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A RAINY THANKSGIVING.

HISTORY OF A DAY THAT WAS COLD AND DARK AND DREARY."

The Observance in the Churches This Year Not on a Very Extensive Scale—The Social Features of the Day—A Beautiful German in Eshleman's Hall.

The oldest citizen found it hard to remember a more gloomy Thanksgiving day than that of Thursday. It realized to the fullest the Longfellow expression of "cold and dark and dreary." From early morn till dewy eve, the rain fell in unceasing torrents. It was such a day as made one glad to think that he had a home and a table at which to partake of the good things of the season. Few people stirred abroad all day, and the saloons, cigar stores and hotels wore a deserted look. The rain did not deter the lunch fiends entirely, but it very seriously diminished their number. The bicycle meet that was to have been held here in the event of fair weather did not take place and the open air shooting matches were indefinitely postponed. On Thanksgiving evening a german and several balls broke the monotony.

The religious celebration was not on a very large scale this year. All the churches observed the event in their services, but the only churches that specially commemorated the event are given below.

At St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.

Thanksgiving Day was appropriately observed at St. Stephen's Lutheran church, corner of Duke and Church streets. In the morning special services were held at which Rev. Meister preached from St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians, chapter 4, verse 6: "Be nothing solicitous, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God." The general theme of the sermon was that thanks should be returned to God for the abundance with which he blessed this land. There was no attempt made at elaborate decoration, but a floral crown on the altar added to the appearance of that part of the church.

In the evening a sacred concert was given under the auspices of the church, which was very largely attended. Over 800 tickets had been sold for it, and the disagreeable weather did not keep many of the holders away. The concert was a decided success and all the participants acquitted themselves with credit. Following was the programme of exercises.

PART I.

Organ Prelude—"O, Morning Star! how fair and bright!" (Gaebler), Mr. E. Linder, Organist of St. Stephen's.

"O, Come, Let Us Worship," (Rimmel) St. John's Choir.

"Consider the Lillies," Miss A. Swartzwelder, of Grace church.

"Ave Maria," (Stradella) duet for organ and violin, by Messrs. E. Linder and F. Hass.

"Hosianna," (Diedrichson) St. Stephen's Choir.

"Remembrance of Home," (Kreutzer) Liederkranz.

PART II.

"Fest Fantasie," (Kachirch) Organ Solo by Mr. E. Linder.

"O, Give Thanks," (Mozart) St. John's Choir, Duet for Flute and Organ, (Verdi) Messrs. S. Zook and F. Hass.

"Song Voluntary," Miss B. Swartzwelder.

"Lobesang," (Schad's Marie) St. Stephen's Choir.

"Tannhauser," (Wagner) Duet for Violin and Organ, by Messrs. J. Rohland F. Hass.

"Soldier's Night Song," (Wredi) Liederkranz.

"Abide with Me," (Lyebera) St. John's Choir, Benediction.

The choral society of Christ Lutheran church, advertised to take part, were obliged to notify Rev. Meister that they could not attend on account of the illness of some of the members. Their places on the programme were taken by Mrs. P. S. Goodman, who sang "I am Lonely To-night" and Dr. Witherow's double quartette.

Trinity's Concert.

The concert at Trinity Lutheran chapel on Wednesday evening was a decided success. The attendance was large. All the participants are known as masters of their respective departments and everybody was pleased. Following was the programme:

PART I.

Piano Duet—"Radiense," (Gottschalk) Miss Sheaffer and Mr. Bausman.

Tenor Solo—"Serenade," (Gelbel) Prof. Wm. B. Hall, Accompanied by Prof. F. W. Hass.

Concert Duo for Viola and Piano, (Gottermann) Prof. Thorbahn and Mr. Bausman.

Trombone (by request)—(Hoffmann) Mr. Kirchner.

Essay—"Culture," Rev. Chas. Roads.

Soprano Solo—"Angel's Serenade," (Braga) Miss Bachler. (Viola obligato).

PART II.

Piano Solo—"Blue Bells of Scotland," (Thalberg) Miss Callie Shaeffer.

Bass Solo—"Out on the Deep," (Lohr) Mr. Hays.

Recitation—"Selected," Rev. C. E. Houpt.

Clarionet—"Melodi," (Thornton) Prof. Thorbahn.

Soprano Solo—"When the Heart is Young," (Buck) Miss Bachler.

Piano Duet—"Oberlin," (Weber) Miss Shaeffer and Mr. Bausman.

A Joint Lutheran Service.

Trinity, Christ, Grace, Zion's and St. John's Lutheran churches held a union service at Grace church on Thanksgiving morning. The exercises were opened with the singing of the anthem, "O, Be Joyful to the Lord," which was followed by the Invocation, introit Kyne, Gloria in Excelsis and Salutatum, conducted by Rev. Stall. Rev. Fry read the first and second morning lesson, after which the hymn "Before the Lord We Bow" was sung, at which the new bell on the church was sounded in harmony with the hymn. Rev. Reed preached the Thanksgiving sermon from 103d Psalm. After the sermon the bell was dedicated with appropriate exercises, conducted by Rev. Houpt. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mayser. There was a large attendance at the service.

