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FIRE AT DRIFTWOOD

The Mitchell Block, a Three Story Brick Destroyed on Monday Morning.

About five o'clock on Monday morning, fire was discovered on the third floor of the Mitchell brick block, located next to Riley's Hotel. Mrs. Mitchell, aroused by the breaking of glass, was the first to discover the flames, which were bursting from a room just outside of their sleeping apartment. She quickly aroused all of the family, gave the alarm and without waiting to dress hurried to leave the building with the two younger boys, the smaller of which was seriously ill and had to be carried from the building by the mother, while the daughter gathered the few articles of clothing which were saved. The two older sons took charge of their father who has been very ill greater part of the winter, and who was not yet able to leave his rooms. They barely escaped as the flames had cut off their exit through the hall, it was only by making their way through some clothes presses that they could find their way out. Some help had arrived and after the family were safe, efforts were made to save the building.

The two hose companies of the town soon arrived and did excellent service, but on account of the outside of the building being perfectly fire proof, it was also water proof and so no effect could be made on the fire from the outside. The inside was so completely filled with smoke that no one was able to remain long enough to accomplish anything from there. All that could be done was to prevent the adjoining buildings from burning.

The Driftwood hose companies did all that could be done, but fearing that the water supply might not last, a dispatch was sent for the Renovo fire engine, which arrived about 6:30, after the fire was under control.

The building and all it contained, with the exception of a few paintings and articles was destroyed. The loss will not only be felt by the family, but by the town as well. Part of the second floor had been fitted up for an opera house and the loss of this will be keenly felt by the whole town. It is thought that the fire originated from matches which had been carried by rats. The building was insured for \$10,000 or \$11,000. The loss on building, furniture, stock, etc., is very heavy, possibly \$15,000.

New Wholesale Company Formed.

A new company that will absorb that of H. D. Burlingame & Co., wholesale dealers in confectionery, fruit and cigars, has been formed in the city, and will be chartered under the laws of the commonwealth. Mr. Burlingame's business has been steadily expanding during the past few years until it has reached a point where it is necessary to widen its scope and facilities so a new company has been formed and the capital stock greatly increased.

The new company has organized by the election of the following officers: President, A. L. Forcey; vice president, William C. Spackman; secretary, Lloyd I. Shirey; treasurer and general manager, H. D. Burlingame. Mr. Forcey is a prominent banker of Clearfield, while Mr. Spackman is a prominent business man of Bigler.

The headquarters of the new company will be at the Burlingame stand at 1005 Eleventh street, at least for some time. The company will handle cigars, fruits and confectionery, and it is the intention of the members of the firm to embark in the manufacturing of candy later on.

Mr. Burlingame will continue in the active management of the business. Application will be made for a charter on March 29.—Altoona, Pa., Gazette.

We are glad to note another Cameron county boy, as will be seen from the above, continues to climb up in the world. Success to you, "Homer," we feel sure is the wish of every Cameron boy.

Delighted With Harrisburg.

Mrs. Walter Morrison returned to Emporium from Harrisburg last Friday afternoon, where she had been spending several weeks with her husband, who is employed in the Folding and Pasting Department of the Legislature. Mrs. Morrison is very loud in her praise of the new capitol building and says that the architect deserves a pension instead of being censured. In company with Mrs. Fred Dinny, Mrs. Morrison made the Press office a social and business call last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Morrison will go to Harrisburg in a few days and will spend some more time taking in the sights.

That Western Explosion.

The following account of the great explosion at Pleasant Prairie, Wis., last week, is sent us by a former resident of this county, Mr. Ed. Tracey, whom many of our readers will remember. The article is copied from the Kenosha Evening News of March 9th:

The big plant of the Laffin-Rand Powder Company at Pleasant Prairie in this county was completely wrecked by an explosion at half past eight o'clock this evening, and with it the town of Pleasant Prairie, and much of the surrounding territory was devastated. Scores of people sustained minor injuries as a result of the explosion, but as far as can be learned only one man met his death. Deputy Sheriffs are patrolling the territory about the ruined plant to protect people from going near it, and there is no chance to get absolute information from the plant to-night.

