

DR. GROVE COMMITTED SUICIDE.

Dr. A. P. T. Grove, aged forty-two years, of Dallastown, York county, Pa., took a dose of poison and also shot himself through the head early Monday morning in his room at the Entaw House, Baltimore.

He was found by Manager Louis P. Samanni about noon. Mr. Samanni was notified by one of the bell-boys, who was sent to awaken Dr. Grove, that he had repeatedly knocked at the door, but had received no response. The hotel manager entered the room by means of a pass key and found Dr. Grove lying on the floor in a pool of blood.

The Doctor was then still breathing. Sergeant Singer was at once summoned and sent the wounded man to the Maryland University Hospital. Drs. S. C. Spruill and John R. Abernoble attended him, and found that besides a wound in the left temple Dr. Grove was suffering from a large dose of aconite and lavender, which he had evidently taken before shooting himself. He died at 5.40 o'clock in the afternoon without having regained consciousness.

When he was raised from the floor in the room of the Entaw House where he was found, the pistol with which he had shot himself was seen on the floor where he had fallen. One cartridge had been discharged from the pistol and the other four chambers contained loaded cartridges.

On a table in the room a bottle was about half full of aconite and lavender. It was full originally, Dr. Grove must have drunk enough of the poison to kill him even if the pistol wound should not have proved fatal.

In the room in which he committed the terrible deed was found a piece of paper containing his name and residence, and also stating that he was "tired," and that he had been "fighting against a terrible feeling for the past two months."

ROBBED OF \$50,000.

Christopher Schrage, who is seventy-five years old and lives alone at 171 South Jefferson street, Chicago, was bound and gagged by two men Tuesday evening, at 6:30 o'clock, and robbed of money and papers amounting in value to more than \$50,000.

The old man lived entirely alone and has always kept his money and securities in a safe in a rear room in his house. It was a matter of common report that he was in the habit of counting his money every evening before closing up his house for the night.

They did not injure the old man to any extent, but threatened him with death if he attempted to make any noise for at least half an hour after they had left the house.

The valuables taken included \$45,000 worth of Cook county and Chicago city bonds, mortgages amounting to \$5,000, \$700 in registered government bonds, \$560 in currency and \$1,000 in gold.

WOMEN FAVOR ARBITRATION.

An effort is being made to secure the co-operation of woman's organizations throughout the country to aid in the movement for an international peace tribunal. Petitions are being circulated both in this country and in Great Britain by the Woman's International Peace League, and Mrs. M. F. Ormsby, of Washington, president of the American branch of the league, is forwarding the petition for signatures to women in the United States.

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GENERAL CASEY IS DEAD.

Brigadier General Thomas Lincoln Casey, U. S. A., retired, for many years chief of engineers of the army, and widely known to engineers and scientists in the country and in Europe, died suddenly at his home in Washington, D. C., Wednesday afternoon after an illness of only about three hours. The cause of death is supposed to have been apoplexy. It came as a great shock to his many friends.

General Casey had been ill for some time, and during last summer suffered from an affection of the kidneys, from which he rallied with great difficulty. Wednesday morning about ten o'clock, accompanied by his son, he visited the library building, but was immediately compelled to lie down, suffering from excruciating pains in the stomach, having been taken sick before he arrived at the building. A doctor was summoned, who relieved him considerably, and about noon the general was taken to his home, apparently very much improved. The message announcing his death was received at the library shortly after two o'clock, and was a great shock to the officials there, with whom he was very popular.

AN EDITORIAL PESSIMIST.

One of the beauties and charms of an editor's life is in his dead heading it on all occasions. No one who has ever tasted of the sweets of that bliss can begin to take in its glory and its happiness. He does \$200 worth of advertising for a railroad, gets a pass for a year, rides \$10 worth, and then he is looked upon as a dead-head or half blown dead-beat. He blows and puffs a church festival free, and does the poster printing at half rates, and rarely gets a "thank you" for it. It goes as part of his duty as an editor. He does more work gratuitously than the rest of the people put together, and gets cursed for it all, while in many instances a man who donates a few dollars to a Fourth of July baseball club or a church is gratefully remembered. Oh! it is a sweet thing to be an editor; his subscribers walk around, owing him \$1, and think the editor publishes a paper for fun.—*Anne Arundel Examiner.*

FATAL EFFECT OF HYPNOTISM.

Miss Emma Fortna, the young woman who became insane last week under the supposed hypnotizing influence of a neighbor woman, died at Chambersburg, last Thursday afternoon. After her mind became deranged last week she had not a lucid interval, and all the time raved at the "pow-wow" woman, who she said had thrown a spell over her. The court had ordered that she be taken to an insane asylum at Harrisburg, but she was too sick to be moved. She kept up her ravings about "the spell" until the very hour of her death.

Are you ever Annoyed

by a buzzing or roaring sound in your head? Have you difficulty in hearing distinctly? Are you troubled with a continual dropping of mucus, irritating the throat and causing you to cough? Is your breathing unpleasantly affected and accompanied with bad taste? Is your hearing less acute? If so, you have catarrh and should at once procure a bottle of Ely's Cream Balm, the best known remedy. The Balm will give instant relief.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Mrs. Margaret Morgan, the matron at the Maternite Hospital, Baltimore, was found dead in bed at that institution Thursday morning. She retired early on Wednesday night, and when called Thursday morning there was no answer to the summons. Officers J. J. Ryan and Dolan were notified, and broke open the door, when Mrs. Morgan's dead body was found in bed. Coroner Hill investigated the case, and found that death had been due to heart failure. Mrs. Morgan was forty-five years old, and made her home at the hospital.

Rev. J. D. THORNTON, a preacher living near Saron, Texas, was warned to preach no more in that section. He refused to obey the order, and Sunday night he was taken out by a mob, who whipped him severely with switches.

Two officers were shot and a train robber named Daniel McCole was killed in an attempt made by robbers to hold up the south-bound New Orleans express near Tulare, Cal.

Bid \$7,500 for Holmes's Autobiography.

