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Probably a Misrepresentation.

The statement that vice president PUGH of the Pennsylvania railroad has determined to continue discrimination in the distribution of cars to shippers may be doubted. There have been some symptoms of a misunderstanding of public sentiment on the part of the officials of that highway revealed recently, but we hardly think it is as bad as that. The company was admonished by the interstate commerce commission some months ago against favoritism in the distribution of cars and it is understood that president CASSATT promised some kind of improvement. Under such circumstances there would be considerable hazard in re-nouncing the bad practice.

It is a notorious fact that the Pennsylvania railroad has been violating the law with respect to discrimination in the distribution of cars for many years. Coal companies which favored officials of the road with shares or other business got all the cars they needed while other companies were bankrupted because they couldn't get any service at all. This is a crime of the gravest character and if Mr. PUGH proposes to continue it his company ought to be put out of business and if the authorities are faithful to their obligations that will be the result. The immense wealth of the corporation should not give it immunity against punishment for crimes.

The chances are, however, that Mr. PUGH has been misled in this matter. Even if he were inclined to pursue such an absurd policy he would be restrained by his associates in the management of the corporation. The legal department of the company would warn him against such a course and if he disregarded their admonitions the president of the great system would call him to reason. During the recent campaign some long chances were taken and a too frequent disregard of justice is likely to provoke resentments. Therefore we prefer to believe that Mr. PUGH has been misrepresented.

Any other idea would be a reflection on his intelligence or integrity. It is leaked out that Capt. C. T. FRYBERGER was quietly distributing a book that looked very much like SMULL's for the past year in places where he thought they would do the most good. Inasmuch as neither Representatives NOLL nor WOMELEDORP have ever received their quotes we are naturally a little curious to know where the Captain got his. And if they really were SMULL's, how he got them.

"The Republican party is capable of great deeds," says a Maebine organ. No doubt about that. A party that can steal five millions of dollars in the construction of a four million state capital, certainly has no lack of capacity in that line at least.

The King of England has scudded the Duchess of Marlborough. No international complications are likely to arise, though the VANDERBILTS will probably be joining the GOULDS in the wish for some of their money back.

The Penny is going to dam the Susquehanna and the Juniata and all the other streams along its line. If everything goes as the public wants the Penny will be damming the next Legislature too.

A turkey isn't the sum and substance of Thanksgiving though some people seem to think that if their stomachs are so full that they can't do more than grunt all that day the means have been fulfilled.

You had plenty to be thankful for yesterday. Nature's greatest gift is health and if you had that you had more than the wealth of a ROCKEFELLER could buy.

In less than a month Christmas will be here. Are you ready for the gladsome festival?

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

There has been very little news from the hunters this week in addition to what was published in the WATCHMAN last week. The Gentzel party returned last Saturday with two deer and news comes from the Pine Grove Mills party that they have two deer and a big bear. By tomorrow night the hunters will all be home and a venison taste will pervade the air.

James Maffet, a seventy-year-old resident of Hawk Run, now lies in the Cottage hospital, Philipsburg, suffering from a gun shot wound in the side which, however, is not considered a dangerous one. Mr. Maffet was on the point of being arrested on a very grave charge when he attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself with a shot gun. The gun was loaded with bird shot and they merely made a flesh wound.

Miss Merriman and Miss Mary Blanchard have shipped from the basket shop to Philadelphia their great and beautiful collection of red baskets, to be on display at the Aorn Club during the coming week. From Philadelphia they will be taken to Bryn Mawr and from Bryn Mawr to Harrisburg. It is to be hoped the people of Bellefonte will have an opportunity of seeing this work before a great while, for aside from its usefulness it is most artistic.

WHITTAKER.—James Whittaker died quite suddenly at the home of his son Edward, on north Spring street, last Friday morning, after only three days' illness with pneumonia. In fact he had been at work only the Monday previous and was taken sick on Tuesday.