In the afternoon a tea and coffee sociable was held under the auspices of the Band of Faith, and it was well attended.

The Union Service at St. Paul's.

The union service at St. Paul's M. E. church on South Queen street on Thanksgiving morning was largely attended, notwithstanding the disagreeable weather. The congregations that united in the service were those of the Duke street, South Queen street and mission chapel Methodist church, the United Brethren and Evangelical. All the clergymen of these churches occupied seats in the altar. The services were opened by the singing of "Praise God from all Blessing Flow," by the united choirs of the Duke and South Queen street churches. The sermon was preached by Rev. F. Smith, of the Mulberry street church, from the text "He hath not dealt so with any nation." In his sermon he discussed the manifestations of a guiding providence, as to this nation, from the landing of Columbus to the close of the civil war, and showed how highly favored the American nation was. The sermon was an able one, and was listened to with marked attention by a large congregation.

At the Jewish Synagogue.

Thanksgiving services were held at the synagogue on East Orange street in the morning. Rabbi Ungerleider preached a sermon from the 67th Psalm. His theme was Thanksgiving day, and the reasons the American people have for giving thanks for the many blessings conferred on this nation. He began by referring to the Jewish festival of "booth," which is observed after the harvest has been gathered, and said there was no necessity for a second Thanksgiving, but they assemble on this day because the head of the nation has decreed that this is the day to return thanks. He referred to the religious liberty enjoyed by all in this country as one of the things for which thanks should be returned. He urged all Israelites to practice the great principles of their religion and at the same time to be good American citizens, to always stand on the side of justice, liberty, enlightenment and equality, to do their best to remove the prejudices existing against them and their religion and to take an active interest in every measure calculated to advance the happiness and prosperity of the land.

A BEAUTIFUL GERMAN.

Eshleman's Hall Has One of the Gala Nights in Its History.

Under the auspices of the dancing class which gives its fortnightly assemblies in the upper rooms of the Eshleman building, was held last evening the most beautiful german ever given in Lancaster. There was some dancing early in the evening and about 10 p. m. supper was served, consisting of bouillon, salad, Roman punch and coffee. The german then began. It was led by Mr. James C. Wiley, whose admirable executive ability and social tact were never better displayed. About thirty-five couples participated, besides a number of gentlemen visitors to the city. Most of the ladies were of Lancaster and the toilettes were exquisitely beautiful, varied and tasteful. The favors, many of which had been made by the ladies, were unique and handsome; and a number of novel figures introduced between the favor figures were received with much commendation. Among the prettiest of the favors were the toy mandolins and violins, ribboned baskets, pipes and bright colored satin bags, each containing a deck of playing cards, for the gentlemen; and the chocolates, tennis racquets, key racks, ribbons and bells for the ladies.

The figures of the placards and balls, and of the plates and bottles created no little merriment; and the tarletane figure was executed very gracefully. Taylor's orchestra furnished the music and after the last dance the company separated without waiting for the court house clock to strike half past two.

The Farmer's Club And Other Socials.

On Wednesday evening the Farmer's club had a supper at John H. Borger's Southern Exchange hotel, at South Queen and Middle streets. About ninety people sat down to an excellent supper, which had been prepared by Mr. Borger and his wife. The evening was pleasantly spent. John Trewitz furnished the instrumental music, and a quartette sang. Speeches were made by Charles Ochs, Gus Groezinger, Finley Elliott, Prof. Kendall, of Philadelphia, Isaac Heiney and others. The committee having charge of the supper was John Metzger, Elmer Sing and John Borger.

The Owl club held their annual banquet at the City hotel on Wednesday night. About twenty members were present. The supper was an elegant one, and the table presented a handsome appearance. The meeting was very pleasant. All who attended had a thoroughly good time.

The Lancaster Social club held its first ball at the West King street rink on Wednesday evening. There was a very large crowd present and the promenade was led by Joseph Diehl and Miss Mary Swartz. The music was furnished by the rink band.

At Schiller hall Prof. Edward Hall gave his annual sociable and all enjoyed themselves who attended. The Lancaster Pleasure club had a large crowd at their ball in Roberts' hall, and so had the "L. C. A." club at Excelsior hall.

The Lancaster rink was open afternoon and evening, and there were large crowds present to witness the wonderful performance of Lester and Wilmot, the great bicycle team.

The Liederkranz.

The Liederkranz held their usual Thanksgiving concert and sociable on Wednesday evening. There was a large attendance, and of course everybody enjoyed themselves. The programme of the concert was as follows:

Overture — "Bandlienstreiche," (Suppe) Grosh's Orchestra.

"Erinnerung an die Heimath," (Kreutzer) Liederkranz.

