

# NEWS OF PENNSYLVANIA

## FIGHT WITH CATAMOUNT.

untingdon (Special).—The extreme cold and deep snows have caused the more ferocious of the wild animals in this section to become exceedingly dangerous. Bears, wildcats and catamounts, driven down from the mountains, are devastating the farmers' stock, and in several instances have attacked pedestrians on the public roads. Sergeant Russell R. Henry, a veteran of the Civil War, who resides about five miles from this city, left here for his home, his route being along the base of Terrace Mountain.

Within a mile of his destination he was attacked by a large catamount, which sprang upon him from an over-hanging rock, after dogging his footsteps for more than a mile. Mr Henry was borne to the ground by the shock, and momentarily rendered insensible. A fox hound which accompanied him gave battle to the catamount until Mr. Henry recovered, when it succeeded in drawing his pocket knife. A furious struggle between the man and dog and starving beast followed, in which the dog was killed, and Mr. Henry received serious wounds on his face and hands. A neighbor soon after the encounter found Mr. Henry unconscious from loss of blood, and conveyed him to his home, where he is receiving medical attention.

The body of the catamount was found about 200 yards from the scene of the fight. It measured four feet three inches in length, and had died from loss of blood.

## STATE'S FISH PRODUCTION.

Harrisburg (Special).—There are some changes in the method of compiling annual reports in that handed by Fish Commissioner Meehan to the Governor. Tables have been stricken out wherever possible or reduced to the very smallest dimensions. In other places the Commissioner has had the superintendents of the hatcheries expand their reports to him so as to explain the methods in fish culture work pursued during the year and the Commissioner himself in his portion views the entire work of fish hatching.

The report shows a very large amount of work done. There are eight hatcheries from which there were distributed nearly 670,000,000 fish, of which over 300,000,000 were food fishes exclusively, like the white fish, lake herring, shad and yellow perch, and 9,000,000 purely game fish, like trout and bass, and the remainder about 350,000,000 which are classed as both food and game fish, like the wall-eyed pike and pickerel.

Eggs taken from the State hatcheries this year produced 6,000,000 young fish. The stock was so increased that the yield next Autumn should be over 8,000,000 and the following year 10,000,000.

A contract amounting to \$5585 was awarded to the contractor for the erecting of a 70-foot steam tug for egg gathering and patrolling purposes in Lake Erie.

## ELECTION DILEMMA.

Norristown (Special).—Which of the two persons represented by the names, George W. Welker, John S. Moser, John Moser and J. S. Moser, were elected judge of elections in the borough of Red Hill is a question that is causing a great deal of dispute in legal and political circles, and upon which an informal decision has been given in favor of Welker over his chief opponent, John Moser.

All the Mosers named are one and the same person. When it was too late to have the candidates' names printed on the ballot a Citizens' Party was hastily organized in the town and nominated a ticket on which one John S. Moser was a candidate for judge of elections. In marking their ballots his supporters gave him various styles of appellations, with the result that when the votes were counted there were found sixty-three for John Moser, two for John S. Moser, and one for J. S. Moser, against sixty-four for Welker, the Democratic nominee, there being no other candidates for the office. The combined Moser vote beat Welker three, while the highest of any Moser was two short of victory. Welker consulted his attorney here who told him that he was elected.

## BRIGHT TRADE OUTLOOK.

Pittsburg (Special).—Prospects for March in the mills of the Pittsburg and adjoining districts are brighter, according to information given out by the heads of nearly all the large industrial establishments.

In the rail market the principal feature was the Great Northern Railway ordering 45,000 tons of steel rails. The United States Steel Corporation mills will supply 20,000 tons, the Lackawanna Steel Company, 15,000 tons and the Pennsylvania Steel Company, 10,000 tons.

