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ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The maquerade skate in the army on Tuesday evening was largely attended. The county commissioners have been busy this week distributing ballots for next Tuesday's election.

The Centre county medical society held a regular meeting in the arbitration room in the court house on Tuesday.

Edward Reaser, who lives on the Purdue farm on the mountain, was taken to the Bellefonte hospital on Monday.

Mumps are going the rounds in Bellefonte so if you happen to get a swelled neck you will know how to account for it.

Patronize the art exhibit to be held in Petriken hall three days next week under the auspices of the public schools of Bellefonte.

Mrs. John Guisewhite entertained a household of boys and girls from three to five o'clock on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her little daughter, Catharine's, fifth birthday anniversary.

PETERS—McCLINTIC—Luther B. Peters, of Oak Hall, and Miss Cora B. McClintic, of Linden Hall, came to Bellefonte on Tuesday and were married at the Reformed parsonage by Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt.

Guy Jacobs, a student at State College, is at his home at Centre Hall seriously ill. He went home on account of having the mumps and had about recovered when he went out and caught cold with the result that he is now worse than ever.

Centre countians granted increases in pensions the past week and the amounts are as follows: John S. Steffen, Aaronsburg, \$15; Jacob Gross, Axe Mann, \$15; John B. Crawford, Nittany, \$15; John Noll, Bellefonte, \$12; George W. Franaler, Port Matilda, \$12.

Our old friend, S. Simcox, of Philipsburg, is head over ears in the paper wood business. He now has twenty-five teams hauling wood to the railroad at Philipsburg and twelve or more teams delivering wood to the station at Sandy Ridge, and withal that he has over three thousand cords in the woods ready for hauling.

Last Thursday the adjuster for the Etna fire insurance company, of Hartford, was in Bellefonte and with their local agent, Harry E. Fenlon, fixed the amount of the loss on William Steele's house and furniture, which were so badly damaged by fire on Sunday night, February 2nd; and on Monday he got a draft for the amount.

Don. Potter this week moved his furniture out of the Hamilton house on Allegheny street and stored the same, he and Mrs. Potter intending to board for the time being. The house they vacated will be repaired throughout and on the first of April will be occupied by T. B. Hamilton and family, who will move back to Bellefonte from New York city.

Paul Neff, who for a number of years past has been a brakeman on the Snow Shoe railroad, has been transferred to Tyrone and will fill a run as baggage master on the Tyrone and Clearfield railroad, taking the place made vacant by the transfer of W. R. Chaney to what is known as No. 2 run. Mr. Neff, who was recently married, will move to Tyrone.

Beginning next Monday all freight trains that heretofore were routed by the way of Lewistown Junction to Sunbury will be sent over the Bald Eagle Valley. This will mean about four or more extra trains a day with the consequent crews to man them. It is quite likely that the Bald Eagle will be double-tracked as soon as the weather opens up in the spring.

On Tuesday of last week Mrs. Forest L. Bullock, of east High street, was out on the back porch dusting rugs. The porch was icy and her feet slipping she fell over the low railing to the ground below, a distance of ten feet or more. It was at first thought her injuries were quite serious but fortunately they did not prove as bad as supposed and she is now getting along all right.

R. Bower Holter, of Howard, who by the way was at one time a compositor in the WATCHMAN office, made his debut as an editor in Bellefonte on Monday morning when he took charge of the Daily News and Bellefonte Republican as successor to W. F. Shope. From the appearance of both papers this week Mr. Holter has the right instincts for a good newspaper man and we wish him unbounded success in his calling.

BALD EAGLE VALLEY TO BE MERGED WITH P. R. R.—The final merging of the Bald Eagle Valley railroad with the Pennsylvania will take place at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the latter company on March 10th. Under the offer of three shares of Pennsylvania railroad stock and fifty dollars cash bonus for each share of Bald Eagle Valley the former company secured all the stock that was in outside hands. In the transaction a number of Bellefonters reaped a fair financial harvest.

SANKEY.—Mrs. Nancy B. Sankey, widow of the late Jeremiah Sankey, and one of the best known women in Philipsburg, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. C. Showalter, in that place, at 7 o'clock Monday morning. The cause of death was pneumonia with which she had been sick since the first of February.

