RESOLUTIONS ARE OFFERED

Cuban Question Is Debated at Length in the Senate.

IMPORTANT SUGGESTIONS

Three Cuban Resolutions Are Introduced.

By Mr. Lindsay, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Allen--Judge Pettus Argues That the Making of War Without an Express Declaration by Congress Would be a Disgrace to the Nation.

Washington, April 12.—For nearly three hours today the senate had the Cuban question in its several phases under discussion. Three resolutions bearing upon the question were introduced, one by Mr. Lindsay, (Ky.), directing that the contemplated operations against the Spanish in Cuba be in concert with General Gomez, the supreme command to be vested in the commander of the United States troops to the end that the independence of the Cubans be secured; second, by Mr. Wilson, Washington, directing the president at once to take such steps as will secure to the people of Cuba independent and Republican form of government; third, by Mr. Allen (Neb.), declaring the existence of war in Cuba and directing the president to take steps to stop it and secure to the people of the island a stable and independent government. Following the introduction of the resolutions, speeches were delivered by Mr. Pettus (Ala.), Mr. Mason (Ill.), and Mr. Butler (N. C.) Judge Pettus presented an argument that congress could not delegate to the president the power to make war either in general or in a special sense and declared that making of any war war without an express declaration by congress would be a disgrace to the nation. Mr. Mason's speech was largely a legal argument in favor of the recognition of the independence of the Cuban republic and was delivered with character fire and vehemence. Mr. Butler spoke for the "opposition" on the floor of the senate, maintaining that it had thus far upheld the hands of the administration in the present crisis and would continue to do so for a definite and vigorous policy. He regretted that the president had not presented such a policy to congress, and held that intervention without the recognition of independence would simply mean the crushing of Cuban patriots.

Consideration of the sundry civil bill was resumed, but no progress was made, an extended discussion being precipitated over the old question of using steam presses instead of hand presses in the bureau of engraving and printing, which is a branch of the treasury department.

GROSVENOR INTERPRETS THE MESSAGE.

General Grosvenor, of Ohio, now generally regarded as the spokesman of the president on the floor of the house, late this afternoon in reply to an attack upon the policy of the administration, interpreted the recommendations in the president's message to mean a request for authority to use the army and navy of the United States to establish on the island of Cuba a government independent of Spain. It was regarded as an exceedingly important and significant announcement. In the brief debate today the opening guns of the contest that begins tomorrow were fired. Broadsides were exchanged and then the house adjourned. Mr. Lentz, an Ohio Democrat, who drew the fire of General Grosvenor last Thursday, returned to the assault again today, attacking what he termed the "vacillating" policy of the president, the "midnight conferences" at the White House, with Senator Elkins and John J. McCook, and asserting that the president's recommendations really meant that the United States should coerce the Cuban insurgents into an acceptance of Spain's scheme of autonomy.

Mr. Hepburn (Rep. Ia.) made a spirited and indignant reply, denouncing the intimation of such a policy as little short of scoundrelism. Then came General Grosvenor's important announcement upon which Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, countered, taking the position that if the president had meant to declare for the independence of Cuba, he would have said so in specific words. The message was clear and lucid, he said, except as to the recommendations, and it had required all the ingenuity of General Grosvenor to torture such an interpretation from them. In conclusion he declared that the president who would coerce the Cuban patriots would not live to survive the odium of the American people.

Mr. Grosvenor in the course of his speech in defending the president against attacks made by Lentz (O.) said:

> The time is coming rapidly, it will be here I trust tomorrow, when under the guidance of the committee on foreign affairs this house will take action, and I will suggest to the gentlemen on the other side that there will be a degree of patriotism, a degree of unanimity of purpose, a degree of oneness in action that will surprise the gentleman when he looks over the votes that will be taken here tomorrow. (Great applause on the Republican side).

"HE WILL NOT STEAL."

Reason Given by Pittsburg Prohibitionists for Nominating Swallow.