Deceased was aged 63 years and has been a resident of Bellefonte most of his life. He was an old soldier, having served through the war and was a member of Gregg Post, No. 95. He was a Republican in politics and served one term as constable in the West ward of Bellefonte.

His wife died several years ago but he is survived by four children: George and Edward, of this place, and Mrs. Nellie Jackson and Mrs. Stella Desendorf, of Derry, Pa. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon. The services were in the Episcopal church and were conducted by Rev. Richardson. Interment in the Union cemetery was made under the auspices of Gregg Post.

BIGELOW.—About three weeks ago Thomas Weston died at his home in Port Matilda and last Thursday his brother, Grafius Weston died, while on Sunday evening his sister, Mrs. Mary A. Bigelow, died at her home in Tyrone. She had not been in good health for several years, though the immediate cause of her death was acute indigestion.

She was born in Warriorsmark township, Huntingdon county, and was 77 years, 8 months and 6 days old. Surviving her are the following children: Mrs. Matilda Ginter and Mrs. W. Fisk Conrad, Tyrone; Mrs. Irwin M. Horrell, Canton, Ohio; and Mrs. Edna C. Radwill, Philadelphia; also one brother and three sisters, namely: David, of Phillipsburg; Mrs. Elizabeth Abbott, of Arkansas City, Kan.; Mrs. Rebekah Johnson, of Phillipsburg; and Mrs. Catharine Johnson, of Warriorsmark. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon, interment being made in the cemetery at Tyrone.

ROSS.—Miss Sarah C. Ross, an aged maiden lady of Philipsburg, died in the McGirk sanitarium at 10:30 o'clock Saturday night, of cancer. She had been sick for some time and when taken to the sanitarium her condition was found to be so serious that an operation was deemed inexpedient.

Deceased was a native of Lancaster county, having been born in Columbia, and was 62 years, 6 months and 22 days old. She with a twin sister went to Phillipsburg many years ago and lived there ever since. She was a nurse by occupation. Her sister died a few months ago but surviving her are two brothers, John, of Hicks Run, and Thomas, in Clearfield county. The funeral was held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, interment being made at Philipsburg.

WOLF.—An old native of Centre Co., and one still well remembered by many of the older residents of Pennsylvania, Peter Wolf died at his home in Warriorsmark, Huntingdon county, Friday afternoon of last week, after a year's illness. He was born in Boalsburg, August 23rd, 1831. He is survived by six children, namely: W. R., of Altoona; Ammon A., of Tipton; Mrs. Dorsey Cronister, Springmount; Warren B., C. E., and Pennia M., at home. The funeral was held at 1 o'clock on Monday afternoon, interment being made in the cemetery at Warriorsmark.

JONES.—Hon. Benjamin Jones died at his home in Philadelphia on Monday morning, of paralysis, after a long illness. Deceased was born at Graysville, Huntingdon county, and was 74 years, 3 months and 26 days old. Many of the older residents in the western part of Centre county knew him well. He went from Graysville to Tyrone where he learned the printer's trade and at different times had a financial interest in both Tyrone papers. Later he moved to Philadelphia where he acquired an interest in the Evening Bulletin. He served as a member in the Legislature from 1887 to 1891.

BAIRD.—Pleasant Gap lost one of its oldest and best known citizens by the death, on Sunday morning, of David Baird. The cause of his death was pneumonia and he was ill only a few days. He was aged 73 years, 8 months and 20 days and is survived by his wife and the following children: W. D. and Harvey, of Pleasant Gap, and Mrs. W. H. Fike, of Bush's Addition. Funeral services were held in the Union chapel at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, after which the remains were taken to Zion for interment.

DEHAAS.—Philip DeHaas, an old veteran of the Civil war and a well known resident of Blanchard, died last Saturday after suffering patiently for the past eight years with paralysis. Deceased was a member of one of the earliest families of that locality and was sixty-nine years of age. He is survived by his wife and six children. He was a member of the Baptist church and Rev. Joseph Matthews conducted the funeral services, which were held on Monday morning. Interment was made in the Baptist cemetery.

