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PHICES—75c, 50c, 35c and 25c. Seats on sale at Woodring's three days before date of show.

Rev. D. J. Stafford, D. D.

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Monday Ev'g, April 26.

Under the auspices of the Tigers Athletic Club.

Subject: "The American Citizen."

The lecture will be preceded by a musical entertainment of an exceptionally high order. See later issues for prices.

MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS.
NOTICE—A meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens' bank of Freeland will be held at the banking house of said bank on Wednesday, April 7, 1897, from 10 to 11 o'clock a. m. to elect directors to serve the ensuing year. B. R. Davis, cashier.
Freeland, Pa., February 27, 1897.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

WEEKLY REPORT OF THE DOINGS OF THE LAWMAKERS.

Governor Hastings and the House Are Still Apart on the Capitol Building Question—A Bill Introduced to Tax Bicycles—Dr. Swallow's Case.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 26, 1897.
The house has put itself on record as being opposed to Governor Hastings plan of new capitol buildings to cost about half a million. The general feeling among the members is that the state must spend more money and make a better showing. They think half a million would put up too shoddy an affair. The governor on the other hand thinks it sufficient. The legislature is now anxious to get a bill passed creating a commission to supervise the erection of the building, so that work may begin on the new structure. The governor is resting with his side of the question and watching to see what the legislature will do, so the matter stands. Each seems to be afraid to make the first move.

Senator Durham has a scheme which is regarded by many as the most feasible that has yet been offered. His idea is that the legislature should pass a bill directing the new capitol to be erected under the supervision of the board of public buildings and grounds and if it is not completed at the end of their official term shall be continued as members of the commission. The board is composed of the governor, auditor general and state treasurer. If this plan is adopted it would give these officials a say until it is completed. The governor will agree to this proposition and it is thought the differences between the executive and legislature may be settled by the enactment of such a law.

Rev. Dr. S. C. Swallow came near getting himself into jail last week. I stated in a previous letter that Dr. Swallow had refused to testify before the capitol fire investigation committee. The committee made its report to the senate on Wednesday morning and it stated that in its opinion Dr. Swallow was in contempt by his refusal to answer questions propounded to him by the committee. The report recommended his arrest, so a warrant was issued by Lieutenant Governor Lyon. The senate then took a recess until 5 o'clock that evening when the doctor was to be arraigned. The sergeant-at-arms started out to find Mr. Swallow, but at 5 o'clock he returned and stated that the preacher could not be located. While this was going on Dr. Swallow was out over the city serving subpoenas for his libel trial, the day after, and was unconscious of the senate's proceedings. Mr. Swallow's trials are now on and by the time he is to appear before the senate his evidence will be known and he will tell what he knows about the capitol fire.

A bill to amend the constitution to enable the legislature to pass special registration laws for city and country districts has been introduced. Under the constitution the registration laws are uniform throughout the state. This works great hardships on both cities and counties. For instance, in cities like Philadelphia and Pittsburg two assessments a year are absolutely necessary because of the many changes of residence. On the other hand, in the country districts, where the population is stable and less subject to change, it is unfair to impose the extra expense of two assessments. Yet under the present situation the interest of one must be sacrificed to the other.

Bills levying a tax of \$1 on all bicycles in use have been offered by Messrs. Spatz and Tipton. The money is to be paid into the state treasury to be applied for road purposes.

Speaker Boyer read the truant members of the house a sharp lecture last Friday evening. He said that if they continue to absent themselves without leave he would order a call of the house and issue warrants for their arrests. The business of the session is being delayed by the absence of many members and the speaker declared heroic measures were necessary to require better attendances. There were only fifty-two members present when the house went into session and a score of these asked for leave of absence. After the speaker's remarks the hall gradually began to fill up and towards the close two-thirds of the members were in their seats attending to business.

The Osbourn bill, repealing part of a law governing prisons to allow certain persons to visit the inmates of such institutions, has passed first reading on a special order and will be considered on second and third reading and final passage this week. The purpose of the measure is to allow James R. Gentry, the actor, who is to hang at Philadelphia next month for the murder of his sweet-heart, Madge York, two years ago, to see his counsel and a spiritual adviser. The friends of the bill claim that Gentry is not morally guilty and that to hang him would be a judicial murder. They will ask the governor to commute his sentence to life imprisonment. Gentry has not been permitted to see anybody outside the prison since his conviction on account of an obsolete law that was resurrected during the incarceration of Murderer Holmes.

There seems to be no opposition to the bill and as it has already passed the senate it may reach the governor and receive his signature this week.

DID NOT COMMIT SUICIDE.

