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At KEITER'S.

A COSTLY COW.

Moses Frezinski Fined For Cruelty to Animals.

Justice Toomey last night gave a hearing to Moses Frezinski on a charge of cruelty to animals, on complaint of Health Officer Conry. The case was heard in last evening's issue of the HERALD, but at the hearing it developed that a mistake had been made, the warrant having been issued for Moses Rabinski. In explanation the chief gentleman, it should be stated that he had no connection with the affair.

The complaint against Frezinski was that he drove a crippled cow through the town yesterday and repeatedly abused the animal by beating it with a horsewhip and twisting its tail. Mr. M. B. Malone was the chief witness and said the poor beast was hardly able to walk, even under the punishment applied. Frezinski was found guilty and he was fined \$10. The costs amounted to \$8.80, and Frezinski paid the total amount of \$18.80 to the justice. Frezinski had paid \$10 for the cow in the morning, so that the total cost of the animal to him was \$28.80.

Borough Solicitor Burke represented the Board of Health in the case and intended entering another prosecution against Frezinski for offering a diseased animal at a slaughter house, but it was found that the evidence as to Frezinski's intention to slaughter the animal was not sufficiently strong, and the charge was dropped.

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The Theatre.

It is not saying too much in pronouncing the production of "The Burglar" at Ferguson's theatre last night by the Myers-Loyd-Bureau Company as equal, if not superior, to the high priced productions of the play that have been seen at that house, not excepting the excellent presentation given by the Seaman Company, which was so favorably commented upon a couple of seasons ago.

"The Burglar" is excellently adapted to the resources of the company, and there was any doubt that the organization is one of the strongest that ever played in this town at popular prices, it was wiped out by last night's performance. Little Irene Myers interpretation of "Editha" was remarkably clever, and John D'Ormond proved himself an actor of marked ability in the character of the burglar. The scene in which the latter is surprised by "Editha" was a superb piece of work, and the effect upon the audience was unmistakable. Among the acts pleasing to the specialties were given by Little Irene, Hattie Chew, Matt Maloy and Frank Wallace, all of which were highly appreciated. To-night the engagement closes with a production of the ever popular "Black Flag."

Brakeman Ryan's Pluck.

Andrew J. Ryan, a well known resident of Frackville, employed as a brakeman on a Philadelphia & Reading coal train, had a miraculous escape from death at Mahanoy Place. Ryan was in the act of arranging the engine on the main line, when a runaway train crashed into the other end of the draft of cars, and before Ryan could escape he was knocked under the train. With great presence of mind he grasped the forward axle of the car and pluckily held on while the swiftly moving cars dragged him a hundred yards down the incline. The rapidly revolving axle blistered and tore his hands in a frightful manner while the ties and clinders ripped his clothes and rubber boots from his body. When the train was brought to a standstill Ryan pluckily regained his feet and walked home to Frackville. With the exception of severe bruises he was uninjured.

A Teacher Honored.

Last evening, at half past seven o'clock, sixteen members of Mrs. Daniel Ogden's Sunday school class called upon her and, to her entire surprise, Mrs. Thomas Lathian presented, in behalf of the class, a beautiful silver-mounted fruit basket as a token of esteem, remarking "You have spent so much time for us, now we have come to spend the evening with you." Mrs. Ogden entertained the ladies with music, and a very pleasant evening was spent. Refreshments were served, after which there were expressions of best wishes of the season from class and teacher.

New Year at the Theatre.

An attraction in the line of sterling melodrama seldom offered to our theatre patrons will be given at Ferguson's theatre, on New Year's (Monday) night. It is the great labor play, "Strife, or Master and Man." It tells a beautiful story of the working man and his battles through the rich capitalists. Many thrilling scenes are introduced during the action of the play. Numerous specialties and a bright vein of comedy are also introduced. The play will be given at usual prices. Reserved seats can now be secured at Kirlin's drug store.

Special Announcement.

Wilkinson Hall, corner Main and Lloyd streets, is for rent for select dancing or social entertainments. The hall is heated by steam and lighted by Welsbach gas. This large room is especially adapted for select parties. For terms apply to owner, L. J. WILKINSON, 12-29-11.

