# CARBONDALE DEPARTMENT

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MISS BRYDEN'S FUNERAL.

Burial of the Aged Fire Victim Takes

Takes Place Tomorrow.

Coroner J. J. Roberts, of Scranton

viewed the remains of Miss Bridget

Bryden, who perished in the fire that

destroyed John Brown's home on Wed-

nesday afternoon. The coroner did not

leem it necessary to hold an inquest.

He went to the home of Miss Bryden's

it was recovered, and where it still re-

mains. His decision as to the cause of

death was that she came to her death

It was learned yesterday afternoo

that Mr. John Brown, for whom Miss

bills stored away in a pitcher in the

pantry. It was undoubtedly this pri-

vate fund that Miss Bryden was try-

ing to save when she was struck by

the failing beams that pinned her down

John Brown, who was at work in

the Coalbrook mine, was sent for when

the fire broke out, but did not reach

his home until nearly dark. He did

not have a stitch of clothing left to

change for his mining outfit or any-

did not have a cent's worth of insur-

Riley-Ace.

The Presbyterian manse was the

Clark avenue, was married to Oscar

V. Ace. The groom, now an employe

of the Ontario railway, saw service in

the regular army, being stationed in

Porto Rico. A wedding trip was dis-

pensed with and they are ready to re-

ceive the congratulations of their

Have Removed to Scranton.

Saw the Fire.

witness the big fire were S. Singer, E.

D. Lathrop, Frank E. Dennis, Detec-

tive Moran, T. E. Campbell, Michael

Meyers, E. W. Pascoe, A. W. Reynolds,

M. O. Sahm, E. J. Neary and Julius

New Pumps at Work.

Three ten-inch pumps have been

daced in No. 3 shaft with a capacity

of 22,000 gallons of water per hour. At

present the water is very high and

stopping the mines, but the prospects

are that work will be resumed in a few

Meetings Tonight

Order of Railway Conductors, No. 156

Junior Order United American Me-

Has Gone to Buffalo.

Fred Rhu, who has been employed by

H. S. Pierce & Son for several years,

Buffalo, and left for his new home

At the Theater.

Tomorrow afternoon-"Uncle Tom"

Tomorrow evening-"Brother Against

Engaged in Dunmore.

Miss Bridget Glimartin, one of this

city's most efficient trained nurses, is

in Dunmore, where she is caring for

Mrs. Frank Mongan, who is seriously

Tonight-"Rip Van Winkle."

Companions of the Forest.

The Royal Circle.

Wednesday evening.

American Legion of Honor.

United Mine Workers, No. 844.

ance on his building or furniture.

and held her till she died.

St. Rose cemetery.

many friends.

Moses.

Poor board.

hanies.

through suffocation in an accident.

1110 FREE MASONS BANQUET.

Past Master Fletcher Presented with a Handsome Jewel.

Carbondale lodge, No. 249, Free and Accepted Masons, held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday evening and conferred the third degree. After the raising of the candidates, the lodge adjourned in a body to the armory where an excellent banquet

gens awaiting them. J. M. Alexander was the toastmaster a short opening speech and then infreduced the speakers of the evening. who were J. P. A. Tingley, Dr. W. W. Fletcher, Worshipful Master G. Frank Couch, G. W. Norris, John O. Miles, Dr. W. A. Spencer and Dr. W. J. Ba-

I. P. A. Tingley made the speech That caught the fancy and applause of the members, for it prefaced the presentation of a beautiful past master's jewel to Dr. W. W. Fletcher, who has just vacated the worshipful maschair of Carbondale lodge. dwelt upon the great work that Dr. Fletcher had done in the lodge and or the harmony that existed between him and his officers throughout his Incumbency in the East.

the beautiful emblem, and also because of the harmonius relations that bind brother Masons, so strong that they endure throughout life.

The evening proved to be one of the most pleasant that has been enjoyed by the members of this flourishing blue lodge.

#### JOLLY YOUNG PEOPLE.

Two Large Sleighsful Invade Way mart from Here.

