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MOON'S PHASES\_ Full Moon, 1st, 30th; Last Quarter, 8th; New Moon, 15th; First Quarter, 23d.



### WEATHER FORECASTS

Harrisburg and vicinity: Rain this ternoon, to-night and probably bursday. Warmer to-night with low t temperature about 40 degrees.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain to night. erate to fresh south winds

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG

Highest, 39; lowest, 18; 8 a. m., 19; 8 p. m., 32.

### WITCHCRAFT AT TURKEY RUN

Conditions existing in the village of Turkey Run, Pa., as revealed in a court trial in Pottsville the other day, are most startling, for it appears that witchcraft still operates there. The plaintiff in the case, Mrs. Short, accused one Mrs. Zemanowski of assaulting her, and scratching her cheeks till the value of the goods they steal. blood came, whereupon the defendant explained that she was forced to draw the old woman's blood in order to break a spell which had been cast over Mrs. Zemanowski by the woman, whom the defendant declared to be a witch.

It seems that Mrs. Zemanowski's voice had started to fail her not long after she had accepted a drink of whiskey from Mrs. Short. She of course lid not seek medical aid, because she was certain that she was the victim of witchcraft. She knew that her throat had not become weak through natural causes when there was an old woman around who was a witch and could cast spells.

She of course consulted the neighborhood's authorities on witchcraft and at their advice drew the witch's blood, yet in court the old woman won her case, and what was more the drawing of the blood failed to improve the bewitched one's voice.

Victims of witchcraft are heard of frequently, in eircumstances similar to the case at Turkey Run. They are assuredly persons to be pitied, for they are forced to battle against mystic forces of evil which they can seldom overcome.

Since they are restrained by the law from attacking their tormenters, they should in some way be protected from spells by this same law. All persons susceptible to the charms of witches ought to be put in some place apart from enlightened persons, where they would never be heard of more. The sorceresses, deprived of victims, would then be powerless, and witchcraft would be at an end.

## THE NEW YORK SUBWAY HORROR

What all New Yorkers had been dreading since the subway was built and what most of them knew to be inevitable and only a matter of time, has occurred,-fire and panic on an appallingly large scale on the underground railroad, in which there was at least one death.

Early this forenoon enough details of the horror in the tube beneath Broadway and Fifty-fifth street were available to show that the disaster that occurred at the height of the rush hour this morning was by far the worst in the history of the New York subway. Later and more definite details are printed on another page of the Star-Independent.

Riding in the subway in New York, even in the quiet periods of the day, is hazardous at best. Riding in the subway in the morning "rush hour," when thousands of homes in Upper Manhattan and The Bronx are pouring their hundreds of thousands of men, women and children through the various tubes into the offices and stores and factories where they are employed in Lower Manhattan, is and always has been like flirting with death. It was just as certain as that night follows day that such a disaster as that of this morning would occur. Even the people who use the subway knew it. The subway patrons simply have been taking a chance,—a tremendous chance,—that they would not be the ones to suffer when the inevitable should occur.

Steel cars and the concrete walls of the tube are no guarantee against disaster. They, perhaps,

were responsible for the horror of this morning not having occurred long ago, but there was always the danger that a small flash of flame or puff of smoke from a burned-out fuse would start a panic which might result in death in the subway into which human beings are crowded two times a day as closely as it is possible to pack them.

The subway patrons knew this. THEY HAVE HAD TO TAKE THE DAILY RISK. The business the second floor of the Court House concerns of downtown New York with its skyscrapers, many of which individually hold thousands of persons, so crowd the narrow island that it is impossible for all the workers to get to their places by screamed as he interrogated an office of employment without using the subway. Their caller. The "drunk" was addressing a of employment without using the subway. Their daily bread depends on it and they HAVE TO TAKE THE CHANCE.

The surface cars run too slowly to carry people from five to ten miles to their work in Lower Man- as he brushed by. The "rummy" made WIFE'S TONGUE STILL 9 YEARS hattan. The "L" lines, though faster than the sur- for the back stairway as fast as he face cars, do not afford sufficient accommodations to haul the great throngs each day. Only the sub-

to haul the great throngs each day. Only the subway is left for hundreds of thousands of workers. They have to use it simply because the terrible congestion of traffic in New York leaves them no other course.