Go to the Hospital.

Michael Mochwas went to the Miners' hospital for treatment. He is suffering from necrosis of the thigh bone, resulting from an injury received in the Shenandoah City colliery a year ago.

To-night at the Fair.

The committee in charge of the Columbia Hose Company fair have arranged a special program for its patrons to-night. The Grand stand will be in attendance and also the Columbia Glee Club and the Acollan Mandolin and Guitar Club. Thomas Hall will entertain the audience with character songs. The door prize will be a ton of coal.

Damaged a Team.

Charles Strawinski, a liveryman, has caused the arrest of Charles Savage, of West Court street, for maliciously damaging a team belonging to the prosecutor to the extent of \$65. The accused waived a hearing before Justice Green, of Wm. Penn, and entered \$300 bail before Justice Toomey.

St. Stanislaus Fair.

The fair of the St. Stanislaus Polish congregation will open in the basement of the church on Monday evening. The doors will open at 7 o'clock. Many booths have been erected and the committee guarantees its patrons a pleasant time during their stay. 21

Approaching Wedding.

A copy of the Harriman (Tenn.) Weekly Advance received to-day contains the following announcement: Invitations have been issued for the marriage, at the Presbyterian church, Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 3 p. m., of Miss Alice Manley and Dr. Clifton Z. Robbins, of Shenandoah, Pa.

The Friendship Hall.

A treat is in store for those who attend the Friendship hall on New Year's eve, in Dougherty's hall. Waiting contest at 9:30, cake walk at 11 o'clock. A first class orchestra has been engaged for the occasion. 21

SKATERS IN PERIL.

Three Narrowly Escaping Drowning In the Freezing Water.

THE SCENE A THRILLING ONE!

Two Broke Through the Ice and a Third Saved Himself on the Brink—A Fourth Skater Fell in When Trying to Rescue the Others.

An accident that will probably result in putting a damper on skating as a local pastime, and which almost resulted in at least two fatalities, occurred at the No. 2 dam of the Shenandoah Water Company's plant yesterday afternoon. But for the presence of mind and heroism of several young men who witnessed the accident, three victims would in all probability have been claimed by the icy waters.

Skaters were on the ice in large numbers and several pleasant hours had been spent when Max Levit, John Hennessy and Martin Monaghan took hold of hands and started for a spin around the dam. Mr. Levit is the proprietor of the goods furnishing goods store at the corner of Main and Centre streets. Mr. Hennessy is the proprietor of the Shenandoah Steam Laundry and Mr. Monaghan is a student at Philadelphia spending his holiday vacation in town with his relatives.

The trio sped swiftly and joyously around to the opposite side of the dam when the ice suddenly cracked, split and broke. Monaghan was the first to slip over the brink and into the water. Hennessy slid in after him. Levit, who had trailed third, had a chance to save himself. His hand held broke, he dug the toe points of his skates into the ice, and succeeded in considerably slackening his speed, but not before one of his legs went into the pool and he was forced down upon one knee at the brink. Throwing himself backward, he was in safety.

James McHale, formerly of the Shenandoah drug store, was among the first to hear the cries of the victims and take in the situation. The rescue of his friend and more force with him than the thought of self-preservation, he hurried to the scene and got too close to the treacherous ice. In a moment he, too, was floundering in the freezing water. The depth at the place where the ice broke is supposed to be about twenty feet. The three victims succeeded in preventing themselves from slipping under the ice, but they were rapidly chilled and their efforts to keep afloat were growing weaker every instant, when Albert Shortall appeared on the scene.

Spectators say that Hennessy was about to sink the third time when Shortall pulled off his overcoat and threw one end of it to the sinking man. With a clutch of almost a dying man Hennessy seized the garment and Shortall, who retained a hold, pulled the victim out.

Meanwhile Benjamin Jones, a clerk in Waseley's pharmacy, and Daniel Shortall, a young man of Pottsville, had secured stout branches of trees and held them out to Monaghan and McHale, who seized hold of the branches and were pulled out of the water to a place of safety. It is said that the escape was exceedingly close. The opening made by the breaking of the ice was a large one and it is not a little surprising that the three young men were saved. It was the most thrilling event that has taken place at the dam during a skating season, and those who figured in it will not forget their experience for some time.

