

A PROMINENT LAWYER DEAD.

Charles G. Barkley Passed Away Wednesday Morning.

After an illness of several weeks, Charles Gillespie Barkley died at his home on Market street, on Wednesday morning at about 9 o'clock. His wife, and three daughters, Misses Mary, Josephine and Jennie, survive. In his death the family have lost a kind and loving husband and father, the Bar has lost one of its most prominent and able members, and the community an upright citizen who was ever interested in its welfare and always ready to do all in his power to promote its prosperity.

Mr. Barkley was born in Bloomsburg on January 30, 1839. After getting such educational advantages as were afforded in his boyhood days, he learned the trade of a carriage-maker with William Sloan & Son. After serving an apprenticeship of nearly three years he again turned to educational pursuits, and began to teach school in 1857. In May 1863 he was elected County Superintendent and was reelected in 1866 and 1869, serving nine years. He was a member of the Town Council during the first two years of the town organization, in 1870. He has frequently filled the position of Town Solicitor, and County Solicitor. Since May 1874 he has been a trustee of the Normal School. In 1871 he acted as Principal of the Normal School, and in those troublous times for that institution he displayed rare executive ability. In 1860 he began the study of law with Col. J. G. Freeze, and was admitted to practice in September 1863. Since 1872 when he retired from the office of Superintendent of schools, he has given his entire attention to the law, and has for years been recognized as one of the most careful, industrious, and conscientious lawyers, and one of the safest counsellors at the bar of this district.

On June 2, 1864 he married Margery A. Wilson, daughter of Samuel B. and Margery Wilson, and to them three daughters were born, as above named. Mr. Barkley is a descendant of the early settlers of this county and State. His paternal ancestor, Iddings Barkley, was born in Lancaster county in 1781, who with his wife, moved out near the Red Mill in 1806 and later moved to Bloomsburg, where he built and lived in the first house erected on the lot now owned by I. W. Hartman. John J. Barkley, a son of Iddings Barkley, was the father of Charles G. Barkley.

The deceased was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and was for many years an elder, a trustee, and Sunday school superintendent. In politics he was an earnest and consistent Democrat. He was a member of the Masonic order.

At the hour of going to press the time for the funeral has not been fixed, but it is probable that it will be on Saturday morning. A meeting of the Bar will be called, of which due notice will be given, to proceed to the funeral in a body.

Change of Schedule.

Owing to the fact that most of our people are in attendance at the Fair, the general delivery and collection by the carriers will be omitted on Thursday and Friday afternoons of this week. The business delivery, between five and six o'clock, will be made as usual, and the carriers' window, at the postoffice, will be open on Thursday and Friday, from 6:45 to 7:30 p. m. We would be glad if our patrons would call for their mail, if it is possible to do so.

By authority of First Assistant Postmaster General.

O. B. MELICK, P. M.

There will, no doubt, be the usual number of pickpockets and swindlers on the Fair grounds. The town is full of pretty hard looking people. No swindling games are allowed on the grounds, but there are many little games being worked on the sly. All that is needed to make them successful is the sucker to nibble at the bait. Though the newspapers, year after year, call attention to these things, we always hear of several persons who have lost their money trying to beat swindlers at their own games. Don't try it. It can't be done.

The water in the creek last week was the lowest known in many years. A short distance above town, a number of youngsters were seen gigging eels with an ordinary table fork. In this manner they succeeded in catching eight of the snake-like fishes, three of them weighing over a pound a piece.

Mrs. Beth Runyon Hodgdon.

A telegram was received by the family of Mr. Layton Runyon on Monday morning conveying to them the sad intelligence that Mrs. Martha Elizabeth Hodgdon had expired at her home in Minneapolis, Minn., at one o'clock in the morning. She had been in feeble health for several years, a sufferer from consumption. Every effort had been made to benefit her. Two years ago she spent the summer in Asheville, North Carolina, hoping that the pine woods of the South would help her as it had many others with similar disease, but, though she obtained temporary relief, the benefit was not permanent, and she gradually grew worse until the end came. She was a daughter of the late Israel Runyon of Plainfield, New Jersey, and a niece of Layton Runyon. After the death of her parents she came here to reside in the family of Mr. Runyon and remained about ten years, until she was married to Henry W. Hodgdon on February 9th, 1893, when they went to his home in Scranton to reside. A few years later they moved to Minneapolis. Mrs. Hodgdon's age was about thirty two years. Her husband and little daughter Catharine, aged four years, survive her.

When Miss Beth Runyon, she resided here, her cheerful disposition, and her attractive manners, made her a favorite in social circles. She was possessed of a sweet soprano voice, and was a member of the Presbyterian choir for many years. She was always ready and willing to sing at entertainments for charity, or for church work, and when she left here she was sadly missed. Her life work is now ended, cut off in the very bloom of womanhood, and the sympathy of many loving friends goes out to the bereaved family.

