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WEATHER REPORT. For West Virginia—Snow to-night and in the Eastern portions Friday.

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CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA.—THE FUEL CITY OF THE FUEL STATE.—THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1904.

WHOLE NO. 970

EAT RAW POTATOES AND MAY DIE

Mrs. Henry Allison Critically Ill at Adamston as Result Thus Far of Ptomaine Poisoning, Caused by Fomentation in the Stomach.

Physicians and Trained Nurse in Constant Attendance and Critical Point is Awaited With Anxiety Poisoning Caused by Eating Raw Potatoes and Stale Oyster Soup.

Mrs. Allison, wife of Henry Allison, of Adamston, agent for the Citizens' laundry, and tea drummer, lies at death's door at her home as the result thus far of ptomaine poisoning.

Mrs. Allison ate great chunks of raw potatoes Tuesday night and was soon seized with cramp colic and a physician was sent for. He found her condition rather bad but before the night was over his treatment had the desired effect and she grew much better.

The condition of the unfortunate woman soon became alarming and the local physician and physicians from Kessler Hospital were hurriedly summoned. They worked with her for the greater part of the night and the Adamston physician is still in constant attendance.

For three hours Wednesday night it was not believed she would survive the night but toward morning her temperature fell a degree or so.

The danger point has not yet passed and will not be for another day. The physicians say her recovery is a matter of grave doubt.

Miss Jennie Thomas, a trained nurse, was sent from Kessler Hospital and is at her bedside, doing what she can to alleviate the sufferings of the patient.

TEMPORARY ORGANIZATION

Effected by the Stockholders of the Clarksburg City Hospital Company and Committee Appointed to Draft By-Laws.

The stockholders of the Clarksburg City Hospital Company met in the hospital building at the corner of West Main and Water streets Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock and effected a temporary organization. Dr. M. J. Bartlett was appointed chairman and Dr. J. B. Payne, secretary.

Dr. U. W. Showalter, Dr. J. W. Johnson and L. C. Crile were appointed a committee to draft by-laws, rules and regulations and submit them at the next meeting of the stockholders, which will be held in the same place next week.

At this meeting a permanent organization will be effected by the election of a board of directors and regular officers.

The new hospital stands off quite auspiciously and the prospects are flattering.

MR. DORR IN TOWN

On His Way to Washington to See the Republican Leaders Concerning His Candidacy for the Governorship.

Hon. Charles P. Dorr, a candidate for the Republican nomination for the governorship of this state, was here over night. Mr. Dorr was enroute from Addison, his home, to Washington to have a conference with the leading West Virginia politicians concerning the situation and it is expected that he will announce his withdrawal from the race in a few days. Just at present though, Mr. Dorr says he is in it to win and that he is dead sure of it. He may change his mind before returning from Washington.

Mr. Dorr, however, is a campaigner of the old school and may now have the matter so well in hand that none of them can take it away from him. That may not prevent him from surrendering the goal, however.

LEAP YEAR BALL.

A leap year ball will be given to-night in Short's opera house at Shinnston. It promises to be a very auspicious event. Invitations are out for 48 couples. The young people of the town are at the head of it.

ARRANGING SALES OF HARVESTING MACHINES

S. McLaughlin, of Fairmont, general salesman in this section for the McCurtick Harvesting Machine Company, is here looking after the interests of his company. He has appointed Cost & Holden agents in this section and is arranging for the sale of machines the coming season.

BIBLE CLASS SUPPERS

Are Being Arranged by the Young Men's Christian Association—Woman's Auxiliary Will Assist in Holding Them.

Arrangements have been completed for the holding of the first of the Bible class suppers on Thursday nights at 6.15.

A committee of ladies from the Women's Auxiliary will prepare each one, and the young men are invited to go direct to the Y. M. C. A. from their places of business, enjoy a good supper and the social intercourse of their friends and then spend about three-quarters of an hour in Bible study under the leadership of the general secretary.

This is a new feature with the local association, but no doubt will prove very pleasant and helpful. The Women's Auxiliary are planning for a "Rummage Sale" to be held in the near future.

FAIRMONT

Theatre-Goers Thing "A Gentleman of France" the Best Attraction of the Kind They Have Ever Witnessed.

Manager Powell, of the Grand Opera House, in Fairmont, telephoned Manager R. A. Farland, of the Trader's Grand Opera House in this city Thursday morning that the production of "A Gentleman of France," at that place Wednesday night, was the finest attraction of its kind that Fairmonters had ever witnessed.

