West Side Department

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSION WORKERS

They Gathered Yesterday in the Washburn Street Presbyterian Church.

WAS A VERY EARNEST GATHERING

It Was the Nineteenth Annual Session of the Missionary Society of the Lackawanna Presbytery--Opened with a Devotional Meeting--Some Gratifying Reports Heard Concerning the Progress of the Work--Address by Miss Cort Last Night.

The nineteenth annual meeting of the Womans' Foreign Missionary society of the Lackawanna Presbytery was opened yesterday afternoon by the session which commenced at 2 o'clock and was Dickson, then reported followed by the presided over by Mrs. J. P. Moffatt.

A devotional meeting led by Mrs. C. T. Meeker was held and this was followed by a roll call which showed an attendance of 26 delegates representing the Scranton district from Hawley to Avoca. There were about 250 persons present during the session and all were deeply interested in the reports upon work accomplished and the immediate fruits as shown by the two missionaries, Miss Cort, of Siam, and J. A. Fitch, of China, who were present and spoke. Following the roll-call Mrs. Moffatt welcomed all to the hospitality of Washburn street church. She was responded to by Mrs. William F. Gibbons. After singing a hymn the routine business of the session was begun by a reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting by the recording secretary, Mrs. T. S. Morgans. The corresponding secretary, Miss Carrie Dickson, then reported, followed by the treasurer's report. Horace Chandler recited "Missionary Mother Goose" and the report of auxiliaries was called.

After a part had been heard Mrs. Boston-Williams sang a very pleasing solo. The auxiliaries' report was resumed and finished. They showed a gratifying progress and prompt, earnest and renewed effort along the several lines of work. A pleasant diversion from routine work was taken in listening to a short talk on "Womans' work in the foreign field" by Miss Mary Cort, a missionary at Siam.

MISS CORT'S TALK.

Miss Cort outlined the methods adopted and the results obtained by women in those faraway countries and urged the consecration of more women to fill a large and waiting field of work. The question box was opened by Mrs. A. H. Welles and topics of a general nature concerning the work done and that to be entered upon along missionary lines were discussed. J. A. Fitch, a missionary from China, then spoke upon the outlook for future mission work in foreign lands and the possibilities for every branch of this great and glorious work.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominations—Mrs. J. A. Price, Mrs. Thompson, Carbondale; Mrs. Close, Dunmore.

Auditing—Mrs. Frisby, Carbondale; Mrs. Hitchcock, Green Ridge; Mrs. Sadler, Providence.

Resolutions — Mrs. Burr, Carbondale; Mrs. McLeod and Mrs. Selden Blair.

The closing hymn was sung and the delegates adjourned to the church parlors where tea was served by the ladies of the church and a social hour was enjoyed.

The evening session was opened at 7.30 with prayer offered by the Rev. J. P. Moffatt, who presided during the evening. Mrs. B. T. Jayne and Edwin Bowen sang, accompanied by Miss Swingle. They rendered several selections throughout the evening and lead the singing of hymns. Following the reading of passages of scripture bearing upon the missionary work and the charge given to carry the gospel abroad, a few remarks were made by J. A. Fitch, whose charge is Wei Hein, Shanhing Province, China.

WORK IN CHINA.

He spoke of the work done, the course pursued, the missions established and the need of other workers and funds to carry on the good cause. He cited several instances of how the teaching abided and with what the converts had to contend. Ignominy, disgust, abuse by family, friends and neighbors; all this and much more fell to the lot of one who chose Jesus. But it was sure and certain for, as one old man, over 84 years of age, who came several miles in a rain storm in a wheelbarrow to receive advice and consolation, so was each point gradually covered and souls converted to Christ.

The work has now grown to such proportion as to demand immediate assistance; more missionaries are needed, more funds are wanted and with a small outlay much can be done.

"Why," said Mr. Fitch, "a donation of fifty cents will represent the earnings of a man for three and a half days and much can be accomplished in three days with the men and means."

