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SALES.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10.—L. K. Hartman, of Berwick, will sell at public sale, at the farm of Reuben Kisner's estate, in Salem Twp., Luzerne county, a lot of personal property, consisting of horses, cows, cultivators, plows, harrows, etc. Sale to commence at 10 a. m.

Wall paper at reduced prices at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The days are measuring in length at the rate of eighteen minutes per week.

Shades hung free of charge when bought at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The W. C. T. U. has rented the room in C. P. Sloan's building on Market street, formerly used as a carriage room, and are fitting it up nicely for their purposes.

Violin, Bow and Box at Thomas' Music store, Main street, for \$2.50.

If you are looking for a Bike, either ladies' or gents and do not want to put very much money into one then look at the Oxford for \$25.00, made by the Tribune people, at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The sixty-ninth birthday of Mrs. M. K. Appleman was celebrated by a large and happy gathering of friends, at her home on Iron street, Monday. An enumeration of those present is prevented by want of space.

The W. C. T. U., of Stillwater, will hold a Silver Medal Contest in the M. E. Church, at that place, on Saturday evening, the 18th. Admission—adults, 19 cents; children, under 12 years, 5 cents. The public is cordially invited.

Charles H. Dietterick died at his residence in Buckhorn at a late hour Monday night, aged nearly eighty years. His immediate survivors are a wife, who is also well advanced in years, and six children. Mr. Dietterick had been a sufferer for more than six years, and his death was not unexpected. He has resided in Hemlock township for many years and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. The funeral services took place to-day, burial being made in the cemetery at Swenoda.

We have a large line of window shades and prices right at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office March 21, 1899:

Mr. Irwin L. Duttlinger, Mr. R. P. Evans, Jacob Jones, Mrs. John Wagener.

Persons calling for the above letters will please say that they were advertised March 10, 1899.

O. B. MELLICK, P. M.

MANY SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE SICKLY.—Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, break up colds in 24 hours, cure Feverishness, Headache, Stomach troubles, Teething disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all druggists 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmstead, LeRoy N. Y. 2-16 4t d

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EAST BENTON.

"Love is a fountain," corruption, a stream, malice, a forge, envy, an engine and covetousness the avaritious will that drives the engine of envy to forge malice into a stream of corruption; and love looks, even with charity upon this combination of depravity.

A strong religious sentiment has stirred the people at Cambra and vicinity. For several weeks the State Evangelist of the Christian Church has been holding a series of meetings which resulted in twenty or twenty-five baptisms by immersion last Friday.

The Cambra merchants, Messrs. Ruckle and Hazlet, exchange places of business this coming April.

The Cambra Exchange Hotel is a temperance house and well patronized. The public sale of Levi Beishline, deceased, at Bendertown was largely attended last Friday.

That we live in a progressive age goes without saying. The sugar now we buy, sacked; the snow came, packed; and next we may expect the water to come, tubbed.

The prevailing condition of the weather is of a stormy nature.

Why not relegate the election of United States Senators to the people where it properly belongs? They would settle the senatorial question in a day; and the disgraceful deadlocks would be a thing of the past. Besides it would cost more to buy the whole people than to bribe a few legislators.

The first thunder storm of the season passed over this place last Saturday night, and the streams were very much swollen in consequence.

The most profitable legislation for the state and nation is, do-nothing legislation.

In consequence of impassable roads the Epworth League at Hamline has been but lightly attended.

Our public schools will probably all close this month. The school children have had a hard time of it this winter.

From the number of public sales one would infer that every body is preparing to retire.

In an adjoining neighborhood considerable pilfering is being perpetrated. Watch a little out.

With a favorable spring the winter crops will promise an abundant harvest. Winter grain hereabouts has not yet been injured by the excessively cold weather.

The roads will long remain in a bad condition. The snow drifts along the roadways will keep them muddy for a long time. If the general public would encourage property owners along the public highways to put up wire fences, there would be very few snow drifts to contend with in public roads. In Benton township the Supervisors have paid more for shoveling snow in one season, than the wire would cost to fence all the highways, subject to drifting in the winter season. Besides where drifts accumulate, the roads are kept impassable for a long time in consequence.

