

More About Doctor Swallow's Prosecution.

The SWALLOW case is a singular episode in the public affairs of this State and is likely to produce greater results than can be comprehended by the state officials who, by legal prosecutions which prove nothing in their behalf, have overborne, for the time being, the doctor's efforts to arouse the people to a fuller consciousness of the fact that corruption prevails in the administration of the state government.

The weakness of Dr. SWALLOW's position as the defendant in the libel suits which the state administration precipitated upon him with the object of crushing him, consisted in his having published charges, which, although they were of common report, were difficult to prove true. His charges having been made categorically, his prosecutors had the advantage of being able to select for prosecution only those in which the defendant was least likely to have the advantage of evidence; but even with the advantage of such selection they are charged by the doctor, in his open letter to the Governor, with having seduced some of his witnesses with official favors and contracts.

Be that as it may, the whole character of the proceedings was such as placed the doctor at a disadvantage. But as there was nothing to show that there was anything in his motive that savored of malice, the very essence of criminal libel is wanting. The action of Dr. SWALLOW, in making his publication, has the appearance of that of a conscientious man who, believing that public wrongs were being committed, and knowing that there was no possibility of their disclosure through the investigation of a corrupt Legislature, took it upon himself to make charges which he honestly believed were in the interest of the public.

If he is to be punished for this the public will be the greater sufferer, and the cause of good government will be the loser by such a stroke at the liberty of the press.

In the suit brought by superintendent DELANEY is presented the remarkable circumstance of a verdict against Dr. SWALLOW for charges of the same character as those made on the floor of the House by a reputable Representative, whose urgent demand for an investigation was spurred over by a legislative body that is in the habit of ignoring or white-washing charges of official malfeasance. We trust the verdict against the doctor will not be the end of the DELANEY suit, but that it will be commenced, de novo, as the defendant is anxious that it shall be, and conducted in a manner that will get at the facts connected with superintendent DELANEY's official conduct.

Big New York Strike.

As Was Threatened Steam Fitters and Helpers Go Out.

NEW YORK, March 29.—A strike of the steam fitters in this city, in which between 30,000 and 60,000 men may be involved, was declared to-day, when over 1,100 steam fitters refused to go to work in their shops. The bosses Saturday announced that the agreement between themselves and their employes would no longer be considered, and the men refused to sign new rules.

Thomas Cunningham and Thomas Home, walking delegates of the steam fitters, and James Nugent, delegate for the helpers, declare that if the old agreement existing between their association and the bosses has been violated at all it has been violated by the bosses alone. William J. O'Brien, another labor leader, declared that the steam fitters will be backed by every building trade represented by the board of walking delegates. The result may be the cessation of work on every building in the course of erection in the city.

The union rate of wages for an eight-hour day is \$3.50 a day to steam fitters, and \$2 a day to helpers.

King of Siam Coming.

TACOMA, Wash., March 29.—News arrived yesterday from Hong Kong that the king of Siam has arranged to visit Europe, leaving Bangkok the first week in April. The trip will be made on the royal yacht Muechachakri as far as Genoa. Halts will be made by the royal party in Italy, Switzerland and France, but the longest stay will be in England, where the king desires to take part in the jubilee celebrations. Leaving his yacht in England, he will proceed to Sweden, Denmark and St. Petersburg, returning to Siam through the United States. The royal yacht will again meet his majesty in Hong Kong in September and convey him back to Bangkok. He desires to spend some time in the United States, believing that his kingdom will enjoy large and increasing trade with this country. A large retinue of servants will accompany him.

Costs in the Swallow Suit.

The Clergymen Objects to Paying the Mileage Expenses or Men Who Have Passed to Harrisburg.

HARRISBURG, March 30. Rev. Dr. Swallow is figuring on paying the costs in his first libel suit. He has notified the Dauphin county Prothonotary, though, that he objects to giving up mileage for people who came from the ends of the State on annual or other passes. To-day the following note was received by the witnesses in this city:

"Beloved: All witnesses claiming fees or mileage; subpoenaed by the defence on the two cases of libel already tried, will kindly present their bills and receive payment at the office of the Pennsylvania Methodist, between the hours of 2 and 6 P. M. Tuesday, March 30, or as soon thereafter as convenient.