Pittsburg, April 12.—The Prohibition convention of Allegheny county met today with 175 delegates or about 80 per cent. of those elected, present. After electing a permanent organization and electing Rev. P. C. Brooks, chairman, the convention adjourned into legislative district conventions.

The platform adopted gets in a lick at the Republicans and their candidates for governor, and declare that the Democratic party is not even worthy of condemnation. It demands that the government intervene in the Cuban trouble, "peaceable, if it can; if not, by force, and do it quickly." Dr. Swallow was indorsed for governor because, it was declared, "he will not steal."

The following legislative nominations were made: Seventh district, E. B. Connell and William B. Alter; Eighth district, Dr. T. C. Robinson; First district, Dr. O. L. Miller, George E. Hemphill; Fifth district, George E. Briggs, James A. Calhoun; J. W. Moore, R. Stevenson; Second district, John A. Fletcher and James A. Cumming; Third district, R. W. Dusenberry, and Chas. Howell; Sixth district, J. B. Coen and G. E. Fisher.

BIG IRON COMBINE.

A Scheme to Hand Together the Manufacturers of Foundry Iron.

Cleveland, O., April 12.—The initial steps toward the formation of one of the biggest combines in the history of the iron business were taken at a meeting held here today. Practically all the manufacturers of foundry iron between the Allegheny and Rocky mountains were represented.

The present movement is the direct result of the formation of the association of the Bessemer furnace men recently completed in this city. The men who are to go into the new combination however, are what are known as non-Bessemer men—the manufacturers of foundry iron who do not work Bessemer ore. The non-Bessemer manufacturers of the south have already formed two strong organizations. The meeting of the western men here today was for the purpose of forming the manufacturers in this territory into a sub-organization and then merging all the three organizations, covering the east, west and south into one big combine.

A general headquarters will be established at New York with branch headquarters at some central point in each of the three districts. At today's meeting the western manufacturers appointed a committee to bring the plan to a focus.

NO NEWS FROM CUBA

The United States Has No Representatives on the Island Who Can Be Called Upon for Information.

Washington, April 12.—Inquiry at the state department discloses the fact that the United States has no representatives in Cuba upon whom it can depend for official information in regard to the progress of events on that island and that it will be compelled to rely until other arrangements are made upon the representatives of the Spanish government for information in that line. According to an official at the department, the British consular officers in Cuba are expected only to care for the archives and property of the United States consulates turned over to them on the departure of the American representatives Saturday and to look after the interests of Americans still on the island who may apply to them for protection or redress. It is said to be no part of their duty to keep the United States state department informed of political or other developments in Cuba and that the department will not call upon them for any special service or information, unless it becomes absolutely necessary by stress of circumstances.

Notwithstanding this apparent lack of facilities for obtaining official information of affairs on the island, the officials of the administration express confidence in their ability to keep properly informed of the course of events in Cuba, especially with reference to the developments which may result from the proposition of Spain for the cessation of hostilities on the island. Although the general impression is that the insurgents are not at all likely to accept the proposed armistice, the department officials express confidence of getting details of the progress of negotiations to that end from reliable sources as promptly as the slow means of communication in the interior of Cuba will permit.

BOOTH WITH THE QUAKERS.

The Founder of the Salvation Army Visits Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, April 12.—General William Booth the founder and leader of the Salvation army, arrived today from Boston. He was accompanied by Commander and Mrs. Booth-Tucker.

General Booth was given a public reception tonight at the Academy of Music, at which Mayor Warwick presided.

The general will remain here for a few days after which he will go to Troy, N. Y., thence to Buffalo. On April 19 he will open a week's campaign in New York and Brooklyn, closing with a farewell demonstration in the Metropolitan opera house, New York, at which ex-Secretary of the Navy Benjamin F. Tracy will preside.

WILL GET HIS $7,500 DAMAGES.

British Corporation Must Pay for Its Agents' Acts.

Washington, D. C., April 11.—The United States Supreme Court today decided the case of Michael Cane, of New Jersey, who was assaulted in Londonderry, Ireland, by agents of the Barrow Steamship company, a British corporation, doing business in New York.

