

**McDowell Comedy Co.—The McDowell Comedy Company** composed of strictly first class artists will give one performance in Humes' Hall on Tuesday evening February 8th, of the great military comedy "Our Regiment." We are convinced that this is an especially good company and hope they will be liberally patronized. The following is from the Halifax Daily Chronicle, Sept. 24th:

The mere name of Von Moser, who has become known to Halifax players through the side-splitting Private Secretary is a sufficient guarantee in itself of the excellence of a drama. The work of adapting a play from the foreign tongue, and especially, a humorous play, over running with gags, is exceedingly difficult, yet in the case of Our Regiment as in the Private Secretary, the adaptation is most admirable, as the uproarious laughter and applause at the academy last night testified. We venture to say that those who were present have rarely witnessed a more thoroughly enjoyable performance from beginning to end. The fun commences as the curtain goes up and is maintained at an exulting pitch till it falls.

The plot is briefly as follows: A regiment of lancers put up for a few days at the town of Mulborough, and the officers receive invitations to stay with different families. One of these, a Mr. Robinson, receives two officers, Lieut. Warener, and Captain Edthorston. Mr. Robinson has a daughter Olive and a niece Edith. A young man from Jamaica, the Lieutenant makes a dead set on the niece, who is in love with the Captain, who, however, is deceived by her actions and treats her with coldness. The play was mounted in first class shape and the presence of the band and a company of the 66th greatly assisted in setting off its military character. It was the universal verdict that Our Regiment is a No. 1, and the McDowell company is fully competent to do justice.

Prices 25 and 50 cents, with a few choice reserved seats at 75 cents.

The custom of holding Sunday funeral services has been condemned in many of the larger cities, and now we notice the smaller cities are taking action in the matter. At a meeting of nine of the preachers of Altoona, last week a paper was read by Rev. J. L. Russell, and approved by all the ministers present, condemning Sunday funerals, except where actually necessary. We will reprint a few of the reasons advanced:

That in the majority of cases funerals on the Sabbath are unnecessary. Sometimes they are unavoidable, but more frequently are deferred to that day for reasons which we deem insufficient.

Their tendency and influence disturb the orderly and scriptural observance of the Sabbath.

They often interfere with the regular and public services of the Sabbath, in time, in the attendance of the people, and in the drain made on the time and strength of the pastor which should be given to the regular services.

At an earlier day, and in more primitive conditions of society, the custom of entertaining all persons in attendance upon a funeral, was natural and necessary. Its perpetuation grows out of a mistaken idea of the hospitality involved in it. We recommend its disuse.

It involves an amount of work and worry burdensome at any time, cruelly so, under such circumstances.

It breaks in upon that sacred seclusion which is the acknowledged right of the bereaved household.

In many cases it adds greatly to expenses which the living cheerfully bear for the sake of the dead, but which could not be idly or unnecessarily increased.

—There is no possibility, says an exchange, that Mr. Stewart's resolution for the investigation of the Soldiers' Orphan Schools, passed with such vim in the House will ever be considered in the Senate. When it was read in the Senate on January 18th, Senator Rutan moved to postpone it for the present, and, as he objects to having it called up nobody will have the boldness to act contrary to his wishes. Mr. Rutan said last night that he had the resolution postponed at the instance of parties interested, and then he added: "What is the use of investigating now? It will take up a great deal of time, cost the State a great deal of money and only bring out what we already know—a lot of damaging facts. My idea is to close up the schools just as quick as it can be done. We have enough facts now to close them. They ought to shut their doors in June of this year, and certainly not later than June, 1888. I think the appropriation bill introduced in the House, which provides for the closing of the schools in 1890, will be amended, making it a couple of years earlier.

—Christian Houz, of near Lemont, died at his residence January 26th 1887 of apoplexy, aged 78 years, 20 months and 23 days. Deceased was an exemplary Christian. On Monday morning he was suddenly taken ill, and on Wednesday afternoon breathed his last. He was buried at Shiloh. Eight children and a large host of friends mourn their loss. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Sahm of the Lutheran church of which the deceased was a member, and J. H. Welch of the Evangelical Association.

