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DEATH IN ROENTGEN RAYS.

That is a startling story which comes from Menlo Park, telling of the dire effects upon Thomas A. Edison and his assistant of continuous experiment with the Roentgen or X-rays. It is the testimony of one of the leading physicians of New Jersey that Mr. Edison's eyesight has been seriously affected, and his assistant, a young man named Dally, has been forced to suffer the amputation of his left arm and all the fingers of his right hand. It is the testimony of Mr. Edison himself that he has abandoned experiment with the X-rays which he hoped to produce a fluorescent lamp as he found that the rays were driving him to blindness.

This is disheartening information to the world, which has been led to hope that the wonderful and inexplicable rays which had the quality of penetrating opaque substances, would effect cures of disease that had baffled all science. It has been asserted that the rays would cure cancer and internal tumorous affections, yet one of the results of the experiments of young Dally was the development of skin cancer. One of the earliest effects was the withering of the flesh and dropping out of the hair. Then came sclerosis or hardening of the arteries, numbness and paralysis of the hands and arms.

It is a parent from this that scientists have much to reckon with in these recent discoveries of X-rays, uranium, polonium and radium that is yet of a character mysterious, not to say awe inspiring. Professor Curie, the discoverer of radium, declares that if one were the possessor of a pound or two of the mysterious substance, and were to remain in the same room with it a few minutes he would be shriveled and paralyzed. Possibly experimentation will develop means for the perfectly safe and valuable use of these discoveries, but nature claims many a victim among those who attempt to drag to light her secrets.—Harrisburg Patriot.

No Better Than Vandals.

According to report, the sea lion which has occasioned so much excitement in various towns along the river has been killed. It was clubbed to death at Elmira. Editor Newell, of the Dushore Review has little love for the men who did the killing, as can be seen from the following excerpt from his last issue: "The escaped 'sea lion,' which was in reality nothing but a seal with a coat of no marketable value, swam up the Chemung as far as the dam at Elmira. He couldn't get over the dam, and the water was shallow in his rear, and three men in a boat, to say nothing of the dog, blocked his escape. With great courage (?) they clubbed the poor animal to death, and dragged his body around town for the curious to gaze at. We cannot understand why some people have an uncontrollable desire to kill every harmless animal that they can get their hands on, and when they can not reach him with a club, to use a rifle. The men who murdered the harmless seal were no better than vandals. We don't know who they were, and if they are subscribers to this paper they are at liberty to pay up and stop. We think mighty little of them."

Court Pities Girl of 20.

Says Parents Should Have Trained Her to Marry at That Age.

In an opinion handed down on Thursday, Judge H. Willis Bland, of the Berks Orphans' Court, not only preaches a sermon to parents upon the training of their children, but establishes a precedent that may go far toward settling a very troublesome problem.

He plainly states that where parents fail to act with wisdom the Courts must step in and see that the futures of the daughters are not blighted—that where a girl has "loved not wisely but too well" there is another course than the one that leads to the brothel.

William Rissmiller and Mary Lorah, of Blandon, have been lovers for several years and affianced since last September. Miss Lorah is but 20 years of age, and, her parents contend, "too young and not sufficiently acquainted with household duties to marry," though she has incurred an obligation to do so. Rissmiller is 23, and earns \$3 a day in the Blandon rolling mill.

When, after numerous entreaties, Allen Lorah, the girl's father, refused to sign the application for a marriage license, a petition was presented to Judge Bland asking him to appoint a guardian who could give the necessary consent.

The Judge has appointed William H. Boyer as the guardian, and filed an opinion that can be studied with profit by many parents. In it he says: "This is one of a type of cases which has come before this Court of late with deplorable and, indeed, painful frequency. It is a case hard to deal with because it involves the question of the Court's interference in a matter which nature and law commit primarily to the domestic authority of parents.

"Some parents seem to think that the whole circle of their duty to their children embraces nothing but the supply of their physical needs, and that if they clothe them, feed them and house them they have performed their whole duty. They seem to be unaware of the fact that all the value and beauty of life have their seat and source in the soul, and that while the supply of the physical wants of children is necessary to the maintenance of their bodies, the nurture of true cultivation of their spiritual life and character is the highest duty and most sacred function of the parent.

"There is a significant statement in the answer filed by the father in this case, and strongly persuasive, as evidence that the petitioner here has not received that home training to which she was entitled. The answer says that she is too young and not sufficiently acquainted with household duties to enter the bonds of matrimony. In a little more than a month she will be 20 years of age, and in another year she will attain her majority, when she will be free to marry when and whom she pleases. If she has not yet been trained in the performance of the duties of housekeeping, when is

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she to be taught it, and why has the instruction been so long delayed? The petitioner is a large and, apparently, a strong, healthy girl, and there is no reason disclosed why she should not have been taught in the ordinary duties of housekeeping. A large portion of the women marry under 21 years of age, and there is no good reason why a girl of that age should not be thoroughly trained in everything necessary to the proper management of a home. This voluntary declaration of the father implies a neglect, which may have extended to her moral interests.

Of all men living, William Rissmiller is the one who ought to marry the petitioner, and if he does not, who will? As I am charged with the duty in the premises of doing what, in my opinion, would be best for the petitioner, and as it is my opinion that she will be best served by opening the way for her to marriage, I will grant the prayer of the petitioner."