NOTES FROM ESPY.

Miss Sydney Milnes will leave for Scranton on Saturday, having accepted a position at that place.

Lincoln Edgar and wife of Berwick, visited in town on Saturday.

Miss Jennie Griffith has returned home, having enjoyed an extended visit with relatives at Mahanoy City.

Frank Shollenberger of Bloomsburg, was an Espy visitor on Sunday. Rev. Minemier closed his revival services on Monday night.

C. C. Ammerman visited Philadelphia last week.

Miss Besse Robison is home after visiting for some time in Hazleton.

Jack Shoemaker departed this life on Wednesday, after an illness of long duration.

The I. O. O. F. of this town are displaying an unusual degree of activity. Their recent entertainments, both public and private, have been occasioned through the desire to further fraternize, and to create increased energy among its members. The spirit of sociability, so necessary for the success of all secret societies, is not lacking in this organization, and this fact alone is sufficient to cause many new applications for membership in the future. This order now has in contemplation the rendering of the drama entitled "The Ancient Order of Hurcules." It is a very laughable burlesque on the initiation of a secret society. It will likely be held in the very near future.

SANTIAGO IS UNHAPPY

The Politicians Want a Cuban Republic Established Now.

OTHERS ASK ANNEXATION

Business Men See No Future of the Island Except in Its Becoming a Part of the United States—Would Suffer Were the Island to be Made Independent—The Sugar Industry.

Santiago de Cuba, March 8.—The complexion of political affairs in the Province of Santiago has been gradually changing since the beginning of January. Probably the main reason is the fact that the people themselves are out of sympathy with everything, even a benefaction, that comes to them through Havana.

Men who a few short weeks ago were enthusiastically in favor of annexation, are to-day talking about declaring war against the United States if the troops are not removed from the island by July 1.

The business men of Santiago are very gloom. They say that it is impossible to invest any large sums in the island until some settled form of government is established, and that for Cuba to be an independent republic would mean its utter ruin, even supposing that the Cubans were better able to govern themselves than any people in the world, for at one blow the sugar industry would be annihilated, as the United States is in possession of Porto Rico on the one side and Hawaii on the other, which are also two great sugar producing islands, and the sugar from those places would go into the United States free of duty, whereas, even on the best terms, the sugar of Cuba, unless the island was annexed, would have to pay some duty and would be entirely unable to compete with that of the other islands.

No More Cuban Bonds Wanted.

New York, March 8.—The reports from Havana yesterday that the Cuban assembly is considering the proposition for a new issue of bonds, amounting to twelve million dollars, in order to pay the Cuban troops, raised in Wall street some question as to the status of the previous issues. The interest in these bonds here is by no means general. The quotations are almost wholly nominal, and present holders show no indications of a desire to increase their lines; but some of the bonds would undoubtedly come into demand should the United States government interest itself in the next issues.

There are three Cuban bond issues now on the market, those of 1869, 1872 and 1896. Their aggregate amount has never been trustworthily stated. The early bonds are now quoted on the basis of virtual repudiation, the price being about 1%. The recognition of the early obligations would have made the payment of interest on the loan of 1896 impossible. That issue was put out at 40 or 50 cents on the dollar.

Holders of the 1896 loan are now said to be waiting anxiously to see what may be done about a new issue. They say the present financial heads of the Cuban government cannot hope to establish credit unless the 1896 loan is recognized as valid. Others confess that they cannot see why there should be any difference in the Cubans' attitude towards any particular loan, and that some arrangement should also be made regarding the earlier issues.

VOTED THEMSELVES SALARIES

Justice Gaynor Decides that the Interests of Stockholders Must be Considered.

Brooklyn, March 8.—Justice Gaynor in the supreme court, declared in a decision which he handed down yesterday morning that the directors of a corporation could not vote to officers salaries that were alleged to be unjust to the outside stockholders.

The case in hand was that of the American Bill Posting Company, which was incorporated in 1874. There were ninety shares of stock distributed among only four stockholders, all of whom were officers, each receiving \$50 a week salary.

