DISCUSS PLANS FOR YEAR'S WORK

Meeting of Newly Elected Board of Governors of Chamber of Commerce.

NEW OFFICERS ARE CHOSEN

Four Candidates for Postmastership—Other Petersburg News.

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Petersburg, Va., January 24.

At the meeting last night of the newly-elected board of governors, officers of the Chamber of Commerce for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

President, Hatcher S. Seward; first vice-president, E. C. Kent; second vice-president, F. M. D'Alton; secretary treasurer, William M. Martin.

Committees to have charge of the various activities of the chamber were appointed. Plans for the work of the year, including recommendations made in the annual report of the president, were discussed. Efforts will be made to have every reliable merchant and progressive citizen to become members of the chamber and to work together for the advancement of the city's interests.

The Postmastership.

There are four candidates for postmastership in Petersburg: R. P. Barham, Robert G. Bass, William M. Martin, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and O. W. Mattox, president of the Common Council—all of them influentially indorsed and recommended. It is expected that the recommendation of Judge Walter A. Watson will have influence in the appointment, which may not be made for some months to come, as Postmaster Bolling's term does not expire until April of next year. Judge Watson has not yet indicated his preference.

There are two or more candidates for the office of collector of customs at this port, but the impression prevails that the district will be consolidated with Richmond, and that the office here will be placed in charge of a deputy at a reduced salary.

Petersburg has a candidate also for the office of United States attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, the recent Democratic elector for the Fourth District, J. Gordon Bohannon.

Building Operations.

Last year was a great year in the way of building improvements in Petersburg, and architects and contractors are saying that the present year will equal, if not surpass, the record of the last twelve months. Improvements are now in progress in all parts of the city and in the suburbs.

General News Notes.

Iredell B. Walle, who died yesterday, as announced in The Times-Dispatch, was the third member of the family to die within a year.

Wednesday evening, the sixty-sixth anniversary of his birthday, S. H. Nugent, of Ettrick, was presented with a handsome umbrella by his Sunday school class, in token of their love and esteem. The ceremony took place at the home of Mr. Nugent, where many guests were entertained.

Dr. A. M. Smith, of this city, has been granted a patent for a cushion tire invented by him.

The revival meetings at the West End Baptist Church this week, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. A. R. Love, have thus far resulted in the conversion of over a dozen persons, with evidence that there will be many more.

Judge J. M. Mullen, of the Hustings Court, has gone to North Carolina on a business trip. He will be back in time to preside at the trial of several important cases set for the present term, among them two murder cases.

A. P. Hill Camp of Confederate Veterans will attend the great peace celebration at Gettysburg in July. The camp will be the guest of a Philadelphia post of the Grand Army of the Republic.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED.

Indictment Returned Against Former Deputy Sheriff.

Wilmington, N. C., January 24.—Former Deputy Sheriff Melvin Horne, who has been employed by Sheriff S. P. Cowan for the past several weeks collecting taxes on the outside of the office, and who is said to have left the city about ten days ago without leaving his address and alleged to have taken with him about $500 in tax money, was yesterday morning indicted by the New Hanover grand jury on a charge of embezzlement. The bill was returned in open court yesterday morning and became a permanent record of the court. A capias was issued for the arrest of Mr. Horne.

It is alleged in the bill of indictment that Horne embezzled $500 in money, the same being tax money collected by him as an employe of Sheriff S. P. Cowan and M. Cronly, the latter office deputy.

It was again reported yesterday that Horne was said to be in Cincinnati. A capias, it is presumed, will be sent there for him. He left here last Saturday a week ago for Burgaw or Ashton to visit his child or children and was expected to return in time to begin work on Sunday. When he did not return for several days Sheriff Cowan suspected something wrong. But he did not confide his suspicions to many persons, and it was not until Tuesday that it became pretty generally known that Horne had left these parts, and that it was alleged he had taken with him some $500 of the tax money collected by him. It was learned yesterday that Sheriff Cowan had already made good the amount of the alleged shortage.