Y. M. C. A. Men in Summer Conferences.

The second season of the Young Men's Christian Association Conference at Silver Bay, Lake George, has just opened with over two hundred present. There were present at its opening days as many as were in attendance during the entire month last year. The opening address of the Conference was delivered Friday evening last by Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston, of New York City. The presiding officer of the sessions is Mr. F. H. Andrews, of New Jersey. Among the prominent men who are to deliver addresses are Dr. W. F. McDowell, Prof. E. I. Bosworth, Dr. Howard Agnew Johnston, of New York, and Dr. Robert Johnston, of Ontario, who speak during the evening hours only. In the morning, Bible training classes are conducted by Edwin F. See, of Brooklyn, and Dr. Johnston. A series of institutes for Association members for the discussion of principles and plans of their work are held at ten o'clock and are addressed by general secretaries and business men. The afternoons are given up to recreation. Everything is informal here, and the men here are out for fun and frolic as well as for training and attendance at religious services, and they get it. During the Conference time a five weeks' training course for general secretaries will be conducted by Dr. L. L. Doggett and others. From August 27th to September 2d, a Conference for older boys leading in the Boys' Departments, directed by Edgar M. Robinson, will be held. Delegates from as far west as Wisconsin will attend this conference.

The entire Silver Bay Hotel, which is capable of entertaining, with the cottages, 600 guests, is controlled by the Young Men's Christian Association of the East and Canada, for a vacation and Conference resort. General Secretaries of Associations have been and are still recruiting their members for this gathering. It is one of the most popular summer features of the organization.

Centralia Bad Man Captured.

A wild eyed Italian who has been terrorizing Centralia was arrested Friday night by constable Condy Langan. On Thursday night the fellow, Dommio Dommio, entered Tretter's saloon and after getting several drinks refused to pay. Tretter and his son-in-law, Joseph Gustnia, attempted to force him to settle when Dommio pulled a razor and drove them out. He then left but came back again Friday night and renewed the trouble, threatened to burn the place down and whirled his razor around three Mount Carmel men waiting for the car. Constable Langan was summoned but the fellow escaped and was later caught in the swamp west of Centralia by Langan and Bernard Cane. Before Squire Black the fellow was held in \$3000 bail but he couldn't furnish it. He was brought to Bloomsburg on Saturday, and locked up.

TOWNSEND'S Mid Summer Sale of Clothing 25 PER CENT. REDUCTION ON ALL SPRING CLOTHING FOR 2 WEEKS AT TOWNSEND'S.

The Fast Disappearing Buffalo.

The thought is almost pathetic when one comes to fully realize that in all this broad land of ours there is scarcely a thousand head of the majestic buffalo left.

Once the fertile plains of the Far West were covered by roving herds as far as the eye could reach. But thirst for blood, or so-called sport, was too strong in man to be resisted, and the big game hunters (gentlemen butchers) began to shoot the brown-coated beasts merely to brag of how many they could kill in one day. Thousands were slaughtered in this manner, many for the pelt, a large number for the meat, for it is stated that buffalo hump is most toothsome; and yet still as many were shot down merely for wanton sport, so that today only a few private herds and the Government's protected herd of about sixty in the Yellowstone Park are what is left of this majestic animal. Austin Corbin, the late president of the Long Island Railroad Company, had quite a pretentious herd, which upon his death, became the gift to Bronx Park, N. Y.

Major Gordon Lillie ("Pawnee Bill") is the proud possessor of the largest herd of buffalo in the United States, or, in fact in the world. Some years ago he purchased the famous Casey herd and at once removed them to his ranch near Guthrie, Oklahoma. It is his intention to have a ranch, and so far has been most fortunate in his undertaking. He has made quite a study of the subject and has been able to overcome a great many difficulties that beset those who in time past have tried to raise buffalo. One of the greatest drawbacks, as well as one of the most mystifying facts concerning the breeding of buffalo, is that nearly all the calves are males. Some of the finest specimens of these early bovines of the American Continent will be exhibited when Pawnee Bill's Historic Wild West exhibits at Bloomsburg Saturday, August 8th, and it is said that among other features of this great organization hundreds of cowboys, scouts, Indians' Crossacks, Arabs, Mexicans, Vaqueros, Rough Riders and a congress of mounted heroes will unite in presenting actual happenings in events that have made history for the world at large.

Relief for Lockjaw.

A correspondent of the Scientific American says: let anyone who has a case of lockjaw take a quantity of turpentine, warm it and pour it on the wound, no matter where it is, and relief will follow in less than a minute. Nothing better can be applied to a severe cut or bruise than cold turpentine. It will give certain relief almost instantly. Turpentine is also a sovereign remedy for croup. Saturate and place the flannel on the throat and chest, and in each case three or four drops may be taken inwardly on a lump of sugar.

Bank For Ringtown.

Ringtown, in the Catawissa valley, is to have a bank. A charter has been applied for, and the promoters are the Dupont powder firm, who recently purchased the plant of the Shenandoah Powder Co. The town has a population of one thousand, and the bank will prove a decided advantage to the business interests.

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F. P. PURSEL.

Coal in Salem Township.

One year ago, says the Berwick Independent, it was predicted that coal would be found on the Varner property in Salem township. Coal bearing slate has been found in large quantities and a very combustible kind of anthracite coal has been uncovered. The matter has attracted attention and a state geologist visited the locality and examined the workings and the out-put. The Pennsylvania Company has entered into an agreement with Mr. Varner and with the owners of the surrounding land in which they undertake to bore for coal on their respective farms and to allow the interested parties to examine the cores produced through the use of the diamond drill. The prospecting right extends over a period of one year. The Pennsylvania Coal Company has installed a diamond drill and operations will begin as soon as the other necessary machinery arrives.

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