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NO MORE GAMES OF CHANCE.

District Attorney Detweiler, of Harrisburg, calls promoters' attention to the law, in the matter of the various schemes and devices that tend to engender a spirit of gambling, and makes a sweeping ruling in that respect. The notice in accord with the charge of Judge McPherson about eighteen months ago, when he called the attention of a grand jury to nickel-in-the-slot machines, which had spun so merrily all over the state and raked in for their lessors, the nickels of persons who sought to double, treble, or quadruple their investments according to the figures at which the wheel stopped. It is also said to have a direct bearing on the buying or selling of any ticket or coupons in which there is an element of a chance to secure a prize and will affect the bicycle and piano drawing contests, guessing contests, for ponies, gold watches, umbrellas, or pipes and the innumerable list of other schemes when payment for a guess is demanded. In short it covers everything from a lottery to a church fair guessing contest. Mr. Detweiler gave notice that the law in this matter must be observed, or he would institute proceedings in the courts. This will serve as a warning to many in town who had anticipated ridding themselves of their last year's "bike" by this chancing process.

DANIEL LAYCOCK.

We are again called upon to chronicle the sad news of the death of a townsman, Daniel Laycock, which occurred on Monday morning about four o'clock. He had been in very poor health for a long time, but he was up and around tending to business until Saturday, when he had to remain indoors. He grew much worse on Sunday, and died on Monday at the above stated time. His death was caused by some affection of the heart. The deceased was in the fifty-eighth year of his age, and leaves an invalid wife and four children to mourn his death. He has held the office of constable for some years.

The funeral services will be held at the house this afternoon at four o'clock. Interment will be made in Rosemont Cemetery.

The deceased was a member of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, and that organization will attend the funeral in a body.

BIG FIRE AT RUPERT.

About eleven o'clock Friday night of last week, the large barn of Lloyd Paxton, above Rupert was discovered to be enveloped in flames, and the fire had gained such headway, that nothing could possibly be saved, and the barn, together with all the live stock consisting of eleven cows, three horses, twelve pigs, and a lot of chickens were burned to a crisp. The farm implements and a considerable amount of corn, oats, hay etc. was also destroyed. There was some insurance, but the loss will be large. The live stock was owned by Mr. Paxton, L. H. Boody and the farmer H. Kreisler. The fire could be seen for miles around. A large number of people visited the place on Sunday, and the scene was indeed one of ruin. How the fire started is a mystery.

Meeting With Success.

Rev. R. N. Harris, pastor of the Mt. Carmel Congregational church is meeting with great success in conducting revival meetings in Bloomsburg. A number of conversions are reported as a result of his work there. He will not return to Mt. Carmel until next week. Rev. C. H. Brandt, of Bloomsburg, will occupy Mr. Harris' pulpit to-morrow. There will be preaching services at 10:30 a. m., and 7 p. m. Primary department of the Sunday School meets at 1:15 p. m., adult school and Bible class at 2:00 p. m. Men's prayer meeting at 9:45 a. m.—Mt. Carmel Item.

Harry Robinski and Charles Rebinski, two accomplices of John Schmidt, who are charged with obtaining goods under false pretense, are now being tried at Scranton. John Shoemaker, John Lewis, Frank Cavane, Charles Fornwald, Thomas Brown, Zach Thomas, Paul Eyerly, A. H. Bloom, Charles Sharpless, B. F. Sharpless, and Millard McBride are witnesses in the case. They went to Scranton on Monday.

Sunday evening services in the different churches, in town, will, beginning with next Sunday commence at 7:30 instead of 7, as has been the custom during the winter months.

DR SWALLOW GUILTY.

The Jury in the Second Libel Case, Convicts the Editor-Preacher.

The jury in the celebrated suit of John C. Delaney against Dr. S. C. Swallow Saturday found the editor-preacher guilty of the crime of libel. The proceedings of the final session in the case occupied but a short time, hardly half an hour. The judge opened court at 10 o'clock and Foreman Shepler, of the jury, handed to Prothonotary Melick the sealed envelope containing the verdict. As the official read the single word "guilty," there was a silence in the room, but in its midst the voice of Mr. Scarlet was heard asking that the jury be polled. It was done and each man answered in accordance with the finding as his name was called.

When all had been called Mr. Scarlet moved for a new trial and Judge Simonton allowed him ten days in which to file reasons. The crowd thinned out rapidly as the verdict was read and court soon adjourned.

The case attracted more people to the court house than any tried there in recent years.

Williams' School of Business.