The Isthmian Canal Commission is in the market for 2,500 tons of 70-pound rails, bids for which will close March 16. It is expected that the Carnegie Steel Company will land this contract. The Carnegie Company has just been let a contract for 500 tons of standard sections by the Cumberland & Pennsylvania Railroad. Leading rail experts state that the new rail tonnage this year is likely to exceed 1,500,000 tons.

## REAPPOINTED CHAPLAIN.

Hanover (Special).—Rev. Dr. Daniel Eberly, of this place, who is the senior ranking chaplain in the National Guard of Pennsylvania, his service covering a continuous period of thirty-two years, has just been re-commissioned chaplain of the Eighth Regiment for five years, with the rank of captain, by Governor Stuart.

Dr. Eberly is a veteran of the Civil War and a retired clergyman of the United Brethren Church.

## HIS SUICIDE DELIBERATE.

Norristown (Special).—Seated on a chair in his home, at Lansdale, William Webb blew off the top of his head. Webb's method of suicide was most deliberate and very odd in execution.

He held the stock of the gun firmly between his feet, steadying the barrel with his knees. He attached a string to the trigger and then threw a loop over his big toe. When John Boyle, a neighbor, found his body he had been dead for hours. Illness is supposed to have caused him to commit the deed. Coroner King is investigating the case.

## BOMB IN MAIL FROM ITALY.

Easton (Special).—Newton R. Turner, Easton's City Solicitor, received a package by mail from Italy, and on opening it found a stick of dynamite. It was capped and ready to explode. One end of the stick was burned, showing that the contents had been on fire at one time after being wrapped up.

It could not be learned from what place in Italy the package came. It is supposed it was sent by some one against whom Mr. Turner at some time brought suit for a client.

## DIG POWDER CONTRACT.

Gibbstown (Special).—It is rumored here that the United States Government has just issued tenders for the largest contract for high explosives ever made, to be used on the Panama Canal.

The DuPont people in anticipation of being the successful bidders are making great preparations at their Gibbstown works to fill this order and it is expected the plant will start up with a full working force this week.

## WEDS ON STRETCHER.

Kennett Square (Special).—Plunging down a flight of stairs at three o'clock which resulted in breaking her leg in two places, a bride at 6 and the wedding journey at 7 on a stretcher to the hospital is the unique experience of Mr. James Thompson, of this place.

Mrs. Thompson, formerly Mrs. Mary Gunning, tripped and fell in her home while preparing for her nuptials, but she would not hear of a postponement, and Rev. Father John H. O'Donnell, of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, performed the ceremony according to schedule.

## TEACHERS' STRIKE ENDED.

Scranton (Special).—After the Lackawanna Railroad came to the rescue and sent the School Board of Minooka a fat check, the strike of the teachers was declared off. No conciliation was necessary. The children of Minooka are sad.

The railroad has taken an appeal from the assessor's report and the money was tied up until the company yielded to a truce.

## GOOD CITIZENSHIP LEAGUES.

Chester (Special).—Mrs. Cochrane wife of General Henry Clay Cochrane, has received permission from the Board of Education to form companies among the public school children to be known as "The League of Good Citizenship." The object of the society is to interest the children in good citizenship.

## SPARK FELL IN POWDER KEG.

Ashland (Special).—David Wolfang, aged 40 years, residing at Mowrey, met with a terrible death while at work in the Locust Spring Mine. He was employed as a miner and was standing near a keg of powder, when a spark ignited the powder and it exploded, blowing off his head.

## STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

A. B. Harnish, a Mechanicsburg grain dealer, against whom six charges had been made by the Pure Food Department, calling into question a poultry food, plead guilty to two charges and was fined one hundred dollars by Magistrate Hughes, of Carlisle.

Dr. Joseph Kalbus, of Harrisburg, secretary of the Pennsylvania State Game Commission, in an address in the Monroe County court house touched upon the subject of much-discussed sportsman's dollar tax bill. He believed that \$100,000 could be raised yearly if the State would impose a tax of a dollar on each sportsman.

