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ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

MASONS INSPECTED SITE FOR MASONIC HOME.—The committee appointed by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Free and Accepted Masons, were in Bellefonte yesterday for the purpose of inspecting any available sites the local lodge had to offer for the location of the proposed Masonic home for aged and infirm Masons as well as an orphanage for children of deceased members of the order.

In the committee were Hon. George B. Orady, of Huntingdon; Hon. George W. Guthrie, of Pittsburg; Spencer Gibbs, of Harrisburg; J. B. Krouse, of Williamsport; Hon. L. A. Watres, of Scranton; J. Henry Williams, of Philadelphia; Edgar Tennis, of Thompsonstown; David A. Louden, of Erie; W. T. Gorges, of Harrisburg, and John Galt, of Chester. They were scheduled to reach here Tuesday evening but were one day late and did not arrive in Bellefonte until the late train Wednesday evening. The party divided, a portion of them spending the night at the Brookerhoff house and the balance at the Bush home.

Early yesterday morning, notwithstanding the rain, the committee were taken in automobiles to Center Furnace to inspect the site offered on the old Moses Thompson farm. From there they went to State College where they were entertained at luncheon after which they were shown through the various buildings and departments. Leaving there early in the afternoon they came back to Bellefonte and took a look at the site offered on the Mrs. B. J. Valentine farm as well as that at the intersection of Wilson and Curtin streets in this place.

While the committee seemed pleased with the site offered on the Thompson farm they of course could not commit themselves in any way, and especially not until they view the sites offered by the eight or ten other places after the home.

BASEBALL NEXT MONDAY.—Next Monday, May 31st, will mark the opening of the Central Pennsylvania baseball league in this place with a game between the Bellefonte and Renovo teams. The game was originally scheduled to be played in the morning but on account of the fact that the Renovo grounds are not yet in shape for use only one game will be played between the above two teams that day and that will be in Bellefonte at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The reason for starting the game at that hour is so as not to conflict with the Memorial services. All the Central Pennsylvania league games in Bellefonte will be played on Hughes field and that is where the game will be next Monday. Now that the enthusiasts have arranged to give Bellefonte some good sport this summer the citizens generally should turn out and support the movement with liberal patronage; and the way to start it off right is for a big crowd to be there for the first game at four o'clock on Monday afternoon. Price of admission will be 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.

CAPT. GEORGE RUNKLE IN PERMANENT CHARGE OF SCHOOLSHIP.—At a meeting of the directors of the Pennsylvania Nautical school last Friday evening the resignation of Capt. C. N. Atwater, as commander of the schoolship Adams, was accepted and George P. Runkle was permanently elected superintendent of the school and commander of the ship. Runkle being an old Bellefonte boy and well known here will naturally have the hearty wishes of all his friends for his future success. According to the present arrangement he will make his first cruise as commander of the schoolship this summer. With a full complement of over one hundred apprentices the ship is scheduled to leave Philadelphia on June 15th and sail to Queenstown, thence south as far as the Madeira Islands, returning to Philadelphia on October 15th.

—One day last week a package was received by the WATCHMAN editor and family which, upon being opened, was found to contain two shad, and what monsters they were, too. Almost three feet in length and as to weight, well we really did not weigh them but they were the biggest and finest we ever saw or tasted. Later it developed that they were a gift from Mr. George White, of Columbia, a nephew of Mrs. Amos Mullen. Mr. White is engaged in shad fishing and having made an unusually good haul on one of his trips down the Susquehanna was good-hearted enough to so kindly remember the editor and family, for which we are under deep obligations to both Mr. White and Mrs. Mullen, who no doubt suggested the gift.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST AT ACADEMY.—The annual declamatory contest for the W. S. Furst prizes will take place at the Bellefonte Academy this (Friday) afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. The prizes are for six and five dollars respectively and as they are always well contested for, the exercises this afternoon will undoubtedly prove very interesting. For this reason every patron of the Academy as well as friends of the institution are requested to attend.

DOCTOR COMMITS SUICIDE.—Dr. Albert M. Fisher, of McAlisterville, and a nephew of Dr. Philip S. Fisher, of Zion, this county, committed suicide at the home of his wife's father, John A. Fox, of Lebanon, on Saturday night, by drinking prussic acid.