This concern which was conducted by G. W. Williams of Wilkes-Barre for several months, has been closed up for failure to pay rent. Several other people besides his landlord are out of pocket through dealings with him, among them being the Exchange Hotel, Bloomsburg Furniture Co., Electric Light Co., and the newspapers for advertising. When Williams came here he claimed to have six other schools in prosperous condition. Since then he has sold the Shamokin school to another party, also his Wilkes-Barre school. At Mt. Carmel where it is said he disposed of scholarships to the amount of several thousand dollars, the school was recently sold out by the sheriff, and it is reported that the Altoona institution has met with the same fate.

He sold a number of scholarships here for fifty dollars each, guaranteeing a graduating course. In some instances the purchasers paid half down and gave their notes for the balance. Now the school is closed, and the students are getting no instruction, while Williams has their notes, if he has not sold them.

Williams is a very smooth tongued young man, with pleasant manners, and it is hard to tell whether he is the victim of an unfortunate business venture, or a slick swindler.

BISHOP'S VISIT POSTPONED.

Right Rev. N. S. Rulison, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, some weeks ago made an appointment for a visitation to St. Paul's Church on Wednesday evening of this week. Last week the rector, Rev. D. N. Kirkby, received a letter from him stating that owing to an attack of grippe he would be obliged to cancel his engagements for the present. It is likely that the Bishop will be able to come here after Easter, but if not, another Bishop will probably come at his request. A class of twenty candidates is ready for confirmation.

SURPRISE PARTY.

A surprise party was given George Hughes at his comfortable home on East Third Street on Thursday night. There was noise enough to keep the whole family awake till about ten o'clock, when all were invited to the dining room, where they sat down to a table, fairly groaning under its burden of good things. The fun was kept up till nearly midnight, when all started for their homes. The remembrance of the pleasant evening spent will not be a burden to any that were present.

CENTRALIA STANDS THIRD.

Centralia High School has reached third place in the library contest, and is sure of third prize. It has a big lead over the next lowest, so that it is certain to hold its place. Some hard work will have to be done to win better than third, as the first and second schools have many thousand votes more than Centralia. However, it can be done if all readers of the Philadelphia Times in the county will lend a helping hand.

Deforest Hummer has contributed a number of coupons.

Clark Deitrick has secured a position with the Union Traction Company of Philadelphia. He will leave for that city this week. We wish him success.

ROBBED AND ROLLED OFF A TRAIN.

Two Men Nearly Murdered by Ten Desperate Tramps.

The following dated at Shamokin, appeared in the Philadelphia Record, on Wednesday:

"J. C. Ludwig and W. H. Rahn, leading young men of Catawissa, were robbed and thrown from a Reading freight train, near Paxinos last night while on their way to this place to attend a dance, having missed the passenger train just ahead of the freight. A gang of ten desperate tramps on the train surrounded them, demanded their money, and, failing to get it peaceably, knocked the pair down with coupling-pins.

Then the robbers got Ludwig and Rahn's gold watches and \$30 in cash and rolled the two off the train into a dirt heap, where they were badly hurt."

BASE BALL.

William Watts, of Sunbury, was in town on Tuesday, trying to make arrangements for a league base ball team in town. This same gentleman was here some time ago, for the same purpose. He is of the opinion that he can raise \$3000, here on subscription and with this amount he can fix up the Park and run the club all year. Of course it sounds very well, but where is the three thousand coming from? About two years ago there was a subscription paper out, and several fellows subscribed from twenty to twenty-five dollars, and after the club was started the manager called for the money. Did he get it?—Nit. He had their names and their promise but that was all. So if Mr. Watts is building any hopes; on starting a club from promised subscriptions, we would advise him before he gets too deep in the thing, to consult some of the former managers, and hear what encouraging news they have to tell him.

An Industrial School will be opened in the W. C. T. U. room (at the home of Mrs. Agnes Smith, West Third St.) beginning (March 29th) Monday evening. All girls and young women are earnestly invited to come and receive instruction. The room is comfortably heated and lighted; good books, magazines and papers plenty, also an organ for practice for any who may desire. Come girls, I know if you come once, you will come again. Monday Evening, Fancy Work, Tuesday Evening Dressmaking by an experienced dressmaker. Plain sewing will be taught, garments cut and fitted. Other branches will be added later as the arrangements are perfected.