WITZLER.—Thursday of last week Leah Marcella, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wetzler, died of pneumonia after a few days' illness, aged 1 year, 2 months and 14 days. This child was the first member of the Cradle Roll of the Milesburg Baptist church, and the pastor conducted the funeral services, which were held on Sunday, interment being made at Curtis. Leah was a bright little girl and the father and mother have the deepest sympathy of a large number of friends.

FRANK.—Mrs. Mahalia Frank, wife of Thomas Frank, died very suddenly at her home at Baileyville on Tuesday evening. She had been in apparently good health during the day and a little before nine o'clock went to bed. She had not been in bed ten minutes until she was dead, the result of an attack of heart trouble.

Deceased's maiden name was Mahalia Sholl, and she was aged 53 years and 5 months. She was one of the very well known women of West Ferguson township, and will be better remembered by the public at large as the landlady of the Red Lyon hotel at Baileyville, which she managed for a number of years.

In addition to her husband she is survived by two sons, William and Edward. She was a faithful member of the Presbyterian church and Rev. R. M. Campbell officiated at the funeral, which was held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, interment being made at Graysville.

WESTON.—Grafius Weston, one of the oldest and best known residents of Worth township, died at his home in Port Matilda at 3 o'clock last Thursday afternoon, of general debility. He was a member of one of the pioneer families of that section. Surviving him are his wife, six sons and one daughter, as follows: Ira C. and Stewart B., of Port Matilda; Clarence E., of Curvesville; William B., and Victor S., of Pittsburg; Sanford and Mrs. E. Waring, of Tyrone. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon, interment in Port Matilda cemetery.

WILLIAMS.—Another of the aged citizens of Blanchard answered the last roll call in the person of John Williams, who died last Saturday morning after a protracted illness. He was eighty-four years old and is survived by his wife and six children. For thirty years he was a member of the Baptist church and a conscientious, christian man. Rev. Bardeus, of Philadelphia, conducted the funeral services, assisted by Rev. Matthews, which were held on Monday. Burial was made in the Baptist cemetery.

THREE MASONS CELEBRATE THEIR FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY.—Quite a momentous gathering was held in the Masonic Temple on Allegheny street, Tuesday evening, the occasion being the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the initiation of three members of the Bellefonte Lodge, No. 268, namely: John P. Harris, Thomas G. Purdue and F. Potts Green. Naturally, all three were present, Mr. Purdue coming from Huntingdon especially to be with his brother Masons. And just here it might be mentioned that another man who has passed his fiftieth anniversary by two years was also present, Mr. J. Miles Green, of Milesburg.

The evening proved a most enjoyable one. There were special exercises in commemoration of the event with quite a number of good fellowship speeches; and probably a feature enjoyed more than all else was the elaborate banquet served. It is a rare event, indeed, that any secret society will have on its roll of membership four men who have been faithful for fifty years, and three who celebrate their anniversary at the same time, and for this reason we deem it not out of place to give a brief sketch of the gentlemen, as follows:

From the Anniversary Program. John Petrikon Harris was born in Bellefonte, Pa., August 9th, 1832. He was educated in the public schools of Bellefonte, and at the age of twenty-three entered the bank of Humes, Meadler, Hale & Co., as clerk and since then has devoted his whole life to the banking interests of his native town, at present being treasurer of the Bellefonte Trust Company. Brother Harris' whole life was spent in Bellefonte with the exception of a few years which he spent in Williamsport, where he joined Lodge 106. Early next year he returned to Bellefonte and was admitted to our Lodge in April, 1856. In June, 1860, he associated himself with Lafayette Chapter No. 163, located at Lock Haven. He was knighted in Constance Commandery Knight Templar, Bellefonte, Pa., in March, 1869. Anxious for more Masonic life, Brother Harris took the thirty-two degrees of Scottish Rite Masonry in Williamsport in 1901. Brother Harris has been a good Mason, ever ready to dispense charity and to lend a willing hand to the helpless and needy.

