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A WOMAN IN BLACK.

THE PEOPLE OF EPHRATA ALARMED BY HER MYSTERIOUS MEANDERINGS.

She Appears Almost Nightly at the Cocalico Creek Bridge—Women and Children Fear She Is a Ghost.

There is a great deal of excitement just now in the town of Ephrata over what is supposed to be a spook.

Almost every night for some time past it has been seen hovering about the bridge, which crosses the Cocalico creek in the western part of the village. It is always in the shape of a very large woman who dresses in black. Her face has never been seen by any one, nor has any person ever spoken to her. Sometimes she goes down Fulton street towards the bridge and at other times down the turnpike. She always stops about the bridge and sometimes goes to the old cemetery, when she disappears. She is never seen before nine o'clock at night, but sometimes at much later hours. The people of that part of the town, especially women and children, are terrribly frightened and none of them can be induced to go near the bridge by night.

About two years ago a similar ghost appeared in the village and created a great deal of fear for a time, but afterwards disappeared before any one had solved the mystery.

It is the belief of many that the spook is a man, who dresses in woman's clothing for some purpose.

THE PUBLIC BUILDING.

An Additional Appropriation to be Asked For by Congressman Brosius

Congressman Brosius went to Washington on Tuesday and called upon Supervising Architect Windrim, in reference to the Lancaster public building. The architect informed Mr. Brosius that the appropriation for stone work for the building would not permit the purchase of Pennsylvania blue stone, as was originally contemplated, but that Indiana or Ohio sand stone, which is of inferior quality, would have to b used.

Congressman Brosius told the architect hat he had consulted with Lancaster business men and prominent citizens as to the new building and all favored the deferring of the award of contract until after the meeting of Congress, when an effort will be made to get an increased appropriation, so that a building that will be an ornament to the city may be erected.

As the present postoffice will answer the purposes of the government for some time to come, the supervising architect decided to recommend to the secretary of the treasury that nothing further shall be done towards the erection of the public building at present.

TWO CASES RETURNED TO COURT.

The Trouble Between Contractor Hinden and His Laborers.

Frank Hinden was heard by Alderman Barr, on Tuesday evening, on a charge of assault and battery preferred by Wiliam Culley. The testimony of Culley was that he was in the employ of Hinden & Fritchey and on Saturday he discharged him and in doing so he rudely took hold of him. The case was returned to court. This suit grows out of the trouble noted on Saturday when Hinden discharged several men. A surety of the peace against Culley, preferred by Hinden, was also returned to court.

A civil suit in which George Ehrhart was plaintiff and Hinden & Fritchey were defendants was also heard. Ehrhart sued for a week's wages. He claimed that he was hired to go to work on Monday of last week and he presented himself for duty on that morning. He was not put to work then, but was on the following Thursday morning. He was discharged on Saturday morning. He claims that he had refused a full week's work by reason of his being employed by the defendants and he now asks that the defendants pay him for the week he was subject to their orders. The alderman reserved his decision.

THAT MONTANA PLOT.

An Effort to Frustate It Made By Chief Justice Blake.

The action of the associate justices of the Montana supreme court in petitioning Chief Justice Blake to fix an earlier date than Nov. 7 for the hearing on the writs of mandamus issued by Judge De Wolfe shows how great is the fear among Montana's honest men that Russell Harrison may succeed in securing the aid of the administration in his plot to steal the state Legislature. Chief Justice Blake has, in response to the petition of his associates, now set Oct. 28 as the date for the hearing, and unless some unforseen circumstance should arise Judge De Wolfe will pass upon the right of the Silver Bow county canvassing board to throw out the Democratic vote of the Homestake Tunnel precinct.

The Republican party managers are determined to have the action of the canvassers sustained, and are not particular as to the means so long as they prove successful. They assert that they will appeal from the decision of Judge De Wolfe, which proves that they know he must decide against the canvassers on the evidence.

An appeal would delay statehood, and if made will be used as an argument in favor of allowing the territorial governor to certify to the election returns as they stand, without Silver Bow county. Such returns would show a Republican majority in the Legislature, which, if convened before the Silver Bow contest was decided, might elect Russell Harrison a United States senator.

The Harrisburg Terminal Railroad.

Negotiations are pending between the Reading railroad and the Harrisburg councilmanic committee on railroads for a transfer of property belonging to the city lying on the river front, that the Harrisburg Terminal railroad company may be enabled to build a bridge across the Susquehanna at this point. The Harrisburg Terminal will connect in Harrisburg with the Reading and run to Bowmansville, Cumberland county, where it will connect with the Harrisburg & Potomac, and form one of the links in the outlet of the West that President Corbin is so anxious to secure. It is understood that the transfer will be made and Harrisburg thus secure another new road. The Harrisburg Terminal has been for some time securing property in Harrisburg and along the Cumberland shore, where the new bridge is to be located.

Workingmen to Vote Against Boyer.

From the Philadelphia Times.