S. C. SWALLOW."

Some of the witnesses are afraid they may receive an exhortation instead of a fee.

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Defiance to All Europe.

Vassos Virtually Challenges the Combined Powers.—The British Admiral Declares that the Greek Commander in Crete Has Practically Declared War Against the Foreign Concert.—Grecian Warships Operating in the Gulf of Salonica.—Turkey Has Assembled 15,000 Soldiers on the Frontier.—The Austrian Emperor Tells His Parliament That He Has Hopes of the Preservation of Peace.

LONDON, March 29.—Mr. Curzon, under foreign secretary, concluded a statement in the House of Commons to-day by reading a dispatch from the admiral commanding the British fleet in Cretan waters, saying that Col. Vassos, the Greek commander, had practically declared war against the powers. Cheers from the Irish benches greeted the admiral's dispatches announcing that the Cretans had attacked the Turkish garrison at Malaxa after the representatives of the powers had warned them to refrain. Because of this action by the Cretans the foreign admirals decided to treat them as enemies (cries of "Shame!"), and to demand more troops from the powers in order to keep them in subjection.

Col. Vassos received warning from the admirals to this effect and replied to it by ordering the capture of the blockhouse at Malaxa and followed up his success by attacking and capturing the earthwork fort at Suda.

A dispatch to the Times, from Salonica, says that two Greek cruisers and a Greek gunboat were sighted in the Gulf of Salonica yesterday, and their appearance provoked unprovoked activity on the part of the garrison in expediting the formation of earth redoubts around the bay, upon which were mounted Krupp and Armstrong guns. The dispatch also says that the movement of Turkish troops to the front on the Greek border continues unabated. Within the past month 65,000 troops have passed through Salonica on their way to the frontier and the total number of soldiers now under command of Edhem Pascha, commander-in-chief of the Turkish forces near the Greek border, has reached 150,000.

Subsequently, Mr. Stanhope, radical, moved to reduce the salary of Prime Minister Salisbury, his object being to call attention to Crete. Mr. Curzon warmly repelled the charge made by Mr. Stanhope that the government was helping Turkey. Crete, he added, had been taken from Turkey, whose troops were confined to the towns in the east, and she had been prevented from sending reinforcements.

At this point one of the Irish members shouted "Tommy Rook!" The speaker warned him that he must not repeat that expression. Mr. Stanhope's motion was rejected by a vote of 163 to 60.

Vienna, March 29.—The new Reichsrath was opened to-day by Emperor Francis Joseph. In his address he said that though the powers condemned the attitude of Greece they did not mean to encourage Turkey resisting the reforms which the powers had demanded that the Porte should institute in the Turkish domains. He continued:

"Thanks to the common action of the powers, the dangers arising from Greece's action in Crete have been minimized and we are now permitted to hope that the concert of the powers, despite differences of opinion on the part of some and hesitation on the part of others, will lead to a solution that will be eminently satisfactory. I say this above all in regard to the Cretan question, upon which my government is in accord with the powers, who have taken measures to preserve the territorial status quo and suppress tendencies and aspirations menacing to peace."

Cubans Defeated.

The Successor of Maceo, Luis Rivera, Has Been Captured by the Spanish.

HAVANA, March 29.—General Hernandez Velasco, who is operating in the hills of the province of Pinar Del Rio, has sent a report to the government which has caused much elation to all classes of loyal Spaniards. He says that while his command was in the vicinity of Cabezas, in the Rio Honda district, yesterday, they encountered a party of rebels, 100 strong, who were under the command of Luis Rivera, who was appointed to the command of the insurgents in Pinar Del Rio after the death of Antonio Maceo. The rebels occupied a strong position and fought stubbornly, but after an engagement, which lasted an hour, they were defeated and dispersed.