Dr. Fisher was about thirty-eight years old and was born at McAlisterville. After his graduation from an eastern medical college he began the practice of medicine in Altoona, about nine years ago, specializing in ear and throat diseases. After several years spent in Altoona he went to Michigan where he remained two years, returning to Altoona about four years ago. He was regarded as an authority on some diseases and had a large and lucrative practice. He was married a number of years ago to Miss Fox, of Lebanon, who left him two years ago and lately brought an action for divorce, alleging cruel treatment. His wife went to the home of her father, John A. Fox, a wealthy lumber merchant in Lebanon, where she has since lived, while the doctor continued his practice in Altoona up until last December when he was compelled to quit work on account of ill health. He stored his household and office furniture and went to a Philadelphia hospital for treatment. After several weeks spent there he went to his former home at McAlisterville where he remained during the winter.

Three weeks ago he went back to Altoona for the purpose of re-opening his office but for some reason did not do so. About two weeks ago he came to Bellefonte and from here went over to Pat Gherriy's in the Seven mountains, on a fishing trip and at the time was apparently in good health and spirits. Shortly after his return to Altoona he grew very despondent and about the middle of last week he left Altoona, saying he was going to Lebanon to effect a reconciliation with his wife. He made his first appearance at the Fox home on Friday and his wife refusing to consider a reconciliation he attempted to drink the contents of a phial of prussic acid, but was frustrated in the act by his wife's brother, Luther Fox, who knocked the poison from his hand. Saturday evening he returned to the Fox home and being again repulsed drank prussic acid before he could be restrained, dying shortly afterwards.

The remains were prepared for burial and taken to Altoona where the funeral was held on Tuesday.

BAULAND.—Joseph Bauland, who thirty or more years ago kept a large clothing store on Allegheny street, died about the middle of April in Denver, Col., of a general breakdown. Mr. Bauland was succeeded in the clothing business here by the Goldsmith Brothers, and from Bellefonte he went to Chicago where he started a large department store. Some years later he went to New York and engaged in business. He did not stay there very long but returned to Chicago where he lived ever since. The only particulars of his illness and death obtainable are that some months ago he suffered a general breakdown of the system and upon the advice of his physician went to Denver, Col., for his health. His death, however, followed within a few weeks. The body was taken to Chicago for burial, his widow and daughter still residing there.

McKELVY.—John McKelvy, a veteran of the Civil war and a well known resident of Ferguson township, died last Sunday morning of paralysis. He was well in the morning and ate a hearty breakfast but was stricken about nine o'clock and died within an hour. He was born at Burnt Cabin and was sixty years old. During the war he served in company M, Eleventh Pennsylvania cavalry. He is survived by his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Ella Davis, and three children. Rev. R. M. Campbell officiated at the funeral which was held on Tuesday afternoon, burial being made in the Meek cemetery.

LANEN.—Miss Ruth A. Lanen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lanen, of Buffalo Run, died on Saturday afternoon of pneumonia. She had been an invalid from infancy and contracting a severe cold about two weeks ago pneumonia rapidly developed and her death resulted. She was 15 years, 10 months and 18 days old and is survived by her parents, three brothers, Lawrence, Grover and Robert, and one sister, Anna. The funeral was held on one o'clock on Monday afternoon. Rev. Newton S. Bailey officiated and burial was made in the Meyers cemetery.

RUMBERGER.—Mrs. Matilda Gates Rumberger, widow of John L. Rumberger, died at the old homestead on Tadpole on Wednesday morning of paralysis. She was eighty-two years old and was one of the last surviving members of the older generation of the Gates family. Her husband has been dead for twenty-two years and not having any children she made her home with two nieces. Her only immediate survivor is one sister, Mrs. Thomas Bollinger, of Aaronsburg. At this writing no arrangements for the funeral have been made.

GEBHAERT.—Mrs. Emaline R. Gebhart, mother of Mrs. C. G. McMillen, died at the McMillen home in Dayton, Ohio, on Wednesday of last week, after an illness of some months. She was almost seventy-nine years old and while the McMillens were in Bellefonte in charge of the Brookerhoff house she frequently visited here. In addition to her daughter she is survived by seven grandchildren.

BOYER.—Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Boyer, a sister of Mrs. Annie Burkett, of Stormstown, died at her home in Altoona on Tuesday afternoon. Her maiden name

was Miss Sarah E. Patton and she was born at Warriorsmark sixty-six years ago. Her husband, two children, two brothers and two sisters survive.

BIG FREIGHT WRECK.—One of the worst freight wrecks that has ever occurred on the Bald Eagle Valley railroad occurred at 11:25 o'clock Sunday night when extra freight east, composed of fifty-eight cars loaded with coal, was wrecked just this side of the Unionville station and twenty-six cars were piled up, the most of them being so badly smashed that the scrap heap is the only place to which they can be consigned.