The play is magnificent, the stage settings and the costumes being extremely elaborate. The grand setting for the stair case duel is one of the largest of its kind ever placed on the stage of the Fairmont opera house. Its weight was about two tons. Fairmont theatre-goers were greatly pleased with the attraction.

This production will be staged at the Trader's Grand Opera House in this city to-morrow night.

BARBERS

Install Their Newly Elected Officers at Special Meeting Held in Frank Welch's Barber Shop Wednesday Night.

The local Barbers' Union, No. 348, held a special meeting in Frank Welch's barber shop on Third street Wednesday night for the purpose of installing the newly elected officers and transacting some business demanding immediate attention. The officers were installed with due ceremony and organized for the coming year. The new officers are: John Brake, president; Orrie Fletcher, vice president; J. C. Davis, treasurer; B. W. Reynolds, corresponding and financial secretary; George Kollman, recording secretary.

TIN PLATE MILLS AGAIN.

Deputy Marshal Dan H. J. J. took a turn at the tin plate mill Thursday. He came here from Kingwood and spent the day serving papers on members of the company and others relative to the litigation, in which the company is involved.

BURNED TO DEATH

Terra Haute Woman and Two Daughters Cremated in Their Own Home Which Burned to the Ground.

By Associated Press. Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 14.—Mrs. Elizabeth Wardle and two daughters, aged eleven and seven years, were burned to death in their home seven miles north of this place last night. The charred bodies were found in the ruins of the house this morning. It is supposed the fire started from an over-heated stove.

MONSTROSITY

On Exhibition at St. Charles Hotel—It is a Stuffed and Mounted Lamb Having Two Bodies But One Head.

Witt Stack, of the St. Charles Hotel, has a curiosity on exhibition at that place that is attracting considerable attention. The curiosity is a stuffed and mounted lamb which has two separate bodies but one head. The monstrosity was born on Greenbrier Run in Doddridge county, but only lived a few hours after birth. It was mounted and stuffed by a taxidermist. The curio belongs to F. C. Devericks, he having bought it from a farmer by the name of Clark on whose farm the lamb was born.

INSTALLATION

Of the Newly Elected Officers of the Knights of Pythias Lodge Will Occur in Castle Hall To-Night.

The installation of the newly elected officers of Clarksburg Lodge, No. 39, Knights of Pythias, will take place to-night in the Castle Hall in the K. of P. building. The uniform rank will also hold a regular meeting. The installation ceremonies will be quite elaborate, extensive preparations having been made for them. All of the members of the lodge are urged to be in attendance at this meeting.

POLICE COURT

Seven Plain Drunks Were Lined Up in Front of Mayor Crile at Thursday Morning's Session.

Seven plain drunks were lined up in front of Mayor Crile in police court on Thursday morning. Each was fined three dollars and costs, excepting one who drew a five-dollar one. Four of the three dollar variety had enough money to buy themselves out of custody. The five-dollar man and two of the three dollar men were sent over to jail to rest there for a number of days equal to the number of dollars in their fines.

SALEM

SALOON RAIDED AND MAN IN CHARGE ARRESTED AND JAILED FOR OPERATING SLOT MACHINES.

Officers Arrest Clyde Dixon and Seize Slot Machines at Salem Thursday Morning—Prisoner Held Under \$1,000 Bond and Jailed. The death rattle of the slot machine is heard in the land.

Thursday morning Special Constable Joel Randolph, of Salem, assisted by deputies, raided the Duff & Hart saloon in that city and arrested the man in charge, Clyde Dixon, and brought him to this city.

Dixon was brought to this city on the morning train and taken at once before Magistrate S. W. Gordon. The arrest was the result of a warrant which had been issued by the magistrate at the instance of Granville Levers, of Salem, bearing the charge of operating gambling devices.

The magistrate bound Dixon over to await the action of the Grand Jury under bond of \$1,000. He was unable to furnish the security and was committed to jail.

The slot machines were brought to this city and taken to the storage room in the basement of the court house, where they will be destroyed.

ENLIST IN THE ARMY.

William Camp, brother of Charles Camp, of David Davidson's Shoe Store, has enlisted in the United States army. "Curley," as he was familiarly known, known has been in Clarksburg for about five years and is at present an employe at the Hazel-Athas Glass factory. He has quite a record as breaking the world's record in making wares. We wish him success in the new field he has chosen.

