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**PAUL SNYDER.**

One of the very fundamental teachings of christianity is that "God doeth all things well." We must believe that He does not willingly afflict nor grieve His children, and yet our faith is often sorely put to the test.

Paul Snyder was the son of the late William H. Snyder, formerly County Superintendent, and Prothonotary of this county for six years. Mr. Snyder died some years ago, leaving his widow and Paul to survive him. Several children had preceded the father to the grave, and Paul was left as the only comfort and hope of his mother. As he grew he developed into a noble, manly boy. He attended the High school where he had not been tardy nor absent once in seven years, and was President of his class, and also of the Franklin Literary Society. He was taking the Normal course, and would have graduated next year. Paul was a member of the Reformed church and sang bass in the choir. He possessed a voice of unusual depth and sweetness, and would have developed into a basso of great excellence.

About four weeks ago he was taken down with typhoid fever, and subsequently pneumonia and hemorrhages of the bowels set in, and on Monday at one o'clock, the end came.

Expressions of deep regret at the death of so promising a young man, and of profound sympathy for Mrs. Snyder for the loss of a loving and dutiful son, are heard on every hand.

Paul was born October 22, 1885, and was therefore seventeen years old last October. Just entering from an upright youth into a noble and promising manhood he has been cut down, and the places that knew him shall know him no more.

Funeral services were held this morning at the house, and the remains were taken to Orangeville for interment in the family lot.

The Senior class of the High School attended the services in a body. A quartette composed of Mrs. E. H. Ent, Mrs. Harry Barton, Harry Barton and O. H. Yetter rendered "Abide With Me" in a very impressive manner. The floral decorations were numerous and beautiful and included a lyre made of roses sent by his classmates. The pall bearers were Lloyd Kitchen and Ralph Schwarz from Schwarz's orchestra, Lewis Moyer and Raymond Redeker from the senior class of the High School and Ralph Fornwald and Curtis Deily from the Sunday school class.

**DEATH OF MISS JENNIE E. SANDS.**

Died at the Williamsport Hospital Tuesday morning at seven o'clock, Miss Jennie E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Sands of West Main street.

The deceased was a sufferer from cancer of the stomach and had been afflicted for a long time. She was steadily growing worse and the local physician recommended that she be taken to the hospital, thinking that an operation might help her. She was taken to the above named institution by her father on Sunday. The operation was performed on Monday but the patient was too weak to rally from the effects of it and she passed away Tuesday morning.

Miss Sands was aged thirty one years. Prior to her illness she was employed in F. P. Pursel's store. She was a happy genial nature and generally admired. She was a consistent member of Trinity Reformed church and ever found leisure for the claims of religious duty.

In the deceased a host of people have lost a good friend and they mingle their grief with the family over this bereavement.

The funeral will take place from the residence tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. J. D. Thomas will officiate and interment will take place in the new Rosemont cemetery.

There don't appear to be any height to which the price of coal cannot rise. Monday marked another advance in the most necessary of commodities. The selling price now is No. 5 \$5.50, No. 2 and 4 \$5.25, No. 6 \$3.90. Some people hold that the local dealers are at fault, but such is not the case. They are compelled to sell at these prices which are fixed by the operators.

**HELP FOR AGED CLERGYMEN.**

The *Annuity Fund Bulletin* is a four page pamphlet issued every three months by the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Conference of Central Pennsylvania. Dr. Frysinger has charge of the publication and is its editor. The object is to create an interest in the well-fare of aged and worn-out clergymen, so as to create a fund for their support in their declining years.

The last number of the *Bulletin*, just issued, contains the following from the *Christian Advocate*:

"A large proportion of the ministry receive less than the miners were getting when they struck."

"All through Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, and Maryland worthy men are living on sums which would be rejected by journeymen stone masons and carpenters, and in many cases on less than is paid to hod carriers."

"It will always be true that nine tenths of the best work of the ministry as a whole will be done in churches of medium size, and at least half of it in rural districts. If the minister of such a church, recognizing his limitations, goes into business, is known to be trying to increase his means by pinching, saving, and investing, it interferes with his standing. But is he not virtually driven to do so by the Church if his income is not sufficient to support him as the people would have him live;—much less to admit of his saving something for old age?"