Two years ago George H. Fitchett, one of the stockholders and also an officer of the company, died, and his salary thereupon ceased. His widow sold a part of her holdings to a man of the name of Hyde, but neither she nor Hyde at the next election was made an officer of the concern.

On the other hand, the three original stockholders continued in control, electing themselves officers and increasing their salaries.

The officers were: President, Thomas J. Murphy, salary one hundred dollars a week; treasurer, Bernard Link, salary eighty dollars a week; secretary, William P. Fay, salary fifty dollars a week.

It developed at the hearing in court that the total receipts of the company for the past year amounted to sixty-five thousand dollars, while the expenses were thirty-five thousand dollars.

Justice Gaynor, after hearing the testimony in the case, declared that the aggregate compensation for the officers of the concern should not be over \$5,500, and so ordered, thereby cutting the salaries in two. He said that directors have no right to vote salaries to one another as mere incidents to their office, but that they are entitled to a reasonable compensation.

Noted Editor Dead.

Springfield, Mass., March 8.—Henry M. Burt, founder of the paper on the top of Mount Washington, known as "Among the Clouds," died in this city yesterday morning of pneumonia. Mr. Burt at one time was an editor on the Springfield Republican.

Mr. Burt, just before his death, published the second volume of his book, "First Century of the History of Springfield."

New York for Pure Beer.

Albany, N. Y., March 8.—The Senate has passed by a vote of 37 to 8 Senator Coggeshall's bill prohibiting the use of any substitutes for hops or pure extract of hops in the manufacture of ale and beer.

An amendment offered by Senator Ford, providing that another substitute, consisting of wholesome, deleterious or poisonous might be used as a substitute for hops, was voted down—37 to 15.

LORD HERSCHELL'S BODY.

Escorted by English and American Marines.

New York, March 8.—The body of Lord Herschell, chairman of the high joint commission, who died last week in Washington, D. C., reached Jersey City yesterday morning on a special train. It was accompanied by the Hon. C. W. Cartwright, secretary of the commission, and by H. Williamson, Lord Herschell's private secretary.

It was met by British Consul General Sanderson, Lieutenant Russell of the British ship Talbot, with a detail of twelve marines; Commodore John W. Philip, Captain Kelly and a detail of fifty marines from the Brooklyn navy yard.

The British marines wore straw hats and carried no arms. The marines from the navy yard carried rifles.

The navy yard tug Narkeeta was in waiting. The casket was transferred to the Adams Express Company pier on a truck, led by the American marines, a bugler and two drummers.

The British marines carried the casket aboard the Narkeeta on their shoulders.

The escort then boarded the tug and it proceeded to where the Talbot lay, off Ellis island. The transfer of the casket from the tugboat to the Talbot was made and the Narkeeta then returned with the British consul general and the American escort to the navy yard.

Mr. Sanderson said that when the supplies which have been ordered on board the Talbot arrived, she would at once start for England.

Fort Wadsworth, at the Narrows, will fire a salute of seventeen guns as the Talbot leaves the harbor.

Hawaiians Happy Now.

Chicago, March 8.—James Wakefield, a prominent English merchant of Honolulu, arrived here yesterday from the island of Hawaii, en route to New York. He spoke glowingly of the prospects of Hawaii under United States rule. In the course of conversation he said:

"The ambition of the best residents and natives of the islands has been realized in annexation to the United States. There is a marked sentiment there also in favor of the annexation of the Philippines, as such action on the part of the United States government would increase to a large extent the business of Honolulu through ships bound for the Philippines touching at that port."

"All through the islands in business circles there is a feeling of security, for the people know now that they are under a stable and substantial government. They are not bothering very much about representation in Congress. They are more interested in the laying of a cable, and there is a unanimous desire to see this accomplished as soon as possible."

School Girls Stole Jewelry.

Binghamton, March 8.—The arrest of half a dozen school girls for robbing jewelry stores has caused a sensation in this city. The girls belong to well known families in the city, being the daughters of merchants and professional men.

For some time past the jewelry stores have missed rings, but no clue could be found to explain their disappearance. A prominent society woman of this city recently called at a local jewelry store, showing a ring that had been offered for sale to her by one of the girls.

