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**At KEITER'S.**

## AT THE MINERS' HOSPITAL

Victim of an Explosion Died There Last Night.

Andrew Straband, a married man 43 years of age, died at the Miners' hospital, Fountain Springs, last night from the effects of burns received in a Mahanoy City mine. James Wilson, a blacksmith of Newcast, was admitted for treatment of an injury resulting from a piece of iron running through his foot. Christmas was very enjoyably spent by many of the patients at the hospital. On Saturday evening a large tree, appropriately decorated, was displayed with illuminations and Frank Langston, of Ashland, gave a phonograph entertainment. Two of the nurses assumed Santa Claus costume and distributed gifts of candy, pipe and tobacco and socks. The dinner served on Sunday consisted of turkey, cranberry sauce, celery, mince pie and oranges.

## THE CATALEPTIC.

He Was Taken to New York To-day by His Mother.

Ludwig Kowalski, the boy cataleptic, whose condition has been the object of so much interest on the part of local members of the medical profession and others, for several days, was today taken to New York City, and will be placed in one of the hospitals in that city. The boy was attacked by catalepsy on the 18th inst, and his condition when he was removed to-day was practically the same as it was when Dr. Stein and Spalding first investigated it. After several days of communication by telegraph and mail the boy's mother was finally located in New York and she arrived here yesterday. She left town with the boy today.

**The Theatre.**  
A crowded house greeted the Myers-Layburne Company at Ferguson's theatre last night and "Kidnaped," a comedy drama with several thrilling and very amusing scenes, was presented with striking stage and scenic effects. Between the acts specialties of a very clever character were introduced. Little Irene Meyers making a great hit with her songs and changes of costumes. This clever little actress has captivated the patrons of the theatre and they are enthusiastic in their eulogies of her specialties. Miss Hattie Chew also made a hit with her rag time melodies, and Will H. Meyers singing was only appreciated. To-night the company will produce "The Miners' Wife," in which Little Irene Meyers will assume an important role entirely distinct from those in which she has heretofore appeared.

## A Camp Letter.

A letter has been received from a member of Co. F, 8th Reg. Pa. Vol., now in camp at Augusta, Ga. It was written under date of 22nd inst. by a Shenandoah private, and states: "We are pleased to let our friends in Shenandoah know that their boys are still among the living and enjoying the best of health in the rainy South. We have just passed review in the city of Augusta. The rain poured upon us but none took sick. Many of the boys are kicking because we are not allowed to have in sight any badges, not even the Sons of Veterans badge. The boys with the Shenandoah people a Happy New Year. We are going to have a balloon ascension. Our brigade had a hot battle yesterday, but the gallant 8th didn't lose a man. We are to have another review in Augusta on Jan. 10th."

## The Lost Creek Fair.

Interest in the Lost Creek fair still continues. The boys are earnestly engaged in preparing pleasing features for all who attend, and to-night there will be a select musical program. Patrick McHale and daughter, of Shenandoah, and others will sing their latest songs. To-morrow evening Connell and Hallen, now at D. E. Brennan's, will sing at the fair.

**Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup** has been in use for half a century. Some families have used it for three generations and it is today the standard cough remedy of this country.

## The Eclipse.

Apparently, few people of town take an interest in astronomical spectacles, as the lunar eclipse of last night seemed to pass without notice. It set in at 4:47, or about sixteen minutes before moonrise and six minutes after sunset, at which time the eastern edge of the moon entered the shadow. The totality of the eclipse commenced at 7:30 minutes past 5 p. m., and at 7:37 p. m. the total eclipse ended, although it was not until 5:30 p. m. that the moon emerged from the shadow.

## Among the Socialists.

Although interest in politics has somewhat subsided, the Socialist Labor party is still actively engaged in spreading its doctrine among the local voters. They have arranged for a public mass meeting to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock in Rynkewicz's hall. The principal speaker will be Thomas Hickey, of New York, who will be assisted by local speakers.

## College Boys Leave.

All the boys from Girard College who spent Christmas in town and village with relatives returned to Philadelphia to-day, leaving here on the 12:20 p. m. P. & R. train.

## Peculiar Accident.

Mrs. Charles Ducey, a frail little woman of Pottsville 65 years old, suffers from a fracture of the breast bone produced by some young woman who was too enthusiastic in their Christmas greetings and hugs.

## The Fair.

A ton of coal was the door gift at the fair of the Columbia Hose Company last night. The door gift to-night will be 100 pounds of flour.

## Coco Argoline, the genuine article, for sale at Kirlin's drug store.

## The Big Main Of.

The HERALD was reliably informed this afternoon that the big cocking main which was fixed for to-morrow night, between Shenandoah and Philadelphia birds, has been declared off. Philadelphia forfeiting.

