PERSONAL.

Charles E. Wade, of Quincy avenue, left Saturday for a trip through the west.

Miss Edith Oliver, of Wilkes-Barre, has returned home after a visit with Scranton friends.

Miss Nellie Cavill, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Miss Kate T. Taggart, of Mulberry street.

Mrs. John Vipond and young son are guests of Mrs. Vipond's mother, Mrs. Neave, of Capouse avenue.

Will Frederici, of West Pittston, and Will Van Note, of Pleasant, N. J., were visiting friends in the city yesterday.

Harry and John Hansen have returned to their home in Philadelphia, after a visit with John S. Gray, of Division street.

Read Williams' Business College ad.

DIED.

FLANAGHAN—In Scranton, Pa., Sept. 13, 1896, Florence, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Flanaghan. Funeral from the residence, 229 Wyoming avenue, Monday, Sept. 14, at 3 p. m.

JUSTIN—In Scranton, Sept. 12, 1896, Louis Justin, aged 48 years. The funeral will take place Monday afternoon.

KAUFHOLD—In Scranton, Sept. 12, 1896, Alfred W., aged 8 years, son of William Kaufhold, of typhoid fever. Funeral Monday at 2 o'clock from residence, 702 Electric avenue. Interment at North Washington avenue.

LEADER—In Scranton, Pa., Sept. 12, 1896, the eight-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leader, of Washburn street. Funeral Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

LONG—In Priceburg, Sept. 11, 1896, Patrick Long, aged 32 years. Funeral Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his home on Willow street and Storrs avenue, Priceburg. Interment in Dunmore.

VOSBURG—In Scranton, Sept. 12, 1896, Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Vosburg, of 227 Farview avenue, aged five months. Funeral Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment in Mary cemetery, Duryea. Wilkes-Barre papers please copy.

THERE'S A REMEDY FOR THE DISTRESS

Present Financial Crisis Considered by Rev. Dr. C. M. Giffin.

SERMON ON A POPULAR SUBJECT

Nation's Difficulty Brought About by Lack of Moderation--Casting Aside of Fear and the Taking On of Cheer Is the Remedy--American People Can Rise Above Any Great Trouble.

The sermon in Elm Park church last night was characteristic of the pastor, Rev. Dr. C. M. Giffin. In text, theme and subject matter it had to do particularly with the present financial distress from a preacher's standpoint, but was calculated to interest the professed and non-professed Christian alike.

Dr. Giffin's argument was that there was too much supposed political science and its consequent bickerings and too little brotherhood and cheer. He emphasized the peculiar American trait that makes it possible to recover from any kind of national misfortune and argued that the present financial and political crisis had been brought about by too much haste and too little moderation. He was sanguine that all present troubles would be soon righted.

"And now I exhort you to be of good cheer; for there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, but on the ship." Acts xxvii: 22, was the text. He said, in part:

CAST ASIDE FEAR.

In case of great distress, critical situations, the presence of impending calamity, there is one thing that must be cast aside—fear. At such times cheer is the duty of the hour, and it is Paul's suggestion that I am going to throw out to you tonight. It is not a violent remedy; it is a peaceful one and is in keeping with a minister's duty—that of being a peacemaker, not a peace disturber.

I am not going to tell you the theoretical remedy; we must leave that to the political scientists, though among their number there seems to be too many counsellors and not enough comforters. In behalf of my class I shall suggest the advice of Paul and not of supposed statesmen. He was not a mariner, but he was a good counsellor. Various remedies, technical, most of them are mentioned, but we must turn aside from all of them at the start and "be of good cheer."

First, it is necessary to find the cause. If the cause was God's will there would be no need for trying to trace it, but the condition of this case is very much like a physical pain; we get the pain and we scurry around after the doctor to find out what is means. It is the most idle kind of nonsense to imagine that the thing which has been must have been. That's plain, isn't it? To make it plainer: It is nonsense to suppose a thing which has been must have been if the cause can be removed. If that is possible there is no wisdom in saying that the cause was a result of a natural law.

IT'S RANK IDIOCY.

Yet we find people—I don't know what to call them—who say, "Well, it is something that could not have been prevented; let the storm rage in all its fury; I will weather it as best I may." Rank idiocy!

