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HE FEARED ARREST.

AND JUMPED FROM A TRAIN A SHORT DISTANCE WEST OF DILLERVILLE.

—A Young Man Who Landed on His Head and Was Severely Injured—The Unfortunate Removed to the County Hospital and Given Medical Attention.

The mystery surrounding the bloody hat, which was found on the railroad track at Kohr's crossing on Tuesday morning, was explained in the evening. It belonged to Frank Royer, a young cigarmaker, who was hurt by the cars. The home of the young man is in Ephrata and he formerly worked for the Oblinger Brothers, in this city. Lately he has been in Ohio. Monday night he was in Lancaster and early Tuesday morning started for home. He took a freight train in the neighborhood of Dillerville, which he supposed was going to Ephrata. By mistake he boarded a train of the Pennsylvania railroad, which was running up the Mt. Joy branch. After he had ridden some distance, he became frightened, thinking that he might be arrested, he jumped from the cars, and, falling heavily, struck his head. He cut a severe gash on the left side, probably three inches in length. The young man made his way to Henry Kiehl's barn, about 200 yards from the track. He remained there until last evening when he came out. Some of Mr. Kiehl's folks saw him, and after hearing his story, brought him to Lancaster. He was taken to the station house and afterwards to the county hospital. Dr. Landis attended his wounds and found that the skull was not fractured, as was first supposed.

A BAKER'S MISHAP.

A Train Backs Into His Wagon, Wrecking it Badly.

This morning the wagon of Jacob Fasnacht, baker of 522 North Duke street, was completely wrecked at the Pennsylvania railroad passenger station. Mr. Fasnacht and his son were on their way to market, about 5 o'clock and drove down North Queen street. Arriving at the station they found a freight train standing over the crossing, Mr. Fasnacht turned around and drove behind the station to Christian street, hoping to be able to cross at Waltz's hotel.

The engine of the train had been shifting and the caboose was standing near the crossing. Mr. Fasnacht got out of his wagon, and, taking the horse by the head, attempted to cross the track. The horse had just crossed when the train began backing, as the engine had again been hitched to the front. The caboose went crashing into the wagon, turning it completely over. The horse was thrown down, but not hurt. The body of the wagon was not damaged, but the running gears were badly broken. Two spindles were broken off and left sticking in the wheels. The front axle was broken in the middle, and the spokes were broken out of two wheels. Two springs were torn apart. The bread was spilled all about the track, but it was picked up and suffered no damage.

Cases Heard by the Mayor.

The mayor disposed of a dozen cases this morning. Among the lot was Edward Lloyd, an old offender. He was sent to the workhouse for 30 days. James Mallen, also a bum, was sent to the same institution. Edwin Chattie, who was found on South Queen street, acting in a suspicious manner by Special Officer Arnold, was sent out for 10 days. The last case disposed of was John Brown, a blind man. He had a ticket on the Pennsylvania railroad to Lancaster and was put off the train in this city. He had no place to go, and no money and was taken to the station house. Brown has been an inmate of an almshouse several times before. He does not belong to this county and the Lancaster authorities get rid of him as speedily as possible, but he turns up here two or three times a year. He was sent to the almshouse by the mayor. The remaining cases were dismissed.

A Minister Surprised.

EPHRATA, Jan. 1.—Last evening about 75 members of the Lutheran church, assembled in the basement of that building, and shortly after 7 o'clock they marched to the parsonage, only a few doors from the church, to surprise Rev. E. S. Brownmiller, their pastor. The various gifts which Mr. Brownmiller and his family received could not all be heaped on a large extension table. The members of this church make these donations every year. In a brief address Squire Seltzer said that they had assembled to show their affection and respect for their minister, and that the tributes this year were rather increased than decreased. Rev. E. S. Brownmiller responded by thanking them and said these occasions are the happiest in their lives. Vocal and instrumental music was a feature of the evening.

From the Lower End.

HILLTOWN, Jan. 1.—This village, three miles south of Quarryville, was visited by a mad dog a few days ago. All the dogs and hogs in the neighborhood were bitten. The owners of the animals bitten had a consultation, and after a lengthy discussion it was decided to kill the hogs and keep the dogs tied.

Joseph M. Hess is improving his farm by building a new barn.

There will be a fox chase at Spring Grove on Thursday.

A. W. Groff is shipping large quantities of wheat to Philadelphia.

The Electric Lights.

The electric lights, which are used on the streets, were turned on last night and they burned fairly well the greater part of the night. It is believed they will soon be in good working order. Two new engines, boilers and the old dynamos, which were used at the chemical works, have been placed in the building recently erected and the company will have plenty of power.

Did Not Press the Case.

The suit for larceny preferred by Frey & Eckert against John Buchanan, before Alderman Halbach, has been withdrawn. Buchanan committed the theft when he was so much under the influence of liquor that he did not know what he was doing and as the shoes were returned Messrs. Frey & Eckert did not desire to press the suit.

A Masquerade Ball.

At the Maennerchor hall last evening there was a masquerade ball, in the grand march of which about fifty couples appeared. The attendance was large. The managers were: Samuel Howard, John Simpson and John Fisher, and those who attended had a good time.

Like Spring-Time.

The weather has been so pleasant of late that an elder bush on the premises of John Gruel, 507 West Walnut street, has begun to sprout. Small leaves have made their appearance on the branches and they look very healthy.

