when "A Stranger in New York" will be presented.

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Maze Edwards, manager of Music Hall, last night witnessed the performance of Henry E. Dixey, who is booked here for Saturday night, and says that the performance is far superior in entertaining qualities to any similar legerdemain combination now on the road. Mr. Dixey has a very taking way with him and does his magical tricks so deftly and neatly that the audience is in a continual state of wonder and surprise. As everyone knows, Mr. Dixey has for many years been one of the cleverest comedians on the stage and he supplements his legerdemain with a half hour of sketch from the popular "Adonis." The combination of magic and comedy is a delightful one and serves to put the versatile actor in a field all by himself, where he basks in the sunshine of great applause and popularity. Mr. Dixey's appearance in Music Hall, Saturday night, should be attended by a large audience of Plainfield's best people.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD.

Last Tuesday evening at the Baptist church a photograph entertainment was given for the benefit of the church, and everyone enjoyed the entertainment.

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Funeral of John Stewart.

The funeral of the late John Stewart was held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the house, 221 Plainfield avenue.

The officiating pastors were Rev. J. W. Richardson, of the Park Avenue Baptist church, and Rev. G. Kennedy Newell, of Hope chapel. Interment was in the family plot in Evergreen cemetery.

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THE TRUMPETER.

The Fourteenth Regiment of Cavalry was about to start on an Indian campaign. The baggage wagons were loaded; the horses were saddled and bridled; the soldiers, in their stoutest uniforms and gray field hats, with cartridge-belts about their waists, armed with pistols, carbines and sabres, stood waiting for the order to mount.

Colonel Warrick, equipped for field duty, stood on his porch, pulling on his gaiters.

A young soldier with a bugle swung across his shoulder was at the foot of the steps. His hair was light brown; his blue eyes had both a determined and harum-scarum light in them; his mouth was firm, his chin square, and his figure was erect, slim and supple. When Mrs. Warrick came out on the porch and said, "Good morning, Jeffry," pleasantly, he took off his hat with an unembarrassed grace and courtesy that one does not always see in the private soldier.

"Jeffry," said the colonel, "sound 'Prepare to mount.'"

"Yes, sir," said Jeffry, saluting and going down the walk to the parade ground, where he made his bugle cry out with an almost human voice, full of a man's glory in his strength, and of anticipation of stirring times to come.

"You're not going to take that child with you?" said Mrs. Warrick.

"Of course," said the colonel; "he's in the service and must take his chances with the rest."

"But you could have left him behind. You are going to leave two trumpeters, aren't you?"

"Yes, but the Baby Trumpeter would die of chagrin if he were one of them. He's so glad that he's going to see real service that he wants to dance and shout. Poor fellow!"

The colonel's voice was kind and sad. He was thinking of the little boy who died twelve years ago.

"Try to take care of him. Think how his mother would feel if he should be killed!" said Mrs. Warrick.

"Oh, yes, I'll keep my eye on him," said the colonel. "Good-bye, old lady."

Their hands met in a firm clasp on real affection and good-fellowship.

"Good-bye, dear!" said Mrs. Warrick. "God bless you! Come back with your scalp—or even without it—only come."

Two months had passed, and it was now late in the summer. The regiment—what was left of it—was encamped on the banks of a narrow stream in the Indian Territory. The faces that the fire-light flickered on were stern. In front of the colonel's tent the colonel and his staff were supping together—supping on a small piece of bacon and a half cup of coffee apiece. When the meal was finished the colonel told the Baby Trumpeter to sound the officers' call.

As the officers assembled Jeffry took his stand behind the colonel's chair, and every one waited to hear what the colonel was going to say.

"Gentlemen," he began, "we have barely enough food to last, with the utmost care, two days longer. The Seventh Cavalry, that was to have been sent to help us, and to bring provisions, is doubtless now on the march, but owing to our unexpected change of course, is marching in an exactly opposite direction. Unless we can reach it we must starve, and to attempt to reach it is suicidal, for, as you know, we are surrounded by more than ten times our number of well-armed Indians, and our ammunition is practically gone. I want any of you who can suggest anything, to do it."

For a few moments silence reigned. Then the Baby Trumpeter stepped up and saluted.

"Colonel," he said, "let me go and bring the Seventeenth to you."

The colonel looked at him with a growing sense of surprise on his face.