Mrs. Harriet Livingston, of Newberry died on the platform of the Pennsylvania station, in Williamsport, while waiting to take a train to go on a visit to relatives in the West, who had not seen her for many years.

Emory McQuate, aged 6, of Six Mile Run, was playing with dynamite railroad caps and exploded one, shattering his left hand. Frightened he bit down on the cap in his mouth, shattering his face. His condition is critical.

The sixty-third anniversary of the chartering of the Symmetry Lodge, No. 102, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Hamburg, attracted a large outpouring of the members and their wives and friends to Armory Hall. Grand Master Hart, of Harrisburg, was the guest of honor.

Edward Bloss, a youth under twenty, plead guilty at Stroudsburg to the theft of twenty dollars and was sentenced to two years in the Eastern Penitentiary.

Dr. T. M. Sanderling, the oldest dentist in Scranton, died after an operation, at the age of 72. He was a veteran of the Civil War, and a member of Ezra Griffin Post.

The Philadelphia and Reading Railway shops at Newberry Junction were ordered to work full time and all of the men laid off during the period of inactivity reinstated.

# THE PULPIT.

AN ELOQUENT SUNDAY SERMON BY DR. DWIGHT E. MARVIN.

Subject: True Greatness

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Preaching Sunday morning in the Flatbush Presbyterian Church on "True Greatness," the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Dwight E. Marvin, took for his text John 10:41: "John, indeed, did no sign; but all things whatsoever John spoke of this man were true." In the course of his sermon Dr. Marvin said:

John did no miracles; yet he was great, the greatest of the prophets. Human nature loves the marvelous. Men turn and look in wonder at the feats of the performer on the trapeze, whether it be in theology, business, politics or science. Dazzling feats of mind and body give a false view of life. John did not measure his greatness by that of others; he was too much absorbed in his mission to think of the work of his fellow men. Like Moses, who "wist not that his face shone" when he came down from the Mount of Communion, John went to the river bank to preach in obliviousness of his own superiority to others. To himself he seemed but a voice, a breath, or a slave unworthy to loosa Messiah's sandals. Yet John was ambitious; he aspired to a position of faithfulness that would make him worthy of his calling. Ambition is natural to men; indeed there is little hope for advancement in life without it. Young people are sometimes advised to which they are placed and crush all desire to rise themselves. Ambition is right and praiseworthy when it is founded on humility and obedience; it is wrong when grounded in pride and selfishness. Daniel was ambitious to make known the power of Jehovah in the land of his captivity. Joshua was ambitious to be a worthy successor of Moses. Paul was ambitious to plant the standard of the cross in every town of Asia Minor. John the Apostle was ambitious to repeat the vision that came to him on Patmos, and Jesus was ambitious to save the world.

In studying the life of John the Baptist we discover four things that made him great: He was faithful to his call; he was humble in his service; he had a vivid realization of the presence of the Messiah; and he was devout in all that he did.

Perhaps there is nothing that is needed more to-day than a stronger sense of reality in our religious lives. A clearer vision of the presence and power of God. We have in our churches machinery enough; we have organizations and committees in abundance. Have we forgotten that without a deep and abiding realization of a living Christ these things are vain?

What does a drowning man desire most of all? A fine discourse on the art of swimming? A pamphlet on the buoyancy of salt water? A schedule of statistics on physical endurance? Would not these things be to him a mockery? What his soul most desires is a plank, a boat, a rope, a helping hand. What does the needy world want more than all else? A sermon on the art of spiritual notation? A book on the uplifting power of human nature? A statement regarding religious instincts? No; to an immortal being engulfed by sin these are a mere mockery. The world to-day is calling for a real Saviour, one who is present, to lift and strengthen and guide. This is an age of negotiations, an age in which slight reference is made to the blood atonement. But the crying need of men, as of old, is the preaching of Christ a crucified and risen Lord. By faith we become identified with Him, by faith we accept His sacrifice, by faith we are united with Him to the cross. By faith we rise with Him in newness of life, by faith we partake of divine power. Yes, we need a real Saviour.