Detective Stephenson, who was placed on the case, arrested two of the girls as they were returning from school, and at headquarters they broke down, implicating the others.

So far twenty-one rings have been recovered.

Croker Has Little to Say.

New York, March 8.—Richard Croker was not in a talkative mood yesterday when he was seen at his office at 111 Broadway. He was asked what he had to say in reply to former Judge John F. Dillon's statement to the effect that the board of health had no more power over the Manhattan Elevated Railway than it had over any other private property, and that the board's decisions, unless confirmed by the courts, would not conclude the railway company.

Mr. Croker said: "That's the Manhattan's side of the case. The best place to find out what powers the board of health actually has is at the office of that board. I have nothing to say as to the board's powers."

Italy to Compel an Apology.

Rome, March 8.—The Italian government is fully determined to obtain an apology from China for the Taung-I-Yamen's (foreign office) refusal of the demand of Signor Martino, Italian minister at Peking, of a concession at San Mun Bay, Province of Che-Kiang, to be used as a naval base and coaling station.

A squadron of five cruisers, with one hundred guns and fifteen hundred men, soon will arrive at San Mun Bay.

Croker Jr. Branching Out.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 7.—Richard Croker, Jr., of New York city was here yesterday to look at the big quarry on the mountain near here owned by Joseph Hender of this city, with a view of purchasing it.

He was accompanied by an engineer of the syndicate of which he is at the head, and by John Rogers, Edward Miller and M. A. Miller.

The stone is to be used in the construction of the Hudson river bridge. The price to be paid is said to be \$300,000.

Making Fun of Jersey Editors.

Trenton, N. J., March 8.—The House has passed Assemblyman Klein's bill regulating the hours of labor of newspaper men. It was amended in a spirit of fun, until it now provides that reporters and editors shall work eight hours a day for eight dollars per day, with eight hours for lunch. The bill will, of course, be killed in the Senate.

Earthquake Affects Japan.

Yokohama, March 8.—A severe earthquake shock was experienced here at ten o'clock yesterday morning, the disturbance visiting the same places as the last shock of 1891, with some loss of life and property.

REGARDLESS OF AGE.

The kidneys are responsible for more sickness, suffering, and deaths than any other organs of the body.

A majority of the ills afflicting people of to day is traceable to kidney trouble. It pervades all classes of society, in all climates, regardless of age, sex or condition.

The symptoms of kidney trouble are unmistakable, such as rheumatism, neuralgia, sleeplessness, pain or dull ache in the back, a desire to urinate often day or night, profuse or scanty supply.

Uric acid, or brick dust deposit in urine are signs of clogged kidneys, causing poisoned and germ-filled blood. Sometimes the heart acts badly, and tube casts (wasting of the kidneys) are found in the urine, which if neglected will result in Bright's Disease the most dangerous form of kidney trouble.

All these symptoms and conditions are promptly removed under the influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root. It has a world wide reputation for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

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This week we have much to say about **WASH FABRICS.**

We have more sorts of course than we have room to mention here, but these will give you an idea of some very special values that we show this week for the first time. If you say so we will send you samples. If you ask us we will be glad to send a Fashion Plate with the samples. We are agents for the Butterick Publications.

Fine Gingham in checks, plaids and stripes, entirely new colorings, usual value would be 12 1/2c, this week's price per yard 10c.

Fine Madras Gingham, very popular, large variety of patterns, at per yard 10c.

36-Inch wide Madras Cloth, very stylish and new patterns, at per yard 12 1/2c.

New Dimities, very pretty effects, at per yard 18c.

Cacique Cords, a very new wash fabric, at per yard 12 1/2c.

Imported Organdies—you have always paid 25c. per yard for Imported Organdies. This year by a very fortunate purchase we are able to sell them to you in a grand array of styles and colorings at per yard 12 1/2c.

Fancy Figured Pique, light and dark grounds, at per yard 15c.

Dotted Swiss Mulls in very choice patterns, suitable for waists or full dresses, at per yard 18c.

New French Dimities in large plaids, wide stripes and floral effects, at about 1/3 less than usual prices; special at 25c.

French Organdies, every new design and combination of colors, at per yard 30c.

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