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# ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Was Generally Observed in Wheeling Yesterday.

## MILITARY HIGH MASS GIVEN

YESTERDAY MORNING AT ST. JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL—ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENTS AT THE CARROLL CLUB, IN BENWOOD AND OVER-THE-RIVER TOWNS—THE WEATHER WAS IDEALIC THROUGHOUT.

Yesterday was the day of the emerald, green—St. Patrick's day—in honor of the patron saint of the Emerald Isle, who made himself famous in Irish history by stamping out the snake evil and removing many other unwelcome features. The three sprig shamrock was in evidence, being worn by old and young, regardless of nationality or creed.

A number of business houses presented shamrocks to their trade. The day was an ideal one, the thermometer registering 69 degrees in the shade, with a clear sky overhead. At the Cathedral the day was observed by a military high mass, at which Father Harris sung the mass, assisted by Father McBride as deacon and Father Moyer as sub-deacon. Mass was celebrated in all the Catholic churches of Wheeling and vicinity. At noon the Catholic school cadets turned out 150 strong, headed by their drum major and paraded the principal streets of the city in honor of the occasion.

## HIBERNIANS OBSERVE IT.

Mullen and Parke Divisions of the Ancient Order of Hibernians observed the day. "Shaun Aroon," an original drama in three acts, by Charles Townsend, was produced by a carefully selected cast from Mullen and Parke Divisions and the Ladies Auxiliaries, last night, in the Carroll Club Auditorium, which was packed to the doors, every seat in the house being taken, with standing room only. "Shaun Aroon" is a beautiful Irish drama, with very pleasing stage settings, which enhanced the play to a marked degree. The entire production was under the direction of Miss A. Linn Hennig, whose name speaks for itself. All the members of the cast rendered their various parts with proficiency, and pleased the audience. To make particular mention of any member of the following cast would be very difficult:

Shaun Aroon (a roving, light hearted fellow).....Mr. Michael Fitzgerald  
Lord Fermoy (disguised as "Bad Andy") a good hearted landlady.....Mr. Thomas Duffy  
Fergus Riordan, Fermoy's rascally agent.....Mr. John J. Byrne  
Dan O'Grady, a sturdy old farmer.....Mr. Patrick Quinlan  
Mrs. O'Grady, Dan's wife.....Mrs. M. B. Bailey  
Tom O'Grady, his son.....Mr. J. B. Dixon  
Old Hennings, a money lender.....Mr. J. B. Dixon  
Miss Ka Norton.....Miss Ka Norton  
Molly, his daughter.....Miss Julia Gaughan  
Maggie, a maid servant.....Miss Annie Henry  
Last night's production was so successful that Mullen Division will probably give a production in St. Mary's school of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Eighth ward.

## AT THE ARION.

The Arion Society gave a very interesting Kaffee Visite at the club house last night under the direction of Mrs. Franz Laupp and the following ladies: Mesdames E. Scherlein, Clements Hess, Albert Wilkie, George Hook, Harry Truschell, Joseph Hoffman, George Ebeling, Charles Aul, George Lutz, John J. Lutz, Charles Kilmeyer, G. A. Beuter, and the Misses Jennie Franzheim, Carl Miller, Alice Egertner, Gene Ditman, Minnie Aul.

A very toothsome supper was served from 6 until 9 o'clock in the dining hall. The table decorations were of the festive green, which caused great merriment among the members. The floral decorations were arranged personally by Florist Franz Laupp, which enhanced the beauty of the dining hall to a marked degree. The evening was spent at cards and terpsichorean festivities. The next affair of the Arion will be a concert and ball on April 11th.

## BENEFIT ENTERTAINMENT.

St. Patrick's day was celebrated at Benwood last night by an entertainment at St. John's hall, for the benefit of St. John's church. A large and appreciative audience was in attendance, and the following programme was rendered:

The programme was as follows:  
Song—"St. Patrick's Day".....Misses E. Heavy, D. Nolan, G. Barrett, E. Nolan.  
Vocal Solo....."Leonora".....Miss E. Jenkins.  
Guitar and Mandolin.....Mrs. K. W. Dickey.  
Chorus....."Wearing of the Green"  
Vocal Solo....."Hush-a-Bye, Hush-a-Bye"  
Song....."Come Back, O'Reilly"  
J. Ferdinand, J. O'Brien, J. Hildebrand, J. Sands.  
Song....."You're It for Tar"  
Miss M. Geraghty.  
Song....."Peek-a-Boo"  
Miss Rebecca Olson.  
Guitar and Mandolin.....Mr. Kraus and Mr. Dickey.  
Song....."Pat Malone"  
J. Ferdinand, J. O'Brien, J. Hildebrand, J. Sands.  
Vocal Solo....."Harp that Once Through Tara's Hall"  
Miss E. Heavy.  
Guitar and Mandolin.....Messrs. Kraus and Dickey.  
Vocal Solo....."Raffle of a Waterbury Watch"  
J. Ferdinand, J. O'Brien, J. Hildebrand, J. Sands.  
Violin, Guitar and Mandolin.....Walter Geraghty, Lillie Geraghty and Mrs. Price.  
Vocal Solo....."On the Banks of the Wabash"  
Far Away"  
Miss Lillie Geraghty.  
Dances....."Fisher's Hornpipe"  
Miss A. Nolan, Miss E. Nolan, Mr. J. Ferdinand.

## AT MARTIN'S FERRY.

The three-act Irish drama, "The Haunted Mill," was well presented by St. Mary's Literary Society of Martin's Ferry, to a very large audience at the opera house there last night. The Martin's Ferry Cornet band rendered selections. Over 100 persons were present from Bellaire and Bridgeport.

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE.

The Central Garden-club of the Fifth ward, gave a ball last night in honor of St. Patrick's day. The evening was spent in terpsichorean festivities.

## GOOD CROP PROSPECTS.

Mr. Kenworthy Hoge visited his farms in Belmont county this week and reports a wonderful change in the growing wheat the last ten days, the improved condition in appearance being forty per cent, and with continued growing weather there will be a great crop of wheat. Clover has been badly lifted by frosts, but timothy has withstood the winter better. Farmers are busy ploughing ground. Stock has wintered well. Corn is getting scarce locally. There is sufficient hay for the use of the farmers.

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## OLD TIMERS GATHER

To do Honor to Rev. Samuel Boyd on the Anniversary of His Birth—Wheeling Friends of Mr. Boyd Attend.

Yesterday, the 17th of March, was the eighty-third birthday of the Rev. Samuel Boyd, formerly of Wheeling, now of Martin's Ferry, and was made the occasion of a delightful reunion of his old friends, the members of the Septuagenarian club, a social organization that was formed several years ago by a number of old citizens on the two sides of the river, with a view of greeting each other around the social board as each birthday occurred, and thus keeping alive the memories of other days. Already several of the original members have passed away. Such men, for instance, as Thomas G. Culbertson, Editor Dronnen, William Clark and others, but a goodly number still remain. A dozen of them met yesterday at Mr. Boyd's hospitable home in Martin's Ferry, and joined with him in celebrating St. Patrick's day and his own. There were present the following members: Captain Richard Crawford, (who is in his 90th year), David Park (in his 83rd), Rev. Mr. Boyd (83rd), James A. Gray (82), E. P. Rhodes (80), John McNiece (80), Captain H. W. Smith (77), James Kerr (73), Senator David Wagner (70), H. W. Blackford (71), Robert Warnock (78), and Kennedy Hoge (68).

The average of those present was about 78 years, and all looked as if they might add yet other years to this unusual average. Capt. Richard Crawford was the venerable man of the occasion, and no man of the organization enjoys better health or has a more enviable use of all his faculties. Considering that the Captain ran a steamboat on the Ohio for many years, and was up at all hours of the day and night, his well preserved health is something remarkable. Rev. Mr. Boyd is a fine type of the Irish school of ministers and literary men, and looked the very picture of well preserved manhood yesterday. The same thing can be said of Mr. David Park, who is also a North of Ireland man, and like Mr. Boyd carries the "bloom of Erin" in his complexion. These two and Mr. John McNiece all came from nearby localities in Ireland, and all seem to have had the substantial marrow of the Scotch-Irish race in their bones.

All the rest of the membership present yesterday were natives of this immediate region except Capt. Crawford, ex-Senator Wagner and Capt. Hiram Smith (who are Pennsylvanians) and Mr. Hoge, who is a native of Virginia. Mr. E. P. Rhodes was born in Bridgeport and has lived there all his life. Likewise Mr. James Gray is a native of the vicinity, and also Messrs Kerr, Warnock, and Blackford.

The after dinner hours yesterday were spent in exchanging reminiscences of earlier and latter days, and in discussing the latest phases of the Cuban imbroglio. All present were for the war, if it must needs come, and for a fight to the finish, too, but having seen two wars, and especially the great civil war, they are not jingoes.