Before the rebel position was captured a grenade was thrown by the Spaniards, which fell among the insurgents and, exploding, wounded many of them. This caused a panic and many of the rebels fled. Shortly after the explosion the Spanish infantry penetrated the rebel position. They found Colonel Bacallao, chief of staff to General Rivera, attempting to carry the latter, who had been wounded by three Mauser bullets, to a place of safety. Both were made prisoners. Lieutenant Terry, of the insurgent party, who had been badly wounded, was also captured. The rebels carried some of their dead with them, but left on the field ten bodies that they were unable to remove. The Spanish loss was only one man killed and one lieutenant and twenty-four privates wounded. General Velasco sent General Rivera, Colonel Bacallao and Lieutenant Terry, in charge of two companies of troops, to San Cristobal, at which place the party arrived at 8 o'clock last evening. Lieutenant Terry was so badly injured, however, that he died on the road.

Speaking to a soldier at San Cristobal, General Rivera said that he had been kindly treated by his captors. He complains greatly of the pains of his wounds, but is cool and self possessed. General Velasco is still operating in the vicinity of Cabezas.

Private advices have been received here to the effect that C. C. Crosby, the correspondent of a Chicago newspaper, was killed while witnessing the recent combat at Juan Criollo, near Arroyo Blanco. It is stated that he was with the rebels. No official report of the death has been made.

Reduced Rates to New York via Pennsylvania Railroad, Account Dedication of Grant Monument.

For the dedication of the Grant monumental tomb, April 27th, the Pennsylvania railroad company will sell tickets from all points on its line to New York, April 26th and from points within one hundred and fifty miles of New York, April 26th and 27th, good to return until April 29th, inclusive, at rate of a fare and a third for the round trip. Tickets for military companies in uniform, numbering fifty or more, traveling in a body on one ticket, will be sold at rate of single fare per capita for the round trip.

The parade on this occasion will be the grandest military demonstration since the war. Thousands of veterans, United States regulars, and state militiamen will be in line.

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Delta Being Overflowed.

Three Big Breaks in the Mississippi Levees in and About Greenville—Whole Counties Submerged—Ten Thousand People Working for Land and Property—Four Negroes Were Drowned.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 30.—There are now three breaks in the levee that protects the Mississippi delta from the waters of the river. One in seven miles below Greenville, Miss., at Wayside, one 40 miles north of Greenville, at the head of the delta, which is 100 feet wide and becoming deeper and longer as the water rushes through it. The third occurred at an early hour this morning, seven miles of a point opposite Arkansas City, and at last reports a stream as wide as the Hudson was tearing through it and covering the country for miles in the interior.

The river from the north to the south is like a mighty crescent. The water from the upper crevasse has already cut through the Yazoo & Mississippi rail-road and is tearing through the plantations to the south. At the middle crevasse the floods from the north have joined forces with these waters and together they are inundating the country southward. The upper waters will reach the lower crevasse tonight, and the united water from three flood gates will, with hourly increasing force and volume, rush over the country and finally be thrown back into the main river at the mouth of the Yazoo, a few miles north of Vicksburg.

The whole territory from the main river east to several small streams will be for the most part under water in 48 hours. The region marked for destruction is probably a hundred miles long and from 25 to 30 miles wide. The country is as fertile as a northern garden. Greenville is in great danger. The water from the middle break will probably flood that town.

Probably 10,000 people are working with a desperation born of despair to save their home and property. The whole machinery of the state and the Illinois Central rail-road is being brought into play. It is currently reported to-night that the levee in front of Laconia Circle, Ark., has broken. If this should be true, 30,000 of fertile cotton land will be flooded by morning.

The river is stationary at Memphis tonight and the gauge indicating 36.2 feet. The steam tug El Rio Rey, chartered by the St. Louis "Republic" as a flood relief boat, sunk in 40 feet of water this morning at the foot of Beale street. The crew, five in number, escaped, but lost all their belongings.

VICKSBURG, Miss., March 30.—The three breaks in the levee on the Mississippi side, all series ones, have caused consternation in this city, as the water going through the breaks will inundate a large portion of the great delta, the most valuable of the planting lands in this state. Should the river remain at flood height for any great length of time more than two-thirds of the levee on the Mississippi side of Washington county, all of Issaquena, over half of Sharkey and about one-fourth of Yazoo county will be inundated.

At Natchez, Miss., the planters are tending their teams and labor to assist in holding the levees.

President Maxwell, of the Fifth Louisiana district levee board, says he feels that, unless some unusual event occurs, the Louisiana levees will hold.

