

THE MEANEST OF ALL.

A Burglar Enters the Home for Aged and Friendless Women.

HE IS DISCOVERED BY AN INMATE

And an Alarm Raised—A Neighbor Reaches the Home too late to be of service, the Heartless Thief having fled—Other Robberies.

The number of burglaries and attempted burglaries reported in the last few days indicate that the crooks are around and active. The latest of these attempts, however, was made yesterday morning about three o'clock, when a burglar entered the West Virginia Home for Aged and Friendless women. He climbed up one of the pillars which support a long porch on the east side of the building, and entered by a window which opens upon this porch, and which had not been closed.

He got into several rooms, searching each without finding anything he could steal. Finally he entered the room of Miss Margaret Lyons, an aged inmate. She was aroused by the man's presence and cried out. Other women in the house heard her and called to the neighbors. Mr. Thomas McNabb, who lives in the house next on the east, heard the alarm and hastened to the place, but the thief had escaped in the same way he entered, leaping over the alley fence. Nothing was missing in the house.

It is said a strange, rough-looking man was seen about the premises early in the evening, and it is presumed that he was inspecting the house with a view to a later visit. A man who would enter and rob an institution of this character, where all the inmates are women, is about as dastardly and as cowardly a thing as ever existed in human form.

Thieves entered the house of Mrs. Beaumont, on the Island, Thursday evening, and stole all the eatables in the cellar.

An oil man from Mannington claims to have been robbed of a watch and a large sum of money in his room at the Hotel Belier Wednesday night. His room-mate, whom he had known in the Pennsylvania oil region, got up and left before he did, taking the stuff with him, and he has not been seen since.

A notice was received at police headquarters yesterday from Chief of Police of Washington, Pa., saying that a gold hunting-case watch was stolen from O. P. Sybers, at McDonald, Pa., Tuesday night, and offering a reward of \$25 for its recovery.

SNEAK THIEVES CAUGHT.

Two Maimed Men Walk off with Another Man's Clothes.

Last evening a one-armed man and a one-legged man passed over the Main street bridge and stepped into the blacksmith shop a moment. Shortly after they left, Lee Dunning, one of the engineers, found that a coat, vest and overall blouse he had hung there were missing, and at once suspected the two maimed tramps. The police were telephoned for, and Officers Lukins and Watson went down and arrested them. The one-armed man was asleep on the railroad track below the creek, and the one-legged was a little further down. The latter had the vest and blouse. The former was searched for the coat, but did not seem to have it. Watson went back to where they had found the man to see if he had dropped it. At length he was made to unbutton his own coat, and the stolen one was found under it. With them was found a young colored man, and he was also locked up on general principles.

The one-armed man gave his name as Peter Foley, and the one-legged man as Edward Dillon. They were lodged in the lockup for the night and this morning will be taken before Squire Davis. There is reason to suspect that Foley is the one-armed man seen in an Island yard the other evening.

Valuable Dogs Stolen.

Yesterday Dr. T. E. Hammond, agent of the B. & O. express company, reported to the police that two valuable bird dogs had been stolen from his premises on the Island. It was learned that two dogs answering the description had been seen in the possession of a man living at 3418 Chapline street, and Officer Devlin went to the house and recovered the dogs, and they were safely restored to their owner.

RACKET AT THE WHARF.

Two Men Refuse to pay their Berriage and are Arrested.

Yesterday William Combs and Luke Connors crossed the river from the Island on the naphtha yacht ferry. When they got over, they refused to pay their fare, and Ernest Warfield, the engineer, tried to get the money. One of them assaulted him, and the racket became general. Warfield struck Combs a stunning blow on the side of the head. The two then threw bricks and things at the yacht, damaging it a little, though not seriously.

Officer Creighton arrested both of the men, and charges of disorderly conduct will be lodged against them in the police court this morning. The owners of the ferry talked of bringing also a charge against them under the navigation laws in the U. S. Commissioner's office, although this had not been done last night.

A. M. E. CAMP MEETING.

Programme of To-morrow's Services, Some Fine Singing.