Dr. Tiffany to Lecture.

The lecture committee of Little Britain Presbyterian church will give their third lecture on Friday evening, January 4. Rev. O. H. Tiffany, D. D., of New York, is the lecturer. His theme is "American character as affected by immigration."

A LIVE MAN IN A TRUNK.

Wonderful Adventures of an Embezzler While Trying to Avoid the Police.

Thomas W. Vines, for several years was employed as timekeeper for the Adams and Westlake Manufacturing company of Chicago. Once every week he distributed among the other employes the weekly stipend to which they were entitled. Last week he pocketed the money in the envelopes, amounting to $4,500. The embezzlement was soon discovered, and the police were given a good description of Thomas.

The fugitive discovered that the exits of the city were so well watched that any attempt to escape would be fraught with considerable danger. He called to his assistance a confederate. A big Saratoga trunk was purchased by the confederate, and Thomas and most of his boodle were deposited in the trunk. Thomas is six feet high, weighs 180 pounds, and the trunk was pretty full when Thomas was packed in. Holes had been bored under the handles and through these Thomas inhaled air. The trunk was carted to the depot and checked to St. Louis on Monday night.

The confederate took the check and was to have claimed the Saratoga as soon as it arrived. The first baggage smasher that seized it stood Thomas on his head, and then with the assistance of another smasher pitched him twenty feet into a car. His head swam and swelled, but he was game. Arriving in the car and bringing up with a violent concussion, another pair of trunk thumpers picked him up and tossed him half way across the car. In a minute a big sample trunk came thundering down on him and shook all the pluck out of him. Then he was stood on his head and bombarded with trunks and other pieces of baggage until he was threatened with apoplexy and suffocation. He says:

"They banged and slammed around in a frightful manner and made existence miserable for me. I was tossed about in all manner of ways. Sometimes I was standing on my head and sometimes on my feet. While the trunk was standing still I was all right. My hands were scratched. My head was bumped and badly bruised. I had taken a bottle of water with me and had it in the back pocket of my trousers. A toss of the trunk broke the bottle and the water poured down my neck. The first hundred miles or so in the car I got along nicely and the air was all right. Then it became thick, and after going another fifty or seventy-five miles I began to kick and yell. I could stand it no longer, and determined to get out of the trunk at all hazards. The noise attracted the attention of the men in the car, and they pulled out the trunk, which had another trunk on the top of it, and broke it open."

When discovered Vines told the astonished baggage manipulators that his name was Burke and that he took the trunk in order to beat his way. He won the men over, and when the train reached the St. Louis depot so much sympathy was developed for the poor young man that a subscription was taken up and he was presented with $5 and told to get something to eat. At a restaurant he told the waiters he was Tascott, the murderer of Snell, whereupon he was promptly arrested. Vines and the trunk were taken to police headquarters where a search brought to light $3,800. He was identified as Vines by one of the detectives and then he confessed.

THE ECLIPSE OF THE SUN.

The Weather Favorable in California and Nevada—Important Observations Made.

The conditions were generally favorable on Tuesday both in California and Nevada for a clear observation of the total eclipse of the sun. In San Francisco the eclipse was only partial, about eleven-twelfths of the sun's surface being obscured. The weather was perfectly clear, and the eclipse was witnessed by a great number of persons.

During the period of the greatest obscurity it became quite dark and one star was plainly seen. No scientific observation was made in San Francisco. Half of the totality in California was from 50 to 100 miles north of San Francisco, and trains from that city on Monday morning conveyed a large number of people to the various points favorable for the observation. The weather at Marysville was very clear.

The first contact was about 12:30. During the progress of the eclipse the weather became quite cool; several streaks of lightning were observed during the totality. Several exposures of wet and dry plates were made during the totality, and views will be sent to Amherst college.

Professor E. S. Holden, of Lick observatory, telegraphs that the beginning of the eclipse was successfully observed at that point, and also the last contact. Photographs were taken at Orrville, the clouds obscuring the view of the totality, but a good view was had up to a few minutes of that period. The conditions were all favorable at St. Helena.

The nearest approach to totality was at 1.50, when observers noticed plainly with the naked eye a narrow circle of light on the northeasterly side of the sun's disc, and in an instant the bright spot was transferred to the other side. The appearance of the entire valley in a shadowy light was weird. The party from the Lick observatory, in charge of Prof. J. E. Keeler, made a successful observation at Bartlett Springs.

Professor Keeler telegraphs that the corona was beautifully distinct, and that he saw remarkable changes in the length of the coronal lines Professor Barnate obtained nine photographs. Professor Hill photographed all the contact and studied the structure of the inner corona. Prof. Senschne made seven measures of light during the totality.

THE WIFE YOU WANT.

Bob Burdette Vouchsafes Some Advice to Young Men Who Would Marry.

From the Burlington Hawkeye.

You say you demand a domestic, useful woman as your wife. If that is so, marry Nora Mulligan, your laundress' daughter. She wears cowhide shoes, is guiltless of corsets, never had a sick day in her life, takes in washing, goes out housecleaning, and cooks for a family of seven children, her mother and three section men who board with her. I don't think she would marry you, because Con Reagan, the trackwalker, is her style of man.