GREENVILLE, Miss., March 30.—The country around and about Greenville is now flooded but it is believed the town will be saved. The planters are working like heavers, moving their stock and corn to places of safety. The negroes on the great plantations are being cared for, and no destruction is reported.

At St. Charles, Ark., this morning, four negroes were drowned while crossing the back water in a leaking boat. Their names are: Ned Stillums, Frank Stillums, Charley Doumas and Ed Doumas.

Great Storms and Floods.

Five Deaths Caused in Texas—Damages Amount Up to Nearly Two Million of Dollars.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 29.—The cyclone yesterday killed one person at Clarksville and two at Buda, and fatally injured three at Calvert. A tremendous rain fell here and at San Angelo, Dallas, Houston, Newcast, Smithville, Corsicana and Kenney. Vast damage was done to farming lands and other property.

A deluge of water is pouring past Dallas to-night. Trinity river has risen fully 40 feet, and is rising now a foot an hour. John Gist and Miss Ruby Smith were drowned in a branch of the Trinity near E. in Cook county, yesterday evening. Railroad managers estimate the damage to property of various lines in Texas at not less than \$500,000. No trains can go south from Dibs before to-morrow on the Santa Fe, the Central or the Missouri, Kansas and Texas. The general property loss in Texas from the storm is estimated at from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000.

HELENA, Ark., March 29.—The situation is worse here to-day. The river rose 2 1/2 inches during the past 24 hours, and hundreds of men are at work strengthening the levees. A break, now 500 feet wide, has occurred in the levee near Knoxville. This will leave the water into all the country down to Laconia.

NEW ORLEANS, March 29.—The river has reached the top of the levees in this city and this morning began running over into Mandeville street.

CAROL, Ill., March 29.—The river fell one-tenth of a foot in the last 24 hours, but the severe rains this afternoon will offset the fall and by to-morrow the flood from the north is expected to reach here and the river will go higher than ever.

The government boat, Minnetonka, reached here last night from Gold Dust. She rescued 125 persons and 200 head of cattle.

ST. LOUIS, March 29.—The river is rising and is now within four feet of the danger line. An immense flood is on its way down and may be expected here within the next 48 hours.

Great Loss in Texas.

DALLAS, Texas, March 30.—Great damage from Sunday's storm was greatest in central Texas. Railroad bridges and tracks are gone in many places and passenger trains are running irregularly on the Santa Fe, Waco and Northwestern, Texas Central and Texas Pacific and the Missouri, Kansas and Texas. Damage to barns, out-houses and growing crops will be enormous.

More Powerful Than Steam.

Chemist Tripler Believes That He Has Discovered a Wonderful New Motive Force.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Charles E. Tripler, a millionaire chemist and inventor, believes that he has discovered a force with 20 times the expansive power of steam. It all came about through an accident, and just how he is to utilize his discovery he does not yet know. For more than five years Mr. Tripler has been experimenting with a compound concocted by himself, which is capable of producing intense cold. While he was exhibiting the properties of the compound to his friends in the cafe of the Hotel Endicott on Saturday night and had frozen a glass of whiskey by pouring a portion of his liquid upon it, R. J. Denn, one of the spectators, lit a match and held it close to the frozen whiskey. Instantly there was a loud report, and the air was filled with fragments of splintered glass, which found resting places in the flesh of the men who surrounded the table. Four of them were seriously cut about the face and body. Mr. Tripler declares that the explosion has opened to science a new field of inquiry, the exploration of which will probably result in the discovery of a new and amazing motive power. The question to be settled is what was the gas which produced this explosion. Mr. Tripler has written to Prof. Duert, of the Royal society, in London, for his opinion on the phenomenon.

The Cleveland's Entertained.

The Ex-President and His Wife the Guests of President and Mrs. Patton.

PRINCETON, N. J., March 30.—President and Mrs. Patton, of Princeton University, to-day gave a dinner to Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland to meet the different branches of the University. Charles E. Green, of Trenton, and J. Bayard Henry represented the board of trustees, and professors Baldwin and Magie the faculty. The alumni of the University were represented by William Hornblower and Adrian H. Joline, of New York. Rev. Dr. Purves was present as a member of the theological seminary faculty, and Edward Howe as the representative of the town of Princeton.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

A small frame dwelling house at State College, owned by Clyde Thomas, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday night.

