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AMERICAN HOUSE, East Emporium, Pa. JOHN L. JOHNSON, Prop'r. Having resumed proprietorship of this old and well established House I invite the patronage of the public. House newly furnished and thoroughly renovated. 48ly

THE NOVELTY RESTAURANT, (Opposite Post Office), Emporium, Pa. WILLIAM McDONALD, Proprietor. I take pleasure in informing the public that I have purchased the old and popular Novelty Restaurant, located on Fourth street. It will be my endeavor to serve the public in a manner that shall meet with their approbation. Give me a call. Meals and luncheon served at all hours. 36-27-ly Wm. McDONALD.

MAY GOULD, TEACHER OF PIANO, HARMONY AND THEORY, Emporium, Pa. Also dealer in all the Popular sheet Music. Scholarships taught either at my home on Sixth street or at the homes of the pupils. Out of town scholars will be given dates at my room in this place.

DR. LEON REX FELT, DENTIST, Rockwell Block, Emporium, Pa.

DR. H. W. MITCHELL, DENTIST, (Successor to Dr. A. B. Mead.) Office over A. F. Vogt's Shoe Store, Emporium, Pa. 12ly

Card of Thanks.

MR. EDITOR:— Please convey our thanks to all those kind friends, who so nobly assisted and comforted my little daughter in her first and terrible sorrow, the death of J. D. Nelson, her beloved husband. Especially do we wish to thank Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Dickson, Pastor of M. E. Church, of Sinnamahoning, Pa., for their many consoling visits and kind words, which brought my child to Christ.

Mr. C. M. Wykoff, of Sinnamahoning, the undertaker, who had charge of the remains, and his noble wife who took my child into their home for the time that was necessary for her to remain in that place.

The powder workers, Messrs. Van Wert, Ensign, Debuque, Victor Crum, Randolph, Palmer and Johnson, I shall forever feel indebted to each and every one of them, for the noble way they assisted my child.

Her Father, W. T. HODGE, Hannibal, Mo.

Crow Steals Valuable Ring

A pet crow has made its home at Hon. F. X. Blumle's home for some time and last Monday its propensity for stealing things cost Mr. Crow its life. He stole or swallowed a valuable ladies signet ring. "Dr." Wm. Dietzler, (George J. LaBar's upholsterer) promptly administered strong doses, such as cascara, liver pills, gravel, etc., but Jim Crow refused to disgorge. As a final search for the valuable ring the bird was killed and placed on the dissecting board, but as we go to press the post mortem has been postponed until the future.

Notice to Contractors.

We wish to correspond with log jobbers in Pennsylvania, that can stock to railroad, from one million to three million feet in a job. When job is completed, will give new job so jobber will have work from year to year. We have the stocking of the timber on 87,000 acres and pay the best prices. Our work is worth investigating. G. W. HUNTLEY & SON, 23-tf. Shryock, W. Va.

Lost.

A small fox terrier dog, half grown; yellow-brown; answers to the name "Trixy". Any information will be thankfully received, and reasonable reward paid, by leaving the dog at PRESS office.

For Sale.

One \$40.00 side board for \$11.00, one hall back, \$5.00. Also an odd lot of children's underwear, notions, embroidery, &c., at your own price. Please call in the forenoon. MRS. BARDWELL.

A large line of ladies and gents shoes will be sold at a sacrifice to close out the line, not desiring to handle shoes. THOS. W. WELSH, Diehl's Old Stand.

Snake Story.

The following snake story emanates from Sugar Run and was given to the Clinton Republican by a citizen of that section whose veracity is not questioned: William Gable, a farmer who resides about a half mile from the city line, was walking through one of his fields Wednesday morning, accompanied by a large shepherd dog.

Suddenly Mr. Cable noticed a commotion in the tall grass and investigated. He discovered a rattlesnake coiled and ready to strike. His dog also observed the reptile and attacked it. The rattler at once sank its poisonous fangs into the dog's jaw and for a time the dog could not shake the snake away. After it did a battle for life resulted.

