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HE DIES GAME!

**THE DROP IS SPRUNG AT
 11:08—DEAD AT 11:28.**

**Alfred Andrews Pays
 the Penalty of his
 Awful Crime.**



ALFRED ANDREWS.

THE EXECUTION.

BELLEVILLE, PA., APRIL 9, 1890,
 Alfred Andrews was this morning ex-
 ecuted in the yard of the Centre County
 jail.

The last hours spent by him were in
 devotional exercises. In his prayers
 this morning he asked the Lord to bless
 Clara Price's father and mother, and
 hoped to meet her in Heaven and ex-
 pected to shake her hand and ask to be
 forgiven.

THE PROCESSION.

The procession started from his cell
 at 10:40. First came the prisoner be-
 tween Revs. Houck and Eminheiser,
 then followed Rev. Sarvis, next the
 Sheriff, choristers and deputies.

On his way to the scaffold he waved
 "good by" to friends he recognized in
 the crowd.

He mounted the steps to the scaffold
 with a firm step.

When on the platform he faced the
 assemblage with the sheriff on the left,
 and Revs. Houck and Sarvis to the
 right. He asked for a glass of water
 which was given him.

He then said if his salvation depend-
 ed on the disposition of the crowd be-
 fore him, he "would be cast into a lake
 of fire, but by the grace of God am
 saved."

He then read the 14th chapter of Ro-
 mans in a strong, firm voice, with fre-
 quent comments, in which he became
 enthusiastic.

At the close of his reading he appeal-
 ed to the people to repent, and said:
 "I am sorry I took the life of that girl,
 and hope to meet her in Heaven."

He said further: "I never knew a
 father, mother, sister, or brother's love,
 and if I did not have the love of God in
 my heart I could not stand here and ad-
 dress you thus." Then he prayed pen-
 itently, closing with the Lord's Prayer
 in which all joined.

Then giving his attendants good-bye,
 he turned to Wm. Cann of Phillipsburg
 and said, "When you get home tell your
 wife that I am in Heaven!"

At 11:07 the black cap was drawn
 and at 11:08 the trap was sprung. A
 few convulsions were noticed.

The drop was 7 feet and his neck
 was broken.

Drs. Harris, Tobin and Christ pro-
 nounced life extinct at 11:28—20 min-
 utes after. The body was cut down at
 11:37 and given in charge of the under-
 taker, Solomon Confer, of Milesburg.

Rain fell in torrents during the exe-
 cution.

Over 500 witnessed the affair.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Heavy rain fell during the night and
 until 9 a. m. Andrews arose at 5:30
 and dressed. At 6 a. m. Andrews partook
 of a breakfast of eggs, toast, pota-
 toes and coffee. His appetite was still
 good. He then got his Bible and read
 for some time. He then went to his
 cell door and called all the prisoners to
 come out. He then read a chapter
 from the Bible and sang and prayer was
 offered. After that he talked to them
 upon his misfortunes and spoke strong-

ly of intemperance and strong drink be-
 ing the cause of his downfall and ruin
 and ultimately was the cause of his ter-
 rible deed. He strongly urged them to
 repent and lead Christian lives in the
 future and then bade them farewell.

Many of the prisoners were moved to
 tears by his touching remarks.

His spiritual advisers, Revs. Houck
 and Sarvis, and Prof. Lovel Meyers
 and a few others, went with him to his
 cell and prayed and sang with him for
 over an hour.

At 8:30 Deputy Wilson read the death
 warrant—he took it very coolly.

A bottle of ginger ale was presented
 to him by J. A. Whiteman and he
 drank all of it.

His last meal was served at 9:30 and
 he ate heartily. He says he never felt
 better and stronger and looks it.

HOW TUESDAY PASSED.

Andrews Writes Farewell Letters to the
 Prisoners.

