

THE FINEST ON RECORD.

The Arion Society's Sommer-nachtsfest a Great Success.

A GAY AND BRILLIANT SPECTACLE

On the State Fair Grounds last Even- ing—Music and Pyrotechnics, Danc- ing and Promenading, Enjoyed by a Great Throng till Midnight.

The Arion society's sommernachtsfest on the State Fair grounds last night was one of the most largely attended and most brilliant affairs ever seen—brilliant in every sense of the word. The man- agers were not satisfied with painting that part of the earth red, but they crimsoned the very sky. It was a per- fect night, one of the finest ever seen in this valley. The gates were opened at 6 p. m., but at that time the sky was cloudy and prospects very unpromising. Soon after dark, however, the sky cleared and the full moon came out bright. At 8 o'clock there were probably not a dozen people on the grounds outside of the members of the committee, but at half past eight there must have been a half past eight people there. The napha thousand people there. The napha thousand people there. The napha thousand people there.

After an attractive programme of in- strumental music by the Opera House orchestra and several songs by the Arion singing section, dancing was started and kept up till midnight. From 9 o'clock till the picnic was over at 12 there was almost a continuous glare of fire works. These were visible from the city, and hundreds of people gath- ered along Water street to admire the brilliant spectacle. Rockets, roman candles, red fire, balloons and all sorts of pyrotechnics were put off with a lib- erality which has seldom been equalled on a similar occasion.

The crowd in attendance was vari- ously estimated at from 1,000 to 1,800. It was large enough, at any rate, and those present were uniformly good peo- ple, the result being a congenial com- pany and a good time for all. It was with reluctance that those present left when midnight chimed from the capitol clock. The Arion will wear another big feather in its cap hereafter to mark the success of this entertainment.

The Opera House Programme.

Mr. J. K. Hall has transferred the Oper House programme, The Play, which he has heretofore published, to Walter A. Hall and Percy Harden for the opening season. The programme for the past two seasons was a credit to the town and house, and that it was only appreciated by the business men was shown by their liberal advertising patronage. Doubtless the new publish- ers will make it as attractive and as great a convenience to the patrons of the house if they meet with the same liberal patronage, which it is to be hoped they will.

Three Men Nearly Drowned.

There was an exciting scene at the wharf yesterday about noon. A skiff in which were three men was crossing the river just behind a steamboat, when it capsized in the waves. All three of the men were left struggling in the water. Two of them sank several times. Finally a man in another skiff reached them just in time to save their lives. One of them was so exhausted he could not speak for some time, and all had about as close a call as a man often has and lives.

A Bridge Worker Hurt.

Early yesterday morning a workman at the Main street stone bridge was painfully but not dangerously hurt by a large stone, which fell, striking his arm and shoulder. He was helped out of the pit and the patrol wagon summoned, and he was hauled to his boarding house. He was at first thought to be very gravely hurt, but by the time he reached his home he was able to walk about, and the physician found his worst injuries to be several painful bruises and cuts.

Delayed by the Peach Traffic.

The B. & O. train due from the East at 11:30 last night, did not arrive until 1:20 this morning. She left Grafton very late, but made up most of the lost time. At Benwood it was necessary to transfer a large load of peaches, and this consumed considerably over an hour. They were very angry passen- gers who left the train at the Wheeling station nearly two hours late. The peach traffic has kept the train back several times lately.

Brought to the Pen.

Sheriff A. H. Beckwith, of Tucker county, yesterday brought to the penitentiary at Moundsville Jacob Down- town, who was convicted at the late term of the circuit court there of bur- glary, and sentenced to five years' im- prisonment. Downtown undertook to escape on the way, and was only se- cured after a lively struggle. He was then manacled to the arm of the car seat.

Prof. Crago Home.

Prof. F. H. Crago returned to the city yesterday looking well and happy. He has accepted the position of superinten- dent of the public schools at Buckhan- non, at the same salary he received here. This shows a live spirit on the part of the Buckhannon school board. It is un- derstood also that Prof. Crago's name was mentioned in connection with the principalship of the Fairmont normal school.

Base Ball Tour of the State.

Jack Crogan, the well-known ball player, has consented to select a base ball nine and manage a tour of West Virginia, playing local nines. The first place visited will be Mannington, if arrangements can be made there. It is probable that the tour will extend to Huntington, and possibly to Charleston. A first-class amateur nine can be se- lected here which would give the local nines through the State good, exciting games.