"Why, Jeffry," he said, "it's a perfectly wild idea. And even if any one should be reckless enough to undertake such a task, it should be an old soldier—one who has had experience with Indians."

"I have had experience with them for two months, sir," said Jeffry with a grin.

"Yes, and you have done well," said the colonel, and Jeffry drew a quick breath of gratification. "So well," the colonel went on, "that I don't want to throw you away uselessly."

"But I believe I could make it, colonel," said Jeffry. "Let me go."

"You don't realize the danger," said Jeffry.

"Yes, sir, I do, but nothing venture, nothing win," and again Jeffry grinned.

"Very well, Jeffry, you may try it," said the colonel. "I don't know that it is any pleasant to be butchered in company than alone, and as butchery is apparently what awaits us all, you may take the lonely death if you choose."

"Thank you, sir," said Jeffry, as if a great favor had been conferred upon him.

In half an hour he was back again at the colonel's tent ready to start.

"What are your orders, sir?" said Jeffry.

"I have none," said the colonel. Then, as he looked at the eager, and some boy, his face softened.

"Jeffry, how old are you?" he said.

"I enlisted as twenty-one, and that's the only lie I ever told, colonel; but I had to get in the army! I couldn't wait! I'll be twenty next month, sir—but please don't tell!"

"Never, on my honor!" said the colonel.

"You see, sir," said Jeffry, "my mother had persuaded me not to accept an appointment to West Point when

was offered to me. Her only brother was in the army, and was killed in an Indian campaign, and she said she couldn't bear to give me up; but I couldn't stand it, I had wanted to be in the army all my life, so I ran away. I couldn't go off and leave her without a word, but neither could I tell her what I was going to do, so I left a note for her, just saying that I wanted to make my own way in the world, and that if I succeeded, I'd let her know, and that I'd go back to see her anyhow in five years."

"Don't you think that for her sake you ought to give up this wild goose chase?" said the colonel.

"No, sir, for her sake I think I'd better go on," said Jeffry.

"She'd be very proud of you if she knew," said the colonel.

"Oh, colonel, this isn't anything, and she'd be proud of me anyhow," said Jeffry with a smile, "you know how mothers are, sir. Good-bye, sir."

"Good-bye," said the colonel, holding out his hand.

And Jeffry rode out silently into the moonless night.

He pushed on steadily, through deserts, through the narrow belts of wood that edged the water-courses, across the almost stagnant streams. When dawn began to break he dismounted and led his horse into a tangle of brush, on the bank of a little creek.

He loosened the girths, watered the horse, and selecting a small, partially open spot in the jungle, settled down to spend the day. He dozed along until nearly noon, when suddenly, something—not a noise, he was sure there was none, but a sense of approaching danger—brought him to his feet, and he saw through the leaves six Indians coming straight toward him. They were about five hundred yards away. He whispered "down" to his horse, and owing to the perfect training of our cavalry horses, down the creature went. Jeffry crouched beside him, a pistol in each hand. The brush was so thick near the ground that he could not see, but he could hear the Indians as they came nearer.

After what seemed an interminable length of time, they were close beside his hiding place. He decided not to fire until they were upon him—and they passed by! For a moment everything whirled before his eyes, and then the temptation to shoot came on him. It was so strong that he had to lay down his pistols and clinch his hands until the nails cut the flesh.

He kept his horse down nearly all day, and started out again as soon as it was dark. At dawn he tied his horse and climbed a tree to take a survey of the country, and what should he see, not three miles off, but the Seventeenth, baggage train and all!

They had been concealed from him when he was on the ground by a slight elevation. He scrambled down the tree, mounted, and started toward the command, shouting in a rush of exuberance of spirits. As he went down the other side of the elevation he came face to face with three Indians who had been hiding under bushes, watching the troops.

If Jeffry had been a boy up to that minute, it all died in him then. It did not occur to him to value his life for personal reasons—all he wanted was to accomplish what he had started out to do before he was killed.

When the troops came up—for the firing attracted them at once—they found Jeffry's horse dead, two desperately wounded Indians lying on the ground, and Jeffry and the third Indian yelling and hopping around each other, the Indian trying to thrust his knife into Jeffry, and Jeffry trying to lunge his sabre into the Indian.

The red men were soon disposed of. Jeffry patted his dead horse good-bye with honest sorrow, mounted one of the Seventeenth's led horses, and the command started toward the camp under his guidance. The Indians had been keeping faithful watch, but had made no attack on their bagged game. It had been their intention to starve them awhile, and then to fall upon them, torture and butcher them.

