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Commissioner's Sale—George R. E. Gilchrist.
Chapline Street Rink—Nail Feeders' Race.
Charley Shay's Academy of Music.
Hostetter's Bitters—Third page.
Opening of Carpets, &c.—R. M. McClain & Co.—First page.
Catarrh—Fourth page.
Trustee's Sale of Valuable Real Estate—John W. Schultze—Third page.
Commissioner's Sale of Valuable Property—W. J. W. Cowden—Third page.

Thermometer Record.

The following shows the range of the thermometer as observed at Schnepf's drug store, Opera House corner, Saturday: 7 A. M., 27°, 12 M., 50°; 3 P. M., 54°; 7 P. M., 45°. Sunday, 7 A. M., 42; 12 M., 43°; 3 P. M., 40°; 7 P. M., 39°.

INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 2.—1 A. M.—For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, generally fair and slightly warmer weather, westerly winds, rising barometer in the eastern portion, falling in the western portion.

For the Lower Lakes, local snows, followed by fair weather, slight fall, followed by rising temperature, westerly winds, rising barometer, followed in the western portion by falling barometer.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

ONE marriage license was issued Saturday.

THE Belmont mill nailers will resume work to-day.

"THE OCTOROON" at Charley Shay's theatre this evening.

THERE are seven cases on the docket for this morning's police court.

THE Top mill forge department will go to work double turn to-day.

A FEW of the Solons still linger in town, but most of them have departed for their homes.

THE Wilson Lyceum resumes its interesting weekly sessions at Simpson Chapel this evening.

ANOTHER snow storm set in last night about 11 o'clock, and for some time it snowed quite freely.

THE Niagara engine was employed Saturday in pumping out cellars on Chapline street in the Sixth ward, which had been flooded by the melting snow.

THE inaugural ball to Governor Wilson takes place next Wednesday evening at the State House, Wheeling, and promises to be a very swell affair, the invitations being especially so.—*Steubenville Gazette.*

THE clerks of the two houses of the Legislature were busily employed all day saturday and far into the night catching up on the journal work, and the record of the last day's and night's sessions are not yet completed.

THE horse hitched to a delivery wagon belonging to Martin Fisher, the South Wheeling butcher, ran off Saturday, and spilled the boy who was driving and numerous well-filled market baskets all along the street. No serious damage was done.

THE famous and popular spectacular melo-drama, "The Lights of London," is booked for the Opera House Friday and Saturday evenings and Saturday matinee this week. This is one of the strongest plays of its class, and will no doubt have large audiences.

THE Clarksburg *News* takes this parting shot at the unhappy Senator McCreery: "The photograph of the Baleigh county 'of a cent statesman ought to be hung up in every newspaper office in this State, and labeled as the direct enemy of progress, and the foe of every printer."

THE heaters at the LaBelle mill are working alternately on nail-plate and nine-inch plow point steel. There is talk at the works of a set of rolls being built exclusively for plow point steel. This mill will resume work to-day after two days' rest on account of want of steel.

THE engineers and firemen of the fourth division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad on Saturday presented Dan Boyd with a gold headed cane. The presentation took place at the Wheeling Hospital, where Mr. Boyd is lying with injuries received in a collision in September near Farmington.

THE regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be held this morning. An interesting feature will be the hearing of the Wheeling Iron & Nail Company, by its attorney, W. P. Hubbard, Esq., on its petition for a reduction of taxation growing out of the supplemental assessment order.

THE two men recently arrested by U. S. Marshal Atkinson at Connellsville and taken through this city on their way to Coal Valley, where it was alleged they robbed the postoffice last August, have been discharged from custody, the evidence not being strong enough to hold them. A man named David Koontz is now supposed to be the guilty party.

THE Wellsburg *Local*, in referring to the offer of Larkin & Handlan to donate the net proceeds of next Thursday's sessions at their rink to the sufferers from the two calamities that recently visited Wellsburg, says: "The managers of the Capitol Rink will long be remembered for their proffered generosity, and if any time is ever afforded, on the part of our citizens, to do likewise, the same will be reciprocated."

THE *Panandle News* of Wellburg has the following about one of Wheeling's best known citizens: "While in Wheeling last week we dropped into the Capitol Dining Coom, presided over by that friend of the printer, Martin Thornton, and found that he did not require an appropriation from the State to make repairs, as everything was in first-class order, and all that any one needed to procure a good square meal was 25 cents."