Deceased was a daughter of Solomon and Margaret Hamer and was born in Huntingdon county over seventy-two years ago. On January 15th, 1855, she was married at Manor Hill, to Jeremiah Sankey and shortly afterwards the young couple took up their residence at State College where they lived until 1872, when they moved to Philipsburg. There her husband died fourteen years ago and since that she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Showalter, who, with two sons, Hamer and Samuel M., all of Philipsburg, survive. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. R. Whippo, of Cross Roads, and two brothers, Solomon C. Hamer, of Blue Ball, and John W., of Huntingdon Furnace.

When a girl seventeen years old Mrs. Sankey became a member of the Methodist church and her entire life has been one of devout worship for the teachings of her Master. She was a noble woman, beloved by all who knew her and her death is the source of deep sorrow to all her friends. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. S. D. Wilson, officiating at the service and interment being made in the Philipsburg cemetery.

BITNER.—Mrs. Cora Catharine Bitner, wife of Dr. Henry F. Bitner, who is at the head of the scientific department of the Millersville State Normal school, died at four o'clock last Saturday morning. About five weeks ago she had an attack of pneumonia and appeared to be on a fair way to recovery up until a week prior to her death when she suffered a relapse and from that time gradually sank until death ended her sufferings.

Deceased was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jared D. Murray and was born at Centre Hall, this county. The earlier years of her life were spent in that town where she was highly esteemed by a host of friends. For twenty-two years past she has lived at Millersville. She was a member of the Reformed church and a good christian woman. She is survived by her husband and four sons, namely: Lawrence, who is connected with a medical company in China; Harry, city editor of the Pittsburgh Press; Ralph and Lynn, at home; also her father and one sister, Miss Agnes, of Centre Hall.

The remains were taken to the Reformed church in Centre Hall on Monday morning and the funeral held the same afternoon. Rev. Whitmore, of Millersville, officiated, assisted by Rev. Daniel Gress, of Centre Hall. Interment was made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

ARMSTRONG.—After only four days illness with the grip Mrs. Mary J. Gordon Armstrong died at the home of her daughter, near Lewistown, on Tuesday of last week. She was eighty-two years of age and was a member of one of the pioneer families of Bald Eagle valley, her grandparents having settled in Union township in 1790. Most of her life was spent in the vicinity of Milesburg with the exception of a few years spent at Axe Mann and Mill Hall. She is survived by six children as follows: Mrs. W. B. Grasmeyer, of Milesburg; Irvin, of Salona; Mrs. Martha Meyer, of Mill Hall; Mrs. Jennie Sellers, of near Lewistown; Charles, of Mill Hall, and Grant, of Warren. The funeral was held from the home of her son Irvin last Friday, burial being made in the Cedar Hill cemetery.

REARICK.—Franklin J. Rearick, a native Centre countyman, died in the Presbyterian hospital, Philadelphia, last Saturday, of tuberculosis, after an illness of some months. He was about fifty years of age and was born in Gregg township. When a young man he learned the printer's trade but later became an agent for pianos, organs, etc. A number of years ago he moved to Philadelphia where he lived until his death. He is survived by his wife, who before marriage was Miss Florence Krape, and one daughter, Vera V., a professional nurse. The remains were taken to Spring Mills on Monday and the funeral held direct from the train.

KING.—Bellefonters no doubt remember Philip A. King, who ten years ago came here from Williamsport as the local agent for the Metropolitan Life Insurance company and during the two years of his stay in this place was married to Miss Kate Steinkrohner, and will regret to hear of his death, which occurred at his home in Wilkesbarre on Monday last week, after only four days illness with pneumonia. He was only thirty-five years old and in addition to his wife is survived by his father, four brothers and five sisters. Joseph and Miss Kate McGowan, of this place, attended the funeral which was held at Canton, Pa., last Thursday.

HECKMAN.—Pneumonia is reaping a rich harvest this winter and another victim of the dread disease was Mrs. Rebecca Heckman, wife of John Heckman, of Gregg township, who died at the home of her brother, Robert Smith, at Spring Mills, at 12:30 o'clock last Friday afternoon. She was a woman widely known and greatly loved by the people of that section of the county. She left no children but in addition to her husband she is survived by three brothers. Rev. Gress officiated at the funeral services which were held on Wednesday morning, interment being made in the Heckman cemetery.

BROOKS.—Samuel T. Brooks died at the home of his mother, Mrs. Richard Brooks, at Pleasant Gap, at seven o'clock on Sunday evening. He had been in failing health for several years and of late was as feeble minded as a child.

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brooks and was born at Pleasant Gap about forty-eight years ago. During his life he followed various occupations. He farmed for a number of years, taught school, was collector for the Bellefonte Republican, traveled over the country as a salesman of a self teaching music instructor, conducted a livery stable in Bellefonte, etc. He was honest and industrious and was well liked by all with whom he came in contact.