Mr. Fitch was followed by the principal speaker of the evening, Miss Mary Cort, of Siam. Miss Cort has been in the missionary work since 1874 and has worked in Siam for seventeen years alone. She spoke in a very convincing manner and disclosed an intimate acquaintance with the work in Siam. She reviewed Siam as a country, its size, population, its king and the people; touched upon the religion of that country and its effect upon the people and described the difficulty of obtaining a foothold with the ones to whom it was desired to speak of Christ and his messages. In reference to the country, she said that in addition to six large rivers, the country, in topography, uplands and broad plains, was filled with a network of canals upon which travel was easily had from point to point. They used a houseboat for their work and gave magic lantern exhibitions to illustrate their talks. The king was kind to all missionaries and gave them the use of buildings and protected them by his power and in fact encouraged their work by his every act.

They were living in the midst of modern life, had mail delivery three times each day, had plenty of steam manufactories and boats.

CITY OF BANGKOK.

At the city of Bangkok, where she was stationed, the harborage was capable of holding vessels of the deepest draught. This city of 700,000 inhabitants contained the royal home and had a mint, and telegraphic communication with all parts of the world. The country was in a high state of cultivation, being irrigated every year by the overflow of the rivers during the rainy season. The climate is good, and the temperature rarely exceeds 64 degrees.

All this went to prove how open the conditions and great the opportunities for missionary work in Siam. The religion of Buddhism is hard to break into, as the Siamese people do not cultivate any desire of a conscious feeling and know nothing of a resurrection of the soul, believing as they do that they only die to be born into something else and live upon the earth again. Miss Cort urged the presence of more women and men as workers in Siam, there being only thirty now there and the first mission was established over fifty years ago by Rev. Samuel R. House, who is still living there.

The work was carried on by the teaching of boys and girls, the printing of the portions of the Bible in the Siamese language and continual trips through the surrounding territory. The first mission school for girls was established in 1865 by Mrs. McFarland, of Pennsylvania, and this has been a great help, as women are not counted for much there.

She said the king of Siam, who seems to be a progressive and humane heathen, will soon visit America. The choir sang while a collection for the printing and contingent fund was being taken, and after the doxology the meeting adjourned until this morning.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Apropos of the animotiscope exhibition to be given in the Simpson Methodist Episcopal church next Tuesday evenin, the following excerpt from a report published in the Middletown Daily Press, conveys the form and quality of the entertainment to be furnished. The item is in reference to a recent exhibition of the animotiscope in Middletown, N. Y., and is as follows: "The entertainment was opened with several pleasing selections from the phonograph. The greatest interest was, however, manifested in the animotiscope, and when the lights were turned out and an animated scene of everyday life on lower Broadway appeared, the audience broke into applause. The views were of a character far beyond what had been expected. * * * The boiling waters at the bottom of Niagara Falls and the approach and departure of the famous "Black Diamond" express were so realistic that the audience demanded their reproduction." The exhibition to be given here will be in charge of the Simpson chapter, Epworth league, of the Simpson church. The diagram of seats is now open at H. D. Jones' store on Jackson street.

Like Banquo's ghost, who would not down, so 'tis with one Weisberg, of night lunch fame. He has returned to the West Side and has installed himself upon North Main avenue, near West Lackawanna avenue, and now we will have a merry competitive war among the frankfurter kings, who cater to the hungry night prowlers.

The funeral services of the child of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Henne will occur this afternoon at 2.30 from the residence. Interment will be made at Forest Hill cemetery.

The West Side Republican league will hold a regular meeting tonight at their rooms and the president, William A. Phillips, requests a large attendance.

The West Side Male choir, under the leadership of Lewis Watkins, met last evening at their usual place. Every member is urged to be in attendance at the rehearsal to be held in Ivorite hall next Sunday evening.

Mrs. G. W. Jenkins, of South Hyde Park avenue, received a telegram yesterday afternoon announcing the serious illness of her mother at Berwick. Mrs. Jenkins has gone to Berwick to be in attendance upon her mother.

