

News of the Suburbs.

WEST SIDE EVENTS.

Mrs. Benjamin W. Evans, of Twelfth Street, Saved from Death by George Rowland Yesterday.

By an act of unusual presence of mind George Rowlands yesterday morning saved from severe injury and possible death Mrs. Benjamin W. Evans, of 222 Twelfth street. Mrs. Rowlands heard at the house. Early in the morning as he was dressing for work in an upstairs room he heard Mrs. Evans screaming for help in the kitchen. She ran to the foot of the stairs and Rowlands, seeing her clothing a mass of flames, sprang to the rescue. Here she was the quick MIT came in. As Rowlands went down the stairs he grabbed the top part of a narrow strip of stair carpet and tearing out the tacks as he went he reached Mrs. Evans' side. It was only the matter of a few seconds when the flames were smothered and Mrs. Evans was safe. Rowlands went about yesterday with his hands in bandages. He was badly burned. Mrs. Evans was also severely burned.

MRS. GEORGE ZERFAS ILL.

Mrs. George Zerfas, of 116 Washburn street, is in a critical condition, the result of a fall Tuesday morning and an after stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Zerfas is 34 years of age and the physicians in attendance fear that she will not be able to withstand the sudden illness. Tuesday morning Mrs. Zerfas slipped on some ice on the front porch of her residence. She suffered from the effects of the sudden jar and when the after stroke of paralysis came she was prostrated. During Tuesday night and yesterday she has been unconscious. Mrs. Zerfas is well known on this side.

WHILE YEAR GOES OUT.

There will be a watch night meeting in the Plymouth church, Jackson street, this evening, beginning at 10 o'clock, under the auspices of the Young People's Union of the West Side. The meeting will begin with a praise service, followed by a consoling meeting, after which there will be short addresses by Rev. Thomas Bell, Rev. J. D. Sweet and James R. Hughes. The latter will have charge of the music. The service is for all the churches and most of them will not hold their separate service this year.

AT THE MASQUERADE BALL.

Four of our young society gentlemen, Harry Decker, C. W. Shyer, Fenwick Whittington and E. W. Thayer, were prominently in charge of a magnificent masquerade ball in St. David's hall last evening. There was a good attendance and the evening passed very pleasantly. Lunch furnished the music. The costumes worn were mostly grotesque but among the ladies the make-ups were pretty and fascinating.

ESTABLISHED TOMORROW.

The establied at Bellevue tomorrow promises to be interesting. The programme is a good one and the contestants are said to be many. A mistaken idea has gone out in regard to the choral competition. The Taylor choir say that they are barred out of the contest owing to a too great number of singers. This is untrue. The managers of the establied wish that the statement be made that no number limit is set for the competing parties.

MINE FUND'S REPORT.

The annual report of the Bellevue Mine Accidental fund for the year 1896 shows that the total receipts during the twelve months was \$896.88. At the beginning of the year there was \$786.67 in the treasury. The expenditures during the year were \$1,009.59 and the amount now on hand is \$672.96.

DECKERS IS THE SUB-STATION.

The postal sub-station will be in Decker's drug store and will be in operation next Saturday. Miss Gertrude Decker will be in charge. The Decker store is a few doors from Jackson street on the westerly side of Main avenue.

NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Mrs. James Smith died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Michael Padden, of Jackson street, yesterday. She is survived by three sons, James F. Smith, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Bartley

Smith, of Butte City, Mont., and Patrick Smith, of O'Neil City, Neb. Deceased was born in Ballymote, County Sligo, Ireland, and came to this country in 1864 with her husband and family. One brother survives here, Patrick Coughlan, a retired merchant of Ballymote. The funeral will take place at 9 o'clock this morning from St. Patrick's church. Burial will be made in Hyde Park Catholic cemetery.

Watch services will be held at the Hampton Street Methodist Episcopal church tonight from 10 o'clock onward. Edward Grinnell, a student at the University of Pennsylvania, is visiting on this side.

This evening the Sunday school of the Scranton Street Baptist church will conduct their Christmas tree exercises. Miss Adeline Hall, of South Main avenue, left yesterday for a visit to friends at Hazleton.

Misses Lizzie and Cordelia Owen, of Taylor, were the guests of the Misses Schimpf, of Washington avenue, yesterday.

On Monday night Rev. S. F. Matthews, of the Scranton Street Baptist church, was presented with a beautiful rocker by the members of his Bible class.

The regular weekly prayer meeting of the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church will be held this evening instead of last evening as is customary. There will be no watch service.

Rutherford Hadley, of Elyon street, is convalescent after his illness.

Miss Hattie Cooper, of South Hyde park avenue, is visiting Miss Harriet Hutchings, of Carbonade.

Laundry stiff collars with soft button holes. Crystal Laundry.