The dog again attacked the snake. This time it grabbed the rattler just back of the head and attempted to shake it, but the rattler coiled about the dog's neck and attempted to choke it; at another time it coiled about its legs, but the dog held on in death grip.

In the meantime Mr. Cable ran to a fence to get something to assist in killing the rattler and returned with a club and dispatched the reptile, which was then nearly dead.

The faithful shepherd was hurried home in a weakened condition and in a short time its head was swollen to abnormal proportion and its eyes were entirely closed. It is believed the animal will die from the effects of poison. The snake was over four feet in length.

Close Call.

Last Saturday evening, about 5:30 o'clock, while Geo. Oval and a Mr. Murphy were returning from the farm of John L. Johnson, on the Portage, they had a miraculous escape from death at the railroad crossing just north of town. A freight train was standing near the crossing and view was so obstructed that the occupants of the wagon could not see an approaching engine, which hit the hind wheels of the vehicle and threw both men out, demolishing that part of the wagon. Mr. Oval received some severe bruises about the head, while Mr. Murphy escaped with slight injuries about the body. The horses were not injured.

The Social Swim.

WHIST PARTY.

Mrs. E. M. Hurteau and Mrs. W. B. Thompson entertained in an elaborate style last Thursday afternoon, at the residence of the former. The home was beautifully decorated in yellow and white, while the favors were carnations. About forty ladies were present and our reporter having failed to hand in the "copy," we shall endeavor to give a correct list of the ladies in attendance, gowned as only ladies know how upon occasions of this nature: Mesdames H. S. Lloyd, Geo. Smutz, F. H. Pearsoll, T. F. Moore, Chas. Felt, J. Paul Felt, G. S. Allen, Henry Auchu, C. J. Howard, W. G. Gilbert, A. E. Housler, Geo. Metzger, Jr., Helen Metzger, J. H. Day, Jasper Harris, Frank Shives, J. D. Logan, Chas. Seger, E. E. Forbes, R. A. Eick, Geo. Hurteau, R. H. Lyons, Laura Bryan, Guy D. Felt, W. H. DeLong, W. W. Weiman, B. W. Green, F. G. Judd, C. M. Thomas, Allen Baldwin, Fred Seger, T. H. Norris, Lizzie Hinkle and Miss Jettie Wylie; Mrs. Martin, Westfield, Pa.; Mrs. Walker, Perry, N. Y.; Mrs. E. C. Davison, Johnsonburg, Pa.; Mrs. Potter, New York City. The first prize was awarded to Mrs. J. Paul Felt, while Mrs. Lizzie Hinkle captured the second prize. Elaborate refreshments were served at six o'clock. It was voted a "perfectly lovely time" by all present.

Thirty Cars Daily.

About one hundred cars a week of saw logs are hauled from Mix Run section, this county, every week. It is a burning shame that this timber must go elsewhere to be manufactured.

"We Four Club"

The Misses McQuay last Friday evening entertained the "We Four Club" in honor of their brother Russell, who that day celebrated his 21st birthday. Russell is an exemplary young man and is employed in the office of Emporium Powder Company.

Sunday's Flyer Derailed.

The Buffalo flyer was delayed about three hours last Sunday afternoon on account of a wreck on the eastern division. The engine was derailed by a large rock, which had rolled down the mountain. About three weeks ago the same train was wrecked near Sunbury, while last Sunday a shot was fired through a coach window.

AMOST BRUTAL MURDER

Ora O'Dell Assaults His Faithful Wife, Firing Three Shots Into Her Head.

BRUTE HOLDS HER DOWN WHILE HE SHOOTS.

He Then Fires One Shot into His Own Head—Inflicting Only a Scalp Wound—Wife Dies Within an Hour—O'Dell Arrested and Placed in Jail—Attempts Suicide.