ON Tuesday, about 4 o'clock P. M., a young man by the name of Harry Keline, while coming up on the bucket through the new shaft of the Banner mine, fell off the bucket and went to the bottom, killing him instantly. We do not know the distance he fell, but it was nearly from the top of a 200-feet shaft. He was very much respected by all who knew him. He was brought to town and buried on Wednesday. His parents live at Wheeling, W. Va.—*Idaho Statesman.*

Practical Gratitude.

The Salvation Army at Wellsburg tendered the use of their hall, free of charge, to G. W. McCleary, burned out at the fire, to be used by him as a furniture store until he can complete his new building, which is now being rapidly pushed toward completion. Mr. McCleary, as Mayor, had extended a like favor to the Army at a time when they were without a place in which to hold their meetings, and now when he is burned out of both home and place in which to do business, they show thus their gratitude.

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THE STATE SOLONS.

WHAT THEY ARE WHEN AT HOME.

Nativity and Occupation of the Members of the Late Lamented Legislature—Only Four Foreigners Among the 91 Members—Predominance of Farmers.

Mr. John L. Thornhill, of the Charleston *Times*, the clever and efficient mail and banking clerk of the House of Delegates, has performed innumerable services in the past to place successive houses under obligations to him, and in the closing days of the late session he compiled and published a paper filled with information of value to many people and of interest to all, thus winning the thanks of the general public. Thanks is about all he did get out of it. The paper contains the names, postoffice addresses, nativity and occupations of all the members and attaches of the Legislature. There was a general desire expressed by the members to have such a list, but when it was printed and offered at ten cents it found a sudden falling off in the interest in the subject.

The list shows but four foreigners in the Legislature, these all being members of the House. They are Robert Alexander, Volcano, Wood county, who is a native of London; Mr. Davies, of Fayette county, a Welshman by birth; Mr. Myles, of this city, who was born in Ireland; and Mr. Miller, of Ritchie Court House, who is a native of the British province of New Brunswick. The only Yankee in the House is Mr. Richardson, of Calhoun, who was born in Massachusetts. There are three Pennsylvanians, eight Ohio men, and one Marylander, Mr. Robertson, of this city, in the House. All the rest are "Vahginians, sah," most of them being born in this State when it was part of the Old Dominion.

Nothing could show the predominance of the agricultural interest in West Virginia better than the composition of the Legislature. Of the sixty-five members of the House, thirty-three are farmers, and in the Senate there are eight farmers out of twenty-six members. Some of these combine other vocations with farming. Senator Gwinn is a farmer and merchant; so are Senators Morrison, Melvin and Unger. Delegates Thompson, Snyder, Parker, Fortney and Crockett are farmers and graziers. Mr. Poynter is a merchant as well as a farmer. Delegate McClung is a doctor and a farmer, and there is one teacher and farmer, Mr. Marshall, of Gilmer county, the gentleman who was sat down upon with Christian regularity by the Speaker and the House and who had an eloquent way of banging his bill-files down on his desk in lieu of oral expression of his disgust, but who nevertheless got in his pet measures, including the $5,000 appropriation to build a new normal school house at Glenville.

Mr. Price is a surveyor and farmer. The House has but twelve lawyers. Of these Delegate Haymond is listed as to occupation as a "lawyer and judge." The merchants number seven.

There is one miner among the delegates, Mr. Fleming, of Kanawha; one "educator," Mr. Dean; two physicians besides Dr. McClung—McGill and Rusmisell; one printer, Mr. Robertson, of Wheeling; one shoemaker, Mr. Miller, the Greenback representative from Ritchie county; two clerks, Messrs. Sayre and Alexander, both good Republicans and among the most intelligent men in the House; one photographer, Mr. Myles; and one "student," young McConaughey, of Wirt county. Mr. Davies is listed among the merchants. Mr. Chew is not a lawyer, as was popularly guessed, but a farmer. Mr. Gilmore, of Piedmont, is a merchant. Mr. Powell, though a minister and an educator, is put down as simply a farmer.

In the Senate Dr. Bond is the only physician. Senator Scott is the only manufacturer in either house. The Senate list shows three merchants who are not also engaged in farming. These are Messrs. Lobban, McGrew and Woodyard.