Efforts are being made by several Philadelphia and New York publishers to induce H. H. Holmes to make a full confession and to tell the story of his life. One New York publisher began with an offer of \$1,000 for a truthful and detailed story of his criminal career and gradually increased it \$5,000 because of the indifference of the condemned man. While Holmes was considering this last proposition a rival New York newspaper offered him \$7,500 flat for the same thing. It is not known whether he has accepted the offer, but he has been doing a good deal of writing lately, the character of which he has concealed.—*Sun.*

Family Killed by a Meteoric Stone

The house of Mrs. Hester Yates, on the side of Pine mountain, on the Greasy fork of the Kentucky river, about twenty-five miles from Hindman, Ky., was demolished by a meteoric stone which fell recently on the mountain. Mrs. Yates and family, consisting of several small children, were buried beneath the debris. The hard substance was over half buried in the mountain side, but striking a solid rock, had burst into hundreds of pieces. People for miles around have turned out, and are now searching for the bodies of Mrs. Yates and her children.

What is a Palindrome?

A Palindrome is a sentence that reversed reads the same as when taken from beginning to end. This, for example, "Now Eye won." Read backwards or forwards it is the same. But you cannot reverse the sentence of death that a neglected cold involves, unless you at once take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. This is the great blood food and blood purifier. It is a sovereign remedy for all diseases due to impoverished blood, such as consumption, bronchitis, weak lungs, scrofula, and their kindred.

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THIRTEEN miners were killed by an explosion of gas in the Berwind-White mine at Dubois, Pa. By an explosion in the Adrian mines, near the same town, two miners shared the same fate.

JOHN M. BUFFINGTON, aged 97 years, died in Philadelphia on Friday from paralysis. He was born in midocean in 1799 and fought in the Black Hawk, Mexican, Florida and civil wars.

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THE Joliet (Ill.) branch of the Consolidated Steel and Wire Company was damaged \$150,000 by fire Monday, throwing 500 men out of work.

MR. SAMUEL YOUNG, of Buck Lodge, Md., while riding home from Barnesville, Montgomery county, on Wednesday night was thrown from his horse and seriously injured.

THE fourth week of the strike of the clothing-cutters of Cincinnati opened without a change in the situation, neither side having made any concessions.

EDWARD HOPKINS, colored, died in Oneida county, New York state, at the age of 103 years. For twenty-five years he was a cook on the Erie Canal.

Mr. Charles Stevens, ex-postmaster of Denton, Md., died at that place aged sixty-four years.

Fits Cured

From U.S. Journal of Medicine Prof. W. H. Pecke, who makes a specialty of Epilepsy, has without doubt cured and cured more cases than any living Physician; his success is astonishing. We have heard of cases of 20 years' standing cured by him. He publishes a valuable work on this disease, which he sends with a large bottle of his absolute cure, free to any sufferer who sends their P. O. and Express address. We advise any one wishing a cure to address Prof. W. H. PECKE, F. D., 4 Cedar St., New York

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cure Liver Ills; easy to take, easy to operate. 25c. ORDER OF PUBLICATION. No. 6515 EQUITY. In the Circuit Court for Frederick County, sit in Equity.

Robert N. T. Eyer vs. Daisie E. Eyer. The object of this suit is to procure a decree for a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from Daisie E. Eyer by Robert N. T. Eyer, of Frederick county, State of Maryland. The bill states that the said Robert N. T. Eyer, do hereby claim to be the husband and lawful husband of the said Daisie E. Eyer, and that she is the wife of the said Robert N. T. Eyer, and that they had one child, a boy, about 3 years old. That said Robert N. T. Eyer was always a faithful and chaste husband to said Daisie E. Eyer. That said Daisie E. Eyer between the first day of Jan. 1895, and the filing of this bill committed adultery with one Elmer M. Eyer in Frederick county, Maryland, and said Daisie E. Eyer abandoned the home of said Elmer M. Eyer, leaving her child and husband on Feb. 24, 1896, and about the same time the said Elmer M. Eyer left the said neighborhood, and residing in Georgetown, from which said place they left together for Baltimore, and have not since been heard from. That the said Robert N. T. Eyer did not live or cohabit with the said Daisie E. Eyer since he discovered her adulteries.

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Emmitsburg Rail Road.

TIME TABLE.

On and after Sept. 29, 1895, trains on this road will run as follows:

TRAINS SOUTH. Leave Emmitsburg, daily, except Sundays, at 7.50 and 10.00 a. m. and 2.55 and 4.50 p. m., arriving at Rocky Ridge at 8.20 and 10.30 a. m. and 3.25 and 5.20 p. m.

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WM. H. BIGGS, Pres't.

SALE REGISTER.

March 23, Mrs. Annie M. Myers will sell at her residence on the Bruceville road, 1 mile from Emmitsburg, cattle, farming implements and other personal property.

There are 2,902 registered voters in Hagerstown.

To Loan.—\$600.00 on April 1st. Apply at the Chronicle office.

An original pension has been issued to Henry M. Lingg, Emmitsburg.

The Maryland Legislature will adjourn Monday at midnight.

Our Middle Creek items were received too late for publication.

Mr. J. S. BIGGS has been appointed postmaster at Rocky Ridge, vice W. H. Biggs, resigned.

Snow fell here again on Monday, and the weather is very cold for this season of the year.

Mr. GEO. ZIMMERMAN sent to the Chronicle office a double apple which is quite a curiosity.

The new police Commissioners for Baltimore city are, Messrs. D. C. Hedding and W. W. Johnson.

Try a can of Hopkins' Steamed Hominy (Sweet Corn). It is delicious. Full 9c. 10c.

Mr. FREDERICK RHODES, of this place, has a very valuable and large cow, which tips the scales at 1,447 pounds.

Services will be held in both the Reformed and Lutheran churches, in this place, every evening during Holy week.

WANTED.—At Penola Farm, near town, a girl or settled woman. A good home to the right party. Apply at once to F. A. Wely.

AUNT JEMMA'S Pan Cake Flour makes the best Pan Cakes on earth. Try a package. Call and get a pottle free. Wholesale at King's.

The citizens of Walkersville, this county, have decided to purchase a Holloway double tank chemical fire engine.

HON. GEO. T. TRUITT, a member of the Maryland House of Delegates from Winchester county, died at his home near Pittsville.

Opposition has been aroused in Frederick to the bill introduced in the Legislature to change the date of municipal elections in Frederick.