The most horrible crime committed in Emporium for many years startled our people last Thursday afternoon when we stopped the press to announce that Ora O'Dell, of East Emporium, had shot his wife, then turned the gun on himself. While our town has become, in a measure, hardened to the sudden taking away of our citizens, this case being only the second murder ever committed here, it caused great excitement, regret and indignation. The only reason the brute was not lynched was the hope of all that his wound would prove fatal.

THE MURDERER

Ora O'Dell, who seldom of late years worked at his trade or calling, stone mason or plasterer, but devoted most of his time to drink and abusing his wife—it being nothing for him to knock her down, drag her around the house and kick the poor woman unmercifully. Last March the PRESS called attention to the inhuman treatment this poor woman was subjected to and we then hoped he would be locked up and thus prevent just what happened—murder.

Last Wednesday the fiend in human shape went to Stephens & Saunders hardware store and purchased some window screens, a pair of shears and a 22 calibre Iver Johnson revolver, presenting a check (probably given him by his wife). Nothing being noticed out of place by Mr. Saunders he gave the man his change, when he went down town, stopping at Norris & Tompkins, where he purchased a shirt. This was about noon. He secured a bottle of whiskey at the hands of one of those men who are always ready to procure rum if they are sure to get a drink. The following day he hung around the house in his usual sullen mood, until about two o'clock when a gun report and screams startled the neighborhood. What took place in the store can only be guessed at, that his wife refused him more money for drink, when he whipped out his gun, knocked the poor woman to the floor and held her while he fired three shots into her head, the first shot severing the jugular vein—any one of the three would prove fatal. He then turned the gun on himself and fired the shot proving only a scalp wound, but dazed him. The poor woman struggled to her feet and walked to the front door when neighbors met her. This fearful sight was witnessed by little Jennie O'Dell, aged nine years, and a young lad named Bowker, aged about ten. The boy says he saw him standing over the prostrate form of his wife and fire two shots into her head. No attention was paid to the husband, all assistance being rendered the wife, who was rapidly passing away. The dying mother, with great effort, managed to make her mother understand that she wanted them to care for her children. She passed away within one hour from the time the brute who promised to

"love, honor and protect her" had cruelly fired the fatal shots that made two orphan children, and many aching and bleeding hearts. Undertaker LaBar's assistant, Mr. C. W. Rishell took charge of the remains, after the Acting Coroner, Esq., Larrabee with the following jurors viewed the remains and rendered a verdict in accordance with the facts: W. J. Leavitt, J. D. Swoope, Henry Parr, S. E. Huff, W. A. Dalrymple, W. A. Auchu.

The body was promptly removed to the residence of her horrified and grief-stricken mother and sister—Mrs. S. L. Stoddard and Mrs. E. S. Coppersmith—on West Allegany Avenue. Kind neighbors and friends rendered all assistance possible under the circumstances.

Then Sheriff Swoope, who was guarding the murderer, loaded him into a wagon and took him to Esq., Larrabee's office, who read the warrant to him, who replied, "I did it; only get me away." He was committed to jail and his weakened condition has prevented a hearing thus far. Possibly as soon as District Attorney McNarney returns from Detroit the hearing will take place.

THE DEAD WIFE.

May Stoddard-O'Dell was in her thirty-third year. Thirteen years ago last March she was married to O'Dell. Two children—Emery, aged 12, and Jennie, aged nine—are left to mourn. During all these thirteen years the poor woman slaved, prayed, begged and hoped that she could yet prevent a separation. To enumerate the awful ill-treatment and abuse heaped upon this woman by the wretch is sufficient to cause an indignant public to have long ago banished him from our midst. Even his poor children were driven from home and they stood across the street, asking if they "dared come home." The little store, kept by the industrious wife, afforded a good living for the family, she having by hard work built up a good trade. It is the saddest case that ever came under our observation and the degenerate who could not appreciate the sacrifice will, we hope, pay the full penalty of the law.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral took place from the residence of the deceased's mother and sister—Mrs. S. L. Stoddard and Mrs. E. S. Coppersmith—on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Calvin pastor of First Baptist Church, of which the deceased was a devout member. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful, especially those sent by the members of the Baptist Church.