The first of the series of camp meeting services, held last Sunday at White-man's grove, near Boggs' run, by the A. M. E. church, was very successful. To-morrow another meeting will be held at the grove, and in case the weather should prevent an open air meeting, the services will be held in the colored church on North Market street. The day's services will commence at 10 a. m. with a jubilee praise service, and at 11 o'clock Rev. C. A. Magee, the presiding elder, will deliver a sermon. At 3 p. m. will be the communion service, and at 7 another jubilee service. At half past 7 Rev. J. J. Jones will preach a sermon on "Life." The singing at this camp meeting is worth hearing, and a large attendance is hoped for.

Arrests Yesterday.

Last evening H. B. Ross was arrested by Officer Creighton for disorderly conduct, and the same officer arrested Albert Boon, a wealthy Ohio farmer, who was drunk on the street for the twentieth time. He claimed to have had a watch stolen from him. Officer Lukens arrested Harry Lane for disorderly conduct.

FROM 9 o'clock this morning until 10 o'clock tonight, every 10 minutes some person will get their Dry Goods and Carpets FREE at

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

A PLEASANT shower fell about four o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The Mayor yesterday signed the contracts for the electric light plants.

At the butchers' picnic on the Island Thursday, 258 kegs of beer were sold.

The work on the south abutment of the Main street bridge is fairly jumping these days.

Miss BELLE BAILEY's school for boys and girls will open Monday, September 7, at 39 Fifteenth street.

A PRIVATE letter from Valley Grove says that every farmer in that vicinity will visit the State Fair next month.

WELLS BOTTOM, W. Va., produced about 4,800 bushels of wheat this year. Mr. Timothy Yohle leads in size of single crop, with 1,325 bushels.

The track-layers on the N. & W. railroad have reached a point nine miles above Wayne C. H. Five hundred men are at work on this division.

The insurance men adjusting the loss by the Steinfeld fire placed the damage at \$371.55. This money, as well as the goods, are in the hands of the sheriff.

CLERK HOOK yesterday admitted to record a deed made August 11 by Samuel Nesbitt and wife to Annie J. Murphy, for \$1,030, a lot on the corner of Woods and Twenty-fourth streets.

A NORTHBOWN freight was wrecked at Beech Bottom Wednesday evening. Three cars jumped the track and were considerably smashed. The Stenben-wrecking crew cleaned up the mess.

JUDGE PAULL held a special session of circuit court at Wellsburg on Wednesday, called for the purpose of trying Caruso, the Italian murderer. The case was postponed until the October term.

The entertainment at Altenheim last evening was a fair success in spite of bad weather. The rain confined the festivities to the house, but this was a very pleasant place to be, and the attendance was good.

TOX SHALCROSS was bitten on the hand several days since by a dog belonging to Leonard Swartz, and the hand is swollen terribly, giving Shalcross pain throughout his body. Chiel Delbrugge has ordered the dog shot.

In the police court yesterday Mrs. Dilworth, disorderly, was allowed to leave town; Mike Moore, on the same charge, went up for thirty days in default of \$5 and costs, and Mike McCole, drunk, paid \$1 and costs, and Ed Sutton, disorderly, went up in default of \$5 and costs.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wandering Folks Abroad.

Mrs. August Serig has returned from West Alexander.

Mrs. Jennie Bosley is visiting relatives at Bellaire.

Mike O'Neal, of Findlay, is visiting relatives in the city.

Miss Minnie Kurner, of Findlay, is visiting on the South Side.

James Smith and Hermann Specht left for Chicago yesterday.

Hon. G. W. Atkinson left yesterday for Delaware, O., where his wife is staying.

Editor Clarence L. Smith, of the Fairmont Index, was in the city yesterday on business.

Dr. J. W. McCoy and wife left Thursday on a visit to Chicago, St. Louis and Cincinnati.

Misses Flora and Lena Roberts, of Beaver Falls, are guests at the St. Charles hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. August Steinman, of Pittsburgh, are visiting their parents on the South Side.

J. M. Thompson, of Harrisonville, O., and C. A. Lorenson, of Cleveland, are at the St. Charles hotel.

J. H. Weller, of Pittsburgh, and A. A. Giffen, of Powhattan, registered at the St. Charles yesterday.

Guy L. Scott is home from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, on a visit to his parents, Hon. and Mrs. N. B. Scott.

