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## PERSONAL.

Captain Bert Chase left yesterday afternoon for New York city. Deputy Clerk of the Courts Emil Bonn is spending the day in New York city. Mrs. Martin Devine, of Mulberry street. is entertaining her cousin, Miss Annie McCarty, of Indian Orchard.

Miss Theresa Smith returned to this city

The Misses Haire, of Hazleton, who Mr. and Mrs. George E. Davis, of Davis' theater, will hold an "at home" today and tomorrow from 1.30 to 4 p. m. and 7,30 to

Robert Simpson yesterday resumed his duties in the office of the chief of police after being for ten days ill with quinsy and confined to the house.

Professor James H. Riggs, one of the most brilliant scholars of the Presbyterian church, will occupy the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian church on Sunday

Court Stenographer H. H. Coston is en-tertaining his wife's parents, Attorney and Mrs. Pinney S. Bee, of Fargo, N. D. They will spend a few months in Scranton. Attorney Bee is a prominent lawyer of the west.

Miss Amy Mulley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Mulley, of Providence, will be married to Richard Raymond Cowles, of Hallfax, N. C., at the Providence Methodist Episcopal church this evening at 8 o'clock.

Thomas Duffy, one of Scranton's brainy newspaper men, who threw aside the pen for the law, and who is now a student at the Washington university, was in this city yesterday the guest of Charles Lenahan.-Wilkes-Barre Leader.

Professor Max Arnold, of Worcester Mass., who was formerly engaged in newspaper work in Scranton, and was also identified with theatrical enterprises is exchanging New Year greetings with old friends in the city. Professor Arnold is engaged in journalistic work exclusively at Worcester.

Henry C. Peakes, of New York, who will take the difficult part of Gaspard, a miser, in the "Chimes of Normandy" that will be produced at the Academy of Music Friday, Jan. 4, 1855, by the Scranton Gratorio society under the direction of Professor Richard Lindsay, arrived in Scrantan last evening. He attended the rehearsal of the "Chimes of Normandy" and expresses himself very much pleased at the work done by the chorus. Mr. Peakes is the critical and has enforced. Peakes is the original and has performed this part over 500 times.

Home, Sweet Home

This additional stanza, which seems worthy of association with Payne's im-mortal song, "Home, Sweet Home," has been submitted to The Tribune by Rev.

John Davy: When the years of my childhood So swiftly have flown; How sweet to reflect Upon heaven, my home, There through mansions of glory Forever to roam; In heaven, sweet beaven;

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# DERMOT'S NOVEL WEAPON

He Admitted Having Stabbed a Companion with a Pitchfork.

WILL GO TO THE PENITENTIARY

Sad Result of a Oparrel Between Little Girls While Out Chestnutting-One of Them Will Be a Cripple For Life.

Judge Clinton R. Savidge, of Sunbury, presided in the main court room yesterday, which was the first day of he special term of criminal court Washock Mushock and Joseph Winstable to tell the court and jury why they committed felonious assault on John Rogesky. District Attorney Kelly conducted the prosecution, and Attor-ney E. C. Newcomb the defense. Rogesky accused the defendants of chewing him up one evening last summer after they had first become intoxicated on diluted alcohol. The defendants said that Rogesky was too drunk to take care of himself and he fell through a window, cutting his neck with the broken glass. The jury found a verdict f not guilty and could not say anything about the costs, as the case was a clony.

Silas Weed was called to defend him-self in an assault and battery case. He evidently thought the court would deal leniently if he plead guilty, and his attorney, John M. Corbett, enterred the plea for him. Judge Savidge sentenced ilm to pay a fine of \$1, the costs of rosecution and spend fifteen days in county jail. John Howley plead ruilty to an assault committed upon Katle McAndrew and was sentenced o a fine of \$1 and the costs of prosecu-

Dermot Used a Pitchfork.

Nicholas Dermot, a young Italian man with a pitchfork. Attorney John M. Corbett was assigned to defend Dermot, and, after a short consultation, he entered a plea of guilty for his blood-thirsty client. Judge Savidge told Dermot that he ought to feel happy he was not a defendant in a murder rial and then imposed a sentence of wo and one-half years in the Eastern

The last case in No. 1 court room was an assault and battery. John Tierney. of Dunmore, was charged by a son of Italy, named James Gregory, with that offense. Attorney T. J. Duggan defended him and Attorney H. L. Taylor resecuted the case. On Aug. 20 last fregory was coming from Johnson's store with some bundles of merchanlise. Two dogs were fighting in front of Tierney's house, and the Italian admitted he threw a stone at them to care them away. As he did, Tierney came out of the house, asked him why he stoned the dogs and immediately set to work to color the prosecutor's optics. Tierney claims that Gregory not only threw a stone at the dog, but, also, that he threw one at him. He acted only in self defense. The case was submitted to the jury at adjournment with orders to seal the verdict and return it to court Wednesday morning at 9

In Court Room No. 2.