His wife died a number of years ago but surviving him are three small children, his mother and the following brothers and sisters: James and Jasper, of Pleasant Gap; William, of Linden Hall, and Lemuel, who has been at home for some time taking care of the deceased; Mrs. John Bilger and Mrs. Henry Twitmyer, of Pleasant Gap, and Mrs. John Showers and Mrs. C. C. Bell, of Altoona. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon, interment being made at Pleasant Gap.

FORSTER.—Mrs. Lydia A. Forster, widow of the late Thomas W. Forster, died on Wednesday last week at the home of her son, A. G. Forster, in Harrisburg. Deceased was sixty-eight years of age and was born in Howard, this county, being a daughter of Henry B. and Margaret Grove. When a girl of sixteen her parents moved to Look Haven where, in 1862, she was united in marriage to Mr. Forster. The family resided there until 1896 when they moved to Harrisburg, where Mr. Forster died a few years ago. Surviving the deceased are the following children: Arthur G., Mrs. Charles H. Bernheisel and Maudie, of Harrisburg; Miss Ollie, of Bridgeton, N. J.; Mrs. R. A. Harding, of Lewisburg, and Mrs. E. F. Heffner, of Lock Haven; also the following brothers and sisters; Henry B. Grove, of Kanopolis, Kan.; Mrs. Wm. Strunk, of Beech Creek; Mrs. Sarah Paaker, of Shamokin Dam, and Miss Rebecca Grove, of Harrisburg. The remains were taken to Look Haven where funeral services were held at the home of her daughter on Saturday morning, private interment being made in the Highland cemetery.

KAUP.—The many friends of John Kaup, son of the late George Kaup, will be sorry to learn of his death which occurred yesterday forenoon in the Bellefonte hospital. Mr. Kaup lived on Bishop street and was a machinist at Lingle's foundry. Last week he became ill and by Saturday he developed a bad attack of typhoid fever. On Sunday he was taken to the hospital but his case was so serious that he died yesterday morning. Deceased was a son of the late George Kaup and was born in Spring township about thirty-two years ago. He worked on the farm for his father until a number of years ago when he learned the machinists trade and has since worked at Lingle's foundry. He was a steady, industrious young man and his death is deeply deplored. He is survived by two sisters, Sarah J. and Virginia A. Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed at this writing.

RILEY.—Death stalked in the town of Boalsburg on Thursday evening of last week and carried away the life of Mrs. Catharine Riley, widow of James Riley. She had not been in good health for months owing to her advanced age, so that her death was not unexpected. She was seventy-eight years old and is survived by two children, Mrs. Oscar Stover, of Boalsburg, and Miss Sallie Riley, a trained nurse of the same place. She also leaves one sister, Mrs. Charles Shaffer, of Philadelphia. Since early girlhood she had been a member of the Presbyterian church and was an earnest christian woman. Rev. W. K. Harnish officiated at the funeral which was held on Monday morning, interment being made in the Boalsburg cemetery.

STOVER.—Mrs. Malinda Stover died quite suddenly of apoplexy, at her home in Penn township, Thursday morning of last week. She was the widow of George W. Stover and was past seventy-eight years of age. Surviving her are two sons and one daughter, P. H. and Kreider Stover, of Elkins, W. Va., and Mrs. T. B. Motz, of Penn township. The remains were buried in the Reformed cemetery at Aaronsburg Monday morning, Rev. W. D. Donat, officiating.

REISH.—Mrs. Elizabeth Reish, wife of George Reish, died at her home in Centre Hall on Sunday, of pneumonia. She was sixty-nine years of age and is survived by her husband and three brothers, namely: Robert Smith, of Spring Mills; Charles, of Feldler, and Daniel, of Millmont. The funeral was held on Wednesday morning, Rev. Daniel Gress officiated and burial was made in the Heckman cemetery.

HESEL.—Jacob Hessel, probably the oldest resident in Potter township, died on Monday of general infirmities. He was ninety-two years of age and was one of the best known men in that section. Since the death of his wife, many years ago, he made his home with the William Bower family. The funeral was held yesterday, interment being made at Tusseyville.

DUCK.—Mary Malinda, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Duck, of Pleasant Gap, died last Saturday of pneumonia, aged 5 months and 17 days. The funeral was held on Monday.