The Ringgold Reunion.

The famous Ringgold cavalry battal- ion, which won distinction in the re- bellion, will hold its annual reunion at Buffalo village, Washington county, Pa., to-day, and doubtless it will be a largely attended affair. Prof. F. H. Crago was a member of the battalion and will attend the reunion, and several other old soldiers will also go out.

Excursion to Moundsville Sunday.

On next Sunday the steamer R. E. Phillips will make two round trips to Moundsville. The first trip will leave Martin's Ferry at 8 a. m., Wheeling at 8:30 and Bellaire at 9. The boat will leave Moundsville on the return trip at 8 p. m. The rest of the day the boat will make her regular trips in the Wheeling and Bellaire trade.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

The Board of Education will meet in regular session this evening.

LOUIS HOELSCHE is putting a fine metal ceiling in his store at the corner of Thirty-sixth and Jacob streets.

THE Carleton Circle of the Second Presbyterian church had an enjoyable picnic at Haney's grove, on the Lehigh pike, yesterday.

RAILROAD companies will hereafter re- fuse to receive persons for shipment to any Ohio and Indiana points, who died of diphtheria.

THE Harvest Home picnic to be held in Stewart's Grove, near St. Clairsville, to-day, will be a great affair if the weather proves favorable.

A MARRIAGE license was yesterday issued to Louis A. Groppe, aged twenty-three, and Annie May Humphrey, aged twenty, both of this city.

JAKE REMMY's horse ran off yesterday on the South Side and dragged a coal cart several squares. He was finally caught by Harvey Cook, the pop man.

A BOG dog belonging to John McGan- non yesterday bit Joseph Bier badly on the leg. Bier complained to the police, and Chief Debrugge ordered the brute shot.

OLD John Huseman was arrested again yesterday on a police court war- rant sworn out by Frank Lyons, a neighbor, who accuses him of disorderly conduct.

JOHN J. SHEEKY was yesterday ap- pointed administrator of the estate of May F. Sheeky, deceased, and gave bond in the sum of \$200, with T. S. Riley as surety.

ON Tuesday one of Louis Amus's horses broke a post to which he was hitched and ran off, dragging the post after him. His legs and body were pretty badly skinned.

THE annual picnic of the Hebrew Sabbath school takes place to-day at Wheeling Park. Various prizes will be given to the pupils and they all will have an enjoyable time.

WILLIAM M. DUNLAP was yesterday appointed a committee for V. H. Van- meter, an insane person; bond, \$25,000, with W. P. Hubbard, W. H. Hearne, B. S. Allison and Joseph O. Curtis as sure- ties.

THERE were two cases in the police court yesterday. A vagrant named Hall was sent to the hill in default of the usual tribute, and a colored man named Bolan paid \$5 and costs for whipping his wife.

WORK on the false work for the eastern half of the channel span of the new bridge to the Island is progressing rapidly, and the whole iron superstructure will probably be completed in a week or ten days.

THE men employed on the pit for the south abutment of the Main street stone bridge are doing some tall hustling these days, and the foundation ought to be completed to where the spring of the arch begins in two weeks more.

THE paving of Jacob street from Sixteenth to Seventeenth with fire brick was completed yesterday. Fifteenth street is about graded from Jacob street west half way to Eoff, and the paving of this half square will begin to-day.

RECENTLY a number of valuable brass castings were stolen out of an Ohio River railroad car. Suspicion rested on two boys, and Officer Lukins brought them in yesterday, but as the evidence was not very complete and the boys are very young, they were dismissed.

A MAN who gave his name as "Mike McCool," and said he was from the north of Ireland, was arrested by Officer Creighton last evening for being drunk. Officer Minkemyer ran in a man named Morris for disorder in the Eighth ward.

THE Italian who had his leg taken off on the railroad at Benwood a week ago was taken to the hospital at Wheeling, yesterday, and thereupon two or three guessing correspondents for neighboring papers named him Cross, and stated that he lost his leg yesterday.—Bellaire Inde- pendent.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Hon. J. P. Spriggs, of Woodfield, is at the Bellaire.

G. B. West, of Sistersville, was at the McLure yesterday.

Miss Bertha Heim has returned from a visit to friends at Dallas.

Miss Annie Spencer, of Grafton, is visiting Wheeling friends.

