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ON OTHER SIDE OF CHANNEL. Passing Events of the Day on the West Side of the City Noted.

WORK DONE BY YOUNG THIEVES. Stole Feed Bags from a Number of Farms, Special Christmas Exercises Conducted at the Jackson Street Baptist Church--Other News of the Day.

For some time past young thieves have been at work on the West Side stealing feed bags and other articles from different farms. Davies & Davies, the butchers, on North Lincoln avenue, captured two youths a few days ago while in the act of stealing several bags, but let them off with a reprimand. Thomas F. Mullen, of North Summer avenue, had eight bags taken. Some boys entered the barn of E. J. Davies on South Main avenue and took about forty bags, and William Griffiths, of North Summer avenue, had thirty bags and a tie strap stolen. All efforts to capture the young marauders have been in vain. The object of the boys' visits was to procure Christmas money as the bags can be sold for the sum of 5 cents each to any feed dealer.

Christmas Exercises. Special Christmas exercises were conducted last evening at the Jackson Street Baptist church by the members of the Sabbath school. The auditorium was beautifully trimmed with tree sprigs and evergreens. Willey B. Owen, superintendent of the Sabbath school, had charge of the entertainment. The first number on the programme was an invocation by the pastor, Rev. D. C. Hughes. A speech of welcome by Oliver Price followed. Recitations were given by Robb D. Davies, Miss Bernice Reddo, Miss Merian Barry, Miss Edith Lewis, Miss Alice M. Williams, Stewart Lewis and Willie Nichols. Selections were rendered by classes 1, 2 and 3. A dialogue by six young girls was received with applause. Will Thomas and Miss Nellie Lanco sang a duet. The infant class sang admirably well. After the entertainment Christmas gifts were distributed by Superintendent W. B. Owen to the great delight of the young people. The accompanists were Miss Celia Lewis and Winifred Harris.

Brief Notes of Interest. Miss Amy Williams, of North Main avenue, is visiting friends at Frostburg, Md. Mrs. J. M. Williams, of North Main avenue, is the guest of relatives in New York city. Thomas G. Thomas, of Laffin, spent Christmas with his family on North Bromley avenue. Miss Sarah Post, of Towanda, is spending the holidays with friends on Lafayette street. Many West Siders attended the elateddolls which were held in Carbondale and Taylor yesterday. H. W. Peters, of the Fifth ward, is a candidate for common council. John Phillips, of Nebraska, a former resident of this side, is the guest of his brother, Reese A. Phillips, of South Main avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Warner, of Newark, N. J., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Phillips on South Main avenue. Union services will be conducted in the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church every evening of next week by Rev. L. C. Floyd.

The funeral of Alfred, the 16-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Rees Edwards, of Evans court, occurred yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment was made in the Washburn Street cemetery. A very pleasant programme was rendered at the Christmas exercises which were held in the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church last evening. The affair was given by the members of the Sunday school and was a decided success.

John Cavanaugh, Edward Kenny, John Crowley and Michael S. Lavelle, members of the Hyde Park Father Mathew society, have been appointed as delegates to the quarterly convention of the society to be held on the South Side in January. Mrs. Ann Pritchard, a former resident of this side, died at her home near Edwardsdale on Monday. The deceased was well known here. The remains will be brought to this city tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock via the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad. Interment will be made in the Washburn Street cemetery. Christmas exercises were conducted last evening in the Welsh Calvinistic Methodist church by the young people. A Christmas tree laden with presents was on the platform, and at the close of the entertainment the gifts were distributed among the young people. The Sunday school and Band of Hope furnished selections under the direction of Miss Lizzie Parry.

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evening, Benjamin Hughes, superintendent of the Sabbath school, had charge of the meeting. The young members rendered a delightful programme to the satisfaction of the large number who attended. The singing was in charge of Thomas M. Watkins, Miss Emille Evans, of North Hyde Park avenue, had charge of the recitations and dialogues. West Side Business Directory. PHOTOGRAPHER--Cabinet Photos, \$1.40 per dozen. They are just lovely. Convince yourself by calling at Starner's Photo Parlor, 101 and 103 South Main avenue. HORSESHOEING--N. Bush, practical horseshoer. Work done only in a first-class manner and guaranteed satisfactory. Shop, Price street, close to North Main avenue. GROCERIES--Revere Standard Java Coffee is unexcelled. The leading coffee of the day. For sale only at F. W. Manly & Co., Fine Groceries, 115 South Main avenue. SECOND HAND FURNITURE--Cash for anything you have to sell. Furniture, Stoves, Ranges and Gas Fitting. Satisfaction is strictly guaranteed. See the stock of J. C. King, 102 and 103 Jackson street. WALL PAPER--Go to Fred Reynolds, 206 North Main avenue, and see his complete line of Wall Paper, Paints and Stencils. Shades. Just opened with new stock. PLUMBING--William D. Griffiths, 113 North Main avenue, does all first-class Plumbing, Steam Heat and Gas Fitting. Satisfaction is strictly guaranteed. OYSTERS--R. E. Davis, market house, supplies in Foreign and Domestic Oysters served in every style. 310 North Main avenue, next to Clarke's.