After the monthly meeting of the United Labor League last evening, at Eighth and Callowhill streets, Secretary Barrett reported that the eight hour law, as far as the city workmen were concerned, was still being violated by the authorities, notably in the gas works, where the men are compelled to work two shifts, of twelve hours each.

The league adopted a resolution to the effect that the silence of Henry K. Boyer, the Republican candidate for state treasurer, on the subject of the Australian ballot was evidence of his inability to give satisfactory reasons for the adoption of the system, and that all workingmen in the state should be called upon to manifest by their votes their displeasure at his attitude.

Base Ball Notes.

The third game for the world's championship was played yesterday and Brooklyn won by 8 to 7. The New York people are commencing to think that they will have no walk-over.

The rain, snow, mud, &c, of to-day and last night ruined the prospects of a game at Penryn to-day. This was a great disappointment, as there would have been a large crowd in attendance, and not a small portion of them would have been Lancaster folks. When the game will now take place no one knows as yet.

There were 6,000 people at the game in New York yesterday. That makes 33,000 at three games.

In Philadelphia yesterday the game was: Philadelphia 3, Athletic 1.

A JURY AT LAST.

Seven Weeks Occupied in Securing 12 Men For the Cronin Case.

A complete jury was secured in the Cronin case in Chicago on Tuesday. When this work had been finished the state's attorney asked for an adjournment for two days, in order to give the prosecution time to make out a plan for the presentation of the case. The defendants objected and Judge McConnell compromised by adjourning the hearing until Thursday morning. The empanelling of a jury commenced on August 4.

Allowing for the time occupied by the court in the drainage commission and an adjournment asked for by the state's attorney, seven weeks have been occupied in getting the jury. One thousand and ninety-one jurors have been subpœnaed, of whom 927 have been excused by counsel for cause. In addition to the 1,091 special veniremen summoned, there were also 24 on the regular panel disposed of. One hundred and seventy-five peremptory challenges have been used, of which the defense has used 97. At the time the jury was sworn in, Mr. Beggs, the defendant, had three peremptory challenges left and the state 22.

The jury is a representative American one, and in appearance and manners the members are an intelligent, fair-minded body of men. With one exception, every juror was born in the United States, and all but two had American parents. The jury is also composed of men who are attached to Protestant churches. The state attorney expects to take up four weeks with his case, and it is not likely that the prisoners will know their fate before Christmas.

A Snore Proof Room.

A suit begun six years ago by Architect Manly C. Cutter, against John A. Morris, the racing man, has just been thrown out of the court of appeals, New York, and a new trial ordered. The circumstances of the case are most unique. Mr. Morris, it would appear, snored to such an extent that separate apartments for himself and wife became a matter of necessity. Mr. Morris' snore was not an ordinary nasal solo which plaster walls could deaden. In this emergency Architect Cutter was consulted, and it was expressly stipulated that the architect should exercise his ingenuity in building an addition to the house, in which Mr. Morris was to sleep, and make the chamber "snore-proof." Mr. Morris intended it should cost only $5,000. Mrs. Morris ordered it to cost $27,000. The architect obeyed the latter and is now out of pocket.

Lower End Notes.

From the Oxford Press.

L. K. Brown, attorney for the heirs, last week sold the farm of 65 acres belonging to the estate of Mary Ann Overholt, late of Little Britain, to J. B. Fry, jr., of Fulton township, for $20 per acre.

Harry Paxson, who lives with J. H. Swisher, of Colerain, did a big day's work husking corn last Saturday. He husked and tied 60 shocks between sunrise and sunset. The corn husked made two and a half Webster wagon loads without the sideboards. Harry is not yet 15 years of age.

Jesse Wood, wife and son, of Little Britain, started the other day to visit John Killough, at Clinton, Ill.

Samuel B. Criswell, of Cochranville, a well known stock dealer, has entered suit against the Pennsylvania railroad for $300 damages, on claim for loss suffered last summer from the side tracking of a lot of stock at Columbia, from which some cows and hogs died of thirst.

Don't Drink New Beer.

From the Anti-Adulteration Journal.

No premature beer is fit for consumption. A beer under four months old is as injurious as any slow poison ever consumed. No matter how pure the material may be from which the beer is made, it is, however, an impure beer until it has had at least four months to purify itself by eliminating certain yeast germs, carbonic acid gas, and other foreign matters.

A well preserved old ale, it seems, would be much better to use than new beer where malt liquors are needed, or, perhaps better yet for the sick, a malt tonic or extract of malt or good grape wine, until good beer is produced. In Bavaria the law enforces the aging, as well as the purity of beer, and for such laws we are contending here.

The Mennonite Convention.

