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SKULL CRUSHED.

Fall From Tree Causes Instant Death of
Fred Reynolds.

On Sunday morning last as Fred Reynolds was knocking chestnuts from a tree near the Red Mill, a limb broke and he fell to the ground, striking on his head and crushing his skull so that the brains oozed out.

The boy was employed by George Ivey on his farm, and was fifteen years old. He was in company with Caleb Barton, a boy of about his own age. The latter ran to the mill and told the people, there, and while he was gone Paul and Francis Brobst drove along and found the boy dead. The body was taken to Mr. Ivey's, and later brought to town to the home of Sheridan Swentzell, an uncle of the boy. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning, Rev. E. R. Heckman officiating.

HOLD-UP ON BRIDGE.

As Oliver Bankes and Butler Cox were driving over the river bridge at East Bloomsburg last Saturday evening about 8 o'clock, they were stopped by two men, who had revolvers, and ordered to get out of the buggy. Bankes struck one across the face with a whip, and the man fired. Both young men immediately got out of the buggy, when the two men got in and drove off.

Bankes and Cox pursued them to the East Bloomsburg station, and there they found the rig behind the station, the men having driven in there, probably by mistake, instead of up the hill. The rig belonged to Shoemaker's livery.

The young men came home and reported the affair, and a posse started in search of the robbers, but no trace was found.

FOREST FIRES.

Over 100,000 acres of forest land in Pennsylvania is in the grip of fire, and 1200 men are endeavoring to prevent its spread. In Clinton county over 20,000 acres have burned over.

Some of the fires, it is alleged, were started by men who hoped thereby to get a job fighting fire. The State Forestry Department has ordered the arrest of every one found in state woods who cannot show an official duty there.

Many of the fires are on private lands, and were started by men burning brush, and not watching the fires. Great damage has already been done, and unless rain comes soon, much more will be done.

100th ANNIVERSARY.

Arrangements are being made for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the Reformed church in Bloomsburg. The celebration will take place the latter part of next month.

Rev. J. D. Thomas is preparing a book which will give a local and general history of the church, and much other interesting matter. It will contain pictures of former pastors, the church officers, a number of half-tones, and the program for the anniversary, and will be handsomely gotten up.

ORGANIST TWENTY FIVE YEARS.

On Sunday, October 4th, Mrs. Fred Holmes will complete the twenty-fifth year of her service as organist of the M. E. church of this town. Mrs. Holmes is an organist of exceptional skill, and the music at that church is among the best in this section.

BIG ELK KILLED.

Owing to the fact that he had grown very vicious, it became necessary to shoot Job, the big elk, at Alexander Billmeyer's park.

Ever since he was a yearling Job's escapades have been the scandal of the herd. He was ready for a fight at any time, and lacking another bull elk to fight, he would maltreat the cows of the herd and kill the calves.

Each year he became worse, departing farther and farther from the virtues that his name would lead one to suppose he should possess. Last year it was decided by Mr. Billmeyer that when Job's antlers had again matured, he should be killed.

Some weeks ago the velvet dropped from the big elk's antlers and Friday afternoon was selected for the execution. About fifty people were present, when Mr. Billmeyer fired the first shot at his ferocious pet. It took three shots to kill him.

Job was nine years of age. The son of Jumbo Bill, the mighty king of Mr. Billmeyer's herd, he was but slightly smaller than his sire. 1152 pounds he weighed alive and when dressed he tipped the scales at 576 pounds. The carcass will be put in cold storage for several weeks prior to serving.

Charles Eldon, of Williamsport, an expert taxidermist, was present when Job was killed and at once removed the head and skin. Mr. Billmeyer will have the head and antlers mounted, and of the legs a piece of furniture will be made.

OPENING OF THE NEW THEATRE.

Everything is now in readiness for the opening of the Columbia Theatre on Friday night. The scenery has arrived and will all be in place.

Every one who has seen the remodeled play house is delighted with it. It is hard to realize that so much improvement could be made on what there was to work on.

The opening play, "The Devil," is creating a furor in the large cities, no less than five companies now running it. The prospects are that the house will be filled.

On Saturday "The Old Cross Roads" will be given, both afternoon and evening. Secure seats now.

CRAFTSMAN'S EUCHRE.

The Craftsman Club opened the social season with a euchre party at the Temple on Tuesday evening. There were thirteen tables.

The ladies' prize, which was a set of a half dozen cut glass sherry dishes, was won by Mrs. William Snyder. For the gentlemen's prize, William Lentz and Arthur S. Clay drew a tie. They then drew for the prize, which was won by Mr. Clay. It consisted of a box of cigars.

TWO TOURS.