**The Negro Exodus.**

NEW ORLEANS, January 28.—The movement in Mississippi against the labor or so-called emigration agents persuading the negroes to go to the swamp country, has broken out fiercely in Rankin county. At a meeting of citizens held at the Court House in Brandon, the county seat, the labor agents enticing colored men and their families from their homes were warned to leave the country in twelve hours and keep out of it. If any of those agents should defy this order and visit Rankin they will undoubtedly repeat their visit. The Rankin farmers, who thought they were supplied with labor for the year, find now, when planting ought to be begun, that many of their hands have slipped away and that they will be unable to plant as large an acreage as they had expected.

The emigration of negroes from Hinds county to the swamps has almost ceased, as nearly all those who desired to go have left; but the number pouring into Vicksburg for settlement in the Yazoo delta is nearly as great as ever. They come, however, from the more distant counties of Amite, Rankin, Newton and Kemper, and from Greene and other counties in Western Alabama, at the rate of from four hundred to six hundred a day. The emigration of negroes from Green county, Ala., is said to be the largest yet in any portion of the South. There is actual destitution there among the negroes, who have had bad crops and who are in many instances upon the verge of starvation. The merchants themselves are greatly pressed for lack of means to pay their debts, and have been compelled to crowd their debtors, and many have lost everything by foreclosure. Large numbers of negroes have already left the county for the Mississippi bottoms and more are leaving every day. The farmers are unwilling to see them go, but are offering no active opposition to their emigration. In Mississippi active measures, however, have been taken in Hinds, Amite and Rankin counties, and no emigrant agents are allowed to operate in them.

**The Reading Hair-Stealing.**

READING, January 27.—This city is aroused by a second hair-stealing case, which occurred last night. Annie Rupp, aged 16 years, was standing at the kitchen door when a man who had secreted himself in the yard seized her, and before she could make an outcry cut off her brown tresses with a long knife. Miss Rupp held on to her hair and ran into the house crying, while the miscreant jumped over a fence into an adjoining yard and escaped. The police authorities are engaged today in working the case. A clue has been obtained which, it is believed, will lead to the arrest of the guilty party before night. A man answering the description of the assailant has been in Reading several days ago and called at a number of houses begging food. He was observed to closely examine the hair of ladies and is supposed to be the same person who committed the outrage of robbing a young woman of hair several weeks ago at Boyertown, this county.

**A Female Burglar Shot.**

BALTIMORE, January 28.—Shortly after 6 o'clock this morning a colored woman, Mary Jones, was shot while burglariously entering the wholesale grocery of Wagner, Everson & Rountree, on Commerce street. For some time goods had been missed, and last night a watch was set. A person was seen to enter by a rear window, but in the darkness it could not be discovered that the party was a woman, and Mr. Rountree, of the firm, fired a shot, gun at the figure, which fell inside the building. The wounds are not serious though one hundred and seventy-three shots have been taken from her side, arm and shoulder. Mary Jones was employed in a restaurant, the rear of which was near the window where she was shot, and her stealing was done always in the early morning. At her home, in a distant part of the city, were discovered several hundred pounds of sugar and other articles stolen from the store. She will be held for trial.

WASHINGTON, January 26.—The Secretary of the Treasury to-day appointed Jesse B. Abrahams, of Virginia, to be Deputy Comptroller of the Currency, vice Snyder, resigned.

**There are Giants.**

PHILADELPHIA, January 28.—Probably the three tallest men that ever trod the sidewalks of Philadelphia promenaded Chestnut street about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. They were the Robinson brothers, of Iowa. They were stopping in the city with a cousin, and left for Providence R. I., where they will join a museum exhibition. The brothers are Samuel, aged 25 years; William, who is three years younger, and Charles, who is a wee bit of a boy, being but 19 years old, but who, like his big brother, is 7 feet 11 inches in height. As he is young it is probably that he will be the tallest of the three men in time.

The three young men are good looking, dignified and unpretentious in their demeanor. They do not "put on airs" nor act as if they considered themselves bigger than any one else. They were all born at Knoxville, Iowa. A tall man in a high hat can pass under the arms of any one of the brothers without bending. More than 2,000 people collected around them, when they were compelled for a time to take refuge in the Pennsylvania ticket office, at the corner of Ninth and Chestnut streets, but finding that the longer they remained the bigger the crowd got, the trio started out of the Ninth street door and marched out on Chestnut street three abreast, starting the natives as they went.