"Tug" Wilson was convicted at Elliott City of breaking into Baltimore and Ohio freight cars, and was sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary.

The Maryland Legislature passed the reassessment bill Tuesday, and it is now in the hands of the Governor, who, it is thought, will probably sign the bill.

The Birthday Social of the Society of the Church of the Incarnation will be held in Mrs. C. M. Motter's home, occupied by Dr. J. Kay Wrigley, on April 7.

MARY ALICE, a twelve-year-old daughter of John W. Anderson, fell from a garret window, twenty feet, on a paling fence in Hagerstown inflicting bad wounds on her left cheek and hip.

The Rev. F. B. Harvey, who was appointed to the Brunswick charge, this county, by the recent Baltimore M. E. Conference, has been transferred to Oxford, and the Rev. Henry Smith goes to Brunswick.

The Hagerstown Railway Company has put up a \$5,000 good-faith deposit and ordered the work on the road to be begun at once. Mr. Christian W. Lynch, of Harrisburg, is president of the company.

FOR RENT.—The property known as the Shookey property, consisting of a good house and lot of about 4 acres, situated about 1 1/2 miles south of Mt. St. Mary's college, on the upper Mechanics-town road. Terms reasonable. Apply to VINCENT SEBOLD, mar. 6-4ts.

Mr. L. ALBERT's store at Dawsonville, Montgomery county, was burned Sunday night, with a loss of about \$5,000 and about \$150 in postoffice supplies. The building and stock of goods were insured for \$3,700. It is not known how the fire originated.

Beware of Counterfeiters

Who infect the market and are the means of robbing sick people of their money, and what is of still greater consequence of not infrequently aggravating the complaints under which they labor. It is an act of duty we owe to society to warn the people against these dangerous frauds. A little care on the part of the purchaser will protect them from imposition by the bearing in mind these facts: Never buy where it is offered in bulk (in kegs or kegs) as the genuine Hostetter's Stomach Bitters are sold only in bottles having the handsome steel plate label displaying the combat between St. George and the Dragon, and having at the bottom a miniature note of hand for one cent, bearing a facsimile of the signature of the president of the company. Over the cork is a metallic cap, on which is impressed the name of the article, together with the name of the city and county. Any person selling the counterfeit Hostetter's Stomach Bitters we shall not hesitate to bring to justice, as we never fail to convict.

Religious Notices

There will not be any public service in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath, the 29th inst.

Henry D. Cramer, a well-known citizen of Walkersville, this county, died at his home Tuesday night of general debility, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. He was the father of Henry D. and David J. Cramer and Mrs. H. Clay Stauffer, of this county.

Best of All

To cleanse the system in a gentle and truly beneficial manner, when the Springtime comes, use the true and perfect remedy, Syrup of Figs. One bottle will answer for all the family and costs only 50 cents; the large size \$1. Buy the genuine. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only, and for sale by all druggists.

Jonathan Smith Pardoned

Jonathan Smith has been pardoned by Governor Lowndes. He was convicted at the November term of court of 1894 of the murder of his brother, Solomon Smith, above Smithsburg, by hitting him in the stomach with a stone, and sentenced January 5, 1895, to eighteen months in the penitentiary.

MR. CLARENCE WILSON COLLIPOWER, son of Mr. J. T. Collipower, a prominent farmer of near Emmitsburg, and Miss Nora Gabrielle Freeze, daughter of Mr. Jacob Freeze, of Thurmont, were quietly married in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Thurmont on Wednesday evening, March 13th, at 7:15 o'clock, by the pastor, Rev. Henry Mann.

Seizure by Revenue Officers

On Thursday several United States Internal Revenue officers, arrived in this place on the 11 o'clock train and went to the residence of Mr. Samuel Wagonman, who resides at the mountain, west of town, and seized a still and worm, which when found were in his possession, and which are used in the manufacture of whiskey. The still and worm are now in the possession of the revenue officers.

A Raise in Mining Rates

The coal companies in the George's Creek region gave notice by posters at their mines Monday morning of a five-cent raise in wages for mining coal. Since the strike of 1894 the miners have been receiving forty cents per ton, and the raise of five cents, which is to take effect April 1st, is one-half of the reduction made in the spring of 1894. The miners expected a ten-cent raise.

Reformed Re-union

At a meeting of the Reformed Church Reunion Committee, held in Baltimore on the 9th inst., it was decided to hold the reunion at Pen-Mar the third Thursday of July, the 16th. It was determined to have more speeches this year, and limit them to ten minutes. The following names were suggested, and efforts will be made to secure them, viz: Judge F. W. Bay Stewart, York; Dr. G. T. Showers, Baltimore; Rev. Dr. Keiffer, Hagerstown, and Dr. Irvine, Mercersburg.

It is proposed also to have a short sketch of the Church within the bounds of the Potomac synod, limited to twenty minutes. It is expected that Rev. J. B. Stonestifer will represent Virginia; Rev. W. I. Stewart, the Baltimore District; and Rev. I. M. Motter, Maryland, and Rev. Stewart Hartman, Southern Pennsylvania.

The choir of Carlisle and Mechanicsburg are requested to lead the singing and furnish any special music that may be called for.

Death of Col. C. H. Buehler

Colonel C. H. Buehler, one of Gettysburg's best known citizens, died in that place, at three o'clock Tuesday morning, after an illness extending over two months. Death was due to a deterioration of the blood. At the breaking out of the rebellion he was one of the first to volunteer, enlisting on the 20th of April, as captain of Company E, Second Pennsylvania Volunteers. He served as major of the Eighty-seventh Pennsylvania Regiment and as colonel of the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Regiment until the expiration of his enlistment, July 18, 1863. He served several terms as Burgess of the town, and was identified with the Battlefield Memorial Association as its vice president, and at Pennsylvania College as a trustee. His wife, nee Fahnestock, of York, and one son, Harry F. Buehler, survive. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon.

"Oh! stay, the maiden said, and rest Thy weary head upon this breast." "I can't," said he, "I must climb the hills, The summer is past, I now sell pills, Not the pills of old-fashioned make That caused a dreadful stomach ache— But we little things, that you e'en can smile, As they gently move their enemy—bile. Who use them once, thereafter are zealous, In praise of "Pierce's Pleasant Pellets." They regulate the bowels, and cure sick headache, the result of constipation or biliousness, without disturbing the diet or occupation of the patient. Sugar-coated—a child can take them.

