

AUBURN MEN SPOKE

Skaneateles Business Men's Dinner a Fine Affair.

SYRACUSE REPRESENTED, TOO

Mayor Aiken and President Metcalf Did the Talking for the Auburn Business Men.

Skaneateles, Jan. 9.—Business men of this village, Syracuse and Auburn to the number of 118 met round the festive board last night on the occasion of the eighth annual dinner of the Skaneateles Business Men's association. The dinner was served at Library hall and all who were so fortunate as to be present declare that it was the most enjoyable in the history of the local association.

The following excellent menu was excellently served:

Tomato bouillon	Salads	Fried chicken
Escalloped oysters	Macaroni	Crab-apple sauce
Over-roasted potatoes	Cold ham	Vienna rolls
Ice cream	Strawberry cake	
Comme	Cigars	

The dinner was extended a most cordial welcome by Charles G. Weeks, the retiring president of the local association, who acted as toastmaster. The guests of honor and the speakers of the evening were President Dennis McCarthy of the Syracuse Chamber of Commerce, President Edwin D. Metcalf of the Auburn Business Men's association, Mayor E. Clarence Aiken of Auburn, and Rev. E. J. Homestead and W. Newton Gies of this village.

President Metcalf said that it was the duty of every resident of a town to patronize home industries. He thought that there was a great opportunity for the town of Skaneateles if the people would invest money in industries by using their water power advantages instead of sending it farther west. He then spoke of a place in Massachusetts which did not waste the natural advantages of Skaneateles which grow from a small town to a city. This was brought about by the local industries and energy of the inhabitants of that town. He said that he thought the same could be done in Skaneateles if the proper interest was taken. He said that for an illustration he would take the sum of money which was paid by the International Harvester Company for the Osborne works. With that money new industries were started in this city. Where they had one large one before at present they have two.

He then returned to the idea of patronizing home industries and said that if the inhabitants could not find what they wanted at Skaneateles they should next try Auburn as we were only seven miles away while Syracuse was 17 miles. His address was very well delivered and was well received by the banqueters present.

Mayor Aiken was then introduced, as the mayor of Auburn "near where Skaneateles is." He then referred to the similarity between the saying "Soham" near Birmingham and Skaneateles near Auburn. He said that the former was the case a few years ago when he was traveling through England but that since that time the saying has been turned about and it now is Birmingham near Soham. Not being satisfied with the present situation it was Skaneateles near Auburn and not Skaneateles near Syracuse. He then made a play upon a part of the saying "Dennis McCarthy" president of the Syracuse Chamber of Commerce, who said that the people of Skaneateles made the Syracuseans pay their high for their drinking water but that they got back at them by making them come to Syracuse for all of their wet goods.

Mayor Aiken said that the people of this city would not care if they did not buy any of their wet goods here; in fact Syracuse was welcome to the trade, if only they would buy all of their dry goods in this city. He said that the saying introduced as the motto of Auburn made him compare himself with the principal of the show. The Mayor of Tokio, who is tickled to death by an ostrich feather. However the mayors of Auburn are tickled to death by the newspapers, first on one side, then on the other. The mayor's cranium, he said, was headquarters for ideas and not a mere landing place for hair; that in this age of Rooseveltism, when he told Congress that laws to pass at the time they passed them, he told the governor who to appoint speaker of the Assembly and he was appointed, and the governor told the legislature what legislation to pass and they were expected to be the whole thing, he said.

At the annual election, held before the banquet, the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, W. Newton Gies; vice president, F. E. Stone; secretary, J. Charles Stephenson; treasurer, H. W. Holton; executive committee, George E. Barber, H. G. Dettl and H. G. Williams. The following is the list of the members of the association and guests present at the banquet:

