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David B. Hill says he knows he is a crusty old bachelor, and his words will not have much weight, but all the same the Congressmen and Senators in Washington pay too much attention to social affairs to give public business the attention they should. He says no man can attend suppers night after night, sitting up until near daylight, and then properly grasp the knotty problems of statesmanship when Congress assembles. He would like to see all the women sent out of Washington while Congress is in session.

An exchange says the road law passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature at its last session is to go into practical operation this year, and the result will be the most satisfactory tests of its wisdom. It places the opening and improvement of highways in charge of the county commissioners of the respective counties, subject to the approval of the grand jury at the Court of Quarter Session. The Commissioners are to prepare plans and let the contracts to the lowest responsible bidder. After the improvement shall have been completed, the road will become a county thoroughfare and be maintained at its expense.

STAND BY THE PRESIDENT.

Pennsylvania Catholics Endorse His Position on the Venezuelan Question.

Rev. Father F. C. Seubert, rector of St. Lawrence's German Catholic church, of Harrisburg, was re-elected spiritual director of the state council of the Catholic benevolent legion at its annual meeting last week in the hall of Harrisburg branch of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, in the Western Union building. Frank Nuher, of Erie, was chosen president; A. J. Hare, Hazleton, vice president; John W. Speakman, Philadelphia, chancellor; Joseph Loder, Columbia, orator; Fred Lorez, Erie, secretary; F. J. Burger, Philadelphia, treasurer; H. L. Spiessman, Erie, marshal; John P. Scheid, Lancaster, guard; George Schmidt, Philadelphia, J. O. Healy, Susquehanna, and T. J. Hughes, Easton, finance committee; George A. Kinder, McSherrystown; W. S. Loser, Lebanon; William Dwyer, Oil City; L. J. Wolf, Philadelphia; J. A. Roehm, Lancaster, trustees; representative to supreme council, John J. Coyle, Mahanoy City. The officers were installed by Vice President Heusler, of the supreme council. Erie was selected as the next meeting place of the state council.

Resolutions were adopted endorsing President Cleveland's message on the Venezuelan question and praying for the early passage of the resolution by the senate committee on foreign relations endorsing the Monroe doctrine; requesting Senators Cameron and Quay and the Pennsylvania delegation in the house of representatives to work and vote for the passage of this resolution; congratulating Gomez and his army of patriots on their great successes in attempting to establish an independent republic in Cuba and requesting the United States government to recognize the Cuban patriots as belligerents; extending sympathy to the Armenians and urging the state department to use every honorable means to prevent a continuance of the slaughter of these innocent people and to steadfastly maintain and protect the rights of American citizens abroad.

A resolution was also adopted recommending the supreme council to change the rules of the legion so as to admit to membership miners, puddlers and persons employed about quarries.

The J. P. Morgan bond syndicate of New York expects to secure the entire \$100,000,000 four per cent. bonds which are to be sold by the treasury on February 5. Mr. Morgan will bid for the entire issue and expects to be awarded the entire \$100,000,000. It will take all or none. The reason for Mr. Morgan's confidence is that he will make an offer so advantageous that no other person can stand in his path. The offer is to purchase the entire \$100,000,000, principal and premium in gold, and in addition furnish an amount in gold equal to one-third of the issue or \$33,333,333.33 in exchange for greenbacks. The gold reserve will not only be brought up to the recognized limit, but will have a large surplus for its protection.

An Important Liquor Decision.
 Judge Hare Confirms the Power of the Court to Add Stipulation to Licenses.

Judge Hare of Philadelphia has recently handed down an important decision, which, in effect confirms the power of the court in granting liquor licenses to add to them stipulations as to the conduct of the licensee's business, and on failure of the licensee to carry out the stipulations, to revoke the license. The power of the court to impose stipulations in granting licenses and to revoke licenses when the stipulations were not performed, has been a legal problem which has been before the courts time and again, but no decision was reached on this question and promulgated by the court except in the present case. It is expected the Judge Hare's finding will be carried to the Supreme Court for review.