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COLONEL URGES STATE INQUIRY

Progressives Father Bill to Create Minimum Wage Boards in Garment Trades

New York, January 24.—Coincident with an authoritative assurance that every effort is being made to end the garment workers' strike to-morrow night, sending 150,000 men and women back to work Monday, Theodore Roosevelt to-day made public a letter in which he announced that the legislative committee of the Progressive party will present to the State Legislature bills aimed to create minimum wage boards in the garment trades. Colonel Roosevelt's letter was to Michael Schaap, a Progressive Assemblyman.

A promise of such boards is a feature of the protocol agreed upon recently between waist and dress operatives and their employes, under which thousands of strikers resumed work. To-day hundreds more of independent operatives announced their intention of accepting its terms to-morrow.

Besides approving the protocol, Colonel Roosevelt urges a State Legislature inquiry into labor conditions in the several garment trades "as a means of bringing about necessary legislation." His letter describes the labor situation as he found it during his tour of the garment-making districts this week. The Colonel takes issue with certain manufacturers who object to the protocol and declares for "the right of collective bargaining" or unionism for operatives.

The assurance that the general strike bids fair to be terminated this week was given by Thomas A. Rickert, of Chicago, president of the United Male Garment Workers of America. He declared that representatives of the interests involved have agreed on plans of arbitrating general differences, and "the only question with the union is what they can get in the way of an immediate concession in order to induce the strikers to return to their work, and this we hope to reach by to-morrow night."

MOTHER-IN-LAW SHARED, AND SPOILED HONEYMOON

Husband Seeking Decree Asserts He Was Allowed to Make Only Formal Calls on His Wife.

Milwaukee, Wis., January 24.—That his mother-in-law was the reason for the breaking up of a happy home and the loss of the wife he still loves is the plea of Joseph Eckman, who has started suit for divorce against Anne Shephard Eckman, daughter of Mrs. Clara Bowen Shephard, a musical impresario. The divorce suit is the outcome of a secret wedding at the Little Church Around the Corner, New York, June 16, 1909, a ceremony known to none but the bride and groom, minister and the mother-in-law.

Here are some of the allegations of the husband:

That his mother-in-law insisted on being one of the honeymoon party, and that she insisted that the bride travel on her honeymoon as an unmarried woman, with the mother as a chaperon.

That he was forced to live as a boarder in his own household.

That he was required to pay two-thirds of the cost of the maintaining of the house.

That if he agreed to pay two-thirds of the cost of maintaining the home he must also agree to take his meals downtown and give his wife $5 a week for pin money.

Eckman brings the suit on the alleged grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment. Up to the filing of suit he alleged his wife refused to recognize the marriage. He says he did not care to make an open quarrel over his trouble owing to his love for his wife. He alleges that he lived in the household ostensibly as a boarder, and that his wife and her mother gave out this statement to the world.

OVERWORK AND MENTAL STRAIN

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DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS AGAINST RECEPTION

Public Function at Inauguration of Woodrow Wilson Is Abandoned.

Washington, January 23.—No public reception will be held in the Capitol on the evening of March 4 as a part of the festivities attending the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson and Thomas R. Marshall as President and Vice-President of the United States, respectively.

Such was the unanimous decision of the Democrats of the Senate at a caucus held to-day. The decision is taken as the Senate end of the Capitol, by both Republicans and Democrats, as final, and is expected to end discussion of the proposed reception. Republicans generally are manifesting entire willingness to accept the decision of the Democratic caucus as it is a Democratic inauguration.

Is Up to Governor Wilson.

If Governor Wilson says he wants a public reception in the Capitol, then the House of Representatives will overwhelmingly vote for the use of the Capitol building for such a function. If Governor Wilson shows indifference the House will follow his example and will not raise a voice toward turning over the rotunda for any such purpose. These conclusions are based on interviews and expressions of opinion from half a dozen members of Congress who have been asked by men in this city to ascertain the sentiment of Congress. Until something definite is decided about what Governor Wilson wants, none of them cares to rush into print.