Let us examine into your qualifications as a model husband after your own matrimonial ideas, my boy. Can you shoulder a barrel of flour and carry it down cellar? Can you saw and split ten cords of hickory wood in the fall, so as to have ready fuel all winter? Can you spade up a half acre of ground for a kitchen garden? Do you know what will take the lime taste out of the cistern, and can you patch the little leak in the kitchen roof? Can you bring home a pane of glass and a wad of putty and repair damages in the sitting-room window? Can you hang some cheap paper on the kitchen? Can you fix the front gate so it won't swag? Can you do anything about the house that Con Reagan can?

My dear, dear boy, you see Nora Mulligan wants a higher type of true manhood. You expect to hire men to do all the man's work about the house, but you want your wife to do anything any woman can do. Believe me, my son, that nine-tenths of the girls who play the piano and sing so charmingly, whom you in your limited knowledge set down as mere butterflies of fashion, are better fitted for wives than you are for a husband. If you want to marry a first-class cook and experienced housekeeper do your courting in the intelligence office.

But if you want a wife, marry the girl you love, with dimpled hands and a face like the sunlight, and her love will teach her all these things, my boy, long before you have learned one-half your own lesson.

Results of a Silly Practice.

John Neary was killed and two men and a boy were wounded by pistol shots fired between midnight and five o'clock Tuesday morning in New York. The shooting is supposed to have been accidental in each case, and to have been the work of persons celebrating the arrival of the New Year by firing pistols.

A Surprise Party.

A surprise party was held at the home of John Burger, of the firm of Burger & Son, on Tuesday evening. The Iroquois band was present, and the music, dancing and banquet were greatly enjoyed.

MERCHANTS CHANGING.

Where Lower End Men Can Be Found After the First of April.

KIRKS MILLS, Pa., Jan. 2.—The merchants of the lower end contemplate making many changes by April 1.

Thos. B. Aukrim & Co., of Wakefield, will move to Elim, Little Britain, where they intend doing an extensive business in general merchandise. The firm will hold a public sale on January 3, during the afternoon and evening.

Edgar Fulton, an extensive merchant of Elim, will move to Cherry Hill, Fulton township.

Edgar Wilson & Bro. of Cherry Hill, will dissolve partnership in the spring. Edgar will represent a wholesale grocery house of Philadelphia.

H. M. Wilson, merchant at Goshen, will occupy the storehouse at Wakefield, in partnership with his son George, formerly of Cherry Hill.

F. M. McDowell & Bro., merchants at Rock Springs, will move to Conowingo, Md. They are the most extensive and energetic merchants of the lower end.

The store house at Kirk's Mills, which has been vacant, will be occupied by April 1.

Harlan Stanton, employed as clerk for the Wilson Bro's, at Cherry Hill, will go with W. T. Drennen, merchant, at Oak Hill, the first of April.

Ambrose Singleton, employed as clerk for Harry Marsh, will go with G. J. P. Raub, the "Wanamaker" of the southern end of the county.

Wesson & Conrad, butchers at Oak Hill, Little Britain, will dissolve partnership by the first of April, and devote their time to farming.

A. A. Kirk, of Wakefield, agent for general agricultural implements, has purchased a house and a lot occupied by John Evans, from Alfred King, of Philadelphia, for $1,750.

Messrs. Herr & Wescott, who have a creamery at Glen Roy, Chester county, intend receiving milk at Elim, on January 1. They contemplate erecting a separator there the 1st of April, if the supply of milk received will warrant the enterprise.

Mr. Lewis Cauffman, of Halltown, Jefferson county, West Virginia, is visiting his brother, C. C. Cauffman, of Wakefield. Mr. Cauffman has not visited his brother for over 48 years.

Shooting for Poultry.

At Tell's Hain, on Tuesday, the Lancaster Schuetzen Verein had several matches for turkeys, ducks, &c. In each of the first four matches each man was entitled to three shots. The result was as follows:

FIRST MATCH.

Wolfer	4	0	4—8
Dommell	7	8	7—22
Franciscus	6	10	6—22
Martin	12	0	10—22
White	4	12	10—26
Kircher	8	4	4—16
Best	0	7	0—7

SECOND MATCH.

Wolfer	4	4	4—12
Dommell	11	7	8—26
Franciscus	1	10	12—23
Martin	1	2	1—4
White	8	10	6—24
Kircher	8	6	11—25
Best	10	2	8—20

THIRD MATCH.

Wolfer	3	12	6—21
Dommell	6	8	8—22
Franciscus	10	2	5—17
Martin	5	11	9—25
White	8	10	4—22
Kircher	6	6	1—13
Best	7	7	7—21

FOURTH MATCH.

Wolfer	1	4	0—5
Dommell	7	8	8—23
Franciscus	5	10	11—26
Martin	6	0	2—8
White	7	7	9—23
Kircher	10	5	7—22
Best	8	2	1—11

The fourth match was for a big turkey, and each man was allowed but two shots, with the following result:

Best	1	0—1
Martin	2	0—2
Franciscus	0	5—5
Dommell	10	9—19
White	4	4—8
Mentzer	0	0—0
Carpenter	11	7—18
Wolfer	3	9—12
Kircher	8	0—8

The Young Men's Democratic Society.

The Young Men's Democratic society held their regular monthly meeting last evening.

The action of the executive committee in leasing the two stories of John G. Haas' new building was ratified by the club.