Two large sleighs, each drawn by four horses, and filled just full enough of young men and ladles to make it deliciously crowded, left this city last night about 7.50 for Waymart, over the hills. The night was just right for his kind of a frolic, still and cool, and the sleighs were provided with a literal abundance of buffalo robes and blankets, and the young ladies were equipped with alluring "fascinators" and heavy attire, while the young men wore sweaters under their coats.

About 10 o'clock the parties reached Gruver's Hotel, at Waymart, where they found an appetizing supper of hot waffles and turkeys fresh from the oven, awaiting them. After the supper, a dance was enjoyed, the music being furnished by a string orchestra taken over from this city by the mersymakers. The party danced until about midnight, reaching this city early this morning.

Among those who enjoyed the frolic Mrs. Al. Birkett, the Misses Grace Munn, Martha Singer, Mabel Carr, Jessie Ditchburn, Louie Williams, Olive Moon, Mary Male, Edith Courtright, Ella Patten, Mamie Bryon, Edith Fowler, Clara Scurry; Mosees John Ditchhuen, Dr. McMillan, A. Rutherford, Al. Jadwin, V. C. Maners, Joseph Gilhool, Joseph Hoole, Charles Humphrey, Isaac Singer, Stanley Rettew, Daniel Scurry, Fred Herry, George Paul, Ed Carr, At. Bir-A. Crane, John Purtell and Morcis Clifford.

TROTTING AN THE ICE.

The Annual Event Takes Place This

Afternoon at Crystal Lake. This afternoon will witness a pilgrimage of large proportions from ere and neighboring towns to Crytal Lake, where the annual matines frot on the ice will be enjoyed. Th's year's session with the sharp-shod orses and racing cutters promises to eclipse anything of the kind ever before attempted, for the weather is deal ,the ice is in splendid shape, and a larger entry list of harness horses has been secured than was ever before known. All of the local horses will be there, including L. A. Paterson's Nilo and Massonet, and John Swackenhammer's Wilkes Medium. H. S. Gorman, of Scranton, will have two of his string there, including Jimmie Vonder, who is a new one aroun iere-but said to be the fastest in this section. He secured him in Kentucky last fall. Sherwood, of Jermyn, lames Crawford, of Scranton, and other owners of horses from this and surrounding counties will compete for the prizes hung up. Hot lunches will be served in the new hotel.

#### A Sleighride Party.

A parry of jolly young folks from this city had a sleighride to Archbald and back yesterday afternoon. Those in che big sleigh were Ruth Clark, Fannie Clark, Mary Glenn, Marcella White, Mary McGee, Mary Moran, Julia Walk er, Iva Sherwood, Sadle Monahan, Wille McHale, Marcus McDonough, Flor once McHale, Maria Murray, Mary

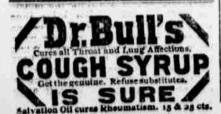
Mail and Papers Delayed. Owing to a wreck on the Lehigh Valley railroad the New York mail and newspapers, due at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, did not reach here until a o'clock last evening. Roberts & Reynolds, the newsdealers, nearly their voices out answering calls at the phone and explaining the reason for the delay.

#### Livery Firm Dissolves.

The copartnership hitherto existing between Ira Snyder and Emery Lee has been dissolved. The firm conducted a lixery business under the title of Lee & Snyder. Emery Lee will continue the business at the same stand, while Mr. Snyder will form a partnership with Owen Curran at Ashley,

#### Many Speakensies Here.

According to the calculations of Rev W. H. Williams, the drummer evan-felist, there are at least sixty speakfastes in this city. Mr. Williams ar-



(arithmetical calculation: Ninety government licenses have been taken out but only twenty-seven have secured county licenses, leaving, at least, sixty-three speakeasies. He tos the Anti-Saloon league has six detectives at work here and not only speakeasy beeprictors, but legal vendors, will find that a lot of evidence has accumulated against them. The legal sellers will be confronted with numerous violations on their part of Sunday laws and afterhour regulations. The reverend gen's tleman intimated that some of these violators stand well up in the fore-

> on their own account, without waiting for the society's detectives.