Among the other boys who left on No. 1 Wednesday night for Columbus, were Lyman Morris, Myron Childster, Gordon Lake and John McDowell.

ANGEL

OF DEATH SUMMONS REV. DANIEL W. RECTOR TO HIS ETERNAL REWARD.

AGED AND PROMINENT CITIZEN PASSES AWAY AT HIS HOME IN THIS CITY THURSDAY.

Was Prominent Figure in Religious Circles and Church Work For Over Forty Years—Came Here From Virginia Half Century Ago.

Daniel W. Rector, an aged and esteemed resident of this city died at his home at No. 539 West Pike street, Thursday morning at nine o'clock. Mr. Rector had been in feeble health for some time past. A general break down and the infirmities attendant upon old age caused his death.

He was a prominent and widely known citizen in this community and his kindness and agreeable personality gained and kept him many friends who will hear of his death with regret and sorrow.

The deceased was born in Fauquier county, Virginia, near Rectortown, in March, 1817, and was near the end of his eighty-seventh year. In 1851 he married Miss Sarah Keen, of Philadelphia, and four years later moved to Clarksburg, where he has since made his home. To this union were born five children: Mrs. W. R. Waldeck, Mrs. W. R. Alexander, Miss Gertrude Rector, of this city, and Miss Alice Rector and Mrs. John Griffin, deceased. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. J. W. Odell, of this city, and Mrs. George Lutz, of Mingo heta county; his three daughters and six grandchildren. The grandchildren are Misses Florence and Belle Waldeck, Clarence Waldeck, Roy Alexander, Charles Griffin and Miss Alice Griffin. His wife preceded him to the grave twelve years ago.

Mr. Rector was engaged in agricultural pursuits while living in Virginia. After coming to this city and about forty years ago he entered the Methodist ministry and continued in the same until his death. When eleven years old he joined his church and ever since that time was an ardent church worker and a consistent and conscientious Christian. For the past forty years he has been prominent in church work and in religious circles in Clarksburg. His ministerial duties were devoted to local work. He was a class leader for many years in the Goff Methodist Episcopal Church in this city and was the superintendent of the Sunday School for several years.

In his death the church loses its oldest member in Clarksburg and the city and community one of its most prominent and respected citizens. His life was indeed an exemplary one.

Mr. Rector was a member of the local Masonic lodge and the Odd Fellows' order. He had been identified with these societies for many years and the members found in him a loyal and staunch brother.

The funeral arrangements have not been completed as yet. The Masonic and Odd Fellows' lodges will have charge of the obsequies and the notice of the same will be given in the daily newspapers.

INTER-STATE SECRETARY COMING.

George F. Tibbitts, the inter-state secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association is expected here to-night from Washington, D. C., on a visit to the local association. He will assist in the arrangements for the work the local association has taken up.

CIRCUIT COURT MATTERS

INJUNCTION CASES ARGUED AND SUBMITTED TO THE JUDGES OF THE COURT.

Judgment Given in Hall-Edgell Case—Number of Chancery Orders Entered and Other Matters Attended to.

Circuit Court resumed its sitting Thursday morning with Judge Mason on the bench. The forenoon was devoted mostly to the hearing of the argument of the chancery cause of William Plant against E. A. Humphries.

A judgment of \$134 was given Mollie Hall against U. C. Edgell.

Charles G. Coffman was admitted as an attorney and member of the bar.

The injunction case of Joseph Thorne against John W. Brown and others involving the disposition of certain moneys for coal lands was argued.

The injunction case of the State against Lloyd Duff, restraining him from selling liquors in a certain building in Salem was also submitted to the court by argument on the part of attorneys.

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RUMMAGE SALE

Will Be Given in the Near Future by the Women's Auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association.

The Women's Auxiliary of the Young Men's Christian Association held their regular semi-monthly meeting in the Association rooms Wednesday afternoon. Arrangements were completed for the first supper and weekly meeting of the Bible Study Club to be held in the rooms to-night. It was decided to hold a "Rummage Sale" in the near future and a committee was appointed to secure a room to hold it in and to select the date besides making the preliminary arrangements.

SIX

New Directors Elected at the Annual Meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association to Serve For Three Years.