The following resolutions on the death of William B. Shertzer and H. H. Zecher, two members of the club, were passed:

WHEREAS, The "Young Men's Democratic Society" of Lancaster, Pa., has heard with profound regret of the death of two of its esteemed members, H. H. Zecher and Wm. B Shertzer, tried and true Democrats, and model citizens in every respect,

Resolved, That the sincere sympathy of this society be extended to their families in their sad bereavement in the loss of a fond brother.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to their families, and placed on the minutes of the society and published in the Lancaster DAILY INTELLIGENCER.

The New York Ladies' Latest Craze.

From the New York Sun.

The craze for putting ladies' watches in odd places is developing to such an extent that one may expect to see the fair ones with watches on the toes of their shoes or on the backs of their gloves or wherever they can easily see the timepiece at a glance. In a Broadway car yesterday three ladies met and took seats beside one another. One had a watch in the handle of her umbrella, one had a watch in the catch or clasp of her pocket book, and the third carried a tiny watch in a bracelet on her left arm. The last example of the craze, that of the bracelet, is a Viennese idea just imported. The bracelet was of leather, and was unquestionably the ugliest ornament any lady wore on Broadway yesterday.

A "House of the Good Shepherd."

The project to establish a Home of the Good Shepherd in Reading, a Catholic institution for the restoration of fallen young girls and women, has been consummated by the purchase of the J. A. Leippe mansion, situated only a few squares from the centre of the city. The home contains some twenty rooms and is located on the centre of an elevated lawn on a lot 100 by 300 feet in size. It will be fitted up to accommodate unfortunate women at once. The home has already been chartered on the application of Catharine R. Murray, Catharine Blake, Margaret Malone, Annie Hyndos, Ellen Crowley and Mary A. Elligott, all of whom are sisters connected with the Philadelphia "House of the Good Shepherd," an institution conducted on principles similar to those of the proposed Reading home.

$350,000 For a Seminary.

The Chicago theological seminary, an institution under the control of the congregational church, began the new year with a gift of $350,000. The last $1,800 of the $300,000 required to secure the $50,000 of E. G. Peters, of Manistee, Michigan, was pledged on Monday.

Hewitt to Grant.

In turning over to Mayor-elect Grant the mayoralty of New York yesterday, Mayor Hewitt said: "If you have half the pleasure in taking up those duties that I have in laying them down you must feel a verry happy man."

City Property Withdrawn.

The dwelling house and lot of ground, No. 35 East Lemon street, belonging to the estate of Henry Cordes, offered at public sale on Tuesday evening by Auctioneer Reinoehl, was withdrawn at $2,250.

Haul By a Burglar.

A burglar entered the house of Abraham Dearolf, superintendent of Potts Brothers iron works at Pottstown, last Saturday evening, and stole $225 in cash, which Mr. Dearolf had hidden under the carpet.

THE INTER-MUNICIPAL BILL.

IT IS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR WATRES.

A Measure Presented to Repeal Sections of the Court Practice Act—A Committee Appointed to Investigate Senator Devlin's Election—Both Branches Adjourn.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 2.—In the Senate today bills were introduced as follows:

Mr. Smith, of Philadelphia, exempting colleges from municipal taxation.

Mr. Newmyer, of Allegheny, repealing sections 456 and 457 of the court practice act, the effect of which is to repair the portion of the law which abolishes the distinction in the forms of action; to make a lien of all taxes, and municipal improvements to continue for five years unless renewed; making it a misdemeanor for any officer of a bank to receive deposits knowing the institution to be insolvent.

Mr. Watres, Lackawanna, two bills; one for the government of cities of the third class and the other dividing cities into three classes (both prepared by the inter municipal convention).

The president pro tem. appointed Gobin, Allen, Thompson, Upperman, Keefer, Republicans, and Ross and Green, Democrats, the committee to inquire into the legality of Senator Devlin's election.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

In the House, at the suggestion of Speaker Boyer, no bills were introduced, because the committees remain to be appointed.

The petition of John Finley, Republican, contesting the seat of Henry Nickels, Democrat, of Philadelphia, was presented.

A concurrent resolution was adopted authorizing the printing of 5,000 copies of the book entitled "Birds of Pennsylvania" for the use of the Senate and House, and providing for the printing of 9,000 copies of the governor's message, two thousand in German.

Both houses have adjourned until Wednesday evening next.

Fourteen pages were appointed in the House to-day, but none from Lancaster. Andrew Pyne is chief of the pages. Members' sons are well represented.

A MANUFACTURER FAILS.

Joshua Pierce and His 250 Workmen Suffer From Unjust Tariff Taxation.

The failure of Joshua Pierce, proprietor of the Livingston mills, at Bristol, Bucks county, will be a severe blow to that town. When running at full capacity the mill employed 250 hands, and these will be thrown out of work in mid-winter, with little prospect of finding any remunerative employment in the village.

Mr. Pierce has made an assignment to William H. Grundy, also a large woolen manufacturer of Bristol, and one of the heaviest individual creditors. The liabilities amount to $157,000, and the assets, Mr. Pierce says, would reach double that sum if the goods could be sold at a fair valuation, but under the hammer they are not expected to realize more than enough to meet the demands of the creditors. The mills have been losing money for four years past, as their line of goods was worsteds, an industry which is not thriving under the present tariff.