Tuesday was a busy day for Alfred
 Andrews as he spent much of his time
 writing farewell letters to his fellow
 prisoners and friends. He arose at half-
 past six and partook of a hearty break-
 fast. After that he began writing his
 letters. The following is a copy of the
 one sent to each person:

DEAR FRIEND:—In laying the Bible
 aside and from that precious book I
 find words of comfort for a few more
 hours from the writing of this letter.
 I will enjoy what I have read in that
 holy book. Kind friends I now warn
 you from the darkness which you are in
 and I hope that when you get out into
 the world again that you will give up
 all sin for it is the imp of the Devil.
 Now kind friend give in to what I say
 and you will inherit eternal life. God
 be with you in my prayer.

From your unfortunate friend,
 ALFRED ANDREWS.

Farewell kind friend, farewell.

HE MAKES PRESENTS.

When he finished writing he called
 the Sheriff and gave him a handful of
 collar buttons to give to each prisoner.

At about 10 he strolled about the pris-
 on and pulled out his watch and said,
 "It is half past ten, this time tomorrow
 I'll be no more." A number of visitors
 stayed with him until dinner when he
 partook of a hearty meal. He smoked
 after that and read his bible until 3 p.
 m. A visitor read Monks' confession to
 which he remarked, "That is pretty
 good."

He was then presented with a box of
 flowers by a friend. He requested that
 they be placed on his coffin after the
 execution.

The remainder of the day was spent
 in devotional exercises. A prisoner
 soon brought him his meal and said:
 "Alfred this is your last supper." He
 was much affected but ate with a relish.
 Rev. Sarvis, his spiritual adviser, called
 and spent an hour with him.

The county commissioners and others
 then came and stayed with Andrews
 until 11. Mr. W. W. Cann, of Phillips-
 burg, then called. He is an English-
 man and comes from near Andrews'
 old home. Andrews chatted with him
 until 12, telling him many things to tell
 his (Andrews) friends when Mr. Cann
 returns to England.

Andrews and the watchman remain-
 ed until 1 a. m., talking, when he
 retired. He slept soundly until 6:30
 Wednesday morning.

ANDREWS' COFFIN

arrived at the jail at 7:30 p. m. and was
 placed in one of the lower cells. Five
 minutes later he was taken down to see
 it. When he stepped in the cell the
 sight of it made him quiver and he
 grew deadly pale. He said it was nice
 and then requested to see the inside.
 The lid was removed by the undertaker.
 He placed his hand on the trimming and
 said: "It is pretty," and was led away.
 Soon after Rev. Houck and others came
 and conducted devotional exercises with
 the prisoner until 10 o'clock.

The Jury.

The following is a list of men selected
 by the sheriff to pass upon the execu-
 tion and make return to the Court that
 Alfred Andrews was hanged according to
 law. They are:

- S. R. Pringle, Port Matilda; O. E.
 Miller, Milesburg; A. L. Katherman,
 Centre Hall; Isaac Smith, Gregg twp.;
 M. Miner, Howard; G. G. Matern,
 Matternville; Abraham Trimble, Phil-
 lipsburg; H. M. Walker, Roland;
 Christ Decker, Zion; C. M. Bower,
 Belleville; Geo. Hastings, Belleville
 and Geo. R. Boak, Pine Glenn.

Andrews' Burial.

There seems to be a sentiment among
 most people against the interment of a
 murderer's body in a cemetery. As An-
 drews had no friends in this section no
 one asked to have the remains for burial.
 It fell upon the commissioners to see
 that his remains were properly disposed
 of. The Belleville cemetery would not
 admit it. Next they applied to Miles-
 burg, but were likewise refused. The
 undertaker, Confer of Milesburg, finally
 settled the matter and will give him his
 six feet of ground on the ridges back of
 Milesburg.

The Crime.

The details of the crime have been
 given in full heretofore but it may not
 be amiss to give it again in a brief
 sketch.

It was on the 27th of November, that
 Clara Price left the house of Eugene



CLARA PRICE.

Meeker, in Burnside township, to go to
 Karthaus, about two miles distant to do
 some shopping and visit her parents.