The train was hauled by engine No. 1150, and was in charge of F. R. King, conductor, and George Treese, of Sunbury, engineer. The train was being run as a through freight and was running at the rate of over thirty miles an hour. Just this side of the Unionville station the beam air rigging on the engine broke and dropped down. It caught in the frog at the switch and threw the second car on the train from the track. The engine and first car then broke loose and ran half a mile down the track before they could be stopped. The derailed car leading the long heavy train ran over the ties a distance of about three hundred feet where it fell into a culvert and the following train piled up on top of it. The impact was so great that immense steel hoppers were jammed together like accordion and box cars were broken into kindling wood. The twenty-six cars were piled up for a distance of two hundred and twenty-five feet. When it is taken into consideration that this distance is not much over one-fourth the length of the cars wrecked when on the track the size of the pile-up can be imagined.

The one fortunate part of the affair is that none of the trainmen were injured and so far as known nobody was hurt. A tramp who was riding on one of the coal cars was pitched fifteen feet into a wheat field but escaped with hardly a bruise. He stated that there were two other men on the train, who were likely under the wreck, but the next morning two strange men were seen walking down the track toward Snow Shoe intersection, and they were likely the two men.

The wrecking crews from Tyrone and Williamsport were both summoned, arrived upon the scene and went to work during the early hours Monday morning, but with that it took them until late Monday afternoon to open the track and repair it for traffic, though it will be a week before the wreck is all cleared away.

Geo. W. Rumberger, the great and ubiquitous reporter, lives within one hundred feet of where the wreck occurred yet he never knew it until his good wife told him to "get up something has happened" and they say in Unionville that that was at half-past seven o'clock the next morning. It is estimated that there are about one thousand tons of coal piled up along the track at the wreck. This the railroad company offered at \$1.00 a ton, but as it is all in Fisher's meadow Mrs. Fisher declined to permit would-be purchasers to go in after it, until the company settled with her for damages to her fences and grain.

SEXTON SAYS THINGS TO PREACHER.—Rev. George Israel Browne, several years ago pastor of St. John's Episcopal church in this place, but now in charge of St. John's Episcopal church in Lancaster, had an unique experience with the sexton of his church a week or so ago, the result of which is that there is now a new sexton. The name of the deposed sexton was also George Brown and whether this was the cause or not, has not been revealed, but at any rate for some time past he displayed a very belligerent attitude toward the members of the vestry of the church and particularly toward Rev. Browne. The climax came recently when he looked the reverend in his own study and then proceeded to say things. In very plain language the sexton told the rector what he thought of him, and it was not until he had exhausted all the most expressive adjectives in his vocabulary that he desisted.

As Bellefonters know Rev. Browne is no small man and might have broken down the door but he didn't. He merely wrote down the most expressive things the sexton said and when the latter finally opened the door he was asked to sign the paper. He did and thus ended his career as a sexton while Rev. Browne continues as pastor.

REFORMEDS IN SESSION.—At the West Susquehanna Classis of the Reformed church held in this place last week Rev. Daniel Gress, of Centre Hall, was elected president for the ensuing year. Among the business transacted was the division of several charges. Among them was the Bellefonte and Nittany valley charge, Zion to be put with Hubersburg and the two to constitute a charge after October first. Two new congregations will be organized during the year, one of which will be at State College, from where a petition signed by fifty names was received.

The speaker at Friday evening's session of Classis was William H. Keller Esq., of Lancaster, who spoke very interestingly on the subject "The Layman's Missionary Movement." The visiting ministers filled practically all the pulpits in the Bellefonte churches Sunday morning.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.—The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by Register Earl C. Tuten.

Edward I. Sperring, Look Haven, and Mary E. Bauchman, of Hubersburg. Christy C. Packer, of Howard, and Elsie L. Walker, of Orvis. Harry D. Weaver, of Bellefonte, and Minnie M. Eatrigh, of Milesburg. Ray E. Weber and Verna M. Smith, both of Rebersburg.

BELLEFONTE Y. M. C. A. WORK.—The coming of Dr. R. L. Weston to Bellefonte as the general secretary of the local Y. M. C. A. has resulted in a general stir up in the association which will no doubt put new life into it and very likely make it a creditable organization to the town. Dr. Weston is an old Y. M. C. A. man and when he came here he had no hesitation in saying that he found the building in a deplorable condition, not at all as it should be for a comparatively new building. He made it plain at once that there should be a general house-cleaning and fixing up of the building throughout. The cleaning has been done but to do what repairing is needed will require money and in consequence the secretary decided on a field day services which were held on Sunday.