In speaking of his failure on Tuesday, Mr. Pierce said: "I have been in business here just twenty years to-day, and I have not a dollar now that I can call my own. The mill is worth $250,000 and has but $15,000 incumbrance against it, while I hold $180,000 worth of real estate in Bristol, which is mortgaged for $80,000. If this property could have been kept together it would have been very valuable, as the mill will be a veritable mint during the next few years under the fostering influence of the legislation expected from the next Congress. I blame the Farmers' bank for precipitating the failure, as it held off so long from giving assent to my proposition, which was simply to release my real estate so that I could transfer it to the new company, that an assignment was inevitable."

Colored Catholics in Convention.

Delegates from nearly all the colored Catholic churches and societies of the United States were present at the national convention which began in St. Augustine's church, Washington, D. C., on Tuesday morning, with the celebration of high mass by Rev. Father Talton, of Quincy, Ill., the only colored Catholic priest in the country. In his sermon Cardinal Gibbons said the gathering would mark an era in the history of the colored people, and he suggested that they should discuss the religious education of the children, which was necessary to the life of the republic; that temperance should be looked into, and he referred to the equality of the Catholic church as shown by the fact that a colored priest had celebrated the mass in company with two white clergymen. In a subsequent address the cardinal said that this was the happiest New Year's day of his life.

The convention was organized by the election of temporary officers, including William H. Smith, as president, and then adjourned for the day.

A Child Killed by Drink.

Hugh Dykes, of New York, had a half gallon of whisky in the house on Sunday. There was an empty half gallon wickered bottle kicking about the floor on Tuesday, and Sarah, the 7 year-old child, who made three in the family, was dead.

Dr. Cocks says that when he was called in on Monday the child was lying on a lounge perfectly limp, and smelt strongly of whisky. The husband was too drunk to talk. The wife told Dr. Cocks that the child said just before she became stupefied that her father had given her two wine glasses full of whisky. Dr. Cocks made out a death certificate, giving pulmonary œdema as the immediate cause of death. The woman called at his office on Monday night and contradicted her previous story about the whisky, and said the child died of croup. The father said he gave the child whisky, but "only a taste." She had been used to tasting it since she was in the cradle, he said.

Pope Leo to the Irish People.

Archbishop Walsh read from the pulpit in Dublin, a message from the pope to the Irish people, in which his holiness said:

We have always held in special affection the Catholics of Ireland, who have been long sorely tried by many afflictions, and have ever cherished them with a love which is more intense because of their marvelous fortitude and their hereditary attachment to their religion. In the counsels we have given from time to time and in our recent decree we were moved not only by the consideration of what is conformable to the truth, but also by the desire to advance your interests. Our affection for you does not suffer us to allow the cause for which Ireland is struggling to be weakened by the introduction of anything which could fairly be brought in reproach against it. In order to specially manifest our affection we send you a number of gifts which are specially blessed."

Bondsmen For Hotel-Keepers.

The time is approaching for the filing of applications for tavern licenses for the year 1889. Applicants should bear in mind that their bondsmen must reside in the same district as the applicant for whom they become security.

Destroyed His Property Himself.

John Butler, an aged Frenchman, died at his home, near Foxcroft, Maine, on Tuesday. On Monday he set fire to the buildings he occupied, killed his horse and goats, stabbed himself four times and took Paris green.

Killed His Comrade.

Louis Schmidt, an inmate of the Soldiers' Home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on Tuesday stabbed and killed W. F. Ruder, a fellow veteran. They quarrelled about their war records.

Fighting a Bear and Three Cubs.

White Camp (W Va.,) story in The Cincinnati Enquirer.

"The morning I met the bears," said Spruce Williams, "I started down the creek to my cornfield, about a quarter of a mile below the house. I took nothing with me, except a big hickory stick, not expecting to see anything at that late hour in the morning. I had entered the field, but had not passed a dozen corn shocks before I heard a loud snort and a grunt of some animals, which I instantly recognized as bears, not twenty feet away. While I was looking around for the bears a half-grown cub ran out of a shock of fodder close to my side. Without stopping to think I ran up to the cub and hit it a welt with the club. The bear tumbled over on its back and began to cry and whine. Before I could hit it again the old she bear came tearing up, followed by the other two cubs, and then I had my hands full. There was more fight in those three bears than I ever saw before. They were in dead earnest from the start and gave me no chance to back out or run off. The old bear came up and when within a few feet of me reared herself upon her two hind feet and tried to catch me in her arms. I gave her a welt over the nose which settled her back on all fours for a second; but before I could hit her again one of the cussed cubs had slipped up behind me and gave me a fearful rip with its sharp claws on the right leg. The claws tore my trousers and hide into ribbons and penetrated the flesh almost half an inch. Then it was hot work. All three came at me at once. I levelled one of the small ones but got a ripper from behind again, and just then the old she bear got close enough to strike me with her claws. She raked me, as you see, from my chest clear down to my waist, and would probably have killed me then and there if I had not been lucky enough to punch her in one of her eyes. The blow must have hurt terribly, for she laid down and rolled and whined, but I did not have a chance to finish her before the two big cubs came at me from both sides. I rained blows on their heads and bodies, but didn't succeed in getting in a real good one before they had about torn my hide and clothes into ribbons.