But again we find John's greatness shown in his devotion. He was not a word repeater. He cared little for forms. Creed making was not in his line of work. He had outgrown the rudiments of life and had come to know the secret of power. The set rules of the schoolroom are important in their place, but in after life we forget them, having adopted the principles that they expressed. Words become nothing to us when they have done their work and fixed their meaning in our lives. John was possessed with a realization that he was commissioned by the Almighty to proclaim a great fact. His whole soul was thrilled with the thought. He was on fire with a divine enthusiasm. He had no inclination to cover the old form of his call, but rather to do his work under the impulse of a new soul ambition. Who ever heard of any man being permanently healed who was on fire with a great truth? We say that circumstances are against us. Not so. It is our faithlessness that hinders our devotion. The world always believes in the man who himself believes. The crowd always makes way for the man of faith. The trouble is we keep conning over our old formulas instead of allowing ourselves to be swept up by great convictions. We repeat our creed and say, "I believe in God Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord," but the statement does not take hold of us and inspire us to action.

Do you want to be great? It is a laudable ambition. But you will never become so if you measure greatness by show. John did no miracles. True greatness comes by faithfulness, humility, a sense of reality and devotion. Emotions pass, but principles abide. It's the man at the lever and not the man on the trapeze that is exalted.

## Personal Religion.

Christianity is individualistic. A man cannot hold this religion in his wife's name. If he does not possess it in his own heart, as far as he is concerned, it is non-existent.—Rev. A. Gillis, Methodist, New York City.

## Death.

In death the spiritual body emerges from the fleshly body and is adjusted to its spiritual environment.—Rev. A. C. Smith, Christian Church, New Orleans.

enough to stand for truth and righteousness.

John's greatness was seen not merely in his faithfulness but also in his humility. Humility is not what most men think it is. It is a common opinion that it consists in thinking meanly of oneself, of disparaging oneself before others. How can a man think meanly of himself when he realizes that he is made in the image of God, that he possesses a divine nature, that he is of sufficient value to call forth the sacrifice of the Son of God? No; man was not made to crawl but to climb. Humility consists in a willingness on our greatness to stoop to the lowliest children of earth and lift up the fallen, comfort the sorrowing, strengthen the weak, to yield ourselves, as did Christ, willing sacrifices for our fellow men. John knew the importance of his commission; he felt himself honored in being selected to proclaim the coming Messiah, yet he reckoned himself a mere voice crying in the wilderness, or a bond-servant, unworthy to minister to his God. We have read that an order being given to adorn the walls of the House of Commons with pictures, Haydon sent a petition to Parliament, asking that he might have the privilege of painting one of them, and begged at the same time that, if his request were denied, he might be granted the right to paint a single figure, and that if that should be refused, that he should be allowed to put on a few touches. Fearing, lest even this last desire should not be granted, he petitioned the government to let him mix the colors for the artist, rather than be excluded entirely from participation, permit him to hold their brushes. So great and exalted was the work to be done that, with true artistic longing, he felt that he would be honored in the lowliest service. Herein we find the secret of true humility, the willingness to minister in the lowliest places and to the most degraded of our fellow men, while possessing a sense of our greatness as children of the Highest, if only we can be used of God in advancing His purposes in the world.

Still further, we see John's greatness revealed in his realization of the presence of Christ. To him the Messiah had ceased to be a coming deliverer; He was a present leader, a contemporary. Moved by this profound conviction he felt as did the Apostle Paul, that he had but one mission in life, to herald the presence of his Lord.

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## RECIPES.

Vanilla Sugar Cookies.—One cup sugar, 1 egg, 5 tablespoons sweet milk, 1/2 cup butter, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 tablespoon vanilla, flour to roll thin and bake in a quick oven.