Miss Jessie Kern, a teacher at Madisonville, is spending the season with her parents on North Hyde Park avenue.

Choice cut flowers and flower designs at Palmer & McDonalds, 544 Spruce.

Dr. F. C. Hall has purchased for himself a handsome carriage manufactured specially for him by William Blume & Son.

Miss Mabelle Boice is visiting at Hop Bottom.

Thomas G. Thomas desires to publicly thank those who so kindly offered their assistance and sympathy during her recent bereavement.

Dr. E. Y. Harrison, Dentist, Mears Hall, 115 S. Main avenue.

The latest and best styles. Roberts, 126 North Main.

Dr. C. W. Colborn, Dentist. Rooms 14 North Main avenue.

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SECOND HAND FURNITURE.—Cash for your old furniture have to sell. Furniture, Stoves, Tools, etc. Call and see the stock of J. C. King, 701 to 709 West Lackawanna avenue.

MORGANS PHARMACY—101 NORTH AVENUE. Warranted pure drugs and chemicals. Prescriptions carefully prepared. Fine stationery and blank books. Large stock suitable for Christmas presents. Teachers' Bibles cheaper than ever. Call and examine them. Work stamp, paints, window glazes, etc. Wood at store all hours of night.

GREEN RIDGE. The annual election of officers of the Washington camp, Patriotic Order Sons of America, No. 25, was held last evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, J. H. Seward; vice-president, Oscar Payne; master of forms, O. S. Lutz; conductor, T. H. Howley; guard, W. J. Pace; trustees, B. T. Jayne, M. Greely and Whitney. Following this a debate was held, in which the affirmative won. The question was, "Resolved, That the statesman is greater than the soldier."

Miss Amanda Tamblin, of Sanderson avenue, is visiting friends at Forest City. Henry Smith is spending a few days at Glenburn.

A mother's meeting of the Women's Christian Temperance union will be held in their rooms on Penn avenue, this afternoon, at 2.30.

Albert Fowler is spending the holidays in New York city.

A watch-night service will be held in the Ashbury Methodist Episcopal church this evening. It will begin at 8.30. The first hour will be occupied by the Senior Epworth League, following a sermon by Rev. Mr. Edgar, of Providence Methodist Episcopal church. The last half hour of the service will be taken up by a consoling meeting.

The King of Pills is Beecham's—BEECHAM'S.



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SOUTH SIDE NEWS.

There Will Be a New Year's Reception at the Y. W. C. A. Rooms—Councilman McNeill Very Ill.

The members of the South Side Young Women's Christian association will receive their friends at the rooms, 1021 Cedar avenue, tomorrow from 4 to 10 o'clock p. m. Music and refreshments will be provided for the pleasure and enjoyment of those who attend.

An interesting programme was given yesterday afternoon by the Juniors. Songs and recitations were rendered in capable style and at the conclusion Christmas gifts were distributed. Those who took part were Misses Diana Kiefer, Wanda Hoese, Barbara Christophel, Eva Cockerill, Mammie Kiefer, Dora Scheuer, Alice Barnicle, Della Knoble, Annie Scheuer, Grace Conners, Minnie Kiefer and Katie Trester.

COUNCILMAN McNEILL VERY ILL.

Councilman Thomas McGrail, of the Twenty-third ward, is critically ill and his condition is so serious that the last rites of the church were administered to him by Rev. D. W. McCarthy, of Minooka. He has been confined to his bed nearly a week.

SHORTER PARAGRAPHS.

Watch night services will be conducted tonight at the Evangelical Church of Peace.

Government Man Edward Kneller, of the Century Home company, is confined to his home with illness.

The South Side cars began making their trips yesterday over the Roaring Brook bridge, and the change has wrought a vast improvement in the service, which will be duly appreciated by the people over here.

Laundry stiff collars with soft button holes. Crystal Laundry.

Comet lodges, Knights of Pythias, has elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: President, James Bird; vice-president, Frank Kiefer; orator, E. R. Holgate; master of forms, H. R. Rudler; master of work, William Zang; inner guard, George Fasshold; outer guard, Henry Gable; trustee, H. K. Klumminer. The installation will take place on Jan. 12.

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PROVIDENCE.

A grand entertainment and supper will be given at the Welsh Congregational church, on West Market street, Providence, on New Year's eve and New Year's day and night, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society, who will be assisted in full Welsh costumes. The following programme will be rendered by some of the best talent of the city: "March of the Men of Harlech."

By the choir. Song, "My Dear Old Home." Joshua John Recitation.....William J. Lewis Song, selected.....Evan Price Song, selected.....Miss Catherine Hitchings Part song, "Ski-Whark." By Church Female choir Recitation.....Philip R. Thomas Song, selected.....Mrs. Llewellyn Evans Song, "Johnnie, Come Home."