The Mennonite Brethren in Christ, of Pennsylvania, on Tuesday morning commenced a three days' convention in Reading for the purpose of advancing the cause and in the interest of curing by faith. Among the clergymen present were: Rev. C. W. Ruth, Indianapolis; Rev. W. Musselman, of Allentown; Rev. L. Frankhauser, of Philadelphia; Rev. Jonas Trumbower, of Chester; Rev. Edwin L. Hyde, of Conshohocken; Rev. Joshua Fidler, of Iron Bridge, Montgomery county; Rev. Jacob G. Moyer, of Hatfield, and Rev. John Fohlauh, minister, of Chambersburg. At the meeting the clergymen embraced and kissed each other with genuine affection. Rev. Fidler preached the opening sermon.

Union Veterans' Officers.

The Union Veterans of Pennsylvania concluded their sessions in Harrisburg on Monday, and were banquetted by the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. The following officers were elected: Department Commander, P. J. Shay; first deputy commander, C. B. Tibbits; second deputy commander, William Seaburn; surgeon general, D. E. Locke; chaplain, J. A. Anderson; executive committee, R. C. Hemphill, M. Cox, W. O. Reed, T. J. Phineply, J. B. Gunne, W. F. Neely; quartermaster general, J. Searight.

New York Democrats Meet.

The New York State League of Democratic clubs met on Tuesday. Governor Hill made a brief speech, declaring that the Democratic party reiterated its tariff pledge. He also said "the longer the present administration was in power the more it would be shown what a wise administration was that of Grover Cleveland." A letter from Mr. Cleveland was read. After adopting strong Democratic resolutions the League elected John Boyd Thacher its president for the ensuing year and then adjourned.

'Tis Cash Converses.

From the Memphis Times.

The Chicago world's fair is booming along nicely, while New York is loitering. President Hill, of the Manitoba railway, subscribes $25,000. The brewers and distillers in Chicago have subscribed $300,000. Total subscriptions to date aggregate $8,000,000. Fifteen Ohio congressmen have pledged themselves to vote for Chicago. As the poet of the New York *World* has it, "'Tis cash converses."

Accidents to Fingers.

A little boy named Grubbs, whose home is on Beaver street, had one of his fingers cut off at the Phœnix cork works, where he is employed, yesterday.

William Finney, whose home is in Lancaster but who has been working in Altoona for some time, is here on a visit. He met with an accident some days ago in which he had one of his fingers almost cut off with a chisel.

Good Bass Fishing.

One of the best known fishermen and boatsmen along the Susquehanna river is Frank Brenner, of Safe Harbor. He is a favorite with the best known fishermen of this city who make Safe Harbor their resort, and during the season he is engaged nearly every day in the week. Tuesday Frank spent the day on the river, by himself, and he succeeded in catching no less than forty-two fine large bass.

His Tenth Anniversary.

It has been ten years to-day since W. Parke Cummings, the well-known manufacturer and member of common council from the Fifth ward, and his good wife were married. Mr. Cummings was congratulated on every hand by his many friends. He says that it was just such a day as this when he was married, and considerable snow fell.

A Second Child Dies.

A little son of Morgan Drumm, of 432 North Mulberry street, died of membraneous croup yesterday. This is the second child that the family has lost by death from the same disease within two weeks.

THE NEW M. E. CHURCH.

IT IS TO BE BUILT AT THE CORNER OF DUKE AND WALNUT STREETS.

The Building Committee Meets and Awards the Contract For Its Erection to John Evans, of This City.

Last evening the building committee who have in charge the erection of the new church for the Duke street Methodist congregation held a meeting to receive bids for the building of the new church. The committee consists of Rev. Dr. S. M. Vernon, pastor of the church, chairman; Robt. M. Morrow, Samuel M. Myers, David P. Bitner, Benjamin F. Shenk and Joseph H. Selvert. The following are the figures of the bidders for the building and the amount that they want in addition to put in steam heat:

R. M. Morrow, $44,945; for steam heat, $1,940.60.

John Evans, $36,600; steam, $2,000.

Clement S. Erisman, $39,984; steam, $1,940.60.

John A. Burger, $42,800; steam, $3,200.

Israel P. Mayer, $43,000; (no bid for steam).

All the above bidders were builders of this city. In addition to these there were a number of bids from Philadelphia contractors. Their figures, including steam heat and everything else, were: Charles D. Hill, $48,000; George F. Payne & Co., $53,650; Jacob R. Garber, $51,622.72; Arthur H. Williams & Son, $53,500.

The committee reserved the right to accept a bid for the building, with or without steam. This morning they held another meeting and awarded the contract to John Evans, without steam, at $36,600. As is well known by nearly everybody the new building will be erected at Duke and Walnut streets on the old Griel property. The work will not be started until spring.

The Reformed Synod Adjourns.

The Reformed synod at Allentown adjourned Monday night. After hearing the report of the committee on the theological seminary at Lancaster and the Allentown female college, and taking up the report of the committee on finance, the following was declared as the result of the vote on the officers named: Trustees of Franklin and Marshall college, J. W. Wetzel, S. A. Butz, B. F. Shenk. Trustees of the theological seminary—Eastern synod: D. W. Gross, G. W. Hensel, George Z. Kunkel, J. B. Rapp, J. D. Skiles, Charles Santee, Geo. G. Heilman, Aaron G. Reninger. Pittsburg Synod: W. J. Baer, P. S. Hay, John Troxell, W. R. Barnhart. Synod of Potomac: Henry Wirt, C. A. Sheetz, Isaac Loucks, H. W. Shriver, Edgar Slagel, Isaac H. Keefer.