The congestion is growing daily by leaps and bounds as the number of people employed in the downtown skyscrapers grows. More subways are being built but nothing like fast enough to meet the growing demand, and until the subways are multiplied sufficiently to make their operation safe by limiting the number of trains and the number of passengers to a train, and until the stations are made sufficiently large to handle the crowds without herefully large to handle full large large large large large large large. New York, Jan. 6.—The fact that Chester I. Richards, a wholesal out herding them worse than any cattle are herded, New York will be in constant danger of a repetition of the disaster of this morning, in which, luck- ding and wood and the old flint tender ily, the death toll was small.

### GETTING HARD ON SHOPLIFTERS

The shoplifters seem to be having difficulties these days in getting away with the goods in New these days in getting away with the goods in New York City. Department store detectives assert that during the past year their vigilance was too much for the men, women and young girls engaging in recognized the noble work of this sofor the men, women and young girls engaging in recognized the noble work of this sothieving expeditions, and that the number of shoplifters has diminished considerably, especially the of \$10,000. Then the government or-

number of professionals.

The great trouble now appears to be with the amateurs who, for the most part, do not steal from necessity. Kleptomaniacs, the persons who pilfer merely because of insane desires to do so and not because of the value attached to the objects of theft, are hard to deal with, because they are in many cases persons of means and when caught make passionate appeals to be permitted to pay make passionate appeals to be permitted to pay for the goods found on them and to be released:

That no more than one shoplifter out of every That no more than one shoplifter out of every ten caught actually steals from necessity is the experience of the detectives. The other nine carry on their work because of some strange fascination which it has for them. When caught they generate the courts are thousand stations on dark and lonely shores and exchange brass cheeks and bring these cheeks to the county treasurer \$22.27, and the which it has for them. When caught they generate the courts are thousand stations as evidence that these that the carried the case into the carried the carried the carried the case into the carried the stations and stations and stations are the administrator is ready to pay over the administrator is ready to pay over the courts. The stations are the carried to so that these that the carried to so that the carried the carried the carried to so that these that the carried to so that the carried to so the carried to so that the carried the carried to so that the carried the carried to so that the carrie which it has for them. When caught they generally have a great deal more money with them than

Department store heads have been rather lenient patrol, unless he was halted by a case sioner with kleptomaniaes,-especially with the wealthy ones who have social positions to maintain,-but a new policy has been announced for the coming year. The warning has been issued that no kindly consideration will be shown to shoplifters eaught hereafter, whether they be professionals or amateurs, with or without social positions.

When men and women on whose persons stolen articles are found are turned over to the law with ten thousand hero stories. In 1912 no distinctions made, and prosecuted if for nothing more than the theft of a paper of pins, there may be some hope of checking the kleptomaniaes who continue to cause trouble after the professionals begin to fall off.

Can't the Front street fill problem be solved by utilizing the discarded Christmas trees now decorating the vacant

Perhaps Dr. Brumbaugh could restore peace in Europe. He had no difficulty doing it among the five candidates

Mayor Mitchell, of New York, says the men of the police Some of the New York crooks seem also to be contented

Sunday says he has the devil on the run in Philadelphia.

Sunday says he has the devil on the run in Philadelphia.

Sunday says was an optimist, but perhaps he doesn't know how strongly His Satanic Majesty is entrenched there.

With your stomach—the noblest of all our physical organs.

Just imagine yourself devoting hours of ceaseless work to the digestion of a meal which you cannot digest because of wrongful ingredients living here.

LYKENS VALLEY COAL SHIP the shipment of coal over the mit Branch Railroad for the weeking December 31, 1914, together

After the smoke of battle blew away the five candidates for the Speakership had a group photograph taken just to show how harmonious everything had become. Have the defeated candidates so soon forgotten what some of them said about the "Philadelphia contractor bosses?".

## TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

An ideal husband is one who remains unconscious of the fact that his wife is growing stout .- Topeka Capital.

## FINANCIAL NOTE

The calendars that are pouring in are all pretty, but so far not one we have received indicates more than fifty-two pay-days during 1915 .- Houston Post.

CAUTIOUS "Waiter! Vienna steak, please!" "'Ush, sir, we calls 'em Petrograd patties now, sir?"-

## NO ROMANCE IN THE TRENCHES

"So Lady Gladys is back from the front?" 'Yes, she couldn't find anybody interesting or romantic to nurse."Pittsburgh Post.

## THE DIFFERENCE

Teacher-"What is the difference between militarism and militanev?" Pupil-"Militancy is the feminine of militarism!"-

## REALLY

"Ah, my day is spoiled. I came off without my eigarettes."

"Algernon will let you have some of his." "Dear me! I can't smoke cigarettes with another fellah's monogram on them."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

## Tongue-End Topics

Failed to Scare the Court House I'll blow the darn thing down

That's me, every inch of me. See!"
The speaker was a "drunk" who was wandering through the corridor on the other day and in his boisterou spirit thought he could scare Court

man of powerful stature, a muscular dividual who could have crushed his

would-be adversary in a moment.
"Yes you're a hard guy," he replied

### Life Saving 120 Years Ago

the seven seas. At first if the wrecked and half frozen sailors was lucky last summer. The detectives sent for Mrs. Richards and the party forced the door of a room, after which Mrs. Richarding and wood and the old flint tender to kindle a fire. This new haven of refuge lacked only the voice of a human brother to welcome him, It was on the start of the season of t a stormy March night in 1807, that with me. the first life boat on the American ciety by granting it an appropriation ganized a small service of its own on

periods coasts in the work in a fore her death, behold the scope of the work in a fore her death.

Relatives sought to obtain the estate.

Relatives sought to obtain the courts. The patrolled the coast. Never has one of these faithful servants failed to come these faithful servants failed to come back promptly with the check of the patrol, unless he was haited by a case of distress and even then his fellow figures given out at police headquarters of men give their lives to the devouring sea to save the life and millions of property. There are now 290 stations on the sea and lake coasts of the United States. There are men in the service of the campaign was 1,950, of which 947 resulting pending. The campaign was under the ed States. There are men in the service that have saved as many as 30 lives and literally every man in the service squad. has been an actor in one or more of its rescue service was rendered to 1,671 vessels carrying 6,800 passengers, the total value of these vessels and their cargoes being \$11,000,000.

## If You Could Only Be a Stomach

You'd Go to Bed Rather Sore at the Work You'd Have to Do

Pancy a master that works a horse so long, without rest, that the poor old beast at last has to go to a bone pile. Fancy yourself doing the same thing with your stomach—the noblest of all

pairment of your stomach but of all

pairment of your stomach but of all digestive organs as well?
Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets go into your stomach just like food. They are so powerful in health giving qualities that almost instantly the work of digestion is improved. They ease up-the stomach's work. They go into the blood and balance it perfectly. Thus, when the stomach calls for new juices at your next meal you are able to furnish them. Your common sense will tell you that so great an aid to digestion as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets could not be in every drug store, unless demanded after trial by all clases of stomach sufferers.

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No more are they a doubtful quality.

They have passed a rigid examination by all manner of stomach and digestive tests, and they have been awarded the diploma of American patronage. Their's

diploma of American patronage. Their's has been the practical test. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are for sale at all druggists at 50c a box. Send coupon below to-day and we will at once send you by mail a sam-

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in the Back

Under Same Roof With Husband, but Never Spoke

Justice Goff appointed William Ar-

## \$22.27 LEFT OF \$2.600 ESTATE

Eig Increase in Drug Arrests pending. The campaign was under the personal supervision of Secretary Guy personal supervision of Secretary Guy Scull and prosecuted by a special drug squad.