Kane brought suit for damages in the United States court at New York and was awarded $7,500. The steamship company appealed and the case was certified to the Supreme court, on the question of jurisdiction, but Justice Gray holds that the Circuit court did not transcend its authority in assuming jurisdiction in the case.

Spring Medicine

Is made a necessity by the impure condition of the blood after winter's hearty foods, and breathing vitiated air in home, office, schoolroom or shop. When weak, thin or impure, the blood cannot nourish the body as it should. The demand for cleansing and invigorating is grandly met by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives the blood just the quality and vitality needed to maintain health, properly digest food, build up and steady the nerves and overcome that tired feeling. It is the ideal Spring Medicine. Only

Hood's Sarsaparilla The One True Blood Purifier.

Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills act easily, promptly and effectively. 25 cents.

ENTHUSIASM OVER CONSUL GEN. LEE

Notable Demonstration Greets His Appearance at Washington.

FOLLOWED BY ADMIRING CROWDS

In the State Department Building All Discipline Was Relaxed and Clerks Left Their Desks and Crowded the Corridors in Order to Get a Glimpse of the General, and on the Streets Thousands Joined in Applause at His Appearance.

Washington, April 12.—Consul General Fitzhugh Lee arrived here from Havana at 2.30 o'clock this afternoon. A large crowd of enthusiastic admirers had gathered at the Pennsylvania station and when the general stepped from the train he was greeted with a tremendous outburst of applause. Women waved their handkerchiefs and men their hats and altogether the demonstration was a notable one. Washington crowds as a rule are not demonstrative, but this occasion was a conspicuous exception.

When the general alighted from the train the crowd was so dense that even with the assistance of a platoon of police it was with difficulty he moved along the platform. Round after round of applause greeted him as he walked slowly and uncovered down the long platform of the station. On reaching the B street entrance, General Lee entered a state department carriage and was rapidly driven up the avenue to the state department.

News that General Lee was on his way to the state department spread rapidly and when the carriage drew up at the south front of the building a big crowd was assembled on the portico. A rousing cheer went up as General Lee stepped from the vehicle, and, bowing right and left, hurried into the building. The cheers had apprised the clerks and other employes of the big building of his coming and there was a wild rush for the state department corridor. Clerks left their desks without leave, officers of the army and navy joined the rush and for the time being the discipline of the building was relaxed. The crowd lined up in front of the elevator shaft, leaving a lane from the door to the secretary's office. As the elevator came to a stop and the consul general stepped out a scene occurred unprecedented in the history of the great building.

THE ROUSING CHEERS.

Hat in hand, General Lee passed into the corridor and some one said: "Now, boys," and three rousing cheers went echoing down the long halls. Then there was another outburst and people poured forth from every room. The cheering caused intense excitement and it was some moments before quiet could be restored. General Lee bowed to the crowd and as he reached the door to Secretary Sherman's office turned and bowed again. Then the door closed on him and the throng dispersed.

After a few minutes the consul general emerged, accompanied by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Day. The three entered a carriage and were quickly driven to the White House, General Lee getting another ovation on his way over. Mrs. Lee, who had joined the general at Richmond, did not come to Washington, she having left the train at Quantico.

At the White House the party was shown at once to the library, where the chief executive accorded a hearty reception to the consul general. The only persons present at the meeting were the president, Secretary Sherman, Assistant Secretary Day and General Lee. Secretary Sherman remained with the others for about half an hour and then returned to the state department. After being with the president fully an hour, Judge Day and General Lee took their departure, the latter going to his hotel. An immense crowd, augmented by a number of ladies who attended Mrs. McKinley's reception, was on the portico when the two came down stairs and General Lee was given a tremendous ovation. As their carriage was being driven away some one fastened a Cuban flag to the front of the vehicle and this was the cause of additional enthusiasm.

REV. DR. BRIGGS RESIGNS.

His Letter Quitting the Presbyterian Church.