Board of visitors of theological seminary—Eastern Synod: Rev. Theodore Apple, D. D., Rev. E. E. Higbee, D. D., Rev. S. G. Wagner, D. D., Rev. C. F. McCauley, D. D., Rev. C. G. Fisher. Pittsburg Synod: Rev. Prof Lucian Cort, Rev. A. E. Truxal. Potomac Synod: Rev. A. H. Kremer, D. D., Rev. E. R. Eshbach, D. D., Rev. J. C. Bowman. Board of publication, James T. Reber. Board of home missions, Rev. J. A. Peters, D. D., Rev. T. J. Hacker, Rev. E. N. Kremer, Rev. C. S. Gerhard, Rev. S. G. Wagner, D. D., J. J. Nissley, W. H. Seibert. Superintendent of missions, Rev. A. C. Whitmer. J. J. Nissley was elected treasurer of the synod.

The society of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip offered their report, which was adopted and the society commended to the sympathy and support of the people.

Revs. Henry Mosser, C. F. McCauley, D. D., and B. Bausman, D. D., were appointed a committee to prepare a programme of topics for discussion at the meeting of the synod at Reading next year.

Bartholomew Found Guilty.

The Bartholomew trial came to an end on Tuesday evening by a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, the jury having been out about an hour and a half.

The prisoner on his way to the Easton jail, after the trial, was accompanied by his two daughters and his two grandchildren, each of the latter clinging to one of his hands. To an acquaintance Bartholomew on Tuesday said he thought things began to look very blue for him. Since Mrs. Dilliard gave her evidence against Bartholomew she appears a great deal more talkative and cheerful. She will no doubt plead guilty and be sentenced to death, after which the pardon board will be appealed to, to commute her sentence to imprisonment for life.

A New Sort of Goose Hunting.

It has been a custom in Stillwater, Minn., for several seasons to go goose hunting down Lake St. Croix with a boat fitted with an electric light. Last evening a party started out. The lake was covered with smoke and fog. They came on a large flock of geese, which rose, making straight for the boat, driving the men on the upper deck below. Several of the geese struck the wheelhouse and other parts of the boat. Some twenty struck the smokestack and rigging, stunning them, and six were captured, while the others got into the water. Mayor Durant captured the first bird, a monster gander, weighing twenty pounds, and had a hard tussle to get him. Not a shot was fired.

LIMITED LOCALS.

Samuel Hufford, of Farmersville, registered on Tuesday in the prothonotary's office as a veterinary surgeon.

The real estate of Jacob Froelich, on the Philadelphia turnpike, east of the city limits, offered at public sale on Tuesday evening by Joel L. Haines, auctioneer, for Henry Carpenter, assignee, was withdrawn at $1,200. To-day Joseph Reeser bought it for $1,475.

As a matter of record the first snow storm for the winter of 1889 was to-day, October 23. In 1886 the first snow was on November 6, in 1887 on October 3 and in 1888 on November 24.

Among the patents granted the past week, through the agency of Wm. Gerhart, was one to Dr. Miles L. Davis, of this city, for a hospital for contagious diseases.

A fine large parrot, belonging to ex-Mayor D. P. Rosenmiller, of North Duke street, escaped from the cage yesterday and got away. A great deal of excitement was caused by the unsuccessful efforts to capture the bird, which is se en years old and a great pet.

A young man, and a very small one at that, stepped into Hotel Lancaster last evening, and, sitting up to the bar, ate one hundred and twelve fine oysters on a wager with a friend.

Ben. Stufflet, the well known horseman of Reading, and Miss Ellen Barton, eldest daughter of Amos Barton, proprietor of the Lyons house, at Lyons, were married on Tuesday. Mr. Stufflet is well known in this city.

The grand jury of the York county court on Tuesday found a true bill against Bernard Schill, constable of the Third ward, Columbia, for subornation of perjury.

Trouble Caused By a Sow.

Alderman Halbach this morning heard the suit of Martin K. Kendig vs. Christian F. Binkley. These people are neighbors and Binkley's sow got into Kendig's field. Kendig penned up the sow and for so doing was prosecuted for cruelty to animals. That case was returned to court. The suit to-day against Binkley was for damages done to the crops of Kendig by Binkley's sow. The witnesses for the plaintiff estimated that Mr. Kendig suffered damages to the amount of $45 or $50, while those for the defense put the figures at from $2 to $4. The alderman reserved his decision until Saturday. John E. Snyder, esq., appeared for plaintiff, and D. McMullen, esq., for defendant.

The Court Grants a Rule.