Philip Allen, S. N. Allen, J. R. Allen, A. J. Allen, E. C. Aiken, J. L. Alburt, Charles H. Abbott, Charles C. Adams, D. Beebe, Judge E. T. Bartlett, Moses Brunestein, Fred B. Benson, Arthur H. Brown, James P. Burns, John A. Barber, George E. Barber, H. W. Brown, F. L. Bassett, Dennis Rockes, D. A. Bray, Frank T. Berry, Harry D. Clark, W. W. Clark, Frank Callahan, W. F. Cuddeback, Earl F. Cushman, W. L. Cavell, F. W. Clark, Richard G. Davis, D. C. Colton, John Coyne, H. G. Davall, John Durkin, W. A. Dorland, C. P. DeWitt, J. L. Dix, W. B. DeWitt, M. F. Dillon, John Ennis, E. Fitzpatrick, George W. Gibbons, Karl Gregory, C. W. Grant, C. H. Gregory, F. C. Glasville, W. N. Gies, H. J. Hubbard, H. W. Holton, Rev. E. J. Homestead, Dr. E. P. Hall, M. F. Heiney, Charles H. Haxford, George P. Healy, W. H. Hall, W. H.

NON-SUIT DENIED

Baxter, Action Will Probably Go to the Jury.

ONE DECREE OF DIVORCE

Nettie M. Young Procures It Against Harry Young—Other Cases in January Term.

The trial of the \$20,000 damage action brought by Angeline Baxter, an administratrix, against the Auburn & Syracuse Electric Railroad Company to recover that amount for the death of her husband, Charles E. Baxter, killed, it is alleged, as the result of being struck by a trolley car in Lincoln street July 27, 1904, is on before Justice Sutherland in Supreme court Tuesday. Attorneys Drummond & Drummond for the plaintiff finished their case and rested this morning.

John D. Teller argued a motion for a non-suit in behalf of the defendant for over an hour, citing authorities and cases in support of the motion. It was promptly denied by Justice Sutherland and the defense opened. It is expected that all the evidence will be in this afternoon.

Testimony in the divorce action brought by Nettie M. Young against Harry Young was submitted last evening. There was no appearance on the part of the defendant. Interlocutory decree of divorce was granted by Justice Sutherland and Attorney L. K. R. Laird for the plaintiff was directed to prepare his findings.

After hearing evidence in the action brought by John S. Cady against George Vincent this morning Justice Sutherland rendered judgment in favor of the plaintiff for \$30.16.

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FINALLY IN COURT

Trial of Gaynor and Green Begun at Savannah.

MUCH INTEREST IN THE CASE

Indictments Charge the Defendants With Conspiracy and Embezzlement.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 9.—Benjamin D. Green and John F. Gaynor appeared this morning in the Federal court for the Southern district of Georgia before Judge Emory Spear to answer to several indictments, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the government, with embezzlement and with receiving money known to have been embezzled from the United States.

The attendance in the court room was large, the interest among the members of the bar being particularly intense. Able Counsel on Both Sides. With the two defendants appeared Peter W. Meldrim as leading counsel and Osborne and Lawrence as associate counsel. Shifting with the defendants, too, though not engaged in the case, was James Gaynor of New York, a brother of John F. Gaynor. For the government appeared Special United States Attorney General Marion E. Ryan, assisted by Samuel B. Adams and General Thomas F. Barr, United States army, retired, and formerly judge advocate general, whom Mr. Erwin introduced to the court as assigned by the attorney general to assist in the prosecution.

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MANY KILLED IN LANDSLIDE

Cave-in of Clay Bank Carried at Least a Score to Death.

AWFUL CATASTROPHE AT HAVERSTRAW

Earth Softened by Recent Rain Gave Way Precipitating Houses and Their Occupants into the Pit 100 Feet Below—Wreckage Caught Fire and Many Victims Burned to Death—Another Slide Is Feared.

Haverstraw, N. Y., Jan. 9.—A force of men worked almost frantically today to uncover the ruins of the houses carried down in last night's landslide, which occurred shortly before midnight. Up to 11 o'clock there had been little success, owing to the great mass of clay to be moved. It is the fact that where the houses had been buried the debris was so hot that the work was very slow. At that time it was estimated that 20 or more persons were dead as a result of the falling away of the ground and the fire that followed. The names of those believed to have been killed follow:

The Victims.
Joseph Albart.
The Rev. Mr. Aiden, Jewish rabbi.
Mrs. Bailey.
Abraham Bias.
John Bangell.
M. and Mrs. William Cohen and their five children.
Thomas Hughes.
Bartlett McGoern.
Mr. and Mrs. Mannion.
Harry Nelson, a clothing merchant, and his son, Benjamin.
Mrs. Silverman and child.
Debris Caught Fire. Undetermined by the shifting clay that had been softened by yesterday's snowfall and rain, the several homes toppled over the brink of the pit and crumbled to pieces. The houses, which were of wood, were set fire from overturned stoves and the debris was soon a mass of flames.

