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DEMORALIZED DUNKARDS. Orthodox Brethren Lament the Growing Prevalence of Frivolity.

LANCASTER, Pa., May 11.-The brethren of the Dunkard denomination are in a state of mind over the reports made by Elders S. R. Zug, Christian Bucher and F. P. Cassel concerning the worldly habits which the rising generation of Dunkards are acquiring.

They charge that in a number of Dunkard churches in counties contiguous to Philadelphia the women no longer "wear white caps, excepting very small ones at the love feasts," and the men do not wear "long hair parted in the mid-dle," as is the true dunkard custom. Many of the men also, it is charged, wear mustaches without full beards.

They also charge that in the Dunkard church on Marshall street, Philadelphia, the women "wore gold ornaments and fashionable attire," contrary to the rules. In the same church an organ was found. At the church in Germanwas found. At the church in German town the committee saw "women wear-ing fashionable hats and feathers in-stead of plain white caps," and Bethel church, in New Jersey, is declining by reason of improper "wearing of the At Green Tree church, Chester county, there was "strong preaching against pride, but the members gener-

ally dress as they please."

In speaking of this matter Elder Zug said it will be brought before the Dunkard national convention. This body meets at Warrenburg, Mo., May 26. An effort will be made to discipline those who have strayed away from the plain dress and simple habits of the church. and it is not unlikely that a schism may

Delamater and the Delegates. PITTSBURG, May 12.—Specials to The Times give the revised returns from the Republican primaries held in McKean, Venango, Cameron and Warren counties, which comprise the Twenty-seventh congressional district, as follows: Secretary of the Company and the State of the Company and which comprise the Twenty-seventh congressional district, as follows: Sectorary of the Commonwealth Stone captured the delegates in Warren and Cameron counties. Delamater won in Venango. Stone has an apparent matches the patients were badly burned. Those the patients were badly burned. Venango. Stone has an apparent majority in McKean, which was the real battleground, but this may be turned in Delamater's favor before the convention meets on Tuesday. Congressman Watson carried three of the four counties and will be renominated for Republican primaries were also held in Eric county Saturday.

Delamater candidates were chosen. The
result of the day, therefore, is five delegates clear for Delamater, two for
Stone and two (those of McKean county) in doubt.

kill editors met here and laid the foundation of a permanent organization by electing the following officers: Presivided for.

which the town boasts officers shelter for those who were still unproraged, flew upon Stokes and buried his
teeth in his arm. The animal held on by electing the following officers: President. Hon. John Parker, Tri-Weekly Record, first vice president, J. Harry James. Ashland Local; second vice president, S. C. Kirk, Miners' Journal. secretary, John A. Bechtel, West Schuyl kill Press; financial secretary, John J.
O'Connor, Saturday Review; treasurer,
Dr. R. B. Wilson, Tower City Echo,
executive committee, C. Shumway,
Chronicle; C. G. Whetstone, Journal;
J. H. Zerbey, Republican; H. C. Boyer,
Herald, and Will A. Steel, Telegram. J.
L. Steel, Advocate, was chosen chairman
of the committee on laws. The execuof the committee on laws. The executive committee was empowered to pre-pare a programme for the next meeting

A Blind Asylum Victim.

PITTSBURG, May 13.—Stephen Moore, aged 21, died in St. Agnes hospital here. Moore's parents reside in Pittsburg and brought their son home from the Philadelphia blind asylum five days ago in a dying condition. Moore had been an inmate of the asylum since 1885 and related to his attendants in the hospital a terrible story of bad treatment poor clothing and worse food while in the blind asylum. Moore claimed that Principal King instructed the pupils in the institution in all sorts of vices, gave them liquor to drink, etc. The attending physicians attribute Moore's death to bad treatment while in the asylum.

A Powder Mill Blows Up.