The next attraction at our Opera House will be Fitz and Webster in "A Breezy Time," on Friday April 2, 1897. The adjective that is included in the title of the farce comedy "A Breezy Time" fitly indicates the nature of the production. It has been the purpose of the author to make the performance breezy—simply refreshing enough to revive jaded minds without causing the mind to sit in the draught, so to speak. The company is headed by E. B. Fitz and Kathryn Webster, and includes, besides, half a dozen other performers who have made individual hits in various farce comedy organizations within the last four years.

The store of George Fleuhr, of Ashland was broken into and robbed early Saturday morning. They gained entrance to the building by breaking the pad lock on one of the doors, and succeeded in carrying off three or four barrels of flour, and two or three overcoats. The heavy tread of one of the burglars awakened Mr. Fleuhr, and he got up and immediately started in search of the noise, but before he reached the store, the burglars fled and escaped. There is no clue to the robbers, at present.

Banking Company Distribution.

B. F. Zarr Esq. receiver of the Bloomsburg Banking Company, filed a distribution account on March 29th, by which the depositors will receive 25 per cent of their deposits on first distribution. If no exceptions are filed by next Monday, the account will be confirmed, and the court will order the money to be paid out.

"Nearer the Tomb" an Easter Carol, published by Gomer Thomas, has reached our desk. The Bloomsburg Sunday Schools will be supplied with copies free of charge, by calling at his music store on Main Street.

APRIL MOVINGS.

Read the List and Know Where Your Friends Will Live During the Coming Year.

James McEwen, barber shop from Centre Street to room vacated by Harry Wilson on Market Square.

Harry Wilson, tobacco store, from Market street to front room on same street.

C. C. Marr, from Iron Street to Kramer house on Fourth street.

Edward Row, barber shop, from Central Hotel Building, on Main street, to Gilmore Building on same street.

F. N. Turner, from Fourth street, to his new house on East Fifth street.

Charles Krug, from Third street to his new house on East Third street.

E. Maier, clothing store, from Philips Building Main street, to lower half of room formerly occupied by J. R. Schuyler & Co.

W. H. Henrie, Prothonotary, from Catawissa, to Kramer house on East street.

T. J. Barton, from Wilson house on Main street, to Smith house on same street below Leonard street.

J. W. Lorah, from Main street to West street.

Thomas Metherell from Leonard street to corner Main and Leonard street.

Harry Wilson, from First street to Mrs. Wyncoop house, on Third street.

Alex. Lockard, from Third street to Vanderville house on Main street.

Benneville Rhodes, from Neal farm, to Hagenbuch house on East street.

Harry McBride, from River Road, to Third street.

Lemuel Drake, from Buck Horn to Plymouth.

James Magee, 1st. from Fifth street to corner of West and Fifth streets.

William Waters, from Center street, to Harter house on Espy Road.

H. G. Sherwood, from corner of Fourth and Center streets, to Third street.

John Kleckner, from Third street, to corner of Catharine and Third street.

Levi Washburn, from Catharine street, to Eighth street.

J. R. Reice, from East street, to West Fifth street.

Rev. G. W. Curran, from Fifth street, to Harrar house, on same street.

Clark Price, from Catharine street, to Kleim house on Fifth street.

James Kleckner, from Third street, to C. W. Miller house, on Fifth street.

Fred Kummer, from Fifth street, to Third street.

William Traub, from Beishline house on East street, to Lockard house, on same street.

John Beishline, from Mt. Pleasant, to his own house on East street.

Michael Contoniski, from Espy Road, to Leonard street.

J. G. Wells, from Fifth street, to Magee house on Fourth street.

H. F. Kelchner, from Exchange Hotel, Benton, to Bloomsburg.

J. Feather, from Market street, to half of double house formerly owned by Magee on Fourth street.

George Runyon, from Brower addition, to house owned by the Jones estate back of East Third street.

Robert Morris, from the Brobst house on Main street, to the Wilson property on same street.

I. G. Deitrick, from Bloomsburg to Philadelphia.

Edward Distlehurst, from Fourth street, to Catharine street.

Christopher Gallegan, from East Third street, to double house owned by W. A. Hartzell on East street.

William Deitmilller, from West Eighth street, to East Eighth street.

Robert Hartman, moved two doors above his former residence to his new house on Eighth street.

H. M. Jury, to corner Catharine and Eighth street.

Frank Boice, from corner Catharine and Seventh street, to corner Catharine and Eighth street.

James Reaser, from Eighth street, to Espy road.

Norman Fowler, from Espy, to corner Catharine and Seventh street.

Wesley Baker, from near Espy, to corner Seventh and Catharine streets.