ECKLEY.—Miss Mary D. Eckley, a daughter of Mrs. Mary A. Eckley, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. James Rider, in Coleville, on Tuesday. She had been sick for almost a year with consumption and had been confined to her bed since last June. She was about twenty-three years of age and is survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. B. Lucas, of Runville, and Majorie at home, and three brothers, Lawrence and Clayton, of Benner township, and Rev. Eckley, of Pitscain. The funeral will be held today, interment to be made in the Messiah cemetery.

FAUST.—Roland C. Faust died at the home of his son-in-law, Dr. J. F. Brookbank, in DuBois, on Wednesday. He was born at Jacksonville, this county, and learned the blacksmithing trade under Henry Poorman, in this place. He is survived by several children and one brother, Henry E., who lives at Rockford, Ill.

ART EXHIBIT.—Bellefonters will next week have the advantage of an innovation that they have never had before. By special arrangement of John D. Meyer, supervising principal of the Bellefonte schools, with the Horace K. Turner Art Exhibit company, of Boston, Mass., a set of pictures has been secured for exhibition in Bellefonte.

The exhibit comprises two hundred beautiful reproductions of the world's most famous original subjects in paintings, portraits, architecture, sculpture and natural scenery, representing all stages of art, beginning with Egyptian architecture and coming down to modern American art. The revenue derived from this exhibit is to be expended for pictures for the schools. The whole idea is to give to the people of our community and the pupils a more comprehensive idea of the value of good pictures. The pictures are of good size and of high standard and excellent quality, done by a special photographic process, and many of them are hand-colored.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend this art exhibit which will be held in the rooms of Petriken hall on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 20th, 21st and 22nd. The admission fee is fifteen cents, a small enough sum to see, in one collection, two hundred of the world's best pictures.

Art catalogues, at ten cents each, will be for those who wish to buy. These catalogues are in themselves a miniature art gallery, listing and illustrating about three hundred and fifty pictures, giving a short sketch concerning the original and comments on the artist. Orders will also be taken for pictures at prices quoted in the catalogue. The exhibit will be open from half-past one o'clock in the afternoon until nine o'clock in the evening.

ARRESTED FOR STEALING.—At five o'clock on Tuesday evening John Gordon, son of Benjamin Gordon, was arrested at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on the charge of theft. He was kept in jail over night and Wednesday morning at ten o'clock was given a hearing before justice of the peace John M. Keichline. For a year or more various articles as well as money have been stolen from the Y. M. C. A. and suspicion pointed strongly to young Gordon. He was told about it and warned to quit his petty thefts or he would get into trouble. The warning had no effect, however, and of late so many things were taken that it became necessary for the secretary, Mr. Meserve, to take aggressive measures to stop it.

A watch was put over Gordon and on Monday he was practically caught in the act of stealing a pair of gloves, a necktie and forty-two cents in money. Mr. Meserve made complaint, swore out a warrant and had the young man arrested. At the hearing the evidence again him was so conclusive that he was bound over for trial at court, giving bail for his appearance when wanted. Gordon has not done any work for months and although he started to school last fall he quit after attending only a few weeks and most of his time has been put in at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, he being the star player on the association's basketball team.

Lemont.—William Klinger is able to be out again. Dale Shuey is housed up with the mumps. Many people near town are down with the grip. N. W. Williams is now able to be out again.

Mrs. Matilda Dale returned from the south Saturday. The Methodist protracted meeting opened Sunday evening. The ice crop is the finest that has been housed for years. Helen Klinger is down with pneumonia at this writing and is very ill. Harry Williams came down from Altoona, Friday, and spent a week at his old home.

Tuesday will be election day and every loyal Democrat should turn out to cast his vote. Sunday the mercury stood from 15 degrees to 19 degrees below zero, Monday 5 degrees below and Tuesday 10 degrees below, the three being very cold mornings. The supervisors of College township have been very busy this last week shoveling snow, for all the roads are drifted full, this being the worst blow that we have had for many years.

Spring Mills.—Our folks have been very busy storing ice. The ice is from 8 to 12 inches thick and frozen so hard that it looks fairly green. No danger of an ice famine now, though ten days ago it did look a trifle serious. Major Hus has been housed up for several days with the grip. Miss Jane Nofsar, 91

years of age, before reported on the sick list, is not improving any. Mrs. David Barree has been ill for several days, but is convalescing. Mrs. W. L. Donschy, also on the sick list, is improving.

Our rural letter carriers had a very rough time last week. For three days they were unable to go over their entire route. Some of the roads were drifted higher than the fence, and in some localities the snow was drifted into young mountains, field after field, so it was impossible to go forward.