The court to-day granted a rule to show cause why a new trial should not be had in the case of Isaac Stoltzfus vs. the Pennsylvania Railroad company. It will be argued at the December term of argument court.

Another Hotel Change.

William Wenninger has purchased the stock and fixtures of Hotel Veteran, on North Queen street, from Capt. Abraham Setley, and will take possession on next Monday.

HE FILLED OUT THE CHECK!

A Dishonest Pensioner Causes Much Trouble and Gains Much Cash.

Several month ago the pension agent at San Francisco issued a check in favor of a pensioner but neglected to fill in the amount. The recipient, however, did it for him, but, instead of putting in the proper amount—about $18—filled it out for something over $1,200. He presented it at a bank in Nevada, properly endorsed, and, received payment to its face value. The bank transmitted the check to Wells, Fargo & Co., its San Francisco correspondents, for collection. It was then presented to the assistant treasurer, and that official paid it. The fraudulent character of the check was discovered soon after, and the assistant treasurer made demand upon Wells, Fargo & Co. for repayment of the money in excess of the real value of the check. They denied all responsibility in the transaction and refused to comply. Subsequently a draft in favor of Wells, Fargo & Co. for an amount much greater than was involved in the other transaction came into the assistant treasurer's possession and in making payment he deducted the amount of over-payment on the pension check. Wells, Fargo & Co. having unsuccessfully tried all other means of compelling the assistant treasurer to deliver to them the full amount of the draft instituted suit for its recovery. This suit is now pending and application was made to the treasury department for the original draft for use as evidence and it was sent to them on Monday. Nothing is known as to the whereabouts of the dishonest pensioner. It is safe to assume, however, that he will receive no further remittances for some time.

DEATH OF AN EX-HOTEL-KEEPER.

Henry L. Kauffman Dies While on a Visit to Oreville.

Henry L. Kauffman died at Oreville, on the Harrisburg turnpike on Tuesday, of dropsy and heart trouble, aged 59 years. Mr. Kauffman kept the Oreville hotel, now occupied by John Echternach, for 24 years. About five years ago he moved to Altoona and engaged in the cigar and tobacco business. He was on a visit to his sons and brothers here and took sick about two weeks ago. He leaves a wife and four children, two sons and two daughters—Jonas and Hiram living at Oreville; one daughter, Mrs. Geist, living on the Lititz turnpike, and the other in Altoona. His brothers are Andrew, living near Landisville, and Benjamin L. Kauffman, clerk in the American house, Columbus, Ohio.

The funeral will take place on Friday morning, from the residence of his son Hiram, on the Harrisburg turnpike.

Dr. Hoffman's Task.

Dr. W. J. Hoffman, curator of the government bureau of ethnology, is now traveling along the Susquehanna river in the interest of a volume on Indian pictographs, which will soon be published by the government. Dr. Hoffman is a Pennsylvanian, hailing from Reading, but for sixteen years has been doing scientific research for the ethnologic bureau.

The sculptured rocks are in the river opposite Safe Harbor. The hieroglyphics carved on their surface by the Indians have always been esteemed to possess historical, or, at least, narrative significance. But the larger portion of the inscriptions and pictures, Dr. Hoffman finds, have been carried away by the wave of wind and water and the work of vandals. He, however, is making tracings of what is yet discernible, and plates of them, with accompanying descriptions, will be prepared for the government publication.

Picture rocks similar to these are found at Washington borough and at Bald Friar, just south of Mason and Dixon's line. What the inscriptions signify—whether they tell of war and conquest, or of the peaceful pursuits of the Susquehannocks who lived along these banks—is the archæological puzzle which scientists hope Dr. Hoffman may shed some light upon.

Congressman McAdoo's Opinion.

Representative McAdoo, of New Jersey, who had quite a conversation with ex-President Cleveland a few days ago, said to a Philadelphia *Inquirer* reporter: "If the nomination were to be made to-day Mr. Cleveland would easily carry the convention. What may happen in three years no one can tell, but my opinion is that Mr. Cleveland will be nominated and elected in 1892 on the very platform upon which he was defeated last fall. The ex-president is looking very well, and seems to be applying himself very assiduously to the duties of his profession. Of course, he takes a deep interest in public affairs and party politics, and is active among his friends. Governor Hill is a very shrewd politician, and it is no secret that he is in the race for nomination to the presidency himself, but before he can get there it will be necessary to do a great deal of hard work in the other states. That he controls New York is evident."

Married Last Evening.

Last evening Dr. Richard D. McCaskey, son of Prof. J. P. McCaskey, principal of the boys' high school, was married to Miss Bertha D. Cox, daughter of Samuel B. Cox. The ceremony, which was a quiet one, took place at the parsonage of the Trinity Lutheran church and was performed by Rev. C. L. Fry. The bridesmaid was Miss Annie M. Wolf, and the groomsman Harry D. Smith, of Shamokin. After the marriage a reception was held at the new home of the couple, at North Queen and Orange streets, which was attended by the relatives and friends of the bride and groom. Mr. McCaskey is a rising young dentist of this city.