Mr. Lobban is really a commercial tourist, and when not in the service of his constituents in the Senate, carries a gripsack for a Baltimore firm. He lives at Alderson, Monroe county, but is a native Baltimorean. He is the most modest specimen of the genus drummer who ever got into these parts. Mr. McGrew is also interested in a National bank at Morgantown.

The only editors in the Legislature are Senators Dawson and Morris. The latter is also a lawyer. They have acquitted themselves with credit to the journalistic profession. There are eleven lawyers besides Mr. Morris. Of these Mr. Arnold is also a grazier. Mr. McCreery, who achieved distinction by his attitude towards newspapers, is a lawyer. Mr. Price, of Marshall, is a farmer of the old school. No wonder he wielded the flail so effectively upon the devoted heads of the reporters. Mr. Hays, the sole remaining representative of the Greenback party in the Senate, is a farmer.

In the Senate Clerk Alderson and all his assistants are lawyers. Among the committee clerks there is one lawyer, one drummer and one student. Sergeant-at-Arms Hays is a lawyer and editor and Doorkeeper Kelly a merchant.

Among the officers of the House, Clerk Peyton's occupation is put down as Clerk of the House of Delegates. He is also Keeper of the Rolls of the Legislature. Assistant Clerk Thompson is "Assistant Clerk, House of Delegates," on the list. Assistant Clerks Byrne and Blake are lawyers, and J. B. Peyton, junior, a student. Sergeant-at-Arms Henshaw is a farmer, and Doorkeeper Werninger a clerk. Of the four committee clerks three are lawyers and one a drummer. Mail and Banking Clerk Thornhill is a journalist. He has been in the service of the House since he was a small boy, and has won his successive promotions. He will make his mark some day. Both Houses have a habit of keeping faithful attaches. Clerks Peyton and Alderson are conspicuous examples. Mr. Alderson has been connected with the Senate ever since the present Constitution was adopted. He was a page in the Constitutional Convention; then a Senate page for years; then Sergeant-at-Arms, and for two terms past chief clerk of the Senate.

WORK OF THE SESSION.

The Laws That Were Enacted and Some That Were Not.

The acts of the late Legislature, when printed, will show a decided predominance of local legislation, though Col. White's oft expressed wish that the book would contain something besides laws creating independent school districts was realized by the hap-hazard action in the closing hours. The first act passed was Senate bill No. 56, introduced by Mr. Morris, creating an independent school district at Ritchie Court House. Among the forty-seven acts passed, were twelve exclusively local laws, as follows:

An act amending the act creating the Elk River Land, Improvement and Booming Company.

An act establishing an independent school district at Ritchie Court House, Ritchie county.

An act altering the boundaries of the independent school district of Winfield, Putnam county.

An act conferring additional authority upon the Council of the city of Parkersburg, and authorizing the funding of the present bonded debt of said city.

An act giving the consent of the State of West Virginia to the purchase by the United States of Government a lot or lots of land in the city of Clarksburg for the erection of a post office and United States court house, and ceding jurisdiction over the same.

An act changing the boundaries of the independent school district of Glenville, Gilmer county.

An act providing for the qualification of justices and constables elected in Wirt county at the election held last October.

An act establishing the independent school district of West Grafton, in Tayler county.

An act amending the charter of the town of Benwood, and extending its corporate limits westward to the West Virginia boundary.

An act establishing a County Court and Board of Commissioners for the county of Jefferson.

An act amending the act fixing times for holding the courts in the several judicial circuits of the State.

An act to amend the act assessing a tax upon dogs so as to exclude Grant county from its operation except when it is ordered to be enforced in that county by a vote of the people.

The only acts of real and general importance were the two appropriation bills, the General appropriation bill and the Legislative, Executive and Judicial appropriation bills.

Besides the exclusively local bills mentioned above there are a number of the bills passed which, while of a general character, accomplish at present only local ends. Of this class is the bill to extend the time in which railroads may commence the construction of their roads, which covers specially the case of the West Virginia & Pennsylvania Railroad Company. The act to authorize lateral railroads to condemn lands to construct their tracks is also intended especially to cover a Taylor county case. In the same category must be included the act to authorize the construction of board sidewalks along public highways, which was desired particularly for Wood county residents. The act to authorize boards of education to purchase school books and furnish them to children in the public schools is also restricted to sparsely settled communities in its operations, though it is of a more general nature than the other acts just mentioned.