THE GIRARD FUND.

Strange Transactions and False Statements Alleged by Investigating Committee.

Publication is made of the report on the Girard Saving Fund and Loan Association, of Girardville, as made by the special auditors appointed to investigate the condition of the association. The report was read before a meeting of about one hundred shareholders and it is to be published in pamphlet form. It is voluminous and would fill several newspaper columns.

The report says "a strange transaction occurred in the maturing of shares in the first series" and "a comparison of our statement with the report issued by your board of directors will show that grossly misleading and intentionally false statements were resorted to by the managers of the fund, which, we must conclude, were made for the purpose of deceiving you by concealment of the actual conditions of the association."

The shareholders are to meet again next Thursday to discuss a proposition to institute legal proceedings.

Post Office Hours.

On Monday the post office will close at 11 a. m. No money will be issued or paid. The following places will be served in the first delivery: Brownsville, Turkey Run, Yatesville, Ellangowan and Staple Hill.

Advertised Letters.

Letters addressed to the following named persons remain unclaimed for at the local post-office: Miss Mary Auburn, John M. Miller, Mr. Clever, Jno. Shoemaker.

D. W. BEDIA, P. M.

Coal breaker souvenir spoons at Brumms.

Arthur Evans, 19 years old and residing at St. Clair, died from injuries received in the mines a year ago and will be buried to-morrow.

Capt. William J. Uhler, of Washington, D. C., was buried at Pottsville yesterday.

James No. 10 was Captain of the 99th Regt., Pa. Vol. In the civil war. Prior to that he was engaged in the mercantile and real business in St. Clair. He is remembered by many old residents of the county.

A Child's Fall.

Annie, 5-year-old daughter of Michael Orovitz, of Mahanoy City, fell down stairs at her home last night and fractured her right arm. The break was a bad one, an end of the bone protruding through the flesh. An older brother thoughtlessly tripped the child on the stairs and caused her fall.

A Dumpster Runs Away.

While an empty dumpster was descending the dirt plane of the North Mahanoy colliery yesterday the "larney" jumped the track and the dumpster rushed down the heavy grade without restraint. It was shattered against the abutment of the breaker. Several employes had a narrow escape.

Arn Brumms.

Andrew Malons, a miner at the Buck Mountain colliery, had his left forearm broken yesterday by a collar falling upon it while he was unloading timber.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Proceedings at a Regular Meeting Held Last Night.

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Health was held at the house of Maurice Morrison, of East Centre street, last evening, and it was attended by all the members, Messrs. Spalding, Holman, Schmidt, Morrison and Malone.

The committee on nuisances reported that affairs were in good condition and the committee knew of no complaint that had not been attended to.

The committee on necrology reported that there were 19 deaths and three still births during the month.

The committee on epidemics reported that for the month there were ten cases of communicable diseases as follows: scarlet fever, 3; diphtheria, 5; diphtheritic croup, 2; with but one fatality, which resulted from membranous croup.

The report of Secretary Curtin showed that he issued 27 burial permits during the month, of which 22 were local and 5 non-resident. There were 24 interments in town cemeteries and 3 in outside places. The Secretary paid Borough Treasurer Mullaby \$38.56 for licenses and permits issued up to December 31. He also reported having received \$10 from the Shenandoah Fertilizer Company for a renewal of the company's license.

Health Officer Conry reported having abated 13 nuisances during December.

The Health Officer supplemented his report with a verbal statement on the case of Moses Frezinski, who was prosecuted before Justice Toomey and whose case is reported elsewhere in this issue.

President Spalding asked what progress had been made with the statement of the creek nuisance in the First ward, and Health Officer Conry replied that Contractor Brudigan is unable to do anything at present, as the water in the creek is very high and the contractor cannot work in it. He added that the contractor did considerable work up to the time the flood in the creek set in. The reply was satisfactory to the Board.

Church Notices.