New York, April 12.—It is believed that the last chapter in the famous Dr. Briggs case has now been concluded. At a meeting of the New York Presbytery yesterday a letter from Dr. Briggs was read, withdrawing from the Presbyterian church. The resignation was accepted. Dr. Briggs' letter was as follows:

"After long and careful reflection, I have decided to sever my connection with the Presbytery of New York, and more especially with the Presbyterian church in the United States of America. I withhold the reasons for this decision, in the interests of peace and quietness. I may simply say that I have remained under your jurisdiction as long as I could do so with a good conscience. I desire to act in all charity towards all my brethren, and, so far as possible, relieve them from responsibility for my action. Therefore, I do now withdraw from the jurisdiction of the Presbytery of New York, and I hold myself free to unite with that part of the Holy Catholic church into which God in His grace calls me."

A number of the members of the Presbytery objected to permitting Dr. Briggs to withdraw in that manner, and there was a spirited debate over a proposition to refer the matter to the coming general assembly. It was found, however, that the book of procedure provides that the name of any minister must at once be stricken from the roll upon his announcing his withdrawal, unless charges against him be actually pending at the time. In the case of Dr. Briggs charges had been made and the trial had been held, and until today his status was that of a suspended minister. It was held, therefore, that his name must be stricken from the roll at once. The matter will be reported to the general assembly, but it is said that that will be a mere formality. Dr. Briggs recently announced his candidacy for holy orders in the Protestant Episcopal church.

EGGNOG LED TO ASSAULT.

After Imbibing Freely, Two Guests Robbed Their Host.

Norristown, Pa., April 12.—The victim of yesterday's midnight assault, John Sundermeier, is in precarious condition. Harry McDermott, who was arrested last night, was given a hearing before Burgess Wainwright today and committed to jail to await the result of Sundermeier's injuries.

It developed at the hearing that McDermott and John Quinn had gone to the Sundermeier residence to enjoy some eggnog and beer. Sundermeier, his son, John, and the two guests, imbibed freely until midnight, when the old man and his son went to bed.

McDermott and Quinn, when left alone, finished the remaining liquor and then went to the old man's room. They demanded money for more refreshments, and when refused made a brutal assault. While the old man was lying helpless in the corner they secured $13 in money and a watch.

Though a warrant has been issued for Quinn, he has not yet been captured. McDermott has been in the toils before for assault.

DRIVEN MAD ON ICE FLOES.

Terrible Suffering of Men Whose Whaling Vessels Sank

Ou' Appelle, N. W. T., April 12.—In the course of a 3000-mile trip on snowshoes, to carry tidings of the loss of Arctic whalers, Charles H. Walker, of Seattle, Washington., arrived at Fort Simpson, N. W. T., on March 28, with news of the crushing of several whaling ships in the ice off Point Barrow, Alaska, and the loss of eleven lives.

These men, who belonged to the Pacific Steam Whaling company's fleet, took refuge on the ice when their vessels went down. They were on the frigid floes ten days and nights, and the cold blasts from the north caused the most terrible suffering during the entire time. All were badly frozen, and more than one of those who perished were crazed before being finally overcome by the cold. Walter Whitling, steward of the lost steamer Novarch, in despair shot himself. The first and second engineers of this steamer were overwhelmed with the intense suffering and both went mad before finally succumbing to the pangs of hunger and benumbing cold.

While all started from the wrecked boats with food and blankets they were obliged to drop everything while jumping from one ice cake to another. Some of them chewed their deerskin moccasins to prolong life.

Mrs. Whiteside, wife of the captain of the Novarch, was the only woman among the shipwrecked party, and she not only saved her own life, but encouraged her husband and conducted herself so heroically as to inspire others with renewed courage.

Mr. Walker says that his steamer, the Orca, on which he was "boat header," sank about 6 a. m. on Sept. 28.

The steamer Jessie H. Freeman was burned to the water's edge six weeks later. The Jeanie, a refuge boat, saved many lives, and it is believed that the government relief expedition will, when the Bear reaches her destination next summer, be efficacious in rescuing all who now remain alive. First Mate Gray, of the whaler Grampus, died on the Jeanie, Oct. 8.