One bill was passed making minor amendments in the general school law of the State, and one amending the road law. Another law was passed extending the time in which distraint and sale may be made for taxes, and the acts prescribing on what subjects license taxes shall be charged and the biennial tax-levy bill, were also passed. The time for the election of the State officers every fourth year was changed from October to November in accordance with the amendment to the Constitution ratified by the people last October, and the terms of members of the Legislature and a few other officers were altered to suit.

The act amending the provisions of the Code in respect to the crime of burglary and its punishment is probably one of the most important laws enacted. By an oversight the law in relation to burglary has been in a very loose shape since 1882, and the new law remedies this.

These are about all the important general laws passed, and most of these were rushed through in the closing hours of the session. The hasty manner in which legislation was consummated just before adjournment is well illustrated by a little occurrence in the House. A bill was passed and sent to the Senate which was of a nature to be of little or no good to the interests in which it was conceived unless it took effect upon its passage. This was overlooked until some time after the bill had been passed. Delegate Oxley then moved that the bill take effect from its passage, but the Speaker held that the bill must be before the House in order to permit this action. A search for the bill showed that it had already become a law and had been handed to the Governor for his approval. It was then too late for anything to be done to remedy its defect.

BOLD ROBBERS

Tap an East Wheeling Grocer's Till Very Recklessly.

One of the cheekiest and most reckless robberies ever reported hereabouts occurred Saturday evening about 7 o'clock at the grocery of August Gering, on Eighteenth street. Three men entered the store and said there was a fire in the cellar. Gering and his wife refused to be misled by this trick, whereupon one of the men jumped over the counter, pushed Mrs. Gering roughly aside, and rifled the money drawer, containing about thirty dollars. At the same time another rushed in from the rear, grabbed the poker and struck viciously at Gering's head. He threw up his right arm and caught the blow upon the side of his hand, causing a severe bruise. The rascal then pulled out a revolver, but at this juncture a colored woman, Mrs. Julia Williams, rushed in, grabbed Gering and carried him forcibly away.

Jean Cady, who had seen the affair from the opposite side of the street, rushed across and into the store, grappled with one of the thieves and forced him to the floor. The man got free, and the three thieves escaped by a rear door, and leaping into the alley, made their escape.

At least a dozen people saw the thieves, but nobody recognized any of them. Late in the evening, however, Officer Wilkie arrested Pat Condrey as one of the participants. He was given a hearing last night before Squire Woods, and several witnesses identified him as one of the three robbers. He was sent to the county jail in default of bail.

Boycotting the Steel Nail.

The workingmen of North Wheeling have adopted an ingenious scheme to boycott the offensive steel nail. They notified the grocers of the First ward Saturday that they would buy no tobacco or cigars made by firms who used steel nails to make their boxes. The grocers promised to quit handling such firms' goods, and in turn notified the manufacturers. In at least one case the movement had the desired effect, one large manufacturing firm agreeing to use no more steel nails. It is now suggested that other commodities packed in boxes be put through the same course.

It is now officially announced that the proposition recently made to the boilers by the manufacturers was a reduction to $1 per ton for boiling. They declined, however, to assure the men steady work at this great reduction.

Off for Washington.

Col. Robinson, the genial and accomodating representative of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, last week offered to run a special train to Washington today for the benefit of the members of the Legislature, if enough of the members and attaches and their friends desired to go to justify running a special train. Inquiry among the members showed that nearly a hundred passengers would embrace the opportunity afforded by a special train, and accordingly the arrangement was made. The train will leave the Baltimore & Ohio depot at 7 o'clock this morning. The passengers will be taken to Baltimore to-night, and from there to Washington to-morrow morning.

Transfers of Real Estate.

The following transfers of real estate were admitted to record at Clerk Hook's office Saturday:

Deed made January 21, 1885, by W. P. Hubbard and wife to Thomas O'Brien, for a piece of land in Square No. 13 of the original plat of the city of Wheeling. Consideration, $5,000.