A MIX UP. Frightened Horses Dump Eggs Into

front of the prominent citizens of the

town, but he refused to intimate the

names or the degree of standing they

enjoyed. There are 297 members of his

society enrolled in this city and some

of them have been gathering evidence

the Snow-Small Damage. Everybody in Carbondale, old and oung alike, know Holliday Robison, who for the past score of years, more or less, has peddled eggs, poultry and farm truck through the streets of the Dr. Fletcher made a short speech town. Holliday drives a team of horses in reply, expressing his gratitude for which, although not thoroughbreds, at times take on unwonted spells of activ-

Wednesday the horses were standing in front of Alex. D. Wyllie's store, on Belmont street, Mr. Robinson being within the establishment in conversation with the proprietor. A street car came rumbling along, spitting out electric sparks as the wheels became separated from the track by the snow and e. The horses became frightened and

began to back. Suddenly the sleigh struck the curb ind over it went, dumping tifteen dozen eggs and numerous other contents on the ground. With the overturning of the vehicle the animals dashed off up the street, but they had not proceeded over a block when they were caught. Robinson gathered in his produce, etc., and found the only damage done to be the breaking of three eggs and the waste of a lot of buckwheat chaff.

#### CARBONDALIANS INJURED.

A Wreck on the Chicago and Ontario Road Hurts Two Italians.

A dispatch received here vesterday from Greenville. Pa., states that five persons were killed and ten injured in in awful wreck on the New York and gretted by their large number of Chicago limited train yesterday morn- I friends. ing at that place. Among the injured were Carmone Gogliure and Carmine

Grecco, of Carbondale. An inquiry was made of Gabriel Pugliano, the Italian banker of Dundaff street, last evening as to the identity of these two men. He stated that he knew them. Gogliure had been living hereabout two months, but Greeco did not live here. The two had been em-Wednesday evening, bound for Kentucky. Mr. Puliano said that both of the Italians were good fellows, very quiet and sober, and he expressed great sympathy for them.

#### OFFICERS INSTALLED.

An Interesting Meeting of the Sons of Temperance.

Wednesday evening in Temperance hall on Salem avenue, District Deputy E. Bigart installed the recently elected officers of the Sons of Temper ance, as follows: W. P., W. L. Clark; P. W. P., M. O. Abbey; R. S., Miss Lulu Foster; F. S., Frank Haley; A. S. P., Miss Nettle Haley; conductor, Miss Stanton; assistant conductor, William Stephens, jr.; treasurer, Mrs. M. O. Abbey: chaplain, William Stephens, se

The society is rapidly increasing in membership, an average of three new ones being admitted each meeting Committees were appointed to arrange for a series of entertainments. one of which will be held on each meet-

#### An Engineer Scalded.

George H. Dimock, an engineer on the Delaware and Hudson railroad, was scalded while on his engine yesterday afternoon at Green Ridge. A plug on the engine blew out and the escaping steam enveloped his face and head. He came home on a passenger train and went to his home. It was said last evening that he was not badly hurt, A short time ago Mr. Dimock fell from his engine while descending from it at Green Ridge and severely bruised his bask. He is better known among nis associates on the road as "Dutch' Dimock.

#### A Needed Improvement.

The sidewalks surrounding the Anthracite building, made of some compoition resembling cormocrete, are the most dangerous places in town in cold weather. Their polished surfaces are very slippery and a number of bad tumbles have occurred on them this winter. Persons in a surry to catch a train are especially liable to feel their feet slide from under them. It is not necessary to have ice on these walks to render them slippery. A frost will do it. This condition should be re-

#### A Real Estate Deal

Mulholland Brothers, of 11 Park place are negotiating with J. M. Alexander the administrator of the J. G. Thomp son estate, for the purchase of the Thompson property on Sixth avenu-They have gone so far in the transaction as to put up a deposit for an option, but no definite deal has been consummated.

#### Of Interest to Patients.

Among the new telephones put is vesterday one was connected with the residence of Dr. James G. Harper, of Church street.