A big mass meeting was held in the court house at three o'clock in the afternoon which was addressed by Edward Buckalew and John A. Eben, of Harrisburg, state and religious secretaries respectively. General Beaver also made a brief talk in which he told of the financial necessities and urged the people of Bellefonte to rally to the support of the organization. Sunday evening Presbyterians and Methodists joined in a union meeting held in the Methodist church which was also addressed by the visiting workers.

Mr. Buckalew remained in Bellefonte and attended a meeting of the board of directors of the association in the association rooms on Monday evening. He stated that to put the association on its feet financially and for expenses for the current year would require four thousand dollars and that the work could not be carried on for less. Twenty-five hundred dollars of the amount was assured from pledges made on Monday and the board of directors decided to assume the responsibility of raising the balance. Under this condition of affairs Dr. Weston will at once proceed to put the association on a healthy, creditable basis, so that it will not only be a proper and uplifting place for young men to frequent but a credit to the town as well.

DOINGS IN COURT.—At last Thursday's session of court Judge Orvis imposed the following sentences: Boyd Reed and Bruce Yarnell, the former pleading guilty and the latter being convicted of furnishing liquor to a minor, were each sentenced to serve four months in jail.

A. B. Antis, of Phillipsburg, convicted of statutory rape on the person of fourteen year old Phoebe Ginnick, of Phillipsburg, was sentenced to five years in solitary confinement at hard labor in the western penitentiary.

The second week of court began on Monday morning with a long list of cases on the docket for trial but after going over the same the most of them were continued.

The first case tried to a finish was that of F. W. Crider, individually, and F. W. Crider, executor of P. B. Crider, deceased, vs. J. Miles Green, et al., with notice to the borough of Bellefonte, terre tenants. Being an action to recover on a mortgage. A verdict was rendered in favor of the plaintiff for \$3853.65.

John Lyle vs. D. F. Honser, an action for violation of contract. A verdict was rendered in favor of the plaintiff for one dollar.

P. T. McClintic and Helen I. McClintic vs. W. I. Harter, administrator of etc., of Fannie Nestlerode, late of Liberty township. An action brought to recover for maintenance of the decedent. Verdict returned for \$1064.00.

S. D. Leitch vs. S. D. Leitch, administrator, etc., of Sarah E. Leitch, deceased. Verdict for \$812.70.

—Next Monday Bellefonte will get into baseball again in earnest. The last championship enterprise of this sort we had has faded into memory vague enough to forget the financial stinging that almost always follows.

Spring stills.—The Evangelical parsonage is being very handsomely painted and when finished will be quite attractive.

J. M. Schock, of Philadelphia, and Daniel Keene, of Hickory Corners, made business trips here on Friday last.

The Baldwin works of Philadelphia received orders for a couple of locomotives a few days since. Straightway the city news papers sprang on the coming prosperity. What else?—

Samuel G. Slack, of Potters Mills, informed me that there was a peach tree on the old farm and homestead where he was born and resides, planted seventy-two years ago, and is still thrifty and bears fine large cling stone peaches. A peach orchard with that character of hardy trees would certainly be worth having.

All the stores and places of business here with one exception will be closed on Memorial day. The 30th being Sunday, it will be observed here on Monday. The very few old veterans we still have with us, and their numbers grow less day by day, assisted by the K. G. E. and I. O. O. F., will decorate the graves of their comrades and heroes of grim visaged war in the Union cemetery (Farmers Mills) at 9.30 a. m. and the address will be by Rev. B. F. Belber, Georges Valley at 2.00 p. m., address by Rev. Hancy, and Spring Mills at 6.30 p. m., address by Rev. J. Allison Platt, of Bellefonte. Music will be furnished at each place. All of our Sunday schools will participate in the exercises and a general invitation is extended to the community.

Lemont.—Squire Isaac Armistead has been confined to the house of late.

William H. Rishel, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out again.

Budd O'Neil returned home Saturday, after visiting for a week among friends in these parts.

Mrs. Mary Sbafter, of Altoona, visited at

the home of her father, John I. Thompson, this last week.

Carrie Houtz had the great misfortune to fall down the collar stairs, one day last week, and hurt herself badly.