The following relatives and friends from a distance were in attendance: L. E. Runals, Arcade, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Donavon, Millport, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jacobs, Shingle House, Pa.; Mrs. F. C. Watkins, Buffalo, N. Y.

The Outlook.

The crop outlook for this season is now very good. Wheat has not filled out to a full crop, and corn will have to get a hustle to make a full crop. Hay is much above the average, meadows that a month ago promised nothing, now have more than a normal tonnage. Potatoes are looking fine and promise an immense crop. What few early oats were sowed are fine, late oats are beginning to rust, and are backward. Apples are all right now, and those orchards that are kept sprayed probably will stay all right, so as to be a good crop. Altogether it looks like a very good average season. Within the last three weeks all crops have grown wonderfully and are fast catching up for the backward spring.

The above are the observations of Mr. E. L. Mason, on a trip through Cameron, Potter, McKean, Cattaraugus, Allegany and Stuben counties—each county being about equal. He is a practical farmer and close observer.

Noticeable Improvements.

There are numerous noticeable improvements in our town occasioned by the application of a little paint. It makes a wonderful change in appearance some times and adds greatly to the beauty of our town. Let the good work go on. When a stranger strikes a town nothing attracts his attention quicker than property nicely painted and lawns well looked after. While this is generally the way things are done by most of our citizens, there are nevertheless a few places yet that if the weeds were only cut down it would make a wonderful change for the better. Try it.

Unlucky Flyer.

The Erie Flyer ran into a freight train at Ferney, Tuesday morning, wrecking the flyer engine and several cars. About twelve passengers were injured, none seriously, except engineer Mackey, of flyer, whose collar bone was broken. The freight train was a N. Y. C. train that uses the P. & E. tracks at that point.

Jail Full.

Chief Mutersbaugh yesterday brought from Lock Haven Hospital the man Ewing, who was shot in the Nanny Run scrap. He is confined in jail, held as a witness. He also captured J. B. Dean, the missing "baby" of the party and landed him in Fort Swoope. The next term of court will be full of criminal business.

Base Ball.

The base ball club played at Ridgeway on Saturday, and the Ridgeway boys goose egged them—6 to 0.

Emporium and St. Marys split even in a double header played at Keystone Park grounds yesterday afternoon. The home team won the first game by the score of 7 to 6. The Emporium boys played this game with a determination to win and were victorious. Cummings put up an excellent game throughout and is showing up well. O'Connell was put in to pitch the first game but was relieved by Hemphill, who pitched in his old time form—and hit, well, he had his eye on the ball yesterday. Chas. Hookley, who is visiting his parents here is in the game and kept his bat busy as did Liston also. Billings pitched for St. Marys.

The second game opened with Gilbert on the slab, but he was taken out in the third and Hemphill again called in, who pitched fine ball up to the ninth inning when he weakened, allowing St. Marys to win the game, 9 to 5. Emporium had several chances to score but the man at the bat was not equal to the task. The bunt game is all right and works some times, but cannot be depended upon and unless a player is sure will lose four times out of five. With men on second and third the hit is what counts. Young pitched for St. Marys.

ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Murderer O'Dell attempted suicide Tuesday morning, about 2:30 o'clock, by slashing his throat with a piece of tin, torn from a pepper box. Night-watch, Henry Piehenton, himself a prisoner, gave the alarm, which aroused the Sheriff. Dr. H. S. Falk was called and upon examination found the prisoner's throat torn on both sides, besides several cuts on left wrist and forearm. Unfortunately the wounds were not fatal. It is said the prisoner made an attempt to hang himself by using a towel.

Store Changes Hands.