#### Married.

REES-MAY .- On Feb. 6, 1901, at the residence of Mr. Fred Sluman, 21 Torne street, by the Rev. A. F. Chaffee Mr. Owen Rees to Miss Eva E. May both of this city.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meyers, of

Have Removed. John Gilroy and family have removed from the McDonald building, on South

Brother.

#### Main street, to the Moffitt house adjoining.

The Passing Throng. John McArdle has recovered from the Mrs. C. W. Smith, of Eighth avenue is quite ill. Mrs. J. M. Stewart is ill at her home on Salem avenue

Bert Lindsay, of Foster's art gallery, on the sick list. Mrs. Jessie Norris, of Belmont street, s on the sick list.

Mrs. G. H. Dimock is ill at her m Chestnut street Mrs. W. T. Bingham, of Dundaff street, is seriously III.

Mrs David Wilson, of Eighth avenue, is ill with the grip. M. L. Clifford is out again after a vere attack of the grip. Louis Geiger is confined to his home on Chestnut avenue, is Ill.

D. B. Davis, of Gilbert street, is confined to his bed with the grip. M. F. Gunnella, of the West Side, is ry ill with pleura-pneumonia Miss Agnes Merrison, of Falbrook street, left Wednesday for Newark,

Mrs. Hugh Roberts, of Jackson. spending a few days with Mrs. F. Love, on Cemetery street. Mr. and Mrs. John Clune, ir., who been spending a few days a

Hallstead, have returned home.

George W. Simrell, who had his jaw oone fractured a few weeks ago, now improving rapidly. He is able to partake of solid food once more. Michael Kerins, formerly an Eric conductor, with his home here, but now connected with some southern line in the same capacity, was in town yes-

#### JERMYN AND MAYFIELD.

About forty-five members of Liberty

lodge, No. 188, Knights of Pythias, went to Peckville Wednesday evening and paid a fraternal visit to Sheridan lodge. During the evening the team from the former lodge worked the third degree, conferring the rank of knight upon an esquire. The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of knights, besides the large number from Jermyn there being a large delegation from Olyphant. The work of the team was admirable and at the close of the beautiful ceremony the members of the team and Liberty lodge came in for a number of pretty compliments from the members of other lodges, some of whom stated that they had never witnessed better work. At the close of the ceremony a smoker was held and for nearly two hours the time was envas in the city yesterday morning and joyabl spent in speech-making and in singing, intermingled with the fragrance of the cigars. The time to depart came all too soon and it was with considerable regret that the visitors took their departure. The members of niece, where the body was taken when Sheridan lodge treated their guests with much hospitality and the Jermyr boys will not soon forget the pleasant ccasion. At the special invitation of Lackawanna lodge, the team from this porough will go to Olyphant on Tues day, Feb. 26, for the purpose of working the third degree. Much of the team's Bryden was housekeeper, had \$300 in success is due to their captain, Harry angman, and Assistant Captain John son Bennett, jr. The team will meet for practice this evening.

Mrs. C. D. Winters gave a thimble ea at her home on Main street yesterday afternoon, which was attended by about twenty-five ladies. The even had been pleasantly looked forward to for several days and was a very enjoyable affair.

Rev. M. E. Lynott, the well known thing of value left in the world. He and beloved pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart, returned home yes terday from the Scranton Private hos-The funeral of Miss Bryden will take pital, where he recently underwent a place tomorrow morning at 9.15 o'clock, very delicate and painful operation. The procession will leave the home of people of the two boroughs, irreher piece, Mrs. A. F. Cook, on Brookspective of creed, will rejoice with lyn street, at the hour mentioned and Father Lynott's parishioners at his re proceed to St. Rose church, where a covery from his severe illness. demn high mass of requiem will be held. The interment will take place in

The employes of the Moosic Powder company were given a pleasant surprise on Wednesday morning, when Superintendent Gebhardt called them together at the office and announced that Colonel Boies, the president of the company, had authorized him to inform them of an increase of ten per scene Wednesday evening of a quiet wedding. Miss Jessie M. Riley, of cent in their wages which would take effect Feb. 1. The men were much pleased at the information. The increase came without solicitation. Miss Maggle Nazeby is ill at the

home of her grandparents, Mr. and William Westington, of Rush-Edmunds & Snyder are anxious to have an appropriate name for the handsome new hall they have lately erected and have decided to give a prize to the one sending in the most