Royal Arcanum.

A business meeting of the Royal Arcanum was held last Friday evening, at 7:15 o'clock, when Major Webster C. Weiss, of Bethlehem, Grand Regent, of Pennsylvania, paid the Council an official visit. At eight o'clock a public meeting was held, which was attended by over one hundred persons, including members and their wives and lady friends. Several selections were well sung by the double quartette, consisting of Lynn, Vanderslice, Barton, Hartman, Ent, Eyer, Bidleman and Yetter. Major Weiss made an excellent address, showing the strength of the Royal Arcanum and the benefits of membership therein. A delegation of twenty-four members of the Berwick Council were present, among them Rev. R. H. Gilbert, pastor of the M. E. Church, who was called upon, and made some very happy remarks. The party then adjourned to Hotel Ent, where an elegant collation was served. It was highly satisfactory and enjoyed by all present. At about 11 o'clock the party broke up, after having spent a very pleasant evening.

Old Folks' Day in the M. E. Church.

Under the auspices of the Epworth League, last Sunday morning, Old Folks' Day was observed in the M. E. Church. A committee of arrangements was appointed, who visited all members sixty years old and over, offering carriages to all so desiring. The church was beautifully decorated, a handsome back ground, in the rear of the pulpit, with the words, "A Good Old Age," being prominent. Appropriate badges were worn by the committee of reception and ushers, and as these old soldiers of the cross were brought to the church in carriages, they were met at the door and presented with flowers, with a card attached, bearing appropriate words of welcome and cheer, and conducted to front seats. The pastor, Dr. Frysinger, preached from the text, "A Good Old Age." Special music had been prepared. The large auditorium was filled, and the service was very interesting and profitable throughout, and, we think, other churches would enjoy just such a service.

Lost.

A roll of money containing three \$5 bills was lost Wednesday Sept. 26. The loser drew the money from the Bloomsburg National Bank, and went from there to Woolsey's bakery, and thence to Supplee's store, where he missed his money. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving the money at this office.

If you want a first-class hair-cut or shave, go to Reilly's, Hotel Ent.

COURT PROCEEDINGS CONTINUED.

In the case of M. I. Hennessy, adm'r. of Clara Hennessy, vs. Fannie Anstock, jury rendered a verdict for plaintiff in the sum of \$25 and board obstruction to be moved within five days.

Motion for non-suit filed. Motion overruled. Motion for new trial, reasons to be filed within five days.

Ira Hess appointed Chief Burgess of Benton borough.

Ellen Hughes, administratrix vs. Wellington Hughes et al. Judgment against garnishee in the sum of \$871.89.

W. W. Black, rtigh Sheriff, of Columbia County, acknowledged the following deeds in open court: W. W. Black to John G. Harman, land in Bloomsburg; Wm. Krickbaum, land in Scott township; M. C. Whitenight et al., land in Bloomsburg; C. C. Evans, et al., land in Briarcreek township; Cooperative B. & B. Association, land in Bloomsburg; Cooperative B. & B. Association, land in Bloomsburg; N. Beagle, land in Millville; trustees of W. C. No. 319 P. O. S. of A.

Ida Welliver vs. Penn'a. Canal Co. Motion to amend declaration filed. Motion allowed.

In the matter of lunacy of Lavina Dewitt. Jury called and sworn.

In the matter of lunacy of William Baumeister. Jury called and sworn. Estate of Hester A. Moore. Order of sale granted.

The jury in the Welliver case was sent to Berwick this morning to view the grounds.

Jeremiah Snyder, treasurer of Columbia county, acknowledged the following deeds in open court:

Jeremiah Snyder, to Locust Mt. Coal & Iron Co., land in Centralia borough; to G. W. McAlarney, land in Beaver Twp.; to Locust Mt. Coal & Iron Co., land in Conyngham Twp.; to Harry Evans, land in Hemlock Twp.; to S. B. Karns, land in Benton Twp.; to Mrs. E. Bellis, land in Centre Twp.; to C. F. Siler, land in Centre Twp.; to John Kirkendale, land in Centre Twp.; to B. R. Yetter, land in Main Twp.; to James B. Kinney, land in Mifflin Twp.; to Fred Plock, land in Montour Twp.; to Perry Black, land in Orange Twp.; to C. L. Sands, land in Pine Twp.; to C. W. Miller, land in Bloomsburg; to J. B. Hayman, land in Centre Twp.; to D. F. Mordan, land in Greenwood Twp.; to Sarah Brown's executors, land in Hemlock Twp.; to Alfred Dugan, land in Madison Twp.; to S. H. Mordan, land in Madison Twp.; to L. H. Boody, land in Montour Twp.; to Wm. Bogart, land in Scott Twp.; to Caroline Savage, land in Sugarloaf Twp.; to E. Kitchen, land in Greenwood Twp.