Thomas G. Purdue was born August 18th, 1831, in Spring township, Centre county, where he was reared to manhood and where he lived the greater part of his life, following the occupation of a farmer. In 1855 he removed to Huntingdon, Pa., and since that time has been an officer in the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at that place. Brother Purdue was made a Mason in Bellefonte Lodge on May 20th, 1856 and his entire Masonic history has been spent in connection with this Lodge. In Brother Purdue's own words, his own life has not been marked by any unusual experience but has just been that of an ordinary citizen, striving to fulfill the duties of the position in which he has been placed.

Francis Potts Green was born at Milesburg Forge on October 22nd, 1834. He received his early educational training in the Public Schools of Milesburg and attended the Bellefonte Academy one term. At the early age of thirteen years he entered the Academeical Department of Bucknell University at Lewisburg, Pa. He did not complete his college course but entered the drug store of Dr. Thornton at Lewisburg in 1853. In the fall of that year Brother Green returned to Centre county and entered the drug store of Rev. George Miles in Bellefonte. He purchased the store a few years later and has been engaged in the drug business ever since. Brother Green had been reared amid a Masonic environment and it was not surprising that when the time came he was anxious to learn of the mysteries of Masonry. On November 11, 1856, he was made a Mason in Bellefonte Lodge. During the years 1864-1865 he served as Worshipful Master, and in service is the oldest Past Master of Bellefonte Lodge living today. In 1866 Brother Green joined Lafayette Chapter at Lock Haven serving as High Priest a few years after his initiation. He is also a Past Emi-

ment Commander of Constance Commandery and is active in the works of that order. Brother Green is a Mason, true and tried, who has served his Lodge in many capacities, always doing his duty. Many a Brother of this Lodge has gone to Brother Green for advice and as a Mason he has always been helped.

The members of the Center county bar will hold their annual banquet at the Country club to morrow evening.

Pine Grove Mentions.

Austin Smith is handling the ribbons over a new driver.

Curtis Meyers is confined to the house with a bilious attack.

Miss Nancy Bailey is fast in bed, a very sick lady with tetania.

G. Wash Garbrick is nursing a bad hand affected with blood poison.

C. M. Dale and family, of Lemont, visited friends at Fairbrook Sunday.

John Dearth is making his rounds, taking orders for his big Holiday trade.

The reopening of the Pine Hall Reformed church will take place next Sunday.

John J. Gobech, the oldest man in the valley, is laid up with heart trouble.

Miss Sadie Goss and Miss Maude Carl, of Pine Hall, were visitors at Fairbrook Saturday.

Wm. W. Keller has recovered from a siege of typhoid fever and resumed teaching on Monday.

The venerable Harry Kanarr brought down a fine deer Friday and so did Will Stewart.

Elain Brown and wife spent several days in the beginning of the week with friends in Altoona.

Daniel Breon, Geo. Meyers' right hand man in the grain and coal business, is on the sick list now.

John Gummo, Ed Isenberg and Jacob Kridler are down at the temple of justice as jurors this week.

A. J. Lytle accompanied the State football team to Pittsburg to see them get a fair show Thanksgiving day.

Assistant postmaster Geo. Glenn occupied his new home on College avenue Tuesday, and oh, what a dinner!

G. B. Mc. Fry was last week elected teacher of school No. 1, Franklin district, Miss Ella Lee resigned.

J. N. Ritter, at private sale, bought the Hannah Royer farm for \$2,000; and will get possession April 1st, 1907.

While W. K. Goss is out on the mountains hunting, Mrs. Goss and family are enjoying a visit among friends hereabouts.

Miss Sadie Glenn is suffering an attack of pleurisy. J. F. Sausserman, wife and little Sarah are lending her a helping hand.

Mr. Lared Lytle, who has been at death's door many weeks, is able to be around and out, a fact his many friends will be glad to know.