## Judge Heeder Dead.

Special to EVENING HERALD.  
Easton, Dec. 23.—Hon. Howard J. Heeder, one of the Judges of the Superior Court, died at his home here this morning.

## Horse Dies From Injuries.

A horse owned by a Ringtown farmer died yesterday from injuries received in a collision with John Lora's runaway team of horses on East Centre street a few days ago. The team was struck near the L. V. R. R. crossing.

## Badly Burned.

John Polish, of Mahanoy Plains, was terribly burned about the head, legs, neck, forehead and hands yesterday by an explosion of gas in the Lawrence colliery. He was sent to the Miners' hospital.

## A VETERAN STATESMAN.

Death of Senator Justin S. Morrill of Vermont.

## "FATHER OF THE SENATE."

He Quickly Succumbed to an Attack of Pneumonia.

## HIS LONG SERVICE IN CONGRESS.

Had Served in the National Legislature For Forty-four Years, Over Thirty-one of Which Were Spent as a Member of the Upper House—His Present Term Would Not Have Expired Until 1903—The Venerable Senator Was Confined to His Home Only Seven Days by His Final Illness.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Hon. Justin S. Morrill, the senior senator from Vermont, died at 1:25 o'clock this morning. In the 89th year of his age, after an illness of less than a week. With him when the end came were his sister-in-law, Miss Louise Swan, his son James, Mr. Benjamin Durfee, for a long time associated with the senator in the finance committee work at the Capitol, and Colonel S. E. Chamberlain, an intimate friend. Senator Proctor was in the house at the time, as were also several other friends. The senator never recovered from the unconscious state into which he lapsed early in the day, and his death was calm and peaceful.

The immediate cause of death was pneumonia, which developed from an attack of grip contracted about a week ago. The venerable senator was confined to his home but seven days. Despite his advanced age, he attended to his senatorial duties faithfully, and regularly went to the Capitol. About ten days ago the weather here was cold, raw and foggy and his physician thought the exposure to its rigors brought on the attack of grip. The day before congress adjourned for the Christmas holidays the senator was unable to leave his residence. He grew no better as the days went on, his low vitality, due to advanced age, being unable to resist the disease. On Christmas night it developed into pneumonia, and from that time until the end he sank steadily.

No definite funeral arrangements have yet been made. It is altogether likely that public services will be held in the afternoon of to-morrow.



## THE LATE SENATOR MORRILL.

In the senate chamber, but just when cannot be now stated. The remains of Mr. Morrill, who died during the present year, are now in a vault at Rock Creek cemetery, near this city, and it may be that the senator's body will be deposited there pending removal to Stratford, Vt., where a mausoleum is now in course of construction.

For many years prior to his death Justin Smith Morrill had been known as "The Father of the Senate." His public life, though a long, eventful and creditable one, was in no wise brilliant. His fame must rest upon the fact that his work was always marked by conscientiousness. Fox, who owned a line of vessels in which they sent American products to the West Indies and brought back the staples of the tropics. It was while with this firm that young Morrill first observed the workings of the protective tariff, with which his name became so closely associated a few years later.

Before he had attained his majority Mr. Morrill returned to Vermont, where he was appointed the trustee of a large general country store which had been ordered sold out. He bought the establishment, made money with it, established branches in other towns, became a prosperous merchant, and in

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1848 retired after an active service of about 17 years. In the meantime Mr. Morrill had acquired other business interests. He was a bank director and was largely interested in agricultural pursuits.

Mr. Morrill had acquired such a reputation as a broad minded and able authority on political matters that the people of his district selected him in 1855 to represent them in the national house of representatives. He served in congress continuously until March 3, 1858. During his term he was prominently identified with many of the bills of the tariff legislation and was the author of the famous Morrill tariff bill. He acted as chairman of the ways and means committee in 1861-5, and his work there gave him a national reputation.

Mr. Morrill took his seat in the United States senate March 4, 1863, and was re-elected at the close of each term. He was the colleague for many years of Senator Edmunds, for whom he entertained a high regard. Mr. Morrill had served continuously in the senate for more than 35 years, and he was 88 years old on the 14th of April last. With the single exception of Hon. Gaius A. Gray, of the house of representatives, he was the only man in congress whose congressional career began prior to the beginning of the civil war, and he had the honor over Mr. Gray in that his congressional service had been continuous, covering in the senate and house combined almost 44 years. His present term, to which he was chosen in 1896, would not have expired until 1902.