Baltis Sterling, W. B. Merrick and Boyd Trescott appointed viewers to view site for public road in Pine Twp., near George Greenley's saw mill.

Report of inquest in re lunacy of Wm. Baumeister, filed. Herman T. Young, appointed committee.

Report of inquest in re lunacy of Lavina Dewitt, filed. Charles S. Hamlin appointed committee.

In re auditor's report to make distribution of the funds in the hands of John W. Evans, treasurer of the Nescopeck Falls Bridge Co. Report confirmed nisi.

J. C. Brown, H. W. Bower and Boyd Dodson, appointed inspectors to inspect county bridge in Briarcreek township, near Petty's.

Ed. Engleheart, Clinton W. Harder and S. J. Neyhard, appointed inspectors to inspect county bridge in Roaringcreek township, near Litwiler's.

C. H. Reimard, Chas. Krug and J. C. Brown appointed inspectors to inspect county bridge in Montour township, over Wabash Run, near Deimer's.

Peter Jones, Chas. Hower and Warren Eyer, appointed inspectors to inspect county bridge in Mt. Pleasant township, over Lick Run, near B. F. Dolman's.

On Tuesday morning the jury in the case of Mrs. Ida Welliver against the Pennsylvania Canal Company, brought in a verdict of \$497.00 for the plaintiff. This was a suit for damages to land and crops by the leakage from the canal. Grant Herring and W. H. Rhawn, Esqs., were attorneys for the plaintiff, and James Scarlet and Levi Waller Esqs., for the defendant. The trial began last week and on Saturday noon court adjourned until Monday so that the jurors could spend Sunday at home. During the trial the jury was sent to the premises in a four horse hack, so they could see what damage had been done.

Columbia County Bible Society.

The annual meeting of the Columbia County Bible Society (organized in 1848) was held in Orangeville the 25th of last month. The afternoon session was devoted to a review of the past year's business and planning for the future. The depositories, located at Bloomsburg, Berwick and Millville have sold during the year three hundred copies of the Word of God.

Fifteen dollars were donated to the Penna. Bible Society.

At the evening session a Bible reading, subject, "complete in Christ" was given by Rev. Albert H. Smith, of Berwick, and "The Anniversary address" was delivered by Rev. R. H. Gilbert, of Berwick.

The officers elected for the coming year are: President, H. R. Bower, Berwick; Vice Presidents, Rev. Jas. Martyn, Orangeville, Rev. M. M. Albeck, Berwick; Secretary, A. W. Spear, Cabin Run; Treasurer, H. G. Supplee, Bloomsburg; Managers, C. E. York, Central; Rev. U. Myers, Catawissa; Rev. W. T. Campbell, Evansville; Boyd Trescott, Millville; J. B. Nuss, Manville; Myron I. Low, Lime Ridge; Rev. E. E. McKelvey, Roaring-Creek.

Sewer Clogged.

A stoppage in the sewer, on Main street, at Market square, caused the water to back up and overflow through the water closets in the basements of B. A. Gidding's and F. D. Dentler's stores, to a depth of nearly two feet. It was also coming into J. R. Townsend's basement, but was discovered in time to stop it, by having the pipes plugged. Mr. Gidding had a box of overcoats damaged, and Mr. Dentler had a number of cases of felt and gum boots well soaked. Under the direction of Town Engineer Brown and Street Commissioner Neyhard, an opening was made just below the Bank crossing, down to the sewer pipe, and the obstruction was removed by running a long flexible rod into the pipe. A piece of stick was found, on which strings had caught until it had half filled the pipe. As the pipe always was too small, and runs full all the time, this was enough to back the water up as above related. Sticks and strings, or anything else that may clog the pipe, should not be thrown into the sewers.

The Fair.

All day Tuesday teams loaded with exhibits for the fair drove through town. The displays of all lines are said to be very large. There is the largest assortment of chickens ever shown there, and the entries for the races are very numerous. If the weather continues fair the exhibition will be one of the most successful ever held here. The 9th Regiment Band of Wilkesbarre came down Wednesday and will remain three days. The enlarged grand stand affords room for all who want to see the races. While on the grounds get a good dinner at the Dining Hall.

For Sale.

Three town lots on Ninth street above Catharine, 33 feet front each, and running back to the canal. Will be sold on easy terms. Inquire at this office. 10-4 ff.

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