At the annual meeting of the members of the Young Men's Christian Association the following were elected to serve as members of the board of directors:

J. J. Mead, Dr. H. E. Slocum, Prof. F. L. Burdette, L. W. Garrett, Percy C. Williams and Jasper S. Kyle.

There are fifteen members on the board of directors. The directors are elected for a term of three years, five new directors being chosen each year. There were six chosen this year, an extra one being selected to fill a vacancy caused by resignation.

MISS ALEXANDER IS DEAD

Was Sister of the Messrs. Alexander, of This City—Died in Winchester Hospital of Rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Alexander and William F. Blaine and Henry Alexander are in Charleston attending the funeral of Miss Julia Alexander, a sister of the Messrs. Alexander. She died Tuesday in a hospital in Winchester, Va., of rheumatism. They were summoned to her bedside Sunday evening and were with her when she died. She was quite well known by a number of Clarksburg people, who learn of her death with deep regret and who extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereft brothers.

LAST TRIBUTE

Paid to General John B. Gordon—Thousands Attending the Funeral—Touching Memorial Services Held.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 14.—Thousands attended the memorial services of the late General John B. Gordon in the hall of representatives in the capitol here today, where addresses were made by General Stephen D. Lee, Governor Heyward, of South Carolina; Gen. Bennett H. Young, of Kentucky, and others. A salute of seventeen guns was fired. The courts adjourned, schools were closed, and business was suspended. Five thousand persons were in the procession to the cemetery, including a battalion of the 10th Infantry, U. S. A., State troops, Confederate Veterans and Sons of Confederate Veterans. The body was placed in a vault.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

Table with columns: STOCK, Quotations on lending stocks, at 1 p.m., furnished by Otto Moore, stock broker, are as follows: Atchison, 66 1/2; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, 143; Missouri Pacific, 94 1/2; Wabash, 29 1/2; Wabash, preferred, 38 1/2; Pennsylvania R. R., 120; Baltimore & Ohio, 79 1/2; Illinois Central, 131 1/2; Brooklyn Rapid Transit, 49 1/2; Metropolitan, 121 1/2; Manhattan, 142; Amalgamated Copper, 49 1/2; Common Steel, 10 1/2; Preferred Steel, 57 1/2; American Sugar, 125 1/2; Peoples' Gas, 97 1/2.

Chicago Grain and Provisions.

Table with columns: High, Low, Close. Wheat, May, 87 1/2, 86 1/2, 86 1/2; Wheat, July, 82 1/2, 81 1/2, 81 1/2; Corn, May, 49 1/2, 47 1/2, 48 1/2; Corn, July, 47 1/2, 47, 47 1/2; Oats, May, 41, 40 1/2, 40 1/2; Oats, July, 36 1/2, 36 1/2, 36 1/2; Pork, May, 13 1/2, 12 1/2, 12 1/2; Lard, May, 7.00, 6.90, 6.90; Ribs, May, 6.72, 6.60, 6.60.

MURDER ATTEMPTED AT MEADOWBROOK

George Starkey Deliberately Shoots Charles Drain in Midnight Quarrel that Originated from Snowballing as They Went from Church.

Starkey Arrrsted and Brought to the County Jail.—Ball Entered Drain's Left Leg Inflicting Bad Wound—Indictment Expected to Follow at This Session of Grand Jury.

BANKER INDICTED.

An exchange says: "S. H. White, cashier of the Kingwood National Bank, Kingwood, W. Va., was indicted by the Preston county jury for refusing to furnish information to the assessors as to the amounts of time deposit in the bank and the names of such depositors." Mr. White is now cashier of the Trustee's National Bank in this city.

BANK FAILURE

by Associated Press. Auburn, Ind., Jan. 14.—A receiver was appointed to-day for the Farmer's National Bank here and its doors were closed.

FUNERAL

Of Mrs. Lawson at Green Valley Church—She Died Dropsy at 65 Years of Age.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Lawson, wife of Theophilus Lawson, of near Bridgeport, was held at Green Valley church Thursday at 11:30 o'clock in the forenoon and interment was in the church cemetery. Rev. Steele, of Bridgeport, conducted the obsequies. She died Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock of dropsy, with which she had been afflicted some time.

The deceased was the mother of Mrs. A. A. Cather, of this city; D. Columbus Lawson, of Auburn, and Elias Lawson, who resides in the West. She was 65 years of age.