The bazaar and festival in the I. O. O. F. hall Saturday evening, was a decided success, socially and financially. One hundred and five dollars were realized.

James Londer, brother of D. B. Londer, of Oak Hill, while picking apples the ladder gave way and he fell to the ground, breaking both legs below the knee.

Those who registered at the St. Elmo resort were: R. H. Gregory, C. M. Wheeler, Cottage, Pa.; H. B. Herring, Spring Mills; H. B. Pontius, J. F. Herman, Bellefonte; Harry Bigelow, Salsburg; J. W. Strunk, McAlvey's Fort; O. Booker, Philipsburg; R. B. Moore and son, Neff's Mills.

Spraying Demonstrations for San Jose Scale.

Editor DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN:

The appointment as special inspector and demonstrator for the Division of Zoology, Department of agriculture, for the district of Centre and Clearfield counties, has been given to me. I intend holding a series of spraying demonstrations and desire all parties who may be interested in the checking and extermination of the dreaded San Jose Scale, or any of our other scale pests, to strive to attend at least the one nearest their home. Bring samples of any scale, or anything that shows suspicion of being an injury to your trees. I shall try to answer all questions and shall strive to say and do something that shall be a help to all. Correspondence either by mail or telephone (Huntingdon & Clearfield) solicited, which shall have prompt attention. My home will be my headquarters. I shall be at the following places on the dates given promptly at 1:00 o'clock p. m.:

Dec. 1st.—Peter Gearhart, Clearfield, E. F. D.

Dec. 3rd.—John Herritt, Jersey shore.

Dec. 5th.—David Schenck, Howard.

Dec. 7th.—Samuel Aley, Jacksonville, post-office Nittany R. F. D.

Dec. 15th.—Emanuel Shook, Spring Mills.

Dec. 17th.—Benj. Lambert, Spring Mills.

Dec. 19th.—Newton Neidigh, Pine Grove Mills, post-office State College R. F. D.

Dec. 21st.—H. O. Schell, Unionville, post-office Fleming R. F. D.

CHAS. C. HESS, Philipsburg, Pa.

Books, Magazines Etc.

A GOOD NOVEL ABSOLUTELY FREE—ANNA Katharine Green, whose world-famous novel, "The Leavenworth Case," completely revolutionized all detective literature and gave rise to a hundred or more less successful efforts at imitation by lesser writers, has, by her latest book, utterly dumfounded her army of admirers.

This new book is "The Chief Legatee," and has been written expressly for publication in the Sunday issue of The Pittsburg Dispatch, and will begin Sunday, December 2, and be completed in five large weekly instalments, handsomely illustrated by staff artists.

It is even more original in its way than was its great predecessor, "The Leavenworth Case." Competent critics declare it is as much better than that earlier masterpiece as the latter was better than the ordinary mystery story. Not only is this startling originality found in the treatment and novel situations, but in the plot itself.

"The Chief Legatee" is unlike any other detective story you ever read. It is as original as "Sherlock Holmes," as stirring and full of suspense as "The Leavenworth Case."

If you desire a famous \$1.50 novel ahead of book publication order your newswelder to deliver regularly The Sunday Dispatch.

Spring Mills.

G. C. King has his large barn under roof, and it presents a fine appearance.

L. M. Wagoneller, of Philadelphia, was here last week interviewing our merchants. Mr. Wagoneller was formerly in Selinsgrove. He reports trade on the road very fair.

Thanksgiving day was duly celebrated here by several large dinner parties. Turkeys are more plentiful than they were a year ago. Then sausages were forced to be in style, but now it was a wild or barn yard bird.

Butchering season is now here. As yet no very big porkers have been reported. No doubt when the avoidpools of a big one is announced it will be followed by many of an advanced weight. Nobody cares about being left, even if it does require a little exaggeration.