SCRANTON, Pa., May 12.—The corning mill of the Consumers' Powder company, of this city, whose works are on the Moosic mountains near Winton pany, of this city, whose works are on the Moosic mountains near Winton. blew up, scattering the building into shreds and making a big hole in the woods where it stood. The only work-man in the building was William Mill-ett, and he was hurled to instant death. These works were destroyed eight years ago and when rebuilt the different buildings were scattered over a tract of 100 acres. This fact alone prevented a terrible disaster. The loss on the canning mill is \$5,000.

The Iron Car Company Fails. HUNTINGDON, Pa., May 12.—The Iron Car company, composed principally of New York capitalists and operating here and at Carlisle, made an assignment through its president, G. D. Dithridge, for the benefit of its creditors to Thomas G. Ritch, of Stamford, Conn. This company was closely allied with the Huntingdon Manufacturing com pany, which built nearly all its cars. The failure of the Iron Car company to meet its matured paper has also em-barrassed the Huntingdon Manufactur-

ing company.

Attachments at Huntingdon. Huntingdon, Pa., May 13.—Several foreign attachments were issued and foreign attachments were issued and served here against the Iron Car company and the suspended Huntingdor Manufacturing company, making a total liability of over \$200,000. Many suits and judgments have been entered. The Carlisle Car works, referred to in other d spatches, are in no ways connected with the embarrassed companies. A conference of the directors of the suspended company will be held in New York today.

A Disastrous Fire. BRADFORD, Pa., May 12 .- Fifteen two story frame business houses of the village of Ellicottville, N. Y., were destroyed by fire yesterday afternoon. They were located on Main and Monroe streets. The village has no fire department and assistance was given them from Salamanca and Bradford. The loss is about \$50,000.

AN ASYLUM HORROR.

Terrible Conflagration in a Poor House.

TWELVE IDIOT INMATES PERISH.

An Aged Imbecile's Midnight Smoke Sets Fire to the Chenango County Poor House at Preston, N. Y. Thrilling Scenes Ensue-Liberated Patients Take to the Woods.

NORWICH, N. Y., May 9.—Deborah Dibble was one of the old women in the idiot ward of the county poor house of Chenango county at Preston. All her life she had been an inveterate smoker, and clung with obstinate tenacity to an old clay pipe which was given to her about a year ago, She was smoking it about 11:30 p. m. when the night keeper passed through the ward for the night. Everything was all right, and Deborah Dibble

was the only person awake. Half an hour later a shrill scream was heard and a bright light shone out of the windows of the ward in the right wing. When the keepers reached the idiot ward they found Deborah lying on the bare floor wrapped in flames, while the other poor idiots ran to and fro try-ing to escape the flames, which were licking the bed clothing and furniture in the apartment.

A Quick Conflagration.

So fierce was the heat and so rapidly had the fire which was started by the embers of the old woman's pipe, spread that the keepers were compelled to re-treat to save themselves. A few of the idiots, babbling and jabbering, ran with the keepers, who cried the alarm as they went. All around were farm honses and messengers were sent for help. The lunatics were released from their dif-

ferent wards as soon as possible. Altogether there were about twenty and it was feared that if they mingled with the more tractable patients there would be a general stampede. The ma-jority of the violent ones however made directly for the woods, and for hours afterward they could be heard screaming and yelling in the adjacent forest.

The Work of Rescue.

in the poor wards were all saved with-out trouble, as that portion of the build-ing was furthest removed from the wing where the fire started.

About 2 o'clock the building began to crumble and succumbed to the fury of the fire. It was an awful night for the nurses and attendants. They hardly knew what to do or which way to turn until finally some half dozen of the good hearted farmers offered their houses and barns as a place of refuge for the imbe-ciles. The doors of the two little churches were thrown wide open and The Schuylkill Editors.

Pottsville, Pa., May 12.—The Schuylill editors met here and laid the which the town boasts offered food and

Still Searching the Woods.

Some of the patients were so badly burned that they fell to the ground as soon as they reached a place of safety. There still are a considerable number of patients in the woods. Most of those who escaped had been kept in the closest confinement on account of the nature of their maladies and it is not at all safe for them to be at large.