Male quartette Song, selected.....Mrs. D. D. Lewis Instrumental duet, "Dees R. Davis and son Duet, "Howell and Howland." Joshua John and D. D. Lewis Song, selected.....Henry H. Hitchings Song, selected.....Miss Mary C. Powell Duet, "Bitty Wym."

Messrs. John and Philip R. Thomas Song, selected.....Miss Gwen Evans Recitation.....Miss Margaret Evans Song, selected.....Miss May Lewis Sol Fa quartette. Messrs. William J. Lewis, Henry H. Hitchings, Joshua John, and Esau Price.

Quintette.....By female party Song and chorus. Miss Mary C. Powell and choir Song, selected.....Joshua John Selection.....By the choir, etc. Conductor, Professor D. D. Lewis.

Doors open at 6.30 p. m. Entertainment will commence at 7 o'clock sharp. Admission to entertainment, 75 cents; to refreshments, 10 cents. Supper will be served on New Year's eve and New Year's afternoon and night.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Gabriel, on Church avenue, when their daughter, Lizzie, and Arnold D. Thomas, of Youngtown, were united in holy matrimony. The bride was tastefully and artistically decorated with ferns, palms and cut flowers by Mrs. B. B. Green, of Green Ridge. The parlor where the ceremony was performed presented a very pretty scene, palms and many house plants of rare beauty being arranged in artistic style. In one corner an altar of banked ferns and palms was constructed. Presiding at 8 o'clock the first strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march were struck by Miss Blanche Halstead. Shortly afterward the bride, leaning on the arm of her father, entered the parlor immediately followed by the groom, who was accompanied by his best man, Joseph Adamson, of Youngtown, Mrs. J. Jones, Mrs. J. B. Jones, Miss Catherine Gabriel, sister of the bride. The party proceeded to the altar, where they were met by the Rev. George Guild, who, assisted by Rev. E. S. Jones, D. D. The nuptial ceremony was performed in a traveling dress of brown trimmed with fur and chiffon. The bridesmaid wore a blue silk waist with lace trimming, and a black skirt. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were the recipients of many costly presents. Mrs. Thomas is well known and very popular among the young people of this place. Her father, O. where he is a successful wholesale merchant. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas left on the 10.50 train over the Delaware, and will be in Youngtown where they will be met by the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school elected their officers last evening for the ensuing year: Superintendent, James A. Kay; first assistant, William Edd; second assistant, William Warner; secretary, I. F. Hoyt; assistant, Robert G. Ginters; treasurer, James Cowan; chorister, John Warner; assistant chorister, D. R. Lathrup; librarian, A. C. Hendricks; first assistant librarian, Arthur Warner; organist, Miss Sophie Simpkins; assistant, Miss Rose Glavin.

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held in the Holy Rosary church. Interment will be made in Hyde Park Catholic cemetery.

David Smith, of North Main avenue, who has been ill for the past few days, resumed work yesterday.

DUNMORE.

Miss Grace Hinckley, of Binghamton, N. Y., is the guest of Miss Cornelia Galla at her home, 211 Blossom street.

Mr. W. Peters, of Brook street, is seriously ill at her home.

George Hessecker, of Gipsy Grove, is convalescent from his illness.

William Boes, of Clay avenue, has gone for a few weeks visiting with friends in Philadelphia.

The pleasant home of Mrs. Elizabeth Jay, of Webster avenue, is being entirely remodelled, giving it a most attractive appearance.

John H. Kohl, of Delaware street, who is afflicted with a surgical operation for appendicitis, is dangerously ill, and grave hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Frank Dellow, of Grove street, is the guest of friends in New York city.

Miss Grace Stanton, of Whitney's Point, has returned home after a short visit with Miss Maud Stanton, of Ridge street.

George Gilford, the genial clerk in Johnson's store, is visiting friends in New York.

Dr. B. Tutball, of Madison avenue, is improving after a late surgical operation. John Wardell and family, of Grove street, are removing to their new home, in Scranton.

The Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church will hold a watch-night service in the church parlors tonight. The service will commence at 9.30 p. m. An earnest invitation is extended to everybody to attend.

The annual Christmas festivities of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church will take place at the Epworth church, 290 p. m. An earnest invitation is extended to everybody to attend.

The fair which is being held under the auspices of the Epworth League in Manley's hall, continues to draw immense crowds each evening.

MINOOKA.

Mr. and Mrs. John Manning, of Brookline, N. Y., are visiting friends here.

Thomas Costello, a former resident of this place, is visiting in Minoaka, left this morning for Cleveland, O. Mr. Costello intends to reside there permanently.

The Anthracite Glee club of Taylor avenue held the fair last evening with a variety of well-known national airs.

A number of the local ninorods of Greenwood are making an effort to organize a gun club.