Prof. Lindley H. Dennis of Orangeville is personally conducting some excursions, the first one being a trip to Niagara Falls, which started yesterday, and the next one being a trip to Gettysburg, which will go on September 28th. Mr. Dennis has conducted a number of tours, and knows just what is necessary for the comfort and pleasure of his patrons.

ELKS PURCHASE A BUILDING.

The Bloomsburg Lodge of Elks have purchased the G. W. Sterner property on Market street, and will erect a building suitable for their purposes in the near future.

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RECENT DEATHS.

MRS. MARY KITCHEN.

Mrs. Mary Kitchen died on Friday night last from the infirmities of old age, at the home of her daughter Mrs. W. G. Rhodomoyr, on West Third street, aged 79 years. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. W. G. Rhodomoyr, and a son, S. L. Kitchen, both of this town.

Funeral service was held on Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Dr. Hemingway, from the home of Hiram Palmer, owing to the critical illness of W. G. Rhodomoyr. The pall bearers were grandchildren of Mrs. Kitchen.

WILLIAM G. RHODOMOYR.

After an illness of several weeks William G. Rhodomoyr died at his home on west Third street on Monday afternoon. His age was 51 years. His death occurred only a few hours after the funeral of his wife's mother, Mrs. Mary Kitchen.

Mr. Rhodomoyr was a contracting carpenter, and was a good citizen and popular with all who knew him. He was born and raised in Bloomsburg, and was a member of the following organizations: The Men's Bible Union, Royal Arcanum, Knights of the Golden Eagle, United American Mechanics and the Friendship Fire Company.

He is survived by his wife and these children: Mac, Albert, Claire and Marie, two brothers, Henry and Frank, and two sisters, Mrs. V. B. Moyer and Mrs. Morgan Jones, all of Bloomsburg.

The funeral was held today at 2 o'clock, and was attended by many members of the organizations to which he belonged.

MISS MARY BEAGLE.

After an illness of several years, Miss Mary Beagle passed away at her father's home on Center street, on Sunday at noon. She was a member of the Lutheran church, and was an estimable young lady. She is survived by her father, Andrew Beagle, with whom she lived, and by one brother, Willis K. and a sister, Mrs. Lula Lawson. The funeral was held on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. J. E. Byers officiating.

J. M. DEWITT.

About three weeks ago James M. DeWitt had a stroke of paralysis. He rallied from this and seemed to be improving, until Tuesday when a change for the worse took place, and he expired on Wednesday evening.

He was born in Fishingcreek township where he spent some years on a farm, and engaged as a huckster. Later he followed the meat business at Jamison City, and about sixteen years ago moved to Bloomsburg. His age was 69 years.

He is survived by a son, Elliott, by his first marriage, and by his second wife and the following children: Clyde, of Atlantic City; Mrs. Edward Appleman, and Atta, of Bloomsburg. Joseph DeWitt of Rohrsburg is a brother. Funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

ROBERT WALLER HOME.

Robert Waller, son of Dr. D. J. Waller, arrived home from England on Sunday. He came over on the Mauritania which met with an accident in mid-ocean. A storm was raging, and one of the propellers broke with a loud noise. The engines were stopped, and for a half hour the vessel was tossed in the trough of the sea. There was great consternation among the passengers but in a half hour the ship started up with its remaining propellers, and landed safely in New York on Saturday. The Mauritania is one of the two largest steamers afloat.

DEEDS RECORDED.

The following deeds have recently been entered on record by Recorder of Deeds Frank W. Miller:

Heirs of Alexander Black to Sarah Black for the surface right to a lot of ground on the East side of Locust avenue in the borough of Centralia.

Duval Dickson and wife to James W. Sittler for a lot of ground situate on Pearl street, Briarcreek township.

Samuel K. Reifsnnyder and wife to Karl R. Reifsnnyder for their undivided half interest in a lot of ground situate on Main street in the borough of Catawissa.

William Longenberger and Esther Longenberger to William H. McAlarney for their undivided one-ninth of one-third interest of a certain tract of land situate in Beaver township.

C. W. Miller and wife to Reuben Orange for a lot of ground situate on the West side of Market street, north of Eighth street.

Jacob Kester to John J. Kester for 85 acres and 42 perches of land situate in the township of Mt. Pleasant.

Berwick Savings and Trust Company to Simeon Rider for the northern part of lot No. 10 on the south side of Third street in the borough of West Berwick.

David Herring and Hannah, his wife, to George S. Fleckenstine and Joseph Fleckenstine for a lot of ground situate in the borough of Orangeville.

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METHODIST ANNIVERSARY.