All in all, yesterday was indeed a pleasant occasion for the Septuagenarian Club and the veterans greatly enjoyed their "feast of reason and flow of soul."

## A FINE PROGRAMME

Prepared for To-Night's Camp Meeting Grounds Entertainment.

The supper and entertainment to be given to-night at Odd Fellows' hall, promises to be one of the most enjoyable events of the season. It is given under the auspices of the Woman's Camp Ground Association; this insures its success. Supper will be served from 5 until 8 o'clock, after which there will be given a fine musical and literary entertainment under the management of Miss Zou Hastings. A large crowd will be in attendance, as hundreds of tickets have been disposed of. The friends of the association are urged to be present and help a good cause. The ladies are determined to do their share in paying the debt of the camp meeting association and they deserve success in their worthy undertaking.

The following programme will be rendered:

Kelar-Bela.....Lutspiel Overture  
Misses Hicks and Kyle.  
Cowan.....The Swallows  
Miss Zou Hastings.  
O'Conner.....Belle of the Cake Walk  
Mascheroni.....For All Eternity  
M. E. L. Stone.  
.....Poetic Inspiration  
Mr. B. C. Taylor.  
Lynn.....He Was a Prince  
Miss Margaret Harvey.  
Recitation.....Miss Sue Jones  
Marzeals.....Leaving, Yet Loving  
Mr. Fred H. Friedman.  
Weaver.....Spirit of '76 March  
Ariel Quartette.

## The Pioneers' Election.

The German Pioneer Ladies Society met on Wednesday evening at Arion hall, for the purpose of electing new officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of regular business. The election resulted as follows:  
President—Mrs. J. Husemann.  
Vice President—Mrs. C. F. Wagner.  
Secretary—Mrs. W. Huebel.  
Treasurer—Mrs. F. Schmelchle.  
Amusement committee—Mesdames J. W. Betz, B. Bach, Charles Rohrig, Christ Kalbitzer, Joseph Hydingler, Charles Hostmann, Neuhart and Gleesener.  
The society will give an entertainment at Arion hall within four weeks.

## Elected Directors.

The Wheeling Beef and Provision Company, which was recently organized by butchers of this city, with quarters at No. 1823 South street, met at Odd Fellows' hall for the purpose of electing directors for the following result: Charles T. Mayer, Christian Kalbitzer, J. C. Mediek, B. Gardner, Anton Korn, John Behm and Louis Zoekler. The board organized as follows: President, John C. Mediek; vice president, Christian Kalbitzer; secretary and general manager, G. H. Mediek; finance committee, Anton Korn and Louis Zoekler; manager of the Fulton slaughter house, Charles Kraft.

The association is in a flourishing condition. The new machinery has been placed in position and the ice houses are filled, which is considered a very large item during the summer months.

## Patriotic Veterans.

The German Krieger Verein, soldiers of the Franco-Prussian war, at their regular meeting adopted a patriotic resolution. The resolution, which offers the services of every member of this Teutonic society to the government in case of war and furthermore urges that Congressman Dovenor tender the same to the President, was passed without a dissenting vote. The patriotism of the members of the Krieger Verein is aroused to such a pitch that they declare they will be in the front ranks at the beat of the drum.

## IN GOOD CONDITION.

The camp ground will be in better condition the coming season than ever before and the cottages will all be filled. The prohibition assembly will be held during July with a very fine programme. Mr. James W. Bodley will be present all summer and will give his best efforts to make both meetings successful.

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Holds a Regular Meeting and Transacts Much Business—A "West Virginia" Battleship Resolution Passed Unanimously.

Last evening a regular meeting of the city board of education was held. President Jefferson in the chair. The following members were present: Birney, Bowers, Dudley, Hubbard, Jepson, Maxwell, McNash, Milligan, Nesbitt, Noble, Rihelndaffer, Schaub, Waterhouse, Weidner and Jefferson.

The committee on accounts reported bills aggregating \$751.55; ordered paid. The committee on public library reported bills \$203.55; ordered paid. Books at a cost of \$61.43 were ordered purchased for the library. An additional index cabinet was authorized.

Miss A. B. Wilson, public librarian, reported on circulation of books as follows: Biography, 91; fiction, 6,407; general, 458; philosophy, 18; religion, 31; sociology, 27; philology, 3; natural science, 45; useful arts, 23; fine arts, 31; literature, 235; history, 304; total, 7,312; average per day, 314; reading room circulation, 1,125; fines paid, \$13.