R. C. O'Neill, Joe and Den Daer left for Atlantic City yesterday.

Miss Cora Hawley, of Washington, Pa., is visiting on the Island.

Miss Edna Baird is visiting her sister, Mrs. Winters, in Marshall county.

Mrs. Emma Gallith is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Mary Wirt, at Dallas.

H. Neuenschwander, the engineer, returned yesterday from Atlantic City.

S. W. Bowman and D. Dewar, of Man- nington, were at the Bellaire yesterday.

Mrs. H. W. Redman and daughter, Bertha, are visiting relatives in Clarke- burg.

Mrs. Ira C. Post and Miss Florence A. Post, of Clarksburg, are at the Hotel Windsor.

J. W. Dunberry, of Cameron, and J. H. McCoy, of Listersville, were at the Stamm yesterday.

F. J. Flint, of Cleveland, and Eugene Ingold, of Pittsburgh, were at the St. Charles yesterday.

Mrs. A. C. Willetts, of the Island, is slowly recovering from a protracted spell of typhoid fever.

Mr. George H. Raymond, a member of the staff of the Morgantown News Dominion, is in the city.

William Knoke, Fred Strasser and some others took a trip to the South Side fishing camp yesterday.

Councilman M. J. O'Kane is home from a visit of several days to the Mark Twain fishing camp, down the river.

Hon. J. W. Warwick, member of Congress from the Cleveland district, was at the McLure House yesterday.

Archie Taylor, of the Underwriters' Insurance office, has gone out into Braxton county on a two weeks' trip.

A Walter, of Baltimore, general super- intendent of the Baltimore & Ohio rail- road, stopped at the McLure last night.

Mr. John L. Kinghorn and his aunt, Miss Lizzie Kinghorn, returned yester- day morning from Mountain Lake Park.

Miss Lizzie Nunge, who has been visiting Miss Mary Scadler, at Stenben- ville, for two weeks, returned home yesterday.

Miss Kate Hazlett gave an elegant course dinner last evening to seven couples, in honor of her guest, Miss Rebecca Tyler, of Louisville, Ky.

R. H. Ross, of Waverly; Thomas J. Kincaid, of Glenville; W. A. Howard and H. C. Neale, of Parkersburg, were the West Virginians at the St. Charles yesterday.

Mrs. J. H. Watt and daughter, and Miss Stella Kemp, of Barnesville, and Miss Florence Stone and sister, of Fair- mont, took dinner at the McLure House yesterday.

DOWN AT MOUNDSVILLE.

Missionary Visits to the Cottages Yesterday Afternoon.

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S TEMPLE

Formally Dedicated with Impressive Services and an Eloquent, Practical Sermon—Good Attendance last Night—All have their Pictures Taken.

Yesterday was the seventh day of the meeting at the Moundsville Camp Ground, and the zeal of the religious workers continued unabated. There seems to be more individual work done this season than has been seen for a long time. While the attendance is comparatively small, the energy and enthusiasm manifested at the various services led many to pronounce it the best camp meeting held on the grounds for years.

Rev. S. E. Jones, presiding elder of this district, came down in the morning and remained till half-past four o'clock in the afternoon, and assisted in the services.

The morning class held in the temple was, if possible, more interesting and enjoyable than any preceding it. Scores of persons gladly spoke of their faith in their religion. Some were so full of happiness and so eager to tell their experience that it was hard to keep them within the limits of the time allotted to each.

The usual morning song service was had at the auditorium under the direction of Prof. E. O. Excell, and the morning lesson was read by Presiding Elder Jones.

The Young People's Temple was dedi- cated in the morning. Rev. Swindells read the dedicatory services and preached one of the best sermons heard on the grounds this year. His text was the 10th Psalm, 5th and 6th verses. The principal thoughts advanced was that real satisfaction and happiness is only found in a Christian life; that the great majority of the most successful business men of the country have their names on the church register; the social ad- vantages of the religious are greater than those of the irreligious; the Christian people are more intellectual and better educated, better clothed and live in better houses. The Christian life here on earth is one of happiness. He does not live for the future alone, but for the present, and he gets more true happiness out of life here than does the worldly. The propositions, he said, he would leave to any jury of worldly men and have no fears of their verdict as to their truth. But when he spoke of the happiness and glory of the Christian in the future life he grew more eloquent and earnest.