Pine Grove Mention.

Next Tuesday will be election day, get out the vote.

Harry Musser reports another boy at his home, No. 3.

Mrs. Wm. Brouse visited friends in Boalsburg last week.

Clyde Fishburn will till the Mrs. Ewing farm after April 1st.

Harry Musser transacted business in the Lumber city Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Glenn has been in the clutches of the grip the past week.

Wm. K. Corl and wife enjoyed the sleighing to Bellefonte Tuesday.

Mrs. Sallie Bloom is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Emma Heckman, at Spring Mills.

Miss Lizzie Bloom attended the Mrs. Heckman funeral at Spring Mills Wednesday.

E. C. Musser and wife spent Tuesday at the home of his uncle, Geo. Dale, at Shiloh.

Curt Meyers is housed up with an attack of tonsillitis and is quite a sick young man.

Wm. Jacobs, an old soldier, is confined to bed with the grip and a complication of diseases.

W. S. Bailey and daughter Mary were visitors at the J. G. Bailey home in our town Wednesday.

After a months visit among Centre county relatives and friends Miss Sallie Behrens left for her home in the Buckeye State on Monday.

A bright little baby boy came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Dieblebis last week. Both mother and baby are getting along nicely.

James Hoover says another boy came to their home last week. So the proud dad thinks he ought to be elected constable next Tuesday.

Th money stringency has brought many people to the old home, among whom are W. P. Hoover and sister, Jessie Sharp and her daughter Louisa, from Pittsburg.

After a two weeks visit among friends in Barnesboro, Mrs. S. D. Neidigh and three little children returned home last week. She had a stormy trip in the blizzard, having frozen her hands in an effort to carry her babe through a snow drift in which the team balked.

On account of the blizzard and blockaded roads many of the schools were closed several days and but few of the R. F. D. men got through. In fact they will not be able to make the rounds for days to come. Jas. I. Reed has charge of the mail from here to State College, once a day only.

The Commercial Telephone people are extending their line beyond the Pine Hall district westward. The new subscribers are Mrs. Frances Knoche, W. E. Stover, D. S. Neidigh, L. H. Osman, J. H. Hoy, James Huber, George Cronoble, H. N. Cronoble and others whose names we did not have.

A jolly old load of youngsters drove out of town Tuesday evening and were halted at the J. W. Kepler home in the Glades. The party was arranged by Mrs. Kepler as a surprise for little Katharine's sixth birthday. The little Miss received many nice presents. Ice cream, cake and candies, were served and the guests had a rollicking good time. It was midnight when they returned home.

Sledding parties have been all the go this week. On Monday night a crowd from here went in a four horse sled to the home of Ira Corman, at Oak Hall. On the way they ran in a snow drift and upset with the result that the occupants were all thrown out on a pile. With the exception of a few minor damages to the sled the accident was regarded with no bad results. On Wednesday evening two sled loads came from State College to this place. One of them invaded the Lutheran parsonage and made merry around the hearstone of Rev. and Mrs. Bergstresser. They came laden with baskets of good things to eat so that the refreshments were one of the leading features of the evening. The other sled load were guests at the home of merchant N. T. Krebs and family.

Suffering Papas Form Protective Club. Warsaw, Ind., Feb. 11.—The Suffering Papa club of Warsaw has organized with fifty-seven members. Its object is to accomplish certain domestic reforms. Among them are: Refusal to walk the floor day or night with a squalling infant. Refusal to assist in the kitchen when daughters are giving parties. Cigarettes and pipes to be smoked in any part of the house and in presence of "company." Daughters' beaux to be called down hard when they get too gay. Gossip about other suffering papas to be cut out. W. F. Malish is master suffering papa.

A Moving Picture Trust. Philadelphia, Feb. 11.—The legal wars which Thomas Edison, the inventor, has participated in with moving picture machine manufacturers and dealers for the past nine years, have been settled through the formation in Buffalo on Saturday, of an \$8,000,000 combination to control the entire moving picture business of the world. The moving picture business of the country which this combination controls represents an investment, it is said, of \$50,000,000 with 4200 show places. Mr. Edison will receive \$200,000 a year royalty.

Bound and Left to Freeze to Death. Naugatuck, W. Va., Feb. 11.—Lying in the snow, and bound with ropes that cut into the frozen flesh of his wrists and ankles, Reel Hatfield, a miner aged thirty years, was found unconscious in a woods two miles from here, supposedly a victim of thugs. His condition is critical.

