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HOMICIDE.

Walter Hayes killed by Casper I. Thomas, by being stabbed by the latter in self defense.

Walter Hays, the well known base ball pitcher, was killed on Wednesday night about 8 o'clock, by Casper I. Thomas, a man over 78 years of age. Hays had been on a spree for several days, and when drunk he was of an ugly disposition. On Wednesday he got into an altercation with G. W. Sterner, and was choked by the latter. In the evening he went to Charles Thomas and demanded admission. Charles Thomas and wife had gone to church, and had told Casper, father of Charles, that if Hays came he should not admit him. Hays had been boarding at Thomas' for some time. Casper had locked the door and refused to admit Hays, whereupon the latter burst the door open. Mr. Thomas then blew out the light, and went back through the kitchen but Hays caught him and kicked him. Mr. Thomas ran out the back door and started up Iron street without coat or hat, and when in front of the jail Hays overtook him and began beating him. In the meantime Mr. Thomas had taken out his pocket knife and while Hays was kicking him, he made two thrusts with the knife, one thrust penetrating the hip, and the other cutting a gash across the front of the leg near the hip, and severing an artery. Hays fell, and Thomas went on up Iron street to the corner of Third where he met his son Charles and wife. In the meantime quite a crowd had collected by the cries of Hays, who lay on the pavement in front of the jail. Guy Jacoby Esq., was summoned, and also Dr. Gardner, but before they arrived Hays was stark dead from the loss of blood. Esq. Jacoby acting as coroner, summoned the following jury: Charles Mendenhall, J. C. Rutter Jr., Frank Miller, John Woods, W. G. Girton, and H. J. Pursel, who after viewing the body repaired to Jacoby's office. Harry Kline, warden at the jail was called, who said that he heard some one calling for help, and he looked out the window, and saw a man lying on the pavement, and another man without coat or hat, going up the pavement. He went out and found a man dead on the pavement. He didn't know him, but was told it was Hays. Casper Thomas was the only other witness called, who related the facts as above stated. The jury found that Walter Hays came to his death by a knife wound inflicted by Casper I. Thomas. On Thursday morning Mr. Thomas had a hearing before Esq. Jacoby who committed him to jail. Robert R. Little Esq. counsel for Thomas, procured a writ of habeas corpus, and a hearing was fixed for 2 o'clock on Thursday afternoon. The hearing had not taken place when we went to press. Hays' body was taken in charge by G. G. Baker, who removed it to his undertaking establishment. Great sympathy is expressed for Mr. Thomas, and no one believes that he had any intention to do more than protect himself from a vicious drunken man.

MYSTERIOUS MURDERS.

Two mysterious murders have occurred in the borough of Dickson City, Lackawanna county, both being of a peculiar nature. In each instance an evident attempt was made to conceal the crime by making it appear that the murdered man was the victim of a railroad accident. In the first instance the man killed has not been identified, but was evidently a foreigner. The body was found in a culvert, and there were marks on the throat, which caused the coroner's jury to return a verdict that the man was murdered. The second crime was committed Saturday morning shortly after midnight. A street car motorman found alongside the track a man terribly injured and beaten, but yet alive. He died before medical attendance arrived. The man was Joseph Terrick, a Hungarian, who lived with his wife and four children at Marshwood, on the Moosic Mountain. The dead man lay flat upon his back about two feet from the track with his head towards the track. His mangled and bloody left arm lay across his breast. The right side of the head was bruised and broken and the nose was crushed. The dead man's hat lay wrinkled and dirty about five feet distant, and five feet further away was a mine sprag, the end of which was steeped in blood, and a little distance away was a large stone spattered with blood. The inference was that the man was beaten to death with a club and his body flung by the track. Two hours before the body was found Terrick was seen in a saloon with Andrew Grisco and Anthony Butchev. Both of these men are under surveillance.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH NOTES.

Vestrymen elected—Rev. W. C. Leverett resigns—Easter Services.

At a meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's Church on Monday evening in the Parish House, the following persons were elected Vestrymen for the ensuing year: C. F. Knapp, J. G. Freeze, Geo. E. Elwell, Paul E. Wirt, Geo. S. Robbins, John R. Townsend, and J. G. Wells. The Vestry met immediately afterwards, and organized by electing C. F. Knapp, senior warden, J. G. Freeze, junior warden, Paul E. Wirt, secretary, Geo. S. Robbins, treasurer.

The following communication was received from Rev. W. C. Leverett: THE RECTORY, BLOOMSBURG, PA. Monday in Easter week, '95.

To the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg: My Dear Friends: I herewith tender my resignation as Rector of St. Paul's Parish. This is done with great regard and affection for all the members of the Parish and only on account of ill health.

Praying God's blessing upon you all and the congregation. Sincerely Yours, W. C. LEVERETT.

