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The Monroe Doctrine and Schomburgk line are the all-engrossing subjects of the day. There can be no question regarding the

New England Piano

Because our customers (the arbitration committee) decided long ago in its favor, conceding every claim for durability, richness of tone, and beauty of finish.

65,000 IN DAILY USE

SOLD ON EASY TERMS.

J. P. Williams & Son, S. Main St.

BARGAINS THIS WEEK!

TWO CASES RENFREW DRESS GINGHAMS, light, medium and dark plaids, regular price 12 1/2c per yard, our price, 6c per yard. No such bargain was ever before offered in Schuylkill county.

LADIES' KID GLOVES in black, tan and brown, worth \$1.00, at 75c; better goods at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 per pair.

FIFTY PIECES JUST RECEIVED, BLACK AND COLORED HENRIETTAS, 45 inches wide, heavy material and fine lustre, 50c, would be cheap at 90c.

We have added to our stock a LARGE LINE OF CARPETS, in Ingrain, Tapestry and body Brussels, Moquette and Velvets. It will be to your benefit to look through this line as you will find the prices very cutting. See our line of children's ready-made dresses. We handle Buttericks' paper patterns.

P. J. GAUGHAN, - 27 N. Main St.

THIS IS OUR EYE OPENER!

Special Drive in Ladies' Footwear!

Our Spring Line of Ladies' Shoes is being increased every day. Takes in everything good and attractive in the market.

OUR SPECIALTY SHOE.

We are making a drive in the Waverly ladies' shoe. 300 pair will be sold at \$2 a pair. Regular price is \$2.50. This may be the last of this line this season. We have them in C, D, E, EE widths. No better shoe is made for the money.

JOSEPH BALL, 14 S. MAIN STREET, SHENANDOAH.

General Agent for the Snag Proof Duck Boot.

EASTER GREETINGS.

... Spring Novelties In

Dress Goods and Trimmings.

EW CARPETS—Rugs, Tapestry and Chenille Curtains.

Special Bargains in Window Shades at 49c.

J. PRICE'S, North Main St., Shenandoah, Pa.



ALFRED F. MORGAN.

A SHOE TALE

Alfred F. Morgan, No. 11 W. Oak Street.

A MURDERER'S ROMANCE!

H. H. Holmes Writes Calmly of His Many Crimes.

A VERY IMPROBABLE STATEMENT

The Condemned Man Evidently Determined to Pose as a Greater Scoundrel Than He Really Is—His Story of the Pitezel Family Murders.

PHILADELPHIA, April 13.—The published "confession" of Herman Mudgett, alias H. H. Holmes, who is to be hanged in this city on May 7 for the murder of Benjamin F. Pitezel, is not generally credited. But the statement arouses great interest from the masterly manner in which it is written, and the calm, cool deliberation in which he explains how he took the lives of twenty-seven people, and was only prevented from carrying out six other murders because his plans were interfered with. He admits the murder of Pitezel and the three Pitezel children, of Minnie and Nannie Williams, and of Mrs. Julia Connor and her little daughter Pearl, and details at length the killing of nineteen other people. The names of some of his victims, he claims, he cannot remember, which makes it evident that the arch-criminal has been remanaging for the benefit of the newspaper syndicate which has paid a small fortune for the alleged confession. Regarding the murder of Pitezel, for which he is to suffer the death penalty, he says:

"I went to the house, quietly unlocked the door and stole noiselessly within and to the second story room, where I found him insensibly drunk, as I had expected. It was necessary for me to kill him in such a manner that no struggle or movement of his body should occur, otherwise his clothing being in any way displaced it would have been impossible to again put them in a normal condition. I overcame this difficulty by first binding him hand and foot, and having done this I proceeded to burn him alive by saturating his clothing and his face with benzine and lighting it with a match.

"So horrible was this torture that in writing of it I have been tempted to attribute his death to some more humane means—not with a wish to spare myself, but because I felt that it will not be believed that one could be so heartless and depraved, but such a course would be useless, for the authorities have determined that his death could only have occurred in this manner, no blows or bruises upon his body and no drug administered, save chloroform, which was not placed in his stomach until at least thirty minutes after his death, and to now make a misstatement of the facts would only serve to draw out additional criticism from them.