"Lullaby" a musical opera, will be produced at the Temperance hall Friday evening by the St. Cecilia choir.

Must Be Sold. The entire stock of watches, jewelry, clocks, silverware, etc., must be sold by April 1st on account of retiring from business. Don't miss the bargains. DAVIDSON BROS.

DOWN IN DIXIE.

Seen at the Academy Last Night by a Large Audience.

"Down in Dixie" was produced before a large audience at the Academy of Music last night. It is a story of life in the South, a large band of real colored men and boys furnishing an abundance of entertainment as the story of the drama was developed.

There is a strong, well defined plot that holds the attention of the audience from beginning to end. In the third act is a scene at a cotton press, where the villain endeavors to crush out the life of a young man. He is rescued just in the nick of time by a young woman amid the plaudits of the audience, more especially that portion of it located in the gallery.

MIDNIGHT SERVICE.

Penn Avenue Baptists Will Worship and Welcome the New Year.

Watch night services will be held by the Penn Avenue Baptist congregation tonight from 9 p. m. until after the New Year has begun.

An attractive programme has been arranged by the pastor, Rev. Dr. Joseph K. Dixon. The evening is to be divided into eleven parts, including sociability and refreshments. The church bell will be rung and Mrs. Lizzie Hughes-Brundage will sing a solo at midnight simultaneously. Beginning at 11.30 o'clock, Dr. Dixon will preach a sermon on the theme "The Past Required" and will read the text "God requireth that which is just." Eccl. iii:15.

Special Prices for Children. For the performances of the Byrons at the Academy of Music, children can get seats in any part of the house for 25 cents.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

PECKVILLE.

Sheridan lodge, Knights of Pythias, elected their officers last Monday evening as follows: Chamberlain, commandeer, John Hester; vice-chancellor, commander, William Griffiths; master at arms, Isaac Cheney, Jr.; master of work, Charles Charles; keeper of records and seal, Z. P. Travis; master of finance, William Sears; master of exchequer, William Johns.

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daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. S. C. Simpkins entertained a goodly number of her many friends. An enjoyable evening was passed. Singing, games and other amusements were indulged in, after which refreshments were served. Those present were the Misses Etta Moyles, Lydia Jacobs, Agnes Scrine, May Jones, Minnie Jones, Ella Brown, Lizzie Moyles, Minnie Champion, Jenni Lowry, Minerva Sands, Scranton; Harry Randall, Harry Lewis, William Kelly, Harry Van Horn, Scranton; Marion Suddoth, Mississippi; Elmer Swingle, A. W. Thompson and Leonard Simpkins, Peckville; Mrs. Cora Moyles, Scranton; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph G. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Peck and Miss Itha Simpkins, Peckville.

"I have always been troubled with headache, dizziness and a tired feeling. After taking a few bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla I am able to go about my work as well as I did in my younger days." Lucinda Erdly, Kantz, Pa.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills.

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Morton L. Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., says: "My wife had inflammatory rheumatism in every muscle and joint. Her suffering was terrible and her body and face were swollen almost beyond recognition; had been in bed for six weeks and had eight physicians but received no benefit until she tried the Myotic Cure for Rheumatism. It gave immediate relief and she was able to walk about in three days. I can testify it saved her life." Sold by Carl Lorenz, druggist, Scranton, 413 Lackawanna avenue.

Too many mothers are helpless invalids. A mother's proudest and happiest privilege is to help an ambitious son in his early struggles to attain eminence in his chosen career. In his chosen career a grand mother with a healthy mind in a healthy body, is the best counselor and the best spur. Many mothers are sickly, feeble, helpless creatures tortured beyond endurance by the pains of their own wretched constitutions. An ambitious youth receives but little encouragement or sound advice who appeals to such a mother. Most ill-health among women is due to weakness and disease of the organs distinctly feminine. If these parts are weak and diseased the entire system suffers.

The most wonderful remedy for all weakness and disease of the distinctly female organism is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It allays inflammation, soothes pain and imparts vigor and health to these delicate organs. It makes healthy mothers and capable wives. It prepares a woman for motherhood. It does away with the discomforts of the expectant period and makes parturition easy and almost painless. Over 95,000 women have testified to its virtues, in writing. Druggists sell it.

"It is with pleasure I recommend Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription to suffering ladies," writes Mrs. J. Ferguson, Box 25, Douglas Station, Selkirk Co., Manitoba. "After suffering untold tortures I thank God I found relief and cure in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription."

It don't pay—sickness. Constipation often causes it. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation. One little "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, and two a mild cathartic. They never gripe. They are tiny, sugar-coated granules, forty of which are contained in a two-inch vial. Druggists sell them, and have no name else "just as good." They regulate the Stomach, Liver and Bowels.

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