The venerable D. R. Boileau, of Milesburg, is confined to bed and no hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Lessons on how to attend to one's own business at \$3 a head are pretty expensive, yet there are some enthusiastic bicyclists in this place who have been paying that price lately.

The marriage of a young man who will be well remembered in this place has just been announced from Los Angeles, California. We refer to Dr. William Hums Roberts, a son of Luther Roberts, at one time teacher in the Bellefonte Academy. Dr. Roberts was married to Miss Juliet Hughes Boal, on Thursday, March 18th.

The Christian congregation at Howard is building a new church. Work is being pushed on the foundation and the corner stone will be laid in a few weeks. It is the desire of the congregation to have the structure dedicated before the convention of the county Christian Endeavor societies, to be held there next August.

On next Friday evening, April 9th, the Imperial mandolin and guitar club of this place, the organization that was greeted by such tremendous applause during the recent Bellefonte production of "The Drummer Boy of Shiloh," at Garman's, will give a concert, in Kunc's opera house, Eagleville. If the boys give the citizens of Eagleville a whole concert of such music as we have heard them play on numerous occasions it will indeed be a rare musical treat to all who have the good fortune to hear it.

"PICTURE AND SONG."—The delightful entertainment given in the Presbyterian church, last evening, will be repeated to-night and those who failed to take advantage of the opportunity to attend will have another. Prof. and Mrs. J. J. Lowe tell the story of the life of Christ by light reproductions of famous paintings and blend the sweet melody of their voices in the explanation, which is set to music.

It is at once unique and entertaining. Admission costs only 10 and 20cts.

THE SAD CASE OF A SAD DOG.—Among the affectionate and sensitive animals none have these senses more fully developed than dogs and it seems the higher the breeding, the more delicate do they become.

A singular case of this trait of dogs in becoming offended at attention shown to other objects is reported by our old friend, Mr. Robert McKnight, of Buffalo Run. Since moving to his farm he had come into the possession of a fine Scotch collie, a dog that manifested almost human intelligence. As was naturally the case the dog soon ingratiated himself into the affections of the house-hold and there was no end of the pride and trouble they took in teaching it tricks and various other capers.

As it happened, however, a new-comer arrived to share part of the attention that was lavished on the collie. One of the daughters was presented with a little pup and as it was the gift of a friend it was at once admitted on equal footing with the older animal. At first the old dog treated it as friendly as could be and would romp and play with it until they both would be tired out and lie down in a heap together to rest. The happy condition did not last long, however, as jealousy soon got the upper hand and the pup seemed to be crowding the other dog out. Gradually it became despondent, would not play anymore and would go off and lie in the snow banks all day long. In vain did they try to coax it up with good things to eat, but the collie was heart-broken and couldn't be bought in that way. Finally he slunk away and not a sign or trace of him has been heard of since.

PHILIPSBURG'S FINE MILLINERY OPENING.

The smartest creations in spring millinery to be seen anywhere will be shown at the Gerson Herman opening, in Phillipsburg, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, April 7th, 8th and 9th. Mr. Herman has taken the I. V. Gray's store, in that place, and if fine goods and careful business methods can make a success of the place he intends doing it.

The millinery department will be kept par excellence and with Miss Sara Crissman at its head nothing but the daintiest and most fashionable effects will be shown.

FOR A REUNION OF THE MATTERN FAMILY.—The general committee of the Mattern family organization will meet in the Herald building, Tyrone, on Tuesday afternoon, April 8th, to talk over plans for the next reunion of the family, which will be held some time during the coming summer.

The executive committee consists of the following persons: Rev. John A. Mattern, president, Newton Hamilton; G. P. G. Mattern, Osceola Mills; Jacob H. Mattern, Warriors-mark; John W. Mattern and Miles G. Mattern, Phillipsburg; Jerry C. Mattern, Hollidaysburg; Dr. Frank Mattern, Milesburg; Wade Mattern, Altoona; James A. Robb, Roaring Spring; Miles Mattern, Collins Mattern and Samuel T. Gray, Half-moon.

FOSTER'S PREDICTIONS.—My last bulletin gave forecasts of the storm wave to cross the continent from March 30th, to April 3rd, and the next will reach the Pacific coast about April 4th, cross the rest of Rockies country by close of 4th, great central valley 6th to 8th, eastern States 9th.