The next resolution to be introduced into the House, carrying with it $20,000 and the use of the Capitol, would have to come form the appropriations committee. That committee is now favorably disposed toward a public reception in the Capitol, if the Governor wants it.

"But we are not going to do a single thing until we know that want we do will be carried out on the floor of the House," said a member of the committee to-day.

Women Want Stand.

Another important development of the day in the inaugural plans was the presentation to the Senate Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds of a plea, in behalf of those in charge of the woman's suffrage parade and pageant March 3, for permission to erect a special stand on the Sherman statue square south of the Treasury Building for use in connection with the pageant to be given on the south front of the Treasury.

The plea to Congress, through the Senate Committee, by the woman's suffrage advocates is the culmination of a struggle between them and the inaugural committee. As it was explained at the committee meeting, the plea for a special stand is the result of a failure of the inaugural committee to grant the use of the inaugural stands March 3, when the woman's suffrage parade and pageant is to be given. Definite action on the plea was postponed by the committee until to-morrow morning because of the absence this morning of a quorum.

The Senate Committee's meeting today was to be devoted to a consideration of the usual joint resolution, proposed by the Inaugural Committee, and passed by the House late yesterday afternoon, granting permission to the Inaugural Committee to use public space for the erection of stands, to put up overhead conductors for the illumination of Pennsylvania Avenue and other downtown streets, and to use flags and ensigns of the War and Navy Departments.

The approval of the resolution as it was approved by the House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds and by the House, with the provision for the use of the pension building for the inaugural ball stricken out, was urged upon the Senate Committee by Chairman Eustis, of the Inaugural Committee, George E. Hamilton, John B. Larner and others of the body in charge of the inaugural festivities.

Suffragists Attend.

A delegation of Woman Suffragists who are in charge of the arrangements for the parade and pageant to be held March 3, was also in attendance. The party included Miss Alice Paul, Mrs. William Kent, Miss Lucy Burns, Mrs. Robert Baker and Mrs. Helen Gardener.

When it came their turn to be heard they asked the insertion in the joint resolution of the Inaugural Committee of an amendment providing:

"That the public space opposite the south side of the Treasury shall be reserved for the use of the procession committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association and the District of Columbia Woman Suffrage Association on the occasion of the woman suffrage pageant March 3, and that any stand erected on the last mentioned reservation shall be under the supervision of said procession committee and in accordance with plans and designs to be approved by the Engineer Commissioner of the District of Columbia and the officer in charge of public buildings and grounds, and that the last mentioned reservation, if occupied by stands or other structures, shall be restored to its original condition after such occupation and that the procession committee shall indemnify the War Department for any damage to any structure whatsoever on this reservation."

Women's Plans Outlined.

The plans of the women for the suffrage parade and pageant March 3 were briefly outlined to the committee, special emphasis being placed on the pageant to be held at the south front of the Treasury Building. By the action of the inaugural committee, it was explained, the woman suffrage committee found itself unable to use the inaugural committee's stands March 3, and therefore the erection of a special stand of their own [illegible] been adopted as the best solution [illegible]

Reque[illegible]osed.

On behalf of t[illegible]ural committee, George E. H[illegible] opposed the amendment, on t[illegible]nd that it might delay the passage [illegible] inaugural committee's joint resolution.

"We are already ten days behind in awarding the contracts for the stands," Mr. Hamilton said, "and we do not want anything to be introduced into the joint resolution which will delay its passage any longer. That is the danger of the amendment asked by the women.

"We are not opposing their plan in any way. We simply ask that it be considered as a separate resolution and not added as a complication to our resolution.

MAKES GOOD SHOWING.

Roanoke Military Inspected by Adjutant General and Captain Partello.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Roanoke, Va., January 24.—W. W. Sale, Adjutant General of Virginia and Captain Joseph K. Partello, United States Army, arrived here this morning for a property and company inspection of the Roanoke Militia organization, Company L, Second Virginia Infantry.