Judge Schuyler, of Easton, was on the pench in court' room No. 2. Court pened with the trial of two little girls, latherine, and Sabina MoGeever, of Dunmore, on the charge of simple assault. John Hallinan was the prosecutor. Attorneys George W. Beale and S. Woodruff defended the Assistant District Attorney O'Nelli represented the commonwealth. Last fall the McGeever girls and Annie Hallinan, of their age, a daughter of the prosecutor, were out chestnutting in the woods back of Sport Hill. They climbed a tree and while up in the branches they yesterday after spending the holidays began to quarrel. They decided to setwith relatives at Geneseo, N. Y. McGeever girls got down first. The have been visiting Miss Mary McHugh, of Penn avenue, have returned home. prosecution alleged that after they de-scended they threw stones up at young scended they threw stones up at young | characters: Miss Hallinan, who became frightened, lost her hold wild fell to the ground, sustaining injuries to the spinal column which paralyzed her lower limbs and crippled her for life. The defense denied having thrown the stones and the jury retired. They brought in a verdict of acquittal and directed Catherine Mc-Geever, one of the defendants, to pay the costs. Judge Schuyler imposed sentence and lectured the girl severely. Case of Assault and Battery.

Michael Dougher was the next offender, and the charge against him was assault and battery preferred by his father-in-law, Thomas McHale. Attorney Hulslander defended Dougher and Assistant District Attorney O'Neill prosecuted him. McHale is an old man and was taking a drink in Cusick's hotel on West Market street on Sept. 12 Dougher came to the door and called the old man out. He wanted to know what the old man had to say regarding the truth of certain stories he circulated reflecting on the character of his wife and, of course, the old man's daugh-

McHale denied having slandered his own child, whereupon the defendant knocked him down and kicked him severely. But for the interference of a man named Gilbride, Dougher would have perhaps killed the old man. Anyhow, the case was given to the jury and they returned with a verdict imposing one-half the costs on each. Court adjourned for New Year's vacation until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS. Will Be Held Friday Evening in A. O. U.

W. Hall. On Friday evening the following offiers of the Knights of the Mystic Chain lodge will be installed at the Ancient Order United Workmen hall on Lackawanna avenue: Sir knight commander, W. Wightman; sir knight vice-com mander, E. R. Conly; sir knight first leutenant, Thomas Spruks; assistant recording scribe, J. H. Gray; chief of staff, C. Pierce; assistant chief of staff, F. Muekle; inside guard, George Hafin; chaplain, W. F. Fenne; trustee, (eighteen months), W. F. Fenne.

After the installation service an entertainment will be held when an excellent programme of vocal and instrumental music will be performed.

## ANNUAL EISTEDDFOD.

Preparations Made for the Regular Festival to Be Held at Utica.

With a single interruption of four years during the war the Welsh peo-ple have held an eisteddfod in Utica, N. Y., annually on Jan. 1 for forty years. This year the first session was held last evening, when Josiah Perry, of Utica, one of the most fluent of Welsh orators, presided. On the morning of "Dydd Calan," the Welsh name for New Year's Day, the presi-dent will be T. Solomon Griffiths, possibly the most widely known Welshman in the United States. The conductor

of the eisteddfod will be Henry M. Edof the elsteddfod will be Henry M. Ed-wards, law judge of the Lackawanna FRANZ BEZEK WILL HANG courts, who will also adjudicate the poetry, declamations and

The vocalists this year will be Miss Annie Hope, of Columbia, Wis., the contralto who was brought to America with a Welsh concert troupe, and R. Walton Davies, of New York, the tenor. Five choirs from Vermont, Pennsylvania and New York will compete for the musical prizes. Essays, poems and musical compositions to the number of 118 have been received from contestants for elsteddfod honors. Some of the poems are in English, but these are wretched hurlesques of the pure article. Many of the compositions are elaborate affairs, and some of the essays will make good sized volumes.

## PECK'S BAD BOY.

Delighted Large Audiences at Davis' The-

ater Yesterday. Large audiences were delighted at Davis' theater yesterday with the popular favorite, "Peck's Bad Boy." The performance is a source of continued merriment and the pranks of Master William Cushman as the Bad Boy create roars of laughter. Edward M. Ryan, as Shultz the groceryman, is an excellent characterand established himself as a great favorite. The variety pieces were all encored and had to be repeated:

Several of the artistes are also excellent dancers, so that the company present a splendid all-round programme, which was most acceptably received.

### IN LOCAL THEATERS.

The beautiful Frothingham theatre will attract large crowds at this afternoon and evening's production of "Hoss and Hoss," one of the most entertaining farce comedies on the stage. It has been rewritten and brought strictly up to date and a splendid company of comedians, singers and dancers will appear in the east, including that droll eccentrique, Jacques Kruger, who with a Celtic label, was called for trial for feloniausly stabbing a fellow-work-Photograph Gallery;" Carrie Sweeney, a soubrette with a remarkable soprano voice; Harry Crandall, the celebrated German comedian; Rose Sutherland, America's champion buck and wing through lack of energy or a learned dancer; Charles T. Aldrich, a clever comedian and specialty performer; Hugh J. Ward, an actor and dancer of much ability; Thomas Evans, one of the best of the numerous stage tramps; Donnette, Clarice Palmer, Cora Carlisle, Thomas D. Daly, and several others. Kelly called out in a clear ringing voice. The music is a special feature of the prisoner's name. Interpreter Mayer performance.