The resignation was accepted, and the following letter was sent to Mr. Leverett, and directed to be entered upon the church records:

REV. W. C. LEVERETT,

Dear Sir: Your letter of this date is received, and in accordance therewith, we hereby accept your resignation as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Bloomsburg. In so doing we beg leave to express to you our profound regret that your ill-health has compelled you to take this step which severs the relation of pastor and people that has existed so pleasantly for the past eight years. During your incumbency the church has grown and prospered; the property has been improved; the congregation has been largely increased; the spiritual life of the parish has been quickened, and you have personally endeared yourself not only to your own flock, but to the entire community. In retiring from active duty in the church which you have so faithfully and earnestly served for so many years, not only in parish work, but in prominent and responsible official position in the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, you have the assurance that there goes with you the warmest love, the highest regard, and the best wishes of all your people. It is our sincere hope that the good Lord whose ambassador you have been, may speedily restore you to complete health and strength, and that His church at no distant day, may again have the benefit of your counsel, and of your ministrations as a devout and exemplary christian clergyman, for many years to come. Faithfully and affectionately yours, The Vestry of St. Paul's Church.

Easter was a busy day in St. Paul's Church. There were services at 6.30 and 10.30 in the morning, and 7 in the evening. Sunday school at 9 in the morning, and at 6 in the evening when their Easter services were held, and choir rehearsal at 4 in the afternoon. Rev. J. W. Kaye, assistant minister at the Memorial Church of the Advocate, Philadelphia, conducted the three services in the church, and made addresses at both sessions of the school. The attendance in the church was large. Mr. Kaye preached twice and both sermons were scholarly and interesting. He has a pleasing voice, and forceful delivery. It was not until Wednesday of last week that his services were secured through the kindness of Rev. Dr. Silvester, rector of the Church of the Advocate, so that it was too late for the choir to prepare any special music, but notwithstanding this, and the fact that the organ is sadly out of tune, the church having been closed most of the time for the past four months, the music was very good.

At a recent meeting of the Borough council of Danville. Wm. Kase West Esq., on behalf of the Poor Directors appeared before Council, calling attention to the necessity of doing something that will assist the poor officials in keeping down want in the borough. He stated that there are one hundred families in the Third Ward much in need of assistance, while in other parts of the borough as well as in Mahoning township there is a great deal of destitution. He suggested that a number of men be put to work on the streets, making necessary repairs, for a couple of days every week. Council approving of the measure, the committee on streets and bridges were requested to confer with the Poor Directors and make arrangements for putting a number of men to work.

ROBBED HIS PROSPECTIVE WIFE.

Fred Price Arrested for a Crime Committed a Year Ago.

Detective Bauer, of Wilkes-Barre, made an important arrest Saturday afternoon in Berwick and landed his prisoner in jail at Wilkes Barre. The fellow is Fred C. Price, a machinist, formerly of Lock Haven. He is a good looking young fellow about 24 years old. Last year he worked in Lock Haven and boarded with Elmer Allen. His good looks and dashing manner soon won the heart of 18-year old Elizabeth Allen, the boarding house-keeper's daughter. As soon as Price found the girl regarded him favorably he pressed his suit and about the middle of November asked her to be his wife. She consented, and her parents who thought well of young Price as an industrious fellow, consented to the match. The wedding was arranged to take place early in January.

On January 1 the father, who is quite well to do, gave his daughter \$500 to buy her wedding outfit, and furniture for the house. Price said he would have ready for his bride. The day following the young girl asked her lover to go with her and purchase the furniture, and they went down town together. He suggested that he had better carry the money as she might lose it, so she gave him the \$500 without hesitation. They entered a furniture store and she began selecting some articles, he making suggestions. As she was buying a parlor suit, he said suddenly, "Oh, there is a man I want to see, I'll be back in a moment." "Very well, dear," she replied, "but hurry and help me decide upon this parlor furniture." He left the store and never returned. The detectives have been looking for him ever since. Price confessed to the detective and seemed very penitent.

A False Rumor.

A rumor very prevalent through town is to the effect that the Messrs. Baer, the President of Reading Railroad Iron Company and the other gentleman from Reading who accompanied him to look over the Montour I. & S. Works were representatives of a party who proposed to institute a new company, provided the works mentioned came up to their expectations. This is an erroneous idea altogether. The gentleman named came here at the solicitation of the Receivers of the Phila. & Reading R. R. company, to investigate the character of the mills and furnaces and give their views whether it would pay for the present company under the auspices of the Railroad company to continue them further in operation. Whatever may be done with the rolling and puddling mills it is not likely that the furnaces will ever again be put in operation. They are so dilapidated and behind the age in improvement, that no doubt it would be cheaper to build new furnaces out and out on the modern plan than to expend money on the present ones to make them efficient producers of pig iron—Danville Intelligencer.

TREASURER FOWLER EXPLAINS.

COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE, April 17, 1895.

Editor COLUMBIAN, Dear Sir,—As the Sentinel has made a demand for the treasurer to explain why he did not account in his statement for the \$55.00 sent to the commissioners for reporting judgments and mortgages to the commonwealth, in reply I have only to say that it never came into the treasurer's hands. The treasurer cannot account for money he does not receive. Since Mr. Krickbaum is so desirous for other people to explain, will he kindly explain to the tax payers why he, as Commissioner's Clerk, drew his salary from nine to eleven months in advance, when his own statement shows that the sheep orders were not as good as cash. Hoping this will fully explain, I am Yours Respectfully, J. R. FOWLER, Treasurer.