Mrs. D. C. Powell, of Garfield avenue, is quite ill at her home.

The Rev. A. L. Ramer, of South Lincoln avenue, entertained the Rev. J. W. Randolph and daughter, Miss Randolph, of St. Peter's Lutheran church, Prescott avenue, and the Rev. and Mrs. H. F. Lissee, of the Christ Lutheran church, yesterday, at his home.

Miss Rosina Davis, the Welsh evangelist, is staying at the home of Bezaleel Davis, on Washburn street. Miss Davis expects to do considerable evangelical work in the two valleys, but is prevented for the time by severe illness consequent upon a rough voyage from Wales.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dennis, of Elmira, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Dennis' grandparent, Charles Corless, sr., on South Main avenue.

Miss Bessie Heiser, of Great Bend, is the guest of Miss Mabel Booram, of Tenth street.

Dr. Lindabury, of South Main avenue, was in Carbondale on Wednesday.

Mrs. Edward Lutz, of Newark, N. J., is visiting West Side friends. Mrs. Lutz was a former resident of this side.

Mrs. James Williams, of Shenandoah, has returned home after a visit with C. W. Lull, of Price street.

Mrs. C. S. DePuy, of Lincoln avenue, entertained Mrs. Charles J. Wilson and family and Miss Katie Wilson, of Jamestown, N. Y., on Wednesday.

St. Leo's Battalion of the West Side will hold a book reception in St. David's hall, Thursday evening, April 22.

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FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED.

Warford Was an Engineer in the Army and Was Last Seen March 28.

Trenton, April 8.—The body of the man found on Duck Island, below Trenton, a few days ago, has been identified as that of Joseph E. Warford, an engineer in the regular army, attached to a corps stationed in Kansas.

Warford, who was a former resident of this city, came here and registered at a hotel about three months ago. He appeared to have plenty of money, which he spent freely. He said he was in the employ of the government as an inspector of fortifications and had a three months' leave of absence. On Sunday morning, March 28, he left the hotel, and nothing was heard or seen of him until yesterday, when the body was identified.

Warford served during three years with distinction as first lieutenant of the One Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania volunteers.

There were marks on the head, which indicated that violence had been used and as the man was known to carry considerable money at times, his relatives are of the opinion that he was the victim of foul play. From the appearance of the body it had only been in the water a day or two. Nothing of any value was found on his person.

INSANE DESIRE FOR BLOOD.

A Little Colored Girl Tears Off a Baby's Skin.

New York, April 8.—Josie Hill, a 6-year-old colored girl of this city, has developed an awful mania for human blood. She was found yesterday afternoon in the kitchen of a white woman for whom her mother works, mutilating a 2-months-old baby.

Hearing the cries of the child, Mrs. Gill, its mother, ran to the kitchen and found that Josie had ripped off the skin from the infant's face and torn out its scalp. It was afterward learned that the Hill girl had also stabbed a girl at a kindergarten with a hat pin and had bit two of her other playmates in the face. At the station house she said that she just wanted to hear the baby cry. She will be remanded to the care of the Gerry society.

GLOBE BANK TROUBLES.

Bonds Belonging to the University of Illinois Are Missing.

Chicago, April 8.—Developments today have strengthened the belief that the affairs of the Globe Savings bank, which closed its doors last Monday are in much worse shape than the directors are willing to admit.

In addition to $140,000 in cash belonging to the University of Illinois which is tied up in the suspended institution, endowment bonds to the value of $400,000 also property of the University of Illinois are missing.

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Suburban News In General

PROVIDENCE.

Mary Masterson was arrested by Constable Davis yesterday at the instance of Mrs. Mary Keegan, on the charge of using profane and obscene language. Alderman Roberts discharged the accused for want of evidence.