Watch night services will be held in the Methodist Episcopal church at ten o'clock to-night and will open a series of revival meetings that will continue every night next week, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Communion service will be held in the church at 10:30 to-morrow morning, and regular preaching service at 6:30 p. m.

Watch night services will be held in the United Evangelical church, on North Jordan street, at nine o'clock to-night.

Rev. D. J. Evans, pastor of the First Baptist church, and Rev. H. W. Koehler, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will exchange pulpits to-morrow evening.

The watch meeting this evening in the Primitive Methodist church, will begin at 10 o'clock. Preaching to-morrow morning, 10:30 subject, "Our Sins Sailed to the Cross," or "The Ceremonial Law of Moses fulfilled in the life and death of Jesus Christ." Sunday school at 2 p. m. Evening subject, 6:30, "Reflections of the year 1898 and happy greetings for the year 1899." Everybody invited. James Moore, pastor.

The Tax on Society Orders.

EDITOR EVENING HERALD:—Would you be kind enough to again publish in your valuable paper whether there is a revenue stamp required on all orders drawn on the treasury of a secret organization.

The question presented has been mooted since the requirements of the revenue law bearing upon the matter went into effect and there have been conflicting opinions but, careful attention to the matter justifies the statement that stamps are required. Penrose A. McClain, Internal Revenue Collector of Philadelphia, has also decided in a hypothetical case presented to him by the State officers of the P. O. S. of A., and as the secret societies in this district are within the part of this state coming within his jurisdiction, they will be safe in abiding by his decision. Mr. Jacob S. Williams, of town, has an interesting paper on the subject, which is too lengthy for publication.—Ed.

The Rate of Wages.

The rate of wages for the last half of December, 1898, and the first half of January, 1899, were six cents below the \$2.50 basis. The following collieries were drawn:

Alaska	2 28
Suffolk	2 23
Donnel Ridge	2 23
Lawrence	2 23
East Ridge	2 23
Average	\$2.22

The County Court.

The criminal court at Pottsville will open on Monday morning, next, at 10 o'clock. Judge-elect William A. Marr, and all newly elected county officers whose commissions have been received, will be sworn in. There are about 300 cases on the criminal court calendar.

Business Men's Excursion to New York via Lehigh Valley Railroad.

The Lehigh Valley railroad announces a rate of \$2.45 for adults and \$1.35 for children for the round trip from Shenandoah to New York and return. Tickets will be sold good for 150 days, except the Blue Diamond excursion, January 9, 1899, and will be limited for return within three days, including date of issue. Inquire of ticket agents for time table and further particulars.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup cures a cough or cold in short order. One bottle of this wonderful remedy will effect a cure. It is absolutely the best cough syrup made. Price 25c.

The "Y" Program.

The following program will be rendered at a meeting of the "Y" this evening: Singing, "Y" scripture reading, Pearl Matter; reading, Annie Williams; solo, Mattie Thomas; debate, "Resolved that the United States Should Retain the Philippines," affirmative, Charles Bashore, Negative, Clara Matter; notes of interest, Hattie Mansell; recitation, Clara Morrison; critic report, Clyde Glover.

Married by a Justice.

Miss Ellen Coyle and William Kurtz, both of Wm. Penn, were married by Justice Green at that place last night, the ceremony being performed in the Justice's office.

MRS. BOTKIN CONVICTED

Jury Declares Her Guilty of Murder in the First Degree.

TO SPEND HER LIFE IN PRISON.

During the Concluding Scenes in the Trial the Prisoner Lost All Self-Control, and Sobbed Convulsively in the Arms of Her Sister.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Botkin, charged with murdering Mrs. John P. Dunning by sending poisoned candy to her at Dover, Del., returned a verdict last evening finding the prisoner guilty of murder in the first degree, with the penalty fixed at life imprisonment.

The argument for the prosecution closed with District Attorney Hosmer on the stand. Mr. Hosmer was cool and collected throughout. He modulated his voice to a stately, and seldom spoke passionately. The curious crowd that gathered in the court room expected to hear Mrs. Botkin griddled were in a measure disappointed, but it was Mrs. Botkin's attorneys and their methods in the conduct of the case that Mr. Hosmer made the principal point of his attack.