The officers were met at the station by Captain Davant and went to the Hotel Roanoke, after which they were taken for a motor ride. Inspection of property was made to-day, and at 8 o'clock to-night the company assembled at the armory on Randolph Street and was inspected.

The company made a good showing, and was ready for the critical eyes of the officers. The officers left here at midnight.

ANGRY FATHERS STOP WEDDING

Beautiful Girl Prevented From Marrying Member of Gypsy Band.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Allentown, Pa., January 24.—Isabelle Harrison, daughter of Captain Naylor Harrison, said to be a wealthy resident of Madison, N. J., and Samuel Cooper, a member of a band of gypsies, were arrested in this city to-day by Police Sergeant Harry W. Stoneback, following the receipt of a telephone message from the Easton police that the pair had eloped. The girl is a beautiful brunette, less than twenty years of age, and was stunningly attired. Cooper is nearly twenty-one years of age. The parents of the elopers, it is said, were neighbors in England, and when both emigrated to America some years ago, they settle in New Jersey. As playmates in the land of their birth, Miss Harrison and young Cooper were much in each other's company, and upon their arrival in America, they remained companions until Cooper, who is of a roving nature, joined a band of gypsies, notwithstanding the fact that his father is possessed of considerable wealth. Recently, it is said, the young lovers planned a romantic elopement and carrying out the suggestion, the girl, it is said, joined Cooper in the gypsy camp near Phillipsburg, N. J., and yesterday they together came to Allentown by trolley.

This morning they called upon Rev. C. A. Snavely, pastor of Zion United Brethren Church, and asked him to marry them, but when it was learned that they had **no** license, the clergyman sent them away. The youthful elopers were on their way to the courthouse when Sergeant Stoneback arrested them. The fathers of Cooper and the girl were close on their heels and a stormy scene followed the meeting between them and the young pair at the police station. The irate fathers finally relented, however, and left for home later in the day with their respective offspring. Both Cooper and the girl declared that their only regret was that their plans had miscarried.

MISTRIAL LIKELY IN BELAND CASE

Jury Unable to Agree After Many Hours' Deliberation.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Goldsboro, N. C., January 24.—Great interest continues to be shown in the tria of the Wilson wife murderer, J. W. Beland, as the court-room was packed to its capacity long before court convened, and the crowd remained all through the long morning session until the case was given to the jury at 1 o'clock, and remained in and around the court-room waiting for a verdict. Although the jury returned to ask for further instructions as to the law as to insanity, at a late hour to-night no verdict has been reached, and a hungjury seems likely to be the result.

Solicitor Norris finished a speech of three hours about 10 o'clock this morning and he was followed by J. E. Woodard, of Wilson, who made an eloquent plea for his client to be given his freedom, deploring the fact that Beland had been denied the right of a trial by citizens of his home county and claimed the removal from Wilson to Wayne County was due to the effort of private prosecution employed by the family of the dead woman. The instructions given by Judge Justice to the jury were clear and plain.

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LIVELY CORPSE WANTS DAMAGES

Man Declared Dead Proves Contrary by Asking $20,000.

Chicago, Ill., January 24.—All records for activity on the part of corpses were smashed to smithereens by John O'Brien, of Lemont. His performance may be rewarded with a $20,000 prize.

O'Brien is an undertaker. He has handled many corpses and says he knows how they should act. Consequently he takes no particular credit to himself for proving himself the liveliest "corpse" on record.

His activity was manifested when he filed a $20,000 suit for damages against the Boston Dental Parlors, and Dr. William Tarr, who owns them. It was further displayed when he appeared yesterday in Judge Goodwin's court to prosecute the suit.

Tells of His "Death."

There he told just how he became a corpse.

According to his story, it was in March, 1910, that he was pronounced lifeless. He had gone to the Boston Dental Parlors to have a tooth extracted, and in spite of his objections, he said, was given drugs.

"Well, the stuff the dentist injected made me unconscious, and I was between earth and heaven, if that is to be my destination, for three hours and a half," he said.