Colonel T. D. Lewis council, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, held a successful entertainment last evening. At the conclusion of the entertainment the drawing for an umbrella took place and was won by Mrs. Thomas Watkins, of 121 Parker street.

The literary and debating society of the F. G. W. Social club will give an entertainment at their rooms this evening.

John Evans and David Lloyd disputed each other's fistic supremacy and decided to test their abilities as scrappers on West Market street. They were rolling in the mud when Patrolman Saltry arrived, and with the assistance of Patrick Hughes, a citizen, arrested both of them. They were given a hearing late last evening by Alderman Roberts. Evans was fined $6 and Lloyd $4. Lloyd paid the fine, but Evans was unable to pay the money and was sentenced to thirty days in the county jail.

The funeral of the late Richard Lewis, which was to have taken place today, has been postponed until Sunday afternoon.

Alfred Davis, a popular young man of this section, has accepted a position with a prosperous insurance agency at Jermyn.

Mrs. Herman Clegg, of Throop street, who was stricken with a paralytic stroke, is fast recovering.

Michael Leonard, whose serious illness caused his friends much alarm, is recovering slowly.

Charles Lowry, of North Main avenue, has recovered from his recent illness.

The Puritan Congregational church will conduct an entertainment in the church auditorium April 12.

GREEN RIDGE.

The Senior Christian Endeavor held a most enjoyable social in the parlors of the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening.

Mrs. J. W. Mershon and daughter, Leafy, of Waverly, have been spending a part of the week with friends on Sanderson avenue.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Asbury Methodist Episcopal church is making arrangements for a dollar social which they will hold the latter part of this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dunn, who were married a short time ago in Olean, N. Y., have recently taken up their residence on Delaware street. They formerly resided in this city.

Mrs. Roberts, of Capouse avenue, who has been seriously ill for some time past, is slowly recovering.

The Willing Workers of the Baptist church held their monthly social at the home of Miss Lizzie Suydam, on Capouse avenue. On account of the weather being stormy there was not a large attendance but a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Eddie McAnulty, of Margaret avenue, has been visiting friends in Carbondale.

The Independent Order of Odd Fellows met last evening in their rooms on Dickson avenue. Next Tuesday night they will hold an installation of officers, after which a banquet will be served by the Rebekah lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Stephen Niland is ill from la grippe at his home on Marion street.

SOUTH SIDE.

The large audience that assembled in the Young Women's Christian association rooms last evening was well pleased with the lecture delivered by Dr. H. V. Logan on the appropriately chosen subject "House Beautiful." His lecture, as were all numbers of the series previously rendered, was highly interesting and many phrases were extracted, as invaluable to the feminine world. The series thus far has been fitly adapted to please and benefit the fair audiences and with each subsequent topic the crowd attracted increases in numbers.

Mr. Patrick McHale has returned to Sparrow Point.

The remains of Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ryan, will be laid at rest this morning in Hyde Park Catholic cemetery. The funeral will take place from the home of her bereaved parents on Stone avenue.

This morning at 9 o'clock the burial of Miss Eliza Coleman will be held with high mass of requiem in St. Peter's cathedral. Interment will be made in Hyde Park Catholic cemetery.

The funeral of Michael Burke will take place this afternoon from his late home on Gibbons street.

Devotions will be held in the South Side Catholic churches this evening.

The Scranton Athletic club held a business meeting in Schimpffs hall last night.

The St. Mary's Glee club and Dramatic club met for rehearsal in St. Mary's hall last evening.

The Scranton Saengerrunde held rehearsal in Natter's hall on Alder street last evening.

The Ancient Order Knights of Mystic Chain will convene in weekly session tonight.

The St. Aloysius Total Abstinence and Benevolent society met in Pharmacy hall on Pittston avenue last evening, with a large attendance. The officers recently elected were installed. After the installation the second anniversary of the society was duly commemorated by a programme of appropriate literary exercises.

The second annual entertainment and social of Camp No. 96, Patriotic Order of True Americans, will be held in Storr's hall tonight.

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DUNMORE.

