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DROWNED MAN FOUND.

Body Found Floating in the River at Foot of Market Street.

On Tuesday morning Bruce Jones, agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at East Bloomsburg, observed an object floating in the river, which proved to be the body of a man. It was out in the stream and beyond his reach, so he telephoned to the Bryfogle hot houses; to be on the watch for it as it came down, as it was being carried to the west shore by the current. A number of people went to the foot of Market street and a short distance above there found a man's body.

Guy Jacoby, Esq., acting as coroner, was notified and went down. There being no marks of violence apparent, he deemed an inquest unnecessary, and word was sent to Poor Director Isaiah Hagenbuch to take charge of the remains. The body was taken from the water with ropes and sticks and rolled into a box, and taken to the undertaking rooms of G. G. Baker. The deceased was dressed only in underclothing and stockings, and had evidently been in the water for some time. The body was bloated and much discolored.

A physician from Etreau, where the poor house and insane asylum of Luzerne county are located, came down on the four o'clock train, and identified the remains as those of a foreigner who had disappeared from there last February. Coroner Sharpless came over from Catawissa and empanelled a jury at about five o'clock, and subpoenaed a number of witnesses. The finding was in accordance with the facts stated above. The body was buried at the poor house burial ground, and the expenses will be borne by Luzerne county.

MRS. JOSEPH SHARPLESS.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Sharpless, relict of the late Joseph Sharpless, died on Tuesday morning at a quarter past eleven o'clock, at the home of her son-in-law, J. W. Eyer, on West Main Street, aged 83 years, nine months and five days. She had been quite feeble for some time past, but her final illness was of about two weeks' duration. From the death of her husband, in March, 1900, she had resided with her son, L. T. Sharpless, until last October, when she went to live with Mr. Eyer. She was a daughter of John and Eleanor Foster, and was born in Catawissa on July 18, 1817. She was a consistent Christian woman, and had been identified with the Methodist Church for many years. She was a sister of Mrs. William Woodin, of Berwick. Seven children survive her. They are Lloyd T., Benjamin F., Mrs. T. J. Vanderlice, Mrs. J. W. Eyer, Mrs. J. E. Wilson, Miss Harriet, all of Bloomsburg, and Harry F., of Pueblo, Colorado. The funeral services were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Dr. Frysinger. The burial took place in Rosemont Cemetery.

Selling Off the Mules.

Questions Which Arise as Result of Abandonment of Canal.

As a result of the abandonment of the canal some 500 mules, which formerly trod the path, will have to find a new vocation. It is hardly probable that the boatmen will have much difficulty in disposing of their mules. What is to be done with the boats lying along the canal is a question. The boatmen can hardly believe that the company intends to let the boats rot down where they lie. Such a course, they claim, would be unjust in the extreme to those boatmen who possess their own craft and would hardly be submitted to. Some incline to the view that the company will indemnify the individual owners; others think that water will be let into the canal for a short time so that all the boats may be moved. Could the canal boats be gotten to tide water, it is claimed, they could be readily sold for lighters.

Beware of the new and dangerous \$5.00 certificate, which has just made its appearance in New York, and will, doubtless, reach Bloomsburg. The sub-treasury people pronounce it one of the cleverest pieces of bad money ever brought to their notice, and well adapted to deceive any, except the expert money handler. The certificate is a reproduction of the new 1899 series, which bears the portrait of the Indian. Each of the counterfeits bears the check letter B.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John K. Miller on Wednesday morning.

YOUR INVITATION.

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A SOLDIER'S FUNERAL.

William G. Samuels' Remains now Rest in Rosemont Cemetery.

The remains of William G. Samuels, who died in a hospital in Manila, arrived here on Friday last, having been sent by express from San Francisco by the government. He was a member of Co. F 12th Regiment, having enlisted about two years ago. He went with his company to the Philippines, and after seeing some active service he was taken sick, and died in February 1900.

The remains were buried there. Almost two weeks ago a telegram announced that it had been sent by express. The casket came in care of the Board of Health, with instructions that it must not be opened.

The deceased was the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Samuels. The funeral was held on Sunday afternoon at half past one, and was very largely attended. After a brief service at the house, the cortege started for St. Paul's church. The line included the Bloomsburg Band, Ent Post 250 G. A. R. the Boy's Brigade and the Fire Department, the deceased being a member of the Friendship Fire Co. Every seat in the church was filled, and several hundred people were unable to gain admission. The services were conducted by the Rector, Rev. D. N. Kirkby, with singing by the vested choir. There was no sermon. At the grave, after the usual committal service, the band played a dirge, and three volleys were fired by a squad consisting of Howard Jones and Addison Hoffman of Co. D, Williamsport, Charles Hidlay of Co. C, 12th Regiment, Milton Albert Boice and Frank Sanders of Co. F, 12th Regiment Danville; Silas Mosteller and S. S. Carbaugh, Co. I, 9th Regiment, and John Scott and Edward Broadt. They also acted as a guard of honor. "Taps" were sounded on the bugle by Veras Ritter, who was stationed some distance away on the hilltop, and the effect was beautiful and impressive. The pall-bearers were John G. Williams, Boyd Williams, Charles Logan, Elmer Deitterich, Harry Gilmore and George Heist. A large number of beautiful floral designs were contributed by sympathizing friends.

Mrs. Henry Geese died in a hospital in Philadelphia on Sunday morning. On Thursday of last week she went to the city, accompanied by Dr. Bierman, to have an operation performed. This was apparently successfully, and she was doing nicely when death came suddenly. Her age was fifty-four years. Her husband and eight children survive her. The funeral was held this afternoon, the burial taking place in Catawissa cemetery.