Warm water will cross the west of Rockies country about April 4th, great central valleys 6th, eastern States 8th. Cold water will cross the west of Rockies country about 7th, the great central valleys 9th, eastern States 11th. Temperature of the week ending April 3rd will be about 7 or a little above normal, and rainfall, principally during the last days of March, about normal. The third disturbance in April will reach the Pacific coast about 10th, cross the west of Rockies country by close of 11th, great central valleys 12th to 14th, eastern States 15th.

Warm water will cross the west of Rockies country about 10th, great central valleys 12th, eastern States 14th. Cool water will cross the west of Rockies country about 13th, great central valleys 15th, eastern States 17th.

Spring Mills.

Garden making is now in order. H. B. Miller after an absence of two years has returned, and will again make his home in our village.

So much moving was done in our village this week that many families were obliged to double up.

Commercial agents passing through here report business very sluggish all along the line, orders very light and few of them.

Wm. Finkle, a popular young man of our town and an employe of Allison's mill, moved to Millintown on Tuesday last, very sorry to lose Mr. Finkle.

The contest for post master here is becoming very lively. The "battleground" is about coming in earnest. The contest has finally dwindled down to J. P. Long, J. N. Leitze, C. A. Krape and C. A. Moyer, all men of influence and ability.

The Penn literary society of this village, held their annual entertainment in the town hall on Friday evening last, to a large and appreciative audience. The program was quite lengthy, and consisted of music, recitations, etc. The pieces produced were "John Smith," "Love's Stratagem" and "The Spellin' Skewl." The characters were taken by the members of the society. Of course with nearly all novices in the field, not much was expected and consequently no one was disappointed. An oration by J. V. Reyer was not delivered with the speaker's usual ability, his negro melody however, was decidedly good and caused considerable merriment. H. N. Meyers made some clever "bits" in his declamation, and rattled off his piece in a lively and satisfactory manner. Mr. Meyers is a speaker of considerable ability. The recitations by Misses Sallie Richardson and Kathryn Shirer were decidedly brilliant! These young ladies are accomplished readers, and present a fine and attractive appearance on the stage. The band played several pieces of music, but with rather more volume than necessary for the size of the room. The scenes called "Shadows" were inexplicable, the "shadows" were supposed to act a part as delivered by an invisible "spook," but if they did anything it was generally the opposite. They might just as well have commenced with the last scene as far as connections were concerned. The scenes were simply a jumble of incomprehensible "spooks" without a beginning or end.

Centre Hall.

Dr. Alexander has again purchased a new driving horse. The Dr. takes great pride in driving.

The town has been very lively this week as vans loaded with household goods are constantly moving to and fro.

James Lohr, of Philadelphia, formerly of this place, was seen in town Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. W. W. Boob sold her millinery goods to Mrs. Carrie Osman and Annie Dinges. They will do business on Church street.

The DEMOCRATIC WATCHMAN is generally accepted as the neatest, cleanest, best printed and above all the newest paper published in the county.

Miss Minnie Weaver, of Penn's Cave, completed her term of school last week, and is at present visiting with relatives and friends in Centre Hall.

Mrs. F. M. Crawford and daughter Grace, Miss Ella Storer, of Clifford, Michigan, and S. W. Smith and wife spent several days at Lamar with relations recently.

Were it not for the exercise derived from bicycle riding, it is safe to say some of our bright young men about town would become so afflicted with that fatal disease "Rest," that in a short time they would be unable to move about town.

The aquarium in the window of Murray's drug store is now completed. It is one of the largest in the county. The fish lying among the rocks on the marble bottom look very pretty. More fish will be added soon, and it is the intention of the owner to put several species of water lilies in also.

Dr. Charles Smith, living on the old Custard farm, one mile below Lamar is in feeble health. Dr. Smith is well known in Centre and Clinton counties, having practiced his profession for more than fifty years. He first hung out his shingle, with M. D. attached, about half a century ago at Tusseyville, when doctors were a rarity and patients many. By dint of his own efforts he amassed considerable wealth, and to-day owns five fine farms in Clinton and Centre counties, which were bought when farm land was at its highest point in value. He was very successful in his profession, and is held in the highest esteem by all who know him. Although he has entered upon the shady side of eighty, Dr. Smith has the fullest use of his mental faculties and is replete with reminiscences of many years ago.