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INQUIRY IS CONTINUED.

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New Haven, Conn., Jan. 9.—The coroner's inquiry into the strange case of Charles A. Edwards of New York at the Hiller homestead last week will not end for a considerable period of time, the finding made public yesterday being only in the nature of the preliminary report. Today Medical Examiner Bartlett and Doctor Ferriss were at the Hiller homestead making chemical tests of the blood stains found on the back stairs rail, in the dining room and in the chamber occupied by Mr. Edwards last Tuesday night.

Coroner Mir today said that the statement he gave out last night was in no sense a verdict; that the investigation would proceed and that he proposed to keep it open and to give out whatever facts he obtained, in which the public had an interest.

THE PRINTERS' STRIKE

Of 247 Shops in New York 210 Have Signed Agreement. New York, Jan. 9.—Out of 247 printing houses in this city 210 have signed the 8-hour day, and closed shop agreement with the printers, according to a statement issued today by President McCormick of Typographical Union No. 6.

EMBEZZLED OVER \$10,000.

Bank Official Confessed and Helped in Investigation. Chester, Pa., Jan. 9.—John Franklin Challenger, secretary and treasurer of the Delaware County Trust Company, one of the largest banking institutions in the city, a society man and a member of all of the leading clubs and fraternal organizations of Chester, was arrested as he was leaving the Gibson Law building, where a conference was held with the bank officials, on the charge of embezzling \$10,500.

Challenger has been in the bank for 15 years, going there as an office boy. When confronted with evidence he confessed to the crime and helped the bank officials to make an investigation. When asked why he appropriated the money to his own use he said that he did it to live high, and that he had not gambled or speculated. He was released on a bond for \$10,000 for further hearing.

SLIDE CAME WITH A CRASH.

Those who lived in three houses at the end of the row and which did not go down in the wreck were aroused by a frightful roar and crash, above which could be heard the shrieks of the victims. There was a plunge, a shivering of the earth all around and then there was stillness.

Gap Where Homes Stood. When the neighbors rushed, half clad, from their houses, the buildings close to them had disappeared.

WIFE OF THE ACCUSED ON THE STAND FOR THE PROSECUTION.

Northport, L. I., Jan. 9.—The hearing of James W. Simpson, charged with the murder of Bartley T. Horner, on December 27, which was continued yesterday, brought out the most dramatic incident which the whole queer case has produced when Mrs. Ella Horner, the wife of the dead man, came on the stand as a witness for the prosecution. Her testimony was given many times in spite of the objections of the attorney for the prosecution and the warning of Justice Partridge asking her to wait until he could decide whether the question asked was material or not.

SKULL FRACTURED BY FALL

Alleged Burglar Dying in a New York Hospital. New York, Jan. 9.—A man whom the police say is a burglar, and who bears a letter of introduction on a letter head of the New York State Assembly, is dying in Roosevelt hospital from a fracture of the skull received while resisting arrest today. The police have refused to tell who wrote the letter of introduction. Because the dying man closely resembles a picture in the Rogues' gallery his name has been registered on the police records as Walter Clark, which is the name on the photograph. The resemblance to this picture led a patrolman who saw him carrying a bundle on the Tenth avenue before daylight today and who remembered that he had seen such a face in the Rogues' gallery to demand to know what Clark was in the bundle. After refusing to answer several such demands the man threw the bundle in the patrolman's face. The officer struck him on the shoulder with a night stick. Clark turned to run, the policeman said, but slipped and fell against a hydrant, fracturing his skull.

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The bundle was later opened and its contents were identified, the police say, as the property of a junk dealer, whose shop was robbed last night.