She was seen passing down that road
 that morning by different persons. Some
 few minutes after, a man wearing a black
 derby hat and light colored suit with
 short coat was seen walking down the
 road in the direction. Several persons
 saw him and noticed a peculiar-
 ity in his walk and others recognized
 him as Alfred Andrews, a young man
 who had lived at Karthaus some time
 before. The last person who saw Clara
 going down the road that morning was
 Mrs. Watson, who lives in the last house
 from where the deed was committed.
 When he saw Clara last she noticed the
 same man going the same direction and
 a short distance behind.

A short distance on the road enters
 the woods and winds about. That morn-
 ing James Marsteller, William Oswald
 and James Bechdel went down that road
 and when a mile beyond Watson's house
 and in the woods, they found the body
 of the girl lying in the middle of the
 road. She lay faced downward and
 blood came from her mouth. The body
 was still warm but she was dead. They
 at once went to Karthaus and gave the
 alarm.

Squire Rankin soon arrived on the
 ground and made a careful examination
 of the surroundings. He found two kind
 of tracks: small tracks which were those
 of Clara Price, and larger ones which
 measured ten and one half inches, and
 evidently were those of a man. The
 man's tracks came up the road and then
 turned a thicket and then came out
 again to where they found the body of
 the young girl's tracks; for some distance
 the tracks were very irregular and indi-
 cated that a scuffle followed. From there
 to where the body lay her tracks indicated
 that she had broken loose and started to
 run and was shot down. The man's
 tracks came up to the body and on a
 short distance and into the woods.

An inquest was held and it showed
 that she came to her death from a pistol
 shot which entered her back, cut the
 pulmonary artery and caused instant
 death.

A half an hour later Andrews was seen
 at Moyer's lumber job about a mile dis-
 tant and pretended to be after work but
 left without seeing the foreman. From
 there he went to his home, Bristin
 Clearfield county.

The news of the murder soon spread
 through the community and after the
 story of Mrs. Watson was known they
 came to the conclusion that Andrews
 must have been the guilty man. De-
 tective Harry Simler, of Phillipsburg,
 arrested Alfred Andrews, at his home
 in Bristin, the following Sunday and he
 was at once brought to Belleville and
 held for trial.

The evidence was mostly circumstan-
 tial during the trial, but after a long
 and tedious trial he was found guilty of
 murder in the first degree, after the jury
 rendered their verdict he made a full
 and complete confession of the crime.

Andrews' Swing.

Andrews, the murderer of Clara
 Price, was hung at Belleville, on Wed-
 nesday forenoon. Quite a large crowd
 was in town, the not as many people as
 when Hopkins was hung.

There were more passes issued than
 for the hanging of Hopkins, and more
 than were ever given out to any execu-
 tion known in this state. The sheriff
 seemed utterly indifferent to the im-
 propriety of his conduct and deaf to the
 demands for decency on the part of the
 people. Passes were in the hands of
 every shade of characters, by the scores
 —the entire number reaching upwards
 of 400—in this regard the execution was
 a simple repetition of the circus that was
 indecently made of the hanging of
 Hopkins.

—Last Friday afternoon brought a
 thunder gust.

—Lewins makes suits to order, par-
 ties can select their own goods from
 samples. Satisfaction guaranteed in all
 respects, and at prices 25 per cent lower
 than elsewhere.

—Big stock of new suits, for spring,
 at Lewins, head quarters for low prices
 and genuine goods—no shoddy or auc-
 tion stock. The Philadelphia Branch
 always leads.

—Have you been to A. C. Mingle's
 shoe store in the Brockerhoff house at
 Belleville? Never missing going there when
 at Belleville, he always has something
 new and offers none but genuine goods,
 which he warrants. For low prices in
 boots and shoes Mingle's is the place.

WM. WOLF & SON,

At Wolf's this week you will find a new and de-
 sirable stock of Gents Furnishing goods. New
 Spring Hats. Caps for Boys and Girls, Outing
 Shirts, and the finest lot of Neck Wear in the valley.

