

The nomination of Mr. Delamater upon the Republican ticket for Governor may be regarded as equivalent to a fixed fact.

QUAY once wrote to General Beaver, then a candidate for Governor: "Dear Beaver, don't talk." Matthew S. seems to be taking that advice to himself just now.

THERE was a time, thirty or forty years ago, when mesmerism, so called, was denounced by scientific men as mere charlatanism and unworthy of serious attention. Of late, however, under the new name of hypnotism, it is again attracting much attention, and is receiving the careful investigation of the men of science.

THE McKinley tariff bill was passed by the House of Representatives recently by a vote of 162 to 142. It was very nearly a strict party vote, but the Democratic side made no special effort to get out their full vote.

What course the bill will take in the Senate is still a subject of conjecture only, but it is believed that the details of the bill will be so greatly changed that its own framers will hardly recognize it.

BASE BALL'S DECLINE.

Philadelphia North American. What's the matter with base ball this year? That's the question which people who have a professional or financial interest in the subject are anxiously asking each other, and to which they seem unable to give a satisfactory answer.

ONE YEAR AGO.

To-day is the first anniversary of the great flood. The day will be observed by our people in a quiet way. It brings up many sad memories to thousands of people even outside of the Conemaugh Valley.

The many incidents that have occurred since that fearful calamity we have chronicled from day to day; the building up of the waste places, and the general progress that has been made to restore Johnstown have been noted.

The remains of our former citizens are still being found and are carefully being taken to places of rest. Time, that greatest healer of our sorrows, is giving to our people their old time look and energy, and our city is recovering from the great disaster. Our people have confidence and courage, and Johnstown will be built up better and greater than it was before the fatal day one year ago when our loved ones were swept away.

THE JURY VISITS JOHNSTOWN.

The Jurors in the Case of Tarbell vs. the Pennsylvania Company Come to Inspect the Scene of the Disaster.

The case of Farney S. Tarbell against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company was put on trial before Judge White in the Pittsburgh Court of Common Pleas No. 2 yesterday morning.

The plaintiff lost his wife and three children in the Johnstown flood. They were passengers in the ill-starred Day Express, and Mr. Tarbell, who claims that the Company was warned several times of the approach of the flood, but nevertheless negligently allowed the train to stand in a perilous position, as \$50,000 damages.

By agreement of Marshall & Imbrie, counsel for the plaintiff, and Hampton, Scott & Gordon, counsel for the railroad company, the jurors were brought to Johnstown yesterday afternoon on a special train. The case will last over a week, each side will probably have at least one hundred witnesses, and it is thought that after a personal inspection of the scene of the disaster the jurors would be enabled to get a much clearer comprehension of the testimony.

The case is a test one, and upon its conclusion are hanging numerous questions of a like nature.

Gen. Fremont's Old Age.

Philadelphia Telegraph's Washington Letter. I called on Gen. John C. Fremont the other evening and had a pleasant talk of half an hour or more. When I entered the drawing-room I saw a white haired man seated in an easy chair in the recess of the window. In the twilight he looked like a man advanced in years and feeble.

Peculiar Suicide.

John Geiger, aged thirty five years, hanged himself on Saturday night in the orchard of his employer, Alphonse Rollinger, about two miles from the Allegheny City line. Geiger was a farm hand and gardener. He has been harmlessly insane on the subject of religion for several years, and those who knew him well were accustomed to hear him saying he could hear the angels calling him.

Kisses by Mail.

The young postmaster of an eastern village was hard at work in his office when a gentle tap was heard upon the door and in stepped a blushing maiden of sixteen with a money order which she desired cashed.

Still on Deck.

The report originated through one of the Ebensburg papers that Col. John S. Miller, proprietor of the Blair House, had sold out. Now Col. Miller comes out in the News and says it isn't true and that the patrons of that house will find him in charge as usual and ready to make them comfortable.

Steady employment, on salary, is offered in another column, by E. C. Peirson & Co., Waterloo, N. Y.

FELL DOWN STAIRS.

Death of a Man in the Ninth Ward Sunday from that Cause—Some Form of Paralysis Probably Led to It.