"Visions of a Beautiful Woman," (Fahrbach) Grosh's Orchestra.

"Nachtied der Krieger," (Wrede) Liederkranz.

"Selections from Norma," (Bellini) Grosh's Orchestra.

"Love's Rejoicing," (Forster) Liederkranz and Orchestra.

For the Orphans' Home.

An entertainment was given at St. John's Episcopal church on Thanksgiving evening by the Sunday school, for the benefit of the orphans' home at Jonesboro, Lebanon county. It was made of singing, responsive readings, and an address by Rev. Moran, of Columbia. Rev. Pratt read a letter giving the description of the home and the manner in which it was conducted. An interesting feature of the evening was the presentation of gifts, which were numerous and consisted principally of the necessaries of life, in the shape of provisions and groceries, and in addition a very handsome sum of money was contributed. The house now has 22 orphans. The decorations were fine. The altar was trimmed with ferns and autumn leaves with sheaves of wheat at each side and under the chancel was a large cornucopia of fruit.

Thanksgiving Among the College Students.

The college exercises were suspended until next Monday that the students might have an opportunity to spend their Thanksgiving at their homes, hence some have left the city, but the greater number remained and enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner at their various boarding houses. Thanksgiving is always looked forward to by the students with a great deal of pleasure, because it is the only opportunity for a rest given during the fall session, which lasts about four months.

Services were held in the college chapel at which Rev. W. H. H. Snyder, late pastor of the Reformed church in Harrisburg, preached.

Dined With Senator Mylin.

Senators Cooper, Grady and Stehman, Congressman Hiestand, J. Hay Brown, Thos. B. Cochran, esqs., and James A. McDavitt dined with Senator Mylin on Thursday. The general topic of discussion was the question, "Is Lancaster county to be represented in the cabinet, and if so, by whom?" The conclusion reached was that Brown would be the coming man of Lancaster county is recognized. Brosius, it was conclusively shown, has no chance with the powers that be. Chairman Cooper brought to Lancaster the silk hat worn by Blaine on his tramp across the state, and it will be presented to the county committee at its first meeting. There are a dozen candidates for county offices who want to borrow the hat to wear in their travels through the county.

LOWER END ITEMS.

The Late Mrs. L. H. Clark—Capture of an Alleged Railroad Thief.

WHITE ROCK, Nov. 24.—Rain, rain, rain, unremitting straight down soaking rain, has been the order of the day for this Thanksgiving; and any proposition or plan looking to the celebration of the day in a public way have been not only dampened but entirely stopped.

The community has been very much shocked and pained to hear of the sudden and unexpected death of Mrs. L. R. Clark, second daughter of C. W. Stewart, D. D., of Union. Having spent all his life in our midst, her father being pastor of the Union congregation for the past twenty-nine years, she was known and beloved by a large circle of friends, who thoroughly appreciated the many beautiful traits of her character and when she went from among us two years ago to preside over the home of the one she had chosen for a life companion, she was followed by the heartfelt good wishes of all, and now that this dream of happiness has been so rudely broken the blow seems to fall with redoubled weight. The sympathy of all goes out to Mr. Stewart and his family in their bereavement.

Our quiet community was thrown into a ripple of excitement by the appearance in our midst of two railroad detectives, Miller and Phillips, on the hunt of Levi Eckert, charged with stealing from railroad cars near Lancaster. They got their man at a brother-in-law's and left on the 3:30 train.

Friends to the number of ninety gathered at the residence of Harrison McCardle, on the fiftieth anniversary of his marriage, and celebrated with all the accompaniments of turkey, oysters, cake, &c, the golden anniversary of friend Harrison. Many beautiful presents were given, among them fifty dollars in gold. After several hours well-spent in the feast of soul and flow of wit, song, music and poetry, the friends departed for their homes, leaving the happy bridegroom of fifty winters doubly blessed in the many proofs of love and friendship that day experienced.

Railroad Improvements.

A new switch has been put in by the Pennsylvania railroad company at Keller's new hotel just east of the passenger station. A signal to govern trains going west is being put in for this switch. By this a light will be placed about Plum street and trainmen will be governed accordingly.

The system of interlocking switches will be put in at the Big Conestoga bridge at once. Preparations have been made for the work and all the material is on hand. Sixteen levers will be used at this point.

Lectured Before Teachers.

Prof. E. O. Lyte delivered two lectures on Thursday before the Northampton county teachers' institute at Easton.

THROUGH SWITZERLAND.

DR. THOMAS G. APPLE'S INTERESTING LECTURE AT THE COURT HOUSE.

He Takes His Hearers Through One of the Most Romantic Countries of the Old World. What An Observant and Intelligent Scholar Saw on His Trip.