The General of the Army, the General commanding the U. S. Corps of Engineers, Vice-Pres. Webb of the New York Central, and John Jacob Astor, compose The Cosmopolitan Magazine's Board of Judges to decide the merits of the Horseless Carriages which will be entered in the May trials, for which The Cosmopolitan offers \$3,000 in prizes. This committee is undoubtedly the most distinguished that has ever consented to act upon the occasion of the trial of a new and useful invention. The interest which these gentlemen have shown in accepting places upon the committee is indicative of the importance of the subject, and that the contest itself will be watched with marked interest on both sides of the Atlantic.

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A Potato Worth Mentioning

The "Early Favorite," brought out by W. L. McKay, of Geneva, N. Y., has made a great record for 765, 720 bushels per acre. Fifteen separate yields, stated over fourteen counties and seven States, average 454 bushels per acre. These are reported by farmers, and not fancy experimenters. We understand that the seed of this enormous yielder can be had at a reasonable price from Mr. McKay, mar. 6-4ts

PERSONALS

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Grand Army Club

For several months past there has prevailed a feeling among the veterans of the Grand Army of Maryland that some avenue should be opened by which their sons could be drawn closer together, and mingle in one organization.

This feeling resulted in quite a large gathering of grand army men, on Friday evening, March 6, at Grand Army Hall, Baltimore, for the purpose of forming a "Grand Army Club" in which membership is limited to "any comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic who is in good standing in the post to which he belongs, or the son of any comrade of the G. A. R., of lawful age, and the sons of deceased union soldiers, even though said deceased soldier was not a member of the G. A. R., at the time of his death."

The objects of the club are for social intercourse and mutual protection of Grand Army men in their political rights.

The club organized by the election of the following officers and committees for 1896: President, Frank Nolen; Vice President, J. Leonard Hoffman; Secretary, John A. Thompson; Treasurer, William J. Klug; Executive Committee, Myron J. Rose, Geo. W. E. Vernon, N. M. Rittenhouse; Finance Committee, Wm. D. Burchinal, Thomas J. Brown, Wallace A. Bartlett, O. A. Horner; Auditing Committee, Geo. E. Graham, Fred. Brackett, E. A. Alexander, William Stahl; Committee on Applications, Theodore F. Lang, John G. Taylor, John E. Hough, Clinton S. Birch.

The club will at once secure and fit up comfortable rooms which will be open to members at all times. The membership already includes members of the G. A. R., from many of the posts located in different sections of the State. More applications were received at the first meeting than could be acted on. The club bids fair to be a popular one, as its charter members are composed of the best element in the organization.

Mayor Keely Re-elected

Mayor M. L. Keely, Republican, was re-elected at the municipal election in Hagerstown, Monday, and Edgar H. Ziegler, Republican, was elected to the Council from Ward No. 2, and David M. Hurley, Democrat, from Ward No. 4. Mr. Keely's majority over ex-Mayor Reinhold J. Halm was 112. The vote by wards was as follows: Ward 1, Halm, 124; Keely, 95; Ward 2, Keely, 225; Halm, 219; Ward 3, Keely, 268; Halm, 224; Ward 4, Halm, 201; Keely, 264; Ward 5, Keely, 418; Halm, 302. Totals, Keely, 1,270; Halm, 1,158. In Ward 2 E. H. Ziegler's vote for councilman was 222; J. W. Monath (Dem.), 219; majority for Mr. Ziegler, 9. In Ward 4 Mr. D. M. Hurley (Dem.), received 323; A. A. Mobley (Rep.), 204; Mr. Hurley's majority, 119. The Council will be composed of three Democrats and two Republicans, an increase of one Republican. The voters also decided the question of issuing \$7,000 worth of bonds to complete the drainage system affirmatively by a vote of 1,392 to 482.

The Western Maryland Wreck

Thirteen freight cars broke loose from a Western Maryland railroad train in Union tunnel, Baltimore, Friday. The cars ran backward 200 yards down a steep grade, but were finally brought to a standstill. Immediately after the break another section of ten cars became detached from the train and dashed backward. Brakeman Ellos was caught in the crash that followed and instantly killed. Five cars were thrown from the track by the collision, and both tracks were blocked for several hours. Ellos was 27 years old.

Miss Welsh Burned to Death

Miss Phoebe Welsh, a maiden lady of Waynesboro, was burned to death at her home in that place on last Thursday morning. Miss Welsh, who was a cripple, had been all night at the bedside of her sick father. While preparing for rest in the morning, a lamp was upset, her clothing caught fire and she was horribly burned. She died in a few hours. A nephew, who ran to her assistance, was also badly burned. The woman was a sister of Dr. R. Welsh, of Waynesboro, and of J. Harry Welsh, of Welsh, Ogilby & Co., Philadelphia.

New Officers of the Law

On Wednesday the Maryland Senate confirmed all the nominations sent to that body for Frederick county by Gov. Lowndes, except two. "The new officers for Emmitsburg district, who will administer justice to the people of this district after May 1st, next, are as follows: Justices of the Peace, Messrs. Henry Stokes, Francis Maxwell, Wm. P. Eyer and Wm. H. Weaver; Register of voters, Mr. John A. Horner, Notary Public, Mr. Edgar L. Annan. It is reported that Mr. Weaver will not qualify as a Justice of the Peace.

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ST. JOSEPH'S DAY AT THE VALLEY

Written for the Chronicle. Anticipation is frequently greater than realization, but such was not the case in regard to the celebration of March nineteenth, feast of the Patron of the Valley.

Every communicant of the Academy received the source of all sanctity at early Mass. At eight o'clock solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father O'Hara, Vice-President of Mt. St. Mary's College, assisted by deacon and sub-deacon. The sermon, delivered by Rev. Dr. McSweeney, touched every heart, and at its close each one asked herself what was it in his beautiful simple language that made her feel nearer to her Divine Saviour, His Holy Mother and Foster-Father than ever before. Solemn Vespers and Benediction closed the religious ceremonies of the day.