Deed made December 31, 1884, by S. Kurtz, Charles Beuter, Joachim Beuter, T. A. Beuter, Joseph Beuter, jr., Sophia Schwartzbach, Mary Matthews and Augustus Matthews, Emma Seidler, to Max Beuter, for a certain piece of property on Eleventh street. Consideration $5.

Emmett Out.

Joseph K. Emmett, the actor, was released from the county jail Saturday, his son, Joseph K. Emmett, jr., having arrived in the city to take charge of him. The unfortunate comedian was completely sobered up by his twenty-four hours' confinement, and left for Pittsburgh with the members of his company yesterday via the Baltimore & Ohio road, to fill a week's engagement there, commencing this evening. A number of members of Wheeling Lodge of Elks accompanied the company to Pittsburgh, and were entertained yesterday afternoon by the Pittsburgh lodge of the order, which held a social session in their honor.

WILL receive to-day or Tuesday one car of good cabbage, in barrels, 25 barrels of onions and 25 barrels of turnips. For sale by ZARNITS BROS. & CO.

THE BREAK-UP

THAT IS IMMINENT IN THE OHIO.

The River Rising at Headwaters—Wheeling Creek Runs Out in a Beaming Fashion and the Ice in the River Moves—The Break-up in the Big Kanawha.

The river has commenced to rise and unless there should be a sudden change in the weather, and it should again grow cold and tighten up things, a break-up of the ice may be looked for within the next forty-eight hours. The river commenced rising here early yesterday morning, and the steamboats hereabout, namely, the Courier, Monitor, Princess, Lizzie Townsend and Chesapeake, raised steam and their crews were put to work cutting out ice and getting everything in readiness. All of this was done as a precautionary measure; these boats are in good position, and it is not apprehended that they will suffer any damage; they will, however, keep steam up until the danger is all over.

The marks last night indicated a depth of 12 feet 7 inches in the channel. At Pittsburgh it was rising with five feet in the channel and at Steubenville there was nine feet. At the latter place the Josh Cook, of the coal fleet, with a tow of empties, is lying in a very bad position.

At all the points on the Monongahela last night's reports stated that it was rising fast. This was to be expected as a natural result of the sun's rays on Friday and Saturday, taken together with the rain that fell Friday night. The fifteen inch fall of snow that lay on the mountains melted very fast on the two days mentioned and formed a large quantity of water, sufficient to send the Monongahela up in a hurry.

This much is known from the manner in which Wheeling Creek commenced to boom yesterday. It has its sources near the Monongahela, and its actions are always sure indications of what is being done at headquarters. The ice in the creek moved twice yesterday. The first time was about noon. The rising waters sent the ice out with terrific force. Some new props that had been placed under the Hempfield railroad bridge to strengthen it for the occasion were knocked out in no time; and with such force did the ice rush out that it forced a channel across through the ice over the river and piled up opposite the mouth on the island shore. It also forced its way up the east bank of the Ohio for nearly a square, or more definitely speaking, nearly up to the Stamm House, and caused a rise of two feet on the wharf. The ice went out with a horrid grinding noise as it swirled through the Main street bridge arches, and was jammed together by the abutments of the railroad bridges. At Warren's oil refinery it came near taking out an oil barge. Owing to the fact that the props to the Hempfield bridge were knocked out, the heavy freight engines did not cross over. The trains were pushed over.

At noon, the ice stopped moving for about fifteen minutes. At 3 o'clock it moved again for a short time. At midnight last night, however, it was booming out in a lively manner. The ice in the river also moved last night at a late hour, but only for a few feet. It would not be surprising to see it go to-day. The ice is not as strong as it was, last week's warm weather having rotted it, but still it is liable to do great damage. Last night it was growing cold and was again snowing, which may have some effect on the rise.

Saturday the Big Kanawha went out. The rise sunk the Roselle and the Claribell was badly beached. The ice formed a back water that caused a rise of two feet at Clifton, ten miles up the river. There were thirty-two steamboats at the mouth of this river, and the wonder is that more damage was not done.

The Inaugural Ball.

The tickets for the inaugural ball to be tendered Governor-elect Wilson at the State House by the citizens of Wheeling next Wednesday evening, have been placed on sale at various prominent places in the city and are being purchased in sufficient numbers to insure the success of the ball. All of the arrangements have been perfected and nothing will be left undone by the efficient committee men. Dancing will commence at 10 o'clock. For an hour previous to that time, there will be a promenade concert given by Kramer, who is preparing an elaborate programme both for that and the dancing. A number of society people from Parkersburg, Clarksburg, Grafton, Charleston and other points in the State and from Steubenville and Little Washington are looked for.