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Walsh have removed from Pike street to Scranton, appropriate name. Thomas M. Hendwhere they will hereafter make their Mr. and Mrs. Walsh were ricks and J. W. Grant have undertaken among the most esteemed residents of to decide the difficult task of selecting the neighborhood and their departure the most suitable name and any one wishing to send in a name may do so from local circles will be greatly reby mailing their letters to the committee before Feb. 15 and marking on the corner of the envelope, "Hall Name Contest." How would St. Georg's hall Among the Carbondalians who went to Scranton yesterday afternoon to

Sleighing parties are now all the rage. Several went out from town last evening, one large party going to Peckville, where they were enjoyably entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bray. Misses Bertha and Carrie Coon, of

Main street, attended the Marie Antoinette fete at the Lyceum at Scranton Wednesday evening. Elmo, the little son of School Director Blake, is ill at his home on Sec ond street.

#### OLYPHANT.

The local union of stationary firemen held an enjoyable smoker at their rooms in the Arlington hotel on Wednesday evening. During the evening refreshments were served and a musical programme rendered in the phonograph, operated by Thomas Ro-

A merry party, consisting of the following young people, enjoyed a sleighride to Jermyn last evening: Misses Charity Crippen, Jessie Pettigrew. Lillian Matthews, Blanche Crippen, Mary Butson, Grace Pettigrew, Maggie McIntosh, Hattie Matthews. William Widdowfield, John O'Brien, Emerson Joseph, John Wilhas accepted a situation as fireman in liams, William Winters, Arthur Wid-

dowfield, John Pettigrew. A delightful concert was given a the Father Matthew Opera House last evening by the nated Saxon Sisters, assisted by local talent. The programme included vocal and instrumental selections and was greatly enoyed by the audience present.

Miss Lizzie Boland, of Archbald risited relatives in town yesterday. Marion, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bury, of Blakely, is ill with scarlet fever.

A sleighing party from Scranton came to this place last evening and stopped at the Mahon house, where supper was served. Dancing was afterwards induiged in for several hours.

Rev. William Matthews is visiting his son, Jury Commissioner T. J. Matthews, at Spring Brook. Tomorrow evening the school board will hold their regular session, while

the council will meet on Monday night.

#### TAYLOR.

Mrs. Richard Thomas, entertained on Wednesday street. evening in honor of her cousin, J. M. Harris. The evening was made mer ry and joyous in various amusements At a seasonable hour dainty refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Susie Harris, May Williams, W. B. and S. Harris, of Union street, and Messrs. J. M. Harris, Charles Downing and James Lathrop, of Wilkes-Barre. W. F. Burke, the famous song writ-

er and comedian, and company, will occupy the stage at Weber's rink this evening. Mr. Burke is a favorite here A social will be held after the stage performance. The masquerade ball held last even-

ng by the Taylor Hose company, No 1, in Weber's rink was a grand sucess. The costumes were very neat. At midnight when the signal was given for a general unmasking much surprise was made to the guessing of the identities.

Tomorrow will be pay day at the Lackawanna collieries here. On Feb. 23 the Taylor lodge, No. 462 Knights of Pythias, will conduct a grand entertainment in Weber's rink, to be given by Miss Eva L. Dunning of Cleveland, O., whose ability as ar entertainer is widely known. She will be assisted in her work by well known

local talent. The Young People's society of the Weish Baptist church is busily engaged in the trade.

#### STRANGER THAN FICTION.

A Remedy Which Has Revolutionized the Treatment of Stomach Trouble.

The remedy is not heralded as a wonderful discovery, nor yet a secret patent medicine, neither is it claimed to cure anything except dyspépsia, indigestion and stomach troubles with which nine out of ten suffer.