Superintendent Anderson's report was as follows: Enrollment—High school, 239; Washington, 520; Madison, 771; Clay, 655; Union, 458; Centre, 440; Webster, 645; Ritchie, 857; Lincoln, 85; total, 4,753. Average attendance, 3,383.

Percentage of attendance—High school, 96; Washington, 93; Madison, 95; Clay, 92; Union, 93; Centre, 93; Webster, 92; Ritchie, 91; Lincoln, 93; average, 93.

The committee on teachers and schools recommended that 150 copies of arithmetic be purchased for the high school. The report was adopted unanimously.

Superintendent Anderson stated to the board that there are indications of an enrollment of 365 pupils at the high schools, with a seating capacity of 270. Dr. Jepson moved that this part of the superintendent's report be referred to the committee on teachers and schools.

In a letter to Superintendent Anderson, State Superintendent Trotter suggested the annual enumeration here be made earlier, so that Wheeling would receive her full proportion of the state school fund. As matters are now, the enumeration is taken in June and July; if taken in May the current year's figures would be received by the state authorities in time for use in their annual estimate and appropriation. No action was taken, there being a state law that prevents the enumeration being taken in May.

Mr. Schaub's resolution, making book-keeping an elective study in the high school, was referred to the committee on teachers and schools.

Dr. Jepson moved an amendment to the board's rules, providing that diplomas give standing of the graduate for the last year only. The amendment was referred to the committee on rules and regulations.

Mr. McNigan introduced a resolution for the spring vacation, making it from March 31 to April 11.

Mr. James B. Taney offered to the high school a section of basalt from the famous Giant's Causeway. A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Taney by the board, on motion of Mr. Milligan. "Why didn't he bring us the Blarney Stone?" inquired a member.

The Webster commissioners, Messrs. Dudley, Weidner and McNash, introduced the following resolution, which was unanimously seconded and passed unamously:

Whereas, the war born state of West Virginia, in her remarkable career of progress, is a noble instance of the great strides America is making in the march of civilization, and  
Whereas, the name of West Virginia has never been represented in the navy of the United States, which is now becoming worthy of this great nation, and  
Whereas, it is the desire of the citizens of West Virginia that her name be given a place in our navy, therefore be it resolved, by the board of education of the

city of Wheeling. That the honorable secretary of the navy and other officials of the government be and they are hereby respectfully requested to consider the propriety of giving to one of the new battleships the name of West Virginia, and be it resolved, That our senators and representatives in Congress be asked to do all in their power to have this desire of their constituents realized, and further be it

Resolved, That our senators and representatives in Congress be asked to do all in their power to have this desire of their constituents realized, and further be it

Mr. Dudley, of Webster, wanted a new teacher; referred to the committee on teachers and schools with power to act.

Dr. Birney moved that Washington's janitor receive an increase of \$10 in his salary; from \$40 to \$50.

The matter was finally referred to the committee on buildings and grounds.

Dr. Birney next asked for an increase his appropriation of \$10 for a flag pole, which was finally granted.

Then Mr. Schaub wanted \$248 for a similar flag pole for the high school; referred to the committee on buildings and grounds.

Dr. Birney asked that an investigation of the furnaces in the Washington building be made by the committee on buildings and grounds. They are in nearly a state of collapse, he said. The matter was referred as requested.

## BUILDING OPERATIONS.

Messrs. George Hibberd & Sons, the plumbers, of Market street, are arranging to put in a new front and make a number of other attractive improvements.

Mr. Peter Bots will erect a seven roomed brick residence on Sixteenth street, adjoining the residence of Fred Happy.

Mr. Wm. Fisher, of Sixteenth street, will also erect a five roomed residence.

## WOMAN' CLUB MATINEE.

This afternoon at the A. O. U. W. temple, the Woman's Club will give its usual bi-weekly matinee. To-day's programme is made up entirely of Mozart selections, which will no doubt prove both interesting and enjoyable. A paper on the life of the great composer will be read.

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## DIED.

WILKIE—On Wednesday, March 16, 1898, at 10:15 a. m., BERNICE D., infant daughter of Albert L. and Louisa B. Wilkie, aged 8 months and 20 days.

Funeral services at the parents' residence, No. 1118 Chapline street, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Friends of the family respectfully invited to attend. Interment at Mt. Calvary cemetery.

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