## OFFICERS SELECTED.

### Semi-Annual Elections by the P. O. S. of A. and K. of P.

An election of officers held last night by Washington Camp No. 112, P. O. S. of A., resulted as follows: Past President, John W. Reese; President, W. H. Brown; Vice President, Frank Shirey; Master of Forms, George W. Haffner; Secretary, J. S. Williams; Treasurer, George H. Krick; Collector, Jesse G. Thomas; Inspector, Lewis Haffner; Trustee, B. F. Parrott; Charter Trustee, L. A. Bamberger.

General Harrison Lodge No. 251, Knights of Pythias, held an election of officers last night with the following result: Past Chancellor, Oscar Goh; Chancellor Commander, Isaac Wagner; Vice Chancellor, George W. Keiper; Master at Arms, S. M. Fetzer; Prelate, George W. Wagner; Master of Work, William Lucas; Inner Guard, Christ. Foltz; Outer Guard, Ernest Harsley; Trustee, James O. Sampell.

**Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup** will positively cure croup. Many a home has been made desolate by the loss of a dear child which could have been saved by this great remedy.

## Botkin Case Nearing the End.

San Francisco, Dec. 23.—The defense in the Botkin case closed yesterday, and the arguments were begun today. Yesterday was occupied with the introduction of testimony in rebuttal and gathering up of odds and ends of the testimony. Several witnesses were recalled. Dr. Tyrrell, who swore on a previous occasion that he had visited Mrs. Botkin on the afternoon of Sunday, July 31, was recalled and repeated his testimony. Miss Maggie Smith, a domestic employed at the Victoria hotel, said Dr. Tyrrell had asked her to direct him to Mrs. Botkin's room. She was positive that it was not on a Sunday, and substantiated her statement by saying that she is never left in charge of a house on Sunday. The case will go to the jury on Friday.

## Injured by Duailin.

John Miller, a 15-year-old boy of Mt. Carmel, will die from the effects of an explosion caused by dropping a stick of dynamite on the ground. His right eye was destroyed and his right foot has been amputated above the ankle.

## Hollinger Sentenced to Death.

Harrisburg, Dec. 23.—Joseph Hollinger, of Hummelstown, was sentenced to be hanged yesterday for wife murder by Judge Simonton. The record of the case will be certified to Governor Hastings, by whom the date of execution will be fixed.

## Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is unequalled for bronchitis, loss of voice, hoarseness, and other throat and lung affections. It cures more quickly than any other medicine.

## Marriage Licenses.

Joseph Monislaginis and Mary Hannonitis, both of Shenandoah.  
Lewis Kleckner, of Delano, and Agnes Aston, of Mahanoy City.  
Thomas J. Flood and Elsie Murphy, both of Mahanoy City.  
Samuel A. Reinhold and Gertrude Gates, both of Green Point.  
George Eisenberg, of Tamaqua, and Sarah Emeline Hering, of Ryan Twp.  
Samuel French, of Schuylkill Twp., and Clara Garber, of Blythe Twp.

## FREE LUNCHEONS TO-NIGHT.

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**WEEKS.**  
Free lunch, oyster soup, to-night. Singing specialties by Prof. Alfred Wren, of Philadelphia.

## FREE LUNCHEONS TO-NIGHT.

**BECKEY'S.**  
A special free lunch to-night. Bean soup to-morrow morning.

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**BEFORE JUSTICE TO-MORROW.**  
Joe Augcockalis was placed under \$300 bail by Justice Tooley last night for committing an assault on Joe Latursik.

Joe Pepaine has caused the arrest of Stiney Vita. He charges him with carrying household goods worth \$25 from the home of his brother, who is an inmate at the Miners' hospital. The accused was held in \$300 bail. Constable Gibson this afternoon made an effort to recover the goods taken.

## Pastor Seriously Ill.

Rev. P. C. McZure, pastor of the St. Caneus church at Mahanoy City, is so seriously ill that his condition is creating some apprehension. Last Sunday he was unable to celebrate mass, for the first time since his ordination.

## Driver Injured.

Thomas Brennan, a driver 16 years old residing at Lost Creek, sustaining a fracture of an elbow joint yesterday by being bumped between cars. He went to the Miners' hospital.

## JUMPED TO HIS DEATH.

Foolhardy Act of a Mine Laborer Results Fatally.

## A SPRING THAT COST HIS LIFE!

The Platform on Which He Landed Gave Way and the Unfortunate Man Was Precipitated Over Four Hundred Feet Down a Slope.

Jacob Kelsner, a young Polish man residing at Mahanoy City, met with a horrible death in the Tunnel Ridge colliery at about nine o'clock last night through a foolhardy act on his own part.

The victim was a laborer employed in helping to timber the tender and pump slope of the colliery. After building a platform upon which to stand while placing the sets of timber Kelsner and another man were sent to change the trucks on the slope, and for that purpose went to the top of the slope.