The remedy is in the form of pleasant tasting tablets or lozenges, containing vegetable and fruit essences pure aseptic pensin (government test). golden seal and a diastase. The tablets are sold by druggists under the name of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets. Many interesting experiments to test the digestive powers of Stuart's Tablets show that one grain of the active principle contained in them is sufficient to thoroughly digest 3,000 grains of raw meat, eggs and other wholesome food.

Stuart's Tablets do not act upon the bowels like after dinner pills and cheap cathartics, which simply irritate and inflame the intestines, without having any effect whatever in digesting food or curing indigestion. If the stomach can be rested and

assisted in the work of digestion it will very soon recover its normal vigor, as no organ is so much abused and over-worked as the stomach.
This is the secret, if there is any secret, of the remarkable success of

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, a remedy

practically unknown a few years ago and now the most widely known of any treatment for stomach weakness. This success has been secured entirely upon its merits as a digestive pure and simple because there can be no stomach trouble if the food is

promptly digested. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets act entirely on the food eaten, digesting it completely, so that it can be assimi-lated into blood, nerve and tissue. They cure dyspepsia, water brash, sour stomach, gas and bloating after meals, because they furnish the digestive power which weak stomachs lack and unless that lack is supplied it useless to attempt to cure by the use "tonics," "pills" and cathartics which have absolutely no digestive ower.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets can be ound at all drug stores and the regular use of one or two of them after meals will demonstrate their merit better than any other argument.

chearsing a beautiful cantata entitled "The Farmer's Daughter," under the efficient direction of their pastor, Rev. D. C. Edwards, whose ability as a musician is favorably known.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Welsh Congregational church will conduct a faggot social in the church basement on pay night. All the delicacies of the season will be served. Admission will be only 10 cents. The Taylor Silver Cornet band will

conduct the first of their semi-monthy socials tomorrow night at the rink. Good music will be present for dance Chester A. Reese has returned bon

from his visit to Carbondale. Invincible commandery, No. 252, Mrs. James Nash and daughter, Liz-

zie, and Mrs. August Reinhardt, attended the funeral of a relative in Minersville. Schuvlkill county, yesterday Mrs. David S. Price and son, Bert of Clark's Summit, are visiting relatives in town. President W. B. Owens and Secre

tary H. T. Davis, of the Taylor board of health, are in Harrisburg attending the state session of the board. Mrs. H. H. Harris and Mrs. Edward D. Davie spent yesterday visiting friends in Providence.

Mrs. Edward J. Evans, of North Main street, is recovering from a se vere attack of the grip. The pupils of the High school enjoyed a sleigh-ride to Pittston on Wed-

### PECKVILLE.

nesday.

The funeral of the late Mrs. D. C. Truax will take place at 9 o'clock this mornig from the late residence at West Peckville, Rev. F. Gendall officiating, The remains will be taken to East Ararat for interment.

Philetus Snedicor is down with the Mrs. James Cowans has about

overed from her recent illness. The Peckville Gun club, of which there are twenty-five members, will hold a live pigeon shoot on the afternoon of Feb. 22. In the evening the members and invited guests will banquet at Hotel Wilson. The boys aniclpate a right royal time.

A large number of Peckville people vere at Scranton yesterday afternoon and evening to gaze upon the big fire on Lackawanna avenue.

The Junior Epworth league is re learsing for an entertainment to be given at Ledyard hall Wednesday evening, February 20. Stearns is drilling the youngsters nightly.

Miss Laura Roberts is visiting her parents at Muhlensburg.

To Cure the Grip in Two Days. axative Bromo-Quinine removes the cause.