Mr. Hosmer commenced his argument with the incidents attending the arrival of the packages of candy at the Dover, Del., postoffice. He condemned the defense for insinuating that the package might have been placed in the mail bag by any one connected with the postoffice. He accused the attorneys of going behind the facts. He traced the package to the Pennington home and its delivery to the unsuspecting Mrs. Dunning and the passing of the box to other guests, their sickness and the death of Mrs. Dunning and her sister.

Mr. Hosmer pictured the grief of the parents and friends of the Pennington and Dunning families, and concluded with a scathing attack upon the prisoner. He took up the analysis of the candy by Chemist Wolf of Dover, Del., and Professor Price, of this city. He ridiculed the defense for its contention that members of the police department in this city, or even the chemists themselves, might have inserted the poison to make out a case. He pointed out that Chemist Wolf had found lump arsenic and that Dr. Price had discovered the presence of powdered arsenic. The defense, in argument, asserted that only lump arsenic had been found.

Mr. Hosmer concluded his address by directing the jury to return a just verdict—a verdict of murder in the first degree. After a brief recess Judge Cook delivered his charge to the jury, the reading of which occupied more than an hour. The jury then retired to deliberate on the guilt or innocence of the accused woman. In the first four hours returned with their verdict.

Mrs. Botkin cried bitterly several times during the day, and during the reading of the charge almost lost control of herself. Her sister, who sat beside her during the progress of the trial, took Mrs. Botkin in her arms and comforted her as best she could, but the tears could not be stayed.

Eight Caught by a Cavelin.

Eight men were caught by a cavelin surface vein causing a rush of quicksilver into No. 2 slope of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company at Wanamie yesterday afternoon. Two hundred men were at work at the time, but all succeeded in making their immediate escape but eight. Two hours later five of the eight made their way through the sand, and shortly before 7 o'clock last evening the remaining three men came to the surface. The names of the three men who were entombed for over five hours were: William Williams, a miner; Henry Brown, driver; and Joe Zeloski, laborer. They escaped to one of the breasts till the cave settled, and then crawled through the sand to the foot of the slope. The air current was not cut off, and the men were apparently none the worse from their experience.

W. F. Reeder Declines a Judgeship.

Harrisburg, Dec. 31.—Governor Harrison has tendered to Colonel William F. Reeder, of Bellefonte, deputy attorney general, the appointment of superior court judge, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Howard Reeder, of Easton. Colonel Reeder prefers to re-assume his private practice, and he declines as deputy attorney general, and has declined.

FREE LUNCHEONS TO-NIGHT.

SEISWENDER'S.
Soup, kroust, pork and mashed potatoes, free, to all to-night.

WEEKS.
Special vaudeville program to-night arranged by Prof. T. J. Flood and Alfred Wren assisted by local talent.

BICKER'S.
Soup, kroust, pork and mashed potatoes, free, to all to-night.

KENDRICK HOUSE.
Mock turtle soup will be served, free, to all patrons to-night.

PETERS.
Panned oysters on toast, free, to all patrons to-night.

Stabbed by His Wife.

Among the peace disturbing residents of Wm. Penn is Simon Machunis. Last evening, after completing his day's work, he went to the home of a friend, and imbibed freely of liquor. Upon returning home he became abusive and began to beat his wife. She pleaded with him in vain, and in self-defense she stabbed him behind the left ear, in the face and leg. The woman then prosecuted her husband before Justice Green, at Wm. Penn, for assault and battery, but the case was settled by the husband paying a fine and the costs of suit.

A Clearance Sale.

Of ladies' coats and capes. Bargains in woolen blankets. Bargains in curtains. One worth 50 cents to close at 35 cents. Christmas goods and handkerchiefs of all kinds at a sacrifice.

12-30-11 P. J. MENAGHAN.

Coco Argoline, the genuine article, for sale at Kirlin's drug store. 10-6-11

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New Year's Gifts. . .

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- MACKINTOSHES,
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- CANES and
- UMBRELLAS,
- FULL DRESS CASES,
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