The rains that fell last week were needed to bring the corn, oats and plants along, as the ground had gotten very dry.

The students of the forestry course at State College, who made the test walk passed through town Friday morning.

The people of this neighborhood gathered money, clothing and all that would be needed, for the family of Grant Coble, who had the misfortune to have his house burned.

John Grove with the aid of the wives of members of Lemont Lodge, I. O. O. F., made up a surprise for the lodge. Mr. Grove left the lodge on some pretense or other, then just as they closed he came into the room followed by the ladies and in a few minutes they set the tables and served bananas, ice cream etc., and the feast wound up with cigars.

Pine Grove Reunion.

Ernest Royer is slowly recovering from an attack of pleurisy.

Health officer Roush paid an official visit to State College last Monday.

J. W. Sunday and W. G. O'Bryan were Bellefonte visitors yesterday.

Leslie Krebs, of State College, visited here in the early part of the week.

Hon. J. W. Kepler spent last week inspecting his oil wells in Forest county.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Grove, of Altoona, are here visiting friends in and about the town.

Mrs. J. B. Heberling, who has been a very sick lady the past week, is some better now.

Comrade C. B. Hess has been confined to bed the past week threatened with pneumonia.

Harry Allison, our obliging Miller, fitted Tuesday to the Davy Bar home east of town.

J. B. Heberling last week sold his mated team of blacks to A. M. Brown, Tyrone, for \$500.00.

—Mrs. Frank Bowersox is very sick with an attack of sciatica rendering her helpless as a child.

Mrs. J. H. Bailey and Mrs. J. B. Krebs and little Mary visited friends over at Centro Line Sunday.

Getz and Campbell are busy as beavers roofing the Mitchell farm near town and making repairs.

Butcher Elmer Houtz went through town Monday with a bunch of fat cattle for his flock in Boalsburg.

Clyde Shuey, of State College, came over Tuesday in his auto and had with him Austin Smith and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Dale and Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Mc. Fry on Sunday visited at the J. F. Kimport home.

Rev. J. S. Shultz is attending Lutheran Synod at Lewisburg this week, with Calvin Gates as lay delegate.

Rena Moore and John Grenoth, both of Lewisport, were entertained at the Harry Bowersox home Monday.

John D. Dannelly and wife, of Medina, Ohio, are here for a week's stay at the old family tree on Main street.

Mrs. J. H. Strouse and Mrs. J. H. Neidigh are visiting relatives in the Mountain city and expect to be gone a week.

George Gluegerich, of Bellwood, a veteran of the Civil war, is visiting friends down Pennsylvania and is quite spry for a man of his years.

Samuel P. Irvin, wife and daughter en joyed a drive over the Seven mountain Saturday to spend some days among old friends at Baileyville.

Last Friday night a pack of dogs mutilated and killed seven of Mr. Glenn's sheep. This is the fourth flock here attacked this spring and it might be well to get busy with shot guns.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham, of McAlleys Fort, tarried a while in town Saturday to greet old chums. They were on their way to State College to spend Sunday with his brother.

John H. Neidigh, of Pine Hall; W. H. Roush, of this place, and Mrs. Helen Peter, son, of Ballyville, were representatives at the Sunday school convention held at Phillipsburg this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sunday left this morning for Gettysburg, to attend the dedication of the new monument next Monday. They will remain until after the G. A. R. encampment the second week of June.

The venerable Thos. Kustaborder and Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Shaw came over from State College and spent Tuesday among old friends in town. Although Mr. Kustaborder is past his 82nd milestone he is as brisk as most men at fifty.

A happy bunch of fishermen left here Saturday for a week's outing over at the old Ross place among them were Dr. W. F. Bailey, of Milton; J. B. Krebs, of Northumberland; J. E. Reed, Dr. R. M. Krebs, N. T. and H. M. Krebs, of this place.

G. W. Ward and wife, of Pittsburg; J. H. Ward, of Treverton; Wm. Ward, of Phillipsburg, and Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Ward, of Bellefonte, are visiting the home of their youth here this week having been called here to the burial of J. A. Ward, on Tuesday.

Cape May Pier Smashed.—The ocean pier in front of Cape May, N. J., was almost totally demolished in sight of hundreds of people, who lined the boardwalk and beach strand.

The barge Robert Campbell, belonging to the Breakwater Construction company, of New York, loaded with 210 tons of stone for the Cape May harbor entrance, being built by the government, broke away from her moorings and before the strong north-easterly wind and high running tide was driven along the beach for a distance of two miles until it struck the pier.