SCHOOL FOR MURDER

Black Hand Teach Young Men Best Methods of Taking Human Life.

Pittsburg, Feb. 11.—Antonio Folino and the seven other Italians, alleged members of the Black Hand society, arrested in a raid following attempts to blackmail a son of the late Senator Quay and other residents of Sewickley Heights, an exclusive residential suburb, are being held in prison for a further hearing after letters and literature found in the house they occupied has been translated.

The police assert that a school to train young men in the wiles of extortion and the best methods of taking human life was found in session when detectives arrested the leader, Folino, with his assistants and students at the rendezvous. It is also asserted that similar schools are maintained in other communities where the extortion organizations operate and flourish. It is the opinion of some of the detectives that Folino secured his ideas from Italian fairy tales. Extracts from these are found in the by-laws of the society and in the instructions to the men when addressing their "magnanimous leader."

Translations of the papers found in the shanty of Raffaele Paluso, near Sewickley, reveal interesting side lights of the Sacro Coricarlo society, another branch.

The oath of death of this society is as follows: "With my life I swear everlasting allegiance to the Sacro Coricarlo society. Her interests shall be my interests. I swear to do for her whatever the Great Hand shall order. I pledge myself to take whatever life is necessary for our great and illustrious tribunal of death, and if I fall at any time I swear to present myself for sacrifice by my brothers."

PRESIDENT DENIES CHARGES

Says He Did Not Make Appointments to Aid Taft's Candidacy.

Washington, Feb. 10.—President Roosevelt made answer to the recent public statements that he has made use of federal patronage to further the presidential interests of Secretary Taft. The answer is in form of a letter addressed to William Dudley Foulke, of Richmond, Ind., and includes a letter from Mr. Foulke to the president suggesting the need of such a statement.

The president begins by characterizing the charges as "false and malicious." He follows this with an analysis of all appointments sent by him to the senate for its action to show that in no case has the proximity of a presidential contest influenced his action.

The president says since congress adjourned on March 4 last he made 1352 appointments, 1164 being postmasters. In naming the latter he accepted the suggestions of senators and congressmen of the localities concerned. He says in Ohio the appointments were made in that way and several on the recommendation of Senators Foraker and Dick, and the charges relate to only these, of which two were nominated in the usual fashion on the recommendation of the outgoing congressman; and that the third nomination was made on the report of a postal inspector and would have been made without the slightest regard to whether there was a presidential canvass on hand or not.

FATAL FIGHT OVER CARDS

Man Shot Dead, Another Wounded and Woman Stabbed.

Philadelphia, Feb. 8.—Alfonso Cifelli was shot an instantly killed; Joseph Eteunia was wounded and Mary Eteunia was severely stabbed in a fight that started over a game of cards in a boarding house in the northeastern section of the city.

The shooting is alleged to have been done by Pasquale Grasso, who made his escape in the excitement. It is charged by witnesses arrested in the case that Grasso shot Cifelli because he refused to pay \$28 which the former alleged he owed. Eteunia went to Cifelli's assistance and received a bullet in the shoulder and Mary Eteunia was stabbed by a woman who took up the cudgel for Grasso.

Shot His Sister While at Play.

Elkton, Md., Feb. 10.—Finding her father's revolver in a trunk upstairs, Katherine Fursico, the four-year-old daughter of Antonio Fursico, carried the weapon down stairs and playfully placed it against the back of her ten-year-old sister Evelyn. The weapon was discharged and the ball went clear through the girl's body. The wounded girl was removed to a hospital, where her condition is said to be critical.

Saved Train From Destruction.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Feb. 11.—A fast-running passenger train on the Wilkes-Barre & Eastern railroad was saved from destruction at Yatesville by an unknown foreign miner. He flagged the train, after which it was discovered that a long section of the track had disappeared in a mine cave-in. All traffic on the branch is stopped.

Four Scalded On Warship.

Vallejo, Cal., Feb. 11.—Boiler tubes on the cruiser St. Louis blew out while the St. Louis was off Sausalito. E. E. Scott, coal passer; F. Thompson, water tender; E. W. Baker, fireman of the first class, and D. Lewis, fireman of the first class, were horribly scalded with steam. It is believed that the injured will recover.

Passed American Fleet In Strait.

Punta Arenas, Strait of Magellan, Feb. 10.—The Pacific Navigation company's steamship Orita, which arrived here, reports having passed the American fleet in the strait twelve miles east of Cape Pillar. The Chilean cruiser Chacabuco was leading. The weather was very stormy.