We are here to say in just a few simple words just how this present state of unrest was brought about: There has been a lack of moderation. The sober thought of the American pulpit has said to you long ago, "Move slowly." Americans, however, don't like moderation. "Impatience" is a natural characteristic; there is too much of foolish dash, rush and push; too much foolhardy headlongness without a proper and previous study of consequences. The best way out of it is "prudence;" perhaps a better way of putting it would be by using the word "economy" in its broad sense, economy of resources, of energy, of thought, of wealth if you please. A wise expenditure on a certain outing is commendable, but too much hanging on to what we have got through fear of the future is reprehensible.

Things might have been worse; there is a deal of consolation in that. Some one says, "It couldn't be worse." So? You say I don't know what I am talking about; I say you don't know what you're talking about. If a furnace spark burns a serious and painful wound in your finger, that's bad; but if it burns your eye out that's worse, isn't it? We can lessen our distresss and bring cheer to our souls in standing by one another; defeat selfishness; on board the ship let the sailors, the passengers and the soldiers stand by—together. Brotherhood is not idle talk in times like these. I tell you these are times when the poor emphasize the fact, through a condition brought about through the forced hurry of business and finance, that they are the brothers of the rich. I'm not endorsing communism, though; I don't want to sit down to a good square meal and have some tramp come and take it away from me—I'm not preaching that.

ENTITLED TO BREAD.

Every man is not willing to work, but every man who is willing is entitled to bread. That's sense, that's brotherhood, that's God's law. Be charitable; be sensible about it, and don't beget pauperism. Some of you say there is so much misery in respectable households that there is nothing left. Oh yes there is: There's life left. There's a man who can't invest his services; he's good, capable, but out of work. There's pinching in the household. True, but there's the home; there's the happy, ruddy-faced children; there's the great satisfaction of living for them and making your and their lives a success, and finally there's enough left on which to begin a song, "Be of good cheer."

I know that there are many wealthy men who cannot get money from the banks on any kind of security. Such is the consequence of lack of moderation and it gives the laborer who cannot get credit at the corner grocery a chance to get even and grind the capitalist.

Put your face toward God and be thankful. It will soon be over. I am not telling how, but I know how. I am preaching citizenship, patriotism, brotherhood.

CANNOT BE CRUSHED.

The great American people may be crowded down, but they cannot be completely crushed. We are of the Anglo-Saxon race, never subdued and never will be subdued. It is an always evident truth that the fittest will survive. We are a concern rich enough to give food to all the poor, strong enough to endure and hopeful enough to tack on our front door a sign telling that business will resume tomorrow.

Praise God for all this. Do not profane the qualities and the power he has given you. Be moderate; cast aside fear, and "be of good cheer" and all will be well.

FORTY HOURS' DEVOTIONS.

Began at St. John's Church, South Side, Yesterday Morning.

Forty Hours' Devotion was begun at St. John's church, South Side, at the 10.30 mass yesterday morning and in the evening at 7.30 there was a sermon and benediction of the blessed sacrament. The mass was a solemn high one; Rev. J. A. Moffitt, was celebrant, Rev. H. P. Burke was deacon, and Rev. D. W. McCarthy, of Minooka, was subdeacon. There was such a large congation present that over 200 worshippers had to kneel on the steps of the church and in the yard.

Rev. T. F. Kernan, of Parsons, preached the sermon at 7.30. Only men listened to him; tonight women only will be present and Rev. F. P. McNally, of the West Side, will preach. There will be no sermon tomorrow night; benediction will be imparted at 7.30 and then confessions will be heard. It was necessary to set aside last night for the men and tonight for women because the church is too small for the large congregation.

Rev. Father Kernan's text was, "Have Pity on Thy Own Soul," Ecclesiastius, 30 chap.; 24 verse. You may often have heard of King Solomon, he said, the richest king that ever lived. All his furniture was gold, every article on his table was of gold, and silver was as plentiful in his palace as the stones in the streets. If the speaker were to say that each one listening to him is richer than ever King Solomon was, they would be startled. What! I as rich as that king? One would ask who is clad in garments of poverty and at times has not half enough to eat.

UNDERVALUE OUR SOULS.