"One of the Finest."

To-morrow night the famous German dialect comedian and popular vocalist, Gus Williams, will present his successful play, "Capt. Mishler," at the Opera House. Reserved seats are now on sale at Baumers' music store. The New York Morning *Journal* of a recent date says:

Mr. Gus Williams as Captain Mishler, in his new play of that name, is more than funny, and is filling the New York Comedy Theatre at every performance. His Police Captain is a rarely comical personation. His songs, all new, have caught the popular taste. The acting of little Camille Campbell, as little Jeannette, has so struck the ladies that the matinees are very largely attended. This wonderful child-actress has an important part, and is excellent in it.

G. U. O. O. F. Anniversary.

Yesterday was celebrated by the Patriarchate and lodge of colored Odd Fellows of this city with anniversary services in the church at Bridgeport, where an eloquent and appropriate sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. C. Asbury, of Wayman Chapel A. M. E. Church of this city. The members marched from their hall, on Main street, to Bridgeport and back headed by Mayer's brass band, which made surprisingly good music. The Patriarchate is well drilled and makes an exceedingly handsome appearance in their superb uniforms. The lodge was in full regalia.

$10,000 Damage Suit.

Saturday a suit was entered in the Circuit Court by George Gribble against the wholesale notion firm of Wheat & Naylor, to recover $10,000 for damages sustained some weeks ago by falling down an elevator opening in the store of the defendants on Main street, where the plaintiff was employed. The allegation in the complaint is that the accident was the result of negligence on the part of the firm.

A Race for Nailers.

Messrs. Entler & Rose, proprietors of the Chapline street rink, have arranged for a nailers' race to take place at their rink next Wednesday night. There will be eight entries, two from each factory in the city. The distance to be skated will be three miles. To the winner there will be given a pair of Fenton Expert club skates; to the second man a skate satchel, and to the third a silk polo cap. This will be an interesting event and will no doubt draw a crowd.

Accident Last Night.

Last evening Mrs. Herman Reas, who resides on Market street below Ninth, was visiting the family of Mr. William Hull, on Thirty-fifth street. As she was leaving the house with members of the family to go to church, she slipped on the steps and falling heavily to the pavement, broke one of her arms. The fracture was an exceedingly bad one. Dr. J. H. Pipes was summoned and dressed the injured arm.

EIGHT nailers, two from each factory in the city, will skate a three-mile race at the Chapline street rink Wednesday evening. This will be an exciting and interesting event.

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THROUGH THE STATE.

Accidents and Incidents in West Virginia and Vicinity.

The West Virginia Sunday School Convention will meet at Parkersburg May 20.

Little Falls, Monongalia county, boasts of a negro who swallows burning matches and drinks lamp oil with as much ease and relish as a toad swallows a fly or a thirsty ox drinks water.

Mayor McCleary, of Wellsburg, has been authorized to offer a reward of $500 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who started the big fire of Friday morning that entailed a loss of about $15,000.

The St. Mary's *Oracle* has completed the third year of its existence and with its completion J. S. Hall steps down and out as editor. W. S. Gallaher will hereafter be associated with Mr. R. L. Pemberton.

John R. Ryan, a merchant of Weston, has been arrested at the instance of Hurst, Miller & Co., of Baltimore, on a charge of obtaining goods under false pretences. He was bound over to appear before the United States Court.

A few days ago a three-year old daughter of a man named Black, who lives near Centreville, Wayne county, by some means caught her clothing on fire in the absence of the family, and was so severely burned that she died the next day.

James N. Gallaher, junior publisher of the *Virginia Free Press*, at Charleston, died at his home last Wednesday morning, after an illness of more than three months. He was a prominent resident of Jefferson county and was esteemed by all.

W. L. Mansfield, formerly owner and editor of the *Wayne Advocate*, has again taken charge of that publication. He made it a lively, progressive paper before and he will make it the same this time. Of course it is to remain rampantly Democratic.