**Trouble in New Mexico.**

SANTA FE, N. M., January 26.—Because Ross vetoed a Republican party measure the Republican majority in the Senate yesterday attempted to unseat Gudorf, a Democrat, and supplant him with Sanchez, Republican. With the vote of Sanchez, the Republicans can pass the measure over the Governor's veto.

The Democrats withdrew in a body, and Territorial Secretary Lane refused to swear in Sanchez, The President of the Senate thereupon administered the oath.

Governor Ross has refused to recognize the Senate as a legal body, only six out of the twelve members having voted to unseat Gudorf. Secretary Lane will not pay the Senators tomorrow. Governor Ross will probably take possession of the capitol and appeal to Washington.

Intense excitement prevails, and should there be fighting an appeal for United States troops will be made.

WILKESBARRE, January 26.—The ice blockade in the Susquehanna continues. There is little prospect of the ice moving here for some days.

The water has been steadily rising since last night. At Pittston the water has risen eighteen inches since yesterday. Considerable damage is being done there. River street, in west Pittston, is flooded and many families have removed to higher ground for safety. At Caxton, a short distance above Pittston, the ice is piled as high as the timbers of the Lehigh Valley Railroad bridge which spans the Susquehanna at that point. A train of loaded cars has been placed upon the structure to hold it down. The weather now is very cold and will check the rise.

OIL CITY, January 26.—A boiler used in the Egypt oil district, about five miles from here, exploded to-day, completely destroying the boiler house and killing Samuel McCormick, aged 14 and William Mathias, aged 19, who were in charge of the boiler. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

HUNTINGDON, January 28.—The employees of the Keystone boot and shoe manufactory at this place held a meeting to-day and refused to go to work unless their demands were accorded to. This the manager refused to do whereupon they immediately went to the factory gathered up their tools and left.

LANCASTER, Pa., January 26.—The ice in the river to-day moved one of the piers of the railroad bridge at Columbia nearly ten inches, delaying railroad trains. The water is falling.

WELLSBURG, Va., January 26.—A battery of three boilers in Harver's paper mill exploded to-day, killing John and Thomas Nelson and seriously injuring two others.

PHILADELPHIA, February 1.—In the democratic convention held in this city this morning, George DeB. Keim received the nomination by acclamation for mayor.

**Rioting at Belfast.**

BELFAST, January 30.—There was terrible rioting in the Petershill, Carrickhill and Shankill districts of this city on Saturday night. The trouble originated through soldiers belonging to the West Surrey Regiment insulting a number of Catholic civilians. The latter retaliated by stoning the soldiers, many of whom were injured. This was followed by wholesale arrests, over one hundred persons being placed in the lockup. A constable engaged in this duty was seriously injured by the excited crowd. Finally military pickets were called out and quiet was restored.

In the evening the rioting was renewed, and the police and the mob vigorously exchanged shots. No one was killed but many persons received gunshot wounds, and a large number of others were more or less bruised by being struck by stones. At midnight the town was quiet.

Altogether fifty rioters have been arrested. The trouble originated on Saturday night in a row between Protestants and Catholics. The arrival of the police incensed the mob and led to a free use of revolvers and stones. The police were compelled to fire for their own protection. The Mayor and other authorities did their best to prevent a renewal of the rioting to-night, but without success although to-night's affrays were small compared with those on Saturday. Only three persons were arrested to-night.

—List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Post-office at Bellefonte, Centre Co., Penna., January 31, 1887.

Thomas Barnes, J. K. Bugler, R. B. Barger, A. J. Dunkle, John H. Fryer-2, Mrs. Mike Hayde, Ben Jones, Rev. James Igo, Wm. H. Knag, Andrew Kuhn, Charles Laughlin, Patrick Markey, Dr. P. Malloy, J. N. Moore, Mrs. Mary Saults, John Somers, Rob't F. Sheffer, Miss Minnie Stover, Samuel Tibbons, Mrs. H. M. Wilson, Miss Mary V. White, Miss Elizabeth Zelliers.

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**Sale Register.**

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JAMES L. HAMILL, Examiner.

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J. W. KLING, Auditor.

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