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President Harrison's annual message, which was sent to congres on Tuesday of last week, will be found on an inside page.

The Standard Oil company is reaching out its long fingers after the Ohio coal fields with the view of consolidating the bituminous coal interests of that state. What McLeod accomplished in the anthracite regions of Pennsylvania—the Reading deal—it is argued can be accomplished in the bituminous coal of Ohio, provided the coal roads could be induced to go into the pool.

Generally when men die, especially men who have become widely known, the press finds something good to say about them, but the newspapers have been showing up Jay Gould in his true life. The millionaire's life was a selfish one even down to the grave. Charity was unknown to the man who accumulated an immense fortune by bankrupting others. Death is no respector of person, the rich and poor sooner or later yield to the inevitable.

The older one gets the faster, apparently, the years pass by. We can remember when a year seemed to have no end and after Christmas had passed it was really discouraging to look forward to the next Christmas time which was a whole long year away. In the language of Burdette: "Christmas was much farther apart when I was a boy than it now is. It came by the almanac, once a year, which was right and regular. But such long years have never been, since long ago."

A world with no death in it would seem, at first sight, glorious. But perhaps it would be a cold, unsentimental world, with no love in it. If those we press against our hearts could never die perhaps all tenderness would wither from the earth. The thought of death makes us charitable. The knowledge that every erring mortal must die, makes us forgiving. Life is too short to be wasted in fruitless bickerings and strife with your neighbor. He has trouble enough, goodness knows, without your trying to add to it. One of the sacred duties of every individual is to try to shed a few rays of sunshine into the lives of others. —Punxsutawney *Spirit*.

They may be rare, yet there are brave, sympathetic souls who go through life scattering sunshine and fragrance, to whom the present is always the time for action. Such people have found the real secret of happiness. Out of a heart overflowing with kindly impulse, throbbing with the consciousness of the brotherhood of man, these souls obey the impulse of the Divine in themselves, and the wedding feast is gayer, happier, because they are there; their presence cools life's fever of ambition, haste and greed. In their presence the tongue of slander, misrepresentation, pique, is silent, because they speak an unknown language. The grave is but the body's receptacle, so clearly do they see above it, while the strangers who meet them in life's journeyings feel their hearts burn within them with new love, new sympathies, new experiences. Never to them is the neglected opportunity. What man thinks of them is never their standard of action, but ever present before them is the measure of God's trust by the blessings and opportunities life gives them.

Some one with a practical turn of mind has said, "Their can be no religion without soap." This no doubt agrees with the oft repeated maxim that "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." Mr. Spurgeon says, "To keep debt, dirt and the devil out of my cottage has been my greatest wish ever since I set up housekeeping." This alliterative trinity of evils needs to be carefully guarded against. "A man who is in debt is a slave-toiling to meet the demands of another. He cannot call what he possesses his own. He had better a great deal have less, and 'owe no man anything,' according to the apostolic injunction, than to have large possessions for which he is responsible, but which in whole or in part belong to another. A man in debt is like a person overboard, with a great weight about his neck, with which, by great exertion, he may reach the shore, but which, nevertheless, may sink him at any moment. But whatever excuse may be made for men going into debt, surely none can be made for their living in dirt. Soap and water are cheap, and brushes and brooms are not very expensive."

It is Said

That a number of people would rather borrow a paper than pay for one.

That THE STAR is the paper that gives all the local news. Subscribe.

That very few men are as attentive to their wives as they are to their whiskers.

That a man no sooner gets a pair of shoes broken in than they begin to break out.

That there are a few people in Reynoldsville who do nothing but "gad" the streets.

That for actual discomfort, disappointment in love is nothing compared to tight shoes.

That the man who has never been ashamed of himself has never been well introduced to himself.

That there must be quite a number of angels in Reynoldsville considering the number of "angel cakes" baked in this town

That when the postoffice is crowded with people waiting until the mail is distributed is a good place for a fool to make himself known.

That a mean man will do most anything to beat a neighbor, but you never heard of a man mean enough to beat a neighbor's carpet.

That if the angels in heaven are anything like those on earth the "silver lining" to the clouds was long ago made into souvenir spoons.

For Sale.

One car of sleighs at very close figures.
J. C. KING & Co.

Rathmel.

More aspirants for postmastership are looming up.

There has been several cases of measles in town within the past two weeks.

Rev. H. G. Furbay held communion services in the M. E. church on Sunday at 3.30 P. M.