EVERY DAY adds new cus-
 tomers to our mail order de-
 partment. One order asks,
 "Are all those pretty low-pri-
 ced Challi gone?" We answer
 no, and say that you must or-
 der soon if you want them. No
 prettier styles come in the 50c.
 goods that ars copied in our
 6c. and 8c. Challis. No auc-
 tion stuff, *all first-class*
goods. A letter from War-
 rensburg, Missouri, says, "Send
 me 3 yards of that beautiful
 Table Linen that my sister
 wrote about." Missouri is a
 good way off, but we have had
 orders from the far Pacific
 coast for little notions that
 could not be had there. An-
 other letter from Lemont says,
 "Please cut off and keep until
 called for eight (8) yards of that
 lovely six cent Challi." We
 might go on for a day and
 write like the above. We so-
 licit your mail order and promise
 express prompt and careful atten-
 tion. In case of funeral in the
 country it is no unusual thing
 for us to get the order for
 black Gloves, Ruching, Bonnet
 and Veil Pins, Henrietta
 Dress, black Dacco Linen,
 Nuns Veiling, etc.

Our 5cc., 38 in. wide, all
 wool striped Flannels are beau-
 ties. Write to us for anything
 you want in the Glove line.
 New China and Bric-a-Brac
 for wedding presents, Lace
 Curtains, a very pretty one, for
 \$1 a pair, equal to the regular
 \$1.40 goods. The lowest Pole
 we offer, 30c. Compare it
 with what others ask 40c.

GARMANS.

Belleville.

—H. D. Vanpelt is on the sick
 list.

—Ask at your store for Calla Lily
 flour—it is No. 1.

—Our doctors have had plenty to
 do all winter.

—Ask your store keeper for Calla
 Lily flour, and get a No. 1 article.

—Simon Loeb's new clothing store
 opposite the Conrad house, is the place
 for bargains in men and boys' suits.

—like Harpster, George Rowe,
 James Coldron, Dr. Jacobs, were the
 Centre Hall representatives at the exe-
 cution, Wednesday.

—The elegant new shoe store, of Mr
 Gillam, in the Crider Block, Belleville
 should be visited to see his stock and
 variety of boots and shoes for all ages
 and sexes.

—An old subscriber to the REPORTEK
 securing a new name, and each paying
 one year in advance, both will get the
 Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph one year
 as a premium.

—Lewins is piling up spring
 clothing, all new stock, for men and
 boys. He has the largest and best as-
 sortment in Belleville and at prices
 that none can compete. Suits made to
 order, by one of best tailors in the state,
 and perfect fits guaranteed.

—All farmers especially, are
 wishing for fair weather and a cessation
 of the wet spell. Should April and May
 be as wet as some of the previous
 months, many farmers will be unable to
 get through with their spring work on
 the fields. Some farmers did much of
 their plowing during the occasional
 bright days in the winter, and are that
 much ahead, some got all their spring
 plowing done in the winter.

—Finest assortment and best quality
 of dried and foreign fruits to be found
 at Benner's new stand at the station.
 Everything in grocery line fresh and
 new, as well as new prices. All kinds
 of produce wanted.

LEGAL NOTICE.—NOTICE IS HEREBY
 given that the account of Constant Curtis,
 Committee of Samuel Halderman, (a lunatic),
 now deceased, has been filed in the Court of Com-
 mons, Pleas of Centre County, and that unless ex-
 ceptions thereto be filed on or before Tuesday
 the 29th day of April, 1890, the same will be con-
 sidered as confirmed. And the account of John I. Rogers, as-
 signee of Holt and Chipman and Chipman and
 Holt, also report and account of John I. Rogers as
 assignee of the Coalfield Coal Company,
 affirmed.
 L. A. SCHAEFFER, Prothonotary
 Belleville, March 26, 1890.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—LETTERS
 of Administration upon the estate of
 Mary Royer, dec'd., of Potter twp., having been
 lawfully granted to the undersigned he would re-
 spectfully request all persons knowing them-
 selves indebted to the estate to make immediate
 payment, and those having claims against the
 same to present them duly authenticated for set-
 tlement.
 GEO. W. SPANGLER, Adm'r.
 Tunesville.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—LETTERS
 of administration upon the estate of Re-
 becca Weaver, dec'd., of Gregg twp., having been
 lawfully granted to the undersigned he would
 respectfully request all persons knowing them-
 selves indebted to the estate to make immediate
 payment, and those having claims against the
 same to present them duly authenticated for set-
 tlement.
 M. L. RISHEL, Adm'r.
 Farmers Mills.