BYGONE METHODIST DAYS. Reminiscences of When Three Sects Worshipped in One Church. The recent celebration by the Elm Park congregation of the first anniversary of the dedication of its present university office suggests some interesting reminiscences of the early local and ordained preachers of the first Methodist society in Scranton. Few men are better qualified to speak of bygone Methodism than Joseph S. Mann, an old resident of Scranton and a pioneer of the Lackawanna carriage works. His recollections are strengthened by the fact that his father also was an old resident of the city and a pioneer Methodist whose fund of prior information makes the later knowledge of the son all the more pertinent. To a Tribune reporter Mr. Mann said: "It is generally understood that Rev. A. H. Schoonmaker was the first Methodist preacher in Scranton; this is correct in the sense that he was the first ordained preacher who officiated in the church built in 1855 on Adams avenue. "A Rev. Reddington was the pioneer Methodist preacher who was "on the circuit" and visited--Scranton every three or four weeks. During the intervals Elder Mott, a Baptist, and Rev. Dr. N. G. Parke, now of Pittston, a Presbyterian, occupied the pulpit. John Mulkey then preached for awhile and after he left the city, then "Stoum Hollow," Adam L. Horn and Noah Davis, ordained local preachers, were wont to show the small congregation the ways of rectitude and wisdom. The now Bible agent, Rev. Mr. Kennedy, of Waynes, preached for a time, but became afflicted with throat trouble and was sent an assistant by the name of Cargell. Then came a Mr. Brownscomb, and after him Charles Perkins. "Now, Rev. O. H. Schoonmaker, whom I mentioned before, had been living in Providence, R. I., after Mr. Perkins left, removed to the flats, where he occupied the house of David Major. During his term the first paragon was built. "My father, mother, grandmother and an aunt, who is now living with me, came to Scranton, in 1847, and on the Sunday after their arrival, Oct. 10, were received into the church by Mr. Mulkey. Each was possessed of a transfer letter from the church in their former home, Oxford Furnace, N. J. I recollect many of the faces seen in church those days; some of the names I will never forget, while others I remember only in fancy. "We held Sunday school in the old Odd Fellows' hall, which then stood on a knoll where the modern store of the Lackawanna Iron and Steel company is now located. Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian mingled in those good old holiday days and worshipped together in a little wooden structure at the corner of Lackawanna and Adams avenues. The building was high above the roadway and was approached by two stairways of fourteen or fifteen steps each. A hallway extended completely across the front of the building with a small door at either end of the hall leading into the body of the church. It was then the custom for the women to enter the eastern door and the men the western door. "Without intending to criticize the church customs of the present day, I must say I like better the simple former and homely worship bygone Methodism, when men and women put aside all pomp and vanity for devout praise and prayer."

Beautiful Juvenile Books. PRATT'S BOOK STORE. PERCY AND HAROLD. They Furnished Interesting Entertainments at the Academy of Music. "A Run on the Bank," a musical farce, was given at the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon and evening. The house was crowded at each entertainment. Ward and Vokes as Lords Percy and Harold, respectively, showed very cleverly what gentlemen of unlimited nerve and experience could do in the way of running an American bank. Incidentally all of the latest songs, parodies, dances and funny sayings are introduced in an artistic manner by the comedians and a varied cast of characters equally strong. Harry Clay Barney's acrobatic dance and all around good work was a feature of the show. As a Christmas attraction Ward and Vokes were strong and gave general satisfaction.

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SPORTS AT PRICEBURG. Five Hundred of Them Gathered There to Witness a Cocking-Main. LONG GREEN CHANGED HANDS. Over \$1,100 Posted as Stakes on the Result of the Different Battles--Priceburg Birds Were Winners in Several of the Principal Events. Christmas Day was ushered in at Priceburg by a big cocking-main at the expense of those who drew about 500 lovers of the game together. Sums aggregating \$1,100, deposited as stakes, changed hands, and equally as much money, if not more, was won on side wagers on the result of the different battles. The main took place in the hall attached to the Grove Hotel, and was a very orderly affair as such events go, but few passages of arms occurring between the admirers of the different birds. Scranton, Priceburg, Mill Creek, Hazleton and one or two other places had their share in the pit, but those from Priceburg proved to be thoroughbred and carried off the principal events. From \$25 to \$50 was placed on each bird that entered the pit, and the battles lasted for five hours all told. One of the chief events was won by a Hazleton man's bird, which was killed in a contest that afterward took place. He went through his entire series his pet brass back, but \$100 richer. In several of the contests men who had staked large sums on their favorite birds declined to allow them to be withdrawn when they had lost all pluck, and allowed the fights to go on to a finish. Scranton sportsmen won two prizes of \$50 each, besides a number of bets. In the resorts frequented by the sporting fraternity much money was displayed last night by men who said they won it at the main. One Scrantonian lost what he described as a "dandy bird," in addition to \$120. He is now contemplating plans for another main, at which he hopes to secure his revenge.