The evening was rendered delightful by an illustrated lecture on Ireland. Surely the reverend orator, Dr. Allen, infused into every genuine heart a deeper sympathy for that land whose years are numbered by her many woes; that land which has unceasingly fought and bled in religion's cause; that land which has been swept from the world as a nation, because she will not give up her God.

With surprise and wonder we gazed upon many of the marvellous sights and beauties of the Emerald Isle; we admired the time honored ruins which despite the lapse of years, still bespeak the deep-souled piety of the Isle of Saints, Queenstown Harbor opened our eyes to what Ireland might be had she her rights.

Not a single spectator but enjoyed the Blaine Stone to its fullest extent, and all agreed with the speaker who admitted, though rather hesitatingly, that he himself had done homage to the persuasive spot. With prayerful reverence we listened to a description of the lent of Ireland's Apostle and united with his prayer that the island he converted would never prefer earth to heaven, time to eternity. "Do not visit Ireland, it holds no attractions for tourists" is a saying never to be heeded by those who enjoyed the advantage of this most instructive as well as interesting lecture. Is it too much for St. Joseph's pupils to say that they wish these charming evenings were not so short or far between.

Rockville Postoffice Robbed

Burglars entered the postoffice at Rockville, Md., Sunday night and secured about \$200 in money and stamps. When Assistant-Postmaster Brewer opened the office Monday morning he was confronted with a scene he little expected. The windows were partly open, back door wide open and things in a general state of confusion. The burglars had effected an entrance through a rear window by means of tools taken from the blacksmith shop of Mr. S. P. Haney, only a short distance from the postoffice, and which had also been broken into. Entrance to the safe, which was a small iron one, was made by boring a hole near the combination lock and then filling it with powder or dynamite, which when exploded, blew out the entire front. The windows had evidently been opened to prevent the smashing of the glass by the explosion. The entire loss has not been definitely ascertained. It is known, however, that a large quantity of change and some packages of stamps were secured. No registered or other letters were taken, and a large package of one and two-cent stamps were overlooked.

Fortunately the large bulk of the postage stamps belonging to the office had been deposited in the Montgomery County National Bank Saturday afternoon. This is the first job of the kind that has been done in the vicinity of Washington for a number of months, and the police expect to hear from the men again. Usually when a job of this kind is done several county towns suffer before the burglars cease to operate.

"The Common People"

As Abraham Lincoln called them, do not care to argue about their ailments. What they want is a medicine that will cure them. The simple, honest statement, "I know that Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me," is the best argument in favor of this medicine, and this is what many thousands voluntarily say.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, assist digestion, cure headache, 25c.

Committed Suicide

Mrs. Mary E. Mort, wife of William Mort, of Taneytown, died on Tuesday-morning of last week about 11 o'clock, from the effects of a dose of Paris green administered by herself on Monday morning, according to her own confession. During Monday, Mrs. Mort complained of feeling sick, but made no intimation that she had taken poison. She vomited freely and complained of pains in her stomach, but the family not being acquainted with symptoms of arsenical poisoning, and suspecting nothing of the kind, were not apprehensive of any fatal ending to her illness. At night, however, her sufferings increased, and medicine was procured for her, but, as the real trouble was not known, it did no good. On Tuesday morning Dr. C. W. Weaver was called in, and, on being questioned, Mrs. Mort acknowledged having taken two teaspoons of Paris green mixed in water. Antidotes were administered, but by this time the poison had thoroughly entered her whole system, and death ensued as stated. It is reported that she had admitted taking the poison, but did not want any medical attention.

Mrs. Mort gave no coherent reason for the act, except that she had trouble of some kind. It is likely that brooding over troubles, either real or fancied, produced mental aberration which led to self destruction.—Carroll Record.

Mrs. Mort formerly lived in this district.

OUR LETTER FROM FREDERICK.

The Party of Gentlemen Who Went to California Have Returned to Frederick—Admitted to the Bar—Police Justice Ekstein Has Gone to Charlotte, N. C.—New School House.—Death of Thomas Gorsuch.

FREDERICK, March 25.—The party of gentlemen consisting of Mr. Charles W. Ross, Arthur Potts, D. C. Winebreaner, L. V. Baughman, Charles Baughman, and Lewis S. Clingan, who started for California by way of Mobile and New Orleans in Gen. James C. Clarke's private car about Feb. 20, have returned to Frederick, after a delightful trip of one month.

They all look well and seem to be benefited by their journey across the continent and back again. They feel as if summer had come and gone since their departure, for in the Southern States they found summer weather, ate strawberries and early vegetables right out of the garden, saw trees in bloom and in leaf, and upon their return to Frederick find snow on the ground to the depth of several inches and snow still falling, and the thermometer only a few degrees above zero. Such trips give one an idea of the magnitude of our country, far better than any maps or figures can do.

The snow fell on Monday several inches deep, although Sunday was so warm it seemed as if old winter's back was surely broken.

Prof. Homer I. Williams, who has been teaching at the Catholic School for boys in this city, for several years past and studying law at the same time, has been admitted to the bar, after passing a creditable examination.

Mr. John Hershberger, the successful baker of North Market street, has bought and will occupy, April 1st, the room for many years occupied by Mr. O. M. Burucker, between 2nd and 3rd streets. Mr. Burucker and his family will remove to Baltimore.

Police Justice Ekstein has removed with his family to Charlotte, N. C., where he will engage in the manufacture of cigars on a large scale.

The new school house on North Market Street, is nearly completed. It is a large, handsome building and will contain six school rooms and a large hall for school entertainments. Accommodations have been provided for the Male High School, as well as the common school grades, and it is expected that Prof. Franklin Harshman, of Walkersville, will be made principal of the High School when the new building is occupied, and that he will also have supervision of the lower grades.

Prof. Harshman is well equipped for the position, being a graduate of the Millersville Normal School, and a practical and successful teacher in this county for many years.

An effort will be made by the wheelmen of Frederick to secure the annual meet on July 4, next, to take place in this city. It is understood that Hagerstown will use its influence to get the meet here.

This manifestation of interest on the part of Hagerstown which has had the meet within her precincts several times causes some Frederickians to suspect that it may not be so desirable to have the grand army of wheelmen meet here after all, or else Hagerstown would want it herself again.

The death of Thomas Gorsuch which took place on Monday last makes the third death among the directors of the First National Bank, of this city, within the past few months.