## EGG PRESERVING MACHINE.

Being Given an Occasional Turn, Are Said to Keep Indefinitely. A new egg preserving machine has

ust been introduced in the English

Mr. Christianson, the inventor, claims fresh eggs can be preserved in good condition during twelve months' storage. The principle of the apparatus is based upon the fact that so long as the yolk of an egg is kept from resting upon the shell the sound quality of the egg is maintained. The problem, therefore, has been to devise a simple apparatus by means of which a large number of eggs can be given the re quisite movement without the expenditure of much time or labor. It consists of a substantially-made framework, supporting a series of perforated metal trays, so placed and equipped with fittings that their angle of inclination can be varied by one turn of a hancie in a central position at the side of the framework. The eggs are placed in erforations in the trays, each tray holding 120 eggs. The trays vary in number according to the size of the machine, various sizes being designed. the largest of which is capable of holding as many as 15,000 eggs, all of which can be turned simultaneously by a single movement. These movements must be given once within a stated period, in order that the yolk shall be | failed absolutely. They have collapsed; retained in the desired position. It is not a red cent; so that you see I was in obvious that a machine of this nature, i a double predicament. I tried, little by which great numbers of eggs can | knowing the red tape imperturbability be preserved practically without cost of labor or materials, is of the greatest importance to all dealers and users | this particular instance like a gentle

# **SEALED AND** UNSEALED

Scene: A boudoir, Time: Afternoon 66T7 OU SAY that you wrote to me, Mr. Vautres?" said Beryl, "It is true that I did mention a letter."

"What was it about?" nothing in particular." "Ah! It seems to me that the mos interesting letters of all are those which are about nothing in particular —provided, of course, it is the right

ort of nothing in particular." "My letter was not interesting, I'm afraid. In fact, it was precisely because of it that I called.

"You did not, then, call to see me?" "In a measure, yes." "Only in a measure! How polite." "Well, it was to say good-bye." 'Good-bye?"

"You are going away?" "Almost directly." "Ah! And this letter concerned

our departure?"
"No; on the contrary it had noth ing to do with it." "Then decided I understand ing about it."

"To what? I am very eager know.

"To ask you not to open the let-"Not to open your letter" But Me Vautrey, that would be too absurd. Does one ever refuse to open a let-

ter? It is impossible. 'Yet it is important that you should not open this letter.' "I am more and more interested

What would you have me do with it? "Burn it.

"Burn it without reading it?" "Yes." "Never." "At my earnest request."

erent-something easier." "But here is the tea. No matter bout the letter for a moment.

"You must request something dif-

vill take tea?" "Please." 'And sugar? 'Yes, please. You will promise-"

"Two lumps?" "Only one. Now to open-"

'Please. Or read-" "Cake, Mr. Vautrey?" Thank you. But you will not re

"Mr. Vautrey. I neither refuse no decline."

"I must see the letter." "You must see before you decide?"

"Certainly." "But it will be too late then." "I can't help that." "Miss Delacour, this is something

ery important, indeed." "So it would seem." "And you persist in making a joke

"I am not joking, Mr. Vauntrey; far from it, believe me. You come to me with a mystery. Well, I adore mysteries. It is about a letter, and going

way. Where are you going?" "I hardly know. "To the Riviera?" "Probably."

"Well, we all do that every year; there is nothing striking in that. Then, there is this letter." "Which when it comes you will de-

"As I said before, I will consider the point. "It is not as if it was of any conse-

quence, you know." "No. "Or likely to Interest you." "I suppose not; but when did you post your letter?"

"Last night. "In town?"

"Yes." "Then it should be here by now; it will come by the afternoon post probably, and-yes, half-past 4-it should be here immediately. Then you can tell me all about it, or I can read it or decide whether to burn it or not." A minute later a servant entered the

room with a salver, on which lay sev-"Here they are, Mr. Vautrey, and yes here is yours, but-well, it didn't matter about your request."

"Why? What has happened? "It is only the envelope which "And the letter?"

"Has been lost in the post, evi-

dently. "And now, what was in this letter, which was not stuck down, and which you were so anxious for me not to see?

You owe me an explanation." "It was a matter which had better be left alone." 'I am not of that opinion.' "Miss Delacour, I assure you to the

contrary. The incident is over, the let-"But it will be found." "No, it knew its duty, and sensibly

effaced itself." "Still, there was an address on the note paper? "Perhaps. I forget." "You forget? Impossible!"