D. B. Grier, of Parkersburg, and J. B. Koontz, of Mountsville, were the West Virginians at the St. Charles hotel yesterday.

Miss Mildred M. Howe, of South Jacob street, has returned home after a delightful two month's visit with friends and relatives in Coshocton, Ohio.

Gen. W. B. Curtis did not have a very good night's rest Thursday night. He seemed very much exhausted in the early part of the night, and is not improving very much, if, indeed, he is holding his own.

Messrs. M. Kirchner and A. Beltz left yesterday for Louisville, Ky., to attend the thirty-sixth annual meeting of the German Catholic Central Verein. Mr. Kirchner is the delegate of the St. Alphonsus Society, and Mr. Beltz is his alternate.

Ask Your Friends

who have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla what they think of it, and the replies will be positive in its favor. One has been cured of indigestion and dyspepsia, another finds it indispensable for sick headache, others report remarkable cures of scrofula, salt rheum and other blood diseases, still others will tell you that it overcomes "that tired feeling," and so on. Truly, the best advertising which Hood's Sarsaparilla receives is the hearty endorsement of the army of friends it has won by its positive medicinal merit.

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NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats. The River Interest.

The river was falling slowly last night, with only 3 feet 9 inches in the channel. The H. K. Bedford will leave the wharfbow to-day.

The Hudson will lay up for a rise in the river on her arrival at Cincinnati.

The Cincinnati and Pittsburgh packets will quit running for a while, as the river is too low.

The Bachelor passed up for Pittsburgh yesterday at noon—The Matt F. Allen got away for Parkersburg yesterday at 11:30 a. m.—The Hudson passed down for Cincinnati at 1 a. m.—The Courier got away for Pittsburgh at 11 p. m., and will try to reach that port, though it is doubtful whether she can make it.

A Historic House Sold.

PARIS, TEXAS, Aug. 14.—The house at Appamattox, Va., in which General Lee surrendered to General Grant, was sold a few days ago for \$10,000. It was the property of the Ragland heirs, three of whom live in this city. The parties purchasing it, it is said, are representatives of the Grand Army of the Republic, and it is believed that that organization intends to hold an annual encampment at the historic school, as several hundred acres of land in the vicinity have been purchased by the same parties that bought the house.

A GREAT OCCASION

Will be the Tri-State Emancipation Anniversary

TO BE CELEBRATED IN THIS CITY

On the 22d of September—A Splendid Street Parade and a Great Gathering on the Fair Grounds—Ex-Senator Bruce the Orator of the Day. Other Distinguished Men Expected. President Harrison, Mr. Clarkson and Others Write Letters of Encouragement—How the Day will be Spent.

The Tri-State Emancipation celebration, arrangements for which are now being made by the colored people of this city, promises to be the most memorable affair of the kind ever held in West Virginia. It will be held on the State Fair Grounds September 22d, the anniversary of the signing of the proclamation by President Lincoln. Rev. J. J. Jones, of this city, who has the arrangements in charge, is laboring industriously to make the celebration a grand success and is meeting with much encouragement. Mr. Jones stated to an INTELLIGENCER reporter yesterday that reports from Ohio, Pennsylvania and points in this State outside of Wheeling are to the effect that the celebration will be attended by large delegations, and he confidently expects that fully 5,000 colored people will be present and participate in the festivities. Many distinguished men, both white and colored, have been invited to honor the occasion with their presence, and from some of them favorable replies have been received. Others have written letters of regret and expressing warm interest in the success of the celebration. Among the latter are President Harrison, Governor Campbell, of Ohio; ex-Governor Foraker, General Goff, Hon. John R. Lynch (colored), of Virginia, and ex-Assistant Postmaster General Clarkson, of Iowa.

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

President Harrison's letter is very cordial, and is characteristically worded. It bears date of August 10, at Cape May, and is addressed to Mr. Jones. After acknowledging the receipt of the invitation and expressing the regret that he will be obliged to be in Washington on Emancipation day, the President closes as follows:

"I know no public occasion which should in a higher degree attract the interest and sympathy of all our people than the celebration of emancipation in the United States. While this event had a special interest to the colored race, it was an event that attracted the plaudits of all lovers of liberty throughout the world, and placed a halo of immortality upon the fame of Abraham Lincoln. I hope your plan of uniting the three great States, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia, at the city of Wheeling, may result in a very great gathering and be a source of instruction and inspiration to all who may have the privilege of attending.