Piling after piling was battered down by the action of the wind and wave surging the barge. The damage will amount to about \$25,000.

The opera house on the pier was nearly the first part of it to drop into the surf.

Ring Generalship of Langford Enabled Him to Win an Easy Victory. Walsh Draws With Stanley—Jack O'Brien and Ketchell Matched to Fight Six Rounds.

London, May 25.—"Sam" Langford, the colored heavyweight of Boston, knocked out Ian Hague, the heavyweight champion of England, in the fourth round at the National Sporting club. The fight, which was for a purse of \$9000 and the championship, was scheduled to go twenty rounds.

The ring generalship which he had picked up in many battles enabled Langford to score a comparatively easy victory over Hague, and the fourth round had barely commenced when the burly Yorkshireman was felled by a well directed blow and counted out.

In the first round Hague was slow to start. Langford had a shade the better of it until the end of the round, when Hague reached him with a hook to the jaw. This seemed to encourage the Britisher, and although no damage was done, in the second round Hague showed more cleverness than the colored man.

Langford opened the third round with a hard left to the face, and he used this blow effectively several times before the gong sounded. Hague, however, partially closed the American's eye with a hard right swing.

The men came together in a fast mix-up at the opening of the fourth, and Langford put a terrific right on the Yorkshireman's chin, which ended the contest.

The bout between "Jimmy" Walsh, the American fighter, and "Digger" Stanley, of London, for the bantamweight championship of England, was declared a draw. The fight went the full fifteen rounds. The purse was for \$1750.

Found Strange Reptiles.

Creatures resembling frogs, but unlike them in that they are whitish in color and have no eyes, were discovered in a sandstone bluff three miles west of Denver, Colo., by a gardener. As he was digging he uncovered a number of cells, inside of which were soft, mush-appearing balls. When they were rolled out they proved to be living reptiles, presumably of another age.

Found Guilty of Killing His Mother.

Guilty of murder in the second degree was the verdict returned by the jury in Erie, Pa., before which Dolmar Young was tried on the charge of murdering his mother. Young showed no signs of distress when he heard the verdict, his manner being as cool as at an time during the trial. It is understood that his attorneys will ask for a new trial.

Baby Incubator Kills Child.

A baby incubator proved fatal to the two-months-old infant of Richard De Spain, a young inventor of Long Beach, Cal. Soon after the baby had been placed in the incubator a cork blew out of a hot water bottle and the baby was scalded to death.

Filipinos Want Their Freedom.

With but slight variation from its action upon final adjournment of the session of 1908, the Philippine general assembly, in the closing hour of its session, adopted a second resolution declaring in favor of the independence of the islands.

Guilty of Double Murder.

Richard Donegan, of Philadelphia, was convicted at Bridgeton, N. J., of the murder of Joseph Somerfield and Mrs. Madge Kinkle at Bivalve. He was sentenced by Justice Trenchard to be electrocuted during the week of July 5.

Searchlight Scared Nigger to Death.

Adeline Hawkins, a negress, was frightened to death by the powerful searchlight of the battleship Mississippi as she passed on her way up the river to Natchez, Miss. "It is the judgment light!" she cried in terror and fell dead.

A Quintette of Babies.

The wife of Fay Irish, who resides in Thorp, Clark county, Wis., has given birth to five babies, three girls and two boys. All are alive and well. There are now ten children in the family. The other five were born separately, and are all living.

Catcher Hit by Bat; Killed.

Arthur Burroughs, nine years old, while catching in a base ball game at Central Falls, R. I., was killed when the bat which Earle Paine swung to hit the ball struck young Burroughs over the heart. The boy died instantly.

Received Gourd Pipe From Roosevelt.

C. F. Sutherland, warden of the Luzerne county jail at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has received a calabash gourd pipe from former President Roosevelt. An autograph letter accompanied the gift.

Woman Dead at 105.

Mrs. Gertrude Schouten, who was born under Thomas Jefferson's administration, died in her 106th year at Matteawan, N. Y. For the last sixty years she has been living in the same house.

Offers Princeton \$500,000.

Princeton university, at Princeton, N. J., has just received an offer of a gift of \$500,000 for the proposed graduate college. The donor is William Cooper Gamble, '83, of Cincinnati.

Dr. J. M. Barkley Elected Moderator.

Dr. James M. Barkley, of Detroit, was elected moderator of the Presbyterian general assembly, receiving 503 votes, against 292 votes for Dr. Edgar P. Hill, of Chicago.