

THE CONQUEROR.

He looked at me with pleading eyes. His ardent suit he pressed. My gentle "No" he would not hear, Nor let the subject rest.

When Breathitt's Best Shot Failed.

By SNOWDEN KING.

"Come out and tell a fellow good-by, won't you Ken?" Daw Simpleton drew his horse up before the door of a small mountain cabin, one of the many nestling among the foot-hills of the Cumberland mountains.

NEWS of Pennsylvania

BAER ENTERTAINS FARMERS.

Millionaire Agriculturists Dine With Reading's President. The members of the Farmers' Club, of Philadelphia, were entertained by President Baer, of the Reading Railway, at his country place, Bruin's Choice, along the Schuylkill River, above Reading.

DOG SAVES HIS MISTRESS.

Attacks Cow That Was Trampling Young Woman To Death. Harrisburg (Special).—Miss Clara Rupp was attacked by a maddened cow on her father's farm in Swatara Township. After the enraged animal had knocked her to the ground and was fiercely bellowing and trampling her, a large collie dog succeeded in getting the cow to turn its attacks from his bleeding mistress.

SANDWICH NOT A MEAL.

Consequently Ice Cream Cannot Be Sold As A Desert On Sunday. Altoona (Special).—Magistrate David Kinch has officially decided that a sandwich and a plate of ice cream does not constitute a meal, in the legal sense, for the purpose of avoiding the Sunday blue laws.

Historians Fraternize.

Lancaster (Special).—The Lancaster County Historical Society held its annual outing at Accomac, on the Susquehanna, and entertained the Berks County Historical Society. Addresses were made at the dinner, presided over by S. M. Sener, of Lancaster; by Dr. John W. Jordan, Philadelphia, president of the State Federation of Historical Societies, and R. F. Kelker, Harrisburg, head of the division of State archives.

Killed By Lightning In Field.

Sellinggrove (Special).—So anxious was Michael C. Moyer to replant a cornfield that he continued his labors while a storm was gathering. A bolt of lightning struck and instantly killed him as the work was almost completed. His body was pierced from shoulder to shoulder and show loosened from his feet.

Young Bather Drowned.

Danville (Special).—Fred Miller, the 10-year-old son of Charles Miller, of Riverside, was drowned while swimming with several companions in the river front about a mile below town. The boys suddenly found themselves in deep water and a strong current and when, after a struggle, they reached shore the Miller boy had disappeared.

Argument Was Convincing.

Pottsville (Special).—Jay Sunday, aged 14 years, was shot by a companion, here. The boys had a floundering fight. They had an argument as to whether the gun was loaded. To show Sunday it wasn't, his companion pointed it at him and pulled the trigger. The bullet entered Sunday's leg.

Pittsburg Needs More Workmen.

Pittsburg (Special).—Owing to the dearth of unskilled cheap labor in the Pittsburg district the United States Steel Corporation has sent agents at Ellis Island in an endeavor to secure 5000 and has been fairly successful.

Church Struck By Lightning.

Reading (Special).—A terrific electric storm swept over the southwestern part of the county. The only building damaged was the Wrensing Church, of Gouglersville, which was struck by lightning. The roof was torn up. The rafters were split.

To Kill Every Dog In Town.

Hazleton (Special).—A mad dog played havoc at Gowen and Rock Glen and before he was shot every dog in the two towns, as well as a man and girl were bitten. The State Constabular will be despatched to the towns to kill every dog.

Buried In Bridal Robes.

Chester (Special).—Mrs. Kathryn Sprague Dehner, a well-known member of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, died at her home on Parker Street after a few minutes' illness. The deceased was married only three months ago. She was buried in her bridal robes.

ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Judge Johnson has approved the contract for the erection of a new bridge over Darby Creek, connecting the township of Tinticon to Prospect Park, at a cost of \$68,000. James F. Dougherty, aged 54 years, a well-known hotel man of Danville, and a Democratic politician, who has served a number of terms as member of Council, died at his home, following an illness of six weeks.

EXPLOSION KILLS 7 MINERS

The Bodies Torn and Clothing Burned Off.

Scranton, Pa. (Special).—Seven men were killed outright and two others seriously injured in two explosions of mine gas in the Johnson No. 1 Mine, at Priceburg. The first explosion, which occurred about 2 o'clock, was caused by the carelessness of a door tender who, by leaving a door open, allowed gas to accumulate in the workings. One man was injured as a result of this explosion. The second explosion, which resulted in the death of seven men and the injury of another, occurred about 5 o'clock and resulted from the ignition of the deadly firedamp which accumulated after the first explosion. Of the eight men who were working in the main gangway at the time of the second explosion, seven were killed instantly.

A runner, who was near the foot of the shaft when the second explosion occurred, quickly gave the alarm and a rescue party hurried to the scene of the explosion. All the victims were frightfully burned, the clothing being burned off most of them. News of the explosion spread rapidly through the village of Priceburg, a mining hamlet just north of Scranton, and hundreds of wives, children and other relatives of those who are employed in the mine hurried to the breaker. So badly disfigured were the remains of those who were killed that identification at the time was impossible, and the wildest excitement prevailed. Hersh measures had to be pursued by the mine officials to keep the crowds back, and hundreds followed the ambulances to undertake establishments. It was with the greatest difficulty that any authentic news of the affair could be learned, because of the excitement that prevailed.

About 1,500 men work in the mine, but as no account was kept of those who had come out before the explosion occurred, it is impossible to determine until the rescuing party returns if the present death list is complete.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

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Ad Infinitum.

D. B. Rundle of Rock Port, Atchison county, tells of the success his brother had several years ago fishing in the Missouri river near their father's farm. He set a trot line one night baited with minnows. On examining the line next morning, they found the catch included a 140-pound catfish, which had swallowed the hook. When the hook was pulled from its mouth it brought with it a white perch weighing five or six pounds, which had previously swallowed the hook, and, in removing the hook from the perch, was found a chub weighing one or two pounds that had swallowed the minnow.—Kansas City Star.

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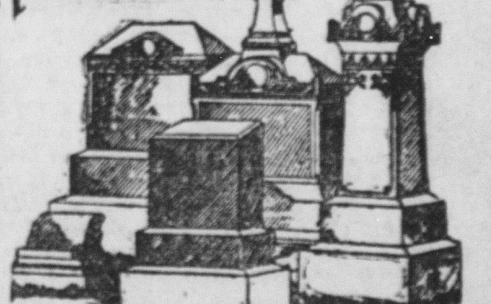
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