"I couldn't move and I couldn't talk, but I could hear everything that was said and knew everything that was done.

"The dentist was frightened and he called a doctor. The doctor said I was dying and he gave me another injection. After that injection I was worse, and they finally decided I was dead.

Is Pronounced Lifeless.

"I heard one say: 'Well, what are we going to do with this corpse?'"

O'Brien does not say whether his professional jealousy was aroused at the thought of another undertaker being called in or not, but it appears from his story that this query as to the disposition of his body so move him that it was decided he was not quite dead.

"They called in another specialist," he said. "He said there was one chance in a thousand for me to recover. Imagine me lying there powerless to move or talk and hear that. The specialist managed to revive me at last, and I was allowed to go home in a dazed condition. I don't know if I everwould have got there if I had not met Dr. John W. Rust, of Willow Springs."

CIGARETTES CAUSE RUIN OF CLERK SHORT $8,766

Smoking and Motor Car Lead to Indictment of Frank O. Fredrickson for Robbing Bank.

Chicago, Ill., January 24.—Monogram cigarettes and an automobile led to the downfall of Frank O. Fredrickson, clearing-house clerk and assistant bookkeeper of the State Bank of Evanston, who was indicted by the grand jury on a charge of embezzlement and is now a fugitive from justice. The shortage is placed at $8,766.

The young man confessed to F. J. Scheidenheim vice-president of the bank, on January 9, following the discovery of discrepancies in his accounts of the day previous. He was called into the office and told of the discoveries that had been made. After confessing he walked out of the bank and since has not been seen.

Thefts Covered Three Months.

The discrepancies date back as far as three months. The bank officials were surprised when they found that Fredrickson had been manipulating the books, as he had been a trusted employe of the bank for four years and came to them well recommended. He had worked in Chicago banks since he was fourteen years old.

As far as is known the defalcations do not exceed $8,766. The vice-president of the bank was doubtful that the amount would go above that figure.

Effeminate in manner, Fredrickson was slight of build and neatly dressed. He was twenty-four years old and lived with his mother and sister in North Edgewater. His father is dead.

Kept a Motor Car.

Smoking not being permitted during banking hours, young Fredrickson kept his monogramed cigarettes for outside use, when he is said to have smoked incessantly. He owned a motor car, but never drove it to the bank.

Fredrickson was under bond. The loss will be divided between the bank and the bonding company, the bank charging up its share of the loss to its reserve fund.

"Fredrickson did not seem to appreciate the gravity of his offense," said W. A. Dyche, president of the bank. "When he admitted his embezzlement he talked airly about getting another position and regaining his place in society as soon as this difficulty had 'blown over.' So far as we can learn the money was not used in gambling in the ordinary sense of the term."

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED.

Closing Session of Lumber Exporters' Convention.

Chattanooga, Tenn., January 24.—The twelfth annual convention of the National Lumber Exporters Association concluded its sessions here this afternoon. Election of officers for the ensuing year was the main feature of the closing session. The election resulted as follows:

President, Fred Arn, Chattanooga.

First vice-president, Frank F. Fee, of Dermott, Ark.

Second vice-president, Chester Korn, of Cincinnati.

Secretary, J. McD. Price, of Baltimore, re-elected.

Treasurer, John L. Alcock, of Baltimore, re-elected.

The association went into a lengthy discussion of ocean rates, and adopted resolutions demanding through bills of lading; equal treatment of all commodities, that export traffic shall be loaded within not exceeding thirty days from the arrival date of the steamer; that export traffic shall not be loaded at originating point on through export bill of lading until a booking has been confirmed by steamship company or authorized agent. It also recommended 1 cent postage.

IT MAKES JOHN D. CHEER.

Student Who Found His Gloves Returns Them.

Hackensack, N. J., January 24.—James Darling, a young student in the Newman School here, found a pair of gloves belonging to John D. Rockefeller. His first impulse was to keep them as a souvenir, but his conscience finally whispered that he ought to return the gloves to their owner. He did so by parcel post.