Rumors of Miss Florence Gardner's Death Are Untrue in Every Particular.

The following is a piece of alleged news which was sent out by the press associations to the daily papers of the country on Friday evening:
Ashland, Pa., March 26.—Florence Gardner, a pretty nineteen-year-old girl, residing with her parents at Girardville, committed suicide this morning by swallowing a small vial of laudanum. She was superintendent of the Blass Overall Factory, at Freeland, and had fallen in love with a young man of Hazleton, whose name is not yet divulged. It is alleged that they were engaged to be married, but for some reason unexplained the engagement was broken. This disappointment, it is believed, affected her mind, and while temporarily insane, she took her own life. She was highly esteemed by the people of Girardville.

Miss Gardner is well-known in town. After resigning her position here she went to Hazleton, where she obtained employment in a dressmaking establishment and is still at that work. Word comes from the neighboring city that there is no truth whatever in the report that she committed suicide, that she is in good health and has no intention of taking her life. The dispatch is alleged to be false in every particular and her friends propose to learn the author of the story.

Was Suicide Intended?

Albert L. Holt, 27 years of age, of Avondale, this county, went to the Hotel Alpha, in Boston, on Friday night, and registered. He was assigned to a room on the third floor and immediately went to bed. Holt was called once in the morning but did not rise, and at 11 o'clock the chambermaid again started for his room. As she neared the door she detected the odor of gas. She rapped on the door several times, and receiving no response, reported to an employe of the house that she thought a man had attempted suicide on the third floor. The employe went out on the fire escape, where he smashed in a window and entered the room. Holt was lying unconscious on the floor, with a gas burner above him turned on. He was resuscitated and may recover.

Two Famous Collieries in Danger.

Water is pouring into the Avondale mine through the many crevices caused by a large cave-in, and there is imminent danger of it breaking through into the Nottingham mine of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Company adjoining. All the men have been ordered out of the mine and the officials are anxiously waiting to see what will occur. Large dams have been erected in the slope connecting the two mines, but it is feared they will be quickly washed away if the threatened flood breaks.

Extra pumps are being put into both mines and these, when working, will relieve the pressure somewhat.

It looks at present, however, as if the Nottingham will have to be suspended for some time, in which case the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre will have but one colliery working near Plymouth.

Another Hospital for Wilkesbarre.

A large hospital will shortly be erected in Wilkesbarre by the Sisters of Mercy of St. Mary's convent. In the meantime the old Mountain House, owned by St. Mary's church, will be used, having been donated by Father McAndrews. The project is well under way and will be promptly carried out. The Sisters of Christian Charity of the Malineckrodt (German) convent wanted the hospital attached to the convent, and the mother superior wrote to the parent house at Paderborn, Germany, but received a negative answer saying that a hospital adjoining the convent would detract from its importance as an educational institution.

It is proposed to erect a building costing \$75,000. The institution will be non-sectarian in character, and will accept patients from all parts of the country.

English Baptists Express Thanks.

Yesterday, the 28th inst., the English Baptist congregation held special services for the dedication of their pews, which were put in last week. Rev. Philip L. Jones, D. D., of Philadelphia, preached two excellent sermons on the occasion from Ephesians III 16-19 and John I 29. In the afternoon Pastor John T. Griffith preached from Luke I 30-33. The cost of the pews was \$375, every cent of which has been provided. In behalf of the church I wish to extend my hearty thanks to all the friends who have so kindly and liberally aided us both in and out of Freeland. The audience room is now commodious, and all are welcome to the services.
John T. Griffith, pastor.

Thieving Postman's Arrest.

Charles H. Gorman, the assistant mail carrier at Lehighton, was arrested last week by Inspector Hugh J. Garman, of Philadelphia, charged with tampering with the mails. At a hearing before Justice Gilham, who held him for trial in Philadelphia, Gorman confessed to having taken, in the past few months, packages which accompanied mail bags. A search of Gorman's home brought to light gold watches, ear and finger rings, silver spoons and miscellaneous articles belonging to local merchants.

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ANOTHER COLLIERY RUINED.

The collieries throughout the Wyoming valley are undergoing many misfortunes these days, and on several occasions recently the workmen have had narrow escapes from fires, floods, gas, squeezes, etc. The latest mine trouble comes from the Woodward colliery, in Plymouth township. When the fire boss attempted to make his rounds in the Red Ash vein Friday morning he was disturbed by a roaring noise such as is always heard when there is a squeeze in the mine. He had not proceeded many steps further when the safety lamp he carried began to fill with gas and he was obliged to go back.