Last week the farms of Wilson Blayney, Joel P. Blayney, Robert Sutherland and David Armstrong, in West Finley township, were leased for the development of oil and gas. If gas is discovered in that locality it will be taken to Wheeling.—*Washington Reporter.*

W. C. Long, who for several years past has been successfully editing and publishing the *South Branch Gazette*, in Grant county, has disposed of the paper to A. S. Markell and George B. Harman. They have a good paper and should continue it in its successful career.

Last week the stockholders of the G. & G. R. R. met and authorized the Directors to negotiate a mortgage on the road from Grafton to Huttonville not to exceed $400,000, and if desired to include in the new mortgage the old one for $175,000 heretofore made on the road from Grafton to Philippi.

The County Court of Pleasants county met last week in special session for the purpose of taking steps to secure immediate relief to a number of poor people who are at the point of starvation. The infirmary is crowded and reports of suffering from lack of food are sent in from all parts of the county.

The Weston *Republican* says: Two young men whose names are McCroft and Ed. Wright, committed a brutal outrage on the person of Miss Hicks, age 18 years, a daughter of the widow Hicks, who lives near the mouth of Seary. For the brutal crime, the ruffians have been arrested and are now in Winfield jail.

At the recent term of the Circuit Court in Gilmer county Millard Robinson was sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of three years, for burglary. Millard seems to be an incorrigible youngster, and has caused his relatives a great deal of trouble. Though he is quite young, this is his second term in the State prison.

About midnight one night last week a serious shooting affair occurred at the Montgomery hotel at Coal Valley. It appears that John Lanahan, a miner, got drunk and wanted to take possession of the house. Charles Jones, the night clerk, objected and tried to put him out. Lananan went into the dining room and held the door; Jones fired seven shots from a revolver through the door and then got a double barreled shot gun, and when Lanahan rushed in shot both barrels, the contents striking him in the breast. Little hopes are entertained of his recovery.

One day last week as Mrs. Joseph Underwood, of Raleigh county, was sweeping the hearth her dress caught fire and before it was discovered was all ablaze. There was no one in the house at the time Mrs. Underwood's clothing ignited save two little children, and thinking she could save herself by pulling off her dress she did so, but by this time her underclothing had caught fire and she ran out doors and rolled in the snow. This also failed to extinguish the flames, which by this time had burned her quite badly, and not until her clothing was entirely consumed did she succeed in stopping the fire. She was burned so badly that she died.

The Point Pleasant *Register* has the following account of a villain's deeds: "John Brock, a well-to-do farmer, residing near Letart, in this county, some sixteen miles from here, in some manner incurred the enmity of Earl Pickens, who publicly averred that he would burn the house, barn, stable and all the hay in the stacks in a field near the barn. He carried out his threat, and in addition to the burning placed poison in the well, being caught in that act, but escaped before his capture could be effected. A warrant is now in the hands of a constable, who, with a posse, is scouring the country in pursuit of him. He is represented as being a desperate man, and if brought to bay will fight to the death. Brock's loss, outside of the poisoning of the well, is $3,000, with no insurance."

PURE, pleasant, sure—Red Star Cough Cure. Prompt, permanent cure. Fifty cents.

SMITH AND ROUCHELLE

Re-engaged for the Chapline Street Rink. Saturday's Exhibitions.

The Chapline Street Rink was crowded Saturday afternoon and evening. At night the crush was simply terrific and people had to be turned away. The attraction was the appearance of Clarence Smith and Minnie Rouchelle, champion bicyclists. The desire to see them was so general and so many were disappointed at not being able to get in Saturday evening, the management has re-engaged them and they will appear this and to-morrow evenings. The riding of Smith was really marvelous; he does some extraordinary balancing, notably that of balancing his wheel on two chairs and then have Mlle. Rouchelle climb up on his shoulders. Her riding is very graceful. All those who witnessed the performances on Saturday were delighted with them and will no doubt be pleased to learn that they are to have another opportunity of seeing them.

"The Octoroon."

This evening at Charley Shay's Theatre the Tayleure Combination will commence a week's engagement, rendering Boucicault's popular drama, "The Octoroon." Mr. Tayleure, the manager of this company, is a son of the well known playwright, and was for several years connected with Mrs. Chanfrau's company, of which his father is the manager. Of the company the Cincinnati *Enquirer* says:

"The company reminds one forcibly of the good old stock days, when acting was done in solid chunks and companies played the drama for all its worth. The cast presents the name of many an old-timer, and brings back forcibly to memory the good work of a bygone age. For these alone the presentation deserves patronage."

