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DOINGS AT HARRISBURG

Colonel Ripple's Appointment as Commissary General Confirmed.

WORK IN HOUSE AND SENATE

Nonsensical Bills Introduced--Companions to Egg Weight and Pure Whiskey Measures--German Papers Have a Cinch--Pension Bill Voted.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 19--Any doubt as to the position of the leaders at the state capital on E. N. Willard's candidacy for superior court judge, was set at rest today. For weeks the newspapers have referred to the proposed appointment of Colonel Ripple as commissary general, and Major Warren as judge advocate general.

Colonel Ripple's appointment was sent to the state senate today and promptly confirmed, but Major Warren's name did not accompany it. The reason is that in the case the court is created Mr. Willard will be appointed judge, and the judge advocate generalship will be tendered to another section of the state.

The state custodian bill passed second reading on a special order today in the house and will be considered tomorrow on third reading. Mr. Kunkel, who has charge of the measure, had it amended by inserting the word "superintendent" for "custodian" wherever it occurs.

After the bill had passed, Mr. Martin of Lawrence moved to reconsider the vote by which the fifteenth section had been passed. He explained that his purpose of his motion was to move to cut down the salary of the superintendent from \$3,000 to \$2,500 a year.

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BANKERS UNDER ARREST

Cashier Morgan and President Brownson Under Bail.

FOR BURGLARY AND LARCENY

Warrants Issued by County Judge Arms Upon Oath and Evidence Furnished by Bank Examiner Backus--The Prisoners Furnish Bonds.

Binghamton, N. Y., March 19--County Judge Arms issued warrants this afternoon for the arrest of Tracy R. Morgan, cashier of the Chenango Valley Savings bank, and David L. Brownson, the president of that bank. The warrants were caused by Deputy Attorney General Hasbrouck and Special Deputy McDevitt who were in the city to prosecute the wreckers of the savings bank.

The warrants sworn out for the arrest of Morgan presented three separate charges--two of grand larceny and one of burglary in the third degree. Brownson is charged with burglary in the third degree only. The burglary charges are based on the effort of Morgan and Brownson to remove property from the bank on the night of January 25 last, when they were interrupted by Detective Stohrer and his assistants.

The Hicks bill to establish and govern free public employment offices was called up on final passage and defeated--yeas, 82; nays, 75; less than a constitutional majority.

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THE PARROT SAID HELLO

And Mabel Briggs Immediately Felt Hypnotic Influence.

PICKIN AND SON DISCHARGED.

Theories of the Prosecution in the Eau Claire Case Are Rejected by the Court. Hypnotism Not Countenanced by Judge Bailey.

Eau Claire, Wis., March 19--One of the famous hypnotism cases has fallen through in the circuit court. The case of the state against Dr. George W. Pickin and his son, Asagail Pickin, charged with criminally assaulting Mabel Briggs, was nolle prossed by the district attorney as to Dr. Pickin, and the case as to Asagail was continued. Dr. Pickin was in court, but none of the Briggs family was there.

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For nearly six months the people of Eau Claire have talked of little else but the Briggs case, now frequently alluded to as the Pickin case. Public knowledge of the crime was first obtained early in September. It was then learned that little Edna Mabel Briggs, the pretty 16-year-old daughter of Joseph M. Briggs, a wealthy and respected citizen of Eau Claire, had been criminally assaulted, and that her health was threatened by a critical condition.

The girl was finally discovered in company of Asagail Pickin. A policeman forcibly took her from the presence of young Pickin, and later she was removed to her home, where her condition was discovered. The girl was dazed, and seemed to be under some mystic spell.

Dr. Flint's Discoveries. Nothing of a definite character could be elicited from her. A suspicion was created that the girl was being controlled by some occult power. Dr. Herbert Flint, a hypnotist, living in Chicago, was sent for, and placed the girl, so it is alleged, under hypnotic influence. While in that condition she told her story, which, short of detail, was that for days and weeks she had been under hypnotic influence, absolutely without will power of her own, either positive or negative.

The girl is said to have hypnotized young Pickin at a test in the office of the attending physician, Dr. Parker. The chief of police, Lafayette Elliott, who was present, vouches for this, and says that while Pickin was under hypnotic influence Dr. Parker ran a knife through the patient's wrist; that he gave no evidence of feeling it and paid no attention to it. Young Pickin has the scar on his right wrist and showed it to the correspondent.