Clarence Brady, the superintendent of the plant, escaped with slight injuries and seventeen other men employed at the plant had remarkable escapes from death. These men, burned and bleeding, lined up outside the ruins of the plant after the fourth explosion had thrown the wheel house into the air, and it was noticed that E. S. Thompson, commonly known as the "old man," was missing. Thompson was in the Glace mill at the time of the explosion and with him was Edward Hillard. By some miracle Hillard escaped.

The men working in the soda house some distance from the place where the first explosion occurred, were thrown into the air, several of them lighting on the office of the plant. These men, charred by the burning powder, crawled on their hands and knees to safety. They managed to fight their way through the flames and the twisted machinery that littered the ground to the village and sought aid. The conditions were such that no one could approach the burning mills which cover many acres of land, and the men in charge of the plant declared, an hour after the explosion, that it would be impossible to go near the ruins of the plant until to-morrow morning.

While the great plant of the company is a complete loss, this is only a portion of the loss caused by the explosion, as the village of Pleasant Prairie with its seven hundred people is devastated. Not a house remains intact in the village and the people are homeless, walking the streets, wringing their hands and seeking shelter for the night. Many of them sustaining slight injuries but it is certain that none of the people of the village were killed. The houses however were torn down, whole sides being torn out of some of the houses. Many of the people were thrown into the streets and scores were stunned by the force of the explosion.

Post Card Shower.

Last Sunday, Mrs. L. L. Lay, of this place, matron of The Warner, celebrated her 69th birthday. The many friends of Mrs. Lay at this place and surrounding towns remembered the event by presenting her with a post card shower. She was the recipient of over eighty cards. Mrs. Lay was a former resident of Coudersport, having come to Emporium several years ago. The Press wishes this estimable and energetic lady many happy returns of the day.

Tales of an Old Hunter.

Our young friend, Rile Prosser, of Sizerville, published a very entertaining four column illustrated article, entitled, "Tale of an old hunter in the days of the primeval forests of Cameron county," in the Buffalo Illustrated Express, of March 12th. The article was the "doings" of our old friend, E. D. Sizer, of Sizerville, Pa., now in his 87th year. We regret we do not have the space to publish the interesting and well written article.

Wonderful Record.

A report has just been issued by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company giving accident statistics for the years 1908, 1909 and 1910, for the Pennsylvania Lines east of Pittsburgh and Erie, Pa. It shows that not one passenger out of 136,000,000 carried on the company's trains in 1910 was killed in a train accident.

Gone to Bermuda.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Mattley, of this place, left on Tuesday for Bermuda to enjoy the sunny clime for several weeks. Mr. Mattley being a practical civil engineer expects to extend their visit to Panama in order to explore the great canal. This must be a delightful trip at this season of the year.

Has Become a Benedict.

Mr. George A. Walker, of this place, departed for Oil City on Tuesday afternoon and on Wednesday evening, at nine thirty o'clock, was united in marriage to Miss Frances Cordie, a resident of that city, at the home of the bride's parents. Mrs. Walker has visited Emporium several times, guest of Mrs. Fred N. Seger and has made many friends in town, who will welcome her to our midst. Mr. Walker needs no introduction to our town's people. Having spent almost his entire life here, he is familiar with all and is known by all. After a short bridal tour the happy couple will be at home at the Walker residence on Fourth street within a week. The Press extends its hearty congratulations and best wishes for a happy and prosperous journey through life. Several friends of the contracting parties from Emporium were in attendance at the wedding.

Congressman Barclay on Canadian Reciprocity.

We read with considerable interest the able address delivered by Congressman Chas. F. Barclay before retiring from Congress, the speech being delivered Feb. 14, 1911. We cordially endorse his sentiments. While the Press editor does not put up his opinions against those of President Taft and other Protectionists, we believe in protection and are too old in this belief to change our views at this late day. If Reciprocity with Canada wins out, we do not believe it will last any longer than the Wilson bill did and that it will be just as unpopular. We only wish we had the space to give Congressman Barclay's speech in full, but we have not.

Mark Ellis, Jr., Married.