John Snavely is putting his photograph building in a fine condition. He has erected a very commodious portico in front, the entire length of the building, and is also removing all the accumulated rubbish from the surroundings. Mr. Snavely intends having everything in order to commence business during the holidays.

The younger class of Students of the Spring Mills High school appear to be unusually cautious and shy of late and walk decidedly straight when near or approaching a scholar of a more advanced and earlier class. What is the trouble? Are they fearful of hazing? some wild trick in imitation of the Freshmen and Sophomores at a college?

T. B. Jamison, insurance agent, apparently has very little idle time. He is always busy in his office till late at night and frequently on the road adjusting claims and losses, and, as is often the case, suddenly called upon by one of the companies to transact some urgent and important business requiring a gentleman of experience, sound judgment and of high business qualifications. These commands, too, are frequently quite a distance from home. Of course Mr. Jamison is doing a very large insurance business.

Smulton

The indications are for a good number of fittings next spring.

Herb Smull, who had his leg badly bruised some days ago, is slowly improving.

Miss Sterner, of Renova, spent some days pleasantly at the home of E. E. Miller.

Adam Greninger, who has been ill for some time, we are sorry to say is not improved.

Jerome Hackenberg, of Jersey Shore, is spending some time at his father's home here.

The Methodist congregation at this place sent a donation to the Methodist Episcopal hospital in the city of Philadelphia, Tuesday.

Wesley Hackenberg and family, of New Berlin, formerly merchant at this place, is visiting relatives here and enjoying the hunting sport.

Most of our people have butchered now and we find that up to this time John Emerick has the record for the heaviest hog, the weight of one being 362 pounds.

H. H. Stover is giving special reduced prices on all photographic work during the month of December. This is a good time to have work done for Christmas use.

W. E. Bair has made an addition to his barn, to fit it up for a separator room, churning room, and we understand a feed chopping mill. He believes in having things handy.

VOLIVA STIRS ZION

Demands to Be Overseer For Life or He Will Abandon Followers. Chicago, Nov. 26.—Wilbur Glenn Voliva, successor to John Alexander Dowie as overseer of the Christian Catholic Church in Zion, declared at the conclusion of an exciting meeting at Zion City that unless he was recognized as general overseer of the church for life he would abandon his present following to fate. Voliva presented his new plans for the government of Zion. They contained a clause reading: "Zion is a theocracy. This means that God selects a leader who serves for life, and that through him God selects his successor."

Members of the church protested. Animated discussion followed.

"I will not admit," declared Voliva, "that I am an overseer by virtue of election, nor will I admit that there is another in Zion who could fill my place. Every hand raised against me will go down in destruction, and no petty coteries of jealous plotters can oust me."

Then he threatened to reorganize the church, saying that he would rather do it now than six months hence. He announced that he would give his followers until next Sunday to accept the clause in question.

TRIED TO BURN MAN ALIVE

Tramps Beat Teamster Unconscious and Throw Him into Fire. Steubenville, O., Nov. 27.—Edward Coulter, a teamster, was attacked by tramps on the West Virginia side of the Ohio river, and after he had been beaten into unconsciousness he was thrown into a fire, and so badly burned he will die. Coulter was walking home when the tramps attacked him, took his money, stripped him of his clothing and left him unconscious with his body lying across the still burning coals of a fire. He revived sufficiently to roll away from the fire and give a description of his assailants, who have not yet been arrested.

When pins are swallowed give the child all the mashed white potatoes he will eat and no water for a day, and the danger will be reduced to a minimum.

In the case of a tiled floor a little linseed oil rubbed in and the tiles subsequently polished brings up the colors wonderfully.

A pine floor washed with a solution of a pound of copperas in a gallon of strong lye will take on the color of oak.

RESIGNS FROM THE MINISTRY

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 26.—Bowling to the will of the church, but refusing to make a "cowardly retraction" of the belief which induced the church to terminate his ministry, Rev. Algernon S. Craspey, rector of St. Andrew's church of Rochester, N. Y., renounced his ministry in the Protestant Episcopal church in a letter to Bishop William David Walker, of the western diocese of New York. In this letter Rev. Mr. Craspey reaffirmed his belief that the "notion of the origin of Jesus that a son of man was born without human father is without foundation in history."