But it is true, said the speaker, for we have immortal souls, and if we are startled at placing our wealth above Solomon's, it is only because we have undervalued our souls. How does God value the soul, God who is omnipotent and the ruler of the boundless universe? Take, for instance, the stiff-necked and rebellious Jews. Despite all their crimes and even though they were lapsing into idolatry, still God selected them as His chosen people, gave them innumerable gifts, took them from the darkness of slavery and bondage and established them in the happiness and peace of the Promised Land.

Not for all the gold, silver and precious stones of King Solomon or of the world, or of a thousand worlds, would God shed even one drop of blood; but for even one soul He was willing to shed the last drop. It is wise to learn from an enemy. The devil is the greatest enemy of human souls. St. Peter says he goes about like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour; a hungry lion seeking for souls, and the devil would give all the wealth of the world to damn one soul.

LAYS WARY TRAPS.

He lays wary traps to enmesh them, through pride, through covetousness, fame, honor, and the vanieties of the world. A man will make the excuse that he has no time to attend to his religious duties, but the same man has time for worldly pursuits, amusements, pleasures, and so on, but no time for his soul. The speaker urged his hearers to learn from these lessons the value of their souls.

After the sermon the announcements were made by Rev. Father Moffitt. Masses this morning will be at 6 and 7 o'clock; tomorrow morning at 5, 7 and 8 o'clock; and on Wednesday morning at 5, 7 and 8 o'clock. Confessions today and tomorrow will be from 10 to 12, 3 to 6, and from 7:30 until all are heard in the evening.

RELIGIOUS NEWS NOTES.

Rev. Dr. John B. Warrall, of Danville, preached in the Green Ridge Presbyterian church.

A Junior Christian Endeavor society has been organized in the Green Ridge Evangelical church.

Arrangements are being made by the ladies of the Penn Avenue Baptist church for their Harvest Home supper, which will be served this month.

The sermons in the Green Ridge Presbyterian church yesterday morning and evening were preached by Rev. John B. Worrell, D. D., of Danville, Ky.

Rev. Dr. Joseph K. Dixon's topics morning and evening in the Penn Avenue Baptist church were, respectively, "Personal Possessions" and "Hurry in Religion."

Rev. Dr. C. M. Giffin, of Elm Park church, will deliver a series of Sunday evening lectures on popular subjects, which will especially relate to citizenship and current social questions.

Miss Schuyler, secretary of the board of home missions, addressed the afternoon meeting at the Young Women's Christian association rooms, 205 Washington avenue, at 3.45 yesterday.

Miss Reeside, a missionary to the Kiowa Islands, delivered an address in the evening in the Green Ridge Baptist church, where the service was under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary society.

This morning the first fall session of the Methodist Ministerial association of Scranton and vicinity will convene in the lecture room of Elm Park church. J. W. Guernsey will read a paper on "The Unused Forces of the Church."

The annual atonement services of the Jews will begin Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock in the Linden street synagogue, where Rabbi J. Feuerlicht will deliver a special sermon. Again on Thursday morning there will be a special atonement service. On each occasion there will be music appropriate for the occasion under the direction of C. B. Derman.

At 3 o'clock next Sunday afternoon Right Reverend Bishop O'Hara will lay the corner stone of St. Lawrence's Catholic church, Old Forge. A year ago this month Rev. J. F. Jordan was transferred from assistant to the pastor at Wilkes-Barre, and was made pastor of the newly-formed parish of Rendham, which up to that time was a part of St. Joseph's parish, Minooka. Since his assumption Rev. Father Jordan has got in readiness a new plot of ground in the central part of his parish for the erection of a church suitable to the needs of the people. His labors have been so successful that the outlook for a church free of debt within a few years is bright.

Miss Elsie A. C. VanDervoort, the contralto, who has returned from her vacation, passed with her parents in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., resumed her duties yesterday morning and evening in the Elm Park church choir. She was warmly and appreciatively welcomed by her associates and the members of the church and congregation. She sang a special solo, last evening, entitled "He Will Forgive." It was a marvelous rendition of a magnificent composition, which deservedly secured emphatic encomiums. Though there have been many occasions for commending this young lady's unusual voice and methods, it is very evident that her voice has improved in compass, power and expression. Doubtless some of this improvement is due to the rest insured by the extended vacation kindly granted by the Elm Park music committee. Miss VanDervoort is now serving her second year with the Elm Park choir. She won a free scholarship over several hundred competitors at the National Conservatory of Music, New York city. The major portion of her instruction, however, was from George Sweet, of New York city, one of the most eminent and successful vocal instructors in this country. Her voice is not only pleasingly and exceedingly powerful, but is of marvelous compass.