The case decided was that in regard to the license of Gustav Gerstlauer for the northeast corner of Lehigh avenue and Fillmore street. He had filed a stipulation that he would close his place at a certain hour of the night and not allow liquor to be taken from the premises. Secretary Giboney, of the Law and Order Society, ascertained that Gerstlauer was not living up to his contract with the court, and he instituted proceedings to revoke the license. The case was heard some months ago before Judge Hare, and Gerstlauer's counsel raised the broad point that the court not having the authority to grant licenses with stipulations that the failure to carry out such stipulations could not be urged as a reason to revoke the license.

Judge Hare in his opinion revoking the license, after reviewing the evidence in the case, and dwelling upon the necessity to add stipulation in some cases, said:

"In the case in hand had not Gerstlauer promised to refrain from selling beer in kettles the court would have been obliged to deny the working men of the neighborhood the accommodation afforded by his saloon, or allow it to be used as a means of sowing the seeds of intemperance in their homes, and supplying minors and persons of known intemperate habits, with drink. One thing is clear, Gerstlauer's conduct shows that he was unworthy of the confidence reposed in him by the court, and that his character is not such as to afford the guarantee to the fidelity of the law which the statute contemplates. But for his promise the renewal would have been withheld and the breach of the condition invalidates the grant. If he is allowed to keep his license, notwithstanding his disregard of the assurance by which it was obtained, the salutary restraints imposed by the courts in many cases of a like kind will be cast aside with no real good to anyone and an increase of the evils incident to an unbridled traffic in drink. The rule for the revocation of the license is made absolute."—*Phila. Times.*

An intense excitement has been caused at Wilkes-barre over the finding of several skeletons in abandoned mines. Last Monday it was reported that three had been found in the old workings of the Diamond mines. The matter is being investigated. If the skeletons should be found they are probably those of foreigners who were murdered for their savings and their bodies hidden in the dark recesses of the mine. The sensational story of the finding of the skeletons has caused no little excitement in the neighborhood of the mine. For a long time past men have been missing after having accumulated sums of money and it is now thought that an organized band of thugs are at the bottom of these mysterious disappearances and conceal their bloody work in the inner workings of abandoned mines.

The following letters are advertised Jan. 28, 1896. Mr. J. J. Aylesworth, Miss Laura Barnes, Emma Crawford, Mr. F. H. Stratton, (2) Mrs. Susan S. Welliver. Will be sent to the dead letter office Feb. 11, 1896.
 JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

Great Sales proved by the statements of leading druggists everywhere, show that the people have an abiding confidence in Hood's Sarsaparilla. Great Cures proved by the voluntary statements of thousands of men and women show that Hood's Sarsaparilla actually does possess Power over disease by purifying, enriching and invigorating the blood, upon which not only health but life itself depends. The great Success of Hood's Sarsaparilla in curing others warrants you in believing that a faithful use of Hood's Sarsaparilla will cure you if you suffer from any trouble caused by impure blood.

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 Is the One True Blood Purifier. All druggists. \$1. Prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.
 Hood's Pills are easy to take, easy to operate. 25 cents.

JONAS LONG'S SONS' WEEKLY CHATS.

WILKES-BARRE, PA.
 January 29, 1896.