The posse of sheriffs is scouring the

country in search of fugitives. Two of seven who were captured were found five miles away and resisted vigorously before they allowed themselves to be re-

Twelve Lives Lost. The number of lives lost by the asylum fire is now definitely known to be twelve. Four of the male lunatics are still at large, but will probably be cap-

tured before many hours.

The names of the idiots who perished were: Sarah Mills, Afton; Sarah Gallagher, Norwich; Amanda Austin, this county; Sarah Bailey, Columbus; Laura Gray, Greene; Adelina Benedict and Lucy Warren, Oneida; Arvilla Atwood, Norwich; Deborah Dibble, Bainbridge, and Mary O'Daniels, Preston.

Perhaps Fifty Perished.

Norwich, N. Y., May 12.—From statements made by Keepers Hall and Manwarning it is believed that fifty persons perished in the almshouse and asylum fire at Preston. All the records were destroyed, and the keepers do not even know how many were under their charge. There were at least twenty in the bedridden ward, from which not one escaped. Officials now refuse all information and promise a statement on Therefore.

Faster Than Nellie Bly's Time. Montreal, May 13.—McGill college observatory and Greenwich were placed in telegraphic communication with each other over the lines of the Commercial cable and Central Canadian railways and observatories here showed that the time occupied in transmitting signals the 3,500 miles was three-quarters of one second. Further tests are to be made between Greenwich and Vancouver, B. C., with a view of correcting time and fixing longitude between Pacific coast points.

A Successful Strike.

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CHICAGO, May 12.—The 625 employes of A. H. Andrews & Co.s' furniture factory, will go back today. The strike was settled at a conference between the employes' committee and the firm. By the terms of settlement the strikers get a marked increase in pay and a half holiday Saturday during June, July and August. This settlement gives them all they asked for.

A Divided Southern Diocese. CHARLESTON, S. C., May 10.—The diocesan convention has adjourned. The seceders before adjournment filed a protest against the adoption of the compromise which they claim does not exclude negro clergymen from the convention if the bishop chooses to admit them. A protest is filed by two clergymen, eight delegates and about 103 members of the church.

Shot at a Priest. JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., May 13.—An attempt was made to assassinate Rev. E. Audran, rector of St. Augustine's Catholic church. Two stots were fired as he was standing on his porch. The perpetrator missed his mark and escaped. The venerable priest is popular and was not known to have an enemy.

Were horribly punished. Burke may lose an eye.

Confessed His Crime.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 10.—Sandy Jones was hanged here for the murder of Policeman John Manning, at Bessemer, in April, 1887. He made a confession of his crime before being executed.

Reynold's New Bank Building, or prosite brockers in the proposite brockers and the proposite brockers.

PERILOUS POOL SELLING.

Many Indictments Expected at Elizabeth

ELIZABETH, N. J., May 13.-A big crowd of prominent citizens of Elizabeth was summoned before the grand jury to testify as to what they knew about the race tracks and pool selling. Doctors, merchants, lawyers and leading builders were in the gathering. The jury, it is said, will not finish its labors in a month, and under an old statue, passed thirty-three years ago, can indict any person who bet on a race as well as the bookmakers.

It is said that some of the jurymen are favorable to the latter course and will insist that no discrimination be shown in the matter of indictments, but that the statue be enforced to the letter. Should this be done fully 3,000 persons in this city can be indicted.

The questions put the witnesses were whether they had ever bought any pools; if they had any of the tickets in their possession, and also whether they had any trouble getting their money from

the bookmakers.

Over 200 subpoenss were issued on Saturday and this is only the beginning of the fun.

Rev. Dr. Kempshall, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, preached a bitter sermon against the race tracks, which he denounced in similar language as that urged by Judge VanSyckel.

George Francis Train Puzzles 'Em. London, May 12. — That cheerful cynic, George Francis Train, embarked safely on the Etruria for New York yes-terday, a good-by company of admiring Americans being present to bid him bon voyage. The papers devote a good deal of space to Mr. Train, but seem quite puzzled as to his proper classificationwhether among the geniuses or the cranks of America. The former rating is insisted upon by some writers who remember him as the brilliant inventor and orator of days gone by, and who re-mind us that we are indebted to him for our tram car system, while less favor-able comment is made by others who cannot convince themselves that the genial philosopher's expressions of Anarchistic sentiments should be condoned.
All agree, at least, that in his present enterprise he is likely to succeed in beating all previous records.