"Very respectfully yours,

"BENJ. HARRISON."

Governor James E. Campbell, of Ohio, writes:

"I am very much obliged indeed to receive your invitation to attend the Emancipation day celebration at Wheeling, but am obliged reluctantly to decline. I have already accepted another invitation for that day; otherwise it would afford me great pleasure to be with you.

"Sincerely yours,

"JAMES E. CAMPBELL."

Ex-Governor J. B. Foraker writes that his engagements will prevent his attendance, but wishes the committee a successful and enjoyable occasion.

Hon. John R. Lynch writes in a similar vein and General Goff, who has already arranged to be elsewhere, writes: "I would like very much to be with you, as I never tire of talking of Abraham Lincoln. It is a cruel fate that prevents me from joining you."

MR. CLARKSON'S LETTER.

Hon. J. S. Clarkson, of Iowa, in his letter to Mr. Jones, expresses the following sentiments regarding the coming celebration:

"It would be a great pleasure if I could be present and speak a word in estimation of the race which has made such wonderful progress in America in the last thirty years—the most extraordinary progress towards civilization ever made by any race in the history of the world in the same time. I would be glad to speak a word of encouragement to a people so noble, rising out of a previous condition of servitude into a life of nobility, usefulness and patriotism.

"Very truly yours,

"J. S. CLARKSON."

Many other letters containing similar sentiments have been received. Hon. Charles A. Boutelle, of Maine, one of the finest speakers in the nation and one of the best friends the people have ever had, has not yet said he will be unable to be present, and it is hoped that he and Major William McKinley will both be present.

THE ORATOR OF THE DAY.

The orator of the occasion will be one of the most distinguished representatives of the colored race in the country. Hon. B. K. Bruce, ex-Roststar of the United States Treasury and the only colored man who has ever occupied a seat in the United States Senate. His letter accepting the invitation to deliver the address is short and to the point. He says:

"WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 7.

"Mr. J. J. Jones, Chairman of Committee on Speakers, Wheeling, W. Va.

"DEAR SIR:—Your letter of the 6th instant inviting me to deliver the address on the occasion of the celebration of the emancipation proclamation at Wheeling on September 22, has been received and the invitation is accepted.

"Very respectfully,

"B. K. BRUCE."

It is also expected that Hon. Frederick Douglass and other noted colored men will be present. The letters above quoted will show the interest which is taken in the celebration outside of Wheeling. The local arrangements for the day are being made systematically and are such as to warrant the prediction that they will be a success.

A MEETING CALLED.

A mass meeting of the colored citizens of Wheeling has been called for Thursday evening next at 8 o'clock, in the A. M. E. church, for the purpose of organizing a Lincoln memorial club for the occasion. Ninety-four colored men have already given in their names for membership in this club, and as many more are expected to join Thursday evening. The colored churches and so-

cieties of all near-by towns are cordially invited to send delegates to this meeting.

ATTRACTIVE FEATURES.

Among the interesting features of the great street parade being arranged, will be a wagon containing forty-two young colored girls, appropriately costumed and representing the various States of the Union. They will form a pyramid and on the platform at the top will be mounted the Goddess of Liberty and the Queen of the Day. The wagon will be drawn by four white horses, with postillions, and will be escorted by forty-two colored boys on foot, as a guard of honor.

The Lincoln Memorial club headed by a band will lead the procession, and the different lodges of colored Odd Fellows, Masons and Knights of Pythias have been invited to participate, the speakers and distinguished guests of the day in carriages to be escorted by the Patriarch, the leading branch of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows. These with the delegations from the principal cities and towns in Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia will comprise an imposing pageant.

The programme of exercises on the State Fair grounds will be varied and interesting, comprising the reading of the emancipation proclamation, music, the addresses, &c. Altogether it will be a great day for the colored people of the three sister States, and it is expected that the citizens of Wheeling will unite in making the occasion worthy of the city's reputation for patriotism and hospitality.