A sad accident took place on Devlin street, in the Ninth ward, yesterday about noon, resulting in the death of Mr. John Nather. The particulars are about as follows:

About 11 o'clock in the forenoon Mr. Nather went up-stairs for the purpose of taking a rest upon his bed. At noon Mrs. Nather, having dinner prepared, called him to come down. A few minutes later she opened the stair door to see whether he was coming. She saw him at the head of the stairs acting in a very peculiar manner, evidently making great effort to keep on his feet.

Mr. Nather was a native of Austria, having been born in that country, near the Prussian border, June 17, 1827. He was therefore almost sixty-three years of age. He came to this country, bringing with him his family in October, 1880. He has lived in Johnstown ever since. He was first employed at the blast furnace, later at the wire mill. The last three years he worked at the Gaultier Works.

The deceased is survived by his wife and four children—one son and three daughters. The children are all married.

The funeral will take place to-morrow morning. A requiem mass will be celebrated in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, after which the remains will be interred in Sandviale.

At the Wrong House.

Chicago Tribune. "I beg your pardon," he said, "as a woman came to the door in answer to his knock. I am looking for a man with a harelip and a wooden leg named Johnson."

"Is it his wooden leg that is named Johnson, or are his harelip and wooden leg both named Johnson?" she demanded.

"I didn't mean, of course, that his wooden leg was named Johnson, I—"

"Then what did you say so for?"

"Permit me to explain, madam. I was only—"

"I haven't asked you for any explanation, have I?"

"Certainly not. My object in trying to find out—"

"Have I asked you to state why you are trying to find out anything?"

"Of course not, madam, but being a stranger in the neighborhood—"

"Do you mean that I am a stranger?"

"No, certainly not. I—I—good morning, madam."

He paused a moment when safely outside the front gate to mop the perspiration from his face, and then started on down the street.

"If I ever tackle a red-headed woman with a coil on her nose for information again," he said to himself, "may I be essentially dog-gone!"

A POLICEMAN HELD.

On a Charge of Aggravated Assault and Battery.

PITTSBURGH, June 2.—Police Officer John Adley was arrested this morning on a warrant issued from Alderman McMaster's office. The charge against him is aggravated assault and battery, preferred by an old gentleman named George W. Mashey.

In his information Mashey alleges that on May 28th the accused beat, choked, and struck him and placed him under arrest without cause. Officer Adley was held for a hearing Wednesday at 3 p. m.

Starvation Cases in London.

LONDON, June 2.—The frequent instances of starvation in London have at length compelled the slow attention of the Government and an official inquiry is being made for the benefit of Parliament into some cases of recent occurrence. One of these was that of Agnes Nicholls a young married woman with a child, who was arraigned for the theft of a table cloth, a blanket and two towels from a furnished room in which she lived with her husband. It appeared that she had been without food for four days at the time of the theft and she pawned the goods for three shillings to get food for herself and babe. The magistrate found her guilty, and discharged her on her promise to appear again if called upon.

The "Carrolltown News" Changes Hands.

Editor Creery, of the Carrolltown News, has sold that paper, and in last week's issue prints his valedictory. The paper has been purchased by Mr. T. W. Letts, formerly proprietor of the Saturday Sentinel, Penfield, Pa., who will assume charge at once.

Narrow Escapes.

WEST NEWTON, Pa., June 2.—An exciting runaway occurred here Saturday evening. James Secrist, his son Willie, and a young son of Rev. Ashee Pere were in a horse cart on Church street, when their horse became frightened and dashed down the street at a terrible speed. Mr. Secrist was thrown out of the cart backwards, receiving several slight injuries; but the boys held to the cart until the horse was stopped in front of Dick's bank. How they kept in the cart is remarkable. Every spoke of one wheel was broken close to the hub, and the cart was otherwise broken by being dashed against buildings, lamp-posts, etc.

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ONE YEAR AFTER.

HOW JOHNSTOWN REMEMBERED THE VICTIMS OF THE FLOOD.

The Observances by the Various Churches and Other Organizations—The Solemn Scene in Grand View—Evidences of Mourning.