As a New Year's attraction James A. Herne's beautiful play, "Shore Acres," will be produced at the Academy of Music with splendid scenery and original mechanical effects and properties. There will be two performances; afternoon and evening. The matinee will begin at 1.50, and the evening perform-ance at 7.50. "Shore Acres" is the drama that was received with such distinet favor in New York city. If ran for 257 nights there.

On Friday night the "Chimes of Normandy" will be produced at the Academy of Music by the Scranton Oratorio



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Serpolette, the good for nothing Miss Julia Allen Germaine, the last Marchioness,

Mme. Louise Natali Miss Mame Fenner Jeanne. Miss Mamie Jordan Mannette. Miss Elise Radeliff

The opera will be produced under the directon of Professor Richard Lindsay. Mr. Peakes, who has been engaged for the role of Gaspord, will on Jan. 31 join Miss Lillian Russell and company, who are now playing the "Grand Duchess." Mr. Peakes will assume the character of General Baum.

### DISTRIBUTING GIFTS. Good Work Mrs. Duggan Was Engaged

in Yesterday. Mrs. Duggan was exceptionally busy

yesterday in distributing the articles contributed for New Year's gifts to the poor. A large assortment of groceries and vegetables had been forwarded to the city buildings and were arranged by Mrs. Duggan according to the require ments of the cases known to her.

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Sentence of Death Pronounced on Him by Judge Edwards.

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Wonderful Composure Deserted Him. Day For the Execution Will Be Fixed by the Governor.

Murderer Franz Bezek was sentenced to be hanged yesterday by Judge Edwards.

The main court room was well filled with interested listeners waiting to hear the solemn words, condemning the prisoner to explate his brutal crime on the gallows. Bezek's crime was not the most fiendish perpetrated in Lackawanna county, still it has not been surpassed by any murder in cold blooded brutality.

Maria Kerzic, in a weak and defend less condition, was shot to death by Bezek at Olyphant on Tuesday morning, Oct. 9. She and Bezek left Leibach, Austria, together and sailed to this country, as Bezek states, so that they might get married. His father was opposed to the match and they agreed to come to America. They landed at New York on Oct. 6, and came to Mayfield to Bezek's uncle's house on Oct. 7. The same evening Maria went to her sister's house in Olyphant. Franz visited her next day and wastold by Mrs. Kramer, the girl's sister, that Maria would not marry him. He sulked for two days and on the morning of Oct. 9, after sleeping the night under the same roof with Miss Kerzic, he went to Lally's store in Olyphant, bought a large sized bull dog revolver, loaded it with cartridges and returned to the Kramer household and shot the

girl dead. He Was Ably Defended.

When his case was called for trial he had no attorney and court assigned Attorneys A. J. Colborn and George W. Watson to defend him, They strove with might and main to save him from the gallows, and failed, though not presentation of the mitigating side of the case.

The prisoner was brought down from the jail at 9 o'clock and at 9.20 the three judges came upon the bench. A few minutes later District Attornoy was in court to explain the judge's words to the condemned man. Bezek walked with steady step before the bar. After taking his position, he shuffled uneasily from one foot to the other and glanced from right to left with a quizzical look on his countenance. A silence as oppressive as that of the tomb pervaded the court room; everybody in court listened breathlessly sound of the sentence of the court. For the first time in Lackawanna county the fatal words, sounding the death knell of a human being, were heard. Judge Edwards looked at the prisoner and Interpreter Mayer, who stood by

his side. "Prisoner at the bar, what have you to say why the sentence of death should not be pronounced according to law?" said the court.

Then, through the interpreter, the prisoner made the following answer: 'I am not gullty of willfully killing the girl." Judge Edwards then consigned the murderer to death with the follow-

Sentenced to Be Manged. "The verdict of the jury settled that had a very fair trial. He has been very ably defended, and the verdict of the jury in my judgment was a just one. There is nothing left to us but to proreed to announce execution or judgment upon the verdict of the jury. The sentence of the court is that you, Frank Pershon, otherwise known as Franz Bezek, be taken hence to the Lackawanna county prison there to remain until the time shall be fixed by executive warrant for your execution within the walls or yard of said prison and there to be hanged by the neck until you are

dead, and may the Lord have mercy on your soul." Judge Edwards spoke in a low firm voice and could not be distinctly heard by those in the rear of the court room. When the last word was said Interpre-ter Mayer explained the awful words to the prisoner, and, for the first time and brought him back to the county jail.

As the law of Pennsylvania provides that the governor must appoint the day of execution, the next most awful moment of Bezek's life will be when his death warrant is signed and delivered and the time fixed for the hanging.

Dinner to the Couverts. New Year's day will be celebrated this evening at the Rescue mission on Frank-lin avenue by entertaining the mission

converts to a substantial dinner. All converts and families are invited to attend at 7 o'clock. At 8 o'clock the first anni versary of George Forrest will be cele-brated. The proceedings will be of a very interesting nature, as the committee, with Superintendent Sanborn, have made every effort to secure a pleasant evening

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