Toughs Sent to Jail.

Dick Redman, Wm. Hoover and Jacob Baumgardner, the three young toughs who raised a row at the masquerade ball at Maennerchor hall on Monday night of last week, were heard by Alderman Halbach last evening. The testimony showed that they were drunk and disorderly on that occasion. Redman was sent to jail for 10 days, and the others got off with 5 days. The man who was brutally assaulted by these men did not appear to make complaint against them.

They Have Nerve If Not Talent.

There were about one hundred people in the opera house last evening to see "We, Us & Co," as given by the "Ideal Comedy company" of Mr. Slocum. Others who had any idea of attending the performance by this party quickly abandoned it after reading the newspaper criticisms of last evening. The troupe will worry a very small portion of the amusement going people again this evening by their butchery.

Pleasant Surprises.

About twenty-five couples met last evening at the house of C. H. Mayer, on Lancaster avenue, and marched to the residence of A. Froelich, No. 33 East Walnut street, where they surprised Mr. Froelich's son Ira, the occasion being the latter's birthday. The evening was very pleasantly spent.

Last evening forty couples of his young friends gave Harry Meguire, son of B. Meguire, of High street, a surprise at his home. The occasion was his twenty-first birthday. The young man was presented with a shaving cup and razor by his friends. The speech was made by George Himes, after which all had an enjoyable time.

Another One Arrested.

Clarence Girvin, one of the young men who is charged with being in the party who assaulted George May on the night of September 7th, gave himself up to Alderman Deen last evening, when he found that complaint had been made against him. The general impression is that the beating was done by Redman and Sechrist. There will be no hearing in the case until Redman has finished his term in jail for drunken and disorderly conduct.

Foreign Attachments Issued.

E. D. North, attorney for Wm. Clark, John Covington and B. S. Davenport, has issued foreign attachments against the property of A. F. Martin, W. Harkens, A. M. Blackburn and J. A. Blackburn. Some of the defendants reside in Little Britain township, and others in Chester county.

BARANOWSKI HANGED.

THE MURDERER OF TWO WOMEN GIVES UP HIS LIFE ON THE GALLOWS.

After Killing Them With an Axe He Tries to Hide the Crimes By Burning His Victims With Their Dwelling.

POTTSVILLE, Oct. 23.—Pietro Baranowski was hanged here this morning. The drop fell at 10:35 o'clock.

The condemned man slept soundly from 12 o'clock last night until 6 this morning, when he arose and donned a new suit of black clothes provided by the authorities for the occasion. An altar had been erected in one of the rooms of the prison and at 8 o'clock St. Joseph's mass for the dying was celebrated by Father Lenarkawicz, of the Polish Catholic church of Shenandoah, assisted by Father Duffy, of St. Patrick's church, of this city, and Father Patterson, of Ashland. After religious services Baranowski partook sparingly of a substantial breakfast and was then again taken in charge by the priests.

At 10:22 the march to the gallows commenced. The condemned man walked firmly and showed no sign of trepidation. The gallows was erected upon the usual spot in the northeast corner of the spacious jail yard. Baranowski ascended the scaffold with a firm step and stood upon the trap without flinching. His face was pallid and his lips quivered slightly. The priests engaged in brief religious exercises, the condemned man joining devoutly. Sheriff Comrey placed the noose about the culprit's neck and it was carefully adjusted by Dr. Williams, of Shenandoah. Baranowski's legs were then pinioned by the deputy sheriff, after which he spoke a few words with Court Interpreter Jacobs.

At 10:30 the bolt was drawn by an unseen hand, the drop fell and the culprit hung perfectly motionless. In 7½ minutes he was pronounced dead, and at 10:50 the body was cut down. Death was caused by a fracture of the neck. The body was removed to the undertaker's, where an autopsy will be held to-morrow. Between 400 and 500 spectators witnessed the execution.

HISTORY OF HIS CRIMES.