THE nailers' race at the Chapline street rink Wednesday night will afford plenty of sport. Don't fail to see it.

Mick Wall Papers and Borders.

New spring styles in great variety at low prices. Also white and brown blanks, retail at wholesale prices. Window shades made up ready to hang, for 40 cents. Carpets and oil cloths at unusually low prices for cash. Call soon at Nos. 2019 and 2021 Main street.

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ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Henry S. Walker and wife, of Charleston, are at the McLure House.

Mrs. Henry Brues and Miss Gene Friend were visiting friends in Steubenville last week.

Mr. Joseph Nichols, of Baltimore, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Ziegenfelder, on Twelfth street.

Delegate Dean, of Upshur county, leaves this morning for Boston, New York and other eastern cities.

Tax Commissioner Mason and his daughter left Saturday morning for their home in Jefferson county.

Mr. Frank Stamm left last evening for Baltimore and Washington. He will attend the inauguration.

J. W. Lane, a machinist at the Baltimore & Ohio shops, left yesterday for a short visit to his home at Williamstown, W. Va.

Judge A. C. Snyder, of the Supreme Bench, and wife, of Lewisburg, have returned from a trip to the New Orleans Exposition.

The Parkersburg *Sentinel* names C. Clint Gallaher, of Charleston, as one of the active candidates for the office of Collector of Internal Revenue.

Dr. E. J. Bellville, who has been sick at the home of his brother, J. M. Bellville, for the past two weeks, left Friday evening for Pottsville, Pa., the home of his parents.

Senator N. B. Scott of the West Virginia Legislature, found on his desk in the Senate Chamber yesterday a very fine bouquet of rare flowers, with a note asking their acceptance from citizens and friends in recognition of his services in behalf of his constituents. "Nath" seems to be quite popular with his West Virginia friends.—*Bellaire Tribune.*

Mr. Gus Williams was the first comedian to be mimicked in the far-off Arctic regions. The diary of Sergeant Rice, one of the victims of the Greely expedition, records that at a Christmas entertainment in the region of eternal winter the programme consisted of "the personation of a rascally Indian agent, Teutonic warblings, plantation melodies and imitations of Gus Williams."

BEST French Brandy, Smart-Weed, Jamaica Ginger and Camphor Water, as combined in Dr. Pierce's Extract of Smart-Weed, is the best remedy for colic, diarrhœa, cholera morbus, dysentery or bloody-flux; also, to break up colds, fevers and inflammatory attacks if used early.

E. CHRISTMAN will pay cash for all kinds of household goods.

Special Sleeper.

The B. & O. will run a special sleeper from this city to Washington, D. C., Monday and Tuesday evenings, March 2 and 3, on the train leaving the B. & O. depot at 5:30 P. M. For Berths apply to T. H. B. Haase, ticket agent.

Excursion Tickets to New Orleans.

Cheap excursion tickets are now on sale via the direct and popular Pan Handle route. For tickets and full information call on or address J. G. Tomlinson, Agent, foot of Eleventh street, Wheeling, W. Va.

THE nailers' race at the Chapline street rink Wednesday evening will doubtless fill the place to overflowing.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

The Features of the Money and Stock Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Money market easy at 1@2 percent, closing at 1 percent. Prime mercantile paper 4@5 percent. Sterling Exchange bankers' bills dull at $4 83¾; demand $4 86¾.

GOVERNMENTS—Strong and ¼ percent higher for 3 per cents; at 101½ bid.

STATE SECURITIES—Quiet and a shade lower for some issues.

STOCKS—The market was less active than at any time since last Saturday and the extreme of the fluctuations were generally within a range of 1 percent. The day passed without the development of any important rumors tending to influence values. The early dealings were at prices a shade lower than the closing quotations yesterday, but after the first fifteen minutes the market rallied, without manifesting remarkable strength, and prices before 11 o'clock were generally a small fraction higher than last evening. There was considerable activity in the early transactions, but after the rally the market became dull, with only slight fluctuations, and continued dull and steady until after noon, when there were further fractional gains.

In the last hour the market became