AMUSEMENTS.

Andrew Mack is said to be in better voice than ever the present season. His vacation spent on the shores of Buzzard's Bay has done him a lot of good and his voice has grown stronger and sweeter than ever. He will be seen and heard in "Myles Aroon" at the Academy of Music on Wednesday and will sing a number of his favorite compositions and by request will introduce Samuel Lover's beautiful Irish ballad, "The Low Back Car."

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Last season Rose Sydell's London Bells made a reputation at Davis' Theatre that will insure a heavy business the first three days of this week. The company is said to be stronger than ever. It was a very clean, beautiful show last season, and will undoubtedly maintain that that reputation on this occasion. The entertainment consits of extravangaza, vaudeville and burlesque, so distributed through the programme as to weary none and to please all. The business of the past week was phenomenal, considering the weather. It was heavier than that of any opening week since the house opened.

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FARR CAPTURED THE DELEGATES

Lively Contests in the First Legislative District Saturday.

FIVE CANDIDATES IN THE FIELD

Of the Thirty-six Delegates in the District Mr. Farr Figures That Twenty-one Have Been Elected to Support Him--Convention Will Be Held Tomorrow Afternoon in St. David's Hall.

John R. Farr, 21 Isaac Jones 11; M. E. Sanders, 5; E. E. Robathan, 0; H. D. Jones, 0.

This is the result as nearly as can be ascertained of the Republican primaries conducted Saturday afternoon in the First legislative district to elect delegates who will tomorrow nominate a candidate for the state legislature.

Mr. Farr's victory is noteworthy. He had four opponents each of whom was well-known and well fitted for the duties of the office. Besides this, Mr. Farr has served three terms in the legislature and the North End was clamoring for the plum this time. Yet, he won.

The interest which Saturday's primaries aroused in the district has seldom, if ever, been equalled. In nearly every district there were five sets of delegates and each polling booth had quite an army of workers. A strong, persistent fight was kept up from 4 p. m., when the polls opened, until 7 p. m., the closing hour. At many of the districts conveyances to bring out the crippled, the thoughtless, or the tired, were used. Politicians in the district, of every station, were concerned in the battle, and many business and professional men were, also, arrayed on one side or the other. The poll was a large one.

FIFTEENTH WARD SURPRISE.

The Fifteenth ward was somewhat of a surprise party. Mr. Farr's delegates received the majority of votes in each of the two districts. Mr. Robathan was defeated in his own district by Mr. Farr.

Isaac Jones secured the delegates from the Fourth district of the Fifth ward. This was all he received from the West Side. Mr. Sanders captured the only district of the Eighteenth ward. In several of the West Side districts Mr. Sanders' delegates did not appear on the field at all.

In the North End, notwithstanding the home candidates there was a spirited fight. Isaac Jones secured eight of the eleven delegates, Mr. Sanders taking the remaining three. In the Dutch Gap district, (Third district of the First ward), the interest was greatest. Mr. Jones secured the delegates.

At midnight the Jackson street corners showed a memorable gathering of the friends and workers of the candidates. The crowd of men seemed never to diminish and it was far into the Sabbath when the excitement had subsided.

MEETING OF CANDIDATES.

Candidates Farr and Robathan met in the crowd. Compliments were exchanged. Mr. Robathan readily conceded Mr. Farr's nomination. It was about 1 a. m., when some unruly voter proposed three cheers for the successful aspirant. This someone was the only person who did cheer, however, as the police quickly checked the overflow of exhuberance. The convention will be held in St. David's hall at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon and will be attended by the following delegates:

First ward—First district, David Thomas, W. A. Mulley; Second district, E. W. Pearce; Third district, S. Middleton, Jenkin Williams.

Second ward—First district, W. E. Morgan; Second district, George W. Beale, Charles Terwilliger; Third district, William Johnson; Fourth district, Thomas Powell; Fifth district, William Gilbert.

Fourth ward—First district, M. E. Worden; Second district, Thomas Holden, Albert Wicks; Third district, William Charles, Richard Phillips; Fourth district, John Miller, Henry O. Hettes.