FRANCHISE OF COLORED MEN.

Petition Regarding the Constitutions of Three States.

Washington, D. C., April 12.—A petition, signed by prominent colored men of Mississippi, South Carolina and Louisiana, was today presented to the senate committee on privileges and elections, requesting the committee to extend its report upon a recent senate resolution, particularly to the consideration of the franchise features of the completed constitutions of South Carolina and Mississippi, now in force, and the changes contemplated as to the suffrage in Louisiana.

Attention is called to the fact that the reconstruction constitutions adopted by the states of South Carolina, Mississippi and Louisiana, and ratified by congress, could never be altered or changed so as to abridge the right of suffrage to any citizen of the United States who was entitled to such enjoyment of suffrage by the terms of the constitutions recognized and approved by the acts of congress.

PEACH CROP NOT RUINED.

Delaware Growers Expect a Good Yield.

Dover, Del., April 12.—Farmers who were here today from all parts of the state report that the peach prospects are not ruined. Only the buds which were out have suffered, and, as many were not out, they are all right. It is believed there will be a large crop.

Bridgeville, Del., April 12.—One week ago this year's crop prospect in peach orchards of from one to five thousand trees could have been bought for from $5 to $25, according to the size of the orchard, but today the farmers ask much more. The damage to the peach buds is not so great as was supposed, and farmers say the prospects are for nearly half a crop of peaches on the early varieties and the late varieties in some orchards contain many live buds.

LIONS KILLED IN A BULL FIGHT.

One Mexican Fighter with Horns Slays Two Kings of Beasts.

City of Mexico, April 12.—In the presence of 5,000 spectators, including many women, one Mexican bull yesterday killed two African lions. The first lion was very large. He killed his trainer a short time ago. He had been starved for the last week. The bull, without a moment's hesitation, sprang at the lion and caught him on his horns under the foreleg and threw him backward fifteen feet against the bars, knocking the breath and fight completely out of him.

Another lion was then provided. It made a good fight, but was gored unmercifully, and taken from the ring in a dying condition.

Grosvenor Nominated.

Athens, O., April 12.—Hon. C. H. Grosvenor was renominated today for the sixth time by the Eleventh congressional district.

HAIR HUMORS

Itching, irritated, scaly, crusted Scalps, dry, thin, and falling Hair, cleansed, purified, and beautified by warm shampoos with CUTICURA SOAP, and occasional dressings of CUTICURA, purest of emollients, the greatest skin cures.

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SKINS ON FIRE with Eczema instantly relieved by CUTICURA RESOLVENT.

WHITNEY'S WEEKLY GRIST OF GOSSIP

An April Snake Story Is Related at Deposit.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT AT LANESBORO

Susquehanna Dames and Lassies Learning to Cook--Farmer Collingwood's Little Lamb--Queer Brood of a Red Rock Hen--Postmistress Was a Weaver.

Special Correspondence to The Tribune.

Susquehanna, April 12.—A terrible and fatal accident occurred at Lanesboro at about 2 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Peter Byrne, aged 21, a resident of Fricksville, this county, was walking over the great Starrucca viaduct, when he stepped to the edge or coping of the structure to avoid east bound express train No. 2. In a moment a west bound freight train approached, and the locomotive struck the young man and hurled him from the bridge, and he fell into a yard below, a distance of 91 feet. In his descent he turned over and struck the ground sidewise. The crowd expected to find his mangled remains, but he was conscious, although seriously injured. Medical aid was soon at hand, and it was thought for a time that the young man would survive, but he died at about 7 o'clock in the evening. He was conscious almost to the end. Deceased was a son of Christopher Bryne, a prominent resident of Fricksville, and for a few years had been employed at Laurel Hill academy, in this place. The remains were on Monday morning taken to Fricksville for services and interment.

SNAKES IN APRIL.