"Just at this time my foot struck a stone, which I saw was a big boulder weighing about eight or ten pounds. I dropped the stick and picked up the rock in a second, and let the big one have it right between the eyes. That settled her. I now had more time to devote to the cubs, and although I was mighty sore and bleeding from dozens of wounds. I succeeded in finishing them. After the fight I dragged myself to the creek and jumped in. The cool water revived me somewhat and I finally got out and managed to get to the house, when the old woman put me to bed and went to work to stick me together again. I am getting along well enough, I suppose, but you'll never catch Old Spruce while he lives in these mountains going out again very far without a gun or some other weapon."

New Year's Receptions.

The social side of New Year's day was quietly observed by many ladies, who received callers, but among the notable receptions were those held in the Bates mansion, at the residence of Mrs. Thomas C. Wiley and at Maple Grove, the McGovern homestead. Mrs. Wiley received with Mrs. B. Frank Eshleman and a half dozen young ladies.

With tasteful floral decorations and excellent music the following ladies received: Mrs. L. A. Keller, Miss Hawthorne, Miss Bowman, Miss Malone, Miss Rhoads, Miss Regina Malone, Miss Sheaff, Miss Reilly, Miss Lowell, Miss Margaret Reilly, Miss Marker.

At the Bates mansion, 443 North Duke street, the guests found the following ladies receiving in rooms that in every detail were models of decorative art and taste: Mrs. Martin Bates, jr., Mrs. A. J. Steinman, Mrs. William Henderson, Baroness Von Osske, Mrs. J. Wilks O'Neill, Mrs. Walter M. Franklin, Mrs. Charles J. Swarr, Mrs. Samuel B. Diller, Mrs. Harold Wickersham. Throughout the evening an orchestra furnished excellent music and the dancing was prolonged to morning hours.

Burglar Tools Found.

On Tuesday afternoon a man named Werts was walking along the Lancaster & Millersville turnpike, a short distance east of the village of Millersville, when he found three burglar tools under a small bridge, beneath the street car track. They were not wrapped in paper of any kind and consisted of a jimmy, a bar and a ripper. They are very heavy and look as though they had been used before. With these tools it is said to be an easy matter to cut open the top of a safe. The tools were no doubt used by the men who robbed Jacob Warfels house in Millersville on Friday night and blew open his safe. The door of the safe bears marks indicating that tools of this kind were used upon it. Mr. Warfel brought the tools to town this morning and they can be seen at the office of Alderman Deen.

Lincoln Horse Company.

The annual election for officers of the Lincoln Horse company was held on Tuesday, at Hacker's hotel, Lincoln, and the following were selected as directors: Levi Shirk, David Mellinger, M. S. Kline, R. W. Bard, Benjamin Wissler and Martin S. Fry. The board organized by the election of Levi Shirk as president and M. S. Fry as secretary, after which the riding and railroad committees were appointed. The company has been in existence for 24 years.

Tax Collectors Settle.

J. Aldus Herr, collector of taxes for West Lampeter township, was the first collector to settle his 1888 duplicate with the county treasurer. He paid over this morning $7,029.17.

S. S. Frankfort, of East Hempfield, also settled his duplicate this morning. He paid to the treasurer $10,312 66.

Zion's Church Officers.

At the meeting of Zion's church members on Monday afternoon, William Wohlsen was elected trustee and the following vestrymen were chosen; Henry Doerr, George Schaeffer, George A. Kiehl, Adam Sauer and C. Beck, jr.

Took the Oath of Office.

Recorder-elect Reinhold and County Solicitor-elect George A. Lane took the oath of office before Deputy Recorder McLane this morning. These officials will go on duty next Monday.

Treasurer's Accounts Filed.

The account of Stephen Griesinger, treasurer of Lancaster county, was filed to-day in register's office. It will remain on file for thirty days.

Suffocated By Gas.

John Mulholland, aged 64 years, a wealthy contractor, was found dead in his room in a hotel in Harlem, New York, on Tuesday, having been suffocated by gas. He separated from his wife some time ago, and took to drinking.

Alleged Arrest of Americans.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The *Mail and Express* in an extra edition to-day prints a dispatch from Port au Prince dated Dec 31, stating that the Haytien newspapers treat Mr. Thompson, the United States minister to Hayti, in a very violent manner and that several Americans have been placed under arrest. The dispatch also states that the American consulate is filled with refugees. Legitime is said to have announced that he will, if necessary, shoot foreigners who interfere with the politics of Hayti.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 2.—For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair, warmer, southwesterly winds.

TO REGULATE RAILROADS.

Legislation Necessary to Carry Into Effect the Seventeenth Article of the Constitution.

The following has been inserted in Governor Beaver's message:

Your attention is respectfully and earnestly called, as that of former Legislatures have been by previous executives, to the necessity for well considered legislation to carry into effect the 17th article of constitution.

No argument is needed to enforce the majestic command of our fundamental law in this regard, which is that the general assembly shall enforce by appropriate legislation the provisions of this article.

Constitutional requirement, plighted political faith and the highest welfare of all concerned demand the discharge of this duty by the Legislature. It is a mistake to suppose that proper legislation upon this subject is or ought to be in any way inimical to the best interest of our carrying corporations.