BUSH HOUSE,
 DAGGATT & ELLIOTT, proprietors, Belleville.
 Special attention given to country trade. ap19

ST. ELMO HOTEL,
 No. 317 & 319 Arch Street, Philadelphia
 Reduced rates to \$2.00 per day. The
 traveling public will still find at this ho-
 tel the same liberal provision for their
 comfort. It is located in the immediate
 centre of business and places of am use-
 ment and different railroad depots as well
 as all parts of the city, are easily accessible
 by Street Cars constantly passing the
 doors. It offers special inducements
 to those visiting the city for business
 pleasure.
 Your patronage respectfully solicited
 JOS. M. FRIGER, Prop'r

Notice.
 Lee and Arney wish to inform the
 public that they are now ready to con-
 tract for all kinds of Painting, Graining,
 Paper Hanging, Oil Finishing, etc.
 Prices reasonable, and satisfaction guar-
 anteed.
 LEE & ARNEY,
 Centre Hall.

SPRING TERM.
 Prof. H. C. Rothrock, principal of the
 Centre Hall schools, will open a select
 school at this place, commencing on
 Monday, April 14, and continue ten
 weeks. Special classes will be formed
 for those preparing to teach. Rates
 reasonable.

DRUNKENNESS.—LIQUOR HABIT.—In all the
 World there is but One Cure, Dr. Haines'
 Golden Specific.
 It can be given in a cup of tea or coffee, with-
 out the knowledge of the person taking it, effect-
 ing a speedy and permanent cure, whether the
 patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic
 wreck. Thousands of drunkards have been cured
 who have taken the Golden Specific in their
 coffee without their knowledge, and today think
 they quit drinking of their own free will. No
 harmful effect results from its administration.
 Cures guaranteed. Send for circular and full
 particulars. Address in confidence, GOLDEN
 SPECIFIC CO., 185 Race St., Cincinnati, O. certily

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 in advance, and send us the name of a
 new subscriber with \$1.50, we will send
 you and the new name the Pittsburg
 Weekly Chronicle Telegraph, one year
 free. The Chronicle Telegraph is a large
 8page weekly paper, contains news from
 all over the world besides other valuable
 reading matter. If you wish to have the
 benefits of this offer, act at once, and get
 a large paper free, as a premium.

Words of Advice
 To those who require a stimulant. There are
 many to whom we could recommend you. We
 think there are just as many honest liquor deal-
 ers as there are dealers in any other class of mer-
 chandise, and again we believe that there are
 many who sell whiskey or any other commodity,
 who are not reliable. We have noticed that our
 best physicians and surgeons, who are highly recom-
 mended by their testimonials, highly recommended
 Klein's Silver Age. They therefore
 the place in which we would advise every one to
 buy. He sells six year old Guckenheimer, Fitch,
 Gibson or Overholt for \$1 per full quart or six
 quarts for \$5. Wines, Brandy and Utes, cheap
 as the cheapest. Send for complete catalogue and
 price list to
 MAX KEVIN,
 24 Federal St.,
 Allegheny, Pa.

Died.
 NEEF.—March 26, Charles Neef, son of Wm. and
 Agnes Neef, aged 10 days.
 Little children die—some in the bud; some in
 the full blossom, but not too early to render
 heaven fairer and sweeter with their immortal
 bloom. The Divine hand gathers them from
 earthly fields like flowers of exquisite beauty and
 fragrance, to place them in the Dearest man-
 sions above.