Notwithstanding the very inclement weather, a very fair audience gathered at the court house last evening to hear the lecture of Rev. T. G. Apple, president of Franklin and Marshall college, on Switzerland and his observations of a visit to that country in 1884. It was delivered for the benefit of St. John's (German) Reformed church of this city, and about five hundred tickets had been sold for the occasion. Rev. Dr. Apple was introduced by Chas. Denues, esq., and spoke for about an hour and twenty minutes in an easy manner, holding the close attention of his hearers, among whom were a number of prominent citizens of Lancaster who are natives of the country he described and familiar with its associations, and Mr. George W. Hensel, of Quarryville, who had accompanied Dr. Apple on his European tour.

He began with some historical account of the ancient and warlike Helvetians, as described in Cæsar's commentaries and familiar to young Latin students. He and his companions had started from the beautiful shores of Lake Como, finest of all European lakes, for their Switzerland visit, which occupied three weeks. The railroad through St. Gothard's Pass, by beautiful lakes and then along the wild and bold scenery where Alps on Alps arise, was graphically described; and vivid contrast was made of nature's boldest work with man's great mechanical achievement, the mountain railway, by which at a bound the tourist crosses from sunny Italy to the heart of Switzerland.

At Lucerne, besides many other beauties and wonders, the traveler seeks out Thorwaldsen's memorial lion carving in the rock and views with awe and admiration the effect of the glacier movement on the rocks, Mount Rigi and its railway ascent; the view of the sunlit upper side of the clouds and their sublime and solemn lesson; the snow capped peaks, all impress the stranger and inspire the native.

At Zurich the heart of one who holds to the Reformed faith is stirred to special interest in the memorials of Zwingli. Here he lived and labored; and the travelers stood and knelt in the church where he preached, stopped at the house in which he lived and spent an hour in the museum, where the relics of his religious and domestic life are treasured.

At Brienz they saw the illumination of the Giessbach, where the waterfall is 900 feet high; and at Interlachen they took in the sights of European Saratoga. There gazed upon the white bosom of the Yungfrau and there first saw the glacier. A pleasant and profitable Sunday was spent at Berne; and trips made to Martigny and Freiberg. At Chamounix they looked and partly climbed up Mt. Blanc's 16,000 feet of altitude; and viewed with ever increasing wonder the great sea of ice, enticing in its beauty and treacherous in its danger. The ice caves and grottoes and many other features of mountain and glacier scenery were depicted.

Much of Switzerland, however, is not of this sterile character; and the productive portions of the country are densely populated. In spring and summer the herdsmen lead out their flocks, pasturing them higher and higher as the sun advances, and making butter and cheese for the winter store. The wood carvers and lace makers who toil so patiently for slight compensation have as strong attachment for their native land as the owners and tillers of the soil. They abide in the land of their fathers because for centuries it has been the home of their people.

The drive of fifty-four miles from Chamounix to Geneva, is made in four hours by the swift diligence, drawn by six, seven or eight horses; the road is broad, hard and smooth, and frequent relays speed the traveler. The scenery of castellated rocks and ever changing mountain vistas is grand; and the journey made on the day of the feast of Assumption showed processions of priests and people at nearly every village or wayside shrine. The amber colored Rhone, the Tower of Chillon immortalized by Byron's verse and the memorials of Calvin are only a few of the historical features which add interest to the natural beauties of Geneva.

The concluding portion of the lecture was devoted to a characterization of the Swiss people. Dr. Apple praised their industry, which is remarkable in surmounting natural disadvantages; many of the farmers live very well and even the hardest toilers are happy and contented; nowhere in Europe are the great barns of Lancaster county rivalled save here and a glance tells where the overshot barn of our domestic architecture has found its model; the close cultivation of the soil is rewarded with marvellous yield. The language of the people and its variation from the German were described, and their educational system; an eloquent eulogy was pronounced upon their instinct of liberty, which was inborn in the people of a mountain region; they had defended their institutions and preserved their independence with a patriotic vigor and unfaltering heroism unknown to the dwellers of the plains.

HOPE FOR ANARCHISTS.

Judge Scott Grants the Supersedeas and the Condemned Have a Respite.

Thursday morning Judge Scott granted the supersedeas in the Chicago Anarchists' case. Messrs. Black, Swett and Salomon started at once to Ottawa to have the clerk issue the order in pursuance to Judge Scott's instructions. The effect of the order for the supersedeas will be to stay the execution at least until the full bench of the supreme court has passed upon the questions raised for a new trial. It is estimated that in the ordinary course of procedure a hearing and decision cannot be reached for six or eight weeks, and that even though the lower court is sustained, the sentence cannot be carried out until some time in March or April.

Judge Scott's order granting the supersedeas is purely formal. Without going into any particulars or giving any reasons he simply certifies that in his opinion "there is reasonable ground for granting the writ."

The news was received by the condemned men quietly with some expressions of pleasure, but few of surprise. They treated the supersedeas as a matter of course, and said little except to intimate an increasing belief that the Illinois supreme court would grant them a new trial, though they admitted having been still more confident that Judge Gary's rulings would be in their favor.

Killed in a Railroad Smashup.