At the close of the sermon Photog- rapher Sellars, of Bellaire, took a photo- graph of the auditorium and congrega- tion. The photograph was taken from the platform, the ministers being seated on the benches in front and Professor Excell and the chorus of singers on the front seats and the audience nearly all in the middle rows. After that the procession was formed, with the ministers in the lead, the chorus of singers next and then the young peo- ple, followed by the old, and proceeded to the temple, where the dedicatory services were concluded. The services at the temple were very impressive.

There was no preaching in the after- noon. The Christian workers met at the auditorium and had a prayer ser- vice, and then went out over the grounds in small companies to do missionary work. Every tent was visited and prayer held with its inmates. But few families were found who did not belong to some church. At 4 o'clock the workers were to meet again in the auditorium to make a report of their work; but some did not get back, and so the report went over till the evening meeting, when it was reported that 106 families had been visited during the afternoon, and 306 persons found who are members of some Christian church, and 101 adults who were not members of any church. The mission workers had been cordially received at every cottage but one, and there the door was locked. Rev. Mr. Swindells, who announced the report, said that he did not know why this was done, but he was glad that there was but one among all that number who would not receive the Christian worker.

At 6:30 the popular young people's meeting was held in the tabernacle. Rev. Messrs. Boswell and Brodhead had charge of this meeting. The temple was crowded again to overflowing, and the usual deep interest was manifested in the services.

There was a larger crowd present in the evening than at any time since Sunday. The usual song service was held at the auditorium. A number of choice selections were sung to the accompaniment of the piano and organ, Mrs. J. B. Alexander presiding at the organ and Mrs. Shelshae at the piano. Mrs. Harry Travis sang a beautiful solo, entitled "Lead Me Gently Home," the choir joining in the chorus. Rev. C. S. Allemon, of Cameron, led in prayer, after which Prof. Excell, by request, sang "Keep in the Middle of the Road."

Rev. G. W. Gordon preached the evening sermon. Mr. Gordon is a vigorous preacher and he put his whole soul into this sermon.

When he concluded, Rev. Amos John- son exhorted sinners to come forward for prayer.

Today at 8:30 o'clock the "latest news" meeting will be held in the temple. Professor Excell will meet the chorus of singers at the auditorium at 9 o'clock a. m., and at 10 o'clock Rev. G. W. Grimes, of the Simpson M. E. Church, of Moundsville, will preach the morn- ing sermon. No preacher was announced for the afternoon, but the usual services will be had at night.

Next Sunday's Services.

Rev. Merritt Hulbert, D. D., pastor of Spring Garden M. E. church, Phila- delphia, and Rev. Dr. Norcross, president of the Pittsburgh female college, will preach at the Moundsville Camp Grounds on Sunday, August 23. Trains leave Wheeling at 8 a. m., 9 a. m., 12:30 p. m., 2:35 p. m., and 6 p. m. Return- ing at 5 p. m. and 10 p. m. The gates are open all day.

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LABOR DAY ARRANGEMENTS

Being Perfected by the General Commit- tee—The Prizes.

At the last meeting of the Trades Assembly's general committee, having charge of the Labor Day demonstration, several more members were added from local unions. The committee on print- ing was instructed to have bills printed and to do other necessary advertising, also to have grand stand tickets issued, at ten cents for admission. The commit- tee on amusements is making arrange- ments for horse-racing, and has about completed the arrangements for a race between the Bellaire and Martin's Ferry dremen.

The following are the conditions and prizes for the horse races: Trotting race—First prize, \$40; second, \$20; third, \$15; five entries and three start- ers required. Running race—Prizes the same; entrance fee, ten per cent. Fire- men's race, prize \$20. Foot race be- tween Robert Edwards and Frank Miller, 100 yards, for purse of \$30.

The committee on stand privileges will get the marshals' badges and will award the wheel of fortune privileges. John Corcoran and Richard Robertson were appointed a committee to wait on Mayor C. W. Seabright and to request him to issue the usual Labor Day proclamation. J. Arthurs, Ned Sims and J. Meade are the committee which will arrange for police protection.

A silk flag or banner will be presented to the union having the largest per cent of members in line in the parade. A prize of \$5 will be given to the member selling the largest number of tickets. In conclusion letters of acceptance were read from the Mayor of Stenboville, outside local unions and the Wheeling fire department. The committee ad- journed to meet August 25.