CRAZED BY MOSQUITOS.

The Jersey Sort Hite a Man Nearly to Death.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Aug. 14.—Alexander Gordon, a fancy goods dealer here, became a raving maniac this morning from loss of sleep caused by the tortures he endured from mosquito bites, combined with the intense heat. He ran along Broad street, dressed only in a pair of trousers, and terrified pedestrians by his wild actions. He climbed over barbed-wire fences on Spring street, and raced through yards yelling like a demon. When finally captured at last by the police he tore off the only garment he had on, and it was necessary to wrap a rubber blanket around him to get him to the county jail, where he had to be put in a strait-jacket. It is said his blood has been poisoned by New Jersey's venomous pests.

The Heat Made Him Insane.

PLAINFIELD, Aug. 14.—William Allen, a wealthy young farmer of North Plainfield, while helping a neighbor move yesterday afternoon, was made insane by the intense heat, and ran wildly down the road. He was overtaken and carried into a barn, where he died in two hours. His wife was killed two years ago by falling down stairs. Allen a month ago inherited much valuable property in New York, Brooklyn and Plainfield. He was 30 years old.

A 50-FOOT HIGH FENCE.

Mrs. Bayles Succeeds in Shutting Out Mr. Maxwell's Ten Windows.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Dr. Havens B. Bayles and John Maxwell, a New York merchant, have been neighbors. Mr. Maxwell owned and occupied the house 444 Ninth street, Brooklyn, and Dr. Bayles owns and occupies 442. A short time ago Mr. Maxwell altered his house into a flat and carried the building back to the full length of his lot. He put ten windows on the side of the extension which overlooked Dr. Bayles's back yard. Dr. Bayles has an office on the ground floor looking out on this yard and he objected to the ten windows.

He went on a vacation of two weeks lately, and during his absence his wife took matters into her own hands. She engaged a contractor who for \$300 put up a fence which effectually shuts out of sight the obnoxious windows. Fifty-foot poles were sunk and cants run across from the Bayles house to one in the rear. Then boards were nailed on, first being painted a dark brown on the Maxwell side. This has made the windows of the flat on that side useless. Dr. Bayles is back from his vacation now and is pleased with his wife's tactics.

A SEVERE STORM

Passes Over Eastern Minnesota—Heavy Lapses.

ELLSWORTH, MINN., Aug. 14.—The most terrific wind storm that ever passed over this section, of Minnesota, struck Ellsworth at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and left the town a pretty complete wreck. The Iowa, Minnesota and Dakota elevator was completely blown to pieces. The Congregational church was partially blown down, the dwelling of D. F. Cramer was thrown from its foundation and the Burlington Depot suffered great damage about the west end. Several box cars were hurled from the track like so much kindling wood but fortunately no lives were lost. There is not a building in the village that was not hit by the storm and blown away. The loss will reach \$25,000.

The storm struck Lake Benton at 4:30, and for ten minutes the air was thick with hailstones many of which weighed four ounces. Nearly every pane of glass on the north and west sides of buildings was broken. In the county everything in the shape of uncut grain, in the path of the storm, was annihilated.

Cloud-Burst in California.

SAN DIEGO, CALIF., Aug. 14.—A stage driver brings the information of the destruction of the little settlement of Campo in this county by a cloud-burst Wednesday. Several houses were washed away and considerable live stock drowned, but there was no loss of human life.

M. L. BLAIR, ALDERMAN, 5th Ward, Scranton, Pa., stated Nov. 9, '83: He had used Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for sprains, burns, cuts, bruises and rheumatism. Cured every time. NEW

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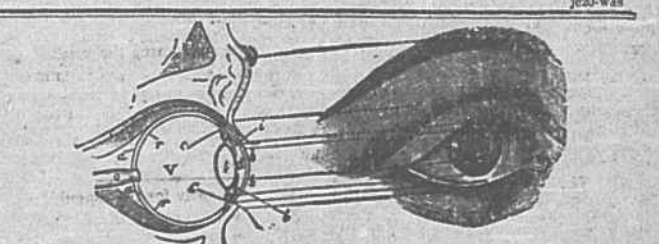
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