Saturday morning found many of the buildings in Johnstown draped in mourning. No one here needed to be told why. Everybody was thinking of the day a year before. Among the buildings most conspicuously displaying the emblems of mourning were Swank Hardware Company's building, Eltracht Hall, Fritz House, John Emmerling's House, James Bros.' Hotel, Louis Wehn's building, Young's jewelry store, Mrs. Emil Young's new building, and perhaps a few others.

At St. John's, St. Joseph's and St. Columba's Catholic Churches, large numbers of the members were present at the services in the morning. A high mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's this morning, at St. Mary's Church Father Trautwein will celebrate mass this morning and the congregation will go to the cemetery where there will be further ceremonies.

At Hansman's Hall on Bedford street, now used as the German Lutheran Church a large congregation assembled at 10:30 on Saturday to participate in the memorial exercises. The pastor, Rev. Paul Glasgow, officiated.

Soon after noon hundreds of people began to wend their way to Grand View. The stream continued until 3 o'clock. Carriages and buggies almost without number lined the way up the long ascent.

When once there the scene was solemn and impressive. The flower-bedecked graves, besides marking the resting places of flood victims, told the tale of the kind hands and warm hearts that had cared for them. Though gone, the dead were not forgotten. On some green plots were "Father," "Mother," or both, with perhaps several fresh mounds between them. Near by you might see "Husband," "Wife," "Mary," or some other name, telling the story of the disaster a year ago. The afternoon was delightful. The May sun streaming through the straggling clouds and over the mounds strewn with flowers and the great plot of the "unknown," set with the eight hundred white headmarks, together with the vast assemblage of people, produced an effect of which no adequate description could be given. The world certainly has never before witnessed the like.

At 3 o'clock the procession, headed by the Mineral City Band, arrived in the cemetery and marched to the south side of the "unknown" plot. The Seventh Ward Band brought up the rear and marched to the north side of the plot. Both rendered appropriate music.

The exercises were begun by a prayer by Rev. W. H. Bates, of the Reformed Church. Dr. Beale then delivered his address in sharp, clear tones that could be heard to a great distance in the immense throng. He referred briefly to the flood, but spoke more at length on the great work done after the disaster and of the work yet to be done. He urged the people to have hope and firm resolution. The subject of the number of the lost was discussed, the Doctor putting the number at about 3,000.

Dr. Chapman then spoke. His remarks touched briefly on the flood, the various scenes that followed, and of the world's great charity that came to our relief, as well as the clarity of the various church and other organizations that saved the helping hand to their members.

Rev. Father Tabaney was the last speaker. He spoke briefly of how so many had such narrow escapes and of how the people were dazed. He referred to his meeting Mr. A. J. Moxham on Adam street the next morning when the latter suggested the organization which afterward did so much good work. He concluded with a prayer, reciting the Lord's Prayer and pronouncing the benediction.

Dr. Beale then suggested that as the very moment at which they had been speaking was the hour, a year ago, when their friends were struggling in the torrent, those present give themselves a few moments, to silent prayer. With a few remarks the ceremonies were over.

The great crowd then began to make its way city-ward. It is thought that between 2,000 and 4,000 people were in the cemetery during the afternoon.

On Saturday evening appropriate memorial exercises were held by the Mystic Chain in the Luther Church, Rev. Connors, of the Christian Church officiating.

Yesterday forenoon at 10:30 the Knights of Pythias attended in a body the First M. E. Church, where to them and the large audience Dr. Chapman delivered an appropriate sermon.

At the evening services yesterday Rev. M. L. Weaver, of the Trinity Evangelical Church, delivered a Memorial sermon to a large congregation.

The Memorial services of the Young Men's Christian Association and the Ladies' Auxiliary, were held, as announced, in the First Lutheran Church, Franklin street, yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Twelve hundred people were present, while many were turned away for want of seating room.

Some of the other churches also held Memorial services, and yesterday to the minds of many of the people, were recurring the recollections of the scenes a year ago. And thus, with our people, ended the first and begun the second year after the great Johnstown flood.

DECIDED UP IN MAINE.

Supreme Court Unanimous on Original Packages.