Snakes are already thawing out upon the mountains near Deposit. While Farmer Springsteen was driving to Deposit with a load of milk, on Wednesday last, he saw something wriggling in the road some rods ahead. He got out of the wagon and went ahead of the team, when he saw several snakes sunning themselves. He at once attacked them with his whip, and soon killed them, eleven in all. They measured from eighteen inches to three feet in length. He tied them together and exhibited the long string to the Deposit editors, in proof of the story. I am glad that not all of the too-previous snakes appear in the vicinity of Susquehanna.

"THE INCIDENT CLOSED."

A Montrose preacher announced he would discuss a family scandal on the following Sunday morning, and as a consequence the church was crowded. The subject was "Adam and Eve."—"Whit," of Susquehanna.

In Susquehanna, under a similar announcement the church would have been empty. Each family would have been afraid to attend, lest they should be "hit."—Montrose Democrat.

THE NEWS RECORD.

Miss Vernon, of New York, is conducting a cooking school in the parlors of the Presbyterian church.

The funeral of Mrs. Michael Hogan, an old and esteemed resident, occurred from St. John's Catholic church on Saturday afternoon and was largely attended. Requiem high mass was celebrated on Monday morning.

The Susquehanna County Medical Pension Examining Board will meet in this place on Wednesday.

Owing to ill health, Rev. William M Hiller, the able and popular pastor of the Methodist church, will not return to Susquehanna for another year, and he may not be able to do pastoral work for some months to come. This will be a great disappointment to the membership of the church and to the community.

Nelson W. Fox, an old and esteemed resident of Oakland borough, died very suddenly of heart disease, at an early hour on Monday morning, aged 67 years. He is survived by the widow. Deceased worked in the Erie shops on Sunday. The funeral will occur on Wednesday afternoon. Great Bend Commandery, No. 26, Knights Templer, will attend in a body.

PSALMUEL AND HIS "SASS."

The editor displayed timely judgment last week and harvested his March "garden sass" just before the second edition of winter commenced. Whit come down and try our "sass." Ayer's almanac is the only thing after all to rely upon so far as pills and weather is concerned.—Great Bend Plaindealer.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

The Wilkes-Barre Record says: "The Susquehanna county political leaders are not particular as to methods." Possibly not; but the Luzerne county leaders are not particular as to men. That's the difference.

Lent is ended, and the butcher and fiddler are happy.

Friday was an Arbor Day. Some vicinity farmers drilled a hole in the ice and planted a tree.

The meanest man now on earth is one who knows when war will begin but will not tell.

A Susquehanna pastor discourages arguing. He says it mangles the fish and encourages lying.

A Susquehanna teacher last week received the following excuse: "Tomie stade home cuz he had no close and thats excuz enuff god noze."

From now on the man who will beat a carpet in the back yard is greater than he who stays down town until midnight talking war.

A Binghamton plumber has married a milliner. Everything tends to consolidation and monopolies these days.

The difference between a defaulter and a thief is very simple. One steals enough to hire good lawyers. The other doesn't.

A dead frog was found in a church organ in Binghamton. It is supposed that the creature was frightened to death by a row at a choir rehearsal.

THE SAME CHAPS.

It is well to note that some of the ones who are the loudest for immediate war are the same who for years have opposed on every occasion the enlargement of our army and navy, on the ground that increase of military power would be a menace to the freedom of the people. They have seemed to forget that the rank and file of both branches of the service consists of men who are themselves true patriots.

IN SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY.

Will J. McConnell will soon hold a series of temperance meetings in Hallstead.

The trial of Flora Belle Sweet, for the murder of her mother, is in progress in Montrose. A brief trial is probable.

The annual convention of the Susquehanna County Sunday School association will be held in the Methodist church in Susquehanna May 3-4.

The ancient rumor, that the Montrose railroad is to be wide-gauged and extended to Binghamton is once more revived. It ought to be set to music.

The Hallsteed Herald is advocating the erection of a town hall. The list of Hallstead's wants now includes a free bridge, electric lights, a National bank and a town hall. Lucky that it doesn't cost much to wait!