Louisiana Lottery's Charter. NEW ORLEANS, May 12.—The legisla ture in second biennial session met at the state capitol today at noon. The session will be an exciting one, made es-pecially so by the fact that the Louisi-ana State Lottery company will seek to procure the passage of a constitutional amendment permitting an extension of the charter. This proposition will be fought inch by inch by a strong lobby and also by the anti-lottery league. It is rumored that some members of the legislature are pledged both ways, and that there may be some vacant seats at the commencement of the general assembly in consequence.

The Cat Killed Him.

RUFFIN, N. C., May 10 .- David Stokes, a colored man, attempted to drive a house cat from the room and poked him with a stick. The animal became enwith such tenacity it was necessary to sever his head from the body before friends could release the man from the clinched teeth. Stokes was taken ill, and though he showed no signs of hy-drophobia, he died in twenty-four

Minister Reid Distinguishes Himself LONDON, May 10,-A dispatch from Paris to The Telegraph says that the re-ception given by United States Minister Whitelaw Reid at the American lega-tion was the most brilliant affair of the kind ever held in the legation for twenty years. Upwards of a 1,000 guests were present, including notables. It is doubtful, the dispatch says, that so much beauty was ever before seen in a Paris

Society of the Cincinnati.

Baltimore, May 10.—The General Society of the Cincinnati concluded its business and adjourned. All of the present officers were re-elected. Memoirs were read of the eminent members of the sciety who had died during the last three years. The society will meet again on the third Wednesday in May, 1893, in Boston.

A Loving Cup for Mr. Blaine. New York, May 10.—Tiffany & Co. have been commissioned by the dele-gates from South and Central America and Mexico to the pan-American con-ference to make a solid silver "loving cup" of artistic design for presentation to Secretary Blaine, as a mark of personal esteem of the donors.

Killed by a Fist Blow.

Lacrosse, Wis., May 12.-W. Rewey, engineer at the Davidson mill, and ex-Postmaster Oliver Olsen, of Medway, had some difficulty in a saloon in this city. Rewey struck Olsen with his fist, killing him instantly. The murderer escaped, but has been run down and captured at Onalaska.

Desperate Moonshiners Caught. ROANOKE, Va., May 10.—A special to The Herald dated Taswell Court House, says Deputy Marshal John D Daly, cap-tured four desperate moonshiners on Cove creek, in that county. Their names are dUnerwood, leader of the gang. Bob Taylor, George Taylor and Bib Taylor. They are all in Taswell

The Laity Entitled to Vote. St. Louis, May 10.—The Methodist conference occupied the entire session in discussing the right of the laity to vote in all church trials. It was finally decided that the laity are entitled to vote. Several misters spoke quite of the conference occupied the entire session in discussing the right of the laity to vote in all church trials. It was finally decided that the laity are entitled to vote. Several misters spoke quite of the laity are entitled to vote. Several misters spoke quite of the laity are entitled to vote. Several misters spoke quite of the laity are entitled to vote. Several misters spoke quite of the laity are entitled to vote in all church trials. It was finally decided that the laity are entitled to vote. Several misters spoke quite of the laity are entitled to vote. Several misters spoke quite of the laity are entitled to vote. strongly in opposition.

Senator Quay Goes Hunting. Washington, May 10.—Senator Quay is going to Chincoteague, Va., next Tuesday or Wednesday on a hunting expedition, to be gone a week or so. Both Senators Quay and Cameron are prepar-ing eulogies on the late Judge Kelley.

Fought 107 Rounds. CINCINNATI, May 10.—Fat Burke and Jack Duffy fought 107 rounds in four hours, eight miles from this city. The battle resulted in a draw. Both men were horribly punished. Burke may

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