G. J. Doll, C. Y. S. Levy and Thomas Gorsuch, were all directors of that banking institution. Mr. Gorsuch had also been president for many years.

Several delegations from Frederick have gone to Annapolis this week to look after bills before the legislature in which they are interested. The one offered by Mr. Norwood to change the date of holding the municipal election in this city from June to February has met with considerable opposition from democrats.

The weather has been milder and more pleasant the past few days. The snow is rapidly disappearing before the sun's warm rays.

The Latest Curade

My first if he would faint succeed, Must give and keep my whole; My second's remedies have saved The life of many a soul; My third is what my whole will be, Tho' ages o'er us roll; My fourth my first won't need to fill If you will take my whole.

The answer is one of the best remedies for female troubles ever known. For periodical pains, excessive flowing, prolapsus, bearing down, inflammation, nervous headaches, and all diseases resulting from "female weakness." There is nothing as good as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. The only remedy so certain in results that it gives satisfaction to all who try it.

ROCKY RIDGE NEWS.

ROCKY RIDGE, March 24.—Sales, movings, deep snow and now muddy roads. Mr. Michael Lippy, a prominent farmer of near here, moved Tuesday to the neighborhood of Johnsville, where he has purchased a larger farm, and has rented the one vacated to Mr. T. Grossnickle.

The funeral of Mr. James A. Wood, who died Thursday morning, March 19, took place Saturday afternoon from his late home south of Rocky Ridge, and the interment was made in Mt. Taber cemetery. The Rev. Charles Reine-wald, of Emmitsburg, officiating. The deceased was aged 79 years, 4 months and 3 days. He leaves one daughter and four sons. The pall bearers were Messrs. Geo. Krise, M. J. Eichelberger, J. D. Keilholtz and J. B. Ogle.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

FAIRPLAY ITEMS.

FAIRPLAY, March 25.—Mr. H. H. Wenschhof has built a fine two-horse sleigh for Mr. J. S. Felix. It will seat six persons.

Mr. Charles Shaner, our live politician and Jury Commissioner, was in Gettysburg last week drawing jurors for the April term of court.

Mr. Samuel Rhodes, of Green Mount, caught a fish on Monday, that weighed 24 pounds.

On Thursday of last week, Mr. Milton Spangler moved into Mr. S. Shriver's new house, Mr. Spangler intends farming half of the farm. On the same day Mr. Harry Hoffman moved into the same house with Mr. Spangler.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hoffman and Mr. Maurice Marshall made a visit last week to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baker. Mr. Baker furnished the guests with apples and cider and the evening was pleasantly spent.

Mr. Chas. K. Hardman, of Chicago, formerly of Emmitsburg, was the guest of his father-in-law, Mr. J. F. Klinge. Mr. Hardman is looking well.

Mrs. Helen Wenschhof, of Fairplay, who was quite ill with the grip, is recovering rapidly.

The Sons of Veterans meet every Wednesday evening for the purpose of transacting such business as may legally come before the camp.

Mr. Frank Herr, of this place, has purchased a fine colt from Mr. Flick.

Miss Sadie Munshour, of near Hoffman's mill, was married on March 18, to Mr. Samuel Scott, of Gettysburg. They will reside in Gettysburg.

The debate at Moritz's school house, was quite successful. The question was, "Why should the rebels be allowed to erect monuments on the Gettysburg Battlefield?" Mr. H. H. Wenschhof, was president of the meeting. The speakers were: Capt. McNair, C. H. Wenschhof, W. B. McNair, Jr., B. Stout and Harry Weikert. The question was decided in the negative.

The last school term for this winter will end on the 27th, inst. Mr. David Benchoff, teacher at Moritz's school, has performed his duties well and has been quite successful with his teaching. This is Mr. Benchoff's first winter as a teacher.

There is some talk of Miss Jennie Scott, of Fairplay, teaching school at this place, this summer. Miss Scott is an excellent teacher.

Mrs. Howe, who lived six miles above Gettysburg, died on Sunday. Mrs. Howe is the mother of Mr. Isaac Howe, of Fairplay.

Mr. Burgaw, of near Rhodes' mill, intends moving in Mr. James Wanz's house, near the old factory.

FAIRFIELD ITEMS.

FAIRFIELD, March 24.—Mr. Calvin Sanders, of this place, lost a very fine cow by death.

Plittings can be seen on our roads. Jacob Cluck, who lived on the old Kittinger farm, moved to near Funkstown, Franklin county. Mr. Elsie Crouse, of Fairfield, has moved to the old Myers' mills farm. Mr. Crouse is a hustler.

The weather prognosticators, of Fairfield, have missed it in regard to having such a big snow. Boys try again.

The people of Fairfield are striking while the iron is hot, in regard to having Fairfield incorporated. The borough limits were surveyed on Saturday last. The survey takes in a large scope of land, running nearly out to the station. That the town will be incorporated there is no doubt, as no objections have been made. Then look out for grovelers. There are a large number of porches which extend too far on the pavement, and these will have to be removed or remodeled. Fairfield can easily be made a pretty and flourishing town, and when the streets and everything is cleaned up, our town will present an entirely different appearance from what it does to-day. Let the good work go on.

Mr. Samuel Smith, who carries the mail from the station to Fairfield, is not able to attend to his business on account of rheumatism. He is now walking by aid of crutches.

Mrs. F. Shulley and daughter, Miss Lillie, are visiting at Knox Linn, being the guests of Mrs. John Butt.

SECOND STORY ADVERTISING.

Value of Upper Windows For Catching the Eyes of the Passing Crowds.

There is a man in this town who has probably devised more advertising schemes than any other New Yorker who is not a theatrical press agent, and he has never been known to use another man's idea but once.

The second story window as a means of advertising is used in a variety of ways, the most common being for some sort of exhibition of athletic or sporting goods.

The sporting goods men are able to make more of the second story show window than men in other business because their advertising arrangements are not studies in still life.

In Broadway, a few blocks below Thirtieth street, there is one of these exhibitions of athletic goods in the second story.

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A DESPERADO'S NERVE.

His Affinity Toward the Man Who Had Come to Hang Him.

J. K. Chambers, Union depot ticket agent, when in a reminiscent mood, can tell many interesting stories of the west in early days.