Announcement of the marriage of Miss Emma Taylor, of Brookville, Pa., and Mr. Mark O. Ellis, Jr., of Binghamton, N. Y., formerly of this place, has been made. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents at Brookville, Friday, March 3rd. Captain Ellis is the son of our respected townspeople, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Ellis, Sr. He is a very worthy young man and enjoys the respect and confidence of all. The Press extends best wishes for a happy and prosperous journey over life's sea.

Dedicated to the "Croaker."

"Bury the croaker out in the woods in a beautiful hole in the ground, where the woodpecker pecks and the bumble bee hums and the straddle bug straddles around. He is no good to city push—too unpractical, stingy and dead, but he wants the whole earth and all of its crust and the stars that shine overhead. Then hustle him off to the bumblebee's roost and bury him deep in the ground; he's no use here, get him out of the way, and make room for the man that is sound." Shakespeare didn't write this and we do not know who did, but it is all right, equally applicable in all places and fills the bill admirably.—Oil City Blizzard.

The University Society.

The University Society will meet in the Republican Club Rooms, on Monday evening, May 29th, at 8:00 o'clock. The subject for the evening is Political Economy. Meetings will be held hereafter on the third Monday evening of each month.

C. E. PLASTERER Leader.

Baked Bean and Brown Bread Supper.

The ladies of the Baptist Church will serve a Baked Bean and Brown Bread Supper on Thursday evening, March 24, beginning at five-thirty, until all are served.

Ice Cream Social.

There will be an ice cream social at the Moore Hill school house, Saturday evening, March 18th. Proceeds for the benefit of school. The social will be preceded by a short entertainment. Come and bring your friends.

Rooms for Rent.

Furnished rooms, single or en suite. Mrs. Seth J. Hackett, over East Emporium Post Office. 49-1st

Strictly Fresh.

Strictly fresh oysters at John McDonald's, next door to Metzger's Jewelry store. Try them.

MEN and WOMEN, sell guaranteed hose, 70 per cent. profit. Make \$10 daily. Full or part time. Beginners investigate. Wear Proof, 3038 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. 51-13t.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

ADAMS.

Lottie Adams, aged seven years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Adams, Cherry street, died at the home of her parents early last Friday morning. The cause of her death was diphtheria. The little child was only ill a few days. Owing to the contagious disease the funeral was strictly private and took place on Saturday morning. Interment was made in the Newton-Wiley Cemetery. The parents have the sympathy of their many friends in their affliction.

HICKOK.

Rhoda R. Hickok, aged six years, eight months and 21 days, one of the interesting little daughters of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hickok, died last Thursday at the home of her parents, at East Emporium, from the effects of pneumonia and lung trouble. She has been a patient sufferer for several weeks. The funeral was held at the home of the parents, Wiley Avenue, last Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. Rev. J. F. Anderson, pastor of the M. E. Church officiated. Interment was made in the Wiley Annex of the Newton Cemetery. C. W. Rishell had charge of the funeral. The Press extends its sympathy to the bereaved parents. Those present at the funeral from out of town were: Messrs. G. T. Dixon, Westboro, Wis.; Elmer Hickok, Clearfield, Pa., and Henry Palmateer, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

OSTRUM.

Mrs. Sadie Ostrum, wife of Mr. Raymond S. Ostrum, died at the family home on the Portage last Friday morning. Deceased has been a sufferer for many months with the dread malady, dropsy, and her death was not unexpected. Deceased was married twice, the first husband being Mr. Sylvester Doll. By this union three children were born, the late Mrs. Allen Russell, Mr. Samuel Doll and Mrs. Grace Morton-Waddington. Later she was united in marriage to Mr. R. S. Ostrum who, with the children, by the first marriage, survive the wife and mother. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon and was very largely attended, many friends following the remains to their last resting place. Rev. J. F. Anderson, conducted the services at the home and grave. Interment was made in the Russell private cemetery, on the Four Mile, beside the remains of her daughter, who died a few months ago. She was a faithful wife and a most dutiful mother, and was ever anxious for the welfare of her family. Mr. C. W. Rishell had charge of the funeral. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the Press.

TAGGART.