On their return, and when the truck was about five feet from the platform, Kelsner, who was standing on the truck, said, "I can jump that distance." He did so, but when he landed upon the platform the planks broke under the weight of his body and he went down the slope a distance of 140 yards. The slope has a pitch of 65 degrees.

Under the direction of William Tanner, the foreman in charge of the timbering men, the slope was descended and the body of the victim recovered. It was found lying in the records of the fall was so great that the gun boots of the unfortunate man were torn from his feet and were found in shreds near the body. Kelsner was 28 years old and unmarried. The remains were removed to the house at which he boarded and friends will give them burial.

## COUNTY SEAT AFFAIRS.

### Taxpayers' Association Letter—Quo Warranto Proceedings Against Horgan.

Pottsville, Dec. 23.—Through its executive officer, W. L. Sheaffer, the Taxpayers' Association has addressed an open letter to District Attorney-elect Cumming, pointing out to him means by which he may be enabled to reduce the expenses of the District Attorney's office when he takes possession.

Mr. Sheaffer says in the letter that the figures he furnishes are compiled from the records of the Clerk of the Court's office and will bear full inspection, and adds: "While the number of cases returned has more than doubled, increasing from 884 in 1887, to 2,600 in 1898, and averaging 1,066 the first six years, and 1,734 during the last six years, it will be noticed that the jury trials have not increased in any such proportion, being 194 in 1887 and 271 in 1898, or averaging the six years, 1887-1892, 225 cases and 1893-1898, 342 cases. There is no doubt that this is the principal work of the office and it is interesting, at least, to note that in 1808 the District Attorney with three assistants and one clerk tried about the same number of cases that were tried in 1887 by the District Attorney and two assistants, and less than have been tried for six years since 1898. Look at the number of indictments presented to the Grand Jury. In 1889, 644; 1892, 641; 1895, 643, or, in other words, just as many indictments were drawn when the number of cases was 1867 as are now drawn when the total number of cases is 2066. The comparison is nearly as bad when any other year is taken."

Mr. Sheaffer delves into figures bearing upon the proposed cases and pointedly says: "It may not be final that 473 cases will remain undisposed of this year, for at least 300 of these should be and probably will be 'not prosessed', but for some reason they are not and we have waited until the last week of court for final returns. If they are 'not prosessed', it will only add to the large number already 'not prosessed' for the year and bring its total above any other year."

The next subject of expense taken up is that relating upon fees for Justices, Constables, Jurors and Witnesses, and Mr. Sheaffer comments upon the fact that out of 2,000 cases returned to court, over one-half are not prosessed, and in 95 per cent. of these the county pays the costs. He says there is no doubt that many of the cases returned by the justices are of a trivial nature and should be disposed of in such a way as to impose the least cost on the county, and in their saving may be made in constable's costs if proper investigation is made in all such cases before sending out subpoenas. In conclusion, Mr. Sheaffer says that some different system should be adopted in preparing and laying out the work for the court so that indiscriminate issuing of subpoenas may be stopped and they are 'not prosessed' until the matter is settled by the court. He says that the reports of quo warranto proceedings against Coroner-elect Bleiler comes the announcement that Charles A. Snyder, Esq., has been retained to institute similar proceedings against Poor Director-elect John F. Horgan, should he qualify to take the office. It is stated that Mr. Horgan will be charged with making ante-election promises, but your correspondent learned this afternoon that the averments for the order will relate to the naturalization papers of Horgan's father. It is claimed they are defective. One of the defects is said to be the spelling of the name. In the papers the father's name was spelled "Horgan," whereas the Poor Director-elect spells it "Horgan." It is said Mahanoy City and Shenandoah parties are the instigators of the movement, among the number being M. J. Leahy, who was an applicant for the Stewardship at the almshouse.

## MARRIAGES.

Dr. Honors A. Robbins and J. G. Grimes, ex-superintendent of schools of Columbia county, were married at the bride's home in Bloomsburg on Thursday last.

## MARRIAGES.

John D. O'Donnell, a newspaper man formerly of the Hazleton Truth and Mahanoy City American, was married at Hazleton on Monday to Miss Mary McDermott. Thomas Flood, of Lansford, and Miss Ella Murphy, of Mahanoy City, were married in St. Caneus church at the latter place this morning. Miss Della Murphy, sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid, and Patrick Flood, of Hazleton, brother of the bridegroom, was the groomsmen.

Louis Kleckner, of Lakeside, and Miss Agnes Aston, daughter of John Aston, of Mahanoy City, were married last evening by Rev. C. H. Higginson, at the Primitive Methodist parsonage in the latter town.

## COUNCIL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Borough Council will be held this evening to receive a report from the finance committee and pay bills.

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