AN ODD PLIGHT SURELY. Otis Reynolds Said to Be Insane but His Nephew Could Find No Place to Have Him Restrained. Otis Reynolds, of Dalton, was brought to this city yesterday afternoon by his nephew, Oscar Reynolds, who alleges that Otis is insane. As a proof of this he declares that his uncle Christmas eve threatened to kill his (Oscar's) mother with a desperate looking knife he was armed with. As soon as Otis stepped on the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western station platform he began to turn cart wheels. After trying of that pastime he went to the Carpenter house to get material for other cart wheels and his nephew, Oscar, went in search of a warrant to have Uncle Otis arrested on a charge of threatening to kill. The warrant was procured and at 5 o'clock last evening young Reynolds rushed into police headquarters and asked for an officer to arrest his uncle. Captain Edwards, who was on duty, refused to have anything to do with the insane man or assign anyone to arrest him. Said he was Dangerous-- "But he is dangerous and I am afraid of him. I only want him locked up until tomorrow, when steps will be taken to have him sent to Danville," protested Reynolds. "We have no right to receive that man," replied Captain Edwards, "and you did wrong to bring him here. We have more than we can do to attend to the vicious and insane of this city without extending our jurisdiction to Dalton. It's an old trick for people to bring insane people here and then leave them on our hands for a week." That was a knockout blow for Reynolds and he wanted to know if he could take his uncle to the county jail for the night. "Well, I guess not," answered the captain. "You don't suppose they are taking insane men up there." There was nothing for Reynolds to do but to take his uncle home and run the risk of some one being injured, and with a rueful countenance he left police headquarters to accept the only alternative left him. Thought He Would Be Killed. Oscar Reynolds was stricken with insanity about five years ago, it is alleged, in consequence of trouble with his wife, who deserted him. He was confined in Danville asylum for a time, but recovered and was released. About a week ago, his nephew says, he began to show signs of returning insanity and Christmas eve became very violent. He was possessed by the idea that his relations were trying to murder him.

MARCELL THE VICTOR. He Defeated Thomas Dodd in the Quilt Match. Over 100 sports gathered in the rear of the Palace hotel at Providence yesterday afternoon to witness the quilt match between Thomas Marcell, of Grassy Island, and Thomas Dodd, of the Palentine, for a purse of \$100. The game was called at 1.45 by George Keil, who acted as referee. Dodd gave Marcell twenty-one points out of the sixty-one to start with.

FIGHTING FOR LIFE. SUFFERING WOMAN TESTIFIES. Mrs. Henrietta Button, of Janvier, N. J., writes: "For a long time I suffered from a disordered stomach. My appetite was gone and what little I ate distressed me terribly. My health failed rapidly. I became very weak and feared I should never be well. After reading your 'Guide to Health,' I was encouraged to try Munson's Dyspepsia Cure. Its action was so prompt that I soon felt like a new woman, and am now completely cured." MUNSON'S STOMACH AND DYSPEPSIA CURE cures all forms of indigestion and stomach troubles, such as constipation, rising of food, distress after eating, bloating of the stomach, palpitation of the heart, nervousness of the head and all affections of the heart caused by indigestion. It soothes, heals and invigorates stomachs that have been weakened by over-eating, or where the lining of the stomach has been impaired by phytic and injurious medicines. Price, 25 cents. Munson's Homeopathic Home Remedy company, of Philadelphia, Pa., sends a copy of the book, which are sold by all druggists, mostly for 25 cents a bottle.

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EMILY IS REAL SMART. Will Pass Her 105th Christmas in Vigorous Health. By the United Press. Hartford, Conn., Dec. 25.--Mrs. Emily Robbins Talcott, of West Hartford, celebrated the one hundred and twenty-fifth anniversary of her birth today. She was born in Westfield, Dec. 25, 1790, and was married in 1810 to Ansel Talcott, who died a few years ago. She had four children and a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren. Her eyesight and hearing are unimpaired, but she is mentally vigorous.

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CHILD DIES OF GRIEF. Pined Away After the Death of an Only Sister. By the United Press. Norristown, Dec. 25.--A 6-year-old daughter of John Washington died today from grief. Two weeks ago an older sister died, and ever since the little one refused to eat and gradually pined away.

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