The letter which James received yesterday from the oil king he regards as a more valuable souvenir than the gloves could possibly have been. It read:

My Dear James,—I want to thank you very much for returning the gloves which you found after they had dropped from our machine.

Your decision to return them is typical of the honesty of the average American boy.

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News of South Richmond.

TO ANSWER FROM PULPIT.

Rev. J. W. Kinchelow, Called to Southside to Decide To-morrow.

In a telegram received here yesterday, Rev. John W. Kinchelow, who last Sunday was extended a call to the Bainbridge-Street Baptist Church, announced that he will make known his decision tomorrow. He will reach this city to-night and will conduct both services to-morrow.

Mr. Kinchelow is now filling a charge in Princetown, W. Va. He is well known here, where he was a student-pastor at the Stockton-Street Baptist Church several times since the resignation of Rev. James W. Durham became effective.

The call was made last Sunday at a meeting of the congregation after the regular morning service. J. E. Davidson, chairman of the pulpit committee, was instructed to notify Mr. Kinchelow that he was the choice of the church. It was hoped that Mr. Kinchelow would decide in time to make the formal announcement at the Wednesday night meeting, but the telegram did not reach Mr. Davidson until early yesterday.

GETS SMALL VERDICT

David Davis Will Get $15 from Burton System, Inc.

In Hustings Court, Part II., yesterday a verdict in favor of the plaintiff was rendered by the jury in the case of David Davis against the Burton System, Inc. Damages were assessed at $15, although the plaintiff asked for $100. The suit involved a bill posting contract. The case was argued for the plaintiff by J. M. Turner.

Mrs. Bettie H. Howle yesterday in Hustings Court, Part II., qualified as executrix on the estate of the late Emmett B. Howle. The amount of the estate will not be known until an examination of the property is made by a board of appraisers appointed by the court.

Judge Ernest H. Wells yesterday entered an order requiring William P. Snead to pay attorney's fees for his wife, who is defending a suit for divorce.

Bloodhounds Trail Negro.

Bloodhounds were yesterday placed on the trail of Eddie Jackson colored, a convict who escaped early in the day from Camp Number 3, of the Chesterfield Road Force located near Chester. The dogs picked up the trail and tracked the man to Centralia where he had caught a north-bound freight.

The description of the man was sent to the city and the Police Department was notified to keep a lookout for him. He is described as being a medium sized, very dark negro. A picture of Jack Johnson and Jim Jeffries is tattooed on his right arm. He was sent to the roads for larceny.

Prendie Preston, colored, was found last night by County Officer A. T. Traylor in a pool of water along the Petersburg Turnpike near Oak Grove. The man was in a high state of intoxication and was half dead from exposure. He was taken to the Third Station for treatment.

Car Hits Team.

While attempting to get out of the path of one car a Chesterfield negro last night at 7 o'clock pulled his team directly in front of a northbound Hull Street car on the Free Bridge. Fortunately the speed of the car was checked by Motorman A. V. Alvis and a bad mixup was prevented. As it was, the lighter vehicle was demonished while the horse was considerably bruised by its fall to the roadway. The driver escaped without a scratch.

Held For Trial To-Day.

Charged with passing a forged order for $25 on Alexander Moore, Herman Woody was taken into custody yesterday morning. He is being held for trial.

Percy Kidd was arrested yesterday afternoon on a charge of being drunk and unable to care for himself. He was bailed for appearance this morning before Justice H. A. Maurice.

Suit for $6,000 Instituted.

Suit in the sum of $6,000 was instituted yesterday in Hustings Court, Part 2, by the Richmond Structural Steel Company, Inc., against E. W. Minter Co., a foreign corporation. J. M. Turner represents the plaintiff, who has atached a sum of money due the defendant, who was employed in the construction of the Richmond Hotel annex.

Three Funerals.