The subject is to be viewed from the standpoint of three several trusts—the commonwealth, the corporations themselves, and, most important of all, the people. The commonwealth creates them; she is interested in their welfare; a large part of her revenue is derived from the taxes levied upon them. It is both her duty and interest to see that they prosper. She must see that her creature does not command its creator; but, being her creature, she must see that its interests are promoted and protected. The highest interests of the corporations will be themselves promoted by proper legislation in the direction indicated and required by this article of the constitution. Its provisions were not intended to cripple the prosperity or hinder the operations of these corporations. It was believed when this article was framed, and it is believed now, that its wholesome provisions, fairly wrought into appropriate legislation and faithfully carried out by the corporations themselves, would result in the highest prosperity of the necessary factors in modern civilization and progress. The interests of the people are also to be considered and guarded. Of all the people, those who have their limited livings locked up in the stock of our railroad enterprises, as well as those who out of the abundance of their means are able to invest largely therein, but are not dependent upon their dividends for support; those who shipped and those who received; those who are developing our vast mineral resources, and must necessarily ship the product of our mines to market; those who are manufacturing and must receive the raw material and transport the finished product through the help of our railroads; those who are tilling the soil and depending upon transportation for a market; all these interests are in a sense identical, all are to be conserved and promoted by wise and judicious legislation, which shall enforce the provisions of the Seventeenth article.

Another subject, which concerns alike the interests of our railroads and the people in general, is merely mentioned and recommended to your consideration. It is the question of grade crossings. The protection of the lives of our people and of the property and treasuries of our railroads demand that, wherever practicable, the grade crossings should be abolished. This particularly true of cities where street traffic is impeded and the busy tide of humanity constantly endangered.

A bill which passed the last Legislature relating to this subject failed to meet the executive approval because of the failure of the title to fairly indicate its contents; and secondly, because it provided, among other things, for the proportion in which the damages resulting from the abolishing of grade crossings should be paid by the companies themselves and the cities to which the bill related. This provision seemed to be of doubtful expediency, even if it were entirely constitutional. It is hoped that some wholesome provision may be enacted by the present Legislature which will serve to introduce a wise system through which this check to traffic and danger to lives may be minimized and finally avoided.

THE ROADS OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The following are the governor's views on the subject of roads:

It is said that the civilization of a country is marked by its roads. If this be true, Pennsylvania cannot claim to have ranked highest in civilization. It is safe to say that no expenditure of public moneys yields so little in return as the road taxes of Pennsylvania. Our entire system of road laws—or rather our road laws which lack system—should be thoroughly revised and codified. They served their purpose when temporary roads were to be laid out and cheaply made through unbroken forests and over lands which had but little value. The time has come when it will be economy in every way to build our roads permanently and substantially.

The comfort of our people, economy in the transportation of our products, saving in the wear and tear of vehicles and animals and the needless multiplication of highways, all demand that the laws governing the laying out and construction of our roads should be radically reformed and systematized.

This may be considered a matter of minor importance, and yet it affects every inhabitant of the commonwealth. We must all use at some time or other, in some way or other, our public roads. Their character and condition affect the breeding of our stock, the style of our vehicles, the carrying capacity of the farmer's wagon and the speed and enjoyment of all who travel them for business or pleasure, either in the carriage, in the saddle, on the bicycle or on foot.

A thorough system should be devised and authorized by the Legislature which could be put into immediate effect by our older communities and adopted by those which are newer as their ability and the wants of their people might require.

Decision of the Postal Department.

A decision which is of interest to newspapers in all parts of the country has just been received in Boston from the postoffice department relative to a controversy. Sometime ago the Old Colony railroad gave instructions to its employes not to carry manuscript for suburban correspondents to their papers in Boston, they having the impression that it was a violation of the postal laws so to do. This led to the abolition of a very convenient and satisfactory method of sending news to Boston in the evening or late at night after the last mails were dispatched.

The result of the taking away of this privilege would be of no advantage to the mails, as far as postal revenues are concerned, as it would simply divert news matter to the telegraph offices, thus greatly adding to the expense account of the newspapers. Postmaster Corse was appealed to for redress and he referred the matter to Washington for decision with a statement of the importance of this channel of communication to the newspapers. An opinion has just been received which says that the railroad employes may carry all the manuscript they like, but that it is illegal for any railway postal employe or any other postal employe, for that matter, to carry manuscript out of the mails.

Nothing Definite Done.

The joint committees of the Presbyterian church for the North and South concluded their conference in New York, on Tuesday. After the long secret sessions, which have extended over a week, it is announced that nothing definite was done. The original subject was to arrange for united mission work by the branches in the North and the South. "The various discussions," said a prominent Southern member, Rev. Mr. Hoge, of Richmond, Va., "took a wider range than was anticipated. The topics under consideration were of such importance that after spending several days in their consideration it was deemed advisable by the joint committee to adjourn and hold a meeting at some other time and place. It was accordingly agreed to adjourn and hold another meeting in Atlanta, Ga., on April 24th next, and conclude discussion there." Members stated that the discussion had been of the most pleasant and harmonious character.

Annual Message of the Mayor.

The January meeting of city councils will be held this evening at 7 o'clock. Under the municipal law by which the city is governed all the department reports are presented at this meeting and the annual message of the mayor is also sent to councils.

CONGRESS AGAIN IN SESSION.

THE SENATE AND HOUSE WITHOUT QUORUMS AT THE OPENING.