He also asserted that "when I say of Jesus that He ascended into heaven I do not mean and cannot mean that with His physical body of flesh, blood and bones He floated into space and was for 2000 years been existing somewhere in the sky, in that very physical body of flesh, blood and bones. Such an existence would seem to me not glorious, but horrible."

Declaring that he is about to carry the case to the free intelligence and enlightened conscience of the world, he counsels the "hundreds of clergymen and thousands of laymen in the Protestant Episcopal church who have reached the same conclusion" as he has not to be dismayed, and to stay where they are.

"I appeal," he says, "from those in places of authority in the church itself to the great body of people." He asserted that he does not blame his judges, and though he bows to their will and feels that it is final for him, he says: "I am equally certain that it is not final for the church. When the great tribunal of free thought has decided this contention, the men who administer the church on earth will conform to this decision."

Having let go of the "temporary and unstable interpretations of the creed," he declares that he holds more firmly to the gospel.

Rev. Dr. Craspey then says in part: "I shall walk in Advent, be merry at Christmas, fast in Lent, even on Good Friday, rejoice at Easter, upon which the church's servants shut its doors upon me. Yes, all the more because they have shut its doors upon me, driven from the earthly tabernacle, I shall have to take refuge in that tabernacle not made with hands, which is the tabernacle where God dwells with all his saints and angels."

"Let no one think for a moment that I do not love the Lord Jesus Christ, and would not have served Him to the last in this church, which is to me the historic church of the great English-speaking race, if only its men in authority had let me. All I asked of them was tolerance. But they have refused to extend tolerance to such as I, and I must with a grief which only my own heart knows accept my dismissal from the service of the church. But though cast down, I do not despair. As I have been true to God, so I believe God will be true to me. I believe He has work for me to do, and this is His way of calling me to that work. In His name, therefore, right reverend sir, I beseech you to forgive me my offences and let me go."

PLATT WAS NOT INTERVIEWED

New York Senator Did Not Say He Would Not Resign.

New York, Nov. 27.—United States Senator Thomas C. Platt said, concerning an alleged interview with him published in this city, in which he was quoted as saying that he would resign his office as senator: "I have not said I would not resign. I saw no reporter, in fact, nor have I said to anybody that I would not send in my resignation to Governor Higgins. I never said to any newspaper man that I would not stay in Washington all winter. In fact, the whole interview about my refusal to resign is untrue. I have said nothing, nor am I going to say anything now."

MOTHER AND TWO CHILDREN DIE

Turned On the Gas and Lay Down With Little Ones to Await Death.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 27.—Mrs. Charles G. Checkley and her two children, a girl of 2½ years and one 5 months old, were found dead in their home. The woman had turned on the gas and, taking her two children in her arms, lay down with them. She left a penciled note which read as follows:

"To the dearest man on earth. I am unhappy and want to die, so I might as well go now. You will find my pin and ring on the little girl's heart. I love my husband, my home and my children. Don't blame me. In want of thought we may do harm when we mean to do good."

Died From His Injuries.

Altoona, Pa., Nov. 27.—Lawrence Fagan, a prominent and wealthy resident of Altoona, died as the result of a trolley accident in front of his home. He was knocked from his carriage two weeks ago, and since then he has been hovering between life and death. He was one of the richest men in Altoona, and owned eight fine farms.

Barclay White is Dead.

Mt. Holly, N. J., Nov. 24.—Barclay White died here, aged 85 years. In of Indian affairs. He held other important positions.

Artistic covers are used for the telephone book.

They are made to suit the color tone of the room or hall in which they hang. Simple cretonne is one of the prettiest coverings.

A cheap but efficacious disinfectant is made by dissolving one pound of green copperas in one quart of water. Pour down the drains.