The men had reached the shaft in the morning and were allowed to go down, the officials not thinking that matters were so bad. All went well until 9 o'clock when the alarm was given and orders sent to get everybody out of the mine in ten minutes.

The cave is situated on the Plymouth side of the vein, but it is impossible to say just how much territory is affected, as the men are unable to approach within some distance of the disturbed section to ascertain how large the threatened fall really is. Gangs of men are occasionally sent down to inspect the workings, but all their efforts have been failures.

In the Woodward shaft the gangways run parallel and are directly over each other, so that it is quite possible if the fall is very great that the whole mine will be ruined.

Experienced miners say that if the fall should prove of any great extent, the concussion caused by the falling rocks will shake the pillars and cause a general cave throughout all the workings. About 800 employes are without work, and it is impossible to determine how long they will be idle or whether work will ever be resumed.

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BRIEF ITEMS OF NEWS.

PARAGRAPHS GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE REGION.

Synopsis of Local and Miscellaneous Occurrences That Can Be Read Quickly. What the Folks of This and Other Towns are Doing.

Miss Mary Ferry has returned to her home, after a month's sojourn in Philadelphia and Bristol.

George Fisher has placed another new meat wagon on the road. He reports an increasing business.

David P. Jones has gone to Philadelphia to undergo treatment in one of the hospitals of that city.

Misses Beatrice and Blanche Meighan, of Washington, D. C., are visiting Miss Fanny Ferry, Washington street.

David Whitebread and Miss Elizabeth Gould were married on Thursday at the residence of the bride's father, Thomas Gould.

Ground was broken this morning on North Washington street for the foundation of a new dwelling to be erected for Jacob Nagle.

Owing to some difficulty in agreeing upon water rates the water has been turned off in the Coxo Memorial school by the Water Company.

Mrs. Patrick Maloy, mother of Jas. J. Maloy, will remove this week from Philadelphia to Freeland. She will reside on Washington street.

A company with stockholders in Scranton, Wilkesbarre and Hazleton is making arrangements for the establishment of a Polish newspaper in Scranton.

James Kelly, who has spent the winter with his parents at their home on Ridge street, returned to Philadelphia on Saturday and will reside there in the future.

Work has begun on the addition to the Central hotel building. When the improvements are completed Landlord Hunsicker will have twenty more rooms at his disposal.

In New York coal trade circles it is intimated that the combine will allow only 2,500,000 tons to be mined next month. This means a continuance of one-third time at the collieries.

Congressman Kulp has presented to President McKinley the name of Lloyd T. Rohrbach, of Northumberland, for the revenue collectorship of this district, now held by ex-Senator Grant Herring, of Bloomsburg.

Superintendent A. C. Leisenring and ex-Congressman John Leisenring returned from their Florida trip last week. The latter left immediately for Washington to interview the president on important matters.

A bill appropriating \$225,000 for a public building at Wilkesbarre and another giving \$75,000 for a like purpose at Shamokin have been introduced in congress. These bills failed of passage at the last session.

Representative Powell on Thursday introduced a bill which, if passed, will permit the division of Luzerne county. On account of the short time until the legislature adjourns, its passage will hardly be accomplished.

Electric light wires set fire to Keiper's jewelry store on Thursday evening. The hose company was called out, but the blaze was extinguished by the cutting of the wires before any serious damage resulted. The loss is trifling.

The Freeland Liederkranz is the name of a German musical organization which was organized last week. The society meets on the southwest corner of Walnut and Centre streets. A new organ has been purchased for the use of the members.

Three Tigers have signed with Mauch Chunk for the coming season. McFadden will play first, Broderick short and Gillespie in the field. The Mauch Chunk Democrat recommends that Second Base man Boner, of Drifton, be made captain of the team.

Hattie, the wife of Thomas Solt, at one time a resident of town, died at their home in Jersey City on Saturday. The remains will be buried this afternoon. The parents of Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. William Solt, of Freeland, are attending the funeral.

It has been announced that Judge E. N. Willard, of the superior court, will tender his resignation during the latter part of the summer, the resignation to take effect September 1. The resignation will not be submitted to Governor Hastings until after July 1.

G. W. Williams, who established many business colleges in the coal regions, is among the missing. A year ago last fall Williams organized a college at Hazleton, but later sold out to Woods. Later on he established a dozen colleges in as many towns and is said to have buoyed hundreds of pupils.

The adherents of John Wanamaker will make an effort to have him run for state treasurer in opposition to the man whom Senator Quay favors. It is predicted that the coming Republican fight in the state will be the most heated of years, and according as the bitterness increases the prospects of the Democrats carrying the state grow more favorable.

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