Y. M. C. A. FIELD DAY.

Programme of Events for the Acrobatic Contests to-morrow.

Athletic members of the Young Men's Christian Association are making great preparations for their field day on the State Fair grounds to-morrow afternoon, beginning at 2 o'clock. The admission will be ten cents. The exercises will be participated in by members of the Young Men's Christian Associations of Washington, Pa., Steubenville, Martin's Ferry and Wheeling. Following is the programme: Half-mile ordi- nary bicycle race; 100-yard run; junior 100-yard run; throwing base ball; half-mile safety bicycle race; junior running high jump; standing broad jump; running broad jump; 120 yard hurdle; high kick; putting 12- pound shot; wheelbarrow race; one mile safety bicycle race; junior Indian club race; 250 yard run; throwing 12- pound hammer; pole vault; distance pole vault; standing high jump; run- ning high jump; one mile ordinary bicycle race. There are eighty entries from the Wheeling Association and will probably be as many more from the other places. Silver medals will be given to the winners.

This evening the members of the Wheeling Association will entertain the visitors at the Association building.

"PILGRIMS" AND STRANGERS.

Strangers to the American Game—Jack Crogan's Team badly done up Yesterday.

The "Pilgrim" base ball nine, com- posed of bartenders in the city, and the "Angels," or "McGinties," played an alleged game of ball at Recreation park yesterday. To the surprise of every- body the Angels flew away with the Pilgrims, defeating them by a score of 20 to 1. The Pilgrims had expected to clip the Angels' wings. The umpire was a colored man, who said he was no sucker, couldn't be bulldozed, and had umpired all over the State of Pennsylv- ania. He referred with pride to his pedigree, which was well known in Pittsburgh.

The Pilgrims furnished three balls, which were lost in the course of the game, which then came to a stop before all the innings had been played. Cap- tain Jack Crogan, of the Pilgrims, was at a loss to account for the poor show- ing made by his club, but ascribed it to the want of practice on the part of his nine.

AFTER A THIRD OF A CENTURY.

An Old Resident Returns to the Vicinity. An Old-time Newspaper.

On the register at the St. Charles hotel yesterday was the name, W. C. Willing, Columbus, Ohio. AN INTELLI- GENCER man met Colonel Willing and learned that he was an old resident of Martin's Ferry and Bridgeport. He left about thirty years ago. When the war broke out he passed through Wheeling with his regiment, but that was the only visit he has made until yesterday since he left.

Thirty-three years ago Col. Willing's father edited and published a news- paper, The American Enterprise, first at Martin's Ferry and afterwards at Bridgeport. Having no press of his own, he hired his presswork done at the INTELLIGENCER office, and the colonel, then a youngster, used to bring the forms over to the city every week to be printed.

Long as he had been away, Col. Willing found several of his old friends, who remembered him well and were glad to see him.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats. The River Reports.

The river was falling yesterday, with 4 feet 3 inches in the channel.

The reports from above were:

Morgantown—4 feet and stationary; clear and warm.

Brownsville—4 feet 6 inches and sta- tionary; clear and hot.

Warren—3-10 of a foot and falling; clear and warm.

The Matt F. Allen got away yesterday for Pittsburgh at 7 p. m.

The Lizzie Bay passed down for Charleston yesterday at 10 a. m.

Two boats are scheduled to leave the wharfbat to-day, the H. K. Bedford, for Pittsburgh, at 8 a. m., and the Courier, for Parkersburg, at 11:30 a. m.

A TELEPHONE line is being put up to Fulton, and a pay station will be estab- lished in Hoffman's grocery there.

DR. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup was used for years as a prescription by a successful physician. It is in all re- spects the best cough medicine made to-day. Sold by all dealers on a guaran- tee of satisfaction.

DIED.

PURCELL—At the residence of his parents, Stack Yard Hollow, on Wednesday, August 19, 1891, at 12 o'clock noon, HARRY WILLIAM- son of William and Katharine Purcell, aged 8 years and 5 months.

BANK—at Weibsburg, on Tuesday, August 18, 1891, Mrs. MAUV C. BANE, wife of J. E. Bane, and daughter of Isaac and Isabella Hun- gersberg, aged 31 years.

FUNERAL services at Short Creek M. E. Church at 12 o'clock this (Thursday) noon. Interment at Short Creek Cemetery.

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