"The extra expenses which a pastor incurs are numerous and the demand upon him remorseless. Few are able to appeal to the people for the benevolent causes of the Church without themselves giving more than the people are willing to contribute in proportion to their income. In many of the poorer churches all that is ever given to these causes comes from the minister, and that frequently when the sum promised for his support is months in arrears. The minister must spend considerable for books, magazines, and papers or the people will speak of him as 'a back number.' He has constant applications to relieve the poor. Every person in the town who is suffering or every stranger who comes to the town will sooner or later directly or indirectly make his wants known to the minister. In such a situation human sympathy leads the pastor beyond his means."

"Methodism has done well as a whole for its worn-out ministers, but of late years the proportion between contribution and necessity has lamentably fluctuated. We urge upon our pastors the importance of awakening the people to this subject. Many of them have a 'foolish modesty' in urging its claims, and some a selfish indifference."

What is true of the Methodist Church is true also of nearly every other communion. The clergy are poorly paid, and when old age or ill-health overtakes them, they are obliged to depend upon the charity of their relatives or friends. This is all wrong, and the efforts of the Methodist church to establish a fund for the aid of worn-out clergy is a step in the right direction.

**The Life Work of an Esteemed Physician Ended.**

Dr. D. H. Montgomery, the subject of this brief sketch, came of Scotch and Irish stock and was born on a farm near Milton, Pa. His father emigrated from Scotland and died when the doctor was but five years of age. Through a mother's loving care and Christian teaching, the moral and mental powers which distinguished him, were so blended with one another that it was next to impossible to examine them in separation.

Not one of all the multitudes who stood and looked up to him for direction, with an implicit trust, can tell you to day whether the wise judgments that he gave came most from a strong head or a sound heart.

At the age of eighteen he began reading medicine with his brother, Dr. Daniel W. Montgomery, of Orangeville, and was graduated from Jefferson Medical College.

He began the practice of medicine in Orangeville but moved to Millville in 1856 since which time he has enjoyed an extensive practice. His work has been magnificent and every stroke has been in the interest of right. He read the world in its various phases and if a clear, strong brain and a magnetic presence are evidences of the good he has derived from following out his

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE  
**Bloomsburg National Bank**

At the Close of Business Nov. 25th, 1902.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Investments,	\$448,810.34	Capital Stock,	\$60,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures,	8,000.00	Surplus and Profits,(Net)	43,134.23
Cash and Reserve,	95,343.63	Circulation,	60,000.00
		Individual Deposits,	386,545.12
		Bank Deposits	2,474.62
	\$552,153.97		\$552,153.97

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**Accepted a Position in Danville.**

A. M. Wintersteen, a police officer at Bloomsburg, has accepted a position in the dental office of Dr. H. M. Sober. Mr. Wintersteen is a dentist of many years experience and up to a few months ago had been steadily practicing. He is an expert in laboratory work and will be in charge of that department at Dr. Sober's office.—Danville Morning News.

**With the Wheelmen.**

The Tuesday evening gentlemen euchre at the club house of the Wheelmen, Bloomsburg's popular social organization, was well attended. There were three prizes, first, second and consolation or "booby." They were won by the following gentlemen in the order named: F. D. Dentler, Geo. La Tourette and Gerald Gross. There will be a ladies' and gentlemen's euchre at the club house tonight.

**Have Gone to Florida.**

Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Smith bade good bye to their friends in Bloomsburg on Wednesday and departed for De Land, Florida, where they will remain for six months at least. Rev. Smith's health has been very poor of late and his face shows the strain he is under. At De Land he hopes to regain his good health. The departure of Mr. and Mrs. Smith has saddened many hearts but they carry with them the best wishes of all our people.

**Death of Alexander Kramer.**

Alexander Kramer, aged 90 years, died of apoplexy at the home of his son, Schuyler Kramer, on north Vine street, at nine o'clock yesterday morning. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning at ten o'clock and interment was made at Benton, Columbia county, where the deceased lived for some years. He was one of the pioneers of Rohrsburg and was one of its prominent business men in his time. He is survived by two sons. Mr. Kramer resided in this city for the last eight years.—Hazleton Standard.

A young daughter has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Roulke.



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