Samuel G. Fausey, from near Washingtonville, to Canby.

David L. Gruber, from Stillwater, to P. A. Evans' farm near Rupert.

Jacob Hartzell, of Mainville, will move to Bloomsburg.

H. J. Carr, from Orangeville, to H. G. Supplee farm in Madison township.

William Musher, from Catharine street, to Fourth street.

James Berry, from corner of East and Fifth street, to Catharine street.

Jacob Aul, from Espy, to Freas

GIDDING'S GIDDING'S.

Saturday will be Special Bargain Day.

Tempting Spring Merchandise. Doubly Tempting Prices.



The Store is alive with beautiful goods. Make it doubly interesting by your presence. We are going to give you the greatest temptations you have seen in many days. The Father, the Son, the Youngster all share alike. We'll dress you well—mighty well—at very little cost. The Spring Stock is away ahead of the best we've sold. Thought we never could compete with last year's goods. We've done it. Come and see the results.

Splendid spring overcoats, \$5.00.
Excellent spring overcoats, \$7.50.
Top notch spring overcoats, \$10.00.
Extra swell spring overcoats, \$12.00.

The Best Suits we've ever sold for \$ 5.00.
The Best Suits we've ever sold for 7.50.
The Best Suits we've ever sold for 10.00.
The Best Suits we've ever sold for 12.00.
The cutest little fellows' suits in Reefer, Middy, Eaton, Fauntleroy and Blouse at 1.25, 1.48, 1.75, 2.50, 3.50, and \$5.00.
Beautiful children's Tams, Red with Gold Trimmings, Red with Black Trimmings, Blue with Black or Gold Trimmings, Brown with Gold Trimmings, 25 and 50cts.
Men's Hats, Extra Values, 98c for Derbys or Fedoras of \$1.50 grade in all colors.
Children's waists, the "Mother's Friend," plain or blouse sewed like home made, 25c, 50c, 75c, and \$1.00. Trimmed beautifully. The best and biggest values we've ever been able to offer you.

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farm, at Mifflinville.

R. R. John Esq., from across the river, to Samuel Shaffer house on Iron street.

Jacob Eyerly, from Freas house near M. E. Church to Fifth and Railroad.

MISS AMELIA D. WEBB.

Information was received here on Tuesday that Miss Amelia D. Webb died at the home of her niece, Miss Mary Brown, at Danville, on that afternoon at 4 o'clock. She had been ill for a long time, and the end was not unexpected. Miss Webb was born in Connecticut, and the family moved to Bloomsburg when she was quite young. She taught school here for some years, and later opened a book store which she conducted for a long time. For a number of years past she has resided with her sister, Mrs. Price, at Pottsville, until the latter's death, when she went to Danville.

In her girlhood she united with the Episcopal church, and was always an earnest, true, devoted, consistent christian woman, interested in the work of the church, and all that pertained to it. She was for a long time the teacher of the girl's Bible class in the Sunday School, and through her efforts and those of her class the font in the church was procured, as well as many other things for church use and decoration.

Miss Webb was the last of her family, her sisters Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Price having all preceded her to the great beyond. Her age was about 75 years.

The remains will be brought here on Friday on the 2:36 train, and the burial will take place in Rosemont.

Court Proceedings.

An adjourned argument court was held on Monday by President Judge Ikeler.

License of I. N. Dirk in Pine transferred to Wm. C. Wall.

In re-estate of Mary Snyder, deceased. Exceptions on the part of the estate of Mary Snyder, deceased, to auditor's report of March 17, '97.

Estates of W. A. J. and Mary A. Brittain. Exceptions to accounts. L. E. Waller appointed auditor on exceptions.

B. F. Zarr, Receiver of Bloomsburg Banking Co., is authorized to lease the room now used by said Co., as per petition presented.

Appeal of ex-County Commissioners from report of County Auditors filed and bond and sureties approved.

Petition for county bridge in Madison twp. over Spruce run, near residence of Jas. Patten, filed.

Estate of Charles E. Benschotter, late of Benton, petition for discharge of administrator.

C. W. Hess et al. vs. The Bloomsburg & Sullivan R. R. Co. Argument as to payment of record costs including civil engineer bill for surveying, &c.

Estate of Samuel Coleman. Argument on exceptions to report of Auditor.

Ira R. McHenry and B. E. Long appointed appraisers in estate of Geo. Cole, deceased.

Bond of Artley Lemons guardian of Allen Lemons, minor grandchild of Silas W. McHenry approved.

Adjourned to Monday, April 5th.