Fifth ward—First district, W. L. Campion, John D. Davies; Second district, John Walker, Thomas Lewis; Third district, David Beynon, Albert Jones; Fourth district, Frank Gleason, Evan Evans.

Sixth ward—First district, George Shoemaker.

Fourteenth ward—First district, C. J. Thomas; Second district, William Nichols.

Fifteenth ward—First district, Evan Jones, Thomas T. Evans; Second district, David R. Jones, Arthur Nash.

Eighteenth ward—Joseph Gardner.

Twenty-first ward—First district, John Payne; Second district, William Canterbury.

TO INVITE THE CITY OFFICIALS.

They Will Be Asked to Accompany Firemen to Johnstown.

An invitation will be extended to each councilman and city official by the Firemen's union requesting them to accompany the union to Johnstown on October 4 in the interest of securing the Firemen's convention for Scranton in 1897. Hotel accommodations have been arranged at $2 per day.

The rate will be one fare for the round trip. It is expected that Mayor Bailey and a large number of city officials will be present.

The committee having the trip in charge will leave nothing undone to make it one of the most pleasant that has left this city during the year. Full particulars regarding accommodations and transportation will be given to those intending going in a few days.

The union will hold a grand ball in Music Hall on Fireman's Day, September 23, immediately after the reception which will be tendered the firemen and city officials who will participate in the parade. The funds will be used to defray the necessary expenses at Johnstown.

LIFE-SAVING SERVICE.

Crystals to Be Provided with New Equipment for That Purpose.

The Crystals will soon be equipped with one of the most modern of life saving equipments, Pompier ladders and life belt. A resolution providing for the purchase of this equipment is now before the mayor and it is expected will be made operative in a day or two.

The ladders are used for scaling the outside of tall buildings. With two of them it is possible to attain any height a fireman dare climb and as the life belt, which accompanies them, makes the scaling free from the danger of falling there is no cause for a fireman hesitating to ascend to any desirable height. The ladders are nothing more or less than a single pole with an arm at the top to anchor it on a window and cross pieces at convenient distances on which the firemen climb. By pulling the ladders up after them and raising them to a still higher window it is possible for any number of firemen with a single ladder a piece to clamber all over the outside of any building.

In making a rescue, however, a continuous line of ladders is used. A fireman then can carry the rescued person to the ground or slide him down a rope, by means of the life belt.

OFF FOR A GOOD TIME.

Twelve-Year-Old Boy Comes Hither on a Lark.

While standing on the corner of Lackawanna and Penn avenues yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock Patrolman Sloat had his attention attracted to a lad of about twelve years who was spending money at a peanut stand with the freedom of a prince. After watching him for some time he said the lad flashed a roll of bills and thinking it rather suspicious that a youngster should be going about with so much money in his pocket, he called him over and started to question him. The result was the discovery that the boy is undoubtedly a runaway and that he stole a large amount of money from his home.

He said his name was Charles Van Horn, son of Edward Van Horn, a truck farmer of Derrancetown, Luzerne county. His father, according to the story he told Captain Edwards, gave him a roll of money and permission to come to Scranton and spend a few days. He came on the trolley cars as far as Duryea, walked to Mudtown and from there rode to Scranton in company with a boy who works in H. E. Kulp's livery. This latter boy, who is 17 years of age and gives the name of Frank Shear, was caught in Riley Edward's stable as he was putting up his horse. He and the Van Horn boy were put in different rooms and questioned alternately. Their stories conflicted in so many details that the police were assured that they were up to some wrong doing and decided to hold them both.

The Van Horn boy had $24.90 on his person. He bought a whip for fifty cents on the road to Scranton and gave Shear $2 for driving him from Mudtown. The police communicated with the Van Horn boy's father and also with Shear's employer, Liveryman Kulp.

New Steam Heating Concern.

Mr. George Nissenson, an expert steam and electrical engineer of New York city, has been engaged by Mr. Charles B. Scott to take full charge of the department for steam and hot water heating and also for electrical construction, which will be located on the second floor of Mr. Scott's establishment, 119 Franklin avenue. They have put in all the modern machinery and are prepared to do first-class work and guarantee satisfaction. **

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