The Elkdale correspondent of the Forest City News says the wild man was again seen near Crystal Lake a few days since. The verification of my first report is very gratifying.

The Susquehanna county normal, or summer school will be held in Montrose, opening May 3.

The Susquehanna County Teachers' institute will be held in Montrose during the week of October 17.

Hallstead and Great Bend are working steadily for that free bridge. Its a certain thing of the distant future.

Mrs. Mary Strickland, postmistress in Lathrop, wove twelve yards of carpet, between 7 o'clock a. m. and 5:30 p. m., besides attending to the office and to her housework, one day recently.

A HEN'S QUEER BROOD.

On the farm of Peter Alden, near Red Rock, a hen had long evinced an ardent desire to become a mother, by persistent efforts to hatch door-knobs and anything else that bore the remotest resemblance to an egg. Her owner finally took pity on her and placed in her favorite barrel fourteen curious little eggs that he found under the barn. Then the farmer went on a visit of several weeks and forgot all about the mother. When he returned he was amazed to find that the hen had hatched into this wicked world fourteen little snakes, for which she was caring with her utmost affection and solicitude and from which she received constant demonstrations of filial affection.

THE SHORT OF IT.

The Baptist church edifice is being enlarged.

The Easter services in the several churches were very largely attended and very interesting.

The Choral Union has in contemplation the production of the cantata, "Ruth."

The steamers at Lanesboro are being put in condition for the coming season.

The old adage, "A green March will starve a June gosling" is now being quoted.

Sister M. Bernardine, of Green Ridge, was in town on Saturday attending the funeral of her mother, the late Mrs. Michael Hogan.

After the conference, now in session in Norwich, N. Y., the Methodist churches in Lanesboro and Oakland will probably have new pastors.

Jerry Stack, formerly of Susquehanna, who has been conducting the Frasier house, in Elmira, for the past sixteen months, is financially embarassed, and the house has been closed.

Vicinity Methodist ministers and others are in Norwich attending the Wyoming conference. The conference is something of a lottery.

COLLINGWOOD'S SINGULAR SHEEP.

Farmer Collingwood, of Sherman, has the funniest sheep in the state. The sheep, when a lamb, left the flock and became greatly attached to Mr. Collingwood, who gave him to his dog "Beauty," to be suckled, and was well taken care of by her. When the lamb grew older it would never sleep under a roof, but would lie outside cuddled up like a dog. When dinner is announced he is sure to be standing by one of the chairs and when his master sits down he will jump with his front feet on his back, letting him know that he is hungry. The sheep will not touch grass or eat beef, but he is fond of soap, coffee and tea, with milk and sugar. He likes beer, and will lift a pail up with his front feet and drink like a toper. He has a pernicious habit of chasing the predatory cats of the neighborhood. He runs about with the dogs all day, and scampers away to the dining room at the first sound of the bell.

SOME POSTSCRIPT PARAGRAPHS.

Monroe Curtis Lodge, No. 181, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, will hold its eleventh annual ball at the Starrucca house April 29. Baker's Binghamton orchestra will furnish essential inspiration.

The C. B. L. will hold its first annual ball in Hogan's Opera House April 29. Music by Doran's Susquehanna orchestra.

Amid the preparations for war can be heard the threatened eruption of the political volcano over in Wayne county. Verily, brethren, these be ticklish times!

The famous billed heron was seen near Mount Pleasant on Sunday. By some this bird is thought to be an omen of war, pestilence and famine. Great Scott, let's hide!

Ex-Postmaster Martin J. Ryan will assume the management of the Starrucca House on Thursday next.

There are excellent indications that C. Fred Wright, of Susquehanna, will be the next congressman from this district. He has the making of an able, popular legislator. WHITNEY.

Dynamite Fires a Mine.

Hazleton, Pa., April 12.—An explosion of 100 pounds of dynamite at the Milnesville colliery of A. S. Van Wickle & Co. this morning, set the mines on fire. The flames burned fiercely for a time, but vigorous work on the part of the employes extinguished the flames, before extensive damage was done. The colliery employes 500 hands.

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