## MERCHANT MISSING A WEEK

E. A. Reincke of Wall Street Firm May

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Be Victim of War
Tarrytown, N. Y., Jan, 6.—The police learned yesterday of the disappearance of E. A. Reincke, 57 years old, of
16 South Broadway, Tarrytown, a
member of Gravenhorst & Co., commission merchants of 90 Wall street, New
York City. Nothing has been heard
of him since December 30, when he
left his home to board the 8.30 train
from Tarrytown for New York.
Members of his family fear that Mr.
Reincke is a victim of aphasia or that
his mind has become affected over the

his mind has become affected over the war. Financial difficulties are not believed to have been responsible for his disappearance, as it is said that just before the war he made \$25,000 in a business deal. Mr. Reincke has a wife and three daughters living here.

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## Scranton Gets Tri-State Infielder

Scranton, Jan. 6.—Manager Bill Coughlin, of the local New York State Coughin, of the local New York State League team, and Hugh Jennings, leader of the Detroit Tigers, of the American League, held a conference here, and as a result, Jennings agreed to turn over to the Miner pilot, Infielder Sharp, and a pitcher named Balzel, who was drafted from one of the Eastern Association teams by the Tweezs Sharp, is ciation teams by the Tigers. Sharp is mington team, of the Tri-State League, and he was also grabbed up in the draft by Jennings. The latter thinks that the youth needs more development before being ripe for big league service and has consented to turn him over for instruction to Couching struction to Coughlin.

Mr. Brubaker Again Under Knife'
Daniel W. Brubaker, messenger at
the Attorney General's Department,
who has been very ill for some time
with gangrene of the left foot at his
home, 1101½ Capital street, was said
to-day to be improving. On New Year's
day Mr. Brubaker submitted to the amputation of another toe, the third that
had to be removed to stay the progress
of the disease, and it is thought now
that there will be no necessity for further amputations. Mr. Brubaker Again Under Knife

There's many a good bit o' worldone with a sad heart.—George Eliot.

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Body Brussels Carpets, \$1.60 per yard; now \$1.35
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At Victoria Theatre Thursday

## THE SONGS OF OTHER DAYS

Selected By J. HOWARD WERT

## "The Rusty Sword"

In a little roadside cottage, half hid by shrubs and vines, A woman, old and feeble, on a faded couch reclines; Her face is sweet, but sorrow has left its imprint there And her voice tells not the burden that her God hath bid her bear,

As I drink the limpid water from the homely, dripping gourd, I note on the wall before me a naked, rusty sword; I glance at the aged woman, and speaking she bows her head. Twas worn by a gallant soldier, for many a long year dead.

One day, sir, I was looking where the road winds over there, Wishing the war was over and breathing a mother's prayer—
I saw a wagon coming, and soldiers, all moving slow;
They were bringing my boy home, sir, wounded—ah! it's many a year ago

I buried him there by the willows as you pass you can see his grave. Oh, stranger, my child was a comfort, but his heart it was strong and brave, Watching the pearls drop downward over her aged face, I mount, and I ride in silence away from the lonely place.

But now I have reached the willows and I leap to the shady ground, I gather some wayside flowers to throw on his mossy mound; I care not if Grant has led him, nor if he has fought with Lee; I am an American soldier—and so was he.

## "Alice, Where Art Thou"

The birds sleeping gently, sweet Lyra gleameth bright; Her rays tinge the forest, and all seems glad to-night; The winds sighing by me, cooling my fevered brow; The stream flows as ever, yet; Alice, where art thou? One year back this even', and thou went by my side, vo one year back this even', and thou wast by my side, vo year back this even', and thou wast by my side, yowing to love me. Alice, what e'er betide. One year back this even, and thou wast by my side, Vowing to love me, Alice, what e'er betide.

The silver rain falling, just as it falleth now,
And all things slept gently, ah, Alice, where art thou?
I've sought thee by lakelet, I've sought thee on the hill.
And in the pleasant wildwood, where winds blew cold and chill;
I've sought thee in the forest, I'm looking heavenward now,
I'm looking heavenward now, oh! there mid the starshine:
I've sought thee in the forest, I'm looking heavenward now,
Oh, there mid the starshine, Alice I know art thou.

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