



Desperate fighting is going on in the region between Verdun and Metz. The French official report says that two German attacks against fortifications east of St. Mihiel were repulsed, and French aviators bombed the hangars of Frescat, one of the railroad stations of Metz, where movements of trains were noted, and the barracks of St. Privat, at Metz.

U.S. NOTES SHARPLY PROTESTS BRITISH SEA INTERFERENCE

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—The United States government yesterday dispatched a long note to Great Britain, insisting upon an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet. It gave warning that much feeling has been aroused in this country, and that public criticism was general over unwarranted interference with the legitimate foreign trade of the United States.

BLACK BREAD IS THE DIET OF CHILDREN IN BRUSSELS

Paris, Dec. 10.—An attache of the Belgian foreign office, who escaped from the capital recently, says life there is not as disagreeable as in other Belgian cities, largely on account of the influential presence of the American Minister.

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the proper help to keep her digestion right and her system free from poisonous accumulations, is not troubled with headaches, backache, languid feelings, unnatural sufferings. All women who have tried

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know this famous remedy to be the proper help for them. A few doses will make immediate difference and occasional use will cause a permanent improvement in health and strength. They cleanse the system and purify the blood and every woman who relies on Beecham's Pills, not only enjoys better physical condition, with quieter nerves and brighter spirits, but she

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THE MAN OF THE HOUR IN EGYPT



LIEUTENANT GENERAL SIR J. G. MAXWELL

Lieutenant General Sir J. G. Maxwell is just now the man of the hour in Egypt. The commander of the British forces is known and respected by Egyptians and Soudanese alike. Turkey's entry into the war field has focussed much attention on Egypt, but the British government is at ease with General Maxwell at the helm to guard her interests.

MAN SHOT CHRISTMAS DIES

One Victim of Double Luzerne Shooting Succumbs to Wound

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 29.—Frank Boyer, who was shot through the intestines while a guest of Felix Christmas, a saloonkeeper at Luzerne, on Christmas night, when Anthony Martello is alleged to have shot up the place because Stefny wouldn't open his barroom and sell him a drink, died at a hospital here yesterday. Ignatz Stefny, who the police say was shot three times by Martello, is in a serious condition and may not recover.

Martello has disappeared and the borough police, State troopers and county authorities are unable to find any trace of him.

INTREED AT CROSSING

Three Men in Wagon That Was Struck by a Passenger Train

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 29.—One man was fatally injured and two others seriously hurt in a grade crossing accident on the Reading and Columbia railroad, half a mile north of East Petersburg, at 1:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The men are employees of the American Telephone Company. C. C. Eckert was fatally injured.

Falls Kill Three in Week

Reading, Pa., Dec. 29.—The third death here within a week resulting from falls on the ice occurred yesterday, when Morris Hurvitz, a traveling salesman of this city, died at St. Joseph's Hospital from a broken leg and internal injuries, sustained in a fall at Leinbach's Tavern, this county, on Thursday, December 17.

Wheat \$1.32 a Bushel in Portland

Portland, Ore., Dec. 29.—Yesterday

saw previous record prices on the Portland wheat exchange in the last few weeks unsurpassed, when 5,000 bushels of bluestem wheat for February, sold at \$1.32 a bushel, 3 cents above the last previous sales.

Old-Fashioned Winter

How often we hear this expression when Winter opens early, freezing rivers and streams and covering streets and roads with lasting snow and ice for sleighing.

An old-fashioned Winter is the severest kind of a test for coal, and if the fuel fails to deliver the heat needed something's wrong.

Don't take chances—burn Kelley's Coal and be comfortable in any kind of winter weather. Kelley's Hard Stove at \$6.70 is making many furnaces give lasting and satisfactory heat.

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MADE REVENUE COLLECTOR

John Siney, St. Clair, Appointed Deputy by Congressman Lee

Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 29.—Congressman Robert E. Lee announced yesterday that he had appointed Democratic County Chairman John Siney, of St. Clair, as Deputy Revenue Collector of the Federal district between Pottsville and Reading. Siney is the son of the first leader of the organized miners of this section, and has led the Democratic organization for the last three years.

J. Collins Dewees, of Pottsville, has been appointed stamp clerk at the United States revenue office in this city. He succeeds his father.

AGED RULER GRATEFUL FOR U. S. GIFTS TO WAR ORPHANS

Washington, Dec. 29.—The State Department has announced receipt of the following telegram from Ambassador Penfield, at Vienna:

"Emperor Francis Joseph has communicated to me his grateful thanks to the sympathetic friends in America who sent gifts of clothing and toys to the war orphans by the ship Jason. Half million gifts this week are being distributed throughout Austria-Hungary. The Emperor thanks every donor and person taking part in the work of sending Christmas cheer to his suffering people."

YOUTH KILLED, THREE HURT

Coasting Accident Fatal to Edward Miller, at Treverton

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 29.—Edward Miller, aged 19 years, of Treverton, was killed yesterday in a coasting accident, and James Taylor, Arthur Brown and Carl Rusk, three other youths, who were riding with him, were seriously injured, when the huge bob sled, upon which they were riding, crashed into the bridge.