Have you taken an inventory of your kitchen utensils yet? It is not now is the time to do so. Perhaps you need a few cups and saucers, probably some extra plates, or may be your tinware needs replenishing. No matter how much or how little you need we are prepared to furnish it at prices that will be an object to you. You can procure enough odds and ends from our housekeepers department to brighten up your kitchen or dining room, and the cost will be but a trifle. This week we will offer:

- Best English decorated Dinner Sets of 112 pieces at less money than you have ever paid for a set of dishes. Our price will be offered at once \$6.95.
- Best quality White Cups and Saucers, 6 Cups and 6 Saucers, per set 39c.
- Best quality White Sauce Dishes, each 2 1/2c.
- Best quality White Bowls, quart size, 5c.
- Best quality White Vegetable Dishes, 10c.
- Best quality White Breakfast Platters, 10c.
- Best quality White Pie Plates, 3 1/2c.
- Best quality White Tea Plates, 4c.
- Best quality White Dinner Plates, 5c.
- Best quality White Chambers, 22c.
- Best quality White Wash Bowl and Pitcher, set 49c.
- Pressed Tin Dippers, pint and quart sizes, 3c.
- Milk Pans, large size, 3c, 5c and 7c each.
- 10 quart Pressed Dish pans, 10c.
- Nickel Plated Tea Kettles, best make: No. 7, 89c. No. 8, 95c. No. 9, \$1.

We have just received a large invoice of China Mattings, the lot was bought from the importers at nearly the cost of importation, which gives you a rare opportunity to purchase any grade matting you desire at very little cost. We would suggest that orders be sent promptly to secure the benefits of these unusually low prices. Send us the measurement of your room and the quality you wish, and we will ship immediately in the order your communications are received.

- Jointless Japanese Mattings the yard 10c.
- Heavy Chinese Mattings the yard 12 1/2c.
- Heavy Plain Mattings the yard 18c.
- Heavy Figured Mattings, the yard 18c.
- Heavy Jointless Fancy Mattings the yard 20c.
- Cotton Warp Pliable Mattings the yard 25c.
- Inserted Linen Warp Mattings the yard 30c.
- Beautiful designs in Yeddo Mattings the yard 35c.
- All colors in Nada Mattings the yard 42c.

Our Carpet stock in the newest spring patterns and designs is superior to any in this section of the State. We offer the best nine wire Tapestry Carpets at 72c. Ingrains at 19c. Half Wool Ingrains at 35c. Velvet Carpets at 65c, and Lowell Body Brussels at \$1.18. You should make your carpet selections now while prices are low. Orders by mail receive prompt attention. Special clerks are detailed for this branch of our business.

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TROUSERS FROM \$5.00.

Washington, the Capital City.

This is the subject of an illustrated lecture to be given by Rev. Howard Wilbur Ennis, of Washington, D. C., in the Normal Auditorium Tuesday evening, Feb. 4. The illustrations will consist of about sixty views of the most interesting places in the city, which will be accompanied by an eloquent and instructive lecture describing the different scenes as presented.

Every man, woman and child should know about the capital of our nation, and you cannot afford to miss this chance. Admission 10 cents. Mr. Ennis is on the Normal Lecture Course for Feb. 3, on another subject, and, not having an engagement for the following evening, has kindly consented to give this lecture to the people of Bloomsburg providing his expenses are paid, hence a small admission is charged.

There is an atmosphere of romance about stories of the Emerald Isle, that is always pleasing, and especially so, is said to be the new Romantic Irish Drama, entitled "On Erin's Shore," by Michael J. Moroney. The plot is marked by strong originality, yet the story is simple and sweetly told, with sufficient stirring incident to sustain the interest in the love, humor and rascality episodes throughout, so that the final curtain invariably descends amid enthusiasm. The characters are happily selected to contrast well, one with the other, and they are ably portrayed by an unusually excellent company of artists of acknowledged reputation.

Appropriate costumes are provided, and the special scenery is delightfully picturesque, and includes a moonlight view of an old "Ruined Castle," with a rustic bridge near by, and the moon shedding its silver sheen over a waterfall; also an entrance to a "Smuggler's Cave," where the great sensation occurs. At the Opera House, Friday, January 31st.

The co-partnership under the firm name of H. V. White & Co., has been dissolved by mutual consent.

H. V. White will take the mill, real estate, stock, books and accounts, assuming the payment of all debts and collecting all bills due the firm, and will continue the business of milling and dealing in grain, flour, feed, salt and coal at the old place, corner of Seventh and Iron Streets.