He was in the service of the government at Sydney when that town was the toughest place in Nebraska, if not in the west, and whence persons bound for the Black Hills started.

A few days ago Mr. Chambers was sitting in the Milwaukee city office, and the conversation turned to early days in the transmissouri country and bravery.

"The man of iron nerve I saw in Sydney in 1877," said Mr. Chambers, "was a hard man, scarcely more than a boy, and I should judge had not reached his majority."

"He was a tough man even in Sydney, and his reputation was sustained, for he always carried a revolver and he would shoot at the drop of the hat. His name was Dough Reed."

"It was said around town that he would never die a natural death. That turned out to be true, as he was lynched by a mob one morning, and that is where he displayed his nerve."

"The lynchers took the keys and unlocked the doors and went into the cell where Reed was. He was smoking a cigar when the men came in, and when he saw them he looked up as cool as you please."

"Good evening, gentlemen. I suppose you are going to take me out and hang me," he said as nonchalantly as though he was asking them to take a drink.

"He was told that he was correct in his supposition. He got up as unconcernedly as you please, and putting on his coat remarked that he was all ready if the rest were."

"He walked through the jail and out into the moonlight, smoking his cigar and oven making little rings of smoke."

"He simply glanced up at the moon, and turning to one of the men asked him where he was going to be swung off, saying that it was of no use walking a man a mile or so out into the country."

"He was marched up the street to a telegraph pole that stood in the very heart of the town."

"By this time half the townspeople were around. A rope had been brought along, and it was slipped over his head, and he was bound."

"I can't climb that pole and fall off. I ought to have a ladder so as I can get up," he said, and accordingly a ladder was brought and placed against the pole.

"The cords were unwound, and he climbed up the pole as far as the ladder reached and fastened the rope around the pole."

"When he had done this he looked around over the crowd, standing very quietly then, and called out: 'Goodby, boys!'

"I-A-M-N-O-G-O-O-D."

"Fly" Telegrapher Unconsciously Promulgated His Coworkers' Opinion of Him.

"How lonely it must be for the operators in these little way station telegraph offices at night," a newspaper man remarked the other evening in the smoking room of the Southwestern limited as the train flashed past the switch, semaphore and office lights of one of the tiny country stations.

"Well, lonely, yes," remarked the stranger in the corner, who had up to this time not taken any part in the conversation, "but they have more fun than you'd think. I used to be one of them myself back in the eighties. I was at a little country station where about my only business all night long was reporting to the dispatcher the time of the trains as they passed, with occasionally a train order switched in."

"Once in awhile we would have a message to send on the 'commercial' wire, and the rest of the time hung heavy on our hands."

"Poor, ill fated Dennis Murphy, who was killed in the Hastings wreck, was a student in the office with me, and he was wonderfully fertile in schemes to make the time pass pleasantly. I remember a joke we played one night on a fresh young operator up the line that I never think of without a smile. It was Dennis's idea, and it worked like a charm."

"You see, the operator in question was one of the 'fly' sort of young fellows who fancy that an operator who works in one of the country offices must of necessity be a 'plug,' as we used to call a poor operator in those days, and that it is at all times advisable to sit down upon him in every way possible when there is the slightest excuse for it and frequently when there isn't."

This particular operator was cordially detested all along the line. "Well, Dennis and I fixed up a fake message to send him—and, by the way, it might be well to mention that the brass pounder in question was not half so good an operator as he fancied he was—and after we had the message prepared we sprung it on him when business was over."

"The message purported to come from Milwaukee, and we frankly signed the call of the repeating office at the western end of the circuit, first thoughtfully 'grounding' the wire west to avoid detection."

"Even in those days Dennis was a remarkably good sender, and the way he pushed that message into the unsuspecting 'fly' man must have kept the latter busy indeed. He broke a good many times, but finally had it all. Here is a copy of the message as near as I can remember it:

"12 | Paid | Night Rate. MILWAUKEE, Wis., 8th. Our receipts are too slow. If any more nice onions, get options October delivery. PERCY PIERCE."

"Now, we had purposely made the check 12 words, while the body of the message counted 14, and back came the curt response: 'Check should be 14.'"

"No," wired Dennis; "12 is O. K." Now, under the circumstances, it is customary for the receiving operator to 'letter' the body of the message back to the sending operator—that is, repeat the first letter of each word to verify the check, when usually the error can be quickly detected. So Dennis wired: "Letter it."

"Back came the letters with a spiteful snap: 'O-R-a-t-s-I-a-m-N-o-G-o-o-d.'"

"Over and over again we made him repeat this frank admission until every operator on the line was enjoying it. He finally tumbled and would not respond to our demands to letter it just once more, but it was a long time before he heard the last of it, and our connection with the joke never leaked out."—New York Press.

Cats. Cats are susceptible to little attentions, such as spreading a rug or laying a cushion for them, and exceedingly tenacious of their rights of possession. Besides their baskets, each of mine has a cushion, which is kept in one place, on which she is trained to lie to prevent her covering the furniture with hairs. Only two have been completely broken of the habit, and Lalla has so exclusive a sense of property in hers, which is in the corner of a sofa, that if she sees a human being resting his head or elbow on it she posts herself on the floor before him, looking him out of countenance until he moves. Once a visitor threw her cushion in to a chair and sat on it. As he disregarded her mute protest she walked away, but would not lie on it for weeks afterward. This jealousy of anything like a privilege or prerogative shows itself in them all.—Temple Bar.

Discrepancy. "Isn't this a lovely new edition of Byron's works?" "New edition! Why, I thought Byron was dead."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

An old speech of Henry Clay's has come to light in which, in his own handwriting, the "applause" and "laughter" marks are shown at frequent intervals, the speech having evidently been prepared for publication.

The Medical Society of Bern, Switzerland, advises the passing of a law prohibiting the publication of accounts of suicides, on the ground that the reading of such accounts suggests suicide to certain people.

LIFE IN NICARAGUA.

Some of the Curious Customs of the Easy Going Natives.