The A. & T. Biograph Co. are exhibiting in Maryland towns, and are meeting with excellent success. John Brooks has been engaged as pianist. Harry Achenbach was home over Sunday, and reports that they are doing the best business of any since they started. Their pictures are clear, and distinct, and D. J. Tasker's illustrated songs are much more entertaining than fifteen-minute poetical recitations.

Owing to other business interests which will occupy a portion of Mr. Tustin's time the First National Bank has elected Mr. J. M. Staver to the position of Active Vice President to assume the active duties of the bank, and Mr. Eugene F. Carpenter as assistant cashier. Mr. Tustin will retain his position as cashier and his interest in the institution.

FREE DELIVERY RULES.

How the New Mail Service May Be Obtained. Some Regulations.

Supt. A. W. Machan, of the free delivery bureau of the postoffice department, has issued a circular of instructions governing rural free delivery throughout the country. It directs that petitioners for such service be heads of families, who shall show the relative population along the route, character of the roads, principal vocations of the people and distances each one now has to travel to receive mail. A map of the routes proposed is required.

The petition must be endorsed by either a senator or a representative in congress. Each route must be over twenty miles long, serving at least one hundred families, and those desiring the delivery must hereafter be prepared to put up suitable boxes. These boxes will be entitled to the protection of the United States statutes.

Rural carriers are not required to deliver ordinary mail to houses standing back from the main road. They may carry other business than United States mail. Patrons are required to co-operate by keeping the roads up to the standard in all weather. The maximum pay for carriers now is \$500 per annum for a full route of approximately five miles traveled on shorter routes. Carriers are to carry a supply of stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards and must cancel stamps on all letters they collect.

Now Harvey's Lake Again.

It is not generally known that the officials of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., in view of the fact adduced by Oscar J. Harvey in his pamphlet on Harvey's Lake (published last summer), and for other reasons, have re-changed the name of their station on the northwest shore of the lake from "Shawanssee Lake" to "Harvey's Lake." The name always was a misfit, and there never was a time when the trains were not called out at the station for "Harvey's Lake." It appears that the body of water on the old map, named Shawanssee Lake, was not Harvey's Lake at all, but Lake Ganoga, fifteen miles away, in the adjoining county of Sullivan. It now only remains for the postoffice department to restore the old name of the Lake, or better still, give it the name Harvey's Lake.—Wilkes-Barre Record.

The Hymn Didn't Suit.

G. W. Genzler, pastor of the First Lutheran Church, at Selingsgrove, does not mince words when, aroused to a profound sense of duty, he has occasion to administer a rebuke in line with that duty. Sunday, after the plate was passed, the congregation sang the hymn, "We Give Thee, Lord, Thine Own." Upon inspection the preacher found that pennies constituted the main contribution, whereupon he told his people that such contributions were not consistent with the words they had sung. He stated that many would spend fifty cents or a dollar to be entertained in the Opera House during the week, and on Sunday give a cent or two to be enlightened in the Word of God.

The case of E. F. Bogart, editor of the Wilkes-Barre Leader, who was charged with opening other people's letters while postmaster at Wilkes-Barre, a year or two ago, and who was once tried, the jury disagreeing, came up in the U. S. Court, at Scranton, last week, when the prosecuting attorney asked for a nol pros., which was granted by the Court.

Mrs. Grace Neal Hutton has purchased from the Bloomsburg Land Improvement Company some valuable lots on Seventh Street, and upon which several houses are now being built.

Mr. Bruce Hartzel and Miss Margaret Vandine were married in the home provided by the groom on East Seventh street, on Wednesday evening last week, by Rev. M. E. McLinn. A number of invited guests were present.

Miss Eleanor Little, daughter of W. E. Little, Esq., of Tunkhannock, was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court last week. She belongs to a family of lawyers and bids fair to keep up the good reputation they have always sustained. The young lady is a relative of Judge Little's.

Mrs. Henry Lazarus, of Montour township died at her home near Grovania on Sunday night. The funeral was held on Wednesday. Her age was sixty-six years. Her husband and two daughters survive her. She was a sister of David Mouser of Grovania, and Mrs. Levi Weaver of this town.

Howe's Moving Pictures drew a goodly audience at the Methodist Church on Monday evening. It was nearly half-past eight when the first views were thrown upon the screen. Niagara Falls and rapids were among the best of a large collection of very entertaining, instructive and amusing pictures.

Montgomery Cox of Pine Summit, has been awarded the contract for carrying the mail from Millville to Pine Summit for the next four years. The price is said to be \$290. Under the new contract he will deliver mail to people along the route when they shall have notified the postmaster in writing that they wish it delivered.

John Bilhime, an old resident of this county, died at his home in Turbotville on April 12th, aged 83 years, 4 months and 4 days. He resided in Madison township for many years, but for the past ten years he had lived in Turbotville. A widow and three sons survive him. The funeral was held at Heller's church on the 16th inst.

Last week a giant red oak, which has stood as a sentinel in the lumber forests of Knox township, Clearfield county, and which has been admired by hundreds, was felled on the job of Samuel Mountain and Clarence Witherow recently. It measured seven and one-half feet across the stump and cut five logs which scaled 7,100 feet. Thus one by one, says the Public Spirit, these old forest landmarks are vanishing and very shortly the last rat will go down the Susquehanna.

Entertainment.

The Light Street Grammar School will hold an entertainment in the P. O. S. of A. Hall, in Light Street Saturday evening April 27th. Mrs. Jarley's far famed wax works will be on exhibition. Admission 10 cents. All children admitted free.

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