CITY PLANS TO SEIZE LAND

Pottsville Wants Part of Burned District for Wider Street

Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 29.—Pottsville City Council has decided to seize a part of the district burned in the million-dollar fire which recently swept a portion of the business section of this town, to widen Norwegian street, between Centre and Mahantongo streets. Viewers will be appointed, and the land necessary for the improvement will be condemned under eminent domain proceedings. Owing to the great expense, it will be necessary to hold a special election to get the consent of the voters.

HIDDEN ASSASSIN KILLS GIRL

Fires Through Window in Grandmother's Home

Millville, N. J., Dec. 29.—How and why the life of an innocent child of 6 years should have been taken by a hidden assassin, who fired through a window, is a mystery which the Cumberland county authorities have started to unravel. The little victim of the tragedy was Beatrice, the 6-year-old daughter of Mrs. William Bailey, of this city. The shooting occurred at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. George Pettit, at Bucksutem, six miles below the city.

Beatrice had gone to spend the holidays with her grandmother and had been at the house several days. They were sitting at supper last night, when, without warning, the pistol shot came, and the child fell, with her head pierced. Mrs. Pettit was so horrified that it was several minutes before she could move. Then she gave an alarm and called a physician, but the little girl was beyond all help. Death, it was stated, had been instantaneous.

County Prosecutor Miller was quickly apprised of the tragedy and detectives were put on the case. They obtained a good clue to the person who fired the shot, but were unwilling to state upon what they based their suspicion. Search is being made for him and they claim they will get him shortly.

Mule's Kick Kills Her

York, Pa., Dec. 29.—Her hip dislocated by the kick of a mule, Mrs. Annie Seible, of Railroad borough, York county, died Sunday night from after-effects of the injury.

ITALIAN STABBED FATALLY

Notorious Settlement Near McAdoo Is Scene of Another Killing

Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 29.—James Bionitti was fatally stabbed in the chest yesterday at Bunker Hill, an Italian settlement near McAdoo, which has been the scene of numerous murders. District Attorney Whitehouse and County Coroner Dr. G. H. Moore are conducting an investigation, and meanwhile Raphael Fucca, Samuel Chaitaine and Louis Trabotti are in jail on suspicion.

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YEGGMEN ROB POSTOFFICE

Blow Safe at Etnaus, Pa., and Secure \$500 Cash and Stamps

Etnaus, Pa., Dec. 29.—Yeggmens Sunday night blew open the safe of the postoffice here and got away with about \$500 in cash and stamps. The job was probably done at 2:45 o'clock, as that was the hour when the clock stopped.

From evidence left behind they gained entrance by prying open the rear door with a crowbar stolen from the tool house of the Perkiomen railroad on the outskirts of town.

COUPON Guaranteed Sterling Silver Initial Glassware. This coupon when presented or mailed to THE STAR-INDEPENDENT with 48 cents, is good for Six (6) Tumblers—10 cents extra by mail. OR with 72 cents, is good for One (1) Large Water Pitcher—15 cents extra by mail. OR with 48 cents, is good for One (1) Sugar Bowl and One (1) Cream Pitcher—10 cents extra by mail. You can get the entire set of Nine (9) Pieces with the amount specified above, or any two sets with the advertised price, if you have one of these coupons. Sets now on display at THE STAR-INDEPENDENT 18-20-22 South Third St., Harrisburg, Pa.

It is Impossible to be strong and robust if handicapped by a weak stomach or lazy liver; but you can help Nature conquer them with the assistance of NOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

LOOK! LOOK! LOOK! LOOK! THE STAR-INDEPENDENT WILL GIVE AWAY Two Reserved Seat Tickets to the Orpheum EVERY DAY UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE SEASON. We don't know who will get these tickets, but someone will get 2 every day. Perhaps YOU will be one of the lucky ones. HERE IS THE PLAN: Every week a young lady, an employe of the Star-Independent, will be blindfolded. She will open Boyd's Directory of Harrisburg and vicinity and will make a mark on one of the pages. The person whose name is nearest the mark will be given absolutely free of charge two reserve seats, which will be good at the Orpheum on a date which will be announced with the name of the person to whom they are awarded. The announcements will be HIDDEN among the Want, Lost, Found, For Rent, For Sale, etc., ads, but will be so plain that any one can easily find them. LOOK! LOOK! START TO-DAY. READ OVER THE CLASSIFIED COLUMNS EVERY EVENING. PERHAPS YOURS WILL BE THERE. Someone was awarded two tickets to-day. Find out who got them. If you were not lucky this time perhaps your turn will come next. It will be a lot of fun following up the winners. IF YOUR NAME is announced don't hesitate to call for the tickets. The Star-Independent wants you to enjoy them. Special Notice—Tickets must be called for before 8 o'clock the evening of the next day after the announcement is made or they will be forfeited.