W. L. White will take the machinery, implements and farmers' supplies and continue in the business with an increased and more complete stock at the warerooms at the mill until April 1st when he will take the Forks Machinery Building at the head of Main Street, this Town.

It has been already demonstrated that the Exchange Hotel has fallen into the proper hands. Mr. Snyder, the new proprietor, has already commenced improvements to this popular hostelry, and before he quits, the entire building will be gone over and entirely renovated. Mr. Snyder comes in our midst with a reputation as a good hotel man, and it is his intention to make this hotel one of the best in the state.

When the assessor handed around his notices of valuation the other day, many a man glanced curiously at the paragraph at the bottom saying, "You are enrolled for military duty." Of course, none of us expect to have to go, but we are all pleased (?) to think the government knows how big and strong we are, and will want us if "worst comes to worst."

Unlucky Days.

A German statistician says that the most unlucky day of the week, so far as accidents to human beings are concerned, is not Friday but Monday; 16.74 per cent. of all accidents occur Monday; 15.77 per cent. Tuesdays; 16.31 per cent. Wednesdays; 15.73 per cent. Thursdays; 16.38 per cent. Friday, the same per cent. Saturdays, and 2.69 per cent. Sundays.

Free Information.

Messrs. C. A. Snow & Co., of Washington, D. C., lawyers and agents for procuring patents, will send free to any address pamphlets with information about home and foreign patents, caveats, copyrights, trade-marks, infringements, design patents, abstracts of decisions, etc., as well as the cost of patents in United States and foreign countries.

EXHIBIT WEEK.

We will have THREE EXHIBITS this week, and every one is cordially invited to be present. Remember, these are for every one. We want you all to come. Mrs. C. B. Jones will be here representing Crotty & Mitchell, manufacturers of the now famous STYLING DRESS STAYS. Come in and see the finest Stays that have ever been invented. Every dress maker should not fail to come. Remember the dates WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY. On Thursday and Friday, January the 30th and 31st, Mr. F. P. Hoyd, representing Chase & Sanborn, will give an exhibit of their famous Seal Brand Coffees. If you are a lover of good coffee you can't afford to miss this. At the same time Holmes & Coates will exhibit the celebrated Cream Milk Biscuit and Salted Banquet Crackers. Come in and have a cup of coffee and some crackers. We want you all to come. Remember the days and date—

WEDNESDAY, January 29.
 THURSDAY, January 30.
 FRIDAY, January 31.

Pursel & Harman, BLOOMSBURG, PA.

IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF CARPET, MATTING, or OIL CLOTH, YOU WILL FIND A NICE LINE AT W. H. BROWER'S
 2nd Door above Court House.
 A large lot of Window Curtains in stock.

In thirteen rounds Joe Choynski knocked out Jim Hall of Australia at Maspeth L. I. last week. Choynski had the best of it all though. A large crowd witnessed the fight.

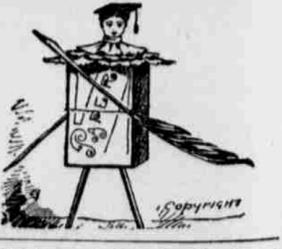
An Army of Students.

633 earnest students are now in attendance at Wood's College, Scranton. Mr. Williams, the owner and manager, has, at Rochester, N. Y., taught and lectured to 10,000 students, and written business College text books now used all over America, and in every business college within 100 miles of Scranton. The splendid faculty is retained and President Williams teaches day and evening. If you wish a thorough course in business or shorthand, call and investigate or send for College Journal. It pays to go to the best. O. F. WILLIAMS.
 1-30-96.

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 in its season is a highly valuable element. We don't want it all the time, but there is one thing we do want. It is

MEAT.
 Last article is indispensable. Then, why not get the best? Get it from a butcher that understands his business depends on his good meat.
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