Thos. W. Welsh, for many years engaged in the general merchandise business in Emporium and lately located at DuBois, has purchased the stock of goods in the store formerly conducted by Chas. Diehl. He has taken possession and expects to move his family back to this place in the near future. Mr. Welsh is an industrious, honest and obliging gentleman and no doubt will do a good business, being well acquainted with the trade as well as most of our people. Here's success to you, Thomas.

Chicken Thieves.

If the party who took my chickens, Saturday night, 20th, will drop fifty cents a piece, for each chicken taken, in my mail box, there will be no more about it. MRS. FRANK MOON.

Escaped From Stone Pile.

William Zuber and Harry Brown, who were sentenced to thirty days each on the stone pile, made their escape Saturday afternoon.—William sport Sun.

THE WEATHER.

FRIDAY, Showers. SATURDAY, Showers. SUNDAY, Fair. ASSETS

First National Bank, EMPORIUM, PA. At the close of business July 24th, 1907. \$874,384.64 To Your Advantage.

The People from all classes recognize the importance of doing business with this Bank. It helps the small boy and girl to save, the laborer and farmer to pay their bills by check and the manufacturer to keep the wheels of industry going. \$1.00 starts an account that gives you advantages to carry on your financial matters. INTEREST PAID ON CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.

BAD GANG ARRESTED.

Two Half-Breed Indian Women and Man Assault and Shoot Woodsman.

A shooting match took place on Nanny Run, near Driftwood, last Friday, at a house known as Barclay's old camp, where two half-breed Indian women live with one Judson Shelby alias Cooper and another man. Barton Ewing of Richardville, Jefferson county, stopped at the house for a short time and when leaving was fired on by the men, two shots taking effect in one of Ewing's legs. Ewing claims they robbed him of \$205. The injured man is now confined in Lock Haven hospital. Chief of Police Mutersbaugh of Driftwood got on the trail of the gang and captured them on Monday evening, bringing them to Emporium Tuesday morning where they were committed to jail. "Bud" says his prisoners are a tough lot.

Handsome Homes But Miserable Street.

The property owners on West Fifth and Vine streets complain bitterly of the neglected condition of their streets, and justly too. We took a walk over the route on Monday and we must confess they have reason for complaint. With handsome homes on both sides of the street and improvements being continually made it seems queer that these streets, as well as others, are neglected. Our Borough Fathers should take more pride in our town than they do and make improvements as rapidly as the means will permit.

Gone South Again.

After spending a few weeks with his family at this place, W. A. Dalrymple departed last Sunday for White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., where he accepts a position as saw filer with a large lumber company. W. A. is a good mill man and always makes himself agreeable and companionable. If he don't like you he will say so; if he is your friend he will stick until the last button breaks.

NOTES OF INTEREST.

Big bargains in ladies and gents shoes. THOS. W. WELSH.

Class No. 1, of the Presbyterian Sunday School will serve ice cream on the lawn of F. G. Judd, Wednesday evening, July 31.

Frank Shives has laborers at work excavating for his new brick business block on North side of Fourth street.

Jos. Lechner has commenced remodeling work on his store building. He will raise it and put in a new front, also lay concrete walk.

The attendance at the Theaterium increases nightly. The management are putting a nice clean class of pictures and no one need fear to send their children. Only 5c admission.

Chicken thieves have been operating quite extensively about town lately. Keep your fowls locked up and your eyes open for these parties and make an example of the scoundrels if it has to be done with a shot gun.

It is claimed the skin of a muskrat worn on the chest will cure the asthma and has saved a man from the grave. Vice versa the "skin" of a "skunk," one who contracts a debt and refuses to pay it—a most beautiful scented animal, has "worn" out more men and sent more souls to the poor house and the grave broken hearted than any other living being.

The PITTSBURGH LIFE & TRUST COMPANY has an opening for an experienced life insurance man, capable of supervising agents in this county. Liberal salary and expense arrangement for the right party. State age, full particulars as to past business experience and references. Address home office, Pittsburgh, Pa. 23-1f.

Lady Maccabees.

The usual monthly entertainment will take place at the Lodge room next Tuesday evening.