AUGUSTA, ME., June 1.—The justices of the Supreme Court rendered a decision yesterday in the Burns original package case. In the Court below the ruling at the trial was against Burns and his exceptions to the rulings are sustained. The decision is in accordance with the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States Court, the cases here and the cases in Iowa being precisely alike. The Court says it is bound by the decisions of the United States court on such constitutional questions. The opinion, drawn by Chief Justice Peters and concurred in by all the other judges sitting, says:

"The undisputed evidence in this case shows that the liquors which the State claims to confiscate as being in the possession of the respondent Burns for unlawful sale were imported by him, were his property, were in the original and unbroken packages and in the same condition as when imported, and at the date of the seizure he had them in his possession with the intent to sell the same only in such original and unbroken packages and in the same condition as when imported, and had established himself in business in Augusta for that purpose. But the case of Gus Leisy et al. vs. Harbin, just decided by the Supreme Court of the United States, on full consideration seems to settle the question and to require us, as we are bound on such questions by law as determined by that court, to reverse the rulings below and sustain the law according to the respondent's contention."

"The opinion of a minority of the judges sitting in the case appears to be very elaborate and exhaustive of the question involved and may commend itself to many as containing the better conclusion. Our obedience is due, however, to the judgment which prevails, not that our statute is unconstitutional, for it prohibits only the 'unlawful sale' of intoxicating liquors, but that its interpretations must be constitutional."

Veterans of the Civil War.

As a part of the census of the people to be taken during the month of June special provisions has been made by Congress for ascertaining the names of surviving soldiers, sailors and marines who were mustered into the service of the United States during the war of the rebellion, and of the widows of soldiers, sailors and marines who have died. In connection with this special census of veterans the organization or vessel in which they served, the term of service in each case, and present residence will be taken by the census enumerators. In the case of widows, information regarding the service of their deceased husband is also required.

The importance of accurate statements concerning the military record of each participant in the late war should not be underestimated. It should be the duty, moreover, of every veteran soldier or sailor to see that the enumerator is placed in possession of the necessary information concerning his own service. If he cannot be at home when the enumerator calls he should leave a proper memorandum in the hands of his wife or other member of the household, so that the work of the census may not be delayed, and also that there may be no doubt as to the accuracy of the statements concerning his service which may be given to the census enumerators. That there may be no question as to the points to be covered by this memoranda, it may be well to state that the special inquiries to be made concerning veterans of the civil war include the name, the company, and the regiment or vessel in which they served, their late rank, the dates of enlistment and discharge, the length of service in years, months and days, and their present postoffice address. Where a soldier or a sailor re-enlisted or served in more than one organization or vessel, he should be very careful to give the term of service in each instance, and to cover each enlistment. In giving the organization care should be taken to distinguish the arm of the service, as infantry, cavalry, artillery, etc., and if a person served under an assumed name, his statement should be made to cover both the name under which he served and the true name by which he is now known.

Veterans of the war generally will recognize and appreciate the value of this special census to them, and they should and the census enumerators in getting true statements in every way possible. Without their co-operation correct results cannot be reached. This personal appeal is made to them, therefore, in the hope that their attention may be specially directed to the importance of this work and the necessary information may be promptly supplied to the census enumerator when he calls some time during the month of June.

\$10,000 for a Death.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., June 2.—Suit has been commenced against the Pittsburgh and Western Railroad by the representatives of Thomas Sterling to recover \$10,000 for his death. Sterling held a lucrative position at the Andrews rolling mills in Haseltin, and while crossing the track, was killed. Negligence is charged by reason of the Company keeping no flagging man at the crossing. Sterling was earning \$7 a day at the time of his death, and left a large family.

Suicide of a Millionaire.

MARINETTE, Wis., June 2.—O. C. Brown, a millionaire banker of this city, committed suicide to-day by shooting himself. He had been ill, and was temporarily insane.

SCHOOL CONTROLLERS.

The Board Organized Last Night—Mr. P. Connelly, of the Fourteenth Ward, Elected President, and Mr. David J. Jones, of the First Ward, Elected Secretary.