The double murder for which Pietro Baranowski suffered death was committed on Saturday, May 12, 1888, and was one of the most atrocious in the criminal record of Schuylkill, a county unenviably distinguished for crimes of violence and blood. At "Bushy Tract," an isolated spot near Middleport, eight miles east of Pottsville, in a humble dwelling lived Anthony Putlavitch and his wife, with his brother, John Putlavitch, and Agnes Katch, a domestic, and the affianced of John. The men were miners, working at Big Vein colliery, a mile or two distant. Upon his return from work on the evening of May 12th, Anthony Putlavitch found his home burned to the ground, and in the still smoking ruins he was horrified to discover the charred remains of his wife and Agnes Katch. Robbery had evidently been the murderer's motive, as a bureau had been broken open and some $800 abstracted. A gash in Mrs. Putlavitch's skull and an axe lying by her side revealed the method of the double murder. Suspicion was soon directed to Baranowski, who had worked at Big Vein colliery and boarded at Putlavitch's and who had drawn his pay on the day of the murder and disappeared. He was traced to Shenandoah and thence to Lost Creek, where it was learned that he purchased a ticket for Buffalo and taken a Lehigh Valley train. Telegrams were sent out to the public authorities along the road and on Tuesday afternoon, May 15, Baranowski was arrested on a train at Mauch Chunk. He at once confessed the murder and robbery, but said the killing was not premeditated, but the result of a quarrel with the women. He delivered $125, which, with some $54 which he said he had spent, he claimed was all the money he had secured. He was lodged in jail at Pottsville, and at the next term of court was tried and convicted of murder in the first degree. During the trial and ever since Baranowski gave strong evidence of real or feigned insanity, and efforts to obtain a new trial having failed, his counsel secured several respites, with a view to showing his mental irresponsibility. Failing in this, a last effort was made before the board of pardons, but that tribunal refused to interfere and the sentence of the law was carried out to-day. Baranowski was born in Poland in 1862, was a single man and had been in this country about 4 months at the time of the murder.

ELOPED WITH A CONGRESSMAN.

Miss Babcock Married Abner Taylor in Spite of Her Father.

The friends of Congressman Abner Taylor of the First Illinois district will be surprised to learn that he is married. His wife is the daughter of Col. A. C. Babcock, well known politically, and at present a candidate for the United States marshalship for the district of Northern Illinois. Mr. Taylor's attentions to Miss Babcock were frowned upon by her father, and Col. Babcock awoke one fine morning to receive the tidings that the congressman and his daughter had been wedded in a little town in Michigan on Sept. 7. The bride and bridegroom enjoyed the honeymoon in Michigan, and recently returned to Chicago. Here they spent a few days. On Monday afternoon they left Chicago for Washington.

"It's all post mortem now," said Col. Babcock, "and I won't talk about it. I opposed it from the first, fought it and did all I could to prevent it; but Taylor is my son-in-law now, and I can't deny it. I don't know where they got married, and I don't care. It's all one whether in Michigan or New Jersey."

Discharged on His Own Recognizance.

Judge Patterson delivered and opinion this morning in the Horace G. Usner case. Usner served a term for false pretense, preferred by Isaac Buch, and it expired last Tuesday. Counsel for Mr. Buch entered a civil suit, covering the same transaction for damages and on the capias issued he was detained in prison. His counsel obtained rules to show cause why the capias should not be quashed and Usner discharged on common bail. The rule to quash capias the court said would not now be decided. Usner was brought from prison shortly before noon and released. Brown & Hensel appeared for Mr. Buch and E. D. North for Usner.

Before the Mayor.

The mayor had a number of cases to dispose of this morning. Wm. Carrigan, arrested for acting suspiciously in the yard of R. H. Brubaker, was sent to jail for 5 days.

Geo. Hamaker, a stranger, picked up on Lemon street, while under the influence of liquor by Officer Myers, for insulting people received a similar punishment.

Andrew Boddy, colored, and Charles Wohr, white, who were engaged in a prize fight at Duke and Chestnut streets, yesterday afternoon, and who were arrested by Chief Smeltz, were discharged with a reprimand.

Four lodgers, driven to the station house by last night's storm, were discharged.

A Strike at Terre Hill.

On Tuesday, cigarmakers employed in Richmond & Co.'s factory, at Terre Hill, went out on a strike. The cause of it was that the firm wanted to reduce the price of making 25 to 20 cents per hundred. There are 54 hands still in the shops at work, however.

The Point Breeze Races.

The races at the old Point Breeze track will commence next Monday. Among the horses that will start in the 2:33 class on the first day are Fiss & Doerr's Sherman Bashaw, and Emanuel Bones' Ella B, of York. Brooke Ludwig's Rosa K. will start in the 2:30 class on Thursday.

PLAGUED BY "BLOCKS OF FIVE."

Dudley's Letter Is a Sure Passport to Federal Office in Indiana.

An Indiana Republican who indulged in considerable horn-blowing last fall, and who up to the present time has failed to realize anything substantial on his investment of lung-power, is authority for the statement that there is a large-sized storm brewing in the Hoosier Republican camp. He complains that most of the Indiana appointments thus far have been wrung from Mr. Harrison by a system of political blackmail, which is not only a disgrace to the administration but a gross injustice to that class of Republicans who labored honestly for a victory last fall.

For some time it has been hard to account for the line of appointments the administration made in Indiana, but this is now all explained by the complaining applicant, who avers that the Dudley "Blocks of Five" letter is proving a veritable bonanza to the Republican committeemen into whose hands it fell during the great fight for protection last November. These fortunate politicians are taking advantage of the fact that the administration cannot afford say further expose of Dudley's "Blocks of Five" methods, and armed with these powerful weapons they make demands which Mr. Harrison dare not ignore, and thus recommendations of Indiana congressmen are rendered mere side issues in the great distribution of patronage in that state. It is not known how many of these letters are in existence, but since their intrinsic value has been discovered they are being "worked for all they are worth," and men who have no claims on the party beyond the fact that they were favored with one of Dudley's famous epistles are helping themselves to the choicest of the offices.