The funeral of Mrs. Almada Taggart, whose obituary we published in our last issue, took place from the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. P. McNamee on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. J. F. Anderson, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church conducted the services. A quartette composed of Miss Bessie Kackemeister, Mrs. John Kackemeister, Messrs. Clifton Larrabee and H. A. Cox rendered the music. The obsequies were very largely attended by sorrowing relatives and friends. Interment was made in Newton Cemetery. C. W. Rishell had charge of the funeral. Casket bearers were selected from the neighbors and were Messrs. R. M. Overhiser, M. T. Hogan, F. P. Rentz, Henry Ludlam, John Pepperman and Daniel Bisel. Many friends followed the remains to their last resting place.

Those present at the funeral from out of town were Mrs. Hollis Waterman, (daughter), of Elkhardt, Ind.; Mrs. Alice Wamsley, Ridgway, Pa.; Mrs. Annie Burt, Shinglehouse, Pa.; Mrs. Mary Earl, Mrs. Martha Smith and Miss Lulu Lewis, Sterling Run, Pa.; Mr. Theodore Ritchie and daughter, Mrs. Charles Lion, St. Marys, Pa.; Mrs. George Dyke and children, of Kittanning, Pa., and Miss Jean McNamee, who is attending State College.

TOOHEY.

The residents of Emporium were greatly shocked last Saturday morning to hear of the very sudden death of Mr. Daniel Toohey, aged 34 years, which occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Nellis, on Woodland avenue, with whom he boarded for a long time, at 7:30 o'clock. His death was very unexpected, having been around town on Friday evening. He was stricken with heart trouble and never rallied. Mr. Toohey was a native of Ireland, having come to this country 12 years ago. The remains

were taken to the home of his sister, Mrs. John Mulcahey, Sixth street, from which place the funeral was held on Monday morning, proceeding to St. Mark's Roman Catholic church, where High Mass was celebrated at nine o'clock, by the Rev. Father T. B. Downey, Rector of the church, who preached a very able sermon, full of sympathy for the bereaved family, taking as his text, "Watch and Pray; be ye always ready for ye know not what hour the Son of Man cometh." Deceased was a quiet, unassuming young man and was well liked by all who knew him. He was generous to a fault and was a friend who could be relied upon. Deceased is survived by his aged mother, two sisters and one brother, Mrs. John Mulcahy of this place; Mrs. Martin Conley of Elkland, Pa.; and Mr. Michael Toohey of South Amboy, N. J. Interment was made in St. Mark's Cemetery. Casket bearers were members of the Knights of Columbus, of which order deceased was a member. Mr. Bernard Egan was funeral director. Relatives from out of town in attendance at the funeral were the mother and brother, Michael of South Amboy, N. J., Mrs. Martin Conley, sister, of Elkland, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Mulcahy, of St. St. Marys. The Press extends its sympathy to the family and relatives.

Sartwell House Burned.

Last Monday morning at an early hour the Sartwell House, at Port Allegany, was totally destroyed by fire. It is thought that the fire originated in the kitchen of the hostelry and being a frame building the flames spread very rapidly. The guests all escaped in safety, but many had to abandon their wearing apparel and only escaped in their night clothing. This popular hotel has been in existence for upwards to sixty years and was known to almost every traveling man in Pennsylvania. Mr. C. S. King was the proprietor and had just about completed negotiations for the sale and transfer of the property to Mr. M. J. O'Brien, of Troy, N. Y. A few years ago this hotel was remodeled and made up-to-date in every particular. The loss is estimated at \$50,000, partly covered by insurance. It is a great loss to Mr. King and his family. The Press has been reliably informed that the hotel will not be rebuilt. Mr. King has opened up for business in a hotel directly opposite the site of the burned building. Mr. O'Brien, who was to have purchased the Sartwell House, arrived in town the day of the fire, just in time to see the smoking ruins. The Press and the large number of friends in this section certainly deeply sympathize with Mr. King in his severe loss. Being of an indomitable will power, Mr. King will soon be on deck, as smiling as a maiden.

Good Roads Train Very Popular.

The Good Roads Train is meeting with a cordial reception where ever it stops. Our townsman, William H. Howard, who is visiting at Shenandoah, writes us his impression of the popular movement. We publish what Mr. Howard says:

HON. H. H. MULLIN,
Emporium Pa.