Molasses Hermits.—Three-fourths cup of molasses, 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 cup water, 1/2 cup butter and 1/2 cup raisins, 2 teaspoons saleratus, all kinds of spice; flour to roll.

Custard Cake.—Three eggs (yolks and whites beaten separately); 1 cup powdered sugar, 1 1/2 cups flour, 1/2 teaspoonful soda, 1 teaspoonful cream of tartar and a pinch of salt.

Custard (for same).—One pint milk, 1 cup sugar, 2 eggs, 2 tablespoons cornstarch or flour; flavor with lemon. Bake in 2 round tins. Fill with custard.

Cake.—Beat 2 eggs lightly; add 1 cup sugar, 1 cup milk, 3/4 cup melted butter, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2 cups flour, into 1 of the cups put a heaping teaspoon of baking powder. Bake in a moderate oven 1 1/2 hour.

English Cream.—Scald 1 pint of milk less half a cup; mix the half cup of milk with half a cup of flour and stir into the scalded milk. Continue stirring until the mixture thickens, then let cool 15 minutes—stirring occasionally.—Beat 2 eggs or 4 yolks; add 3/4 cup of sugar and 1/4 teaspoonful of salt and beat again, then stir into the mixture over the fire until it is evenly blended and the egg is cooked. Then let cool; flavor with a teaspoonful of vanilla and use as above.

Fruit Cake.—One-third cup butter, 3/4 cup brown sugar, 1/2 cup molasses, 1/3 cup milk, 2 eggs, 2 1/2 cups flour, 2 level teaspoonfuls baking powder, 1/2 level teaspoonful salt, 1/2 teaspoonful cinnamon, 1/2 grated nutmeg, 1 cup raisins cut fine, 1 cup currants, 3 slices of citron cut fine. Bake in a moderate oven 1 hour.

## Breaking the News.

Capt. Pritchard of the Mauretania was talking about sailors.

"We are a bluff lot," he said. "Did you ever hear about the sailor and the parrot?"

"Well, once upon a time an old lady was returning from abroad with a parrot of which she was very fond. She entrusted the bird, with many admonitions, to a sailor for the voyage.

"Seasickness, or something, killed the parrot the third day out. The sailor, knowing how upset the old lady would be, could not bring himself to tell her the sad tidings, but asked a companion, famous for his skill in such matters, to break the bad news to her very, very gently. The man assented.

"And approaching the old lady with a tragical face, the famous news-breaker touched his cap and said: 'I'm afraid that 'ere bird o' yours ain't got to live long, ma'am.'

"'Oh, dear!' exclaimed the old lady in alarm. 'Why?'

"'Cause he's dead,' was the reply."—Washington Star.

# HOUSEHOLD NOTES

## TO CLEAN LACE.

To restore lace, either black or white, when soiled, place it in milk for 12 or 18 hours. The milk becomes acid; the lace should then be gently washed in it and afterwards well rinsed in clean lukewarm water and laid out smooth upon a pillow in the sun.—Boston Post.

## REMOVE MUD FROM SKIRTS.

Wet and rub good bar soap well on the stains. Place it on the washboard, pour turpentine on it and rub well before dipping into the water. If it does not all come out at once, use more turpentine and wash well, soap and boil.—Boston Post.

## TO PROTECT BABIES.

To protect babies from the draughts of winter nights a sleeping bag is on the market, made precisely like those in use by the ranchmen of the far West, except that it is of the daintiest, softest elderdown flannel. The flap may be drawn about the shoulders, thus providing a cozy, warm nest in which the coverlid cannot be tossed aside by the restlessness of the small occupant.—American Cultivator.

## NEEDLEWORK NOTES.

For instance, a pin cushion was noticed decorated with corner designs, including scattered blossoms and butterflies. The tiny blossoms were in different colored linen threads.

A mingling of applique work with fancy stitching is seen on the new fancy work which is to be used on useful articles for bedrooms and dining rooms.