"Not at all." "Where did you write it?" "At the club." "Then the club has stamped note

paper." Well?" "And the letter will be returned to ou. I know how it is done. I wrote market. By means of this machine to Jessie Cardington at Calro. She had left. The letter was opened and re-turned to me. So it will be here. Now,

> when you receive it again." "And if I can do neither?" "Then our friendship, Mr. Vautrey, omes to an end." "That is precisely what it has to do

Mr. Vautrey, you must tell me all about

the letter, or promise to send it to me

n any case. "What do you mean?" "It is the simple truth, Miss Delaour; it is no joke about my going

"It is clear, nevertheless, "Explain, please." "The letter I wrote was a request which at the time might not have

"I understand less and less.

seemed so extraordinarylly impertinent, because-Yes? "Because I believed myself wealthy." "But the request?"

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is all. Good-bye, Miss Delacour, You see how it all is."

"I see nothing of the kind." "But the world is more clear-"You will oblige me by sitting down

again. Well?" "Mr. Vautry, you are very unkind to me."

"In what way?" "In acting as you have. I have plenty of red cents.' "I know.

"Well, doesn't that make it all right?" 'You can't marry a man in the mud.' the street if he will only take it, and it you don't propose again directly I shall think that you care for me no more."

"But I do care, and-But there, a ruined man! Think of it!" "I don't see why I should think of it. Do you mean the letter?"

"When I wrote it-yes." "And now?" "Now I see the impossibility. "You have written to me, Mr. Vautrey, asking me to marry you. I thank you for your letter, and-I accept your

offer."-Chicago Herald. MADE A MAN OF HIM.

Letter by John Sherman to Son of an Old Schoolmate. Ten years ago, when the late John Sherman was secretary of state, says Success, a young man, the son of one of Sherman's schoolmates, wrote him for assistance. He said that he had fallen so low in life that there was no place for him but the gutter; that existence had become a burden, and that he wanted to die. Today, this same young man is a prosperous merchant in New York city. He told Success that his position is due to the advice given him by John Sherman in

answer to his letter. Success was

given permission to publish the letter.

which the owner guards more carefully than all his other possessions. Mr. Sherman wrote: You say that your life has been a failure, and that you are thirty years old, and ready to die You say that you cannot find work, and that you see no hope in life. You say that your friends do not care to speak to you now.

Let me tell you that you have reached that
point in life when a man must see the very best prospects for his future career. You, at thirty, stand on the bridge that divides youth and man cood. The one is dying, perhaps, but the other will soon burst, young and hopeful, from the ashes, and you will find in yourself a new being man. Do not let your discontent kill this now

life, before it is born. life, before it is born.

Unless you are physically deformed, go to work. Go to work at any honest work, if it only brings you a dollar a day. Then learn to live within that dollar. Pay no more than ten live within that dollar. Pay no more than two cents for a meal, and twenty cents for a bed, and save as much of the balance as you can, and with same intensity as you would save your mother's life. Make the most of your sppearance. Do act dress gaudily, but cleanly. Abandon liquor exyou would abandon a pestilence, for liquor is the curse that wrocks more lives than all the

If you are a man of brains, as your letter leads me to believe you are, wait until you are in a condition to seek your level, and then seek it with courage and tenacity. time to reach it; it may take years, but you will surely reach it—rou will turn from the working-man into the business man, or the professional man, with so much ease that you will marvel at it. But have one ideal, and aim for it. No ship

ever reached its port by sailing for a dozen other ports at the same time.

Be contented, for without contentment there He contented to the second of the content of the co But never be a hypocrite; if you cannot believe in God, believe in your honer. Listen to music, whenever you can, for moste charms the mind,

and fills a man with lofty ideals, Cheer up! Never want to die. twice your age, and over, and I do not want to die. Get out into the world. Work, eat, sleep, read and talk about the great events the day, even if you are forced to go among laborers. Take the first honest work you got, and then be steady, patient, industrious, saving kind, polite, studious, temperate, ambitious gentle, loving, strong, bonest, courageous and

Be all these, and, when thirty years more have passed away, just notice how young and beautiful the world is, and how young and happy

John Sherman

horrors of the world combined.