The routine of daily life in Nicaragua is much simpler than in colder climates; there are no carpets to gather dust and moths, and there is very little furniture and few pictures and bric-a-brac to be dusted and cleaned. The clothing of the children is also much simpler, and the fashions are not variable. The children of the lower class wear no clothing until 12 or 14 years old, and in the upper class one garment, a sort of shirt, is enough for home wear, and children sometimes go on the street in this simple garb. What marketing is not brought to the door is done by the master of the house, and so the women are free to loiter in their hammocks and nurse their babies.

The delight of going shopping is entirely unknown. If anything in the dry goods line is wanted a servant is sent to the shop, who brings home an armful of whole pieces of the desired goods. If none of these suits, or if the senora desires to look at others, these are carried back, and another and another armful are brought. This same servant can be trusted to pay for whatever is bought, for they are very honest in money matters, only indulging in small pilferings. One of the servants at the college was accustomed to go to the treasurer every month to draw the salaries of the teachers, and she used to have each one's money wrapped up in a different part of her dress, and she never made a mistake by giving the wrong sum to any one.

While the women are very affectionate, if death invades their homes they do not seem to despair and gloom that so often reign with us in like affliction; they seem to thoroughly take in their religious belief that their dear ones are translated to happier scenes and that the separation is only temporary. The women of the family do not go to the cemetery with their dead; only the male members and friends. There are no hearses, and the coffin is borne on their shoulders, and they are relieved by different relays every little way. Colored coffins are used for young people, blue being a favorite color. The coffin is usually rented by the lower class just for the funeral, and the body is removed at the grave and interred in the ground, with nothing to preserve it from contact with the earth. The wealthy have vaults, or niches in the brick wall surrounding the cemetery, but these are only rented, and it is nothing unusual to read an advertisement in the paper that if the relatives of such and such a one do not pay the rent of the vault, the body will be removed by such a date.

After a death in a house, the piano, if the family is rich enough to own one, is removed from the sala, or parlor, to the back of the house, and though it may be moved in a room or two nearer its former station during the year, it is not opened for that length of time. After the death of the wife of President Gavala, his daughters lent their piano to Mrs. Guzman, the wife of the Nicaraguan minister to this country, who had just come there as a bride, so that it might be used during their year of mourning and not be spoiled by being shut up and gathering dampness, for during the rainy season everything mildews which is not exposed to sunshine occasionally.—Cor. Boston Transcript.

Superstitions. If you drive through a Russian village about 10 p. m., you will be struck by the absolute quiet that pervades the scene. Not a creature, man or dog, is visible moving about; the place has the air of a deserted village. Suppose by some rare untoward chance you come upon a group of men standing together, apparently in conversation, you will notice that they speak in subdued tones and whispers, and wait so long as you please you will never hear them laugh. The cause is simply this: These Russian peasants believe in evil spirits; but, unlike the Chinese, they believe that they are attracted, not frightened, by sounds. And so, if some unlucky fate decree that the mujik be out of doors after 11 p. m., he is a painfully silent man. This feeling also extends to some of the southern towns. Kiev, the holy city of Russia, is a model in this respect. After 10 p. m. you may practically have the streets to yourself.—Blackwood's Magazine.

His God Birthday. "Dear John, here's a silver match-safe, and I wish you many happy returns." "Oh, yes, and mamma's coming today to stay two months, and the soft coal's out, and the hard coal's out, and here's the gas bill."—Chicago Record.

Sir Joseph Barnby. "Although Sir Joseph Barnby belonged to the pediatric school," says The Saturday Review, "the iron of his chains never entered into his soul, and at heart he seems to have been something of a Bohemian, fond of the enjoyable rather than the merely correct both in life and in art. He did not compose much, but he was the writer of some songs which had a vogue, of the most popular part song ever written, and of some church music which touches the high water mark of its kind. It is hard to see who will take his place."

The synapta, a water insect, is provided with an anchor, the exact shape of the anchor used by ships. By means of this peculiar device the insect holds itself firmly in any desired spot.

The hops used in the manufacture of malt liquors are the flowers of the plant botanically designated as Humulus lupulus.

KILLINGS BY WHOLESALE.

Four Thousand Murders a Year in Italy. Most Violent of Civilized Countries.

A homicide occurs every two hours in Italy. This was one of the many startling statements made by Baron Garofalo, a distinguished Italian criminologist, in a lecture delivered on "Criminality in Relation to the Education of the People" in the Roman college. His audience included Queen Margherita.

In Italy the annual loss of life by homicide (usually by lethal weapons) numbers about 4,000 souls. Compared with France, for instance, she has 10 homicides a year for France's 1, and 35 for Denmark's 1. The Latin populations, indeed, in both hemispheres have a bad pre-eminence over the Teutonic in crime generally, and of these Latin populations the Italian is the worst.

Baron Garofalo proceeded to give the reasons why. In the first place, vendetta, which in Greece was heroic and in mediæval Europe a laudable custom, has lingered longer in Italy than in any other country; duelling, also, is more frequent in Italy than elsewhere. To the religious instruction given in Great Britain and the United States of America he attributed the fact that these countries have in 40 years diminished by one-half the annual proportion of their delinquents and mendicants, while in Italy the want of similar instruction has resulted in the positive increase of delinquency and mendicancy since 1862.

When to these considerations we add the increased hardness of living in the young kingdom, the strain put upon the moral resisting power by a crushing poverty, the squalid dwellings, the defective alimentation, by which the brain is starved, when it is not actually poisoned, by the stimulants in which relief from misery is sought, and the depreciation of life as it exists under such conditions, we arrive at an ensemble of causes which quite accounts for these sad statistics.

The Blind Slave Girls of Canton. Passing down the streets of Canton at night, my attention was called to numbers of blind girls from 14 to 18 years of age dressed in brilliant outer garments, with their faces ringed and their hair ornamented with flowers. A woman, carrying a musical instrument, led several of these girls, and I have since learned that they were owned by this mistress, who conducted them, by night, to the lowest parts of the city, and by their playing, singing, and in most respectable ways, she secures an income through them that enables her to live in ease and comfort. I have met no class of persons that seemed so pitiable as these blind singing girls. It is regarded an affliction for a girl to be born in a Chinese family, and when the girl is blind, her life is one of ceaseless neglect and cruelty, and often, if the family is poor, she is sold for a small amount to one of these dealers in human bodies, who piles her nefarious business until death snatches her victim from her.—Baltimore Sun.

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