The through express on the Cleveland & Pittsburg road which left Pittsburg at 11:25 Wednesday night, ran into a freight train at Conway's station, twenty-four miles from Pittsburg, on the Fort Wayne road, shortly after midnight, derailing the caboose and two freight cars and the engine of the express train. Fireman Harry Burkshaw, of Cleveland, was hurled from the cab by the force of the collision and killed outright. Engineer Hank Shannon, of Bedford, Ohio, was also thrown from the cab and seriously but not fatally injured. Baggagemaster Jacob Allen, of Pittsburg, was thrown across the car, breaking several ribs and badly bruising him. None of the passengers on the express were injured. The freight train had stopped to take on a supply of water when the express crashed into it.

Finding the Money of a Helpless Miser.

Two years ago John Beck, age fifty, came to Reading from Lebanon and rented an upper room in the St. Cloud hotel, where he lived by himself in a miserly way. He made his living by filing saws and doing odd jobs. Five days ago he was stricken with paralysis and was rendered almost helpless. Wednesday over $2,000 was found secreted in old clothing in his room.

A Patent for T. J. Houghton.

Mr. Thos. J. Houghton, of this city, has been granted a patent for a new device by which horses are hitched to vehicles simply by connecting the tugs with the shafts. The patent was secured through Wm. R. Gerhart, solicitor of patents, No. 34 North Duke street.

MORE CIVIL SERVICE.

Stone Wants to Be Reinstated Like Mr. Benton. His Request Not Granted—Campaigning in Opposition to the Administration a Little Too Much.

The president has made public the following correspondence:

PITTSBURG, Nov. 18, 1886.

Hon. A. H. Garland, Attorney General:

SIR—I have read the correspondence between the president and Hon. M. E. Benton, United States attorney, connected with his restoration to office, in which it appears that he was suspended from office for apparent neglect of official duties in making campaign speeches. Presumably my suspension was ordered for the same reason. I made but two speeches prior to the receipt of the order of suspension—one at Butler, in an adjoining county, on the evening of October 1, and one at Kittanning, a town near Pittsburg, on the evening of October 2.

I did not leave Pittsburg for Butler until nearly four o'clock, October 1, and returned on the morning of the 24 of October, about nine o'clock. I left Kittanning Saturday, October 2, about five o'clock p. m., and returned the same night. Upon both of the above dates the United States courts here were not in session, except a short time in the morning of each day for ordinary motions. I was in attendance upon the courts during their sittings, and did not leave the city upon either occasion until long after the courts adjourned. On October 18 the United States district court began its session at Pittsburg for the trial of jury causes, a petit and grand jury being in attendance. From October 2 until October 18 I was engaged in the preparation of United States causes for trial, and from October 18 until October 27, the date of the receipt of the order of suspension, I was engaged in the trial of these causes. Neither during this period from October 2 to October 27, nor at any other time, did I in any particular neglect the duties of my office. These statements may be verified by inquiry of any officer of our courts. I feel it my duty, after reading the correspondence between the president and Mr. Benton, to state these facts in justice to myself, and respectfully request that this communication be referred to the president.

I may also add that I did not think that making an occasional campaign speech to my neighbors, while not neglecting the duties of my office, would be a violation of the president's order of July 10, 1886.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM A. STONE.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, Nov. 23, 1886.

Hon. A. H. Garland, Attorney General:

DEAR SIR—I have read the letter of the 18th inst. written to you by William A. Stone, lately suspended from office as district attorney for the Western part of Pennsylvania, and the subject matter to which it refers has received my careful consideration.

I shall not impute to the writer any mischievous motive in his plainly erroneous assumption that his case and that of M. E. Benton, recently suspended and reinstated, rest upon the same state of facts, but prefer to regard his letter as containing the best statement possible upon the question of his reinstatement.

You remember, of course, that soon after the present administration was installed—and I think nearly a year and a half ago—I considered with you certain charges which had been preferred against Mr. Stone as a federal official. You remember, too, that the action we then contemplated was withheld by reason of the excuses and explanations of his friends. These excuses and explanations induced me to believe that Mr. Stone's retention would insure a faithful performance of official duty, and that whatever offensive partisanship he had deemed justifiable in other circumstances, he would, during his continuance in office at his request, under an administration opposed to him in political creed and policy, content himself with a quiet and unobtrusive enjoyment of his political privileges. I certainly supposed that his sense of propriety would cause him to refrain from pursuing such a partisan course as would wantonly offend and irritate the friends of the administration who insisted that he should not be retained in office, either because of his personal merit or in adherence to the methods which for a long time had prevailed in the distribution of federal offices.

In the light of a better system, and without considering his political affiliations, Mr. Stone, when permitted to remain in office, became a part of the business organization of the present administration, bound by every obligation of honor to assist within his sphere in his successful operation. The obligation involved not only the proper performance of official duty, but a certain good faith and fidelity, which, while not exacting the least sacrifice of political principle, forbade active participation in purely partisan demonstration of a pronounced type, undertaken for the purpose of advancing partisan interests and conducted upon the avowed theory that the administration of the government was not entitled to the confidence and respect of the people.