"The least I can do is to spare my reader a recital of the victim's cries for mercy, his prayers and finally his plea for a more speedy termination of his sufferings, all of which upon me had no effect. Finally, when he was dead I removed the straps and ropes that had bound him and extinguished the flames and a little later poured into his stomach one and one-half ounces of chloroform."

The monster details the murder of Irvington, Ind., of little Howard Pitezel, whom he killed by poison, which he gave the boy as medicine, and says:

"As soon as he had ceased to breathe I cut his body into pieces that would pass through the door of the stove, and by the combined use of gas and cornucops proceeded to burn it with as little feeling as though it had been some inanimate object. If I could now recall one circumstance, a dollar of money to be gained, a disagreeable act or word upon his part, in justification of this horrid crime, it would be a satisfaction to me; but I think that I committed this and other crimes for the pleasure of killing my fellow beings, to hear their cries for mercy and pleas to be allowed even sufficient time to pray and prepare for death—all this is now too horrible for even me, hardened criminal that I am, to again live over without a shudder."

Regarding the murder of Alice and Nellie Pitezel, at Toronto, he writes:

"I now, with much reluctance, come to the discussion of the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh murders. The victims were Alice and Nellie Pitezel, whose deaths will seem to many to be the saddest of all, both on account of the terribly senseless manner in which it was accomplished, and because in one instance, that of Alice, the eldest of these children, her death was the least of the wrongs suffered at my hands. Here again I am tempted to either pass the matter by without speaking of it, or to altogether deny it, but to what purpose? It is publicly known, and was freely commented upon at my trial, and to deny it now would only serve the double purpose of breaking my resolution to hold nothing in reserve, and of causing many who are somewhat familiar with the details of the different cases to disbelieve me in other matters."

Then the murderer explains with a nicety of detail how he induced the children to enter a big trunk, through the cover of which he had made a small opening. After he had put the children in the trunk, he says, he went to Mrs. Pitezel's hotel and aided her in leaving Toronto for Ogdensburg, N. Y. He proceeds:

"I again returned to the house where the children were imprisoned, and ended their lives by connecting the gas with the trunk. Then came the opening of the trunk and the viewing of their little blackened and distorted faces, then the digging of their shallow graves in the basement of the house, the ruthless stripping off of their clothing and the burial without a particle of covering save the cold earth, which I heaped upon them with fiendish delight. Consider what an awful act this was! These little innocent and helpless children, the oldest being only 13 years of age, a puny and sickly child, who to look at one would believe much younger; consider that for eight years before their death I had been almost as much a father as though they had been my own children, thus giving them a right to look to me for care and protection, and in your right-

CHILD CRUSHED BY A CAR

Accident on the Lakeside Electric Railway Saturday Night.

INTENSE EXCITEMENT CREATED!

A Mob Threatened the Conductor and Motorman With Violence and Wanted to Burn the Car—Foolhardy Action by One Man.

The mauling of a child by a car of the Lakeside Electric Railway, on East Centre street Saturday evening, almost precipitated a riot by some of the Polish and Lithuanian people of that vicinity and it is believed that only the disappearance of the motorman prevented a culmination of the outbreak. The accident occurred near Emeric street at about 6:30 o'clock. Car No. 2 was running westward. The victim was Mary, the 4 1/2 year old daughter of Charles Barufski, who keeps a grocery. The accident occurred almost immediately in front of the store. Stories as to the speed at which the car was running differ. The motorman and conductor say they were running at the speed allowed, but the people who saw the accident claim the speed was very fast, and add that repeated complaints have been made against the speed at which the cars have been run through the street.

At all events, all agree that the child was playing in the middle of the street, was knocked down and one wheel passed over the little one's left arm. The limb was cut off at the elbow so that the lower part was held to the upper by but a few shreds of muscle and was terribly crushed from the elbow up to almost the shoulder joint. The victim was carried to her home and there Drs. Hamilton, Church and Straub amputated the remainder of the arm at a point about four inches below the shoulder.

