

Miscellaneous News Items.

The ice is thick enough on the Monogahela river to permit pedestrians to pass over.

John Reeve, of Athens, husked 101 bushels of corn in eleven hours, using no machinery for that purpose.

A sack was found near Tyrone, frozen into the ice on the river, which contained the letters lately stolen from the post-office in that place.

For innocently throwing a handful of red-pepper into a burning stove in a dance-hall in Dalton, N. H., an unsophisticated young man has been fined 21 dollars and costs.

For the first time in sixteen years there is not a Washburn in congress, Mr. Washburn, governor elect of Massachusetts, having sent in his resignation as a member last week.

A bereaved and sorrow-stricken Missouri husband sent last week for a minister to come and preach the funeral sermon of his deceased wife, and at the same time unite him to a plump and gushing comforter.

A Mrs. Williams, of Knoxville, Tennessee, somnambulated with an infant in her arms one night last week. She fell in a cistern while asleep, and on being rescued was found to be dangerously injured, and her child killed.

Timothy Quinn was stabbed, supposed fatally, by Mike M'Gee, during a fight in a saloon, in Virginia City. Quinn shot at M'Gee, the bullet lodging in his watch, and knocking him down, but only slightly injuring him.

The New York Sun says: "The small-pox is daily increasing in this city. The horse railroad companies should at once remove the cushions from their cars, as they are great agents in the work of spreading infection."

A serious fire occurred in Honesdale, Pa., on the 13th inst. Roger's hardware store, Holmes' provision warehouse, Scott's boot store, Brady's drug store, and dwellings over the above, were burned. Total loss, fifty thousand dollars partially insured.

Rev. Dr. E. T. Higbee, of the Trinity chapel, aged seventy years, was found dead in his room at noon recently. He went to bed on the previous evening, in apparent good health, and was found by the servant, lying with his face on the floor, life being extinct.

George Botts, sentenced to be hung at Newark on the 21st inst., for the murder of "Pet" Halsted, has, through the efforts of Rev. Simeon Zigfried, been reprieved, and his execution postponed to Friday, the 26th day of January next. Governor Randolph has signed the papers.

On Monday a week, a man who gives his name as James Poole, of Newark, N. J. met with a very painful accident at the railroad depot at Lebanon. He was trying to make his way on the road on a freight train without the knowledge of the conductor, and was sitting on a "bumper" of one of the cars, when his leg was caught between the cars, producing very serious injury.

If misfortune ever followed a poor fellow with a particularly "sharp stick," it was a man named Bruun, in Augusta, Ga. Seriously injured by a runaway horse, he was taken to the hospital. When discharged, he had gone but a few steps when he was badly bitten by a ferocious dog, and obliged to go again to the hospital. A few days ago he was again "discharged, cured," but had not walked three squares before he was knocked down and killed by another runaway horse.

A singular feat of horsemanship occurred in Macon Georgia, a few days ago. A gentleman was driving a spirited horse when the bit suddenly broke. The animal at once commenced running at a rapid rate, but with the greatest degree of composure the driver jumped from the buggy upon the horse's back, and catching him by the nose and throat, held him back until he had recovered from his fright, when he sent for a new bit, and drove off as though nothing had happened.

Rev. Mr. Barton, of Sunbury recently attempted to cross the railroad crossing, and while doing so, caught his foot between the rail and the plank covering. The train was within a few feet of him, when with a superhuman effort he extricated himself from a peril which must have resulted in instant death. He reached his home with much difficulty. His ankle was severely sprained, but we are glad to state that he conducted the service in his church on Sunday last.

Mr. E. H. Palmer, of Beaver township, Mercer county, met with a singular accident, a few days since. He was seated in the blacksmith shop at Center, while some persons were engaged in making repairs on the roof, directly over his head. In some manner a crowbar fell from above, the sharpened end first striking one of Mr. Palmer's feet on the instep, passing entirely through and into the floor, pinning the foot fast and requiring quite an effort to release it. The wound is an ugly one, and will trouble him for some time.

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