Another feature of this remarkable case brings in as a principal a young girl of 14 years, Alma Leonard, the daughter of Fred Leonard, a wealthy Wisconsin lumberman. The Misses Leonard and Briggs were school friends, according to the statements in the hands of District Attorney W. H. Frawley, these girls were abducted by Dr. Pickin through hypnotic power and taken to Chippewa Falls. There they were taken to a house of ill repute, but were refused admittance on account of the protest made by inmates of the house to the proprietress. They were returned to their homes, they claim, under the same influence, and the doctor accompanying them both ways, but keeping behind them and holding no conversation whatever the taking of testimony in the trial in the circuit court, Judge William F. Bailey, who presided, called the prosecution a "damnable outrage on law and justice," and says: "I will not allow any hypnotism absurdity in the evidence of the prosecution."

A peculiar feature of the case is that Mabel Briggs said she first came under the influence of the Pickins through the medium of a parrot which called "hello" to her as she was passing the doctor's place on her bicycle. She returned the chat with the parrot and claims that she first began to feel the hypnotic power of the doctor.

Kellum Found Guilty. New York, March 19--David L. Kellum, the promoter who was indicted jointly with W. W. Western, president of the Wayne County Savings bank, of Honesdale, with having altered the dates on certain notes given by H. E. Simmons toward a syndicate pool for the purchase of whisky stock, was this afternoon found guilty by a jury in the court of general sessions of forgery in the second degree, with a recommendation to the mercy of the court.

Blow Out His Brains. Sharon, Pa., March 19--After keeping his wife up to read the Bible to him two hours longer than usual last night, Captain Samuel Stull, a prominent Grand Army of the Republic veteran of the old 47th-seventh Pennsylvania volunteers, blew out his brains with a revolver in bed this morning.

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Would Like to Prevent It if He Could.

HER CHILDREN ROASTED

Horrible Discovery Made by a Mother at Bethlehem.

AWFUL DEATH OF TWO BOYS

Left Alone in the House Children Aged Three and Four Years Went Too Near the Fire--Both Are Fatally Burned.

Bethlehem, Pa., March 19--With no thought of the terrible shock awaiting her, Mrs. Frank Gubich returned home this afternoon from a shopping tour. She had left her two little boys, one aged 3 years, and the other a year or so old, alone in the house, when she went out. As she opened the door on her return a sickening odor struck her nostrils, and with a dread of something horrible having happened, she hurried in. The poor mother's worst fears were realized, for lying on a rug was the dead body of her baby burned almost to a crisp, and beside the dead child was the oldest one writhing in agony from burns that will result in his death.

It is supposed that during the mother's absence the youngest child went too near the fire and its dress caught fire, and it is probable that the other child attempted to extinguish the flames by consuming his brother, and so ignited his own clothing and, no help being at hand, both met with fatal injuries.

CLAIMS SHE WAS ROBBED.

Chattanooga Woman Accuses a Man Whom She Had Agreed to Marry.

St. Louis, March 19--A well-dressed young woman, who said she was Mrs. Emma Dwyer, of Chattanooga, Tenn., left a Chicago and Alton train at the relay depot at 9 a. m., and reported to Detective Moore that she had been robbed of \$500. She said she had left Chattanooga for Carlinville, Ill., where she was to meet and marry Roland Buel, also of Chattanooga.

On the train she met a stranger who came aboard at Evansville, Ind. She became infatuated with the stranger, who said he was Jim Lynch, of St. Louis, and claimed to be a lawyer. After a necessarily short courtship en route she agreed to marry him instead of Buel. Lynch conducted her to the Lambert house when they reached St. Louis yesterday, and she remained there with him last night. This morning she started for Carlinville to tell Buel about her change of mind, and Lynch bought her ticket. While crossing the bridge she discovered that \$500 in cash and checks had been taken from her reticule, which Lynch had carried for her.

Lynch was arrested at the union station and admitted practically all of Mrs. Dwyer's story, except the theft of \$500. This he strenuously denied. Mrs. Dwyer says she owns two business blocks and other property in Chattanooga valued at \$100,000.

NEGRO EMIGRANTS SAID.

Savannah, Ga., March 19--The steamer Horsa, with 187 negro emigrants for Liberia, sailed at 1 o'clock this afternoon for Monrovia. Five hundred negroes lined the wharves as the ship passed down the river.

TYSON TO BE HANGED.

Denver, Col., March 19--Henry Tyson, who committed murder in 1888, and who has been kept in solitary confinement until he has become blind, was today sentenced to be hanged during the second week in April.

NATIONAL CAPITAL CHAT.