There is no dispute whatever concerning the fact that Mr. Stone did join others who were campaigning the state of Pennsylvania in opposition to the administration. It appears, too, that he was active and prominent with noisy enthusiasm in attendance upon at least two large public meetings; that the speeches at such meetings were largely devoted to abuse and misrepresentation of the administration; that he approved all this and actually addressed the meetings himself in somewhat the same strain; that he attended such meetings away from his home for the purpose of making such addresses, and that he was advertised as one of the speakers at each of said meetings.

I shall accept as true the statement of Mr. Stone that the time spent by him in thus demonstrating his willingness to hold a profitable office at the hands of an administration which he endeavored to discredit with the people, and which had kindly overlooked his previous offences, did not result in the neglect of official duty. But his conduct has brought to light such an unfriendliness toward the administration which he pretends to serve and of which he is nominally a part, and such a consequent lack of loyal interest in its success, that the safest and surest guaranty of his faithful service is, in my opinion, entirely wanting. His course, in itself such as should not have been entered upon while maintaining official relations to the administration, also renews and revives with unmistakable interpretation of their character and intent, the charges of offensive partisanship heretofore made and up to this time held in abeyance.

Mr. Stone and others of his disposition are not to suppose that party lines are so far obliterated that the administration of the government is to be trusted in places high or low to those who aggressively and constantly endeavor unfairly to destroy the confidence of the people in the party responsible for such administration. While vicious partisan methods should not be allowed for partisan purposes to degrade or injure the public service, it is my belief that nothing tends so much to discredit our efforts in the interest of such service, to treat fairly and generously the official incumbency of political opponents, as conduct such as is here disclosed.

The people of this county certainly do not require the best results of administrative endeavor to be reached with such agencies as these.

Upon a full consideration of all I have before me I am constrained to decline the application of Mr. Stone for his reinstatement.

I enclose his letter with this and desire you to acquaint him with my decision.

Yours truly, GROVER CLEVELAND.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 24, 1886.

HON. WILLIAM A. STONE, Pittsburg, Pa.

SIR—I am directed by the president to say to you that, after consideration of your letter of the 18th inst., he will not revoke or change the order heretofore made suspending you as district attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania. Very respectfully,

A. H. GARLAND, Attorney General.

Death of Martin Balmer.

The Sporting Hill secondary school has sustained a loss in the death of one of its brightest pupils, Martin Balmer. While the teachers were absent at the county institute the young man was stricken with diphtheria and in a week succumbed to the disease. His intellect was remarkable and a vacancy is left in the school which cannot be filled.

Funeral of Robert Garden.

The funeral of Robert Garden took place on Thursday afternoon, and considering the very unpleasant weather it was largely attended. Among those present were about twenty-five members of the old Friendship fire company. The service was held at the house and conducted by Rev. C. Elvin Houpt. The interment was made at the Lancaster cemetery.

THE CAMPBELL DIVORCE.

A NAUSEOUS SCANDAL NOW AGITATING HIGH ENGLISH SOCIETY.

Some of the Reasons for Which Lady Colin Campbell Declined to Live With His Lordship—The Counter Charges That Were Made by the Erring Husband.

LONDON, Nov. 26.—The much talked of Campbell divorce suit came up for a hearing to-day in the divorce court, Justice Butt presiding. In this case Lady Colin Campbell prays for an absolute divorce from her husband, pleading adultery and cruelty on his part. She had already secured a legal separation. The Hon. Henry Russell, Q. C., opened for the plaintiff. All the litigants were present; also, the Duke of Argyle and the Marquis of Lorne, father and brother of the defendant. In his opening address Mr. Russell said that the plaintiff became engaged to Lord Colin Campbell in 1880, but that the marriage did not take place until July, 1881, the ceremony having been delayed on various pretexts by his lordship. The couple then went on a melancholy honeymoon. Lord Colin, Mr. Russell said, was regularly attended by a professional hospital nurse, from the period of his engagement until the end of his married life, in 1883. Owing to the disease with which his lordship was afflicted, the marriage, although occurring in July, was not consummated until October 1881.

Mr. Russell touched lightly on many phases of the case, stating that the whole matter was too horrible to depict in its entirety, and that he would refrain from details as far as possible. Doctor Bird had attended both Lord Colin and Lady Campbell, and his testimony would undoubtedly be of great value.

From the very beginning Mr. Russell said that Lady Campbell's life was one of great hardship and almost unbearable. She, however, desired to remain as a companion to, or even nurse her husband and thus hide her misery from the world. Finally she was unable longer to submit to the cohabitation which her hust and forced upon her and so informed him.