MILLION DOLLAR CAPITAL

Has the General Distributing Company, of This City, Which Has Just Been Chartered by Secretary of State.

Among the charters that have just been granted by the Secretary of State is the following local concern:

General Distributing Company, of Clarksburg, W. Va., to conduct a grocery and mercantile business; capital, \$1,000,000; incorporators, H. S. Miller, A. B. Wilson, Charles E. Pride, Clarksburg. The Secretary of State has also issued a charter to the following company: West Virginia Stone Company, of Moundsville; capital, \$5,000; incorporators, A. W. Wise, Littleton, W. Va.; W. H. Batson, B. P. Wise, Moundsville; G. W. Batson, Haney; J. P. Wildman, Cario.

DEEDS RECORDED.

Deeds have been recorded as follows: W. S. Law and W. A. Wilkinson to Margaret and Lavina Stout, 1 lot, Clay street, city. Worthington McPherson to Henry G. Davis, 36 acres of coal, Elk district. Henry G. Davis to Washington Coal & Coke Company, 36 acres of coal, Elk district. Belle F. Randolph to H. C. Haymond, 1 lot, Tennesse district. L. A. Haymond to John W. Williams, 1 lot, Salem.

ONLY CHICKENPOX.

I understand there has been a great deal said in regard to Miss Burnett's late illness. In justice to myself and Mr. Walthour's family, I deem it my duty to make the statement, that in my judgment she was afflicted with chickenpox and not smallpox as has been reported.

J. W. JOHNSTON, M.D.

George Starkey, of Meadowbrook, was brought to jail Thursday morning by Constable James L. Riffe, of Shinnston. He was committed to jail by Justice Cyrus Thompson, of Clay district, in default of bond of \$500 to answer an indictment for feloniously shooting Charles Drain, of Erie.

The shooting occurred Sunday midnight in Meadowbrook and was evidently a deliberate attempt to murder Drain. The circumstances have not been fully revealed. Drain claims that he was not at fault and the prisoner says he did it in self defense.

It appears that Drain, Starkey, brothers and sisters of Starkey and others had attended church at Meadowbrook that night and on the way home they indulged in snowballing, especially the fellows who were not accompanying the girls home. This appears to have led up to the trouble.

It is stated that after they had gone a considerable distance toward home, some of the young men in the crowd went back to find Lewis Lefevers, a cousin of Drain, and returning to Meadowbrook they went to the home of Commodore Starkey, a brother of the one in jail. There was where the shooting occurred. The fellows evidently had been quarreling, as it is claimed that George Starkey stepped up to the mantle and taking a revolver down walked to the door of the house with an oath on his lips and deliberately shot at Drain. It is reported that he slid among other things before firing the gun that he allowed no man to call him a liar.

Drain was standing on the outside of the house in the street a short distance from the door. The bullet struck him in one leg between one hip and knee and penetrated to the bone, inflicting a serious injury. Physicians were summoned and the ball was extracted, but the wound is of such a nature that Drain is helpless so far as the member is concerned and his condition is rather serious.

A warrant was issued as soon as Drain was able to make the complaint and give information concerning the affair and Starkey was arrested and taken to Shinnston for a preliminary hearing with the result that he was sent to jail here. An indictment against Starkey for attempted murder will likely be found at this term of the grand jury.

DRY HOLE

Comes in on the Stout Farm in the Salem District—Robinson Well is Still Declining.

In the Salem district, this county, No. 1 on the A. A. Stout farm has been drilled through the Gordon and has no oil or gas.

In the Folsom district, the test on the John Stout farm has been drilled through the Gordon and is now drilling at 27 feet in the slate. It has developed no oil or gas. M. Heldred No. 2 is 29 feet in the strata and has no oil or gas. Perry Hall No. 1 is 1 feet in the strata and has no oil. No. 2 on the same farm is 20 feet in the sand and fishing. No. 4 on the William Barker farm has been drilled through the Gordon and will be shot.

The same company's No. 3 on the Wesley Robinson farm has declined to 255 barrels a day.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

By Associated Press. New York, N. Y., Jan. 14.—(Special)—Washoe earnings the first week in January show gross increase of \$8,963; from July 1 the gross increase was \$1,450,100.

Both the preferred and common shares of the Union Central have been advanced on basis of N. Whitney & Son. This firm has been the best buyers up to now and are in a great measure responsible for the advance.

W. P. Foskes was a business visitor here Thursday from Richwood.