President Cleveland is 58 years old. Income tax returns reach the internal revenue bureau by every mail. Secretary Morton yesterday went to Baltimore to inspect the cattle ships at that port.

REPAIRING OF FINE WATCHES

Comptroller of the Currency Eckels has gone to Old Point Comfort, where he will be the guest of a shooting club for a week. Senator-elect Lucien Baker, of Kansas, gained a suit in the supreme court yesterday in which the two Colorado senators were the counsel on opposite sides--Teller for Baker, and Welcott for the loser.

FOREIGN FLASHES.

Ex-Congressman Bourke Cockran is resting in London. Ambassador Bayard has moved into a splendid new residence in Eaton Square, London. American red winter wheat has risen nine pence in London within a week, and other grains in proportion. The papal consistory postponed until autumn the creation of new cardinals, recognizing sixty-five archbishops and bishops. To construct cooling and chilling chambers in the foreign cattle market at Deptford, London's corporation council will expend \$27,500.

WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, fair Wednesday, followed by rain Wednesday night; northeast winds; slightly cooler.

CONFERENCE CLOSED.

Bishop Announces That Gabriel Would Have Difficulty Making Appointments.

Philadelphia, March 19--The one hundred and eighth annual session of the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal conference, which began on Wednesday last, ended at 10 o'clock tonight when Bishop Foss, the presiding officer, read the list of ministerial appointments. The conference next year will be held in this city. A resolution, presented by Rev. J. W. Sayre, chairman of the Pennsylvania department, Grand Army of the Republic, protesting against the passage by the legislature of a bill establishing military instruction in the public schools, was adopted. A resolution, presented by Rev. J. W. Sayre, chairman of the Pennsylvania department, Grand Army of the Republic, protesting against the organization of boys' brigades, was also adopted.

ATTEMPTS AT WRECKING.

Miscellaneous Place Obstructions on the Reading Railroad Tracks.

Philadelphia, March 19--An attempt to wreck a Royal Blue line train on the Reading railroad near Wayne Junction was made this evening, but, fortunately, was discovered in time to prevent an accident. While setting some switches a conductor of a freight engine found the track used by the Blue line trains ingeniously blocked in such a way as to throw a train down an embankment. Several heavy oak planks, railroad ties and a lot of stout brake beams were piled upon the track and fastened together, making a very formidable obstruction.

When the ties and planks were being removed from the tracks two men were seen to emerge from behind some cars and run off in the darkness. A chase was made for them, but without success, and the men made their escape. An investigation was at once begun by the Reading railroad officials.

REINA DISCOVERED.

Masts of the Spanish Ship Striking Out of the Water.

Cádiz, March 19--The Spanish cruiser Alfonso XIII, which has been cruising in the Mediterranean in search of the missing warship, Reina Regente, arrived here this morning. She found the Reina Regente at Bajo Acantilado, near Cadiz, where she had sunk. Only about eighteen inches of her masts were visible above the surface of the water. The Alfonso XIII has returned to the scene of the wreck with a company of divers. From the best information obtainable here at this time it is regarded as probable that all on board the Reina Regente were lost.

FIRE AT MONTROSE.

The Chemical Engine Did Not Operate in a Satisfactory Manner.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Montrose, March 19--The residence of I. D. Holly, on Scenery Hill, was discovered to be on fire about 5 o'clock this afternoon. The fire department responded promptly, the Chemical Engine company being first on the scene. For some reason the chemicals did not operate in a satisfactory manner. The nearest fire plug was about 2,000 feet from the burning building and the hose of the fire department would not cover the distance. The house was burned to the ground. There was no insurance upon house or furniture.

ROUTED THE REBELS.

The Insurgents Defeated by Troops Under Colonel Bosch.

Havana, March 19--General La Chamba, commanding the Spanish forces in Cuba, reports the loss of Colonel Santoschilde's force in the engagement with a band of rebels at Guantanamo on March 10 was five seriously wounded. The revolutionists lost seven killed and fifteen wounded, among the latter being one of the leaders of the band. Major Vaquer's column, the report says, has attacked and dispersed the rebels in the vicinity of Jacabinana, wounding one of them. Colonel Santoschilde arrived at Manzanillo on March 15 and assumed command of the troops in that district. On March 16 a force of government troops under Colonel Bosch attacked a party of rebels at Guantanamo and completely routed them. One of the rebels was killed. The next day the same force overtook the Perez band of revolutionists and after a sharp engagement, during which two of the rebels were wounded, dispersed them, capturing all their arms. Lopez and his band were also defeated and fled to the mountains.

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