In April 1883, and after a miscarriage, Lord Colin suggested that there had been an intimacy between his wife and Doctor Bird, but he afterwards withdrew this accusation. Notwithstanding withdrawal and importunities on the part of his lordship Lady Cambpell still refused to cohabit with her husband. Lord Colin then informed her that if she persisted in her determination she must leave the house. She refused, however, to go away, but her money being stopped by his lordship she was obliged to apply for a judicial separation. Lady Campbell's condition during September, 1883, had become so serious that she was obliged to submit to an operation. During the period of suffering which followed charges of adultery were made against her by her husband.

Mr. Russell then related the particulars of Lady Campbell's conduct during her separation and how Lord Colin made an effort to have her arrested in Paris after she had been visited there by the Duke of Marlborough. He also declared that her ladyship would be able to successfully refute every foul charge which had been made against her.

Michigan's Richest Man Dead.

Francis Palms, widely known as the richest man in Michigan, worth between $20,000,000 and $25,000,000, died suddenly Wednesday morning in Detroit at the age of 76. He was born at Antwerp, Belgium. His father was a miller and had contracts to furnish the armies of the First Napoleon with provender during the Napoleonic wars. The family stood high at court and was swept down with the fall of the empire. The family emigrated to this country in 1832, and settled in Detroit. Francis began business as a linseed oil manufacturer. He invested in pine lands and real estate, and at the time of his death was president of the People's Saving bank, of a local insurance company and several other big concerns.

It is said of him that he never owed a dollar in his life, always paying cash down. He was twice married and had one child by his second wife, a daughter who has presided over his home, the second marriage having resulted unhappily. It was this daughter, Miss Clothilde Palms, on whom Senator Jones, of Florida, forced his attentions so long, and caused the lady much unpleasant notoriety. She and a son by the first wife will inherit all the property.

UP AND DOWN THE STATE.

About a foot of snow fell Thursday at Scranton, and travel on all the street railways was abandoned.

The highway committee of Philadelphia councils will recommend the adoption of fire brick pavements.

It snowed and rained all day Thursday at Pittsburg. On the mountains east of that city a sleet storm prevailed and all the wires on the Pennsylvania railroad for thirty miles between Derry and Conemaugh were broken.

A fire destroyed John D. Raggio's furniture factory in Philadelphia on Thursday, as well as several small dwelling houses and Robert Gordon's carpenter shop. St. Alphonsus' Catholic church was damaged, as were many homes. The loss may reach $100,000.

A strange hog disease is causing an unusually large mortality amongst the swine in Upper Bern and adjoining townships, of Berks county, entailing a heavy loss to the farmers. The disease almost invariably proves fatal, and experience thus far has fully proved its contagious character.

Suits on Trial in Both Courts.

BEFORE JUDGE LIVINGSTON.

The suit of R. N. Downie to the use of the Keystone Portable Driller company vs. S. M. Epler was attached for trial on Wednesday afternoon. This is an action to recover for goods sold and delivered. The defense was that plaintiff was paid in full. On trial.

BEFORE JUDGE PATTERSON.

In the suit of Anna M. Landis vs. William Gantz, to recover damages for taking her land in the erection of a fence, the jury found in favor of defendent.

The suit of Benjamin B. Myers against Benjamin Fritz was attached for trial on Wednesday afternoon. This is a suit to recover damages. The parties own adjoining lands and Myers alleges that Fritz built a wall between their lands. Fritz's land is higher than Myers' and the latter claims that his corn and other crops were washed away by the dam breaking. On trial.

Had His Leg Broken.

On Wednesday afternoon Philip Nolty, of 217 West Orange street, went to the country for his horse which he had in pasture. He came in the "Pleasure Road" and at the corner of Lime street and the Lititz pike the horse fell. Mr. Nolty was underneath and his leg was broken in two places. Although his injuries were of the most serious kind he was compelled to remain at the place where the accident occurred for some time, a man who resides near by and knew that he was hurt refused to take him to his home. He was finally brought to town and Dr. S. T. Davis attended his injuries.

Arrest of a Fugitive.

Harry Paulting has been a fugitive from justice for some time. Sheriff Tomlinson learned that he was at Waynesburg, Chester county, and he arrested him at that place on Thursday. He brought him to this city and lodged him in jail.

The Lancaster Classis.

At the meeting of the Lancaster classis of the Reformed church on Wednesday afternoon, the last item of business was disposed by the committee reporting that Zwingli Reformed church at Harrisburg had been supplied with a pastor. At their request that church was dismissed to the Philadelphia German classis.

A HEAVY ROBBERY AT QUARRYVILLE.

G. J. P. Raub's Store Entered and a Large Lot of Goods Stolen.

Thieves made quite a heavy haul on Thursday night at the store of G. J. P. Raub, at Quarryville. Between $300 and $400 worth of merchandise consisting of boots, shoes, caps, clothing and jewelry were taken. That amount, it is estimated, was stolen. It may be a much larger amount, and can only be ascertained after the stock is thoroughly examined. The coach shop of D. P. Hess was also broken into and chisels and hammers were stolen therefrom. The supposition is the thieves used these tools to get into Raub's store. The entrance to the store was effected by forcing open the shutter in the rear of the store. The large lock was taken from the front door and the supposition is that their plunder was carried out of the front door, put on a wagon and carried off in that way. There were tracks of a wagon near the store and they were traced for a distance towards Christiana. There are no clues, as yet, to the guilty parties.