The foliage, of course, was around the bottom edge of the bag, while the flowers came half way to the top.—New Haven Register.

## A GOOD COOLER.

Take a large pail and bore a hole 1 1/2 inch in diameter about 1 1/4 way up and put your pudding in some covered dish (a small lard pail is nice), and have cover on firm. Then pack with snow or very cold water may be used; if so, put a cork in the hole in the side of the pail. As the hole is for the water to run off from the snow, an ice cream freezer may be used the same way. This is nice for anyone who has not any ice and is in a hurry.—Boston Post.

## THE DIRECT EXAMINATION.

Judge—You have been sworn, sir. It behooves you to tell the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

Lawyer (to client who has seated himself in the witness chair)—Did you present your bill to the defendant for payment?

Client—I did.

Lawyer—And what did the defendant say?

Client—He told me to go to the devil.

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Client—I went to you!—Judge.

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Vicar—Ah, I'm sorry, John. But we will converse about that some other time. Just now I want you to go to the plumber's and settle that bill of £4 10s, for thawing out a water pipe. And you might just talk to the man in a careless sort of way, as if it were your own bill.—Punch.

## A Razorless Race.

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## OLD SURGEON.

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"For years I was a coffee drinker until my nervous system was nearly broken down, my hands trembled so I could hardly write, and insomnia tortured me at night.

"Besides, how could I safely perform operations with unsteady hands, using knives and instruments of precision? When I saw plainly the bad effects of coffee, I decided to stop it, and three years ago I prepared some Postum, of which I had received a sample.

"The first cupful surprised me. It was mild, soothing, delicious. At this time I gave some Postum to a friend who was in a similar condition to mine, from the use of coffee.

"A few days after, I met him, and he was full of praise for Postum, declaring he would never return to coffee, but stick to Postum. We then ordered a full supply, and within a short time my nervousness and consequent trembling, as well as insomnia disappeared, blood circulation became normal, no dizziness nor heat flashes.

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"The best food may be spoiled if not properly made. Postum should be boiled according to directions on the pkg. Then it is all right, any one can rely on it. It ought to become the national drink." "There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Road "The Road to Wellville," in pkg.

The Japanese government has decided to establish a tobacco monopoly in Korea. The plan is to be entered into as soon as the Korean police are sufficiently well organized to carry out the matter, but in the meantime there is to be an increase in price to prepare the people for what is to follow.

**What Causes Headache.**  
From October to May, Colds are the most frequent cause of Headache. Laxative Bromo Quinine removes cause. E. W. Grove on box, 25c.

It is estimated that about \$6,000,000 was saved to manufacturers and others last year as a result of the law providing for denatured alcohol.

You ought to be satisfied with nothing less than Nature's favorite, GARDOLIN. Made of Herbs, it overcomes constipation, regulates liver and kidneys, and brings Good Health.

Flint Island, from which the recent eclipse of the sun was observed, is a mere dot on the Pacific 400 miles north of Tahiti.

## CURED HER THREE CHILDREN.

Girls Suffered with Itching Eczema—Baby Had a Tender Skin, Too—Relieved on Cuticura Remedies.

"Some years ago my three little girls had a very bad form of eczema. Itching eruptions formed on the backs of their heads which were simply covered. I tried almost everything, but failed. Then my mother recommended the Cuticura Remedies. I washed my children's heads with Cuticura Soap and then applied the wonderful ointment, Cuticura. I did this four or five times and I can say that they have been entirely cured. I have another baby who is so plump that the folds of skin on his neck were broken and even bled. I used Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment and the next morning the trouble had disappeared. Mme. Napoleon Dupepe, 41 Da-luth St., Montreal, Que., May 21, 1907."

Mexico is to spend \$5,876,000 gold to improve the harbor at Topolobampo.

The earth's atmosphere varies from 120 to 290 miles in depth.

Ich cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Never fails. At druggists.

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