A series of services in celebration of the eleventh anniversary of the dedication of their new church building is being held in the Methodist Episcopal church this week. They began on Sunday when Rev. E. R. Heckman preached an anniversary sermon.

On Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock Bishop John H. Vincent of Indianapolis, Ind. gave the first of a series of addresses, his subject being "A Pastor's Vision." Addresses in the afternoon and lectures in the evening have been given every day, and will continue until Saturday. The meetings are largely attended, many clergymen from this section being present.

SELLING SPRING WATER.

For the first time in the history of Bloomsburg spring water is now sold on the streets. W. W. Crawford is the proprietor of the water wagon, and he delivers it daily in jugs at 5 cents a gallon. The water comes from a spring on the Reuben Guilds farm near the Red Mill.

MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION.

Rev. E. R. Heckman has been elected President of the Ministerial Association, and Rev. E. B. Bailey, secretary and treasurer. A committee, consisting of Revs. Hemingway, Diggles and Heckman, was appointed on Sabbath observance.

DR. BROWN'S GUEST.

During his visit in town Bishop Vincent is the guest of Dr. J. J. Brown and sisters on Market street.

The Citizens Band will play for the Midway opening this evening. A new pool table has been added, and an electric piano installed.

TOWNSEND'S FALL SHOWINGS IN ALL LINES OF CLOTHING.

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TOWNSEND'S CORNER.

A STATE FAIR.

Fruit Growers and Stock Breeders Back of Movement.

An effort is being made to revive the proposition to establish a permanent State fair in Harrisburg to hold annual exhibitions, and the matter is being discussed all over the State. At the last session of the legislature Representative Creasy of this county, at the instance of the State Grange, the State Fruit Growers' association, the State Live Stock Breeders' association and kindred organizations introduced a bill appropriating \$200,000 for the establishing of a State fair in the State, and it was the general opinion at the time that if the bill passed the fair would be located at Harrisburg, because of its central position. The bill, however, did not get out of the appropriation committee, where it died.

BLOOMSBURG FAIR.

The Fifty-Fourth Annual Fair of the Columbia County Agricultural Society will be held October 6, 7, 8, and 9. Liberal purses with the splendid track will engage the best field of horses ever brought together in the state. Wednesday 2:18 and 2:25 pace and 2:27 trot. Thursday 2:12 and 2:25 pace, 2:16 trot and county race. Friday free for all; 2:20 trot and 2:15 pace. Chaste and meritorious attractions will be given on platform between heats of the races. Batty's Trained Bears being one of the features. Riding School, Ocean Wave, Moving Pictures, Ferris Wheel, Animal Shows and Miniature Railways will be attractive features of the Midway. The Poultry Exhibit alone will be worth the price of admission, 25 cents. Bloomsburg Fair is a veritable Old Home Week.

This exhibition promises to be a record breaker in every department. All other indications point this way and it only requires the gracious favors of the weather man to make it such.

FOR AUTOMOBILES.

The Orangeville council has passed an ordinance prohibiting automobiles from running in that borough at a speed exceeding six miles an hour. The penalty for violation is ten dollars.

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaeffer has issued the annual proclamation for autumn Arbor Day. In announcing it he says:

The conservation of our national resources has become a problem of universal interest to the American people. Our soil, our forests, our mineral wealth and our water supply cannot be wasted without impairing the country's future greatness and prosperity. The sources of our wealth should be preserved and, as far as possible, restored for the benefit of posterity.

Whatever is put into the schools will reappear later in the life of the nation. Studies which tend to improve our industrial conditions should be fostered and encouraged. The planting of trees for shade and for fruit, the processes of building and grafting, the methods of destroying noxious insects, and the prevention of forest fires should be studied by the pupils of both public and private schools. The dissemination of this kind of knowledge has been greatly stimulated by the observance of Arbor Day.

To perpetuate the laudable custom of celebrating Arbor Day when all the schools are in session, Friday, October 23, 1908, is hereby designated as Autumn Arbor Day; and all connected with the schools are urged to observe the day by the planting of trees and by other suitable exercises.

Wedded Fifty Five Years.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Derr, of Derr's, celebrated the fifty-fifth anniversary of their marriage on Tuesday. A large number of guests were present, and a delicious dinner was served. They were the recipients of many beautiful gifts.

Bi-County C. E. Convention.

The 21st annual Bi-County C. E. Convention convenes at Benton, Pa., October 22 and 23, 1908. Every C. E. Society in Montour and Columbia counties should be represented. An interesting and inspiring program is in preparation.

Miss Claire Gross was operated on for appendicitis at Dr. Koser's private hospital in Williamsport, on Monday. Her present condition is reported to be very satisfactory.