Attempted Robbery at Lincoln.

An attempt was made by thieves on Wednesday night to enter the store of A. B. Hollinger, at Lincoln. A hole had been forced through the store door and sheet iron lining, and the thieves were then frightened away. On Thursday morning Samuel Kirb, a farmer living close by, found in his barn, on the hay mow; a couple of chisels and a brace and bit. It is believed that these are the tools which were used at Mr. Hollinger's store.

FOR ROBBING A FREIGHT CAR.

Three Men Get Themselves Into Trouble—One of Them Arrested Far Away From Home.

On Wednesday night of last week a freight car, which was consigned to a party in Norristown, was broken open and robbed at Leaman Place by parties who boarded the train. Fifteen turkeys and some goods were stolen. The case was given into the hands of Railroad Officers Miller and Phillips. They have arrested Levi Eckert, Peter Hess and Thomas Chamberlain, three men who reside in the neighborhood of Gap, as being the guilty parties and claim to have a strong case against them. Eckert was the only man of the trio that gave the officers any trouble. He left home when he learned that arrests would be made. The officers traced him to Quarryville and thence to a point near White Rock in the extreme lower end of this county. They went from Philadelphia after him on Thursday and traveled all day in the rain, but finally took him into custody. They arrived in Lancaster with him this morning and placed him in the station house. Of the other prisoners, Chamberlain was the only one able to furnish bail. This afternoon the men had a hearing before Alderman McConomy. Peter Herr and Levi Eckert were committed in default of bail for trial at court and the case against Chamberlain was held under advisement. Herr is also held on the charge of stealing a box of tobacco from Gap station. This larceny occurred in September last.

MONTEREY'S DEGREE STAFF.

An Account of Their Trip to New Holland to Confer Degrees.

The degree staff of Monterey Lodge of Odd Fellows went to New Holland on Thursday to confer the second and third degrees on one candidate of Earl Lodge, of that village. The visitors were Joseph M. Kreider, master of ceremonies, Harry Rill, H. J. Steigerwalt, J. B. Myers, George A. Shelly, C. F. Smith, J. H. Remly, W. L. Gable, C. Musser, A. W. Winger, Paul Carpenter, John L. Killinger, E. J. Erisman, C. F. Auxer, H. M. D. Erisman, John G. Donecker, Robert Doults and Grant Mentzer.

In addition the following members of the order accompanied the staff: D. B. Bowman, R. A. Smith, J. H. Loucks, Morgan Foley, Benjamin Trout, C. Seidomridge, C. F. Ohleader, A. Ohleader, G. Charles Shaub and S. H. Hippie. The visitors were met on their arrival by the members of Earl lodge and escorted to D. H. Grube's hotel, where dinner was served. All did ample justice to the following bill of fare:

Roast Turkey. Roast Beef.
Mashed Potatoes. Sweet Potatoes.
Stewed Corn. Lima Beans. Green Peas.
Tomato Sauce. Stewed Onions.
Cold Slaw. Spiced Fruit. Apple Sauce.
Cranberries.
Oyster Pie. Mince Pie.
Apricots and Cream.
Celery. Cheese.
Tea. Coffee.

After dinner the visitors were escorted to the lodge room where they conferred the second and third degrees. After the work had been done a number of addresses were made by members of the Lancaster visitors and Earl lodge. After the adjournment of the lodge the Lancaster men were taken to Grube's hotel where a lunch was served. The degree staff are under many obligations to their New Holland brethren for the royal welcome extended to them.

A BRIGHT COMEDY DRAMA.

Charles A. Gardner at the Head of a Good Company in "Karl, the Peddler."

On Thursday evening Charles A. Gardner, the popular German dialect comedian, with a company that did not include an objectionable character, appeared before a large audience. The severe sleet and wind storm doubtless kept many away from the opera house, but those who braved the elements surely did not regret their attendance.

Mr. Gardner has a wonderful control of the German dialect, and his make-up as a peddler, gardener, hunter and flower girl was immense. His songs were received with wild applause and he was in excellent voice. The desperate gypsy, impersonated by Thomas F. Fitzgerald; the irrepressible barrister, *Erastus Tibbs*, (Robert V. Ferguson,) who put everything down in black and white, and who created roars of applause by his stereotyped manner of laughter, Miss Emily Kean, the domestic, and Daniel Williams, the gardener, can be specially mentioned for their efforts.

Mr. Gardner and Pettie Dunn, a boy about seven years of age, who had a part he did well in, were compelled to appear before the curtain after the third act in