Three funerals were conducted yesterday on the Southside. The interments in each was in Maury Cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Rebecca W. Gregory was held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Louise Bailey, 1120 Perry Street, at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. Henry C. Pfeiffer, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, conducted the services.

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Mary E. Rudd were conducted at 3 o'clock by Rev. Decatur Edwards, pastor of the Clopton Street Baptist Church, from the home of her sister, Mrs. J. H. Godsey, 1501 Semmes Avenue, Woodland Heights.

The funeral of Charles F. Toy was held at 4 o'clock from the Asbury Methodist Episcopal Church, Oak Grove, with Rev. G. T. Eggleston officiating.

Benefit for Building Fund.

A "tacky party" for the building fund of the Meade Memorial Episcopal Church will be held next Friday night at Milby's Hall, Swansboro.

The organ recital to be given by Professor Benjamin Potter, assisted by several members of the Monumental Church, has been changed from Monday night, as announced, until a later day.

ACTOR EXPIRES WHILE ON STAGE

Van Biene, Author of "The Broken Melody," Dies in Music Hall.

London, January 24.—Auguste Van Biene, known to theatrical audiences all over the world as the composer and player of "The Broken Melody," died on the stage of the Hippodrome at Brighton last night.

The haunting refrain of "The Broken Melody" had inspired over 6,000 audiences before its composer brought its career to an end.

"If I had not done so," he once said, "it would have driven me to a lunatic asylum."

"The Master Musician" was its successor. For some time it was played in theatres, but recently a shortened version occupied a place in music hall programs. Like "The Broken Melody" it afforded Van Biene an opportunity for some wonderful cello playing. Three solos were his share of the melody, and the last was "Home, Sweet Home." At the conclusion the curtain was rung down on the musician collapsed in his chair.

Van Biene went through the act at both performances to-night. When he fell back in his chair at the second performance, nobody in the audience thought it more than the prescribed dramatic finish to the scene. The stage manager, however, noticed unaccustomed realism about it, and the curtain was rung down more hurriedly than usual. When the stage manager went to the actor, he found he was past human aid. Van Biene was dead when lifted from the chair.

Van Biene had a romantic career. He was born in Holland sixty-three years ago, and came to England early in life. When a boy of seventeen he was discovered playing a cello in Hanover Square by Sir Michael Costa, who, remarking the boy's wonderful power, asked why he was playing in the gutter.

"Because I am hungry," Van Biene replied in French.

Sir Michael took him home after hearing him play, and gave him a place as a cello player in the Covent Garden Orchestra. Van Biene then vowed that on every anniversary of his deliverance from starvation he would go back to the streets and play. On many of these anniversary street performances he collected money for the Music Hall Benevolent Fund.

The story of "The Broken Melody" was partly founded on the composer's early struggles, the haunting melody which runs through the play being composed of a train journey from Brighton to London.

MINER IN SENTENCED TO UNDRESS EVERY NIGHT.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., January 24.—Steven Chester, of Larksville, was arraigned before Squire Burke because he refused to undress when he went to bed at night. His wife preferred the charges and she declared for several weeks past Chester had been coming home from the mines, eating his supper and then going off to bed with mining clothes and boots on.

Chester did not deny the charges. He declared that he discovered he could get more sleep by not having to get up early to dress. He declared that was the chief reason for sleeping in his working clothes.

Squire Burke decreed that Chester must remove his mining clothes and boots by 8 o'clock each night and not don them until 5:30 o'clock the following morning. The defendant promised to abide by the sentence.

FARMHOUSE FIRE FATAL.

Two Dead, Two Fatally Burned and One Severely Hurt.

Canfield, Ohio, January 24.—Two people were burned to death, two were fatally burned and one suffered severe injuries in a farmhouse fire two miles from here yesterday. The dead are Curtis Shafer, thirty-five years old, and his daughter, Effie, fourteen years old. Mrs. Shafer, thirty-three years old, and another daughter, Evelyn, twelve years old, are believed fatally injured. A son, William, ten years old, was painfully hurt, but will recover.

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