The men in camp were haggard and worn. They had given up all hope of rescue, but they were determined to die hard, and when, three days after Jeffry's departure, there was a sudden uproar among the Indians, the ready soldiers turned to meet an onslaught with sublime recklessness—and while they were in the thick of it, they heard the bugles of the Seventeenth calling encouragement—promising quick relief! Surely never had music sounded so sweet before!

There was a sharp fight—and when the remaining Indians were galloping away for their lives, the Fourteenth and the Seventeenth rushed into each other's arms. The Baby Trumpeter was cheered until the heavens rang. The men pulled him from his horse and hugged him, and the colonel's eyes were wet as he clasped the young man's hand.

"You have saved your regiment by risking your own life, my boy," he said (was he thinking again of the little boy who died?), "and you will get a medal of honor. I shall recommend you for examination for promotion from the ranks as soon as we get home. You have won your right to it by brilliant service on the field of battle."

Jeffry, who had been white before, now became deadly white.

"Colonel—my mother!" he gasped, and he fell back into the arms of the men who were crowding around him. They had not noticed that the blouse over his shoulder was saturated with blood.

"He's wounded!" shouted many voices, and though the wound was

only painful and not at all dangerous, the transformation of the boy into a lion was complete.

The homeward march was begun. They were two weeks on the way, and it was a weary time for Jeffry, for he had to travel in an ambulance, and was not allowed to move about much for fear his wound would open.

Hicks, a private, who rode with him, and whose arm was broken, told Barry, a corporal, that he thought Jeffry was in love, because he had often seen him looking at a little picture that was painted on the inside of the case of his watch, and though he (Hicks) had not been able to get a good look at it, it stood to reason that it must be a girl.

On the corporal's next visit to the ambulance he seated himself beside the unsuspecting Jeffry, and blushing at the thought of his own meanness, asked what time it was, keeping his eyes on the watch when Jeffry opened it; and afterward, when he met Hicks, he told him that he had seen the picture, and it wasn't of a girl, for she had white hair, and that he thought it was just a fancy picture called "Mary Antanetty," for he had once seen one very much like it painted on a cup when he had helped a lieutenant's family to move, and the lieutenant's wife's maid had told him that that was its name.

Couriers had been sent ahead, and all was in readiness when the Fourteenth reached home.

Colonel Warrick halted the column in front of his own house, for his wife was at the gate. While he was speaking to her a white-haired, young-faced woman came out on the porch and went down the walk toward them.

"This is Mrs. Gilbert whom I met in Washington last winter," Mrs. Warrick said to the colonel; "the wife of Judge Gilbert of Detroit, you know. She and her husband have been travelling in the West looking after their mines and were good enough to stop over with me for a few days."

Oh, I am so glad to see you again! she went on, shaking hands with the officers, who gathered around her while the colonel and Mrs. Gilbert exchanged greetings.

The ambulance was drawn up beside her, and she went to the open end where Jeffry was sitting. He slipped to his feet as she came toward him.

"Jeffry, oh Jeffry, how can I ever thank you enough," she exclaimed, and Jeffry smiled broadly in his frank, unaffected, unembarrassed way, and protested that he had done nothing to be thanked for.

Mrs. Warwick was still wringing the boy's hand when Mrs. Gilbert came to the ambulance to look at this gallant young fellow of whom she had heard so much.

"By gum, she's the one in Jeffry's watch!" gasped Corporal Barry to Hicks, his eyes bulging, his whole frame quivering with the desire to escape that possesses every man at the prospect of a scene—but Mrs. Gilbert only clasped her arms around the Baby Trumpeter and said in a stifled voice:

"My son!"—E. Harman in Illustrated American.

THE SPIDER AS A BAROMETER.

His Actions Are Indicative of Rain or Sunshine.

The spider is a good example of the living barometer. Close observation of the work on its web castle will soon enable one to forecast the weather. When a high wind or a heavy rain threatens, the spider may be seen taking in sail with great energy—that is, shortening the rope filaments that sustain the web structure. If the storm is to be unusually severe or of long duration, the ropes are strengthened as well as shortened, the better to resist the onset of the elements. Not until pleasant weather is again close at hand will the ropes be lengthened as before. On the contrary, when you see the spider running out the slender filaments, it is certain that calm, fine weather has set in, whose duration may be measured by their elongation.