Thursday next is election day in the borough. The future of Centre Hall will be settled one way or the other. If you want the town to be dwarfed, vote against the new scheme. If you want to go down to posterity as one who aided an attempt to drive away industries from our midst, vote against Deiningers' plans for an abundant supply of water. If you want to see Centre Hall put in a position that it can invite and urge new industries to locate here, vote for more water. If you want to throw off the twelve per cent. annual tax yoke, vote for the town council's plan to furnish abundant supply of pure, fresh water for all purposes and all times—day and night, summer and winter. If you want a lower insurance rate vote for a sufficient water supply that can fill its mains and afford fire protection. If you want to be a progressive citizen, act accordingly on Tuesday, and vote for the one thing the borough needs—more water.

William Alexander Michael died Tuesday morning, after an illness of about one week with pneumonia. He was aged 67 years, 7 months and 7 days. Deceased moved to the Peter Hoffer farm, west of Centre Hall, from near Millroy, exactly five years prior to his death. He was a thorough Christian man and devoted much of his time to the study of the scriptures, and consequently was well versed in God's Holy Word and could repeat many of the Psalms from memory. He was kind to all, and his heart was without enmity. In his young days he married Nancy Smith, who, with eight children, survives him. The children are Mrs. Ellen Wedner, Middle Creek, Pa.; James S. Vira, Pa.; Samuel S. Garfield, Kas.; Mrs. Mary Matthews, Bushnell, Ill.; Mrs. Susan Saul, Centre Hall; Joseph K., Nattawa, Mich.; Kanwell, Doris, West Va., and Geo. A., who lives at home. The funeral took place Thursday. Interment was made at Centre Hall.

IMMERSED IN DRY RUN.—Saturday near two o'clock, as your correspondent was about to cross the county line into Clinton county at Dry Run, a few score of people anxiously looking into the rapid flowing stream, led the ladies accompanying the scribe to become inquisitive. A dozen suggestions were advanced as to the cause of the gathering upon the bridge, just this side of Lamar, the guesses were all wild. The crowd had assembled to witness an immersion to take place in a few moments. Our party halted and dismounted, and presently the Rev. Winters, pastor of the Renovo and Lock Haven Baptist churches, with a band of singers and those who had accepted the faith, William Billet and Mr. and Mrs. John Shady, came marching down the road. The water's edge reached, the reverend dressed in a very ordinary suit of clothes, overcoat and common rubber boots, opened by reading scripture passages from Matt. 3; Acts. 8; 26; Romans 6, in support of his method of baptizing. The form of this law was surely fulfilled. The preliminaries over, the minister removed his overcoat and Mr. Shady threw off his coat and vest and then stepped into the middle of the stream which was between four and four and one-half feet in depth. At this season of the year Dry Run is a misnomer as the water came with a rush and was of unusual depth, although the writer has often seen the creek bed as dry as powder and not sufficient water in the low places for a mile to fill an ordinary baptismal bowl.

From the second the believers stepped into the water until their feet struck the dry ground just two minutes were consumed—actual time. The dip was backward, and required considerable exertion on the part of the minister to put his believers on their equilibrium, but he was equal to the task and performed his duty to perfection. While the minister and his converts were taking their positions, the choir sang a stanza of the hymn "Happy Day, When Jesus Washed my Sins Away."

Just as Mr. Billet stepped into the water a snow squall opened up for real business. He is near or altogether sixty years old, and age has removed his natural head covering. As he was standing in the water a white crown of the beautiful fell upon his head. The immersion was a considerable strain upon him. The believers were the result of a series of meetings held by Rev. Winters in the old United Brethren church for the past two weeks or more. The immersion on Saturday did not attract as many spectators as gathered on February 27th, at Snavely's creek, back of Henry Snavely's near the junction, when Rev. Kunes of the Evangelical United Church, immersed five believers in the persons of Frank, Dane and Irvin Raub, Thomas Williams and John Shade. The latter was one of the company Saturday.

Books, Magazines, Etc.

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