Two of John Mitchell's children have been sick with diphtheria but a present are recovering.

Mr. Sprankle, the liveryman, has moved his family into the house on John Smith's farm.

F. M. Lucas and Sharp Armstrong were at the county seat last week in the capacity of jurymen.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith and sons, Willie and Fredie, were the guests of Postmaster John Smith on Sunday.

A three-year-old boy of Wm. Henry on Friday fell down a flight of stairs and broke his arm near the shoulder.

Rev. Stevens is conducting a protracted meeting in the Church of God. Preaching every evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Mrs. Calvin Siple, of Cecil, North Dakota, has been visiting her parents and friends in town for the past two weeks.

The liverymen who started a stable lately in town have had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse and to have the top torn off a buggy since they commenced business.

Work has been commenced by the Bloomington Coal company on the McCreary property near this place. Supt. Dunsmore says the opening of a drift will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

Mr. O'Connors, father of John O'Conners, died at the residence of the latter on Wednesday evening at the advanced age of 97 years. His remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery at Reynoldsville. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Father Brady.

The news of the finding of Curtis Pierce's dead body in a coal mine near Elbel one week ago was sorrowfully received by all who knew him in our town. Mrs. J. F. Shafer, mother, Mrs. C. O. Sprague, sister and G. M. Pierce brother of the deceased have the sympathy of the community in this their hour of sorrow.

Buy your high cut shoes at
ROBINSON'S.

Must be Nominated.

[Brookville Republican.]

Under the Baker election law boroughs and townships must make nominations for officers to be elected at the February election. The borough and township auditors will see to having the tickets printed. In boroughs all nominations must be certified to the auditors at least five days before the election and the township seven days before. The tickets will all be printed on one sheet the same as the tickets for the general election.

"When your heart is bad, and your head is bad, and your bad clean through, what is needed?" ask a Sunday-school teacher of her class. "I know—Ayer's Sarsaparilla," spoke up a little girl, whose mother had recently been restored to health by that medicine.

Valuable Real Estate for Sale.

The Baptist church and grounds containing several lots situated in Prescottville is now offered for sale. Very desirable for resident lots. For terms and particulars enquire of M. M. Davis, Reynoldsville, Pa.

Don't miss your chance to buy shoes at and in some cases below cost at Arnold's.

Buy your baby shoes at Robinson's. Only 25 cents per pair.

Chicago Air Rifles at Riston's for 90 cents.

Holiday Excursion Rates!

In accordance with the usual custom, the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry. will this year issue excursion tickets for the Christmas and New Year Holidays, at one and one-third the regular fare one way for the round trip with minimum rate of 25 cents. Tickets will be sold only on Dec. 24th, 25th, 26th, and 31st, 1892, and Jan. 1st and 2nd 1893, limited for return passage until Jan. 3rd, 1893.

Crowded House.

Rice and Abbot's Irish Aristocracy company appeared on Saturday night at Clearfield. Fifteen minutes before the curtain rose the house was filled to overflowing with a very refined and appreciative audience, who thoroughly enjoyed the fun furnished by the talented young Irish comedians, Carroll and Kane, supported by an excellent company.—DuBois *Courier*. At Reynolds opera house Thursday, Dec. 15th.

Unequalled.

No better preparation for the hair has ever been invested than Ayer's Hair Vigor. It restores the original color to faded and gray hair, and imparts that natural gloss and freshness, everyone so much admires. Its repution is world-wide.

Save money by buying your shoes at Arnold's closing out sale.

For Sale.

A well finished house, suitable for a boarding house, in Prescottville. For further particulars, inquire at Cam, Mitchell's office, or at the office of the secretary of the Reynoldsville Building and Loan Association.

Ladies over gaiters $1.00 at Robinson's.

Henry of Navarre was saved from death at the massacre of St. Bartholomew by hiding under his wife's immense fardingale.

General George B. McClellan, who was a prime favorite with his men, became endeared to them as "Little Mac."

Charter Notice.

In Re. application of the Rathmel Presbyterian church for incorporation.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Jefferson county, No. 1, Feb. Term, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the said Court on the 29th day of December, 1892 at 9 A. M. under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations" approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called the Rathmel Presbyterian church. The character and object whereof is the support of public worship, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements. The proposed charter is now on file in the Prothonotary's office.

C. MITCHELL, Solicitor.