DEAR SIR:—

I have just come from visiting the Good Roads Train, which was scheduled for this town to-day and I was very much pleased with the lectures, stereopticon views, photographs, samples of roads, road machinery, etc. There are five cars in the train, one passenger car for use of those traveling with the train, the next for giving lectures and showing the lantern views, next for displaying samples of roads and their construction, including material, and for hanging up the photographs. The next two cars are open flats, on which is exhibited road construction machinery. I think the people of Cameron county will make a mistake if they do not come out and attend the lectures and see the exhibits given and shown by the Good Roads Train when it comes to Emporium. If there is a county that needs Good Roads any more than Cameron county I do not know where it is. I think the time allowed for the train to stop is very short but I suppose it is given all the time that can be allowed under the circumstances. So urge the people to be on hand promptly upon arrival of train.

Yours truly,
W. H. HOWARD.

Twin Girls.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Powers, of Garry, Ind., are rejoicing over the arrival of twin daughters, who were born March 6th. Mrs. Powers will be remembered as Miss Mayme Hennessey, formerly of this place.

THE WEATHER.

FRIDAY, Fair.

SATURDAY, Fair.

SUNDAY, Fair.

ASSETS
First National Bank,
EMPORIUM, PA.
At the close of business, March 15, 1911
\$856,928.00.

The Prudent Man.

The man who would be successful will provide some means of systematic savings—"prudence is the parent of success," and the man who exercises prudence is the man who is leaving a portion of his salary with this bank in the form of a Saving Account. We add the interest every six months. "Procrastination is the thief of time" and it behooves every man to save during his youth and middle age that he may be independent in old age. Do it now.

\$1.00 Starts an Account.
3% INTEREST PAID ON SAVING BOOK ACCOUNTS AND CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.

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

DR. H. W. MITCHELL,
DENTIST,
Office over A. F. Vogt's Shoe Store
Emporium, Pa. 12y

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Announcements under this head must be signed by the candidate and paid in advance to insure publication.

For County Treasurer.

E. H. GREGORY,
Emporium, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the Primary Election.

J. A. FISHER, Emporium, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

JOHN McDONALD, Driftwood, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

For County Commissioner
O. B. TANNER, Gibson Township.
Subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the Primary Election. P. O. Address Driftwood.

JOHN W. LEWIS, Shippen Township.
P. O. Address:—Emporium, Pa., R. F. D.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

S. P. KRIDER, Driftwood, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

J. A. DICE, Lumber Township.
P. O. Address:—Sterling Run, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

WM. L. LOGUE, Gibson Township.
P. O. Address:—Driftwood, Pa., R. F. D.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

FRANKLIN HOUSLER, Emporium, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

For Sheriff.
ANSON O. SWARTWOOD, Emporium, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

JAMES W. WYKOFF, Gibson Township.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election. P. O. Address Shippenahoning, Pa.

JOHN D. SWOPE, Emporium, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

W. M. CARTER, Shippen Township.
P. O. Address, Emporium, Pa., R. F. D.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

For Associate Judge.
GEO. J. LABAR, Emporium, Pa.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

For Supervisor.
JOSEPH STRAICH, of Shippen Twp.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election. P. O. Address, Emporium, Pa.

BURTON HOUSLER, Shippen Township.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

For Constable and Collector.
ELIHU CHADWICK, Shippen Township.
P. O. Address, Emporium, Pa., R. F. D.
Subject to the decision of the Republican electors at the Primary Election.

Weekly Lenten Services at Emmanuel Church.

Services are held on Wednesday and Friday evenings in the Church at 7:30 o'clock.

Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock prayer and readings with the Women of the Parish in the Parish House.

Saturday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock an hour with the young people in the Parish House.

Creditable Appointment.
Jos. A. Friendel has been appointed constable and collector to fill vacancy caused by the death of John Glenn "Joe" will make an efficient officer, we firmly believe. He is young and active, as well as very competent. It is a just recognition.

For Rent.
Five room house, West Fourth street. Apply to Jas. Davin. 51-tf.