Fresh fish today at H. E. Spencer's meat market. **

The funeral of Mrs. McKane, of Petersburg, will take place this morning at 9 o'clock. Services will be held at the house. Interment will be made in Pittston.

Mrs. L. R. Fowler and daughter, Florence, of Cherry street, have returned from New York city, where they went to attend the wedding of John R. Fowler to Miss Annie Ehlers.

Miss Mame Ford, of Oak street, is the guest of friends in Carbondale.

Miss Kate Crane has returned from a visit with relatives in Parsons.

Millinery opening of Easter hats and bonnets, at Miss Kate Duffy's, Chestnut street. **

MINOOKA.

The ploughman and the base ball players are having their innings.

Miss Celia Nallin returned yesterday from a visit with friends in Jermyn.

Tax Collector Coyne is in Philadelphia on a business trip.

Miss B. Walsh, of Archbald, is the guest of Minooka friends.

Thomas Murray circulated among Nanticoke friends yesterday.

Michael Duddy, of this place, will don the mitts for a four-round bout with an unknown at the Judge tournament at Scranton tonight.

From present indications the Temperance Choral society will be made a permanent organization.

"Ted" Anderson is contemplating a fishing trip to Lake Poyntelle, Wayne county.

OBITUARY.

Mr. James Doud, of the East Side, Jermyn, died at about 12 o'clock Wednesday evening. Mr. Doud had been suffering for some time with heart failure and about a month ago he became so ill that he was compelled to stop working. About a week ago he appeared to be better and began to do chores around the house, and Wednesday he went to Archbald. The exertion seemed to be too much for his weakened constitution. Wednesday evening about 11.45 he awoke and said he felt as though he was dying, and in ten minutes afterward he was dead. The deceased was born in England fifty-three years ago. The following children survive him: James, Rose, Katie, Mary, Maggie, Thomas and William.

Thomas Finnegan died yesterday morning at the home of his father, Patrick Finnegan, at 511 Eynon street. Deceased had been a sufferer from appendicitis for a week. His death is deeply regretted by his many friends. The funeral will be held Monday morning at 9 o'clock at which time a high mass of requiem will be celebrated in St. Patrick's church. Burial will be made in Hyde Park Catholic cemetery.

Elizabeth, the 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Whyte, of Moosic, died on Wednesday afternoon, after suffering several days. The funeral will take place this afternoon. Interment will be in Langcliffe cemetery.

AVENGED AN INSULT BY DEATH.

Charles Reid Shoots a Circus Attache at Macon.

Macon, Ga., April 8.—Charles Reid, a machine operator employed in the composing room of the Telegraph, shot and instantly killed L. W. Halstead, formerly business manager of the Atlanta Commercial, and at the time of his death an attache of Cooper's circus, which has been giving performances in Macon for several days past. The shooting was done inside the tent tonight just before the performance began, and in the presence of many people who had gathered to see the show.

The cause of the killing was a gross insult offered the wife of Mr. Reid at the afternoon performance. The lady at once informed her husband of the indignity which had been put upon her, and he promptly started out in search of the insulter. It was not until nearly 8 o'clock that he found him, and Halstead, who was known to the circus people as J. W. Howard, was found by Mr. Reid inside the tent, which is pitched within a stone's throw of the city hall. Mrs. Reid pointed out Halstead, or Howard, as the man who insulted her, and her husband sent the contents of a shotgun crashing into his body, killing him instantly. Reid surrendered to the chief of police, and is locked up pending the coroner's investigation.

The coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide.

Death of W. M. Cowgill.

Philadelphia, April 8.—Word was received by C. A. Cowgill, of the death of his son, Warner M. Cowgill, on March 19, 1897, at the American consulate at Maracaibo, Venezuela. Mr. Cowgill was born at Gettysburg, Pa., in 1848, and went to South America in his early manhood. For the past thirteen years he has been secretary to Consul E. H. Plumacher. A widow survives.

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