Every twenty-four hours the spider makes some alteration in its web to suit the weather. If these changes are made toward evening, just before sunset, a fine clear night may be safely counted upon. When the spider sits quiet and dull in the middle of its web, rain is not far off. If it be active however, and continues so during a shower, then it will be of brief duration, and sunshine will follow.

Lord Rosebery's Witticism.

During Lord Rosebery's term as Foreign Secretary in Mr. Gladstone's last administration, he was often annoyed by an elderly female who paid him daily visits to get his opinion on matters of no importance to him whatever. Finally, becoming exasperated at the woman, he gave the doorkeepers orders not to admit her under any circumstances. However, not a day passed that she did not make an effort to gain a hearing, and on an unusually late visit happened to meet the secretary just as he was about to enter his carriage.

"Lord Rosebery," said she breathlessly, "I must see you on a most important subject, and at once."

"Very well, madam," said the urbane Secretary of State, holding open the door of the vehicle for her, "I beg of you to get in."

Delighted to be invited to drive with so important a personage, the talkative lady jumped into the carriage, Rosebery gently closing the door on her, and before she could expostulate, she heard him saying to the coachman:

"Take the lady wherever she wishes to go, James, and then home."

Looking out of the window, the now irate occupant saw her late victim stepping into a cab.—Harper's Round Table.

New York Press Club Anniversary.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the New York Press Club will be celebrated on Saturday at the new Astoria Hotel. A banquet will be held in the great ballroom. Among the guests will be His Grace Sig. Martinelli, the Papal Delegate; Bishop Potter, Mayor Strong, Bourke Cockran, Charles Emory Smith, Gov. Griggs, of New Jersey; Chauncey M. Depew and

Dead from Cheap Whisky.

Maplesville, Ala., Dec. 2.—Seven men have died here and seventeen more are thought to be dying in consequence of drinking a mixture of cheap whisky and wood alcohol. The two men who brought the liquor here and sold it are among the dead. The alcohol bore the label, "For Mixing Paints."

Swindler Ford Will Return.

Liverpool, Dec. 2.—J. B. Ford, alias Fisher, who was committed for extradition to the United States on Nov. 9, on a charge of forgery brought by the Cincinnati Coffer Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, sailed from here for New York on the steamer Teutonic.

Fisher is one of the most notorious of American criminals, and was the leader of a gang who made it their business to rob United States mail boxes by means of false keys.

Arrest of a Clergyman.

Toronto, Dec. 2.—The Rev. William W. Bates, an Episcopal clergyman, has been arrested here on a charge of stealing from a department store. He was arrested in the place. At the police station there were found in his pockets two dozen lead pencils, four books, a package of crayon pencils, a hair-brush and a bottle of glue. He pleaded not guilty, and Bishop Sweatman went his bail in the sum of \$1,000.

Suicide of a Boston Physician.

Boston, Dec. 2.—Dr. Truman E. Russell, consulting physician for a medical company here, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart in the company's office in Tremont Temple. He was married, but did not live with his wife. It is understood that worry over domestic and pecuniary troubles caused him to kill himself.

Magnificent Gift to Cornell.

Ithaca, Dec. 2.—William H. Sage, of Ithaca, and Dean Sage, of Albany, have presented to Cornell University the magnificent residence of the late Henry W. Sage for a students' hospital, and besides equipping it will endow it with \$100,000. The property is worth \$80,000.

Banker Spaulding Sentenced.

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Charles Warren Spaulding, ex-president of the Globe Savings Bank, has been sentenced to an indeterminate term in the penitentiary. He was charged with embezzling funds of the University of Illinois, of which he was treasurer.

Mr. J. W. Mowatt, in opening the Ontario Legislature, said he regretted the action of the United States Congress on the lumber duty, but gave no hint of the Government policy.

The London papers assert that China has agreed to give England a strip of territory near Hong Kong and all the surrounding islands, in order to enable England to fortify them securely and to increase the garrison.

A Darius Green has made his appearance near Topeka, Kan. The young farmer's name is Charles Haas and on Tuesday a trial was given to his flying machine. One report says it sailed all right for 500 feet. The machine is like a huge bird.

A Dead Shot.

May—Just as he was telling me that I had fired his heart, papa came in—Maud—And?

May—Well, he fired the rest of him.—New York Journal.

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