The Upper Branch Tackles Its Tariff Bill and Considers the Changing of Duty on Yarns. A Complaint Against the Actions of the Germans in Samoa.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—There was almost the usual quota of senators present when Chaplain Butler delivered the opening prayer in the Senate to-day. Senator Paddock, Senator Stockbridge, Senator Davis and Senator Chandler were early in the chamber. Senator Saulsbury arrived some minutes before noon, and sitting down at the side of Senator George, he explained to him at great length the political status in Delaware.

At noon Senator Ingalls called the Senate to order.

Before the end of the morning hour there was a quorum present. The galleries were fairly well filled. The Misses Hastings, who are the guests of Mrs. Cleveland at the White House, occupied the executive gallery. A large basket of flowers adorned the desk of Senator Stanford.

At the close of the morning hour the consideration of the tariff was resumed, the pending question being the amendment making the rate on yarns 35 per cent., ad valorem, instead of 10 cents a pound.

The secretary of state transmitted to the Senate to-day the results of the vote for presidential electors in Arkansas, Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Massachusetts, Nevada, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas and New York.

Mr. Dolph presented to the Senate to-day memorials of the national board of trade, praying liberal appropriations for public works and particularly for river and harbor improvements and coast defences.

Mr. Hoar introduced in the Senate to-day, a bill to refund excessive duties caused by extraordinary over valuations of the Austrian florin in the year 1878. It is the same bill which has been introduced in every Congress for ten years past.

Senator Frye has not returned to the city as he had expected. He is detained at his home in Maine by the illness of his wife. A letter received to-day states that Mrs. Frye's illness is not serious.

Senator Chandler presented to the Senate to-day the petition of Charles Jones and 111 other citizens of Midway, S. C., being qualified voters, who were deprived of the right to vote for want of registration certificates asking of the Congress of the United States to take steps to amend or abolish the state law of registration which deprives them of the right as citizens to vote in the election of presiding officers in the state and nation.

The president sent to the Senate to-day the following nomination: Leslie Cullom, of Tennessee, to be collector of customs for the district of Puget Sound in the state of Oregon and the territory of Washington.

In the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—When the House was called to order to-day, not over 75 members were in attendance. After the reading of the the journal a bill was passed granting annual leave of absence of thirty days to employes of the bureau of engraving and printing. [At present they are allowed 15 days' leave.]

Mr. Morrow, of California, to-day presented to the House a memorial of the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco, calling the attention of the House to the aggressive action of the German government in the Samoan islands, which it characterizes as destructive to American interests; cruel and unjust to the native inhabitants and hostile to the United States. It states that the German government intends to subjugate the islands, and as such is the evident intention the Chamber of Commerce in the name of the Pacific coast calls upon Congress to take such decided action in Samoa that American interests may be considered, American citizenship respected and the agreement made by Germany with Great Britain and the United States, in regard to the independence of the Samoan Islands, inviolable. It further says it is well understood that a policy of inactivity by the American government in the Samoan Islands will be followed on the part of Germany by the same aggressions in the Hawaiian Islands.

The Suicide Identified.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2.—The man who committed suicide at the Girard house yesterday was identified as Manuel Kline, of Trenton, N. J.

Friday afternoon Mr. Kline went up to Hunterdon county, where his folks reside, and came back to Trenton during the evening. He remained about town a short time and disappeared. Mr. Kline has managed the C. W. Sharp Printing company ever since the stock company has controlled it and is known as one of the best practical printers in the state. He was elected an excise commissioner a year ago by one of the largest majorities ever given a candidate in Trenton and his administration has been fair and impartial. He was prominent in several organizations and has been prominently mentioned in connection with the Republican mayoralty nomination next spring.

Balmy Weather in Dakota.

SIOUX FALLS, D. T., Jan. 2.—New Year's day was celebrated by picnics in the parks, out door sports, etc. The temperature was 65 in the shade. The day was bright and cloudless.

A Close Game.

MELBOURNE, Victoria, Jan. 2.—In the base ball game yesterday the Chicagos beat the All American team by a score of 9 to 8.

TELEGRAPHIC TAPS.

The opera house at Hicksville, Ohio, was burned yesterday. Loss $20,000; incendiary origin.

Four Radical members of the Servian Chamber of Deputies have been arrested on suspicion of conspiring against the government.

The Massachusetts Legislature organized to-day. The Senate officers are Harris C. Hartwell, of Fitchburg, president; Rev. E. C. Dowse, of Sherburne, chaplain; Capt. John G. B. Adams, of Lynn, sergeant-at-arms; Henry D. Coolidge, clerk. W. E. Barrett, of Melrose, is speaker of the House. Mr. Barrett is publisher of the Boston *Advertiser*.

Goodall, Fite & James, wholesale clothiers and furnishers, of Nashville, Tenn., assigned this morning. Liabilities nearly $100,000.

The body of a stranger, supposed to be a tramp, was found a short distance east of Mechanicsburg, on the Cumberland Valley railroad, this morning.

James McTague, aged 25, a prisoner at Raymond street jail, Brooklyn, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself.

Mrs. Olivia Spear, wife of Gov. Garcelon, died this morning in Lewistown, Me. Mrs. Garcelon's sister, Mrs. Senator Frye, has been with her for the last few days. Senator Frye will return to Washington Saturday.

Lewis Harner, who arrived in Montreal on Monday with his wife from Chicago, was arrested yesterday on a telegram from that city, on a charge of embezzling [illegible].