The Anna Dickinson Jury Disagrees.

The jury in the Anna Dickinson conspiracy case, in the U. S. court at Scranton, having failed to agree, were discharged from further consideration of the case at Scranton Wednesday of last week. Judge Acheson, in discharging the jury, said he did so because of the death of the wife of juror Green. It is reported that eight of the jurors were in favor of giving Miss Dickinson damages.

The Broadway Cash Store in Moyer Bros. building below Market on Main street, opened for business on Wednesday.

BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

J. J. Brower is spending a few weeks in Philadelphia.

Judge Ikeler held court in Sunbury for Judge Savidge this week.

Frank Sloan of Baltimore was among the Easter visitors to town.

Prothonotary Alonzo M. Ent of Elk County, was in town last Friday.

Harry Houck went to Scranton on Saturday to spend a few days on business.

Dr. W. H. Bradley, formerly of this town, is practicing medicine in New Jersey.

C. B. Jackson Esq., of Berwick, spent Tuesday in town.

A. D. Brader of Briarclark, was a visitor to town on Tuesday.

Mercantile Appraiser Hilday is performing his official duties.

Miss Nellie Monroe of Rupert, is visiting her sister in Brooklyn.

Dr. J. P. Welsh is spending a few weeks at Atlantic City for his health.

Miss Della Gulsinger of Espy, is taking a course in music at the Normal.

C. B. McHenry has been elected President of the Benton borough council.

A. B. Hartman of Back Horn, is a great-grandfather at the age of sixty years.

Miss Martha Clark went to Harrisburg on Saturday to visit her sister, Mrs. R. C. Neal.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Andreas and child, of Wilkes-Barre, spent Easter at C. P. Sloan's.

Major Purman, landlord of the Espy Hotel, transacted business in Bloomsburg on Wednesday.

A. W. McHenry, the genial meat dealer of Benton, was among the strangers in town on Wednesday.

An eight pound boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Kistner last week Thursday.

F. M. Everett and family came over from Mt. Carmel to spend Easter with their relatives here.

Harry R. Stees has been appointed an alternate cadet at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland.

Miss Lula Briggs has closed her term of school at Hicks' Ferry, where she has been teaching during the winter.

F. B. Hartman is probably the most youthful grandfather in town. His daughter, Mrs. Robert Wanderslice, gave birth to a daughter last week.

Hon. W. M. Rockefeller who presided in the courts of Northumberland county for twenty years, was in Bloomsburg last Saturday. While here he called upon Judge Elwell and they spent a very pleasant hour together.

Reports as to the condition of Hon. C. R. Buckalew have been exaggerated by out-of-town papers. He has been quite ill for several weeks, but is now improving, and his speedy recovery is looked for. He is able to sit up a portion of each day.

John Pursel of Maryland is visiting his relatives here. He was postmaster of Bloomsburg under President Johnson's administration, and resided here many years, conducting a harness and saddler's shop where the Banking Company now is. He is looking well, and his many friends are glad to see him.

The manager of the troupe that played "Ole's Luck" at the Opera House last Friday night, was a little too fresh. Everybody who presented press tickets was ordered to go up in the gallery. We didn't go to the show, but one of our employees who had a coupon ticket was sent up there. Notices of shows are printed in this paper in exchange for tickets in the orchestra chairs, not in the gallery, and after we get the tickets they are ours to use or give away, as we choose, and the holder is entitled to sit where the tickets call for. Mr. Holmes was in no way responsible for this action of the manager.

BAND CONCERT.

The following program will be performed by the brass band on the evening of Saturday, April 20th, weather permitting, at the Court House, 7:30 sharp.

1. Before the footlights. A comedy in eight acts. Bendix.

2. Suite. {a—Schubert's Serenade. —Weigand. b—March "Amicitia."

3. Refuge. Grand medley on favorite Gospel hymns. Bennett.

4. University Quadrille, (Lancers) Introducing well known college songs. Tobani.

5. March. "Salute to Bloomsburg." C. Faust.

J. BLAIR, Conductor.

RINGROSE WINS.

The Ringrose case was argued on Tuesday. After counsel for the appellant had concluded, the Supreme Court declined to hear the attorneys for Mr. Ringrose. This means that the case will be affirmed, and Ringrose wins.

The business of the late A. Solleder will be continued by P. Solleder & Co.

Last Saturday



THE PARIS.

Brought our 3rd Anniversary sale to a close, and to say that it was successful is but putting it mildly. Even the stormy weather did not keep customers away. Our sales on men's and young men's all-wool suits at \$4.98 is something to talk about. However, we're not used to bragging.

Mothers should make it a point to see our collection of fine children's novelties. We show more of them than all the other stores combined.

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