The Board of School Controllers of the City of Johnstown was organized last evening in the room on Franklin street, occupied for a number of years as the office of the Superintendent of the Schools of Johnstown. Following are the names of the Controllers:

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| Wds. Democrats. | Wds. Republicans. |
| III. L. D. Woodruff. | I. D. J. Jones. |
| VII. John Von Ait. | H. T. E. Morgan. |
| IX. John Carroll. | IV. John Penary. |
| X. Michael Murray. | V. Fred Krebs. |
| XI. Karl Stahl. | VI. Geo. Neillinger. |
| XII. David Barry. | VIII. H. F. Horner. |
| XIV. P. Connelly. | XIII. James Thomas. |
| XV. R. H. Bridges. | |
| XVI. Paul Mckernan. | |
| Democrats, 9. | Republicans, 7. |

In the Third ward a contest was raised. L. D. Woodruff presented a certificate of election, signed by the election officers of that ward, and Dr. J. J. Fronheiser presented a paper signed by Prothonotary Jas. C. Darby. After some discussion L. D. Woodruff's certificate was accepted, and he was declared a member of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Von Ait, the Controllers proceeded to elect permanent officers, as follows: Mr. P. Connelly, of the Fourteenth Ward, President, and Mr. David J. Jones, of the First Ward, Secretary.

L. D. Woodruff moved that a committee of three be appointed to recommend the amount of the salary of the secretary. Mr. F. Krebs amended, which was accepted, that the salaries of the Treasurer and Controller be included. The motion was agreed to and Messrs. Krebs, Bridges, and Morgan were appointed said committee.

The bond of the Treasurer was fixed at \$100,000, and the City Controller's at \$5,000.

A committee, selected at a former consultation of the Controllers, to rent a room for the meetings of the Board, was continued.

The President was requested to announce the standing committees at next meeting.

There being no further business the Board adjourned to meet at the same place, on Monday evening, June 15th.

AT THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Memorial Services Held There on Sunday Evening.

As a further supplement to our article of yesterday in reference to the memorial services held by the different churches we have been furnished with the following from the First Presbyterian Church, of which Rev. Dr. Beale is pastor:

The memorial services took the place of the regular Sunday evening service and were of a very impressive character. There were, all told, sixty-nine members of the church drowned. They were all recovered and identified except Mrs. Jane Bridges. The Doctor in his remarks referred most feelingly to the fact that on the Sabbath previous, May 26th, all, or nearly all, had been in their accustomed seat and heard him preach. On the following Sabbath, June 2d, many of their bodies having been recovered, he, with much difficulty, had their cold bodies brought into the church, that they might be prepared for consignment to the tomb, their spirits having returned to the God that made them. Prominent among the list we would mention: Mr. John S. Buchanan and wife, Professor C. F. Gallaher and wife, Mrs. Jane Bridges, whose body has not been recovered, Mr. John G. Alexander and wife. Mr. Alexander was an Elder of the church, Superintendent of the Sabbath School, and President of the Young Men's Christian Association. Mr. Alexander was one of the most active members of the church and he and his wife both occupied places in church and society that will be hard to fill. Mr. Alexander's mother was also a victim. There were also Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Craig, Scotch people, who by their strict integrity and Christian virtues commanded the love and respect of all good people. Mr. John Dibert, and Mr. Howard J. Roberts, from the prominent places they had held in the business world, are of those who will be the most missed in the re-habilitation of the new city. Miss Augusta Linton, niece of Colonel John L. Linton, who by her many amiable and lovely characteristics, had hosts of friends, leaves a vacancy among the younger people that cannot be filled.

If time and space would permit, we would like to refer to the many others, of whom the Doctor spoke most feelingly; his words of consolation to the living, whose hearts were heavy with the burden of their sorrow, were of the most encouraging character, leading their minds up to that source from whence perfect peace and happiness will come when the trials and troubles of this life shall have ended.

We remarked the absence of Mrs. W. H. Rose, one of the most active members of the church, who was detained at the bedside of her husband, our Mayor, who is still suffering from the effects of the flood.

He was Homesick.

GREENSBURG, Pa., June 2.—Samuel Shober, whose parents live at Reamstown, Lancaster county, while attempting to board a freight train at Penn, yesterday, fell under the cars and had his right arm smashed the entire length. He had been West, and became homesick. When he reached Pittsburgh his money gave out and he undertook to deadhead his way home. His parents are wealthy.