No one enjoys this presidential dilemma more than Dudley. Ignored by Harrison since the latter's elevation to the presidency, Dudley has the satisfaction of knowing that his able effort in the line of campaign literature is giving the president no end of trouble. It is even intimated that Dudley first suggested this use of his letter and has since urged Indiana applicants for place to try its effects on Harrison.

One of the men who is chafing under the present state of affairs is Treasurer Huston. As chairman of the Republican state committee, Huston made promises and he now finds himself without power to liquidate his ante-election obligations. All during the campaign last year Huston held aloof from Dudley and steadily refused to accept any advice or suggestions from him. When the "Blocks of Five" letter was first made public Huston refused to adopt the machine plan of declaring it a forgery, but instead he admitted it to be genuine and denounced Dudley for interfering in the campaign. Treasurer Huston is disgusted that the president did not adopt the same heroic treatment in dealing with the men who are holding Dudley's letter over his head and demanding office. One of Mr. Huston's near friends said that it would not be surprising to hear of his resignation at any time. Huston is a wealthy man and not dependent on an office for a livelihood.

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION WORK.

The Next Triennial Session to Be Held at Baltimore.

Both houses of the Episcopal general convention decided to hold the next session, in 1892, at Baltimore. In the house of deputies the entire set of versicles as amended was adopted, and the house then proceeded to discuss the revision of the liturgy. It was decided that the Gloria Patria be printed at the end of Psalm 21.

Section 3 in the order of the burial of the dead was carried. It provides that in place of the rubric the minister shall say the Lord's prayer, with an exhortation added.

The new section providing additional prayers to be added to the "Grace of Our Lord" was also adopted.

The fifth section, applying to the burial of the dead at sea, was also passed.

The house concurred with the bishops on the fourteenth division of the form of prayer and thanksgiving.

An amendment to be used instead of the existing marriage ceremony was adopted. A clause of it intended to cover the vexed question of divorce read: "And live together in holy love unto their lives end."

The house of bishops sent three messages on the question of liturgical revision, and the subject of the congregation sharing the holy communion with the minister was again brought up. The bishops recommended that the congregation be given sufficient time to commune. Concurred in.

The bishops also made change in the litany and in the order of the Lord's supper, one of which changes was that the word "bishop" be substituted for "priest." Concurred in.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

A Baby Found Dead Beside Its Unconscious Mother.

A child but a few days old of a woman named Hogentogler, who lives in the lower part of Marietta, was found dead in bed on Tuesday by the side of its mother. The latter was still confined to bed from sickness attending child-birth and the woman who attended her as nurse was Margaret Stoltz. Mrs. Hogentogler is subject to attacks of epilepsy and during the absence of the nurse from the room she was taken with one of the fits. When Mrs. Stoltz returned she found the woman unconscious and suffering from a fit. The child was dead by her side.

Deputy Coroner Thuma was notified of the affair, and he held an inquest, Dr. Mowry examining the child. The jury was composed of Geo. P. Reich, Frank Reidmyer, Daniel Hines, Geo. Herbert, David Evans and Andrew Seibert. They found that the child came to its death from injuries accidentally inflicted by its mother during an attack of epileptic fits.

RUINED MANY OF HIS PUPILS.

The Terrible Crime of a Canadian School Teacher—He Is Likely to be Lynched.

The residents of Allens Settlement, Canada, have been thrown into wild excitement over the discovery that for upward of a year John T. Blondin, 22 years of age, who has been teaching one of the schools, has seduced a number of his pupils.

On Saturday night Mrs. George Rollins, the wife of one of the most respected residents of the settlement, found her little daughter Lillie, aged 14, crying bitterly in her room. The girl acknowledged to her mother that she was in a delicate condition, and that the school teacher was responsible. Mr. Rollins immediately had a warrant issued, and Blondin was arrested.

The residents of the village formed themselves into a vigilance committee, headed by the father of the victim, and started to lynch Blondin, only to find that he had been arrested. It had by this time become generally known, through the confession of Lillie Rollins, that the man had ruined ten or twelve of her schoolmates, from 12 to 15 years of age.

He had been in the habit of detaining young girl pupils after school, when he would treat them to candies. He threatened to shoot them if they ever breathed a word to parents or schoolmates.

Blondin always bore an excellent character and was spoken of as an intelligent and promising young man. He is greatly broken down over the discovery of his villainy. It is reported that another attempt will be made to lynch him.

Terrific Fight in a Church.

Recently Bishop O'Hara deposed Rev. Father Warnegari, the pastor of the Polish Catholic church, at Plymouth, Pa., and subsequently expelled him from the priesthood for unbecoming conduct. The congregation was divided into two factions, and one of these insisted upon holding possession of the