Patrick Welsh was the motorman and Michael Horrihan the conductor of the car and were taken to Justice Toomey's office immediately after the accident by Constable Gibbon. The motorman said he did not see the child until he was close to it and he could not stop the car in time to avoid the accident. While the men were in the office there was great excitement on the street, particularly on the part of the Polish and Lithuanian people. Some wanted to lynch the motorman, others wanted to tumble the car from the track, while others suggested that the car be burned. Fortunately there were cool-headed men in the crowd and they succeeded in preventing any violence. Justice Toomey, however, fully appreciated the situation and saw that there was danger in holding the men for a hearing, or even trying to get them to the lockup. The mob on the street was clamoring for the motorman. Upon brief reflection the Justice allowed the two men to go upon assurances to appear for a hearing when wanted. Welsh heeded precautionary advice and succeeded in slipping away unobserved by the crowd. After assuring himself that he could go to his car with safety Horrihan went to it and took charge as motorman.

Just before the start a big Pole under the influence of drink stepped to the center of the track and defied Horrihan to run the car. Horrihan was undaunted and started slowly. As the car reached him the Pole took hold of the front part and clambered on to the step, but in an instant fell to the ground. Although the car was running very slow and Horrihan quickly applied the brake the foolhardy man would have been crushed by the wheels had not Edward McGuinness, the expressman, pulled him away just as he struck the ground. Horrihan made the trip to the Centre street terminus and back to Maloney City in sole charge of the car and without any further molestation. Welsh got on the car at the eastern outskirts of the town and reported at the company's office. He reported off duty for the night.

It has been learned from some people who claim to be eye witnesses of the accident that it was unavoidable so far as the motorman was concerned; that to avoid being run over by a passing wagon the child ran towards the track and in front of the car. The child is still alive and the doctors say that the chances for her recovery are very good. Michael Graham, the East Centre street grocer, appears to be one of the best witnesses of the affair, yet he did not see the child until after it was under the car. He says a team was being backed in front of John Berg's store, on the north side of the street, and Walsh slackened the speed of his car at the Emeric street crossing and ran very slowly up to the place where the accident occurred. It is his impression that the motorman failed to see the child on account of his attention being fixed upon the team. Mr. Graham adds that the car did not run more than six feet after the child was struck. John W. Curtis, secretary of the Board of Health, was among the first to reach the scene and assisted in lifting the car while Walsh, the motorman, lifted and removed the child. Justice Toomey says no formal complaint has been lodged before him in the case.

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MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

Entertainment by the Guilds of All Saints Church Thursday Evening.

This entertainment, which will be given on Thursday night, the 10th inst, in Ferguson's theatre, will be of unusual merit. Those in charge and those participating in the varied numbers, have combined to arrange a most delightful evening for the lovers of home talent. Besides the well-drilled action, songs and marches and the May Pole Dance, by the girls and boys, there will be the Mandolin duets and quartets, the glees by well-trained men's voices, two dramas; and, also, for the first time, will be introduced a "Human Melodion." The program of twenty-six numbers will close with a chorus of two hundred children and grown people.

BIG BARGAINS

This week in fine negligee shirts. At the Up-to-date hat store, 13 East Centre street.

Bicycle For Two.

Portz Bros. this morning received their new tandem wheel from the Rambler Manufacturing Company. The wheel is a '96 model, with all the latest improvements and ball bearing, and can be used by both sexes. The wheel will be ridden by George and Frank Portz, who will make their first run to Tanawana as soon as the weather and roads permit.

Watson House Free Lunch.

Hot lunch to-night. Hot lunch to-morrow morning.

Mr. Preston Preached.

In consequence of illness of the pastor, Rev. Schrist, the pulpit of the English Lutheran church, on North Jardin street, was filled yesterday morning and last evening by Mr. Harry Preston.

19, 20, 25 cents and upward for window shades. A new lot just received. At C. D. Frick's carpet store.

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Broom and Dust Pan

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Room Mouldings in all the Latest Colorings.

Send to us for an estimate before you have any work done. Please state what price paper you want and we will submit samples.

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We don't handle any "snaps" to catch the unsuspecting public. Everything in this line is sold strictly on its merits and we guarantee better value for your money than you obtain elsewhere. We are the oldest established wall paper and window shade house in Shenandoah. You can fully trust such a firm.

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- Pitted Cherries, 15c per pound.
- Dried Raspberries, 25c per pound.
- Apricots, 10c and 15c per pound.
- Dried Apples, 7c and 13c per lb.
- Blackberries, 10 cents per pound.
- Mince Meat, 13 cents per pound.
- Dried Peaches, 13 cents per pound.

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